

## Scouts earn their Citizenship badge volunteering at the Fleming Arboretum

Ulupalakua- 5 Scouts from Troop 100 earned their “Citizenship in the Community” badge at the DT Fleming Arboretum with-in the Puu Mahoe cinder-cone of Ulupalakua. The Scouts camped overnight for 2 weekends in March and April to work the 8 hours each required for their badge. Projects included hauling prunings, weeding guinea grass and working in the nursery- transplanting & fertilizing.

The Fleming Arboretum offers Camping for Volunteers for community groups in a clean and safe 17 acre 5-star campground within Ulupalakua Ranch in exchange for a morning of maintenance and progress projects. The Arboretum works to preserve South Maui’s native plants and restore native forests through propagation and distribution while receiving varied individuals of existing species for genetic diversity. Visit [www.flemingarboretum.org](http://www.flemingarboretum.org) or email [info@flemingarboretum](mailto:info@flemingarboretum) to learn more about the Arboretum’s volunteer programs involving the community as partners in conservation.



5 Scouts from Troop 100 earned their “Citizenship in the Community” badge volunteering in the DT Fleming Arboretum- (left to right) Casen Uyehara, Noah Kalehuawehe, Bennett Takahama, Lawrence Nakoa and Kaumaka Roback. One of their projects was transplanting 200 Halapepe seedlings from Arboretum seed to be given free to the public during Arbor Month in November.



Scouts earn their “Citizenship in the Community” badge doing Arboretum maintenance and progress projects advancing Arboretum goals as clearing a quarter acre of guinea grass for Arboretum expansion



...restoring Puu Mahoe's Old Forest.



Fertilizing carefully all nursery with 140 day slow release high nitrogen plus trace elements.



Detail clean up to perfection.



The weekend campout included parents and siblings. All were gifted with a Halapepe to take home.



Campfires and perfect weather. Thank you Scouts for your "Citizenship in the Community" Award.