

## Merriman's Charitable Donations

November 1 - 19, 2008 and December 12, 2008

❖ **Merriman's Celebrates 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Merrimans Waimea Raises more than \$20,000 for Island Non-Profits**

*Kamuela, Hawaii*—More than \$20,000 was recently distributed to island non-profits during Merriman's Waimea "20 Nights for 20 Non-profits," a fundraising event in celebration of the restaurant's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

*Listing of charitable organizations:*

- Hawaii Preparatory Academy
- North Hawaii Community Hospital
- Hawaii Island Land Trust
- Hamakua County Farm Bureau
- Waimea Country School
- Kawaihae Canoe Club
- North Hawaii Hospice, Inc.
- Hawaii Island United Way
- Parker School Trust Corporation
- Tree Hawaii
- Kanu o ka Aina
- Kohala Hospital
- Waimea Elementary School
- Kahilu Theatre
- The Food Basket Inc./Hawaii Island Food Bank
- North Hawaii Women & Children's Services
- Punana Leo o Waimea
- Hawaii Island Humane Society
- Tutu's House
- Merriman's Culinary Scholarship (December 12, 2008)

*Other Benefit Events*

October 4, 2008

❖ Mealani's 2007 "A Taste of the Hawaiian Range", Hilton Waikoloa Village  
*Chef Peter Merriman and staff join to benefit the Hawaii Restaurant Association.*

September 13, 2008

❖ Lions Club of Kona, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Lion's Feast", King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel  
*Merriman's & staff to support the Kona Community Hospital Foundation.*

September 29, 2007

❖ The Food Basket Inc., Merriman's Restaurant  
*Merriman's Restaurant will be holding a benefit dinner for The Food Basket Inc., in an effort to help alleviate hunger in our communities on the Big Island. Merriman's Restaurant is donating 10% of all food sales to The Food Basket Inc.*

September 28, 2007

❖ Mealani's 2007 "A Taste of the Hawaiian Range", Hilton Waikoloa Village  
*Chef Peter Merriman and staff join to benefit the Hawaii Restaurant Association.*

September 15, 2007

❖ Lions Club of Kona, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Lion's Feast", King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel  
*Merriman's & staff to support the Kona Community Hospital Foundation.*

September 17, 2007

❖ Hawaii Restaurant Association 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner & "Hall of Fame" Induction,  
Hawaii Prince Hotel  
*Chef Peter Merriman and staff join to benefit the Hawaii Restaurant Association.*

October 26, 2007

❖ Harvest Moon, in conjunction with Slow Food Hawai'i, Merriman's Restaurant  
*Chef Peter Merriman and local farmers gather to benefit Merriman's Culinary Scholarship for Big Island students attending Culinary School.*

November 17, 2007

❖ Kahilu Theatre Auction Dinner, Merriman's Restaurant  
*Chef Peter Merriman and staff dedicate an entire night to benefit Kahilu Theatre.*

#### Other Charity Involvement

- ❖ Parker School –benefits students of Parker School, supports economic diversity
- ❖ HPA 'Ohana Association, Annual Pumpkin Patch – proceeds to support and improve HPA experience shared by students, faculty, staff and families.
- ❖ Waimea Ohana Quake Outreach – proceeds to support the Big Island community

- ❖ *Annual Noble Grape Celebration – benefit dedicated to the culinary education of students of Maui Academy and to the advancement of cuisine and dining in the islands.*
- ❖ *Hale ‘Aina ‘Ohana – proceeds to support the ‘Ohana’s mission to provide Hawaii’s culinary students access to cutting-edge knowledge & techniques through educational workshops and visiting culinary experts.*
- ❖ *University of Hawai‘I at Hilo Annual Golf Scholarship Tournament – supports annual scholarships to help ease the increasing financial burden of a college education.*
- ❖ *The Food Basket Inc. – benefit Hawaii Island Food Bank.*
- ❖ *Habitat for Humanity Kona – benefit new homes for the needy*
- ❖ *United Island United Way – to help support 35 other nonprofit agencies on Hawai‘i Island, which in turn provides support for 39 health and human service programs.*
- ❖ *Adult Friends for Youth – to provide therapeutic prevention and mental health programs for high-risk youth for 21 years to break the cycle of violence, despair and unhealthy lifestyles that often passed on to generation to generation.*
- ❖ *Ho‘okumu Society of North Hawaii Community Hospital – benefit the NHCH for regular unrestricted needs, such as, electricity, water and telephone bills and equipment purchases for wheelchairs, linens and IV poles.*
- ❖ *Waimea Family YMCA – proceeds to help maintain the YMCA Park, aids under-privileged youths and other worthy causes.*
- ❖ *North Hawaii Hospice – funds towards service to patients and their families.*
- ❖ *American Heart Association – support for AHA to reduce death and disability cardiovascular disease and stroke.*
- ❖ *Annual Visitor Charity Walk*
- ❖ *Waimea Elementary School – benefit students of Waimea Elementary School in school & sports supplies.*
- ❖ *Kawaihae Canoe Club – supports local community activities*
- ❖ *“Ho‘okipa Night” at Kapi‘olani Community College – support the education and training of students studying culinary arts, hotel & restaurants operations, and travel and tourism.*
- ❖ *Hilo High School, Friends of Vikings – funds derived goes towards purchase of uniforms and defray expenses for local & outer-island tournaments.*
- ❖ *Waimea Country School, Ohana Fest – funds for student financial aid, a playground and variety of special school projects.*
- ❖ *University of Hawaii at Hilo – funds for students pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies at UH Hilo.*
- ❖ *Kohala Hospital Charitable Foundation – benefit towards Kohala Hospital.*
- ❖ *Honokaa High School, Relay for Life – benefit the American Cancer Society.*
- ❖ *Parker School, Annual Waimea Lani Gala – benefits towards financial aid and scholarship programs.*
- ❖ *Hilton Waikoloa Village, Annual Dolphin Days – benefit The Pacific Marine Life Foundation.*
- ❖ *Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International – dedicated to finding a cure.*
- ❖ *Extensive support to the Annual Hamakua Music Festival*
- ❖ *HPA – Pumpkin Patch*