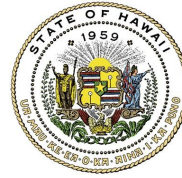


# Representative

## Gene Ward

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# NOVEMBER Report



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# HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



## Happy Thanksgiving!

Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

Recent research has confirmed that gratitude is the healthiest human emotion. When you are expressing gratitude or being thankful it actually increases your immunities and makes you more resistant to stress and less susceptible to illness. Simply put, people who are grateful are happy!

This is the great American tradition we celebrate in November every year and one our Forefathers got right from the very beginning of our nation.

So now it's just up to us to get more healthy by being more thankful. OK, I'm not going to stop jogging because of this, but I'm going to say 'thank you' more often for sure.

Aloha & Happy Thanksgiving 2011- and, yes, THANK YOU for the opportunity to serve you in the Hawai'i State Legislature!

## Shakas With APEC!



Rep. Ward flashed a shaka sign after dinner with His Excellency Dino Patti Djalal, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to the United States during APEC (pictured left).

In addition to meeting with the Ambassador, Rep. Ward had the opportunity meet with several other diplomats and the President of Indonesia, and Prime Minister of Malaysia.

Efforts are already underway to forge a Sister-State Relationship between two world class destinations, the State of Hawai'i and Bali. APEC put Hawai'i on the map as a world class business/conference destination as well. See attached Op-Ed submitted to the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.

## KA IWI WATCH UPDATE:



The City's Department of Planning and Permitting stated on November 21, 2011 that no applications have been filed for development on Ka Iwi.

## Farmer's Market

Did you know that the Kaiser High School PTSA hosts a Farmer's Market every Tuesday from 4:00-7:00 p.m.?

Buy local produce from local vendors on the campus of Kaiser High School. For more information, please visit: <http://www.kaiser.k12.hi.us/ptsa/main.php>



**KEEP THE VALLEY  
VALLEY!**  
SAVE KAMILONUI FARMLANDS

## Flying High Over Invasive Species



Pictured above, Rep. Ward participated in a helicopter tour to witness *Miconia calvenscens* eradication efforts to rid Maui of this invasive specie that threatens our State's unique ecosystems.

Members of the House Committee on Finance conducted a site visit on the islands of Maui and Moloka'i, November 1-3.

Finance Committee members identified issues affecting residents on the Valley and Friendly isles, especially those with potential statewide implications.

## From Clerk to Constituent



**Congratulations to Pat Mau-Shimizu, a Hawai'i Kai resident**, as she transitions from House Chief Clerk to constituent. Pat began her tenure as the Chief Clerk in 1993, and has faithfully served the House of Representatives, and the people of Hawai'i for almost 30 years. Best wishes to Pat in her new position as Executive Director of the Hawai'i State Bar Association.



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## Videos of the Month



Above - Rep. Ward interviews members of the **Hawai'i Kai Rotary**, (l-r) Past President Henry Debutts, President Judy Jakobovits and District Governor Elect Chet Dal Santo on his monthly 'Ōlelo Show, "Word with Ward".



Left - Rep. Ward interviews branch managers of the **Hawai'i Kai and Waimānalo Public Libraries**, (l-r) Colleen Lashway and Cora Eggerman.

November was a busy month catching up with the people and organizations that make our community a special place. To watch the latest videos, please visit Rep. Ward's website at: [www.gene-ward.com](http://www.gene-ward.com).

## Constituent's Corner

- **Support Kaiser High School - Project Grad 2012**
  - December 5-9, 2011 | 10:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
  - Panda Express Hawai'i Kai Town Center, and Panda Express Kahala Mall
  - Present the attached flyer and **20% of your purchase will be donated** to Kaiser High School Project Grad 2012
- **Honolulu Marathon**
  - Sunday, December 11, 2011
  - For more information on traffic alerts and advisories, please visit: [www.honolulumarathon.org/?s=trafficalert](http://www.honolulumarathon.org/?s=trafficalert)
- **Hawai'i Kai Marina Association 15th Annual "Festival of Lights Christmas Boat Parade"**
  - December 17, 2011 | 5:30 p.m. - Pau
  - **Registration Deadline: December 16, 2011**
  - For more information, please visit: [www.hkmca.com](http://www.hkmca.com)
- Have any announcements or advice for your neighbors in District 17? Call Jamé at 586-6420.