



REPRESENTATIVE GENE WARD



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COFFEE SUMMIT

Join Rep. Ward
for a talk story
session on
**Tues, April
4 at 6:00pm**
at Outback
Steakhouse in
Hawaii Kai



BEER SUMMIT

Guest speaker:
Join us on
Thurs, April 2 to
speak with the
former Senator,
HTA Director,
Chief of Staff
to Governor
Ige, and **newly
appointed
Director of the
DBEDT, Mike
McCartney!**



After months of confusion and delay, the crosswalk between the Oahu Club and KCAA Preschool is now restored.

CROSSWALK RESTORED!

Thanks to pressure from community members, the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board, and elected officials, **the now infamously removed crosswalk at Hawaii Kai Drive 10 months ago has been restored before the promised date in April!**

Mahalo nui loa to the City & County of Honolulu for responding to Hawaii Kai's concerns and restoring safety to a very busy road way.

Cross safely!



MAUNALUA BAY PIER SET FOR REMOVAL

Following the boat ramp's collapse in January, the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR) has alerted Rep. Ward that access to the **Maunalua Bay Boat Ramp will be closed from March 25th to 29th while the pier is removed.** For more information, please contact DOBOR at 832-3520.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP CELEBRATED AT THE STATE CAPITOL

ABOVE: On March 19, the Capitol celebrated **Manufacturing Day**, where dozens of local business owners and manufacturers showcased their businesses to state legislators and staff.

Pictured: Rep. Ward meets with representatives from Rix Island Wear, a popular aloha shirt company that designs, manufactures, and sells its products in Hawaii.

BELOW: The House of Representatives honored the winners of the **Hawaii Venture Capital Association's 19th Annual Awards**. Among the winners were **Henk Rogers** (4th from left) who won investor of the

year for his contribution to Hawaii's start-up community, and **Louis Concato** (5th from right) for developing clean technology to improve agricultural practices and assist local farmers.

"Small business is the backbone of Hawaii's economy. As a founding member of the HVCA and former retailer, we must continue to encourage innovation to secure a brighter future for the next generation," said **Rep. Ward**. "There is no shortage of talent here in these islands, and it is encouraging to see our best and brightest receiving honor where honor is due."



2019 EARTH DAY CLEANUP

Please join Rep. Ward for his **11th Annual Earth Day Cleanup** along the beautiful Ka 'Iwi Coast. Immediately afterward, there will be a picnic and talk story session at Maunalua Bay. Details below:

CLEANUP

>>WHEN: Saturday, April 13, 9:00 to 11:00am.

>>WHERE: Ka 'Iwi Coast (8905 Kalanianaole Hwy) Park and meet 1/4-mile past the stop light at Kealahou Street and Kalanianaole Hwy

Bags, gloves, and water will be provided. Please wear sun protection and comfortable shoes.

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>>WHEN: Saturday, April 13, 11:00am to 2:00pm

>>WHERE: Maunalua Bay Beach Park (look for our banner)

Come enjoy drinks and kosher hot dogs!

To sign register for the clean up, please email ward1@capitol.hawaii.gov