

AFTER DARK IN THE PARK

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in Kilauea Visitor Center Auditorium

September 16 – “Life After Cattle: Restoring Lower Mauna Loa’s Forest”
Once dominated by koa-‘ohi’a forest, the Mauna Loa Strip section of Hawai’i Volcanoes National Park was decimated by extensive logging and grazing by cattle, goats and pigs. After these animals were fenced out, recovery of native vegetation has varied – some areas remain persistent pasture and others are becoming biologically rich secondary forest. Park botanist Sierra McDaniel shares the long history of forest restoration and current strategies for supporting native vegetation in this section of the park. In preparation for Public Lands Day on Sept 27, learn how you can help with exciting projects to preserve native plant communities.

September 23 – “Monitoring Kilauea’s Constant Changes”

During his first year at USGS’s Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, geologist Matt Patrick has witnessed a lot of action. In early 2008, increasing gas emissions, followed by explosions, opened a new vent in Halema’uma’u Crater. Easy to view, the new vent fascinates everyone with its dramatic gas cloud, night-time glow and fluctuations in activity. Meanwhile, Kilauea’s decades-long east rift zone eruption shifted to a new vent in July, 2007. First a complex of shields formed around this fissure, and then lava poured downhill through Royal Gardens subdivision and entered the ocean at Waikupanaha in March, 2008. Amidst steam and explosions, new coastline grows, thrilling countless visitors. Monitoring these two eruptions keeps HVO scientists busy with observation, computation, publication and cogitation. Join Patrick to hear about recent results and ideas about Kilauea’s exciting, ever-changing activity.

submitted by Ruth Levin, NPS

Farewell...

The Officers and Council Members of Cooper Center Council want to acknowledge with love those we have lost in the last few weeks.

Elenore McCarthy, council member and one of the most loving and joyous individuals I’ve ever met passed into the light with a message of “love and joy” to those she left behind. What a truly spiritual person she was. Elenore, we will miss you greatly, but we know you are in a better place.

Valerie Toft, who cared for the Cooper Center facility for the last few years, became ill and also passed into the light last week. We send our love to her daughter Kitana, brothers, sisters and friends that she left behind. You too Valerie are now in a better place free of pain and suffering, you will be missed. Celebration of life to be held Sept. 14th at Cooper Center 6-7:30PM

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September KMC Happenings

Monday Night Madness!

Mondays – September 1, 8, 15, 22,
& 29, 2008

6 – 10 p.m. Recreation Lodge
Enjoy a night of fun and games for one inclusive price! \$15 includes virtual surfing, 10 game tokens, unlimited bowling and ping-pong. Call 967-8352 for more information.

Recreation Lodge

SPECIAL NOTICE

For your convenience and ease, the video games have been reset to accept quarters only. The machines will no longer accept KMC tokens. If you have any questions, please call 967-8352.

Open to all KMC authorized patrons and sponsored guests. For more information, please call Marketing at 967-8371. Park entrance fees may apply.

submitted by Arlene Bali

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

TO ATTEND

THE GRAND OPENING AND
DEDICATION OF

THE VILLAGE CHURCH A/G
VOLCANO

VENUE: WRIGHT ROAD.
VOLCANO.

BIG ISLAND. HAWAII

DATE: 6TH SEPTEMBER 2008

TIME: 10:30AM

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED

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