



Agricultural Leadership Program - Class XIV
Guest Speakers & Site Visits
Leadership Seminar Topics

Additional Details re Seminars on Class Blog - <http://alpclassxiv.blogspot.com/2013/01/and-away-we-go.html>

Seminar 1 - Hawai'i Island January 31 - February 3, 2013

- Classroom Speakers: Stevie Whalen-Hawai'i Agriculture Research Center, Jeff Melrose-Island Planning, Barry Taniguchi and Derek Kurisu-KTA Super stores, JB Friday-UH Forestry, Pat Tummons-Environment Hawai'i, Sharon Ziegler Chong-PIPES at UH Hilo
- Richard Ha – Hamakua Springs Country Farms
- Jim Reddekopp – Hawaiian Vanilla Company
- Richard Spiegle – Volcano Honey Company
- Mike & Trisha Hudson – WOW Farms
- Corey Gillins – Big Island Dairy
- Pono von Holt – Ponoholo Ranch (Chris English)
- Leadership Seminar Topics: The Honor and Burden of Leadership, Systems, Hierarchies, and the Tugs and Pulls of What You Do, The Hats You Will Wear When you are in Charge: Competition, Cooperation, and Authority, Group Process, Facilitation “101”, “Ike” – Full Length Film and Discussion on Leadership

Seminar 2 - O'ahu Island April 11-14, 2013

- Classroom Speakers: Dean Okimoto-HFBF & Nalo Farms, Russelk Kokubun-Hawai'i Department of Agriculture, Dwight Takamine-Hawai'i Department of Labor & Industrial Relations, Mike Hudson & David Ruff-Community Ag Plan legislation, Senator Dela Cruz-State Representative, Jimmy Nakatani-Hawai'i Ag Development Corp., Chris Lee- State Representative, Donna Ching-UH CTAHR
- Brooks Takenaka - United Fishing Agency
- Russell Ito – NOAA
- Tisha Uyehara - Armstrong Produce
- Nami Ohtomo – Young Brothers
- Diane Ley - USDA Farm Service Agency
- Gary Maunakea-Forth – MAO Organic Farms (Derrick Kiyabu)
- Tom McDonald – Kahumana Farms
- Lyle Wong – Paina Hawai'i (irradiator)
- Neil Ho – Ho Farms
- Leadership Seminar Topics: Discussion - Pacific Bio-Fish Challenge, Mapping the Tribes of Agriculture and their Battles, Negotiation Puzzles, Central Bargaining Concepts, Culture(s) as an Issue in Negotiation and Problem Solving, Roundtable with Donna Ching - What Works and Doesn't Work When People Try to Collaborate

Seminar 3 - Kaua'i Island May 31-June 2, 2013

- Classroom: Eric Knutzen- Ho'ouluwehi: Sustainability Living Institute of Kaua'i, Jerry Ornellas-Kauai Food Hub, Landis Ignacio-Kekaha Agricultural Association,
- Val Kaneshiro - M&H Kaneshiro Farms
- Kimberley Uyehara - Hanalei National Wildlife Refuge
- Mark Koga - Koga Farm
- Keli'i Alapai and Carlos Andrade - Hui Maka'ainana o Makana community organization



- Kawika Winter - Limahuli Garden and Preserve of the National Tropical Botanical Gardens
- Sarah Styan - Pioneer HiBred PCR Lab
- Leadership Seminar Topics: The Locavore Coalition (Part 1) – Designing it to Go Wrong, A Communication “Idea Fest”, The Power of You and Your Leadership Story, The Locavore Coalition (Part 2) – de Bono’s Six Hat Model

Seminar 4 - Maui Island August 1-18, 2013

- Rick Volner – Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar
- Garrett Hew - East Maui Irrigation
- Skippy Hau - Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Aquatic Resources (Waihe’e stream)
- James Leary – UH CTAHR, Herbicidal Ballistic Technology
- Teya Penniman & Abe Vandenberg – Maui Invasive Species Council
- Kanalu Sproat – Maui Axis Deer Working Group
- Mike Tavares – Maui Axis Deer Harvesting Cooperative
- Bryan Davis, Vineyard Manager - Tedeschi Vineyard
- Maeghan Lenz, Tasting Room Manager - Tedeschi Vineyard
- Mauricio Soler, Winemaker - Tedeschi Vineyard
- Sumner Erdman - ‘Ulupalakua Ranch
- Koa Chang & Harrison - Ali‘i Kula Lavender Farm
- Geoff Haines - Waipoli Hydroponics
- Pat Bily - The Nature Conservancy (Waikamoi Preserve)
- Shonna Pinheiro - Organic Ocean Vodka
- Avery Chumbly – Makani Olu Ranch
- Dale Bonar - Affordable Farm Land Trust
- Leadership Seminar Topics: Naming, Framing, And Taming Tough Problems, “Wicked Problems”, Three Quick Problem Solving Exercises, Type I, II, and III problems and a diagnostic model, Problem “Management”, Taming the GMO Question (facilitated discussion; ALP alumni invited)

Seminar 5 - Hawai‘i Island October 24-27, 2013

- Troy Keolanui - OK Farms
- Bob and Janice Stanga - Hāmākua Mushrooms
- Luisa Castro (Class XII) of UH CTAHR (Food Safety)
- Jill Mattos - Hawai‘i Beef Producers
- Perry Kealoha - Kamehameha Schools (*Leucaena* forage trials)
- James Twigg Smith, Farmer, Chris Long, Crushing Facility & Jenna Long, Refinery – Pacific BioDiesel
- Jon & Eric Tanouye & Neo Thong-Teng - Green Point Nursery
- Michelle Galimba – Kuahiwi Ranch
- Randy Mochizuki - Royal Hawaiian Orchards
- Chris Manfredi - Ka‘ū Farm and Ranch Company
- Lorie Obra – Rusty’s Hawaiian Coffee
- Mahealani Pai - Kamehameha Schools’ Keauhou - Kahalu‘u Education
- Gerald Cysewski - Cyanotech
- Jennica Lowell - Blue Ocean Mariculture
- Laurence Sombardier - Energy Lab of Hawai‘i Authority (NELHA) and HOST
- Leadership Seminar Topics: The Four Cultures, Change and Stability: The Myth of Equilibrium, Business Disruption, Intentional Change, Strategy: Michael Porter, Dashboards and Metrics, Forecasts and Scenarios, Some tools, Thinking About Agriculture in Hawai‘i



Seminar 6 – Maui and Lanai January 16-18, 2014

- Bobby Brooks, Greg Fiel, Kristen Mack – Haleakala Ranch
- Kepa Maly, Ed Petteys, Ed Jensen, Kimberly Miyazawa Frank – Pulama Lanai
- Alberta de Jetley – Bennie’s Farm
- Leadership Seminar Topics: “Good, Bad, and Ugly Leadership”, Leadership Lessons from the Site Visits, On the Matter of “Sustainability” in Hawai’i’s Agriculture, A leader’s “job description” revisited, Sharpening leadership questions for future site visits

Washington DC -April 4-12, 2014

- Kathryn Hill - USDA: Branding, Events, Exhibits, and Editorial Review
- Tom Christensen - USDA: Asst. Chief of Operations
- Leonard Jordan - USDA: Acting Associate Chief
- Anne MacMillan - USDA: USDA Deputy of Staff
- Elanor Starmer - USDA: National Coordinator, Know Your Farmer Know Your Food
- Jennifer Yezak - USDA: Director, Office of External and Intergovernmental Affairs
- Anthony Kramer - USDA: Deputy Chief for Programs
- David Smith - USDA: Director, Soil Science Division
- Lesia Reed - USDA: Deputy Chief, Strategic Planning and Accountability
- Ronald Harris - USDA: Director, Outreach & Advocacy
- Senator Brian Schatz and Ryan Martel - Schatz Leg Asst, Ag
- Senator Mazie Hirono and Jennifer Burks, Hirono Leg Asst, Ag, Lauren Barich, Hirono Leg aide
- Rep. Colleen Hanabusa and Teal Takayama, Hanabusa Leg Asst, Ag
- Rep. Tulsi Gabbard and Dave Chun- Gabbard, Leg Asst, Ag
- Dr. Janet Slovin, Molecular Biologist - USDA, ARS
- Dr. Joan Lunney, Research Chemist - Animal Parasitic Diseases Laboratory, BARC, USDA, ARS
- Dr. Jude Maul, Research Ecologist - Sustainable Agriculture Systems Laboratory, USDA, ARS
- Susan Fugate, Head, Collection Management and Special Collections - USDA National Agricultural Library
- Chandler Keys (lobbyist), Owner - Keys Group, Keys Group
- Jeff Blackwood, Manager, Government Affairs - BASF
- Anne Simmons, Senior Minority Policy Advisor - House Committee on Agriculture
- Mary Knigge - Professional Staff - House Committee on Agriculture
- Keith Jones - Professional Staff - House Committee on Agriculture
- Joe Shultz - Chief Economist - Senate Committee on Agriculture Nutrition and Forestry
- Grant Clovin, Policy Analyst - Senate Committee on Agriculture Nutrition and Forestry
- Dale Moore, Executive Director, Public Policy - American Farm Bureau Federation
- Kristi Boswell, Director, Congressional Relations - American Farm Bureau Federation
- Eugene Kim, Policy Specialist - National Sustainable Ag Coalition
- Katherine Eklund, Partnerships and Planning Coordinator - DC Central Kitchen

North Carolina - April 12-19, 2014

- Michael Chesnutt, Han-Christian Rohr, Chris Williams – Bladen Lake Forest
- Jimmy A. Dail - Dail Farms (hogs, tobacco)
- Roy Thagard, Greene County Extension Agent - Agriculture, Field Crops - NCSU
- Joanna Massey Lelekacs, NC Cooperative Extension Coordinator for Local Foods -CEFS - Center for Environmental Farming Systems



- Larry Kent, Onslow County Incubator Farm Leader
- Lisa Forehand, CEFS Extension and Outreach Coordinator - Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- Marisz Benzle, CEFS Small Farm Unit Manager - Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- Andy Meier, Superintendent, Cherry Research Farm - Center for Environmental Farming Systems
- Hal Teegarden, VP of Ag. Operations - Sweet Green Fields
- Steve Troxler, Ag Commissioner - North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Martha Worley, Exec Asst to Ag Commissioner - North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- James Burnette, Jr., Structural Pest Control & Pesticides Division Director - North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Joe Reardon, Assistant Commissioner for Consumer Protection - North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Richard Reich, Assistant Commissioner - North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Deborah Stewart, State Plant Health Director - USDA APHIS PPQ
- Darrell Bays, Pest Survey Specialist - USDA APHIS PPQ
- Dr. Blake Brown, Professor and Extension Economist - North Carolina Agricultural Leadership Development Program
- Pam & Bob Stamey - Stamey Cattle Co.
- Jennifer Foulides - Silver Fork Vinyards & Winery
- Bijay K Singh, Research Manager - BASF
- Chad Benton, Associate Scientist - BASF
- Bert Lemkes, President - Van Wingerden Intl.
- Danny McConnell - McConnell Farms, Inc
- Richard & Mindy Staton (Josh-son) - Rich Mind
- Marvin Owings, Jr., County Extension Director - NC State University, Henderson County Center
- Doug Sutton, Market Manager - Western North Carolina Farmers Market
- David Butler - SkyTop Orchard
- Wes Eason, Sales & Processing Manager - Sunburst Trout Farm
- Van Burnett - Hop 'n Blueberry Farm

Seminar 7 & Graduation – O‘ahu May 15-18, 2014

- Russell Hata – Y-Hata
- Miki Tomita - Hokulea and Hikianalia, Marine Education and Training Center
- Larry Jefts – Sugarland Farms
- Lisa Zeman – Hawai‘i Agricultural Foundation Ag Park, Kunia
- John McHugh - Sumida Watercress Farm
- Ashley Stokes – CTAHR programs at University of Hawai‘i
- Tyler Jones, Hawai‘i Agriculture Research Center
- Hiilei Kawelo – Paepae o Heeia
- Rick Barboza – Papahana Kualoa
- Kuuipo McCarty & John Morgan – Kualoa Ranch Oyster Farm
- Leadership Seminar Topics: Leadership Panel Facilitated by Peter Adler: Robbie Alm, Joan Husted, Russell Kokubun, and Diane Ley