

MONTHLY BULLETIN



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President's Message:

Aloha Members and Friends,

I hope all of you made it through September in good shape and did not suffer any damage from all of the storms we faced in that month.

Coincidentally, the scheduled speaker at our October 1 membership meeting will be PDG Garrett Ogawa, an expert on emergency preparedness. One of the main subjects of his presentation will be a focus on the "big picture" of dealing with emergencies in our community such as evacuation plans, communication problems, seeking shelter outside of our own residences, and things of that nature. Please be sure to come with any questions you have for him in these areas.

As you know, the weather forced cancellation of the Kaiser High School Homecoming parade, so what looked to be an exciting opportunity for us to participate in that event will have to wait until next year. The bad weather forced a postponement of the recycling sorting event at Koko Head Elementary School and of our Adopt-a-Highway event near the end of the month.

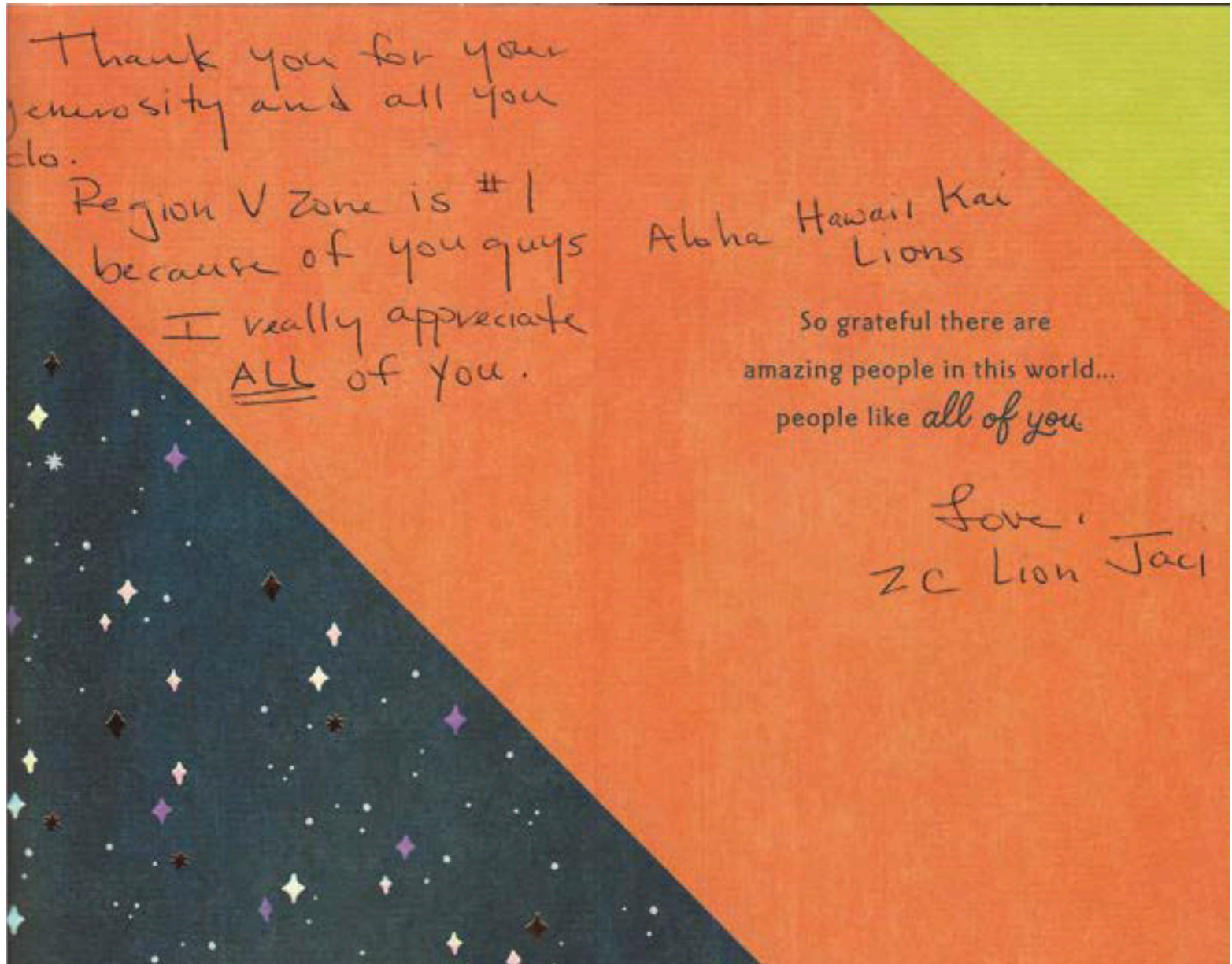
Nevertheless, we were able to successfully start up our vision and hearing screenings in the elementary schools. Thanks to everyone who organized these sessions and who participated. These are certainly a large part of our "core" mission, and it was gratifying to see us overcome some scheduling issues with the schools as well as to dodge the weather.

We will be having more of these sessions in October, Other programs in this month will include a session making Christmas cards for the kupuna at Lunalilo Home and for children associated with Ronald McDonald House and HUGS, traffic awareness events at two elementary schools, and the Keiki Carnival at Kamiloiki Elementary School. Please be sure to attend as many of these as possible.

Finally, our second membership meeting of the month, on October 15, will be a special one to induct new members into the Kaiser High School Leo Club. We are fortunate to have quite a few new members this year. In anticipation of the larger number of people as usual at this meeting, we are arranging to switch venues this one time to the Koko Head Elementary School cafeteria. Please stay tuned for details and please attend this meeting and show our support for these outstanding young people.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns. While Gail and I will be out of the country the last half of the month, our carrier provides free email and text message connections while abroad, and I will remain available during that time.

ZC JACI YOKOGAWA



CAMP ANUENUE

Camp Ānuenue 2026 Impact Statement:

Aloha Donor,

Thank you for your support of Camp Ānuenue. We had a busy and amazing year of providing a community where every child with cancer in Hawai'i is accepted, valued and celebrated. We could not have done any of it without you!

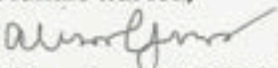
From March 14-17, 2026 we held our fourth annual Camp Ānuenue Survivor Summit at the Twin Fin Hotel in Waikiki. This program aims to provide resources to pediatric survivors who are now 18-26 years old to prepare them for the challenges of adulthood. The program was at full capacity with 20 participants who spent 4 days in a conference style setting attending classes hosted by professionals. This years' program faced a few challenges due to the storms that hit Oahu the same week. While we had to cancel our professional mixer and CPR training, we were still able to provide seminars in non-profit work, financial literacy, mental health, fertility, survivorship, cooking and insurance. We have begun planning for our 5th Survivor Summit to be held again at the Twin Fin Hotel from March 13-16, 2027.

On May 22, 2026 we held our first annual Ānuenue Classic golf tournament at Pearl At Kalauao. It was a beautiful example of our community coming together to support children and young adults affected by cancer. Our 2nd Annual Ānuenue Classic will be held during Childhood Cancer Awareness month on Friday, September 24, 2027. Please mark your calendars as we would love your support.

Our annual childhood cancer camp was held July 19-25, 2026 and was a huge success. We hosted 45 pediatric cancer survivors ages 7-18. Of those, 15 were first time participants to the program who assimilated with ease; making friendships that will undoubtedly last a lifetime. We filled the days with games, swimming, zip lining and crafts and spent the nights dancing, doing a scavenger hunt and watching an outdoor movie to name a few. We ate plenty of delicious donated meals and desserts and learned Hawaiian star navigation and knot tying. The community truly showed up to support these deserving keiki. Some of the quotes from first time campers included: "I had the best first year at camp", "It's very good and I really liked it. I want to come back next year" and "Overall this camp was amazing...I'll definitely be joining again next year". The emotional support and understanding these survivors receive at camp is priceless.

As long as children continue to get cancer there will be a need for the programs Camp Ānuenue offers; a community of shared understanding and experiences that does not discriminate based on socioeconomic factors. It is important to us that we continue to be able to offer both of our programs free of charge as the financial burden of a cancer diagnosis can be life-altering. An average of 50 children each year in Hawai'i will be diagnosed with cancer. We appreciate your contribution to our programs this year that allowed these children to be a part of our community. We look forward to your continued support to keep these programs available for years to come.

Mahalo nui loa,


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CAMP ANUENUE



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

Submitted by: Lily Langeslay



Thanks to the generosity of our members, we were able to donate a wagon full of snacks, coffee, toys, and toiletries to Cantel Kualapai of the Ronald McDonald House Charities. Lion Marja Leivo even donated a Keurig coffee maker and supplies, which will be used at the House.



We gathered at Kapiloani Medical Center's NICU to present our gifts at the Hospitality Cart. Chantel expressed her appreciation and said that the donation will help offset the cost of buying these supplies so the funds can be used for other purposes. The donation will be used at hospitality carts at Kapiolani and Kaiser Medical Centers, as well as the Ronald McDonald House.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity and support!



NEW EAGLE SCOUT IN PACK 101

Submitted by: Joel Leo



Boy Scouts Troop 101 Celebrates a New Eagle Scout Evan Revestir

On Sunday, September 20th, HKLC Lion Immediate Past President Kendrick Chang and I, along with other community leaders, joined Troop 101 for the Eagle Court of Honor to celebrate Evan Revestir's achievement as their troop's newest Eagle Scout. Evan persevered through many challenges with the support of his family and friends, and this celebration in his honor tied it off with a bow.

The Hawaii Kai Lions Club charts both Cub Scouts Pack 101, where Evan first began his scouting journey, as well as Boy Scouts Troop 101, where he completed his Eagle, and I've had the honor and pleasure of knowing Evan from those early days, first as the Pack's Assistant Cubmaster, now as the Pack and Troop's Charter Organization Representative. As Lions, we feel it is important to foster new community leaders, and supporting Scouting is one way we do so, from their earliest first steps into the wider world into young adulthood.

The evening started with food, recognition of other Eagle Scouts in the audience, including Lion Kendrick Chang who had achieved Eagle in Troop 101 in 2012, and a slide show of Evan's career, followed by a solemn look back at the rungs on the ladder to Eagle, guided by his fellow Scouts. Evan was presented with certificates of congratulations from the Hawaii State Legislature, the Hawaii delegation to the US Senate, and from the President of the United States. Lion Kendrick presented him with a kukui nut lei painted blue and gold, and Kinsey from the Elks Lodge in Waikiki presented a certificate celebrating his accomplishments, offering words of congratulations and praise.

To see this shy young scout persevere through his challenges to grow into a celebrated and accomplished young leader in our community is immensely gratifying to me personally, and is further proof of the good work our club does in helping new leaders blossom.



KAISER HS HOMECOMING PARADE

Submitted by: David Karlen



The Hawaii Kai Lions Club was invited to participate in the Kaiser High School Homecoming Parade scheduled for late afternoon on September 17, 2026. The Club considered the invitation as quite an honor and a recognition of our longstanding relationship with the school. It was also an opportunity to show that to the community.

We readily accepted the invitation. As it turned out, the Club was one of the few community organizations outside of the school that was going to participate.

Our plan was to have two contingents, as organized by Lion Ken Nishibun. One would march in the parade from Koko Head Regional Park to Kaiser High School. The other would be stationed at the school to provide water to all of the marchers at the end of the parade. Our logo canopy would be erected at this water station.

Unfortunately, the threat of bad weather caused the school to cancel the parade. The cancellation was announced only a few hours before the parade was scheduled to start.

In recognition of the timing of the parade, as well as its use of Lunalilo Home Road just before our scheduled meeting that evening, the regular meeting of September 17 had been cancelled. The lateness of the parade's cancellation prevented restoring the September 17 meeting to our calendar.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Scott Harano



We would like to thank Scott Harano for once again volunteering his time and immense talent to lead the painting of beautiful artwork on traffic signal boxes in Hawaii Kai. Previously, it was two boxes at the corner of Kalanianoʻle Highway and Keahole Street. This summer, it was three boxes at the corner of Kalanianoʻle Highway and Hawaii Kai Drive.

The work has been well received by the community, and our neighbors have been very complimentary about it. Allen Umeda has reported that his posting of pictures on a local social media site resulted in about 5,000 “likes.”

Scott is an art teacher at the University Laboratory School. He is also a graduate of the prestigious Rhode Island School of Design.

Scott’s parents, Debbie and Al Hirano, are also here today, and we would like them to join Scott in receiving this recognition. We appreciate their very generous donations to the Club for several years for our Father’s Day breakfast fundraisers.

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Koko Head Elementary School - Recycling Project



Amidst the rain and wind cancelling the event the previous Tuesday, many PTA members attended as well as the schools JPOs to sort and bag recyclables to be collected. This date conflicted with another Lions Event previously scheduled. Michelle Schall represented the PTA and was the main coordinator of this event. All considered the parents were helpful and happy to have helped the school. Michelle was grateful for our help to the school.

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location	Attire	Project Chair
Thu, 10/1	7pm - 8pm	Membership Meeting	Lunalilo Home	Club Shirt	N/A
Fri, 10/2	7:15am - 8:15am	Traffic Safety	Kamiloiki ES	Work Shirt	Janis Bumgarner
Sun, 10/4	1pm - 4pm	Holiday Card Making	Mauna Luan West Lobby	Work Shirt	Marja Leivo
Thu, 10/15	7pm - 8pm	Membership Meeting	Koko Head ES Cafeteria	Club Shirt	N/A
Fri, 10/16	12:30pm - 3:30pm	Keiki Carnival	Kamiloiki ES	Work Shirt	Janis Bumgarner
Tue, 10/20	7:30am - 8:15am	Traffic Safety	Koko Head ES	Work Shirt	Frances Lum
Thu, 10/22	7:30am - 10am	Vision Screening	Koko Head ES	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun
Fri, 10/23	7:15am - 8:15am	Traffic Safety	Hahaione ES	Work Shirt	Marja Leivo
Wed, 10/28	11:30am - 2pm	Hearing Screening	Hahaione ES	Work Shirt	Cynthia Chun

Birthdays

10/6, Janis Bumgarner
 10/11, Les Muramaru
 10/16, Marja Leivo
 10/20, Marissa Okada
 10/29, Valynn Chong
 10/30, Linda Belisle
 10/30, Ezekiel Bernardo-Flores
 10/30, Lillian Langesly
 10/30, Linda Belilsle

Date of Induction

10/1/74, Andrew Uramoto
 10/1/87, Alvin Hayashibara
 10/1/90, Martin Jorgenen
 10/1/90, Robert Lee
 10/1/92, Appan Subramanian
 10/1/95, Dr. Russell Imanaka
 10/1/08, Cynthia Chun
 10/1/16, Dr. Kerry Yoon
 10/2/25, Lynn Liu

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 2nd VDG, David Iwana
 Zone Chair, Jaci Yokogawa

Membership

Active	56
Student	0
Affiliate	4
Associate	3
At-Large	4
Privileged	0
Total	67

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President, David Karlen
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