

November

2015

December



## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Aloha all. We are nearing the end of another productive year for the Friends of Hanauma Bay.

Due to efforts by the Friends during the past year, we have seen the completion of, or progress on, several projects at the Bay, to include:

- \* Re-thatching of the Education Kiosk on the beach
- \* Roof repairs to the comfort stations on the beach
- \* Repair of the ocean safety sign on the road leading to the beach.
- \* Capping of the planters being used for ashtrays on the commercial side
- \* A draft of the new video
- \* A commitment from the City to repair the parking lot lighting to be completed in 2016
- \* A commitment from the City to repair all four A/C units in the visitor center to be completed in 2017

At our recommendation, the Parks Department has established the Hanauma Bay Advisory Committee to help care for the nature preserve.

At our instigation, 2015 has seen significant progress on rectifying the management of the Hanauma Bay Fund.

- \* The City Council passed a resolution to have the City pay the interest earned from the Hanauma Bay Fund into the Hanauma Bay Fund instead of paying it into the General Fund
- \* The City has repaid the Hanauma Bay Fund over \$1M it has overcharged the Fund for its General Obligation Bonds
- \* The City will start paying the rent received for the caretaker's Cottage at the Bay into the Hanauma Bay Fund instead of paying it into the General Fund
- \* The City agreed that the work of personnel performed at the Bay would to be allocated to the Hanauma Bay Fund

None of this could have been achieved without support from our members. The Board of Directors thanks you and looks forward to your continued support and encourages you to get involved as we continue our efforts to improve the Bay.

Sid McWhirter, President

## Schedule of Events

### CLEAN UPS

Saturday, November 14, 2015

Saturday, February 13, 2016

Saturday, May 14, 2016

Saturday, August 13, 2016

Saturday, November 12, 2016

**ANNUAL DINNER & MEETING**  
**Wednesday, December 9**  
**The O'ahu Club**  
**5:30 pm**

**OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE IN**  
**JANUARY – DATE AND TIME TO BE**  
**ANNOUNCED**

### HBEP SUNDAY EDUCATION PROGRAM

The program in November features THREE speakers each Sunday! We don't have room to post them all here but you can see 'Sunday's at the Bay' on the Hanauma Bay Education Program Website at

<http://hbep.seagrant.soest.hawaii.edu/community-events-calendar>

December 6 – Two Topics

"Making Climate Change Prediction Useful: A New Method of Predicting the Impacts of Climate on Marine Fishes."

"What Makes a Coral Susceptible to Disease?"

December 13 – "Living on the Edge – Adapting to Coastal Hazards and Climate Change"

December 13 – January 10

## 2015 FOHB Board

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## ANNUAL MEETING / DINNER

Please Join Us at Our Annual Meeting & Pot Luck Dinner



When: Wednesday, December 9, 2015

Where: The O'ahu Club

Time: 5:30 pm

We are privileged to have as our guest speaker Frazer McGilvary, Executive Director of Malama Maunaloa. His topic, "Imua Maunaloa, a community based planning project for Maunaloa Bay," is of interest to us all.

All are welcome. Members, bring a friend. Hear about our accomplishments, which without your support could not have happened. Not a member? Want to learn more? Ask questions / Get Answers. We'd love to have you.

We'll See You At The O'ahu Club, December 9

Please RSVP to [info@friendsofhanaumabay.com](mailto:info@friendsofhanaumabay.com)

### THAT TIME AGAIN

Just a reminder to our members, its dues time again. We could not have accomplished all that we have without support from our loyal members.

Remember, we have also restructured our annual dues, so please review the new levels that can be found on our website [www.friendsofhanaumabay.org](http://www.friendsofhanaumabay.org) and forward payment to us via PayPal or to:

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Questions? email Lisa at [treasurer@friendsofhanaumabay.org](mailto:treasurer@friendsofhanaumabay.org)

### NOISE AND DUST

If you've been at the Bay lately, you've probably noticed lots of work going on at the Toilet Bowl ledge near the beach. We are happy to see the rock fall mitigation project is underway and is slated for completion in February 2016.

It will be nice to be able to get out onto the ledge again.

### QUESTION OF THE MONTH

An astute student who participated in our clean up on November 14th wanted to know why, if smoking is illegal in the nature preserve, are there so many cigarette butts all over the ground? Four hundred were found, ninety-two of which were in and around the planters at the commercial parking lot.

*It's Not a Park ... It's a Nature Preserve*

## Martha

By now most everyone knows Martha McDaniel has had a stroke. While we all know who Martha is, we may not be aware of what she has done during her tenure as Recreational Specialist at Hanauma Bay. She possesses a wealth of knowledge about all aspects of the Bay, its history, natural history and operations and has been a source of support and information for staff and volunteers who have come to know and respect her.

A member of a prominent family, Martha graduated from Punahou, went on to Vassar College and brought home a Masters degree in Biology from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. She taught 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade science at LaPietra School for Girls before coming to the Parks Department in 1981 to be Program Director at the brand new Ho'omoluhia Botanical Garden in Kaneohe. Starting from scratch, she developed one of the most extensive school and community programs in the state.

Martha moved to Hanauma Bay Nature Preserve in 1996. She was a key member of the team that developed the award-winning visitor center and quickly became an indispensable part of the management team. Always oriented toward customer service, Martha helped set the tone for visitors to have a great day at the Bay.

Martha's love of horses is well known. She competed as an equestrian at an early age and continued competing in dressage competitions as recently as September. She's won many awards and trophies and has given back to the community many times over by sponsoring countless young equestrians who share her spirit, passion and dedication to the sport.



Pictured is Martha and her first horse, Flicka at Kaupoa Beach, Moloka'i

*If you would like to send a card, until December 9 you can send to:*

*Martha McDaniel  
Anne Pearl Care Home Room 114b  
45-181 Waikalua Road  
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744*

*Or if you prefer to email a message, send it to  
[info@friendsofhanauabay.org](mailto:info@friendsofhanauabay.org)*

Many thanks to Martha's Daughter Diana for providing information and the wonderful photograph.

We all wish Martha a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back in the saddle where she is happiest.



“The Water Temperature is 84 Degrees. I Feel Like I’m Being Slowly Poached !”



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