

# Representative Gene Ward



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## DAYS of government's failure to end school furloughs

### ES FOR MAUNALUA BAY

o. Ward hosted a meeting for members of who wanted to learn more about how to uard Auxil- a Bay and ty's responsi- **push for er surveil-**



a Neighbor- gram grew Maunalu a n Hall Meet- e diving um.

ounced that **Dept of Land and Natural** in the process of reducing the number of craft in Maunalu a Bay, eliminating the er sledding area and **implementing a ating education requirement** for all op- boats. (See Jan. 2010 letter from DLNR)

### VI WATCH UPDATE:

**its Filed, No New Rumors-**



at of Planning and Permitting stated on ary 16 that no application has been filed t on Ka Iwi.

anning is currently working to **change on of Ka Iwi from Urban to Conserva-** Use Commission will be scheduling a il to address the transformation. Ka Iwi gnated as a State Scenic Shoreline.

### FURLOUGHS, FLAGPOL

### TWITTER ON THE HOUSE

**FURLOUGHS:** For 123 days, the Legisla to solve the furlough problem. While som reorganize the Board of Education and m school days have moved, there has been fast-track bills that would get our children school. In a recent Finance Committee H stated that **furloughs would never end increase.** This is not likely the way the n people of Hawaii see it.

**FLAGS:** Meanwhile, this month a bill to a to fly flags on flagpoles on their properties committee and caused a stir when veterans packed the House gallery in support of a Republican move to pull the bill to the Floor. Officially, the move failed, but video footage showed the



Rep. Ward brings **Point of Per** to the House Floor for first time curate Twitter message from a

**votes were miscounted.** Majority leader that wrong or right the count is official de- dence proving otherwise. Public pressure the incident has generated a **new hearin** on Feb. 23 at 9:10 a.m. in Rm. 325.

**TWEET:** Rep. Ward made legislative hist- lenging another rep's real-time "**tweet**" s floor of the House. He argued that his col **misrepresenting the position of the Mi** **Unemployment Insurance debate** throu- Majority leadership said the tweet was no House Rules. And, in fact, the **State Hou** **don't mention honesty in its code of c**

## CONSTITUENT'S CORNER

Comments or advice for your neighbors  
Send them to Beth at  
capitol.hawaii.gov.

**Hawaii Kai:** Due to constituent inquiries, we have sought information from the City & County as well as the State regarding re-paving of roads in Hawaii Kai. Thus far, the City & County have identified numerous roads in Kalama Valley that need to be resurfaced. The City is lacking funds so only one project is scheduled for 2010. Kealahou St. from Muolea Pl. to Kealahou Dr. is scheduled to be re-surfaced in the fall of 2010.

**Business in Hawaii Kai:** Hawaii Kai has not been a popular site to this growing problem. Sandy Beach is a popular site and according to the City there are still about 8-12 people living in their own improved section of the park (not the rest of the park itself). Our office continues to inform the rest of the inhabitants to shelters nearby.

**Vegetables?** Remember Kaiser High has a Farmers Market every Tues. from 4-6 p.m. Ono and fresh!

**50s Fest:** Support Kaiser H.S.'s '50s-themed fundraiser, "Happy Days in Hawaii Kai," to be held on Mar. 27, 10 a.m. till 7 p.m.

## Rep. Ward and the Finance Chair



Rep. Ward debated with Finance Chair, Rep. ... over the State budget on PBS's Jan. 12 episode of "Island Insights," hosted by Dan ... the panel were Senator Russell K ... Professor Carl Bonham. The episode is available at [http://www.pbshawaii.org/insights\\_programs/](http://www.pbshawaii.org/insights_programs/)

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## HAWAII KAI FARMERS

### 2 MONTHS till Lease Negotiations



Remember "Day on the Farm" when our farm lease negotiations begin in April? If you are providing testimony for a resolution to encourage the Bishop Estate to negotiate fair and affordable lease terms please call Beth at 586-6420. Mahalo nui!

## Ward's New Staff Ready to Work

Rep. Ward's new staff is fully on board for the legislative Session and are ready for service. Welcome!

**Beth Fukumoto** (left), **Office Manager**, has a degree in English from Georgetown University and a Bachelor's degree in American Studies with a minor in Political Science from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. and/or J.D. in the near future.

**Ildiko Hrubos** (middle), **Legislative Aide**, has a degree in Political Science and Chinese Studies from the University of Oregon. She plans to attend graduate school for International Relations in the near future.

**Marlo Ting** (right), **Legislative Aide**, has a degree in Political Science with a minor in International Studies from UH-Manoa. He plans to teach English overseas.



**Pam Kam** (not pictured) has been Rep. Ward's community liaison for 3 years.

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# Good News for Hawaii's Economy \$100 million to the state

Hawaii's Creative Industries Division (CID) in that film, television and digital media pro-  
 ceure to generate more than \$180 million  
 expenditures in 2010, with an estimated \$99  
 d in the first six months of the year. Pro-  
 includes five feature films, two network  
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pilots, the long awaited CBS Televi-  
**5-0** series pilot, a potential NBC  
**DIVINE HERO** K-drama episode, a  
 series episode and, of course, the  
 ABC Television's **LOST** round out  
 productions, in addition to **CAPITOL**  
 commercials and a host international  
 vision and film productions.

frontier, two major animated projects  
 al Hawaii animators are underway. The  
 acclaimed children's series **VEGGIE**  
 scovery Channel's **REIGN OF THE**  
 television series are in production at

the newly established Hawaii Animation  
 downtown Honolulu.

On the music front, **CID** continues to gr  
 music sector in the **Annual Grammy A**  
 Angeles **Grammy Museum** event show  
 diversity of Hawaii's artists, the 2010 **S**  
**Southwest** (SxSW) event in March, wh  
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The Black Pearl from Pirates of the Caribbean.

**Na Hoku O Hawaii Festival.**  
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 Arts and Culture Development Branches  
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 tives to support the arts, culture, music, f  
 and digital media sector development. In  
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 are over 44,000 constituents that collecti  
 uted \$4 billion to Hawaii's gross domestic  
 2008. That number has been growing at  
 percent since DBEDT began tracking the  
 and annual salaries in these sectors in 20

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