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Kiana Hayes and Kulana Ryan build a 'spaghetti bridge.'
An experiment in civil engineering principles and teamwork.

Last month FOCUS MAUI NUI Youth Alliance members gathered at Maui Economic Development Board for the second session of the 2007/2008 year. A surprise visit by Ed Reinhardt, President of Maui Electric Company, set the tone for the day as he shared his personal and professional journey, encouraging members to be determined in their pursuits and passionate in their lives.

In keeping with this year's theme of empowering opportunities to see how science and technology exist in our daily lives, Youth Alliance members took on the role of scientists and engineers for the day. They participated in hands-on activities that rely on focus, communication, collaboration and critical thinking.

During the session, members tested the theory of water displacement, learned about the science of physics, and tried on their chemist hats to make ice cream. Ending the day with a strong sense of teamwork, members built molecules by relying on their communication skills.

Hands-on activities accompanied by inside looks at businesses and cultural sites give Youth Alliance members a greater understanding of how our community works. Guided by the Focus Maui Nui vision Youth Alliance members gain skills and experiences to become future leaders for change.

"Happy is he
who gets to
know the
reasons for
things."

Virgil, Roman poet
(70-19 BCE)

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Ed Reinhardt
Maui Electric
Company

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