



*“ALOHA KEKAHI I KEKAHI”*



*Happy Valentines Day!*



**Serving \*Puna \*Pahoa \*Hawaiian Acres \*Kalapana**

**House of Representative**

*Faye P. Hanohano*

*Ka Leo Hana No Puna*

The Working Voice for Puna

## *‘Ano`ai ke aloha*

### **Greetings**

Celebration of the New Year came to a halt as session began on January 18th, the opening day for both the House of Representatives and the Senate. A House Bill that introduced the Capitol Improvement Projects became a priority for the benefit of District 4. It consisted of construction and equipment to finish the gymnasium, lockers and locker rooms, and wrestling room which a total fund of \$3 million will contribute to complete the job. The Puna alternate route which needs a pre-engineering report that is necessary to do the design work to connect Nanawale estates and subdivision with the city of Hilo to improve vehicular, pedestrian, bicycle, and transit circulation and safety is a huge priority that we will look into costing 1.5 million dollars. Keonepoko elementary school is also part of the CIP project which will include improvements for the covered walkways.

We continue to enhance our Hawaiian values here at the capitol and focus on important issues that will prosper in the growth of District 4. As we progress we continue to ask for your support and thank you for letting me serve as your Representative for District 4.

Happy Valentines Day to all of you and your families!

*‘Aloha kekahi I kekahi*

*Representative Faye P. Hanohano*



### **February**

9th Triple Referral Filing deadline

17th First Lateral

20th Holiday: Presidents' Day

23rd to 29th: Mandatory 5-Day Recess

### **Website: How to View All Bills and Descriptions**

Want to take a look at all the House and Senate bills that are introduced? Go to the Legislature's website ([www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov)) and click on the "Bill Status Reports" icon. (It's one of those buttons on the bottom of the screen.) Then, simply select either "House Bills Introduced" or "Senate Bills Introduced" to view a table of the bills and their descriptions. It's an easy way to review the legislation being considered and to decide which bills you want to add to your measure tracking list. (Need help with that? Give PAR a call.) Phone (808) 587-0478



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## Keonepoko Elementary School

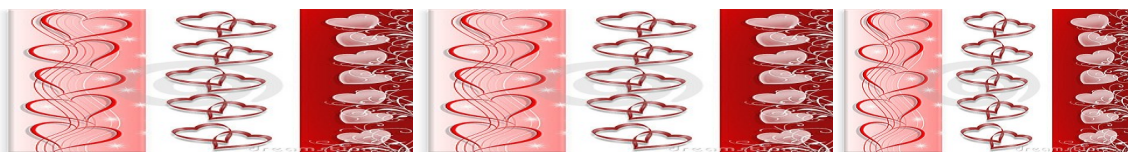


Keonepoko School serves students from five subdivisions in the Puna region of Hawai'i Island. The School opened in 1991 and serves only Elementary students from grades K—6.

The school motto is: “Ho’okolo aku I ka nui manu” which translated to “Go consult other birds,- Go consult others”.

Our vision is to foster the development of life-long learners whose positive attitudes and skills enable them to effectively communicate, successfully meet the challenges of life, and become responsible contributing members of our global society.

The school mascot is the Pueo, or Hawaiian owl. It is endemic to Hawai'i, and in Hawaiian legend is also known as the “Protector” -someone who brings luck.



## Pahoa Sacred Heart Church



### Ka makani hali `ala o Puna

*The fragrance-bearing wind of Puna*

Puna, Hawai'i, was famed for the fragrance of *maile*, *lehua*, and *hala*. It was said that when the wind blew from the land, fishermen at sea could smell the fragrance of these leaves and flowers.



A Big Island sculptor is creating a life-size statue of St. Damien for the Sacred Heart Church in Pahoa, located in the district where the venerated priest first worked after being ordained in 1864. William McKnight is chiseling a 7-ton basalt boulder into a statue depicting a 5-foot-10, 210-pound Damien topped by his signature hat. The sculpture will show Damien extending his hand to help people. Celebrate this Valentines and services at Pahoa Sacred Heart Church.



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Daily Mass: 8am (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri).

Saturday Evening Mass: 5pm

Sunday mass: 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am