



## Congratulations Class XV !

Please join ALP Class XV for a day of celebration, continued networking opportunity, and beautiful scenery at **Kualoa Ranch Moli'i Pavilion & Gardens** on **October 8th** from **11am to 1pm**. Chef Kealoha Domingo will be preparing dishes featuring products with ALP ties including grass-fed Paniolo Cattle Company beef, Small Kine Farms organic portobello mushrooms, and Kualoa Ranch's farm raised pacific white shrimp. There will also be games for the keiki so please bring the family.

Lunch: \$30 per adult, keiki 10 and under free



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## Agricultural Leadership Program Class XV

### Capstone Project Presentations

Friday, October 7, 2016  
1:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Hawaiian Earth Products, Wahiawā

Join Agricultural Leadership Program Class XV members as they present their Capstone Projects – the last assignment before graduation! Each individual or group will be given up to 15 minutes to talk about their projects and answer questions. Below are the project descriptions. The presentations will be made at Hawaiian Earth Products' conference room in Wahiawā. You are welcome to join in person or virtually via the Internet. Please RSVP by September 23 so that logistical arrangements can be made. Contact: [lisa@agleaderhi.org](mailto:lisa@agleaderhi.org) or call 808-947-2914.

(The listing below is in alphabetical order by presenter. This may not be the order of presentations.)

#### **Joey Char and Fung Yang**

##### **RIPPCURL: Repurposing Invasive Plants in Punalu'u to Create Useful Recycling of Land-waste**

The RIPPCURL Capstone Project will be a feasibility study to answer this question: Can an economically sound business model be created where invasive plants are removed from Punalu'u ag parcels and transported to an on-site biomass processing facility where the green waste is converted into beneficial products such as mulch, bio-fuel, and biomass?

#### **Alex Connelly**

##### **Global Connections Around Values and Visions of Abundance**

A reflection and analysis of biocultural resource management across Hawai'i and over 30 countries worldwide.

#### **Taylor Kellerman and Carolyn Unser**

##### **Creating a Communication Platform and Networking Foundation for Future Hawai'i Ag Leadership Cohorts**

This project is intended to develop communication tools and templates for future Ag leadership cohorts regarding the program's purpose and overall benefit to the greater agricultural community. These tools would be used when interacting with partners, potential partners, hosts, collaborators, legislators and stakeholders to communicate ALP's core mission, as well as pertinent information about that particular class. The project also includes utilizing existing events to grow and perpetuate the networking opportunities that develop from being an ALP graduate.



## **Joao Kopytowski-Filho**

### **Pumpkin Patch Goes Tech!**

This project involves growing several varieties of pumpkins and evaluating the results of fertilizer, general cycle management, and IPM techniques. The results will be shared mainly with the local community on Kaua'i and farmers will be assisted to initiate pumpkin production – in time for Halloween.

## **David Penn**

### **Whose Meat is This? Building Collaborative Leadership for Community-based Subsistence Hunting**

Using the state's Community-Based Subsistence Fishing Area program for guidance, this project explores a roadmap for developing a similar program for Community-Based Subsistence Hunting. The intended use for this draft program outline/manual is as a springboard for working with Game Program sponsors, partners, collaborators, and cooperators—including public and private landowners, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the State Board of Land and Natural Resources, the State Legislature, and the new State Game Management Advisory Commission—to assess the desirability of a community-based approach to public hunting; identify and mobilize leadership for implementing such an approach; and help people to bring home the bacon, harmoniously.

## **Steve Russo**

### **Pictorial Pest Guide for Non-English Speaking Farmers**

The goal of this project is to increase access of non-English speaking farmers to the knowledge and services provided by both public and private entities in the topic of pest management. A pilot program will be conducted targeting a group of about 30 Thai speaking farmers in Kunia.

## **Jacob Tavares**

### **Maui Based, Grass-fed Stocker Operation**

This project is a proposal to create a centralized grass based stocker operation on Maui utilizing irrigated pastures to create a consistent, naturally raised local beef product. This all-in-one service will take a calf to finished weight, slaughter, process, package, and custom label based on marketing strategies developed by the individual operation.

## **Lisa Wood**

### **Cowboys in Paradise**

#### **A Look at Our Island Ranchers and Grass Farmers**

In 2007, a Beef Summit was held that brought together ranchers and stakeholders from across the state. The result of the Summit was a strategic plan, which identified priorities for the beef industry. One of the priorities noted was the need to promote and increase awareness of our industry. The goal of this project will be to produce a series of videos that showcase the cattle industry in Hawai'i. The videos will be shown nationally on the "Cattlemen to Cattlemen" series and will also be available online at the Hawai'i Cattlemen's Council website