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HAWAII FOODBANK 19TH ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE KICK-OFF

Learn How You Can Help Feed the Hungry at the Corporate Kick-Off Breakfast, January 17, 2008

*J*uliette is a young, 21-year-old mother taking care of her beautiful baby boy, **Henry**, eight months. She, Henry and his father **Fred** have been living for the past six months at the **Lighthouse Outreach Homeless Shelter** in Waipahu. Their stay has been a valuable learning experience through meetings with their social worker for assistance with job placement, housing and establishing a savings plan.

Juliette currently works for Wallace Theatres, but just found a job with Norwegian Cruise Lines. She's excited about the new opportunities and better pay the company will provide for her and her family. All she's waiting for is her merchant I.D. to be processed so she can start work on the ship.

But things weren't always looking up for

Juliette and Fred. In May they were forced to move from his brother's house in town. Though Fred earned income from his job at an auto body paint shop and they received some welfare assistance, they still had to struggle to make ends meet. Juliette and Fred ended up in Nanakuli, finding shelter in an abandoned van. Homeless and hungry, they also had the added responsibility of Juliette's pregnancy.

In September, Juliette gave birth prematurely to Henry via cesarean section. It was in the hospital during her recovery that she was referred to the Lighthouse shelter by one of the nurses.

Juliette, Fred and baby Henry moved into the shelter shortly after, where they were able to rest safely for the night, eat hot meals and receive canned foods, clothing, diapers and wipes for Henry.

Now that there's help and hope from the **Lighthouse Outreach Center** and the **Hawaii Foodbank**, Juliette can think about a better, brighter future for her family. Once they have enough saved, they plan to rent a place to live in the Leeward area.

Without the shelter, Juliette said she and her family would be living on the beach. Staying at the shelter makes her feel "safe and calm." Her stress levels have gone down considerably now that they have a place to live, food to eat and are saving money for the future. She also feels she's a part of an extended family at the shelter.



FOOD DRIVE CORPORATE KICK-OFF

Thursday, January 17, 2008

7:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.


Hilton Hawaiian Village, Coral Ballroom

Send your RSVP or regrets by
Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Ph: 836-3600, ext. 240 or Fax: 836-2272

Register online at
www.hawaiifoodbank.org

Juliette has a special message she wants to share with Hawaii Foodbank supporters, "Thank you for helping me, my son and everyone in the shelter. The food you donate provides dinner for us. I also receive things I need for the baby. Keep up the good work. Thank you for supporting the Lighthouse Outreach Center Shelter."

Join us at our **Food Drive Corporate Kick-Off** on **Thursday, January 17** and learn how you can help feed the hungry in Hawaii. Our theme will be the sixties "**Flour Power**" in the spirit of peace, love and ohana. "Give Peas a Chance" by getting "hip to what's happenin'" for the **Hawaii Foodbank 19th Annual Food Drive!** 



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Join Kraft Foods Hawaii this holiday season to "Check-Out Hunger." Last year, campaign donations totaled over \$100,000 statewide to feed Hawaii's children, seniors and families in need during the holidays.

This year please share the holiday spirit with those less fortunate by donating:


- **\$2.81 to Feed a Child Breakfast for a Week**
- **\$12.43 to Feed a Senior Lunch for a Month**
- **\$16.84 to Feed a Family Dinner for a Week**



Making a donation is easy. Just look for the bright green coupons at checkout in your neighborhood:

- **Fujioka's Wines Times, Market City**
- **Fujioka's Wines Times, Mililani**
- **KTA Super Stores, Hawaii**
- **Safeway Food & Drug Stores, Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and Big Island**
- **Tamura Superette, Waianae**
- **Tamura's Fine Wine & Liquors, Kaimuki**
- **Tamura's Market, Hauula**
- **Tamura's Wahiawa**
- **Times Super Markets on Oahu**

Tear off the coupon of your choice, hand it to the cashier and the amount will be added to your grocery bill as a donation to Check-Out Hunger.

Your donation will not only provide nutritious meals, but also go a long way to spreading holiday cheer to the hungry in Hawaii. Mahalo for your loyal and generous support of Check-Out Hunger over the past 14 years. Happy Holidays from our *ohana* to yours. 

KRAFT FOODS HAWAII

2007 National Philanthropy Day, Outstanding Corporation

On November 16, Kraft Foods Hawaii was recognized as Outstanding Corporation at the National Philanthropy Day (NPD) Awards Luncheon held at the Sheraton Waikiki. Business Manager Gerald Shintaku accepted on behalf of the company. Kraft Foods was also represented by Vanessa Akana, Kathleen Gallison and Sweetie Pacarro.

teams. As part of the program, \$25,000 in scholarships is awarded to Oahu's outstanding athletes.




The recipient of the 2007 NPD Outstanding Corporation award: Gerald Shintaku of Kraft Foods Hawaii.

Kraft has been instrumental in the success and growth of "Check-Out Hunger," the Hawaii Foodbank annual giving program that helps feed children, the elderly and families during the holiday season. Kraft generously donates supplies and printing for campaign materials, including the familiar bright green donation coupons you see each year in participating stores. Last year, Kraft's Check-Out Hunger raised \$161,228.66 statewide to feed the hungry.

On the Big Island, "Kokua I Na Kula" improves schools through beautification, equipment purchases, supplemental programs, school excursions and breakfast and lunch programs.

Kraft also sponsors annual events: the Great Aloha Run, Keiki Run, the Hawaii Book & Music Festival, Children & Youth Day and Straub's Kid Fest.

Congratulations and mahalo nui loa to Gerald Shintaku and his team at Kraft Foods Hawaii. 



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HAWAII FOODBANK CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MACY'S "THANKS FOR SHARING"

September 19 – December 31, 2007

ALL MACY'S STORES STATEWIDE

All Macy's credit card customers may earn REWARDS points up to 10 percent on almost all their purchases at any Macy's store and macys.com through "Thanks for Sharing." Enroll in the program with an initial fee of \$25 and from that day through December 31, 2007, your purchases will qualify for REWARDS. Beginning February 2008, your REWARDS

will be mailed to you in the form of a Macy's Gift Card good towards purchases at any Macy's store or macys.com.

A portion of all enrollment fees will benefit the Hawaii Foodbank to help feed the hungry. See a Macy's Sales Associate regarding enrollment or call the Hawaii Foodbank at 836-3600, ext. 244.



HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS TROLLEY TOURS

December 2 - 30, 2007 (except December 24 and 25)

WARD WAREHOUSE, AUAHI STREET BUS STOP



Take the entire family for a fun-filled trolley tour of the dazzling Honolulu City lights through Downtown Honolulu! Tickets are \$4 per person, with children under three FREE if sitting on an adult's lap. Purchase pre-sale tickets at the Ward Warehouse ticket counter next to the Chowder House, Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Limit 10 tickets per adult. Cash or checks accepted. Proceeds will benefit the Hawaii Foodbank.
836-3600, ext. 239

HAWAII FOODBANK 4th ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, February 15, 2008

Shotgun Tee Off at 11:00 a.m.
HAWAII PRINCE GOLF COURSE

Join the Hilton Hawaiian Village and the Hawaii Foodbank Hotel Coalition for a day of golf to benefit the Hawaii Foodbank. The tournament will also feature a Closest-to-the-Pin contest, Lucky Draw Tickets, door prizes and dinner. Entry fee is \$695 for a three-person team including a tee sponsorship. Fee is \$200 for individuals. Both packages include contest entry, goody bag, lunch, dinner and beverages.

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Saturday, March 22, 2008 ~ 5:00 – 8:30 pm

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Don't miss out on these special ticket prices for purchases before December 31.

Early Entry (before Dec. 31, 2007) **\$110**

- Special entry at 5:00 pm
- Elite service from participating restaurants and beverages for one hour

Regular Entry (before Dec. 31, 2007) **\$85**

VIP Table of 10 **\$3,000**

- Special entry at 5:00 pm
- Special selection of wines for your table
- Complimentary valet parking service
- Special wait staff service for your table
- Table favors for each guest
- Company recognition in event program and other Hawaii Foodbank printed collateral

Early Entry (after Jan. 1, 2008) **\$125**

Regular Entry (after Jan. 1, 2008) **\$100**

AIG HAWAII



Hawaii's greatest culinary talents will come together on one special evening to raise needed funds to feed the hungry in Hawaii.

For more information, call 836-3600, ext. 244

Order online at www.hawaiifoodbank.org or fax the order form below to 836-2272.

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E-mail: _____

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Payment: Check Credit Card
 Visa MasterCard American Express

Card # _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name of Card Holder: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Signature: _____

The Hawaii Foodbank 12th Annual Patriots Celebration


Honoring Hawaii's Korean War Veterans

On July 3, 2007, the **Hawaii Foodbank 12th Annual Patriots Celebration** honored **Hawaii's Korean War Veterans**. After a warm welcome from Mistress of Ceremonies **Leslie Wilcox**, a video presentation on the war was shown. Then a Missing Man tribute was led by **Nick Nishimoto** who served in the war with the 25th Division and was captured as a Prisoner-of-War on November 27, 1950. Mr. Nishimoto was a POW for 13 months and afterwards, continued to serve his country during the Vietnam War.

The evening's Keynote Speaker was **Brigadier General Irwin Cockett, Jr., Ret., United States Army**. A native Hawaiian born and raised on Kauai, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in November 1949. He began his service as an infantryman with the distinguished 5th Regimental Combat Team, one of the first U.S. Army units deployed during the Korean War to stop the onslaught of the North Korean People's Army in 1950. General Cockett shared his story. *"It was a peacetime army and garrison duty was good. But all would soon change. June 25th 1950, like December 7th 1941, will live in infamy among the people of the Republic of South Korea. At 4:00 a.m. on that date, the North Korean People's Army launched an unprovoked massive attack across the demilitarized 38th Parallel."* He described the experiences he and many other veterans had endured during the three years of the Korean War. He spoke of Hawaii's sacrifices in the war when the state lost 456 of its sons. *"It was 10:00 p.m., July 27, 1953, when the guns all across North and South Korea - went silent."*

Hawaii Foodbank Board Chair, Linda Chu Takayama then presented the perpetual **Tiffany Award** to the officers of the **Hawaii Korean War Veterans Association** and the **5th Regimental Combat Team**.

The Hawaii Foodbank 12th Annual Patriots Celebration raised over \$296,000, with a portion of the proceeds to collect and distribute food to the hungry in Hawaii. Thank you to Mary Sellers, Gary North and the Patriots Celebration Committee for planning this successful event. A special thank you to Mark Felmet and the Patriots Table Sales Committee for their hard work and special attention to the Korean War Veterans and their families so they could attend the celebration and be properly honored for their service to our country.

On July 3, 2008 the Foodbank will honor the **4th Force Reconnaissance Company United States Marine Corp Reserve** at the **13th Annual Patriots Celebration, Hilton Hawaiian Village**. Please save the date on your calendars and be sure to join us for another memorable evening. 



The 2ND ANNUAL CANstruction®

PRESENTED BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS (AIA), HONOLULU CHAPTER

On Saturday, October 6, 14 teams representing some of Hawaii's leading architectural firms gathered as early as 6:00 a.m. on the ground floor of Pearlridge Center, Uptown. They were there to create fantastic, three-dimensional structures made exclusively of canned foods to benefit the Hawaii Foodbank.

All designs were inspired by this year's theme, "Celebrating our Past, Designing our Future" in honor of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the American Institute of Architects. As soon as Mayor Mufi Hannemann sounded the official horn, the teams began to build.

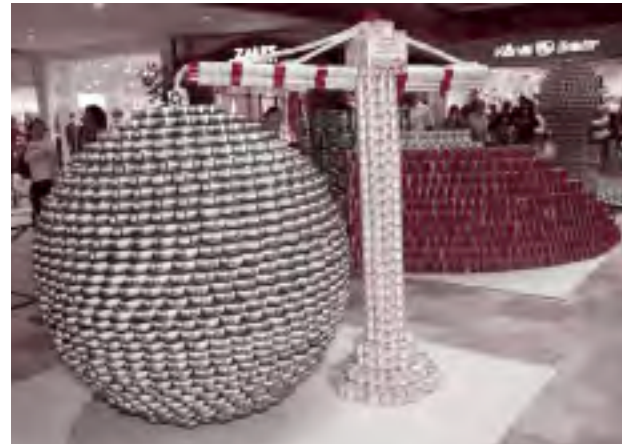
As each hour passed, the structures began to take shape. The teams worked diligently, carefully placing cans of food to create breathtaking sculptures. The horn blew again at 2:00 p.m. bringing Canstruction® to a stop.

The buzz surrounding the structures was amazing. The community voted for their favorite by donating one can of food representing one vote for the "People's Choice Award." At the same time a panel of distinguished judges carefully deliberated, then cast their votes for the winners of the 2nd Annual Canstruction®:

- **Jurors' Favorite:** "Corn"undrum by In+Form Design, Inc.
- **Structural Integrity:** "i-tiki" by Ferraro Choi and Associates
- **Best Use of Labels:** "An inCANvenient truth: building a greener future" by Peter Vincent Architects
- **Best Meal:** "Brush Up on Nutrition" by Durrant Media Five
- **Honorable Mention:** "Take a Bite Out of Hunger...like CANterpillar did!" by WATG
- **Honorable Mention:** "CANpact Fluorescent vs. InCANdescent" by KYA Design Group
- **People's Choice:** "i-tiki" by Ferraro Choi and Associates
- **Most Pounds Donated:** "i-tiki" by Ferraro Choi and Associates

The Hawaii Foodbank would like to thank the following firms for volunteering their time, talents and resources for another successful Canstruction® event:

- Architects Hawaii
- Chaminade ASID Student Chapter
- Design Partners
- Durrant Media Five
- Ferraro Choi & Associates
- Group 70 International
- In+Form Design




Best Use of Labels: "an inCANvenient truth - building a greener future" by Peter Vincent Architects

- KYA Design Group
- Mason Architects
- Peter Vincent Architects
- Richard Matsunaga & Associates
- Skylights of Hawaii
- University of Hawaii School of Architecture
- WATG

A special mahalo to event sponsors AIA, Honolulu Chapter, Pearlridge Center, Makana Communications, Foodland Super Market, Ltd., HonBlue and C&S Wholesale Grocers. Many thanks to Canstruction® jurors Clark Llewlyn, Dean of the UH School of Architecture; Betty Shimabukuro, Honolulu Star-Bulletin; Carol Sakata, FAIA;

CDS International; Jodi Endicott, Honolulu Artist; Kathy Sokugawa, Department of Planning and Permitting and Matt Gilberston, AIA, RIM Architects.

One CAN does make a difference. With your generous support, Canstruction® raised over 42,000 pounds of food to help feed the hungry in Hawaii this holiday season.

Mahalo and join us next year for the 3rd Annual Canstruction® at Pearlridge Center, Uptown. 



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HAWAII FOODBANK IN THE COMMUNITY



"CANFINEMENT"

As part of its 2007 Food Drive campaign, the Honolulu Reservations team at United Airlines "can-fined" Reservations Manager, Jackie Shook, to her office. With each cash donation, employees placed a yellow paper can on Jackie's window to keep her in solitary "canfinement." United Airlines raised over \$6,700 and over 2,100 pounds of food during the campaign.



WASTE MANAGEMENT HAWAII CHECK PRESENTATION

On October 10, Russell Nanod, Community Affairs Manager of Waste Management of Hawaii presented a check for \$7,000 to Dick Grimm, President of the Hawaii Foodbank. The donation will be used to purchase about 30,000 pounds of rice, most of which will be distributed to Foodbank partner agencies on the Leeward Coast.

"I would like to thank Waste Management of Hawaii for its generous contribution to the Hawaii Foodbank," said Mayor Mufi Hannemann. "The company's commitment to serving the local community through strong partnerships and donations like these, all while working to effectively manage Oahu's municipal solid waste is a testament to its dedication to make a difference for Hawaii's people where it counts."

"We are humbled to help the Hawaii Foodbank feed our neighbors in need," said Dave Jappert, General Manager of Waste Management of Hawaii. "We understand there is currently a lull in food donations across the State, and felt it was important to do our part in helping the community."

THE 7TH ANNUAL GIVE ALOHA RALLY

The Board of Directors from the Hawaii Foodbank and the Mediation Center of the Pacific partnered for the 7th Annual Give Aloha Rally on September 14 at Foodland Beretania. Both boards raised 554 pounds of food to feed the hungry and contributed monetary donations to their respective organizations through Give Aloha, Foodland's annual matching gifts program.



HAWAII ASSOCIATION OF MORTGAGE BROKERS (HAMB) CHECK PRESENTATION

The members of HAMB gathered for their annual meeting at Fort Street Grill on October 16 and enjoyed a night at the "Casino Royale." In addition to a night of networking and fun, a portion of all ticket sales benefitted the Foodbank. A total of \$1,000 was collected



and presented to Director of Development Polly Kauahi on November 13. From l to r: Steve Higa, Cathy Lee, Cathy Santa Ana and Polly Kauahi.

CHECK-OUT HUNGER KICK OFF

On November 20, Kraft Foods Hawaii presented the Hawaii Foodbank with a \$5,000 check to officially kick off Kraft's Check-Out Hunger at Times Super Market, Beretania. From l to r:

Lester Lee, Store Manager; Beverly Lynch, Store Operations Supervisor, Times Super Markets; Sweetie Pacarro, Spokesperson, Kraft Foods Hawaii; Polly Kauahi, Director of Development, Hawaii Foodbank and Gerald Shintaku, Business Manager, Kraft Foods Hawaii.



THE HAWAII FOODBANK PRODUCT RESOURCE COMMITTEE

Last year the Hawaii Foodbank helped feed **131,862** people in need statewide. Your donations of food and dollars, in addition to daily donations received from the food industry enabled us to distribute 7.6 million pounds of food including **1.4 million** pounds of fresh produce. How are donors from the food industry recruited? The Product Resource Committee, a subcommittee of the **Hawaii Foodbank Board of Directors**, is dedicated to identifying and



The Hawaii Foodbank Product Resource Committee from l to r: Hoagy Gamble, L.H. Gamble Co., Ltd.; Mike Kajiwara, Hawaii Foodbank; Gerald Shintaku, Kraft Foods; Wayne Teruya, Teruya Brothers and Barry O'Connell, HFM FoodService. Not present: Brian Christensen, C&S Wholesale Grocers.

securing food donations from Hawaii's food retailers, farmers, wholesalers, brokers, distributors and manufacturers to feed the hungry. The Product Resource Committee is comprised of:

- **Gerald Shintaku, Kraft Foods (Committee chair)**
- **Hoagy Gamble, L.H. Gamble Co., Ltd. (Former chair)**
- **Brian Christensen, C&S Wholesale Grocers**
- **Barry O'Connell, HFM FoodService**
- **Wayne Teruya, Teruya Brothers, Ltd.**
- **Mike Kajiwara, Director of Product Donations, Hawaii Foodbank, Inc.**

The committee meets quarterly to discuss new donation sources, inactive donors and donors with opportunities for growth. They review donations made in prior months, discuss current opportunities and set goals for the year.


During the first quarter of fiscal year 2008, the committee focused on securing fresh

produce. Fresh fruits and vegetables are an important source of nutrition for the families and individuals the Foodbank serves. Last year, the **Hawaii Foodbank Ohana Produce Program** distributed 1.4 million pounds of fresh produce through **26 partner agencies to 19 underserved communities** on Oahu.

To meet the increased need for fresh produce, the committee revisited our existing farmers, produce distributors and food retailers to donate their unused supplies. Two new farmers were also approached. Their hard work paid off with 725,110 pounds in fresh produce received in the first quarter, a **71 percent increase** from last year at 422,201 pounds.

The committee's focus has always been twofold: securing a nutritional balance of foods for distribution and finding sources of **protein, dairy products and produce**, typically the foods in lowest supply at the Foodbank.

The committee also acts as a liaison between the food industry and the Foodbank by raising awareness of the need for emergency food in Hawaii, the importance of donating surplus food to the Foodbank and education on the **Good Samaritan** food donation laws and other policy changes in the industry.

If you work for a food retailer, farmer, wholesaler, broker, distributor or manufacturer and are interested in donating food to help feed the hungry, please contact Hawaii Foodbank Director of Product Donations Mike Kajiwara at 836-3600, ext. 230 or mike@hawaiiifoodbank.org. 




Year Round Collection Site!

Remember to drop off your food donations at any **Ruby Tuesday** location: **Ala Moana, Town Center of Mililani, Windward Mall, or Moanalua Center** to help feed the hungry in Hawaii. A collection basket is located at each host stand for your convenience. Most needed foods are:

- **Canned meats and tuna**
- **Canned spaghetti, chili, corned beef**
- **Canned soups**
- **Canned fruits**
- **Canned vegetables**

Mahalo for joining community partner Ruby Tuesday to help feed the hungry year-round!

WONG FOUNDATION FOOD DROP OFF AREA

Punahou School students and their parents visited the Hawaii Foodbank warehouse to deliver food donations collected from their school wide, annual holiday food drive. The school donated a total of 4,075 pounds of food. Then students and parents were taken on a warehouse tour to learn how their food donations would be inspected and distributed to the hungry in Hawaii. Mahalo Punahou School! 



Nourishing Body and Soul

Jade Moon



Our mothers used to tell us, “Eat all your food, people are starving in China!”

Take out “China” and insert Nanakuli, Kalihi, Waimanalo, or Downtown Honolulu, and you have a pretty good idea of the scope of the hunger problem today.

At a Waipahu homeless shelter I met a teenage girl who hurried “home” from her after-school job so she could have dinner. It wasn't much-huge scoop rice, hot dog and chili. But for her it was a very big deal and something she looked forward to all day. Her life revolved around that meal. She timed her part-time job and her bus schedule around it. Missing it would mean a night of hunger.


The people ladling the chili and scooping the rice were volunteers. Some were members of a church; others had been on the receiving end of a food line themselves. The food was

from the Hawaii Foodbank.

To whom do we turn when we need help? To the people who have a stake in our well being – our families, our neighbors and friends. But what happens if they're not in a financial position or frame of mind to help? It happens a lot more than we'd like. It's frightening to feel so alone.

The people lining up for food understood that. So did the volunteers.

It's a fact that there are many in our communities who have been left behind. But they do not have to be alone. We essentially become their surrogate families, neighbors and friends when we reach out to them with the help of the Hawaii Foodbank.

Keep up the good work. There is at least one teenage girl sleeping on a mat in a shelter tonight who is grateful for the food she has received, and comforted by the knowledge that she is not alone. 



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