Baker’s Biographical Dictionary of Popular Musicians Since 1990

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First Insurance Company of Hawaii, one of the generous sponsors for the 2006 HSPLS Children’s Summer Reading Program, donated $500, which provided DVD/video coupons to the 51 public libraries for lucky drawing prizes. Wearing lei’s from left, First Insurance Company of Hawaii’s Elton Roebe, Personal Line Supervisor, and Derek Kaneheia, Human Resources Manager, display DVD/video coupon samples at a presentation ceremony during a “Tiny Tales for Tiny Tots” storyline at Kahili-Palma Public Library.

Kihei Public Library Receives $100,000 Donation

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This bequest from Edwards, who passed away in July 2005, increased the total amount of the endowed fund to over $225,000. Established in 1996, this Fund has provided over $22,000 to Kihei Public Library for special purchases.

Among the library projects that Edwards previously funded and which this Fund continues to support include: a phonics collection for children who are just learning to read; the start of a children’s music CD collection to help kids sing the alphabet; large print books, including the classics; special children’s programs that help promote reading and literacy; up-to-date children’s and adult science books, including technology books, which have a tendency to become outdated quickly; and a number of library supplies that could not be purchased with limited state funding.

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Friends of the Library of Hawai‘i’s 59th annual Friends of the Library of Hawai‘i Book Sale will be a wide variety of over 100,000 assorted books, CDs, DVDs, videos, records, books on tape, and more to choose from. Special “collec- tor” items such as rare, out-of-print books and valuable first editions will be available in the “glass case” section.

The annual booksale draws bibliophiles of all ages. Proceeds from the sale will directly benefit the Hawai‘i State Public Library System. Booksale funds provide branch libraries and staff with books and equipment, performance programs, and continuing education grants. Last year’s sale grossed $150,000.

Booksale hours are: July 8-9, 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.; July 10-14, 10 a.m.- 9 p.m.; and July 15, 9 a.m.- noon. Special discount days such as Senior Discount Day (65 and over), Library Card Day, and Fiction & Reading Day will be offered.

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Several new items for purchase have been added this year: assorted snacks to satisfy hunger cravings at the Friends’ food tent (available July 8-9); T-shirts, polo shirts, and other fun items featuring the Friends’ logo, and unique greeting cards.

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