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2019 PANIOLLO HALL OF FAME MEMBERS ANNOUNCED

Honolulu – The Paniolo Hall of Fame is pleased to announce the induction of Eleven (11) new members of the Paniolo Hall of Fame in a banquet and ceremony during the Hawai'i Cattlemen's Council Annual Convention at the Waikoloa Beach Marriot Resort & Spa, on Saturday November 16, 2019 at 12:30 pm.

The 2019 inductees include:

Harriet "Haku" Baldwin

1913-2003

Haleakalā Ranch, Maui

James Kaleima'ema'e "Palaika" Brighter

1871-1947

Moloka'i Ranch, Parker Ranch, Moloka'i & Hawai'i

Alex B. Franco

Maui Cattle Company, Maui

James A. Gomes

Ulupalakua Ranch, Maui

Adam Scott Hai Sr.

1917-1983

Kaupo Ranch, Kahuā Ranch, Maui & O'ahu

Ephraim Palaima Hai

1914-1999

Kahuā Ranch, O'ahu

Merton G. Kekiwi

Kaonoulu Ranch, Ulupalakua Ranch, Maui

John Kalaniopu'u "John Samoa" Lekelesa

1908-1987

Parker Ranch, Hawai'i

Michael N. Purdy Sr.

Ulupalakua Ranch, Maui

Clarence Stanley Rapoza

Palani Ranch Co., Lanihau Ranch, Hawai'i

Richard M. Schultz II

Honomalino Ranch, Daleico Ranch, Hawai'i

For more information on each of this year's inductees, please visit the Paniolo Hall of Fame Web site <https://www.hicattle.org/paniolo-hall-of-fame>

The members of the Paniolo Hall of Fame are among the generations of Hawai'i cowboys who have stood out in their contributions to cattle ranching throughout all the islands. While the cattle industry is still very much alive and well in Hawai'i today, the paniolo have become a legendary and celebrated part of Hawai'i's present-day culture.

The Paniolo Hall of Fame was initiated by the O`ahu Cattlemen's Association in 1999 to recognize yesterday's and today's paniolo statewide, and with every island represented, who have contributed to keeping Hawai'i's paniolo heritage alive and to honor those who made the paniolo culture legendary. With the induction of the 2019 inductees in its 20th year, the hall of fame now includes 157 members statewide, both living and deceased.

The Paniolo Hall of Fame consists of photo portraits, short biographies and oral history interviews. The portrait exhibit has been on display at Honolulu Hale (City Hall), at the Annual Statewide Paniolo Festival, at the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council annual meeting, at Parker Ranch Museum, the Hawaii State Library and numerous events and venues on all the islands. It continues to circulate to various locations statewide and may be requested for display by contacting the Paniolo Hall of Fame. The Paniolo Hall of Fame is on permanent display at the Paniolo Preservation Society's museum at Pukalani Stables, Waimea Hawaii.

The Paniolo Hall of Fame Oral History project presently consists of 72 completed interviews with living Paniolo Hall of Fame members. This project strives to capture and record as many life stories before they are lost to future generations and are aided by the contributions from business, individuals and foundations to make this project possible.

The published interviews are available for purchase from the Paniolo Hall of Fame, and are also accessible through the Hawai'i State Library System and are on-line.

The Paniolo Hall of Fame is grateful for the cooperation of the many paniolo scattered throughout these islands, their families, and the many sponsors big and small, who have made the Paniolo Hall of Fame possible.

For more information about the Paniolo Hall of Fame, or to view the inductees photos and biographies visit: <https://www.hicattle.org/paniolo-hall-of-fame>