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Airline News

Thanks to [Go! Airlines](#), interisland fares have plummeted from \$89 one way to \$39 one way. And not be left in the dust, both Aloha and Hawaiian matched the fares. Now, to make things even better for those of us that enjoy traveling from one island to another, all three airlines are offering \$29 one way fares, valid for travel through April 30th. And who do you suppose lowered the fare another \$10? Well, if you guessed Aloha or Hawaiian, you would be wrong.

Superferry Update

In spite of all attempts to derail the previously [approved Superferry](#), it looks now as though service will begin in July. We can only hope that Kauai will not be overrun with the brown tree snakes that will hitch a ride; that Oahu drug dealers will not be loading up their vans with illicit substances for sale here; that the homeless will not be driving their cars onto the ferry and then living in them here; that invasive species will not find a home here; that Oahu fisherman will not come over and crowd out the locals in their favorite fishing holes and that the migrating whale population will not be decimated by the new ferry. If we can just overcome those obstacles, then it might be kind of fun to go over to Oahu with your car for the week-end, load it up with goodies and then drive it back. Fares will be a

little more than current low fares--\$42 each way per person plus \$52 for the car. I plan to be one of the first passengers on the ferry, so I'll let you know my impressions sometime in July or August.

Vacation Rentals Favored over Resorts

A recent report by The Kauaian Institute shows that more Hawaii visitors are choosing to stay in short term vacation rentals in our residential communities over resort accommodations. In 2005, over 300,000 visitors chose to stay in either a B&B or rental home. On Kauai, overall vacation rental patrons increased from 73,000 in 2003 to 88,000 in 2005. This represents 4.3% of all Hawaii visitors and 8.1% of Kauai visitors.

Based on data compiled by the Kauaian Institute in 2005, nearly 70,000 visitors chose to stay in one of the 750 rental homes, while approximately 20,000 visitors chose to stay in one of the 172 B&B's on Kauai. For more information visit www.kauaian.net.

Kauai World Challenge

The 5th Annual Kauai World Challenge, co-sponsored by the Hawaii Tourism Authority and the County of Kauai, is a 4-day international paddling event, beginning Thursday, May 10th. The main event, a one-man and surf-ski coastal relay will take place on Saturday, May 12th, beginning at Wailua Beach. Paddlers will relay at Hanamaulu Beach, Kalapaki Beach and Poipu Beach (fronting the Marriott's Waiohai Beach Club) with the race ending at Salt Pond.

Last year, over 100 teams from all over the world came to Kauai to participate in this world-class event. If you are interested in making a contribution to this program (monetary or prize donation), please contact the PBRA office at 742.7444. For more information, visit www.kauaiworldchallenge.com.



Anara Spa Expansion

The Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa's award-winning ANARA Spa has completed Phase I of its 20,000 square foot expansion. The completion of Phase I added 900 square feet to the existing fitness center, allowing for additional cardio equipment; an indoor/outdoor hale for fitness classes, yoga and personal training; an open-air relaxation lounge area, along with a couples massage room, and a private Vichey room.

Phase II of the expansion will include four additional private hale, each of which will include private showers and steam grotto, set in tropical flora and waterfalls for massage treatments. Two private outdoor soaking tubs will be offered in new daylong spa experiences. For more information, visit www.grandhyattkauai.com.

January Visitor Statistics

January visitor arrivals to Kauai were up 8.2% over 2006. By comparison, total visitors to Maui were down 4.3%; the Big Island up 1.5%; and Oahu's arrivals were down 4.6%. It seems more and more visitors to the islands are seeking a more laid back vacation than is possible on Oahu or Maui.

The U.S. domestic market to Kauai showed a 6.1% increase at 84,717 arrivals, with the international market showing an increase of 24.1% with 13,255 arrivals. Kauai's visitors from U.S. Western areas increased 8.1% while visitors from U.S. Eastern areas increased 1.8%. It just costs a lot more to get to Kauai from New York or Boston than it does from San Francisco or Los Angeles.


Visitors to Kauai from Japan were down 27.5%. The majority of Japanese tourists continue to go to Oahu. Must be the very dense Honolulu population coupled with high rise buildings remind them of home. Canadian visitors to Kauai were down 7.6%. You don't even need the new math to figure this one out. With an exchange rate that does not favor them and results Canadians paying higher prices on everything when they come here, it's no wonder fewer did.

Na Wahine Fest 2007

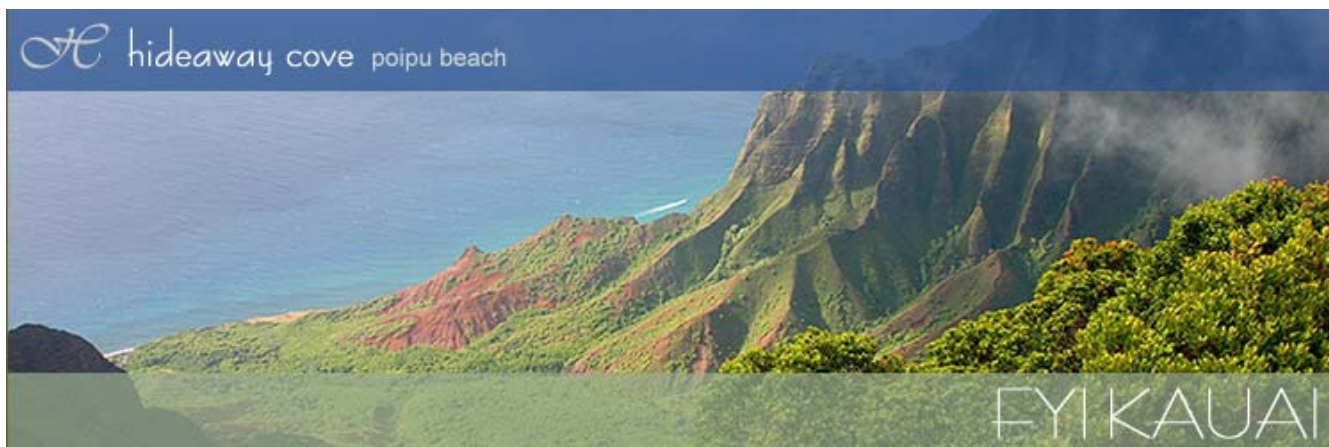
An all-day music festival to benefit the [YWCA of Kauai](http://www.ywca.org) will be held on March 31st from 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Kapaa Beach Park. The event is intended to honor the feminine principle that creates and sustains life and its role in creating a more sovereign and sustainable community; galvanize Kauai's non-profit, grass-roots and volunteer sectors and their ability to create a better organized and informed community; and celebrate Kauai's artists and musicians in their role inspiring the Spirit of Aloha and the remembrance that we are in fact a community.

There will be lots of great local music, dance and inspirational speakers. Admission is \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door; Keiki and Kupuna get in for free (if you don't know whether or not you're a Keiki or Kupuna, you probably have to pay). Tickets available at Paradise Music in Princeville, Bounty Music and Small Town Coffee Co. in Kapaa and Nite-Owl T-Shirts in Hanapepe.

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www.bestplaceshawaii.com/calendar/kauai

Visitors and Convention Bureau
www.gohawaii.com/about_hawaii/plan/events_in_hawaii

Festivals
www.kauaifestivals.com

Community events
kauai.alllocalevents.com

Off the beaten path events
www.alternative-hawaii.com/kaucal.htm

Festivals and events
www.kauaidiscovery.com/kauai_festivals+events

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What's Happening at Hideaway Cove



The really big news is that the photography for our new website has been completed. Having seen his work elsewhere, I hired Ken Posney aka Poz Photography. He has done a myriad of terrific work here on Kauai and one of his specialties is real estate photography. That work usually involves photographing homes for realtors, however he really rose to the challenge of taking pictures of all seven of our units plus exterior shots. He had to work around our occupancy schedule, often times coming back two or three times to get just the "right" photo. He also came at sunrise and at sunset to take full advantage of the special light during those times of days.

The results are spectacular! He has really captured what I think is the essence of Hideaway, which was really lacking in our "homemade" photos from seven years ago. We have continued to upgrade and are truly upscale, however you wouldn't know it from our photos. So hopefully, with these new shots, we won't have as many people saying "Wow, it's much nicer than we expected". Now we hope they say "Wow, this is just what we expected".

We have a sampling of the photos posted on our vrbo listings. So if you're curious to see a preview prior to our whole new website, go to www.vrbo.com and then enter these numbers in: [10150](#), [31914](#) and [32520](#). Those of you who have stayed with us will no doubt recognize some of the locations. Many of the photos are so artfully done, that I wasn't even sure where Ken shot them. In one case I asked where the gorgeous flower shot came from and he said "Right here at Hideaway". Go figure.

Needless to say I'm delighted with the results. It represents two and a half months of hard work and has really been worth it. I can't wait until we have the slide show, set to Hawaiian music, up on the website. Kudos to Ken Posney. If you ever need any photography done on Kauai, he is the one to see! He can be found at www.kenposney.com.

Send Your Positive Hideaway Cove Comments to TripAdvisor.com

If you have stayed with us and can take a moment to share your thoughts at this website: <http://www.tripadvisor.com>, we would very much appreciate it. We're currently ranked number three in Poipu, due primarily to a lack of comments. We've been told by several different sources that travelers not familiar with Kauai are increasing relying on this site for advice. So please take a moment and help us obtain that #1 ranking! Mahalo!


Still Waiting to Sign our Online Guestbook? Now's The Perfect Time!


Thanks to everyone for the time you spend sharing your comments in our guest book. If you've been thinking of adding your comments, why not take a moment and do it now! Just click on this link: <http://www.hideawaycove.com/testimonials.html>. Your comments help our future guests get a unbiased idea of what a stay with us is really like. Many mahalos (thanks)



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A Little Bit of Laughter



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A Resolution for 2007

To start the year off right this year, my wife (the dear) purchased a week of personal training at the local health club for me. Although I am still in great shape since playing on my college football team 25 years ago, I decided it would be a good idea to go ahead and give it a try.

Called the club and made my reservations with a personal trainer named Belinda, who identified herself as a 26-year-old aerobics instructor and model for athletic clothing and swim wear.

My wife seemed pleased with my enthusiasm to get started! The club encouraged me to keep a diary to chart my progress...

Monday:

Started my day at 6:00am. Tough to get out of bed, but found it was well worth it when I arrived at the health club to find Belinda waiting for me. She is something of a Greek goddess-with blonde hair, dancing eyes and a dazzling white smile. Belinda gave me a tour and showed me the machines. She took my pulse after five minutes on the treadmill. She was alarmed that my pulse was so fast, but I attribute it to standing next to her in her Lycra aerobic outfit.

I enjoyed watching the skillful way in which she conducted her aerobics class after my workout today. Very inspiring. Belinda was encouraging as I did my sit-ups, although my gut was already aching from holding it in the whole time she was around. This is going to be a FANTASTIC week!!

Tuesday:

I drank a whole pot of coffee, but I finally made it out the door. Belinda made me lie on my back and push a heavy iron bar into the air then she put weights on it! My legs were a little wobbly on the treadmill, but I made the full mile. Belinda's rewarding smile made it all

worthwhile. I feel GREAT!! It's a whole new life for me.

Wednesday:

The only way I can brush my teeth is by laying on the toothbrush on the counter and moving my mouth back and forth over it. I believe I have a hernia in both pectorals. Driving was OK as long as I didn't try to steer or stop. I parked on top of a GEO in the club parking lot. Belinda was impatient with me, insisting that my screams bothered other club members.

Her voice is a little too perky for early in the morning and when she scolds, she gets this nasally whine that is VERY annoying. My chest hurt when I got on the treadmill, so Belinda put me on the stair monster. Why the hell would anyone invent a machine to simulate an activity rendered obsolete by elevators? Belinda told me it would help me getting shape and enjoy life.

Thursday:

Belinda was waiting for me with her vampire-like teeth exposed as her thin, cruel lips were pulled back in a full snarl. I couldn't help being a half an hour late, it took me that long to tie my shoes. Belinda took me to work out with dumbbells. When she was not looking, I ran and hid in the men's room. She sent Lars to find me, then, as punishment, put me on the rowing machine - which I sank.

Friday:

I hate that bitch Belinda more than any human being has ever hated any other human being in the history of the world. Stupid, skinny, anemic little cheerleader. If there was a part of my body I could move without unbearable pain, I would beat her with it. Belinda wanted me to work on my triceps. I don't have any triceps!

And if you don't want dents in the floor, don't hand me the barbells or anything that weighs more than a sandwich. (Which I am sure you learned in the sadist school you attended and graduated magna cum laude from.) The treadmill flung me off and I landed on a health and nutrition teacher. Why couldn't it have been someone softer, like the drama coach or the choir director?

Saturday:

Belinda left a message on my answering machine in her grating, shrilly voice wondering why I did not show up today. Just hearing her made me want to smash the machine with my planner. However, I lacked the strength to even use the TV remote and ended up catching eleven straight hours of the Weather Channel.

Sunday:

I'm having the Church van pick me up for services today so I can go and thank GOD that this week is over. I will also pray that next year my wife will choose a gift for me that is fun. Perhaps something like a root canal or a vasectomy.

Reflections about the past year

Just reflecting on all the good email I received last year.

I must send my thanks to whoever sent me the one about rat poop in the glue on envelopes because I now have to use a wet towel with every envelope that needs sealing.

Also, now I have to scrub the top of every can I open for the same reason.

I no longer have any savings because I gave it to a sick girl (Penny Brown) who is about to die in the hospital for the 1,387,258th time.

I no longer have any money at all, but that will change once I receive the \$15,000 that Bill Gates/Microsoft and AOL are sending me for participating in their special e-mail program.

I don't worry about my soul because I have 363,214 angels looking out for me, and St. Theresa's novena has granted my every wish.

I no longer eat at KFC because their chickens are actually horrible mutant freaks with no eyes or feathers.

I no longer use cancer-causing deodorants even though I smell like a water buffalo on a hot day.

Thanks to you, I have learned that my prayers only get answered if I forward an e-mail to seven of my friends and make a wish within five minutes.

Because of your concern I no longer drink Coca Cola because it can remove toilet stains.

I no longer can buy gasoline without taking a man along to watch the car so a serial killer won't crawl in my back seat when I'm pumping gas.

I no longer drink Pepsi or Dr. Pepper since the people who make these products are atheists who refuse to put "Under God" on their cans.

I no longer use Saran wrap in the microwave because it causes cancer.

And thanks for letting me know I can't boil a cup water in the microwave anymore because it will blow up in my face...disfiguring me for life.

I no longer check the coin return on pay phones because I could be pricked with a needle infected with AIDS.

I no longer go to shopping malls because someone will drug me with a perfume sample and rob me.

I no longer receive packages from UPS or FedEx since they are actually Al Qaeda in disguise.

I no longer shop at Target since they are French and don't support our American troops or the Salvation Army.

I no longer answer the phone because someone will ask me to dial a number for which I will get a phone bill with calls to Jamaica , Uganda, Singapore, and Uzbekistan .

I no longer have any sneakers -- but that will change once I receive my free replacement pair from Nike.

I no longer buy expensive cookies from Neiman Marcus since I now have their recipe.

Thanks to you, I can't use anyone's toilet but mine because a big brown African spider is lurking under the seat to cause me instant death when it bites my butt.

Thank you too for all the endless advice Andy Rooney and Maxine has given us. I can live a better life now because they've told us how to fix everything.

And thanks to your great advice, I can't ever pick up the \$5.00 I found dropped in the parking lot because it probably was placed there by a sex molester waiting underneath my car to grab my leg.

If you don't send this e-mail to at least 144,000 people in the next 70 minutes, a large dove with diarrhea will land on your head at 5:00 PM this afternoon and the fleas from 12 camels will infest your back, causing you to grow a hairy hump. I know this will occur because it actually happened to a friend of my next door neighbor's ex-mother-in-law's second husband's cousin's beautician.

By the way, a South American scientist from Argentina, after a lengthy study, has discovered that people with insufficient brain and sexual activity read their e-mail with their hand on the mouse.

Don't bother taking it off now, it's too late.....

George Carlin's rules for 2007

Rule #1: Stop giving me that pop-up ad for classmates.com! There's a reason you don't talk to people for 25 years. Because you don't particularly like them! Besides, I already know what the captain of the football team is doing these days . . . mowing my lawn.

Rule #2: Don't eat anything that's served to you out a window unless you're a seagull. People are acting all shocked that a human finger was found in a bowl of Wendy's chili. Hey, it cost less than a dollar. What 'd you expect it to contain? Trout?

Rule #3: If you need to shave and you still collect baseball cards, you're a dope. If you're a kid, the cards are keepsakes of your idols. If you're a grown man, they're pictures of other men.

Rule #4: Ladies, leave your eyebrows alone. Here's how much men care about your eyebrows: Do you have two of them? Okay, we're done.

Rule #5: There's no such thing as flavored water. There's a whole aisle of this crap at the supermarket, water, but without that watery taste. Sorry, but flavored water is called a soft drink. You want flavored water? Pour some scotch over ice and let it melt. That's your flavored water.

Rule #6: Stop screwing with old people. Target is introducing a redesigned pill bottle that's square, with a bigger label. And the top is now the bottom. And by the time grandpa figures out how to open it, his butt will be in the morgue. Congratulations, Target, you just solved the Social Security crisis.

Rule #7: Just because your tattoo has Chinese characters in it doesn't make you spiritual. It's right above the crack of your ass. And it translates to "beef with broccoli." The last time you did anything spiritual, you were praying to God you weren't pregnant. You're not spiritual. You're just high.

Rule #8: I don't need a bigger bag of mega M&Ms. If I'm extra hungry for M&Ms, I'll go nuts and eat two bags.

Rule #9: And this one is long overdue: No more bathroom attendants. After I zip up, some guy is offering me a towel and a mint like I just had sex with George Michael. I can't even tell if he's supposed to be there, or just some freak with a fetish. I don't want to be on your web cam, dude. I just want to wash my hands.

Rule #10: If you ever hope to be a credible adult and want a job that pays better than minimum wage, then for God's sake don't pierce or tattoo every available piece of flesh. If so, then plan your future around saying, "Do you want fries with that"?

Too Hot Today

"It's just too hot to wear clothes today," Jack says as he stepped out of the shower,

"Honey, what do you think the neighbors would think if I mowed the lawn like this?" "Probably that I married you for your money," she replied.

Wild Bears in the Woods

A priest, a Pentecostal preacher and a Rabbi all served as chaplains to the students of Northern Michigan University in Marquette. They would get together two or three times a week for coffee and to talk shop.

One day, someone made the comment that preaching to people isn't really all that hard.

A real challenge would be to preach to a bear.

One thing led to another and they decided to do an experiment.

They would all go out into the woods, find a bear, preach to it, and attempt to convert it.

Seven days later, they're all together in the hospital to discuss the experience.

Father Flannery, who has his arm in a sling, is on crutches, and has various bandages, goes first.

"Well," he says, "I went into the woods to find me a bear. And when I found him I began to read to him from the Catechism. Well, that bear wanted nothing to do with me and began to slap me around. So I quickly grabbed my holy water, sprinkled him and, Holy Mary Mother of God, he became as gentle a lamb. The bishop is coming out next week to give him first communion and confirmation.

Reverend Billy Bob spoke next.

He was in a wheelchair, with an arm and both legs in casts, and an IV drip. In his best fire and brimstone oratory he claimed, "WELL brothers, you KNOW that we don't sprinkle! I went out and I FOUND me a bear. And then I began to read to my bear from God's HOLY WORD! But that bear wanted nothing to do with me. So I took HOLD of him and we began to wrestle. We wrestled down one hill, UP another and DOWN another until we came to a creek. So I quick DUNKED him and BAPTIZED his hairy soul. And just like you said, he became as gentle as a lamb. We spent the rest of the week in Fellowship, feasting on God's Holy Word, and praising Jesus." They both looked down at the rabbi, who was lying in a hospital bed.

He was in a body cast and traction with IV's and monitors running in and out of him.

He was in bad shape.

The rabbi looks up and says, "Looking back on it, circumcision may not have been the best way to start things out with my bear".

Three Italian Nuns

Three Italian nuns die and go to heaven.

At the Pearly Gates, they are met by St. Peter.

He says "Sisters, you all led such wonderful lives that I'm granting you six months to go back to earth and be anyone you want to be."

The first nun says, "I want to be Sophia Loren;" and *poof* she's gone.

The second says, "I want to be Madonna;" and *poof* she's gone.

The third says, "I want to be Sara Pipalini."

St. Peter looks perplexed. "Who?" he says.

"Sara Pipalini;" replies the nun.

St. Peter shakes his head and says; "I'm sorry, but that name just doesn't ring a bell."

The nun then takes a newspaper out of her habit and hands it to St. Peter.

He reads the paper and starts laughing.

He hands it back to her and says "No sister, the paper says it was the 'Sahara Pipeline' that was laid by 1,400 men in 6 months."

Ex-Girlfriend

A man and his wife are dining at a table in a plush restaurant, and the husband keeps staring at a drunken lady swigging her drink as she sits alone at a nearby table.

The wife asks, "Do you know her?"

"Yes," sighs the husband, "she's my ex-girlfriend. I understand she took to drinking right after we split up seven years ago, and I hear she hasn't been sober since."

"My God!" says the wife. "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

The Three Roses

A woman goes to her doctor and says she wants an operation because her vaginal lips are much too large.

She asks the doctor to keep the operation a secret as she's embarrassed and doesn't want anyone to find out.

The doctor agrees.

She wakes up from her operation and finds three roses carefully placed beside her bed.
 Outraged, she immediately calls the doctor and says, "I thought I asked you not to tell anyone about my operation!"
 "Don't worry," he says, "I didn't tell anybody."
 The first rose is from me.
 I felt bad because you went through this all by yourself.
 The second one is from my nurse.
 She assisted me with the operation, and she has had the same operation done on herself."
 "Who is the third rose from?" she asked.
 Oh," says the doctor, "That rose is from a guy upstairs in the burn unit.
 He wanted to thank you for his new ears."

Do You Know, or Do You Care?

Early politicians required feedback from the public to determine what was considered important to the people. Since there were no telephones, TV's or radios, the politicians sent their assistants to local taverns, pubs, and bars who were told to "go sip some ale" and listen to people's conversations and political concerns. Many assistants were dispatched at different times. "You go sip here" and "You go sip there." The two words "go sip" were eventually combined when referring to the local opinion and, thus we have the term "gossip."

The Epiphany

I watched an ant climb a blade of grass this morning. When he reached the top, his weight bent the blade down to the ground. Then, twisting his thorax with insectile precision, he grabbed hold of the next blade. In this manner, he traveled across the lawn, covering as much distance vertically as he did horizontally, which amused and delighted me.

And then, all at once, I had what is sometimes called an "epiphany", a moment of heightened awareness in which everything becomes clear. Yes, hunched over that ant on my hands and knees, I suddenly knew what I had to do...

Quit drinking before noon.

Old Proverbs/New Meanings

A first grade school teacher in Virginia had twenty-five students in her class. She presented each child in her classroom the first half of a well known proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb. While reading, keep in mind that these are first graders, most of them 6-year-olds.

Don't change horses□.until they stop running.
 Strike while the□.bug is close.
 It's always darkest before□.Daylight Savings Time.
 Never underestimate the power of□.termites.
 You can lead a horse to water but□.how?
 Don't bite the hand that□.looks dirty.
 A miss is as good as a□.Mr.
 You can't teach an old dog new□.math.
 If you lie down with dogs, you'll□.stink in the morning.
 An idle mind is□.the best way to relax.
 Where there's smoke there's□.pollution.
 Happy the bride who□.gets all the presents.
 A penny saved is□.not much
 Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and□.you have to blow your nose.
 There are none as blind as□.Stevie Wonder.
 Children should be seen and not□.spanked or grounded.
 If at first you don't succeed□.get new batteries.
 Better late than□.pregnant.

Aliens

Two aliens landed in the New Mexico desert near a gas station that had been closed for the night. They approached one of the gas pumps and the younger of the two aliens addressed it. "Greetings, Earthling. We come in peace. Take us to your leader."
 The gas pump (of course) didn't respond.
 The younger alien started to get mad at the lack of response and the older one said, "I wouldn't do that if I were you."
 The younger alien ignored the warning and repeated the greeting.
 Again, there was no response.
 Annoyed by what he perceived to be the pump's haughty attitude, he drew his ray gun and said impatiently, "Greetings Earthling. We

come in peace. Do not ignore us in this way! Take us to your leader, or I will fire."

The older alien again warned his comrade, "You don't want to do that; You really don't want to make him mad!"

"Rubbish,!" replied the younger alien. He aimed his weapon at the pump and fired.

There was a huge explosion.

A massive fireball roared outwards and towards them and blew the younger alien off his feet and deposited him in a burnt and crumpled mess 200 yards away in a cactus patch.

Thirty Earth minutes later, when he finally regained consciousness, refocused his three eyes and straightened his bent antenna, he looked dazedly up at the wiser one, who was standing over him, slowly shaking his big green head.

"What a ferocious creature," said the young fried one. "It damn near killed us! How did you know it was so dangerous?"

The older alien leaned over, and said "If there's one thing I've learned during my travels through the galaxy," "When a guy has a pecker he can wrap around himself and stick in his ear; you don't mess with him."

Great Ideas You May Never Have Thought Of.

Flies or bees bothering you? Spray them with hairspray and they will take a quick dive.

Sealed envelope - Put in the freezer for a few hours, then slide a knife under the flap. The envelope can then be resealed. (hmmm...)

For icy doorsteps in freezing temperatures: get warm water and put Dawn dish washing liquid in it. Pour it all over the steps. They won't refreeze.

Permanent marker on appliances/counter tops (like store receipt BLUE)! Rubbing alcohol on paper towel.

Blood stains on clothes? Not to worry! Just pour a little peroxide on cloth and proceed to wipe off every drop of blood. Works every time!

Place fabric softener sheets in dresser drawers and your clothes will smell freshly washed for weeks to come. You can also do this with towels and linen.

Candles will last a lot longer if placed in the freezer for at least 3 hours prior to burning.

To clean artificial flowers, pour some salt into a paper bag and add the flowers. Shake vigorously as the salt will absorb all the dust and dirt and leave your artificial flowers looking like new!

To easily remove burnt on food from your skillet, simply add a drop or two of dish soap and enough water to cover bottom of pan, and bring to a boil on stovetop.

Spray your Tupperware with nonstick cooking spray before pouring in tomato based sauces and there won't be any stains.

Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.

When boiling corn on the cob, add a pinch of sugar to help bring out the corn's natural sweetness.

To get rid of itch from mosquito bites, try applying soap on the area and you will experience instant relief.

Ants, ants, ants everywhere? Well, they are said to never cross a chalk line. So get your chalk out and draw a line on the floor or wherever ants tend to march. See for yourself.

Use air-freshener to clean mirrors. It does a good job and better still, leaves a lovely smell to the shine.

When you get a splinter, reach for the scotch tape before resorting to tweezers or a needle. Simply put the scotch tape over the splinter, and then pull it off. Scotch tape removes most splinters painlessly and easily.

Telephone Call

At dawn the telephone rings.

"Hello, Senor Humphrey? This is Ernesto the caretaker at your country house."

"Ah yes, Ernesto. What can I do for you? Is there a problem?"

"Um, I am just calling to advise you, sir that your parrot died"

"My parrot? Dead? The one that won the International competition?"

"Si senor, that's the one."

"Damn! That's a pity! I spent a small fortune on that bird. What did he die from?"

"From eating rotten meat."

"Rotten meat? Who the hell fed him rotten meat?"

"Nobody senior. He ate the meat of one of the dead horses."

"Dead horse? What dead horse?"

"The thoroughbred, Mr. Lucky. He died from all that work pulling the water cart."

"Are you insane? What water cart?"

"The one we used to put out the fire."

"Good Lord! What fire are you talking about, man?"

"The one at your house! A candle fell and the curtains caught on fire."

"What the.....!!! But there's electricity at the house!!!! What was the candle for?"

"For the funeral."

"WHAT BLOODY FUNERAL?!"

"Your mother's...She showed up one night out of the blue and I thought she was a thief, so I hit her with your new Tiger Woods Nike Driver."

SILENCE.....

"Ernesto if you broke that driver you're fired!!"

English Language

The next time you hear someone struggling with the English language, remember they have had to try and figure out the following:

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) After a number of injections my jaw got number.
- 19) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- 20) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 21) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

Let's face it - English is a tough language to learn if you didn't speak it as a child. There is no egg in eggplant, no ham in hamburger and pineapples don't have either apples or pine. Go figure.

Quick Thinking

A big, mean guy approaches the Produce Clerk demanding, "I want a half head of lettuce!"

The clerk goes to the manager and says, "Some big idiot wants a half head of lettuce..."

He looks over his shoulder and the customer is right behind him.

"...And THIS gentleman would like the other half."

After taking care of the customer, the manager says, "You're quick on your feet.

We need enterprising young people like you who can roll with the punches.

How would you like to manage one of our new locations in Canada?"


To this the young clerk replies, "Only whores and hockey players live in Canada!"

The manager responds, "My wife is Canadian!"

The young clerk replies, "And what position does she play?"

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Thoughts to Ponder



The problem with people who have no vices is that generally you can be pretty sure they're going to have some pretty annoying virtues.

Elizabeth Taylor

I am not young enough to know everything.

Oscar Wilde

Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things.

Peter Drucker

I love being a writer. What I can't stand is the paperwork.

Peter De Vries

Basic research is what I am doing when I don't know what I am doing.

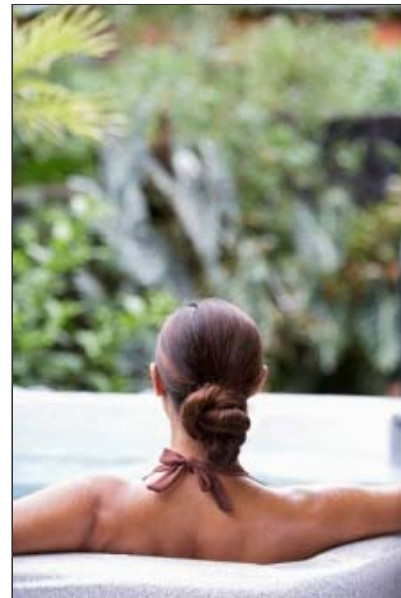
Wernher von Braun

I shall never be ashamed of citing a bad author if the line is good.

Seneca

Those who flee temptation generally leave a forwarding address.

Lane Olinghouse



The greatest difficulties lie where we are not looking for them.

Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

The town where I grew up has a zip code of EIEIO.

Martin Mull

We do what we must, and call it by the best names.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

I don't even butter my bread. I consider that cooking.

Katherine Cebrian

Love is not blind - it sees more, not less. But because it sees more, it is willing to see less.



Rabbi Julius Gordon

Man is the only animal that laughs and has a state legislature.

Samuel Butler


Of all the things I've lost, I miss my mind the most.

Mark Twain

Love is an irresistible desire to be irresistibly desired.

Robert Frost

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Real Estate Corner




In the interest of getting this newsletter published before May 1st, this will be an abbreviated section this month. I apologize to all our faithful readers who are looking for an insightful glimpse into the Kauai Real Estate market each issue. Actually our market has been pretty flat, so there's really not much new to report. Unlike many areas of the mainland, that saw rapid run up in values and are now experiencing rapid declines, Kauai keeps plodding along.

That's not to say that price changes in listed amounts are anything but decreases. But that's because most everyone listed their homes too high to begin with, expecting the market to keep rocketing upward. When actual sales values are looked at, we might be down a few percentage points, but it's nothing drastic. The biggest change is the much longer period of time properties are staying on the market.

Having said that, I'm happy to report that the property Gale and I had listed did finally sell. We priced it aggressively and then negotiated down from there. I say finally because our one acre was on the market quite a while and interestingly enough sold due to a call from our for sale sign rather than through the multiple listing service.

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And the Winner is...



Congratulations to...

Dawn Fidrick from [Brooklyn, New York](#) for winning a \$300 credit toward a future stay at Hideaway Cove. The credit is good for one year, so we'll look forward to seeing Dawn soon! Good luck to everyone for our next drawing.

The winner will be announced in our next issue.

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Year Round Things To Do



Hanapepe Art Night

Every Friday night from 5 - 9 p.m. is Hanapepe Art Night and is unique. Participating galleries take turns being the weekly host gallery, offering original performances or demonstrations which become the theme for that art night. All the galleries are lit up and decked out, giving the town a special atmosphere. Enjoy a stroll down the streets of quaint, historic Hanapepe.

Enjoy free hula shows at the following locations:

Seaview Terrace at Hyatt Regency Resort & Spa, Poipu, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Be sure and call (808) 742-1234 to double check the type of performance. Some nights there is guitar music, others keiki hula with young children performing. If you've never seen 3-9 years olds doing the hula, you should go. It's really a joy to watch.

Kukui's Restaurant at Kauai Marriott Resort & Beach Club, Lihue (on Kalapaki Bay), Wednesday & Saturday shows, 6:30 PM and 8:00 PM Call (808) 245-5050

Coconut Marketplace, Kapaa, 5:00 PM daily (programs vary) Call (808) 822-3641

Happy Talk Lounge at Hanalei Bay Resort, Princeville, Tuesdays 6:30 - 9:30 PM - call (808) 826-6522. Also enjoy live jazz here on Sunday afternoons.

The free Tiare Tahiti Dance Show takes place Monday & Thursday evenings at 5:00 PM, in the courtyard of Poipu Shopping Village. Call (808) 742-2831.



Hawaiian crafts

Watch Hawaiian crafts being created at the Hui Aloha (friendly get-together) in the Sheraton Garden Court Lobby in Poipu from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. This daily display features everything from coconut hats to Niihau shell leis, lauhala baskets and more. Call (808) 742-1661 for further information.

Crater Hill Hikes



Monday through Thursday go on Crater Hill Hikes. From the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, you can join this 2 to 2-1/2 hour hike. Guides discuss the geology of the island and Crater Hill, seabirds and migratory birds, native plants, and marine wildlife that visit Kilauea Point. Spectacular setting including historic Kilauea Point Lighthouse, visitor's center, and grounds open all day. Free with paid entry fee of \$3 to the Wildlife Refuge. Call (808) 828-0168 for reservations.

Gay & Robinson Tour

Monday through Friday take a Gay & Robinson Tour. See Makaweli's sugar irrigation systems Mon - Fri, 8 - 4 p.m. Exhibits show the 17.5 mile Koula Ditch, 13 mile Olokele Ditch, and history of Gay & Robinson, Olokele and Hawaiian Sugar Co. plantations. Free. Call (808) 335-2824.

Kauai Children's Discovery Museum

Tuesdays through Saturdays take the kids to the Kauai Children's Discovery Museum. "Deep Sea Giants" is an amazing interactive exhibit of robotic ocean creatures. Permanent exhibits include multi-cultural keiki village, coral reef at night, virtual reality stations, magic tree house library and more. Admission is \$4.50/\$3.50. Located at Kauai Village Shopping Center in Kapaa. Daily summer camp is offered weekdays. For more information call (808) 823-8222.

Kapaa History Tour

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays go for a Kapaa History Tour. Take walking tours through Kapaa town. Meet at Pono Kai Resort lobby at 10 am. Call (808) 245-3373 for reservations.

Historic Waimea Walking Tour

Mondays are reserved for the Historic Waimea Walking Tour. This 90 minute tour offers a glimpse of historic Waimea town Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Call (808)338-1332.

Sugar Mill Tour

Mondays through Fridays enjoy a Sugar Mill Tour. This two-hour field and factory tour is given twice daily at 9 a.m. and at 1 p.m. There is an admission charge for the tour, but admission to the Visitor Center is free and is open 8 - 4. Kaumakani Ave. Call (808)335-2824 for reservations.

Garden Tours

Mondays through Fridays take advantage of any one of a number of Garden Tours. North shore Limahuli Garden: Restored ancient taro fields, rare species, and spectacular views. (808) 826-1053. Kalaheo Allerton Garden: Exquisite statuary and reflecting pools plus amazing flora. (808) 742-2623. Na Aina Kai: Contemporary sculptures and wonderful grounds. (808) 828-1525.



Walking Tour of Old Waimea Sugar Plantation and Cottages

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays stroll back in time with a Walking Tour of Old Waimea Sugar Plantation and Cottages. The tour meets at 9:00 a.m. and lasts approximately 90 minutes. Volunteers lead you through Waimea Plantation Cottages, a vacation resort of restored plantation houses, and the neighboring Waimea Sugar Company "camp" of houses dating to the turn of the century. Tours are limited to 12 people. For reservations please call (808) 335-2824.

Kauai Museum Tour

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays take a Kauai Museum Tour. Free tours at 10 am with admission. Docents provide interpretation of Kauai and Niihau culture as they lead tours through the Museum's galleries. Call (808) 245-6931 for more information.

Hawaiian Slack Key Music Concerts




Fridays and Sundays perk up your ears for Hawaiian Slack Key Music Concerts. Enjoy a delightful afternoon of live slack key guitar and ukulele with stories of the history of the music, Kauai, endangered species, and more. Free gift drawing! Tickets \$10 (\$8 keiki/kupuna). [Hanalei Community Center](#) - Fridays at 4 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. For more information call (808) 826-1469.

Grove Farm Museum

Grove Farm Museum offers a walking tour of the grounds and building of a sugar plantation home with little bits of Hawaiiiana that are hard to find. Offered daily. Reservations are required and can be made up to three months in advance. (808) 245-3202. Donation of \$5 per adult and \$2 for children 12 and under.

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