

Letters

Punaluu

You got some nerve, Mufi "Tokio Joe" Hanneman, for telling my niece Keola Hanoa that she is out of step in Ka'u! What business does a malihini new-comer like you have writing that way about someone born and raised in Ka'u? You even accused her of abusing someone when all she wrote was the facts. You must think you are still in Honolulu, playing dirty politician!

Don't you ever tell us we are

out of step when we are trying to protect our own land at Punaluu that was in our family for 150 years. We are the last Hawaiian kuleana land owners left at Punaluu! So why don't you write and tell everyone how C. Brewer cheated all the other Punaluu kuleana owners out of their land.

You sure have been quiet since State Rep. Mike O'Kiefe told you where to get off! Why don't you Brewer big shots answer him straight, instead of sneaking around getting seniors to put their names on your shibai letters? If you are such a special friend of Ka'u why didn't you give up your job to one of the plantation people you laid off after they worked for C. Brewer for 20 or 30 years?

You just started working for Brewer a few years ago! And don't try to say we are against tourists and jobs for Ka'u people. We have said right from the beginning to put the resort across the highway where there is plenty of room for it to grow without crowding and polluting the beach area. You make that resort by the shore, and the next thing the

fish will have is the cigatera disease like in Kona. Just remember, Mufi Hanneman, Punaluu is a sacred place for me and my family, and we are not going to let you and your Japan buddies turn this place into another Kona. Do you understand?

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