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Monthly Bulletin of the Hawaii Kai Lions Club



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hi all,

To start with, I would like to give a shout-out to CIS Lyn Yee and CIS Hedy Kaneoka for organizing two craft days (one in September and the other in October) for anyone who wished to learn how to make leis and other craft items. They also consistently volunteer for events, which increases the amount of participants able to assist in our various projects. We

are so lucky to have them willing to go over and beyond for our club.

And on October 16, Membership Chair Lion Allen Umeda organized our Open House at Lunalilo Home. There were four potential members and several of our Lions in attendance. The agenda included introductions of our Board and the potential members introducing themselves, general information on who the Lions are, specific information on our local club and community service projects, and membership opportunities. This was followed by pizzas, snacks, and desserts.

Interesting projects to note last month were the storm drain marking in Kalama Valley on October 7, with Environmental Co-chair Lion Bill Kern leading this event, with installing almost 100 markers in Kalama Valley with only five volunteers. What an accomplishment! And Hearing and Vision Screening Chair Lion Cynthia Chun has been very busy scheduling and coordinating these screenings at our local elementary schools, as well as assisting the Koko Head Lions with their screenings. And lastly on October 20, I was the chair for Kamiloiki School's Keiki Carnival. It was great to see so many students and parents enjoying this event.

On another topic, each year D50 produces the HLF fundraiser brochures, which we pay \$3 for and sell for \$10, with the \$7 profit going directly to our club. Lion Joni Fukuji graciously volunteered to be the chair for this fundraiser. Hopefully, many of you had already placed your order, since the deadline is on October 31.

To close, I wish to thank all the chairs mentioned above, as well as the two CISs, and everyone who participated in the events/projects. You all worked so hard to ensure it was successful and I truly appreciate it!

Lisa Ishibashi

Koko Head Elementary Boo Bash



Packed cafeteria filled with students and parents at Boo Bash.

Submitted by Frances Lum

Koko Head Elementary School was transformed from a proper school to one crawling with creepy creatures, superheros, princesses, and more at its Boo Bash held on October 27, 2023. Spooky and whimsically decorated trucks and vans were on hand to give out candy to the excited trick or treaters (and maybe slightly frightened little ones). Students came with their siblings and parents to partake in the festivities. In addition, the new art teacher (yes, art is back in the curriculum for the first time in years!) held an art exhibition featuring art work from all grade levels. Lion Alvin Hayashibara served as "security," just like at a real museum. Meanwhile Lion Frances Lum gave a hand where one was needed.

Kalama Valley Storm Drain Marking



L-R: Lyn Yee, Allen Umeda, Susan Uehara, and Ells Fujii.

Submitted by Allen Umeda

A spirited team of five Lions Club members and volunteers spent their Saturday morning on October 7, 2023 to mark storm drains in the lower portion of Kalama Valley with medallions imprinted with messages to discourage the dumping of harmful chemicals. The markers help to remind residents to avoid using chemicals that can reach storm drains and harm the ocean, which we sometimes overlook as one of our most precious natural resources in Hawaii.

Tasks included cleaning the area to attach medallions at the storm drains, applying adhesive to the medallions, then affixing them to the storm drains. We recorded the locations of the 98 marked storm drains and reported them to the City and County of Honolulu Storm Water Quality Division, which supplied the materials for this project.

Many thanks to the volunteers who joined this activity including Hawaii Kai Lions Club members, Ellsworth Fujii, Allen Umeda, Bill Kern, prospective new member Susan Uehara, and CIS Lyn Yee.



Kamiloiki Elementary Keiki Carnival



Lions Kelvin Kaneoka and Ken Nishibun with Kaiser HS JROTC.

Submitted by Lisa Ishibashi

On October 20, 2023, four Lions and two CISs assisted Kamiloiki Elementary School by manning two drink stations and watching over the upper playground area during their Keiki Carnival. This is the school’s first carnival since the pandemic and appeared to be a great success by the huge amount of students and parents present participating in games, jumping in the bounce houses, and eating food from several vendors. The Lions and CISs worked from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. and were relieved of their stations when Kaiser High School’s ROTC students showed up en masse.

Lions who participated include Jeanne Alices, Yolisa Ishibashi, Kelvin Kaneoka, CIS Hedy Kaneoka, Ken Nishibun, and CIS Lyn Yee.

In support of our community’s elementary schools, the Hawaii Kai Lions Club is always ready to volunteer to assist in these types of events. Thank you to those Lions and CISs who volunteered that hot afternoon. It is greatly appreciated that you were willing to help with this carnival.



Ka Iwi Explorations Trail Clearing



Hawaii Kai Lions clearing the Ka Iwi Mauka lands trail.

Submitted by Kendrick S. Chang

On the morning of Saturday, October 28, 2023, the Hawaii Kai Lions Club joined other community volunteers to clear the hiking trail for the annual Ka Iwi Explorations public access hikes. Volunteers walked over a half-mile into the established jeep road trail to clear hale koa wood branches and shrubs to ensure that the path is passable for hikers who will be visiting the Ka Iwi mauka lands during Ka Iwi Explorations. Lion Kelvin Kaneoka brought an electric saw that came in handy to cut down thick stumps that were sticking out along the trail. The climate was extremely hot and sunny – A lot of labor and sweat equity was expended by all the Lion volunteers. Participating members included Lions Kendrick S. Chang, Ells Fujii, Allen Umeda, Kelvin Kaneoka, CIS Hedy Kaneoka, Trevor Yee (and girlfriend Janelle).

Livable Hawaii Kai Hui purchased the 181.5 acres of the Ka Iwi mauka lands in 2017 under a conservation easement. The parcel stretches from the end of Mokuhano Street in Kalama Valley through the behind valley of the Hawaii Kai Golf Course to the summit ridges mauka of Makapuu Point above Sea Life Park. As part of the conservation easement commitments, Livable Hawaii Kai Hui provides controlled opportunities for the public to hike the lands throughout the year and organizes a guided group hike experience through Ka Iwi Explorations.

The Hawaii Kai Lions Club has supported Ka Iwi Explorations in past years with trail clearing support and parking assistance during the actual event. We will be returning to assist with Ka Iwi Explorations on December 2-3 2023 by serving as parking guides (hikers will be instructed to park inside an open vacant lot at trail head end of Mokuhano Street) and hike leaders/sweepers.

More information about Ka Iwi Explorations is available via the event webpage – <https://events.bizzabo.com/546150>

October Photo Highlights



Hawaii Kai Lions provided hearing screening at Kaimloiki Elem.



Hawaii Kai Lions assisted with Kahala Elem. hearing screening.



Hawaii Kai Lions with other volunteers at Ka Iwi trail clearing.

FUTURE EVENTS					
Date	Time	Event	Place	Attire	Project Chair
Wednesday, 11/1	8:30-9:30am	Honolulu City Council 50th Anniversary Certificate Presentation	Honolulu Hale	Vests and Aloha shirts	Kendrick S. Chang
Thursday, 11/2	7:00-8:00pm	Membership Meeting Agenda: New Member Induction — Susan Uehara	Lunalilo Home Clubhouse	Club Shirt	N/A
Wednesday, 11/8	8:00-10:00am	Vision Screening	Koko Head Elementary School	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Thursday, 11/9	8:00-10:00am	Vision Screening (assisting Koko Head Lions Club)	Wilson Elementary School	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Thursday, 11/9	4:00-9:00pm	UH Band Invitational Merchandise Booth (two shifts)	Kaiser High School	Work Shirt	Frances Lum
Thursday, 11/9	7:00-8:00pm	Board Meeting	Zoom	N/A	N/A
Friday, 11/10	3:00-6:00pm	Kaiser High School PTSA Veteran's Day Nigh Market	Kaiser High School	Work Shirt	Silvia Ardila and Sarah Overmeyer
Saturday, 11/11	9:00am-12:00pm	Malama Maunaloa Invasive Seaweed Removal	Kuliouou Beach Park	Work Shirt	Allen Umeda
Tuesday, 11/14	7:45-10:00am	Hearing Screening (assisting Koko Head Lions Club)	Aiiolani Elementary School	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Wed. 11/15 to Fri. 11/17	Various	Hahaione Elementary School Book Fair (multiple shifts sign-up on website)	Hahaione Elementary School	Club Shirt	David Iwana
Thursday, 11/16	7:00-8:00pm	Kaiser High School Leo Club Installation & Induction	Koko Head Elementary School Cafeteria	Club Shirt	Ells Fujii
Sunday, 11/19	6:30-9:00am	Kaiwi Coast Run & Walk	Maunaloa Bay	Work Shirt	Nancy Rocheleau
Wednesday, 11/22	8:00-10:00am	Hearing Screening	Wilson Elementary School	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Friday, 11/24	7:00-9:00pm	Hawaii Kai Holiday Parade — Candy Cane Truck Preparation	Mary Jorgensen's House	Work Shirt	Marty Jorgensen
Saturday, 11/25	8:00am-12:00pm	Hawaii Kai Holiday Parade (assisting Koko Head Lions Club)	Kamiloiki Community Park—Koko Marina Shopping Center	Work Shirt	Ken Nishibun
Wednesday, 11/29	8:00-10:00am	Hearing Screening	Koko Head Elementary School	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Saturday 12/2 and Sunday 12/3	5:30-9:30am	Ka Iwi Explorations — Parking Guidance Assistance	1298 Mokuhano Street (end of street)	Work Shirt	Kendrick S. Chang
Thursday, 12/7	5:00-8:00pm	Lunalilo Home Christmas Party	Lunalilo Home	Club Shirt	Walter Kuroiwa and Dave Iwana
Sunday, 12/10	7:00-10:00am	Honolulu Marathon Water Station (assist Cub Scouts Pack 101)	Maunaloa Bay	Work Shirt	Joel Leo
Thursday, 12/14	7:00-8:00pm	Board Meeting	Zoom	N/A	N/A
Thursday, 12/21	5:00-9:00pm	Holiday Party	Natsunoya Teahouse 1935 Makaanani Dr.	Aloha Attire	Sandy Gomes

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	DATE OF INDUCTION	Membership	
11/13 CIS Jackie Hayashibara 11/15 Kelan Yoshioka 11/21 Eric Kimura		11/1/1989 Tommy Chun 11/7/2019 Marissa Okada 11/9/2020 Tom Ono 11/10/2005 Michael Yee	Active	48
			Student	0
			Affiliate	4
			At-Large	3
			Privileged	0
			Total	55