

# Kākou Connection

March 2022

Kākou in Hawaiian means "we are all in this together." As we continue to overcome challenges, it is our hope that this newsletter will provide you with valuable resources and information to guide you along the way. This is a joint collaboration of the DOE Central District's School Social Workers and Human Services Professionals. Let's remain connected and support one another!

## March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

<https://health.hawaii.gov/ddd/>

Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) serves people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities to realize their possibilities now! DDD's approach is to develop a path for each participant to live a full and satisfying life in the community.

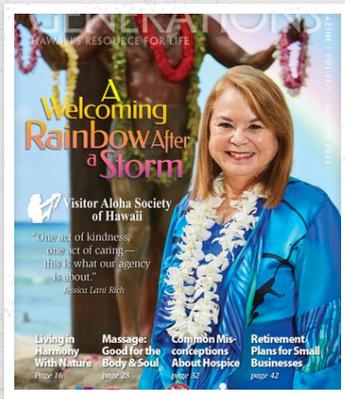


## Pi Day - March 14

<https://holidappy.com/holidays/25-Best-Ways-to-Celebrate-Pi-Day-314>

Pi, also known by the Greek letter " $\pi$ ," is a constant value used in math that represents the ratio of a circumference of a circle to its diameter, which is just about 3.14....15...9265359... (and so on). Not only that, but the fourteenth of March is also Albert Einstein's birthday!

**Why should you never start talking to Pi at a party? Because it just goes on forever!**



## Generations Magazine - Hawai'i's Resource for Life

<https://generations808.com/>

The safety and well-being of our Kūpuna is so important, especially during these times. Generations Magazine provides seniors and their families with information ranging from healthcare, finances, legal matters and caregiving topics, and so much more!



## OHA's Emergency Financial Assistance Program

<https://www.oha.org/emergencyaid>

Beginning Feb. 1, 2022, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) will expand the assistance available to Native Hawaiians through its Ka Wailele Emergency Financial Assistance Program. In addition to mortgage, rental and utility support, they now offer relief for car repairs, funeral expenses, and out-of-pocket medical expenses.



## DOE Support for Students - Homework and Test Help

<https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/ParentsAndStudents/SupportForStudents/HomeworkAndTestHelp/Pages/home.aspx>

Every student has strengths and weaknesses when it comes to academic performance. The programs listed here offer opportunities for students to get ready for tests and master their coursework.

## 2022 Summer Programs

These programs are already accepting registration for summer. Other programs will be showcased in the upcoming newsletters.

<https://www.ymcahonolulu.org/youth-programs/summer-program>

Various YMCA locations throughout the island are offering an extensive selection of summer program options from day to overnight camps, swim lessons, and family camp weekend getaways.

<https://crdg.hawaii.edu/summerprograms/>

University of Hawai'i at Manoa summer programs offers a variety of courses designed for students entering grades 1–12, from Hawai'i Nature Studies Program to hands-on robotics and STEAM classes.

## 50 Fun Recipes to Make with Kids Over Spring Break

<https://www.tasteofhome.com/collection/spring-break-kid-recipes/>

Spring break becomes even more fun with these kid-friendly breakfasts, snacks and desserts! Enjoy bacon cream cheese pinwheels, frozen chocolate monkey treats, princess toast, and root beer float fudge, just to name a few!



## Ben Franklin Crafts

<https://www.benfranklinhawaii.com/projects/category/keiki-kraft>

Ben Franklin Crafts stores have everything and anything on a crafter's wish list. They offer Keiki Kraft projects that are simple and fun to do, such as an origami pocket, flower tube holder, hearty clay magnets and sunflower mason jar!

**SPRING IS A TIME OF  
NEW BEGINNINGS, NEW  
POSSIBILITIES.. WHAT  
QUALITY WOULD YOU  
LIKE TO GROW THIS  
SPRING?**