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...to make comfortable

- Comfort and dignity for the seriously ill
- Assistance and peace of mind for their families
- Enhanced quality of life when quantity of life is limited



Hospice
Maui

Trusted by Physicians and Families for Over 35 Years



Hospice Maui Hale



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Chief Executive Director

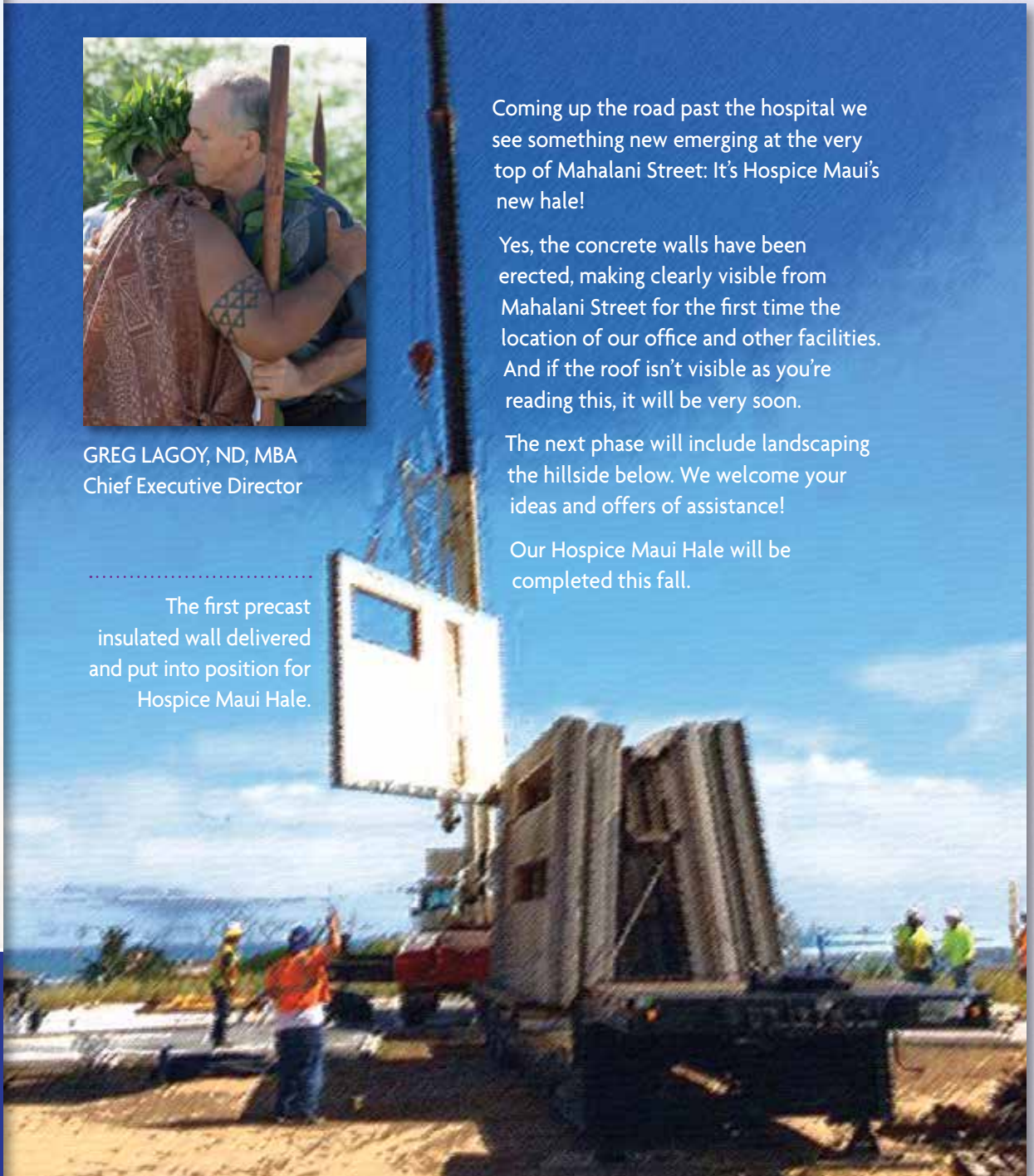
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The first precast
insulated wall delivered
and put into position for
Hospice Maui Hale.

Coming up the road past the hospital we see something new emerging at the very top of Mahalani Street: It's Hospice Maui's new hale!

Yes, the concrete walls have been erected, making clearly visible from Mahalani Street for the first time the location of our office and other facilities. And if the roof isn't visible as you're reading this, it will be very soon.

The next phase will include landscaping the hillside below. We welcome your ideas and offers of assistance!

Our Hospice Maui Hale will be completed this fall.



Providing Support for Maui Patient Needs: The Hospice Maui Kokua Fund

The Hospice Maui Hale will be providing a beautiful place for our patients to spend their last days or weeks of life when being 'home' is not an option. Hospice Maui Hale patients will receive our specialized compassionate care to meet their medical, social, emotional, and spiritual needs. Most health insurances cover the cost of hospice care based on the patient being at home. Because of this, room and board at Hospice Maui Hale, at Hale Makua, or at an assisted living facility are usually not covered. The Hospice Maui Kokua Fund helps those who can't afford to be in those settings but need the specialized care provided there.

The Hospice Maui Kokua Fund also supports Hospice Maui patients and families who require extra assistance not paid by their insurance; this includes financial help for extra caregiving and specific needs in the patients' homes. Hospice Maui is committed to serve our patients and families in the setting of their choice. Most patients prefer to receive hospice services at home. Sometimes caregiving assistance is needed beyond what family members, friends, and hospice services can provide, and this extra help for additional hours is not covered by insurance in this situation. Our Hospice Maui Kokua Fund can make a big difference in their lives.

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The culture and spirit at Hospice Maui is absolutely remarkable. I feel blessed to serve with these caring ‘angels’ and our community is so fortunate to have them and to have Hospice Maui.

Six years ago I was asked to join the board of Hospice Maui. At the beginning of each board meeting a Hospice Maui caregiver shares a story. Each and every case we learn about is deeply touching. Hospice Maui caregivers take it upon themselves to help families make sense of what is happening and help patients come to the realization of their life’s purpose. The most moving part, I find, is the care, the spirit, and the warmth (and generally tears) that each of the caregivers exudes when sharing their stories of the patients and their families with us. The culture and spirit at Hospice Maui is absolutely remarkable. I feel blessed to serve with these caring “angels” and our community is so fortunate to have them and to have Hospice Maui.

The 5-bed Hospice Maui Hale will be a place where patients in their last days or weeks of life will receive our specialized care to meet their medical, social, emotional, and spiritual needs.



Board of
Directors

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GWEN & CHARLES ALLMON

For Chuck and myself, as for any devoted couple, the privilege of sleeping side by side until the very end is precious beyond words. And without hospice I don't see how we could have been granted that blessing.

Just a month after we celebrated our 61 years of marriage, we were facing the last struggle of Charles' (Chuck's) life. After his health diminished, he was no longer strong enough to return to our home in Maryland to settle his affairs in the company of family and friends. At the recommendation of friends, we turned to Hospice Maui. Hospice Maui cared for him from June until his death at the end of October 2015.

When your loved one is in critical condition, you can feel very alone and vulnerable. Hospice Maui gave me the strength I needed to care for Chuck and to keep him at home with me. They reassured us time and again over a period of five months. To have Hospice Maui available around the clock was a great relief. Their support made all the difference. His medicine was delivered to our house, we had transportation arranged when we needed it, and we had nurses come to the house, even when I called on Hospice Maui in the middle of the night.

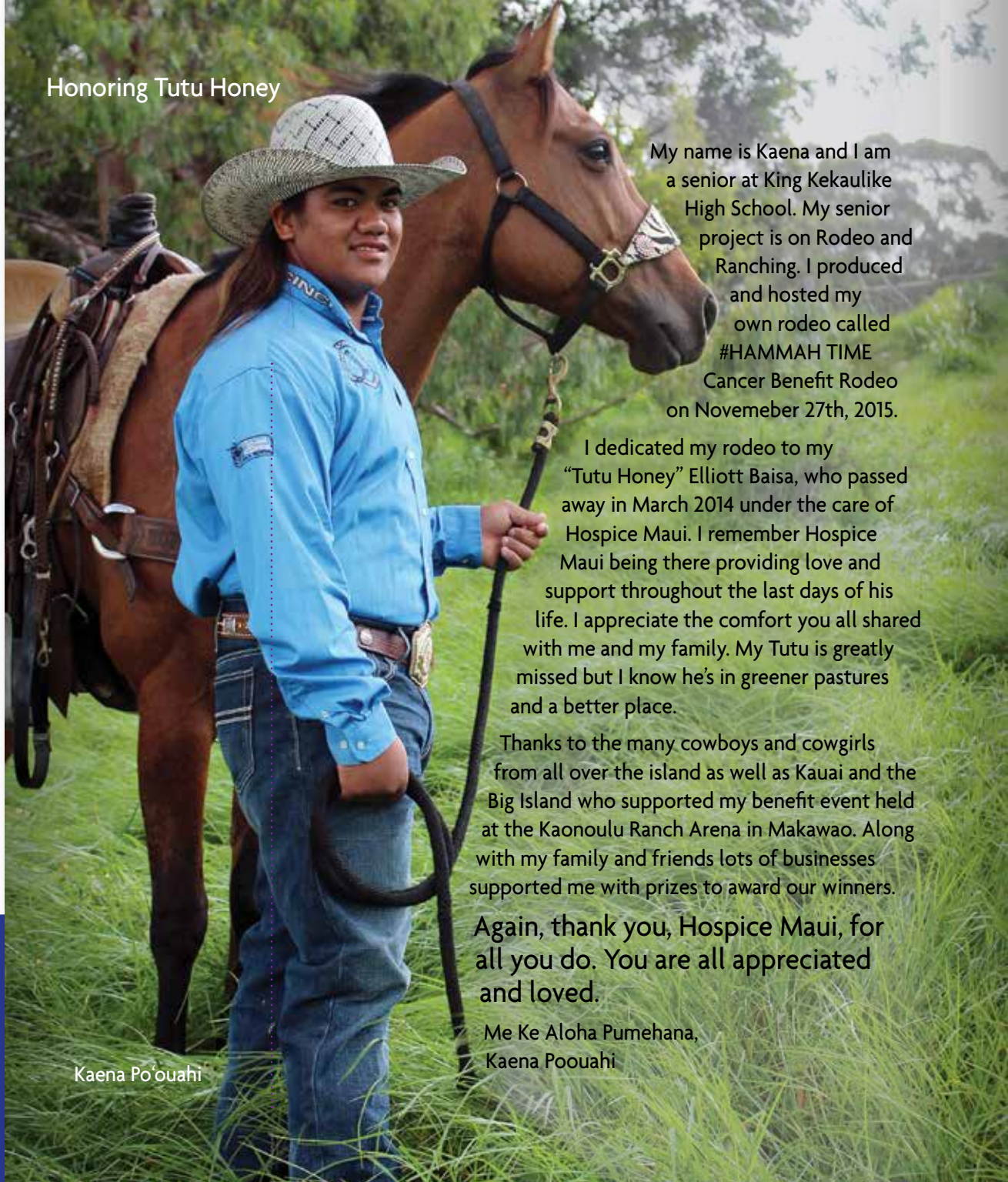
I heartily recommend Hospice Maui, financially, medically, and emotionally. The quality of their care was a blessing. Hospice Maui made it possible for me to sleep by Chuck's side in our bed until the very end.

Gwen Allmon

I have been so heartened by the unusual level of professional excellence that is the hallmark of Hospice Maui.

Many gifts we
receive arrive
with stories of
gratitude

Honoring Tutu Honey



My name is Kaena and I am a senior at King Kekaulike High School. My senior project is on Rodeo and Ranching. I produced and hosted my own rodeo called #HAMMAH TIME Cancer Benefit Rodeo on November 27th, 2015.

I dedicated my rodeo to my "Tutu Honey" Elliott Baisa, who passed away in March 2014 under the care of Hospice Maui. I remember Hospice Maui being there providing love and support throughout the last days of his life. I appreciate the comfort you all shared with me and my family. My Tutu is greatly missed but I know he's in greener pastures and a better place.

Thanks to the many cowboys and cowgirls from all over the island as well as Kauai and the Big Island who supported my benefit event held at the Kaonoulu Ranch Arena in Makawao. Along with my family and friends lots of businesses supported me with prizes to award our winners.

Again, thank you, Hospice Maui, for all you do. You are all appreciated and loved.

Me Ke Aloha Pumehana,
Kaena Poouahi

Kaena Po'ouahi

Makana

“Upon reading about Hospice Maui’s plans to open Hospice Maui Hale, I felt inspired to include Hospice Maui in my will.”



Jean Prandini, volunteer and Legacy Society donor



Inspired by a student request during Seabury Hall’s student assembly,

Lauralei Singsank, a senior, donated a brand new computer tablet for a teen boy receiving hospice care with Hospice Maui.

My first patient as a hospice volunteer was admitted to Hospice Maui in summer 2015. I stayed with her for 7 months. She had just gotten out of the hospital. She was hooked up to oxygen 24/7 and had a life-limiting disease, but she maintained a near-independent lifestyle, in which she lived on her own, cooked and generally took care of herself. She requested a volunteer to take her grocery shopping once a week. These shopping trips were the beginning of our acquaintance. I soon realized that she sought companionship more than orange juice and ice cream. We became friends, despite our 60-year age difference and the fact that she was seven months out from the end of her life. We looked forward to our time together to talk, listen and laugh. About a month before she passed, my mom came to visit me from the mainland. When I shared the news with the patient she lit up and said, “Oh, won’t you please bring her to see me? I’d love to meet her!” Even at this stage in her life she was still interested in meeting new people, especially someone so important to me.



Sinead Byrne

I’m honored to have shared this final chapter of her life with her, and honored, also, to call her my friend.

For more information about our Volunteer Program visit HospiceMaui.org/volunteer

Hospice Maui's staff is grateful for your support of our patients and families!



Compassionate Hospice Care

We believe that at the end of our lives we are entitled to care that relieves pain and other symptoms.

We each deserve to be cared for by those who understand the emotional and spiritual needs of the dying. We deserve the opportunity to express our hopes and fears, and to be heard, honored and supported. And we are each entitled to live our last months and weeks in the setting of our choice, treated according to our beliefs and values.

Bereavement Support

The H.E.A.L. (Helping Ease a Loss) grief support group provides an opportunity to share experiences and feelings regarding the death of your loved one and to listen to and learn from others. We all grieve differently. Our bereavement program includes weekly support groups, a monthly newsletter, an annual Memorial Day service, and our annual Holiday Open House.



Community Life

Hospice Maui enriches Maui Community

- by investing in relationships with other healthcare professionals and organizations to better serve those who are seriously ill.
- by providing education and in-service training on topics surrounding caregiver resources, healthcare decision making, grief and loss, and end-of-life care issues.
- by engaging community members at our information booths at health fairs and other community events.

Thank you for your interest and support!

Your generosity makes it possible for Hospice Maui to enrich our community by helping people discover the gifts that preparing for death can bring: Compassion, Insight, Courage, Humility, Inspiration, Confidence, and Growth.

Although insurance payments cover basic hospice services, Hospice Maui invests more into our care at the bedside than is paid for by insurance. Revenue from donations and events helps us to maintain our exceptional hospice care program.

We are so grateful that throughout our history we have enjoyed tremendous community support!



Mahalo to

- Each and every individual DONOR – Many of you give year after year!
- Our PATIENTS' FAMILIES & FRIENDS – Often you give in tribute to your loved ones
- FOUNDATIONS – For your generous donations towards our Hospice Maui Hale and other projects
- BUSINESSES – For those of you who have stepped up to help us with financial donations, discounted services or in kind gifts
- ORGANIZATIONS – For your collaboration in educating the community, service projects, and speech engagements
- VOLUNTEERS – For your time, expertise, and endless commitment

We provide our service in a way that far exceeds the standard of hospice care. As a result, our care costs more than the insurance coverage we receive.

We are a 501c(3) charitable organization, and your gifts are fully tax deductible as permitted by law

Please go to **HospiceMaui.org** for more information and a convenient way to support our mission

Hospice Maui is grateful for the many ways our community generously supports us through:

Annual Fund Gifts

Yearly appeal for contributions to support the services Hospice Maui provides.

Memorial Gifts

Touching tribute to friends and relatives who have died. These gifts are an important part of our ongoing support.

Hospice Maui Kokua Fund

Financial support for Maui patient needs
See details on Page 7.

Wish List

Support for programs and items that we need or would love to have but don't have the means to acquire.
See details on our website.



Legacy Gifts – Planned Giving

Hospice Maui has established a Legacy Circle to honor those who have included our organization in their estate plan. Naming Hospice Maui in your will – in any amount – can be a wonderful way to leave a legacy and will help to ensure access to compassionate hospice care for all residents in need. If you have included Hospice Maui in your will, please contact us at 808-244-5555 to let us know.



Ways to Give

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Nā Keiki O Emalia

EMALIA'S CHILDREN

Nā Keiki O Emalia

There is a brand new organization on Maui that we are very proud to have helped in its infancy. We will continue to assist and collaborate with Nā Keiki O Emalia. They specialize in supporting the needs of grieving children. This has been an area that Hospice Maui had very limited resources to commit to previously. Nā Keiki O Emalia will be hosting some of their group meetings at Hospice Maui.

To find out more, visit their website at: nkoemaui.org

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Hospice Maui Awarded Best Places to Work 2016

“It takes time, effort, leadership and integrity”, to be awarded Best Places to Work according to the Hawaii Business magazine (*The Right Stuff* by Gina Gelber). Hospice Maui has all that and more—LOVE and lots of it! This is something never really mentioned in a work environment and yet it is the core of our amazing compassionate care that our employees provide to our hospice patients & families.

Where does all the love and compassion come from? We are a “family”. Within this family there is stability, trust, confidence, passion, love and an understanding as well as a sense of pride that our level of care is second to none.



Being Mortal — Medicine and What Matters in the End

Join us for a free screening and discussion of the PBS Frontline documentary *Being Mortal*. Based on the best-selling book by Dr. Atul Gawande, this film explores the hopes of patients and families facing terminal illness and their relationships with the doctors, nurses and family members.

Kaunoa Spreckelsville

Thurs • July 14 • 10 am -12 noon

Kaunoa

Mon • July 25 • 10 am -12 noon

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OUR MISSION

Hospice Maui

Founded 35 years ago on Maui, we are stewards of a sacred trust: to provide the deepest level of compassionate, professional, ethical, and culturally sensitive care to our diverse community.

Legacy Hospices

Trust in Hawaii's first locally run, non-profit hospices.

Through many years we have demonstrated exceptional care for patients, and a deep understanding of our communities:

- Hospice Hawaii
- Hospice Maui
- Hospice of Hilo
- Hospice of Kona
- Kauai Hospice
- North Hawaii Hospice
- St. Francis Hospice

