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**Invasive Species Exhibit to Appear at "Taste of Hilo"**

*Live Coqui frogs, fire ants and nettle caterpillars, oh my!*

- WHAT:** Some of Hawaii's more problematic invasive species will make an appearance at this weekend's "Taste of Hilo", an annual fundraiser for the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Hawaii. The exhibit will include live coqui frogs, fire ants and nettle caterpillars, in addition to information on varroa mites and apple snails. Experts will be on hand to discuss the impact of these invasive species on Hawaii's ecosystem and what is being done to combat them.
- WHEN:** Sunday, October 21, 2007  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Sangha Hall, Hilo (next to Starbucks)
- WHO:** **Dr. Jack Fujii**, Emeritus Dean and Professor of Entomology, University of Hawaii – Hilo, College of Agriculture, Forest Resource Management  
**Mr. Kyle Onuma**, weed specialist with the Mechanical/Chemi-Section, Plant Pest Control Branch, Department of Agriculture  
**Dr. Arnold Hara**, Entomologist, University of Hawaii at Manoa, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources in Hilo.  
**Rep. Clift Tsuji**, Chairman, Committee on Agriculture, House of Representatives

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