

Aloha Linda and George:

First of all I want to apologize once again for causing some anxiety with my phone call last week. We really wanted to make the award a surprise for George and were hoping to get in touch with Linda to make that happen. Needless to say, we were unable to do so. We are most grateful to have the chance to honor George for lifetime work in protecting and defending our beloved Honu. It is a well deserved recognition for a man who has consistently defended and protected the sea turtle worldwide.

Ka'u Preservation presents two awards each year at the Malama Punalu'u Festival on Labor Day Weekend. One award is the Founder's Award and the other, aptly named, is the Mahalo Mai Ka Honu'ea award (the turtles thank you award) which we will be proud

to present to George in the 2008 festival.

The award ceremony is usually on Saturday of the festival in the late afternoon. I would encourage you to come in on Friday evening so you will not miss any of the wonderful Hawaiian entertainment on Saturday. Please plan to be here for the full two days of the festival since I know you will really be impressed and enjoy all of the entertainment as well as the cultural practitioners, crafters of Hawaiian products, informational booths, food booths, art show etc etc.

I know George expressed a desire to stay at the Shiakawa Hotel in Waiohinu. I have reserved a room there for you. We have actually rented the entire hotel since we have PO BOX 472 many workers and visitors connected to the festival who need housing. The room is NA ALEHU available Friday/Saturday and Sunday evenings so come in Friday and stay to MondayHAWAI'I since Monday September 1st is Labor Day.

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There is a dinner on Saturday evening at the Hana Hou Restaurant for our guests, cultural 928-1018 practitioners, musicians etc who will be here overnight. We have included you in the dinner.I am presuming that you will rent a car from the airport. We would be glad to reimburse you for it if you would like. I highly recommend that you fly into Hilo, if possible, since it is a much more relaxing and quicker ride than coming from Kona. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have. Know that we are all most happy and honored to present this award to you and to have you here for the festival.

Much mahalo

Jim Spielman, General Chairperson. Malama Punalu u Festival

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Aloha George:

On behalf of the staff and the board of directors of Ka'u Preservation and the efforts to save Punalu'u, thank you for your continued, generous support of our organization and our goals to preserve the sacred lands of Ka'u, the endangered species and the Hawaiian culture.

Please enjoy our film, The Punalu'u Experience, and feel free to share it with your friends and family. We have more copies available if you know anyone who might want to support us by purchasing one.

You may contact us at:PO Box 472 Na`alehu Hawaii 96772 or at the web address below: www.danny@kaupreservation.org

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Mahalo

Winifred Pele Hanoa

President of the Board of Directors

Ka'u Preservation will again be celebrating all things Hawaiian with the MALAMA PUNALU'U FESTIVAL Saturday August 30th and Sunday August 31st 2008.

Why not plan a visit and come to the festival?

Festival website: www.malamapunaluu.org

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