



Aloha e everyone and welcome to January 2006 issue of Kaleo O Nani Newsletter!

Aloha e everyone and HAPPY 2006, it is going to be a great year, I can feel it in my core. How about you?

Our newsletter is to change just a tad.

We are to have more guest writers. (so writers begin to submit your articles for publication)

More magnificent Women-Men-children stories. More focus on children and their needs. (submit your recommendations of special people you know)

New features on small business, entrepreneur how to's, with sprinkles of never giving up. Women focused issues, All our offerings for your enlightenment are to infuse a spirit of hope because with hope one never ever gives up.

One major inclusive column is focused on all Native American entrepreneurs, major business accomplishments or programs offered by Native American Corporations, LLC, 501c3 or small business. Please plan to submit articles and business success stories to me for publication up to 1000 words.

I will continue to write the column on Mastering the Art of Living series which will include but are not limited to; kids at risk, issues of special needs, ancient wisdom and spirituality, and inclusive diversity.

As always, take what you need and discard the rest. Here we go!

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This months issue expands on last months.

- **Magnificent Man (yes, a man and possibly you so check)**
- **Point to Ponder**
- **Na Mana'o Akamai: Intelligent thinking or "learning to fish" Mastering the art of Living Diversity Article -Nani Linder**
- **Ka Wahine o ka maka (through woman's eyes)**
- **Business Beat: New series to begin in February**
- **The Final Word**
- **Announcement's**

I believe in the Human Spirit, miracles and celebrating life!
Nanipuaaalaomaililaulii Aki Linder - White Raven

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Na Mana'o akamai -Intelligent Thinking: Think with the eyes of one learning to fish. Then answer. If tomorrow I could wave a magic wand and give you anything you wished for (A.) What would you want? (B.) Why? (C) Would your wish make a difference in the lives of many, a few or one? Hint: Wisdom is often found in the question asked. Nani Linder I invite you to Share your thoughts with me. nani@universityoflife.info

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MEET A MAGNIFICENT MAN

By Nani Aki Linder

This month I have chosen to write about See Vue. I chose him because he deserves this recognition. See Vue is small in stature but giant at heart, always smiling and most important he is one of the most caring, genuine souls on planet earth we are privileged to know and work with. Now is the perfect moment to get a cup of tea, go ahead we will wait for you. Ladies and gentlemen I have the high honor of presenting;

See Vue: Gentle Giant

I think soaking wet I would estimate See Vue might weigh 120 lbs. He came to our country from South East Asia with many other Hmong people who left after Viet Nam fell. His people helped our soldiers and government during the war and so it was not safe for them to stay once America pulled out. It has not been an easy transition for the Hmong yet their resilience, tenacity and loyalty is laudable and inspiring to this writer.

See Vue is a social worker by profession. His responsibilities are as vast as the deep blue sea professionally as well as locally. He is a selfless respected elder of the Hmong community. His smile, gentleness and genuine caring is infectious. Because of his deep commitment he is on call beyond his work hours with the state. >From what I know and

have observed he sleeps little because he is available 24/7 for those in need. His giving posture is one of high ethics and personal gratitude for what America has done for him.
He gives back 10 fold!

See Vue is married and has young children of his own. Often in the middle of the night he leaves the warmth of his own home and family to assist another family at risk. When the state cuts services to the poor, See dips into his own earned income to provide food for the needy and beyond. He does not ask permission to help. He sees the needs and just does it by sharing from his own. There is a passage that says, "greater love hath no man than to lay down his life for his friend." See Vue gives of himself generously to the community in body by working day and night to help. Mind because it is taxing and often overwhelming to worry constantly about your fellow man. Spirit because spiritually he is available to give council when there is often no one there to relieve his stress level or to say a simple thank you and how can we help to ease your workload? Social Workers throughout our state are over worked, under appreciated and often under compensated. They get little thanks for the multitude of people they serve.

See Vue has a watchful eye for his people and as a leader his concern is that if they do anything wrong others may perceive them as bad people. (the non-Hmong community.) The Hmong people are a hard working people, ready to give assistance any time to any group. We know this first hand from our personal association with See and other Hmong people we are privileged to have met at our home or in other community activities. Many of these people gave up land, homes and all their possessions to come to a land whose language, lifestyles and climate they knew nothing about. They began again from absolute scratch and persevere as best as they can. They do not whine or complain, that is what impresses me so much. Like all parents they seek good education for their children. They seek to learn skills and work for their living and share their culture with us as they work to become Americans who give back. My husband Ron is impressed with one gentleman he met who was very proud to show him his picture identification issued to him by our American Forces proving his services to our country during the Viet nam war. Hmong are not Vietnamese. In fact they are a stand alone culture. Some of their needle work story tapestry are intricate & priceless works of art. If you have the opportunity to purchase one of these artistic tapestry pieces it will enhance your home just as does ours. Hmong people are a gentle Asian group. Quiet, resilient and loyal partners in business or personal friendship. As in all Asian cultures the term "losing face is not an option" applies to this proud and wonderful people.

Ladies and gentlemen, meet See Vue, we are so honored to share friendship with See Vue and the entire Hmong community. Please let me know if you wish to learn more about the Hmong people. FYI: SEE will be on our panel at "THE SUMMIT" planned for Feb. 24-25, in our dialogue on Suicide Prevention and teens QPR. Our distinguished panel will discuss this serious topic and take questions from participants. Plan to be there and meet See Vue and other panelists representing other professional and minority groups. Extend a hand of friendship to this wonderful group of Americans.

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Interesting food for thought: lets problem solve!

Look at the USA disasters! Now look at the Tsunami victims or the earthquake victims of Pakistan! Who are the better fishermen-fisherwomen? Who are complaining the least? Who will thrive best using ancient wisdom, the ends of their sleeves and common sense?

Interesting comparisons when one takes the time to look and see, listen and hear.

Note: Disasters and emergencies happen suddenly; there are no how to

books available when faced with immediate need to prevent, protect, provide. Learning to fish as opposed to being given the fish are necessary thrive skills that teach you to act, problem solve, review, resolve quickly, accurately and calmly for the good of one or the masses. I invite you to email and tell me whether you are a thrival fisherman or fisherwoman. If not, why not? If not now to learn to fish, when? This is your life my dear friends; it is not a dress rehearsal!

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Be prepared but do not be afraid ~ Nani Aki Linder

MASTERING THE ART OF LIVING INCLUSIVE DIVERSITY

Ladies & Gentle Presenting the long awaited Changing Winds Inclusive Educational Summit!

Calling all Warriors for Children!

By Nani Aki Linder



“Changing Winds Inclusive Educational Summit”

When: Feb. 24-25

Where: DoubleTree Inn

Spokane Washington. 99208

Time: Friday Feb 24:2006 8:30 - 5:30

Saturday Feb. 25, 2006 8:30 -Noon.

Sign me up for both days educational investment: \$199

I can attend only one day your educational investment is \$149

Fee includes, registration, materials, workshops, breakouts, and lunch on day one and continental breakfast on both days.

Here is how to register:

With questions and concerns email Nani@universityoflife.info

or call her at 509-467-7714

In our main office of Fairfield Connecticut call Christine Rose, Founder

Go to www.changingwinds.org,

Christine Rose is available at: 203-256-9720

email: CWSeminar@aol.com,

Dear Colleagues,

Be BOLD in your thinking. Be BRILLIANT in your sharing with other professionals. Take a stand! Why attend this inclusive educational Warrior summit ? Because; the children who place their hands in ours, who trust in us everyday are worthy. This is a roll up our sleeves, egos checked at the door, problem solving summit and you are invited.

Changing Winds offers you tools not taught in any books. Useable strategies to enhance all that you do. Speakers and teachers are to share simple, doable now, innovative in the moment brilliance that help you help your students or parent. If you are an administrator, Tribal Council, home school parent, or school board member, these skills help you serve your constituents better. There are opportunities to ask questions. Enhance your skills. Share your ideas. Explore everything you always wanted to know about racism, the issues of Mascot, why cultural awareness is relevant to teaching All Native American children and indeed all children. How working together and sharing ideas benefit you and your work. What does it mean that islanders from Hawaii and working to set up a new government, Come bust myths so we can move forward together as a team for the sake of all our children.

We appreciate the fact that not everyone can attend. We recommend that you send your crisis teams, PIR trainers, Educational Directors, Headstart educational trainers, counselors, who can go back and train your staff with the immediate use information being made available. Know what? If you have been searching for cutting edge tools that enhance your programs this is the perfect moment to stand up and Boldly embrace these strategies of noble service.

Sincerely,

Changing Winds

Nani Aki Linder, President

Christine Rose, Chairman of the Board

Changing Winds

Who should attend the Summit? YOU! Anyone who touches the life of a child, elders, Warriors of courageous truth, teachers, students, administrators, Crisis teams, Suicide presentation teams, school crisis teams, tribal councils, educational trainers, school boards, teachers who teach Native students, medical caregivers, head start teachers, home school Parents, social workers, counselors, small business owners, parents, church groups, women's business owners. All are welcomed to share in this community event.

Here is a sneak peak of activities!

Plan to work diligently and tenaciously. Bring your questions

CEU's are made available to you from Eastern Washington University.

"Suicide is the most preventable of disease!"

Courageous talk: Assembly Panel Discussions with open mike Q&A

Dialogue and problem solve of teen suicide prevention. Know what questions

Not to ask. What and how to ask the appropriate question. When to refer? Where to refer? This is a full two hour forum. We are honored to have Dr. Paul Quinnett PHD.

Facilitator: Debra Barnes, Director, Inland NW Women's Business Center

Panelist are:

PAUL QUINNETT, Ph.D. Seattle, Wa.

Dr. Paul Quinnett a clinical psychologist and the President and CEO of the QPR Institute, an educational organization dedicated to preventing suicide. Author of seven books and an award-winning journalist, he is also Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science at the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, Washington, and the current Editor-in-Chief of Preventing Suicide: the National Journal.

In addition to directing a large, public sector mental health program for adults and elders for 30 years, he maintained a limited private practice in psychotherapy, law enforcement and corporate consulting. The staff and faculty of the QPR Institute have researched, tested and published a series of award-winning and best-practices professional training programs and protocols in the assessment, management and monitoring of patients at risk for suicide at all levels of care across the age span.

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Nani Aki Linder, (Hawaiian) President, Changing Winds, Ricki Haugan (Spokane)

QPR trained, Camas Institute, See Vue (Hmong community) DCFS

Brenda Roberts MSW Spokane a representative from Native Project.

Bring your questions: The expert Dr. Quinnett is in the house just for YOU.

Indigenous Learning Company

Randy Morse, CEO

THE WASHINGTON INDIGENOUS LEARNING PROJECT:

Fulfilling the Promise of House Bill 1495

The Indigenous Learning Company ("ILC") is an innovative, Native owned and controlled 21st century educational publishing company. ILC shareholders include the Kalispel Tribe of Indians. ILC's CEO, Randy Morse, will discuss plans for an exciting new project, designed to bring compelling web-based resources – resources that appropriately and authentically reflect the values, cultures, histories and contributions of our state and region's Native peoples – to the classrooms of Washington's K-12 schools.

ILC BREAKOUT SESSION

A panel that will include Spokane Public School Board President Don Barlow, Camas Institute President David Bonga, and the CEO of the Indigenous Learning Company, Randy Morse, will present a demo of a prototype online learning resource, and discuss ILC's plans for the State of Washington. There will be a relaxed atmosphere in this breakout – participants interested in the future of education are encouraged to ask questions and engage Barlow, Bonga, and Morse in lively discussion.

Look At Me I am A Star!

This is a curriculum of diversity study for K-12 teachers and beyond, home schools, head start, day care centers, medical centers, Tribal Councils, social workers, parents who work with diverse beings and anyone interested in enhancing the "whole child!" All texts and materials provided, and in addition, a CD with supplemental camera ready e-work book for classroom activities is made available for a substantially reduced fee. **Three** additional FREE e-book texts are included on the CD. Elementary teachers, head start; home schools parents; are encouraged to attend. This is an all inclusive curriculum and an all day class.

Principal Instructor:s Leilani Engler (Hawaiian) Colorado Spring, Co. USA
& Nani Aki Linder, (Hawaiian) President Changing Winds

Mrs. Engler has over 30 years of experience as an Elementary School Teacher and brings into these programs values of hands on experience as well as insights of a master teacher. Nani Aki Linder is the author of this published proven system.

CEU made available to you from Eastern Washington University for completion of both days activities.

Cultural Immersion for teachers who teach diverse children

This curriculum is not taught in any school and engages the community to provide cutting edge tools for teachers. To understand and respect a child, it is necessary to comprehend and engage in the child's cultural environment. These tools are useable **now**. Leadership from a multi cultural perspective is included. Learn how good physical and mental health care, including natural healing as presented from NA perspective, is relevant to cultural immersion skills. Teachers from all grade levels, health care providers, cultural leaders will be fascinated and are encouraged to attend. This is a published educational system. Materials are available in CD format. 2 FREE Bonus e-books are included on this CD.Ceu are made available from Eastern Washington University for completion of both days activities..

Principal instructors:

Paulette U. Collins, (Hawaiian)

Nani Aki Linder (Hawaiian) Founder University Of Life & Hope,

President Changing Winds Inc

Richi Plass, Minominee Wisconsin

Christine Rose STAR Executive Director

Brenda Roberts MSW Spokane, Washington

Richie Plass Minominee Wisconsin,

WHAT DOES YOUR INDIAN LOOK LIKE?"

For generations, schools, colleges and professional teams have used the names and images of Native Americans as their teams names and/or mascots. Society today continues to say that these names and images are, "Showing honor" to the Native Americans in the United States. Richie Plass was his school's mascot in 1968 and his experiences have inspired him to fight to have ALL the names and images removed since then.

Richie's presentation inspires discussion and debate with audience participation on this sensitive issue and it is visual, highly impactful, funny and true. He also uses music and video to expand his message.

Richie inspires discussion and debate with audience participation on this sensitive issue. Richie Plass (Minominee Wisconsin) Changing Winds Vice-Chairman

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Christine Rose, STAR .

Students and Teachers Against Racism

Christine Rose will detail success stories of areas that have taken positive steps to encourage and appreciate their Native students and communities and have paved a better way for the success of the children. There are many avenues that each person and organizations need to take to protect themselves, their children, and their students. This program will help families, schools, social workers, and all employers understand how to file or protect themselves from lawsuits while helping everyone understand how even innocent behavior can lead to culture clashes in the classroom and workplace. Understanding discrimination in education, healthcare, housing and employment will help you avoid making mistakes that can effect the success of the children and your employees and can lead to lawsuits.

Christine Rose is Founder of STAR and Changing Winds Inc. Pending 501c3
Chairman Of the Board

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Brenda Roberts MSW Spokane Washington

Cross Cultural Leadership

Brenda earned her Masters in Social Work at Eastern Washington University in 2002. She has been serving clients in her private practice for over three years, specializing in depression, panic disorders, diversity and cultural leadership, transitional issues, relationship and emotional difficulties, divorce, grief and loss, parenting and step parenting, and crisis intervention. She has over 10 years experience working with sexual assault survivors and offenders. She has also devoted the past 15 years to reviewing and studying issues on diversity, cultural competence and leadership in organizations and communities. She has conducted various workshops and presentations, including cultural communication, stress and anxiety, and self talk.

Brenda strives to assist individuals and groups in improving overall quality of life on a systemic level. She views difficulties as an imbalance both in the personal and public self. She believes that individuals can lead their lives with passion and influence.

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Aulani Apoliona (Hawaiian)

OHA -Office of Hawaiian Affairs Kau Inoa Program.

Kau Inoa to build a government representative Aulani Apoliona travels to the United States and various cities to present and explain the mission of Kau Inoa. She attends and speaks with the Hawaiian delegations many congressional hearings in Washington D.C. Aulani Will make a short presentation of Kau Inoa from the platform and do a short chant of protocol from her program. She is available to discuss the realities of Kanaka Maoli Hawaiians and their current issues during her breakout session. Aulani and her assistant shall be available to answer questions, take registrations from Washington Native Hawaiians and to dialogue with social workers, teachers, parents on Native Hawaiian culture in Washington state. Haunani Apoliona is OHA Chairperson Trustee At-Large for Office of Hawaiian Affairs in Honolulu, Hawaii. It is an honor to have the sister of OHA Chairperson Trustee, Aulani Apoliona attend and present at our conference. Calling all Kanaka Maoli Hawaiian's come and greet our Hawaii Representative.

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[Day two 8:30-noon](#)

This morning sessions are meant to work through the curriculum for ceu from Eastern Washington, The entire morning is to be instruction and Q & A. Evaluation of your work product and making sure we have your information to submit to EWU for your CEU. We are to begin and end on time. Come early and have a continental breakfast with us.

[Be A Star and Immersion Curricula instructor](#) Leilani Engler (Hawaiian) and Nani Aki Linder (Hawaiian), President Changing Winds ceu completion work is from 8:30 - noon.

[One on one appointments may be available](#) for ceu completion work with Changing Winds President Nani Aki Linder. Make sure you get an appointment on day one.

[Aulani OHA Kau Inoa representative](#) is available throughout the day for Q&A and Hawaiian sign up for Kau Inoa. If you are of Hawaiian heritage please plan to attend and gain insight into what your rights and kuleana are.

Email Nani@universityoflife.info, if you have questions. 509-467-7714

Register NOW! TODAY!

Go to www.changingwinds.org,

Christine Rose is available at: 203-256-9720 email: CWSeminar@aol.com

**Those who wish the ceu from EWU must register and attend both days.
Eastern Washington ceu are available at a fee of only \$20**

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Food for thought:

Do you love Animals? How about Trees? Your fellow man and woman? What about rainbows, do you love rainbows? ekahi anuenue's and sometimes eha anuenue's are seen. What a blessing and a gift to behold. Perhaps it is anuenue road rather than red road to the circle of life?

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Mana'o corner: Periodically we will bring ancient wisdom to this newsletter for you to ponder. Part of understanding requires quieting the body, mind and spirit. Ancient ones taught that we must let go of petty thoughts, envy, jealousy, and instead learn to listen and "hear" the whispers in the wind or the singing of the water as it flows. The majesty of birds in flight or soft barely audible scamper of the ground animals. Embrace the sounds of laughter as you observe children at play, go ahead! Join them! Take off your shoes and feel the squishy coolness of the grass or the soft white sand. Look up, marvel at the lovely baby blue sky let the warm rays of the sun caress your cheeks. In this moment of quiet, greet Creator.....Hi this is me (say your name)then be silent and listen to the symphony of silence or creators whisper.

" We are not victims of circumstances; we are quitting is not an option, sweetest lemonade making, problem solving people of hope. In order to win, I must refuse

to lose!" ~Nani Aki Linder

The Final Word

Who should attend the Summit? **Our mission is to see that all Native Americans and indeed all peoples as naturally as breathing walk to the table of life and take their seat because you-we belong. YES, YOU and I BELONG! So our noble goals and purpose go something like this. Ready!**

1.To enhance the lives of our children by teaching teachers skills they do not learn in books. How? By giving teachers cutting edge tools not taught in any books about inclusive cross cultural

awareness skills that allow them to become world class master teachers of their craft.

2. Raise grade scores of our children; when teachers know that culture matters, why language is important, how cultural self awareness is the missing link in education, why spirituality from a Native point of view enhances a native child's skills they help your child to do better in school and work towards positive expectancy in all phases of life. They need our mana'o, our awareness, our willingness to teach them what they do not know. It is win-win!

3. When we enhance these skills we affect the suicide rate of children and our elders because they too see the value of life and living because they know they matter, they can, they belong. Also, when we know what to look for, how to ask the right questions as family members we can refer our children and elders when they need assistance. It is all part of the circle of life within the circle of truth that all natives have known for over 2000 years. It is time we reach out and build a strong road paved with abundance for all humans in body, mind and spirit by sharing our mana'o, working together to build communities and schools of positive expectancy and Thriving as we go.

Mr friends; This is a perfect opportunity to ask the experts and measure results. If you have personal development funding, PIR days, inhouse training. We recommend you send your training staff, counselors, advocates and teams for suicide prevention and allow them to bring useable tips from the esteemed line up of professionals such as Dr. Paul Quinnett, Dave Bonga President Camas Institute, Randy Morse, CEO ILC, Dr. Don Barlow PhD. President Board of Directors Spokane Public Schools, Christine Rose E.D. STAR, Richie Plass Nammy award winner, OHA representative from Hawaii and many more wonderful speakers and panelist. Parents we invite your participation, every parent and teacher can gain from the insights of QPR and Be A Star. They come just for you! See how important all of you are? Yes, you are so worthy.

email Nani@universityoflife.info if you have questions.

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Educational Summit " Register today! Go to www.changingwinds.org or call us 509-467-7714 email nani@universityoflife.info

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A Hui Hou! (till we meet again) Pau (the end)

Nanipuaaalaomaililaulii - White Raven



As always take what you need from this newsletter and discard the rest. a'ole pilikia! (no problem) I invite you to forward this newsletter to your friends or colleagues. They may subscribe at www.universityoflife.info.

It only takes a moment and this is a FREE service.

A hui hou dear hearts until next month February, 2006

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