

Mōhala i ka wai ka maka o ka pua. The water unfolds the faces of the flowers. Flowers thrive where there is water, as people thrive where the conditions are good.



HAU'OLI MAKAHIKI HOU!

Here are some highlights for the month of January 2012

- Mon. 1/16Martin Luther King Holiday No SchoolMon. 1/23Security Appreciation Day
(2nd & 3rd Graders to bring snacks flyer will be sent home)
- Wed. 1/25 Charles Reed Bishop Day K-12 Convocation Special white attire mandatory
- Fri. 1/27 Aloha Wear Day

Did you know...

Charles Reed Bishop, husband of Kamehameha Schools founder Bernice Pauahi Bishop, was the driving force that brought his wife's wishes to fruition and a very important and well respected citizen of the Hawaiian Kingdom in his own right.

Born January 25, 1822 in Glens Falls, New York, Bishop grew up on his grandfather's 120-acre farm learning to care for sheep, cattle and horses and repairing wagons, buggies and stage coaches. He later traveled to Hawai'i in 1846 to work as a land surveyor.

Bishop met Pauahi while she was still a student at the Chiefs' Children's School and against her parents wishes, he courted and married her in 1850. His letters that mention Pauahi reveal a deep respect and affection for his wife and suggest she was a major source of his happiness throughout their 34-year marriage. Soon after her death in 1884 he wrote:

"I know you all loved her, for nobody could know her at all well and not love her. For myself I will only say that I am trying to bear my loss and my loneliness as reasonably as I can looking forward hopefully to the time when I shall find my loved one again."

Immediately after Pauahi's death, Bishop, as one of five trustees she selected to manage her estate and co-executor of her will, set in motion the process that resulted in the establishment of the Kamehameha Schools in 1887. Because Pauahi's estate was basically land rich and cash poor, Bishop contributed his own funds for the construction of several of the schools' initial buildings on the original Kalihi campus: the Preparatory Department facilities (1888), Bishop Hall (1891) and Bernice Pauahi Bishop Memorial Chapel (1897). In addition, he founded and endowed the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum in 1889 as an enduring memorial to his wife.

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