

QUARTERLY REPORT #2 for 2015
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THIS INCLUDES A SELECTION OF THE TOP STORIES COVERED BY PACIFIC RADIO GROUP ON THE GIVEN DAYS.

DURING THE 2nd QUARTER, the demonstration atop Mauna Kea on the Big Island of Hawaii kicked into high gear with dozens of arrests including demonstrators who traveled from Maui to fight against the construction of the Thirty Meter Telescope and fight for cultural rights at the mountain that some consider a sacred spot in the wao akua, realm of the gods. In April, a Maui halau offered hula at the site during the Merrie Monarch hula festival week, and students and faculty at UHMC organized a walkout as an appeal to stop construction of the TMT; Here on Maui, the Maui Memorial Medical Center continued its fight at the state legislature for either funds or permission to pursue a private public partnership amid budget shortfalls. Hospital administrators warn that lack of support could lead to job and service cuts, deeply affecting the Maui community; in April we issued tax reminders and notifications of where the public could go for late postal collection; A controversial marijuana dispensaries bill gains passage at the state legislature; In April, a distracted driving campaign nets more than 700 citations; the Hawaii legislature passes a bill, and the governor signs it into law, effectively raising the age of buying cigarettes to 21. This makes Hawaii the first state in the nation to do so; Maui is the site of yet another fatal shark bite incident off of La Perouse Bay at the surf spot often referred to as Dumps. The victim is a longtime volunteer who is very familiar with the ocean and the particular spot where she lost her life; A Hawaiian Airlines plane makes an emergency landing at Kahului Airport with the inflatable slides deployed for use as passengers exited the plane; With the passage of HB623, Hawaii becomes the first state in the nation to adopt a 100% renewable portfolio standard; Hurricane season begins with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration forecasting an "Above Normal" season with 5 to 8 tropical cyclones expected in the Central Pacific; In May, police conduct a Click It Or Ticket Seat Belt enforcement campaign netting 2,640 citations, 588 of them for seat belt violations; There were several incidents of Maui Police in trouble with the law as two individuals were arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Under the Influence. Police also put out a bulletin after receiving reports of a man exposing himself at parking lots in Pukalani, Maui police later confirm that a suspect in a Pukalani sex assault investigation is an employee of the department; Maui and Molokai were featured on the National CNN series Anthony Bourdain's Parts Unknown; We also provide exclusive coverage of a landslide on the Hana Highway that traps a family. No major injuries were reported; It's official, Victoria's Secret and Bath & Body Works are coming to Maui; A Wailuku man is killed in a deadly shootout on Lower Main Street; Exclusive online coverage of Maui Film Festival and Kapalua Food & Wine Festival via our Maui Now website; an emergency rule was instated after reports surfaced of over harvesting of sea cucumbers on Maui and Oahu. The pictures proved to be quite alarming with a boat full of sea cucumbers taken during one incident; and finally, a federal judge ruled the Maui GMO Initiative Invalid prompting vows from anti-gmo groups to appeal the ruling.

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS AND THE DATES THAT THEY WERE REPORTED ARE INCLUDED BELOW:

4/1/15	Wai'anapanapa Cabins to Close for a Year for Renovations	The cabins at Wai'anapanapa State Park will close for approximately a year beginning today as a \$2.3 million cabin renovation and wastewater treatment project gets underway.
4/1/15	Navy Training Violates Ocean Wildlife Protection Laws	A federal judge ruled on March 31 that the National Marine Fisheries Service acted illegally in approving testing and training activities by the US Navy in the Pacific Ocean that threatens widespread harm to whales, dolphins, sea turtles and other marine mammals.
4/1/15	Executive Director of Maui Tomorrow to Step Down	Bowie said the organization would soon welcome a new executive director as the board continues work to uphold Hawaii's environmental and land use planning laws.
4/1/15	Moloka'i Ferry: "A Lifeline in Need of Help"	A resolution urging the mayor to seek a half-million-dollar appropriation for the Moloka'i Ferry is scheduled to surface on the council agenda next Tuesday, April 7, 2015.
4/2/15	Kahului Man Succumbs to Injuries in Moped Crash	Police say Richard J. Organiscak, 56, died at around 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at the Maui Memorial Medical Center, where he was being treated for injuries in the Intensive Care Unit.
4/2/15	Two Maui Beaches Make List of Best Beaches in the US	The list of 25 included seven winners from Hawaii, with West Maui's Kā'anapali Beach taking the top spot in the islands at number three. The number one and two slots went to Florida's #1 Siesta Beach and Saint Pete Beach respectively.
4/2/15	Maui's Wailea and Kā'anapali Rated Top 10 in US for Vacation Rentals	Vacation rental properties in Wailea and Kā'anapali on Maui were ranked among the top 10 in the nation according to traveler reviews compiled by TripAdvisor for 2014.
4/2/15	Demonstrators Arrested for Blocking TMT Construction Crew at Mauna Kea	Twelve individuals were arrested today for allegedly blocking access to construction workers who were en route to the summit of Mauna Kea on Hawaii Island to begin work on the controversial Thirty Meter Telescope or "TMT," according to Hawaii Island police. Those arrested ranged in age from 27 to 75.
4/3/15	Maui Hospital Weighs Options in Face of Budget Shortfall	"I wouldn't even know how to cut \$28 million of the budget without hurting the community," said Wes Lo, Maui Region Chief Executive Officer for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation.
4/3/15	Man Suffers Head Injuries in 200-Foot Fall at Ka'uiki in Hāna	A 31-year-old homeless man from Hāna suffered head injuries in a 200-foot fall at Ka'uiki Hill in East Maui yesterday afternoon, according to Maui Police.
4/5/15	Kahului Man Swept Into	An 18-year-old Kahului man was airlifted to safety on Saturday after being swept into

	Ocean, Airlifted to Safety	the ocean by a large wave in the Kailua area of East Maui.
4/6/15	Maui Man Earns Elite Pepsi "Ring of Honor" Award	Pat Kekahuna is among the top sales people in the world for the company in his current role at the PepsiCo Maui Headquarters in Kahului, where he has been employed for the past 24 years.
4/6/15	New Waikamoi Fence Protects East Maui Watershed	The Nature Conservancy has completed a three-mile fence through East Maui's remote high elevation forest, adding new protection to more than 1,000 acres in the heart of the East Maui watershed.
4/6/15	Newly Renovated WHW Shelter: A Place for Healing, Renewal	A blessing ceremony was held last week at the Women Helping Women shelter for women and children on Maui following a six week renovation of the facility.
4/6/15	NTSB: "Erratic Flight Pattern" Observed in Deadly 2012 Cessna Crash	The National Transportation Safety Board issued a factual report on a Cessna crash into the ocean off Maui that claimed the life of an island resident.
4/7/15	Cost of School Lunch Increases 25 Cents to \$2.75 for High School	Student lunch and breakfast prices will increase by 25 cents and 10 cents, respectively next school year at public schools in Hawai'i due to inflation and labor costs, the state Department of Education announced today.
4/7/15	Funds Sought for Annual Lahaina July 4th Fireworks Display	The cost of the fireworks alone are upwards of \$40,000, in addition to other expenses. In soliciting funds, the LTAC called the holiday celebration, "a major economic event for West Maui businesses," saying the shops and restaurants benefit from the increased foot traffic, which was estimated at 20,000 in 2014.
4/8/15	Three Maui Dancers Compete for 2015 Miss Aloha Hula Title	Three Maui hālau are competing this year including: the men and women of Hālau Kekuaokalā'au'ala'iliah, under the direction of nā kumu hula 'Iliahi & Haunani Paredes; the wahine dancers from Hālau Nā Lei Kaumaka O Uka, kumu hula Nāpua Greig; and the women of Moana's Hula Hālau, under the direction of nā kumu hula Raquel Dudoit and Valerie Dudoit-Temahaga.
4/8/15	Mauna Kea Protectors: Construction "Stand Down" is Only Temporary Victory	Demonstrators at Mauna Kea are applauding the Governor's decision calling for a week-long pause in construction of the Thirty Meter Telescope or TMT atop Mauna Kea on the Big Island of Hawai'i.
4/8/15	Maui Waena Earns Multiple Awards in National Video Contest	Media students at Maui Waena Intermediate School brought home six awards in the 12th Annual Student Television Network Convention held in San Diego, California last week.
4/8/15	UPDATE: Maui Firefighters Battle 100 Acre Brush Fire in Pukalani	100 acres of sugar cane burned in an unscheduled cane fire in Pukalani on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. The fire was first reported at around 6:15 p.m. downslope of Ikea Place.
4/9/15	Missing Man Reportedly Traveled to Maui in October 2014	The Maui Police Department released photos today of a man reported missing on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 by his family who last saw him sometime in April of 2014 in Walnutport, Pennsylvania.
4/9/15	Wailuku Man Arrested on Meth Trafficking Charges	A Maui man was charged with meth trafficking and a list of other offenses after a drug bust at a Wailuku home this week in which police recovered 290 grams of crystal methamphetamine.
4/10/15	2015 Miss Aloha Hula Results: Maui's Tanigawa Earns Top 5 Finish	Jasmine Kaleihiwa Dunlap of Hula Hālau 'O Kamuela under the direction of nā kumu hula Kau'ionālani Kamana'o and Kunewa Mook, took the title after honoring Hi'iaka, the youngest sister of Pele, in both her kahiko and 'auana performances.
4/10/15	7 Maui Post Offices to Offer Tax Day Late Collections	Seven post offices in Maui County will offer late collection of mail on federal Tax Day, Wednesday, April 15, 2015, to accommodate last minute filers of tax returns.
4/11/15	50 Foot Fishing Vessel Runs Aground Off Koki Beach	A 50-foot fishing vessel ran aground at Koki Beach in East Maui after taking on water about 20 yards off-shore on Friday night, fire officials said. The two Makawao men aboard, ages 25 and 28, swam to shore and were uninjured in the incident, said Maui Fire Captain Edward Taomoto.
4/11/15	Governor Announces "Timeout Extension" on Construction of TMT	Governor David Ige today announced, while in Hilo, that the Thirty Meter Telescope or "TMT" team has informed him it will postpone construction until Monday, April 20, 2015.
4/11/15	VIDEO: Maui Hālau Honors Mauna Kea Amid TMT Controversy	A Maui hālau was among several groups of hula practitioners that danced atop Mauna Kea on Friday amid demonstrations at the site against the controversial Thirty Meter Telescope, and an ongoing effort by cultural groups and concerned citizens seeking protection of the site from development.
4/12/15	Merrie Monarch 2015 Results: Maui Hālau Earns 3 Top Awards	The women of Maui's Hālau Nā Lei Kaumaka O Uka came in 2nd place in the wahine kahiko, wahine 'auana, and overall wahine divisions at the 52nd Annual Merrie Monarch Hula Festival in Hilo, Hawai'i.
4/13/15	VIDEO: Walk Out in Support of Mauna Kea at UHMC	The walk out is an appeal to the President of the University and the Board of Regents to stop construction of the Thirty Meter Telescope atop Mauna Kea indefinitely. More than 100 students, faculty and staff at the University of Hawai'i Maui College staged a Walk Out for Mauna Kea this afternoon in which they delivered a letter stating opposition to the Thirty Meter Telescope or "TMT" project to Vice Chancellor Dr. John McKee.

4/13/15	Seahawks Arrive on Maui for Players Camp	Maui Now has learned that the Seattle Seahawks are on island, apparently as part of a players camp before the official off-season program begins.
4/14/15	Woman Medevaced From Tour Boat Near Molokini Crater	A 60-year-old woman was medevaced from a tour boat at Molokini Crater in waters off of Maui on Tuesday, after experiencing shortness of breath and weakness, according to the US Coast Guard.
4/14/15	Resolution Seeks Reinstatement of "Wailuku River" Name at 'Āao	The Maui County Council adopted a resolution that urges the Hawai'i State Board on Geographic Names to rename 'Āao Stream to Wailuku River.
4/14/15	Legislative Branches Pass Hundreds of Measures on Final Crossover	By Maui Now Staff Both the Hawai'i State Senate and House passed more than 100 bills each out of their respective chambers today ahead of the final crossover. The State Senate today passed 135 House bills that addresses areas of domestic violence, beach protection, education, public safety, energy, and a number of other measures aimed [...]
4/15/15	Former NM Police Chief and Officer File Suit After Arrest on Maui	By Wendy Osher ***Update: 3:15 p.m. 4/15/15: This story has since been updated after receipt of requested comments from County of Maui, Deputy Corporation Counsel Moana Lutey. An officer and former police chief in New Mexico have filed a lawsuit against the County of Maui and several police officers alleging they were wrongfully arrested while on Maui [...]
4/16/15	LOCATED: Missing Man Reportedly Traveled to Maui in 2014	Gerald Matthew Pritchard, 25, was sighted at around 8 a.m. on Monday, April 13, 2014 in the Pā'ia area. Police say he was wearing a fluorescent orange t-shirt and was holding a tan backpack.
4/17/15	UPDATE: Maui Police Body Worn Camera Pilot Program	Maui police released photos today of the new body-worn cameras being used as part of a month-long pilot program to test their feasibility for use by the department.
4/17/15	3 Maui Residents Honored with Kahuola Award for Heroic Acts	Three Maui residents were honored with the Maui Fire and Public Safety Commission's Kahuola Award for separate acts of heroism reported between February and October of 2014.
4/19/15	19,000 Lose Power When Maui Wind Farm Trips Offline	An estimated 19,258 Maui customers lost power at 12:34 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, 2015 for about 20 minutes when the Auwahi Wind Farm tripped offline resulting in a sudden and severe loss of wind generation on Maui Electric's system, company representatives said.
4/20/15	NOAA Proposes Removal of Humpback Whale from Endangered List	Protection and restoration efforts over the past four decades have led to an increase in numbers and growth rates for humpback whales in many areas.
4/20/15	Maui Distracted Driving Campaign Nets 764 Citations	Maui police issued a total of 764 citations to motorists during its recent participation in the National "U Drive. U Text. U Pay" campaign that ran from April 6 to April 18, 2015.
4/21/15	Woman Medevaced After 15' Fall at Hāna Bay	The woman was hiking with two other friends on a trail leading to the Hāna Lighthouse, when she slipped and fell about 15 feet onto rocks at the water's edge.
4/21/15	TripAdvisor: Maui Best Island in US, No. 2 in World	The Island of Maui was named the best island in the United States and the second best island in the world in TripAdvisor's 2015 Travelers' Choice Awards. The accolade comes after two Maui beaches were named to the publication's list for best beaches in the US earlier this month.
4/21/15	Maui Region Hospitals Start Discussion on Job, Service Cuts	The Maui Region of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation announced plans to initiate public discussion on what they are calling "imminent service and position cuts."
4/22/15	Maui Celebrates 1st Anniversary of Tobacco Free Beaches, Parks	Today marks the one-year anniversary of a bill that effectively banned the use of tobacco at county parks, beaches and recreational facilities in Maui County.
4/23/15	Seven Maui Police Officers Promoted to Rank of Sergeant	Seven officers with the Maui Police Department were promoted to the rank of Sergeant on April 16, 2015 including: Surendar Singh (23 year veteran), Rockwell Silva (23 year veteran), Nathan Pellazar Jr. (22 year veteran), Tanya "Kehau" Dods (17 year veteran), Heather Gilroy (12 year veteran), Joy Kanani Medeiros (10 year veteran), and Duke Pua.
4/23/15	Haleakalā Tops 1 Million Visitors in 2014, Generates \$70 Million	Tourism to Haleakalā National Park in 2014 generated more than \$70.3 million in visitor spending and supported 837 jobs in the area, according to new data released by the National Park Service.
4/24/15	Search for Mariner, Ingraham, Continues off Lāna'i	The US Coast Guard rescued one man and is still searching for another after a 34-foot fishing vessel the "Munchkin" ran aground on the rocks about a half mile west of Lāna'i early this morning.
4/24/15	Hawai'i Legislature Approves Raising Tobacco, E-Cig Purchase Age to 21	The bill, if signed into law, would make Hawai'i the first state in the nation to prohibit the sale of all tobacco products, including e-cigarettes, to individuals under the age of 21, according to the Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawai'i.
4/24/15	Cause of 5 Acre Pu'unēnē Brush Fire Under Investigation	The Maui Fire Department is investigating the cause of an unscheduled sugar cane fire that burned an estimated five acres off of the Mokulele Highway near Hawaiian Cement in Pu'unēnē.

4/26/15	Youth Volunteers Work to Restore Habitat for Endangered Kiwikiu	A group of youth volunteers spent recent weeks planting thousands of native trees on the leeward slopes of Haleakalā as part of an effort aimed at restoring dryland habitat for endangered native plant and bird species including the Kiwikiu bird, which numbered only 500 at last report.
4/27/15	Rise in Lava Lake Leads to Visitor Surge at Kīlauea	Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park is reporting an uptick in visitors to the Kīlauea Volcano and are attributing the influx to a steady rise in the lava lake at the summit.
4/28/15	Hokama Releases Finance Committee's FY2016 Budget Proposal	Budget and Finance Committee Chair Riki Hokama released his version of the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 budget yesterday, cutting \$96 million in borrowing and \$22 million in operating costs from the Mayor's proposed \$699.9 million budget.
4/28/15	Sign Waving Demonstration Planned Ahead of Maui Hospital Meeting	The sign waving rally ahead of the briefing is expected to start at 4 p.m. at the corner of the Honoapi'ilani Highway and Kehalani Highway.
4/29/15	VIDEO: Maui Hospital Rally, Board Outlines Potential Cuts	An estimated 250 people showed up for a public meeting last night in which board members of the Maui Regional System of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation discussed potential job and service cuts to deal with a projected \$28 million budget gap.
4/29/15	MCCC on Lockdown Due to Inmate Disturbance. Situation Under Control	A lockdown was initiated at the Maui Community Correctional Center in Wailuku following an inmate disturbance during breakfast this morning, public safety officials said.
4/29/15	VIDEO: Fatal Shark Bite Incident Claims Life of Maui Woman	Maui Police have since confirmed the identity of the victim as Margaret C. Cruse, 65, of Kīhei, Maui. Police say despite lifesaving efforts, Cruse sustained fatal injuries consistent with a shark attack. The official cause of death is pending an autopsy report.
4/30/15	Kaiser Opens New Rainbow Dialysis Center in Lahaina	Kaiser Permanente held a blessing ceremony today for its newest facility on Maui. The Rainbow Dialysis Center, located at Lahaina Gateway, will begin treating patients in early May.
4/30/15	Maui Woman Bitten in Deadly Shark Incident was Avid Swimmer	Friends say 65-year-old Margaret "Margo" Cruse used to work as a volunteer interpretive guide at the very site where she lost her life while snorkeling with friends.
5/1/15	BREAKING: Hawaiian Air Plane Makes Emergency Landing at Kahului Airport	Emergency crews are on the scene of an emergency plane landing at Kahului Airport. Initial reports indicate that a 260 passenger Hawaiian Airlines plane landed at Kahului Airport with an emergency evacuation taking place. Initial reports also indicate the plane came in with smoke coming from the cabin. Four emergency slides were deployed.
5/4/15	Maui Click-It-Or-Ticket Seat Belt Enforcement Begins May 11	The Maui Police Department will participate in a two week campaign targeting seat belt violations starting on Monday, May 11, and running through Monday, May 25, 2015. The fine is \$102 and will be issued to the operator of the vehicle.
5/4/15	VIDEO: 11 Displaced by House Fire on Kea Street in Kahului	Eleven people were displaced by a 2-alarm fire on Kea Street in Kahului reported at 11:16 a.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015. Officials say the fire resulted in total of \$500,000 in damages to the structure and \$100,000 in damages to the contents. The cause remains under investigation.
5/4/15	SHAKA Files Appeal Over Delayed Maui Moratorium on GMO Operations	The SHAKA Movement on Maui filed an appeal with the Ninth Circuit Court, seeking an evidentiary hearing before continuing an injunction that delays the implementation of the Maui GMO moratorium.
5/5/15	7 Hikers Trapped by Rising Water, Airlifted From "Commando" Trail	Pā'ia firefighters and a Kahului rescue crew, aided by an East Maui Irrigation employee, found the group about a 90 minute hike into the trail, at an area often referred to as the "Lava Tube." The group was safe and were awaiting daylight and stream flows to recede before exiting.
5/5/15	Alaska Woman Rescued in Rough Waters at Hāna's Koki Beach	A crew from the Hāna station arrived on scene and spotted a woman clinging to the rocks about 30 feet from the shoreline.
5/6/15	Legislature Approves \$79 Million for Central Maui CIP	The state legislature approved \$79 million for capital improvement projects in Central Maui, Representative Justin Woodson announced.
5/6/15	Study to Explore Alternatives for Maui Electric Ownership/Model	The RFP gives the company or firm with the winning proposal four months to provide a preliminary appraisal of the costs associated with purchasing the electric utility company in its entirety and also certain parts of the utility.
5/6/15	\$172M Secured for Maui Capital Improvement Projects in State Budget	Speaker Souki said there is a balance that must be sought to ensure that needed projects are funded to maintain state services and ensure quality of life on Maui.
5/6/15	Hawai'i First in Nation to Adopt 100% Renewable Portfolio Standard	House Bill 623 mandates that Hawai'i utilities generate 100% of their electricity from renewable sources by 2045.
5/6/15	Pedestrian Dies After Being Struck by Vehicle on Hāna Highway	A 46-year-old pedestrian died after being struck by a vehicle along the Hāna Highway near Ho'okele Street in Kahului on Wednesday afternoon, police said.
5/7/15	Makani Kai Air to Begin	The Honolulu-based commuter and charter airline, Makani Kai Air, begins service

	Service Between Ho'olehua and Kahului	between Ho'olehua, Moloka'i and Kahului, Maui on June 1, 2015.
5/7/15	UPDATE: Responsible Identified in Kahului Hit-and-Run Investigation	Police say two of the letters in the license plate were reversed and issued a statement today saying, "This was a mistake anyone could have made."
5/8/15	Medical Marijuana Dispensary Bill Advances to Governor	A bill that creates a statewide distribution system for medical marijuana passed out of the state House on the last day of session.
5/8/15	Kaiser Expresses Interest in Maui Hospital Partnership	Kaiser Permanente is preparing to submit a letter of interest to participate in the process for selection as Maui Memorial Medical Center seeks a management company for a public private partnership.
5/10/15	Pukalani Man Dies in Kahekili Motorcycle Crash	A 25-year-old Pukalani man suffered fatal injuries in a motorcycle accident reported early Sunday morning on the Kahekili Highway on Maui. Police have since identified the man as...
5/12/15	UPDATE: Hawaiian Airlines Plane Makes Emergency Landing at Kahului Airport	A Hawaiian Airlines flight was diverted to Maui for an emergency landing after experiencing what airline officials called a "left engine surge" while en route from Honolulu to Kona.
5/13/15	Maui Pasta Company Opens in Waikapū	After launching their Maui Pasta Company business in 2012, Ron and Patricia Inman now have an eatery to call their own. The couple opened their Maui Pasta Company "take-out window" location in Waikapū on Monday, May 11, 2015, in the space where Cafe 808 once was, next to Waikapū On 30.
5/14/15	Chumbley Elected Chair of Maui Hospitals' Board of Directors	The Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation Maui Region board of directors today announced the election of Avery B. Chumbley as board chairperson, effective May 7, 2015.
5/14/15	Crews Return After Rains Wash Away Repairs to Kaupakalua Rd	A number of residents called to complain saying the rains left holes as deep as 8 inches in some locations. Crews returned to the Kaupakalua Road area today to conduct repairs after overnight rains in Ha'ikū on Wednesday washed away recent pothole repairs.
5/14/15	Red Cross Maui Worker Deploys to Guam for Typhoon Response	King will be assisting in client casework as the region faces impacts from Typhoon Dolphin.
5/15/15	Annual "Blossoms for the Brave" Lei-Making Event Honors Veterans	Volunteers will string an estimated 2,700 lei that are then placed on the graves of veterans at the Makawao Veterans Cemetery on Memorial Day.
5/15/15	REMINDER: Season Closed on Lobster and Kona Crab	The closure went into effect on May 1, 2015 and remains in effect through the end of August.
5/15/15	Closed Season for Moi Begins June 1, 2015	Under state law, it is unlawful to take, possess, or sell any moi during the months of June, July, and August.
5/16/15	UPDATE: Stubborn Brush Fire Near Lahainaluna Burns 7 Acres	Fire crews spent Sunday morning walking the fire line below the school to put out hot spots that were still smoldering along the perimeter.
5/18/15	Enoki and Jensen Honored with 2015 Maui Older American Awards	Enoki, who received the women's award is a retired public health nurse; and Jensen who received the men's award, is a part of the Maui Police Auxiliary's Citizen's Patrol.
5/18/15	Maui Police Plan Memorial Day Impaired Driving Enforcement Campaign	The Maui Police Department will be promoting safe driving and conducting an impaired driving enforcement campaign over the Memorial Day weekend.
5/18/15	Public Help Sought in Finding Missing Man with Service Dog	Police say Steele should be in the company of his black and white Labrador-Pit bull mix service dog. He may be operating his white, Pontiac Montana minivan, bearing the Hawai'i license plates NNA026.
5/19/15	Chicago Woman Found Safe After Search at 'Iao Valley	A visitor from Chicago was rescued from 'Iao Valley State Park on Monday night, May 18, after becoming separated from the group she was hiking with.
5/19/15	Maui AIDS Foundation to Receive \$1.4 M for Rental Assistance	The Maui AIDS Foundation will receive \$1,441,159 to provide tenant-based rental assistance to 45 households.
5/19/15	12-year-old Lāna'i Boy Medevaced After Bicycle Incident	A 12-year-old boy from Lāna'i was Medevaced to Maui after suffering injuries in an apparent bicycle accident on Monday afternoon, fire officials said.
5/20/15	Haleakalā Park Entrance Fees More Than Double	The per-person fee will increase from the current \$5 rate to \$12 in 2017 (in two-to-three dollar increments per year); the motorcycle fee will go from the current \$5 fee to \$20 in 2017 with annual increases of \$5 per year; the per-vehicle pass will also undergo \$5 annual increases from the current \$10 fee to \$25 in 2017.
5/20/15	Hokama Proposes to Maintain Bus Rates with No Increases	Budget and Finance Committee Chair Riki Hokama is urging the council to delay bus fare increases in the fiscal year 2016 budget.

5/21/15	'Opihi Picker Suffers Critical Injuries in Fall From Cliff in Ha'ikū	A 38-year-old Maui man was airlifted to the hospital after falling 50 feet from a cliff while picking 'opihi on Wednesday morning in Ha'ikū, fire officials said.
5/21/15	Visitor Airlifted From 'Iao Valley After Injuring Ankle in Solo Hike	A 40-year-old woman from British Columbia, Canada was airlifted from 'Iao Valley after falling and injuring her ankle while hiking on a trail by herself, fire official said.
5/21/15	Visitor Dies After Being Pulled From Waters at Koki Beach	A 59-year-old visitor died after being found unresponsive in waters off of Koki Beach in East Maui yesterday afternoon.
5/21/15	Council Members, Business Leaders Preview West Maui Greenway	Maui County Councilmembers Don Couch and Elle Cochran, and staff from Councilmember Don Couch's office joined hotel industry and community business leaders for a bicycle ride hosted by the Maui Bicycling League and Pedego Electric Bikes Maui on a portion of the future West Maui Greenway.
5/21/15	Maui's Hāmoa Beach Holds on to No. 4 Spot on Dr. Beach's Top 10	Maui's Hāmoa Beach in the remote east end of the island has once again claimed a spot on the top 10 Best Beaches in America list compiled by Dr. Stephen P. Leatherman, a professor at Florida International University.
5/21/15	VIDEO: Hospice Maui Breaks Ground on New Ho'olu'olu Facility	Hospice Maui hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday morning for its Hale Ho'olu'olu facility in Wailuku. The building, once complete, will serve as a five-bed hospice residence.
5/21/15	Visitor Airlifted After Slipping on Hike at "Bamboo Trail"	A visitor was airlifted from the Kailua area of East Maui on Thursday, May 21, 2015 after suffering injuries to her knee while hiking in the area often referred to as the "Bamboo Forest."
5/22/15	Kahului Airport Access Road Begins to Take Shape	Motorists are asked to drive with caution in the Dairy Road area of Kahului as they adjust to construction done in conjunction with the Airport Access Road Project.
5/23/15	Wailuku Woman Dies After Being Pulled from Waters at La Perouse	A 32-year-old Wailuku woman died after being pulled from the water at Keone'ō'io or La Perouse Bay in South Maui on Friday night.
5/24/15	UPDATE: Fire Engulfs Kahakuloa Home, Causes \$550,000 Damage	A structure fire that occurred early Sunday evening in Kahakuloa, caused an estimated \$550,000 in damages to the home, and \$5,000 to its contents.
5/24/15	"Maui Outgrow Monsanto" Event Draws 200 Participants	Event organizers say 200 people planted 100 coconut trees and over 2 acres of taro, sweet potato and yams, as a statement that "the community can and will feed itself without Monsanto."
5/26/15	CAPTURED: MCCC Female Pre-trial Detainee Missing From Head Count	Maui Police have confirmed that they arrested Tasha Gonsalves at about 2 p.m. after the state Department of Public Safety reported her missing from a 5:30 a.m. head count at the Maui Community Correctional Center on Tuesday, May 26, 2015.
5/26/15	4,000 Gallons of Wastewater Overflow at Lahaina Reclamation Facility	An estimated 4,000 gallons of waste water overflowed at the Lahaina Wastewater Reclamation Facility in West Maui on Friday morning, May 22, 2015.
5/26/15	2015 Hurricane Outlook Calls For "Above Normal" Season	The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is forecasting an "above-normal" hurricane season with 5 to 8 tropical cyclones expected to affect the Central Pacific this season. That's more than the average season of 4 to 5 tropical cyclones in a typical year, which includes tropical depressions, tropical storms and hurricanes.
5/26/15	Governor Ige Announces Stewardship Changes at Mauna Kea	Governor David Ige today said the controversial Thirty Meter Telescope project took the appropriate steps necessary to proceed, but he also announced the formation of a Mauna Kea Cultural Council to ensure cultural sensitivity going forward.
5/26/15	"Kawaiokalena" Dominates Nā Hōkū Awards: Complete List of 2015 Winners	Maui's own Keali'i Reichel topped the 38th Annual Nā Hōkū Hanohano Awards, winning in seven personal categories, and a studio engineering category for his "Kawaiokalena" album.
5/26/15	UPDATE: 16-Year-Old Boy Critically Injured, Struck by Car in Kahului Crosswalk	A 16-year-old Kahului boy was in critical condition at last report after being struck by a vehicle while attempting to cross South Papa Avenue within a marked crosswalk on Tuesday night, May 26, 2015, police said.
5/26/15	UPDATE/CAPTURED: Maui Police Search for MCCC Escapee	Inmate Leif Valdez, also known as "Lucas Rauh" escaped from the Maui Community Correctional Center between 1 and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, according to Maui police.
5/27/15	Name Change From 'Iao Stream to Wailuku River Surfaces for Review	The State Office of Planning will hold a meeting of the Hawai'i Board on Geographic Names tonight, Wednesday, May 27, to solicit public input on a request to change the name of 'Iao Stream to Wailuku River.
5/27/15	Walgreens Proposes Fourth Maui Store with New Kihei Location	Walgreens is proposing the construction of its fourth full-service Maui location at a site currently used to host a daily open air market next to McDonald's on South Kihei Road. Construction on the 12,550 square foot store is proposed to begin once plans and permit applications are approved, and is expected to be completed by 2017 according to a Draft Environmental Assessment filed for the project.
5/27/15	"Waikapū Country Town" Proposed for	Waikapū Properties, LLC is proposing the development of nearly 500 acres for a mixed-use residential community within and around the Maui Tropical Plantation.

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5/28/15	Board Votes to Restore "Wailuku River" Name for Waterway at 'Iao	The Hawai'i Board on Geographic Names unanimously voted last night to restore the name Wailuku River to the waterway that runs through 'Iao Valley.
5/28/15	Maui Police Issue 2,640 Citations, 588 for Seat Belt Violations	The Maui Police Department issued a total of 2,640 citations, 588 of them for seat belt violations, during the two week "Click It Or Ticket" enforcement campaign that ran from May 11 to 25, 2015.
5/29/15	Former Maui Residents Found Guilty in \$26 M Ponzi Scheme	Two former Maui residents were found guilty of fraud in connection with their operation of a \$26 million Ponzi scheme, according to the US Justice Department.
5/29/15	Fetus Discovered at Kahului Waste Water Facility, Deemed Non-Criminal	Maui police investigated the discovery on Friday, May 22, 2015, of a fetus at the Kahului-Wailuku Waste Water Treatment Plant. Authorities have since determined that the fetus, which measured 7-inches "was most likely the result of a miscarriage being flushed into the sewage system." Police say the case has since been deemed "non-criminal in nature."
5/29/15	2015 Hawksbill and Honu Sea Turtle Nesting Season Begins	Wildlife officials are asking the public to be mindful of Hawksbill and green sea turtles as they begin their 2015 nesting season along Maui beaches this month.
5/29/15	Boat Captain Speared by Swordfish Dies of Injuries at Honokōhau	A Kona fishing charter boat captain died today after being fatally injured by a broadbill swordfish he had just speared at Honokōhau Small Boat Harbor on Hawai'i Island.
7/1/15	Maui's Caroline Absalom Wins 2015 Mrs. Hawai'i Title	Maui's own Caroline Absalom won the title of Mrs. Hawai'i during an evening competition on Sunday, May 31, 2015 at the Neal S. Blaisdell Center. Absalom advances to the Mrs. America pageant in Sevastopol, Russia on Sept. 26, 2015.
7/1/15	Maui High Heads to Auto Skills Nationals Again, 18th Time	Students Joseph Burger and David Casayuran will join instructor Shannon Rowe in representing Hawai'i at the national event after earning a spot by winning the state title at a competition held on O'ahu in April.
7/1/15	EXCLUSIVE: Skydive Hāna Meeting Expected to be Contentious	Concern was expressed for the historic sites in the area, including significant heiau sites, and the King's Trail along the rugged coastline. Opponents urged the requirement of a full Environmental Impact Statement saying, "safety and protection of these sites should supercede recreational activities." On the company's Facebook page, representatives claim they are being discriminated against.
7/1/15	8-Year Maui Police Veteran Arrested for OUI	An eight-year veteran of the Maui Police Department was arrested and charged with operating a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant, and refusal to submit to a breath, blood or urine test, police said.
7/2/15	PHOTOS: Anthony Bourdain's Maui Episode of "Parts Unknown" to Air June 14	Anthony Bourdain's episode of his show "Parts Unknown" that he filmed in Maui County earlier this year, is set to air on June 14, 2015 on CNN. Maui's own Sheldon Simeon, the executive chef at Mala Wailea and Migrant Maui restaurants Tweeted that he was, "blessed and honored to share some food with @bourdain." He also hash-tagged the Parts Unknown program saying they made a quick stop at Grandma's Coffee House in Kula before starting their adventure.
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7/3/15	Maui Boasts 6 Honorees on Top 100 AI Fresco Dining List	Seventeen Hawai'i restaurants were included on OpenTable's Top 100 list of best AI Fresco Dining Restaurants in America. With that many honorees, Hawai'i boasts the most restaurants on the list, including six Maui locations.
7/3/15	UPDATE: Maui Police Confirm Suspect in Pukalani Sex Assault Investigation is an Employee	Maui police have launched a sexual assault investigation into reports of a man exposing himself and masturbating in a vehicle in Pukalani over the weekend.
7/4/15	Cane Burning Opponents Call for Suspension of HC&S Burn Permit	Cane burning opponents are calling for the State Department of Health to suspend the Burn Permit issued to Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company after heavy smoke last week reportedly sent at least one child to the hospital and resulted in numerous complaints, according to Maui resident Karen Chun of the Stop Cane Burn group.
7/4/15	7 Maui Firefighters Promoted: Two to Captain, Five to Firefighter III	Promotions for Fire Captains Kaulana Kino, Sean Simon, and Firefighter III, Wayne Tashiro, took effect May 16, 2015. Promotions for Firefighter III's Maroe Smith, Parrish Purdy, Greg Shinyama, and Garren Oura was effective May 1, 2015.
7/6/15	VIDEO: Adam Driver "Rides the Wave" as Maui Film Festival's Shining Star	The Maui Film Festival honored Adam Driver today as the 2015 Maui Film Festival Shining Star Award recipient. During an exclusive Maui Now interview with Malika Dudley she asked if there is a major goal or aspiration for the future of his career.
7/8/15	Hawai'i's New 100% Renewable Energy Goal	Governor David Ige today signed into law four energy bills, including one that strengthens Hawai'i's commitment to clean energy by directing the state's utilities to

	is Most Aggressive in Country	generate 100% of their electricity sales from renewable energy resources by 2045.
7/8/15	VIDEO/PHOTOS: Kahakapao Recreational Area Blessing	Mountain biking enthusiasts now have new trails in the Makawao State Forest Reserve to enjoy. As a response to the increased popularity of trail activities, the DLNR Division of Forestry and Wildlife/Nā Ala Hele Trails and Access Program opened the Kahakapao Recreational Area
7/8/15	Former Maui Resident Extradited for Tax Violation	A former Maui resident made a court appearance today after being extradited back to Hawai'i from Las Vegas, Nevada for an alleged tax violation, the Hawai'i Department of Taxation reported.
7/9/15	Maui High Auto Team Places Fourth in Ford/AAA National Competition	Maui High students Joseph Burger and David Casayuran finished fourth in the national Ford AAA Student Auto Skills Competition held today in Dearborn, Michigan.
7/9/15	Victoria's Secret Files \$998K Building Permit for Maui Store	The national retailer, Victoria's Secret has filed a nearly \$1 million building permit to occupy space within the Queen Ka'ahumanu Shopping Center in Kahului, confirming previous reports that talks were underway for a store on Maui.
7/9/15	\$706K Building Permit Filed for Bath & Body Works on Maui	National retailer Bath & Body Works has filed an application for a building permit with the County of Maui, confirming previous leads that the store is looking to open a location on the Valley Isle.
7/10/15	VIDEO: Laura Dern Revists her Hurricane Iniki Experience	During an exclusive on-camera MauiNOW interview with Malika Dudley, Dern was asked what it was like to go through hurricane Iniki while filming Jurassic Park...
7/11/15	Cane Burning Opposition Group to Host Forum, June 25	A group that seeks to stop cane burning on Maui announced an upcoming forum and meeting scheduled to take place on Thursday, June 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Kihei Community Center.
7/12/15	Maui Officer Arrested for Operating a Vehicle While Under the Influence	A three year veteran with the Maui Police Department was arrested and charged for operating a vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicant.
7/12/15	Lost Hikers Caught in Heavy Rain Rescued by Kula Firefighters	A father and his two sons are safe after becoming caught in a heavy down-pour and losing their direction on Thursday night, July 11, at the Polipoli Spring State Recreation Area on Maui. The incident was the second lost hiker call that Kula fire crews responded to on Thursday night.
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7/16/15	UPDATE/Missing Person: Family in Washington Seeks Help in Locating Man	Maui police say that Anthony Noonan, who was reported missing earlier this week, made contact with the Maui Police Department at around 9 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015. Police say he appeared to be in good health. Police thanked the public for their assistance.
7/16/15	UPDATE/LOCATED: Man Reported Missing by Family After Failing to Return Home	Maui police are seeking the public's help in locating Jared Daubert, 29, who was reported missing by a family member after he failed to return home, police said.
7/17/15	Mayor Objects to Portions of 2016 Council Budget	Maui Mayor Alan Arakawa is vetoing a portion of the Fiscal Year 2016 budget that was passed by the County Council on June 5, 2015.
7/18/15	Two Lahaina Men Hospitalized After Honoapi'ilani Jeep Rollover	Two Lahaina men were transported to the hospital following a Jeep rollover accident on the Honoapi'ilani Highway near Wahikuli Road in West Maui on Wednesday night.
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7/19/15	Makawao Parade is Back in the Saddle for 50th Celebration	The 50th annual Makawao Fourth of July Parade is on, said Parade Organizer Theresa Thompson. Makawao's long-running paniolo parade will begin at 9 a.m. on July 4, proceeding up Baldwin Avenue to Makawao Avenue and ending at Eddie Tam Center
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7/19/15	Maui Police Seek Suspect in Armed Robbery at Kulamalu Longs	Maui police are searching for a male suspect wanted for the armed robbery of the pharmacy at the Longs Drugs store at Kulamalu. The suspect, at gunpoint, was able to gain access to numerous prescription medications before fleeing the area with an undisclosed amount of prescription medication.
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7/22/15	Police Body Camera Pilot on Maui Concludes, Assessment Begins	The Maui Police Department reports that a recent body camera pilot project has since concluded and was met with positive feedback from the ten volunteer officers involved.
7/22/15	State Parks, Beaches Become Smoke Free on July 1, 2015	Governor David Ige on Friday signed House Bill 525, which will make Hawai'i state parks and beaches smoke-free. Using tobacco products and electronic smoking devices, or e-cigarettes, at these facilities will be against the law, effective July 1, 2015.
7/23/15	Honolulu Looks to Maui as O'ahu's Plastic Bag Ban Nears	In response to the inquiries, Maui County Communications Director Rod Antone compiled a list of answers to the most frequently asked questions about Maui's ban that went into effect in January of 2011.
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7/24/15	Support Rally on Maui Amid More Mauna Kea Arrests, Haleakalā Convoy	The vigil comes amid ongoing demonstrations and new arrests at the Mauna Kea site where the controversial Thirty Meter Telescope was scheduled to resume construction. The vigil also comes as a wide-load convoy makes its way from the Central Maui Baseyard to the summit of Haleakalā to deliver equipment for the Daniel K Inouye Solar Telescope on Maui.
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7/25/15	Maui Residents to Deliver Love & Aloha to Charleston Community	Two Maui residents will soon deliver messages of aloha, sympathy and encouragement to the Charleston, South Carolina, community, which is still reeling from the fatal shooting of nine of its residents as they participated in a Bible study at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church, the oldest African-American congregation in the southern US, on Wednesday, June 17.

7/25/15	Wastewater Overflow in Lahaina Reaches Golf Course Pond	An undetermined amount of wastewater entered the Kā'anapali Golf Course Pond today following an electrical failure at the Lahaina Pump Station during a generator test.
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7/26/15	Landmark Decision Makes Gay Marriage Legal Across All 50 States	The court held that for the first time, any couple — straight, lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender — can obtain a marriage license and make their commitment public and legal across the nation.
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