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# Ka Leo O Hawaii Kai

Monthly Bulletin of the Hawaii Kai Lions Club



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Aloha Lions,

Welcome to 2018. Hard to believe that January has come and gone already! How are we all doing with our New Year's resolutions? The New Year is a great time to throw out the old and start the year off fresh. Of course, I tell myself that at the start of every year. Here it is, January is over, and I'm just getting started. So much for my resolution. I am determined to achieve my goal by the end of February.

The International Lions President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal notes that we can serve more people by welcoming new members to our club. The induction of our newest member Lion Rylen Yamamoto in October, brings our total number of new members for 2017-2018 to five. We are one away from our goal of six new members for this period. Increasing our membership is everyone's responsibility and is vital in order to keep our club growing. With that in mind, I'd like us all to focus on speaking to your friends, family, co-workers, and anyone you may interact with about our club and the wonderful service we do for our community. Bring them to a meeting or project so they can see the good work we do. A couple of interesting facts: we currently have 58 active members, 5 new members, 4 dropped members, which makes a net growth of 1.

On January 17th our membership director hosted a new member orientation at the clubhouse. Thanks to Lion Cindy Giorgis for arranging this meeting and the great powerpoint presentation. New Lions, Kerry, Marlene, and Ellsworth learned valuable information about the Lions organization and the Hawaii Kai Lions. Thanks to all the board members who assisted with the orientation and were able to answer all the questions.

On Sunday, January 21st the Hawaii Kai Lions and the Kaiser High School Leos Club joined forces to sort, clean, and package 2,083 pairs of glasses for shipment. These glasses will be shipped to third world countries and other areas where the populations do not have access to the great health care that we experience and take for granted. With all that manpower we finished in the task in record time. Thanks to our new Lion Ellsworth for chairing this project with guidance from PDG Roy Aoki.

Debbie Morikawa, owner of GymGuys, an in-home training company, joined our meeting on January 18th. Debbie's company is geared toward senior citizens. They will come to your home and evaluate your goals and set up a training program. The objective is to help you stay strong so that you are more able to age in place. Simple strengthening exercises were also demonstrated to help get us started on the right path.

A special Zone Club meeting was held on January 24th hosted by the Koko Head Lions. The four clubs in our zone were treated to a fabulous meal of homemade vegetable lasagna, garlic bread, salad, and ono carrot cake. We listened to a mother of an eight year old girl with Amblyopia give testimony as to the importance of early childhood vision screening. Her daughter was diagnosed with Amblyopia at five years old. After several years of treatment and wearing a patch on her eye she is on the road to recovering her eyesight. It's been a long road for them and she stressed how much quicker the recovery is if caught at age 2-3. Our focus is now to ensure that we also screen the 2 and 3 year olds attending pre-school.

February 22nd is the 5th grade fitness challenge at Kaiser High School Complex from 7:30am until 12 noon and sign-up sheet is on the website. It's a fun event and don't worry, you're not actually challenging a 5th grader!

Zone Social is coming on March 3rd at Natsunoya Tea House at 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. Cost is \$35.00 per person and \$3.00 valet parking. It is always a fun time with good food and getting to know the other club members and their CIS. Head count is due by February 15th. Sign up on the website and bring your checkbooks to the next meeting. Please make checks payable to David Iwana. He is pre-paying for everyone who signs up so only sign up if you're sure you'll be attending. Hope to see you there!

Have a great February and stay tuned for more information on the plans for the upcoming retreat for our club members.

Mahalo and Aloha,  
Lion Jeanne

## Zone Meeting– Vision Testimony



HK Lions with fellow Koko head Lions at zone meeting.

*Submitted by Lion Cynthia Chun*

A special meeting open to our zone clubs was held on 1/24 at Aina Haina ES cafeteria with a parent who gave her testimony about the importance of early vision screening. Her child was diagnosed at the age of 5 with amblyopia/strabismus, which is a lazy eye with blurry or reduced vision not correctable by glasses or contact lenses that gone untreated can cause blindness. Had she been diagnosed earlier at the age of 2 or 3 her chances for 100% eyesight might have been better. She went through eye patching and extensive vision therapy and today at age 7 her vision is 20/30 in one eye and 20/50 in the other and improving. Approximately 2-4% of all children under the age of 6 have some form of amblyopia, which shows the importance of our vision screening and can hopefully reach these children and others with eye problems at preschool age or earlier.

## New Member Orientation Recap

*Submitted by Lion Cindy Giorgis*

On January 17, 2018 our newest Hawaii Kai Lions completed their New Member Orientation. Lion Kerry Yoon, Lion Ellsworth Fujii, and Lion Marlene Arnett completed the orientation. The HK Lions Board was present to explain the history of Lionism, Lions Club International, our vision, mission and four focal areas. Each vice president elaborated on structure of our club as well as touching on an explanation of our major activities and service projects. We were also interested in what our new members interests and talents were, i.e. how they might want to contribute or serve our club and the community. The importance of having a mentor that the new member can go to for questions and ideas arose out of a conversation about all there is to know about our club as well as the larger Lions organization. Two new members, Lion Nancy Rocheleau, and Lion Rylen Yamamoto, were unavailable so they will be oriented at a later date.

## Eye Glasses Cleaning



Several HK Lions cleaning eye glasses with Kaiser HS Leo's.

*Submitted by Lion Ellsworth Fujii*

On Sunday, January 21, 16 Hawaii Kai Lions and 20 Kaiser High School Leo Club members (including advisor Gordon Chun) met at the clubhouse at 9:00 for the Eyeglass Recycling project. Everyone pitched in where needed and like a well-oiled machine successfully recycled 2,083 eyeglasses in one hour. Thank you to the Lions who collected and stored eyeglasses from the various stores and optometrists throughout the year. And, to Lion Ken Nishibun who gave the Leo's a short narrative of what happens to the recycled eyeglasses. The 11 boxes of recycled eyeglasses were dropped off at DHX on Monday. The eyeglass recycling information for the Hawaii Kai Lions was provided to Eyeglass Recycling Chair Alice Kubo.

## D50 Winter Forum & Cabinet Meeting



Lions Dave Iwana and Ellsworth Fujii with D50 DG Blayne Hanagami

*Submitted by Lion Dave Iwana*

On 1/27-29/2018, the District 50 2018 Winter Forum and 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting took place in Hilo at the Kilauea Military Camp (KMC). Many clubs were represented, including the Hawaii Kai Lions! Lion Ellsworth Fujii and Lion David Iwana attended the event that included lectures, presentations and workshops. It even had a guest speaker from the Hawaii Volcanoes Observatory, auction, country store and bingo! The 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting was held on Saturday, 1/27.

Hawaii Kai Lions Club  
 Regular Membership Meeting – January 04, 2018  
 Submitted by: Acting Secretary Lion Cynthia Chun

Location: Hale 'O Aloha at Lunalilo Home

Call to order at 7:05pm by President Jeanne Alices

Opening song: Roy Aoki, Flag Pledge: Jeanne Alices, Lions Pledge: Kendrick Chang, Invocation: Delwin Ching

Facilities: Kaz Nakano, Ken Nishibun, Toshi Nishioka

Record Member Attendance and Minutes – Cynthia Chun

21 members present – 4 excused

Activation of Tail Twister: Marja Leivo – recognized those who participated in Diabetes Awareness – made members jot down their resolution for 2018, which members in turn had to guess who wrote it...all members fined!

Begin formal meeting at 8:00pm by Jeanne Alices

1 – Roy Aoki – announced the 4 recipients of a Melvin Jones Fellowship awarded for donations to a disaster fund, which the board allocated \$2000. Congratulations to Jeanne Alices, David Iwana, Eric Kwick and Bill Modglin.

2 – David Iwana – Joint Zone Club Mtg 1/24 at Aina Haina Cafeteria 6:30 – 8pm, dinner \$6 – Re Vision Screening/Testimonial

Committee Reports:

1 – Treasurer – Lion Eric Kwick – budget report handed out

2 – Secretary – No minutes to approve

3 – 1<sup>st</sup> VP – Administrative Committee – Sandy Gomes – no report – but as chair of Awards & Recognition for D50 – another category will be added to increase membership plus more women wanted

4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Activities Committee – Joel Leo – not present

5 – 3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Social & Special Events – Kaz Nakano – no report

Correspondence/Announcements/Upcoming Scheduled Activities – Jeanne Alices

1 – Jan 13 – 15 – Leadership Institute Symposium at Hawaii Food Bank – Ellsworth Fujii to attend

2 – Jan 18 – Meeting speaker – Debbie Morikawa from GYMGUYZ

3 – Jan 19 – RSVP & money due for LH Benefit Luau on 2/3/18 – tickets \$50 w/ club to subsidize half

4 – Jan 21 – Eyeglass Cleaning – 9-12pm at clubhouse

5 – Jan 24 – Joint Zone Club meeting – 6:30-8pm – Aina Haina cafeteria re: Vision Screening

6 – Jan 26 – 28 – D50 Cabinet Meeting at Kilauea Military Camp – Hawaii Island

7 – Feb 3 – Lunalilo Home Benefit Luau – 11am-1:30pm

8 – Feb 9 – Hearing Screening – 8am at Hahaione ES Library

9 – Feb 22 – Kaiser Complex Fitness Meet – Kaiser HS PE Bldg – 7:30-12pm

10 – Mar 1 – UH Wahine Basketball Mtg at Stan Sheriff Center

11 – Mar 3 – Zone Social at Natsunoya Tea House – 11-2pm - \$35

12 – May 3-5 – D50 Convention – Grand Naniloa Hotel – Hilo

13 – Jun 29-Jul 3 – LCI 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention – Las Vegas – early registration \$150 by 1/12, \$200

until 3/31 – late fee applies after 4/1 – Website: [lclion.lionsclubs.org](http://lclion.lionsclubs.org)

Old Business:

Mahalo to participants at:

1 – Meals on Wheels Thanksgiving and Xmas deliveries

2 – Ka Iwi Coast walk/run and Honolulu Marathon

3 – LH Xmas party – Santa Marty

4 – LH Xmas party – Dennis Ching and the Renditions for providing music

5 – Xmas party at 3660 on the Rise – Dennis Ching & David Iwana for MC & music – Chairs Ed

& Sandy Lee and Kaz & Tae Nakano

New Business: Set up date for new member orientation tentatively set for 1/17

Closing Song: Walter Kuroiwa

Adjournment: 8:25pm by Jeanne Alices

Hawaii Kai Lions Club  
Monthly Board Meeting – January 11, 2018  
*Submitted by: Acting Secretary Lion Kendrick S. Chang*

Location: Hale 'O Aloha at Lunalilo Home

Call to order at 7:00pm by President Jeanne Alices

Present: Jeanne Alices, Roy Aoki, Sandy Gomes, Ed Lee, Joel Leo, Marja Leivo, Kaz Nakano, Merv Wee, Kendrick S. Chang, Eric Kwick, Cindy Giorgis.

Secretary Alvin Hayashibara informed the board that he had to leave early due to a family obligation. He asked Kendrick to serve as acting secretary for the meeting.

Reports:

1<sup>st</sup> VP – Sandy Gomes – no report

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Joel Leo – Reported potential volunteer activity at the Great Aloha Run on 2/19/2018. He will follow-up with Moanalua Lions to get more information and will report back to club.

Membership Director - Cindy Giorgis – Reported a total of three new potential members. They will be invited to the February membership meetings.

3<sup>rd</sup> VP – Kaz Nakano – Reported that Xmas party at 3660 on the Rise on 12/14/2017 was successful. Kaz noted he is currently working on reserving a venue for Charter Night on 4/20/2018. Tentatively, the New Otani. Any other suggestions are welcome.

New Member Orientation 1/17/2018 – Cindy reported that Lions Marlene Arnett, Ellsworth Fujii, and Kerry Yoon will be attending the orientation. Requested other board members to attend and assist with presentation. Eric volunteered to bring computer to orientation and advised Cindy to bring usb drive with presentation file.

New Business:

-1/24/2018 Zone Meeting – Topic on the need to hold vision screenings for pre-school children. Marja Leivo shared that she received a card from Paige Button about a past vision screening and her lazy eye care business. Possible future meeting speaker on vision care. PDG Roy Aoki explained the problem of lazy eye among youth.

-2/3/2018 Lunalilo Home Benefit Luau – Board voted to buy a \$1000 table to support Lunalilo Home. (10 people maximum per table) Members who wish to buy tickets will be subsidized \$25 by the club out of \$50 regular price. Money is due by 1/19/2018.

Treasurer Report:

Eric Kwick clarified to board a couple payments that were brought up in regard to Canadian Forum subsidize payment and District 50 forum. Eric also reported that club may be interested in purchasing 100 year Lion commemorative coins.

501C3: Board held a discussion about 501C3 pros and cons. The board decided to organize a strategic retreat to gather input on club's future direction from members as a start. Committee members who volunteered are Kendrick, Eric, Ed, Cindy, Merv, Jeanne, Ken, and Marja.

Other Business:

February meetings - Speakers and program TBD.

3/17/2018 – Walk for Vision & Hearing Screenings. \$250 to Lions Foundation.

Adjournment: Board meeting was adjourned by President Jeanne Alices at 8:45pm.

**Hawaii Kai Lions Club**  
Regular Membership Meeting – January 18, 2017  
*Submitted by: Secretary Lion Alvin Hayashibara*

Attendance: 27 members attendant 6 excused 1 guest

Opening song: Paula Chow, Flag pledge: Cynthia Chun, Lion's pledge: Tommy Chun, Invocation: Ellsworth Fujii

FACILITIES: Ed Lee, Apolonio Sondiong, Marja Leivo

Activated Tail Twister: Marja Leivo, Story game using a gift being passed on left right or over end of story lions with the gift in hand gets to keep it

Dinner by Loco Moco

Agenda: Guest speaker Debbie Morikawa from Gymsguyz owner of Senior Fitness and Independence Company who actually go to your home and help you with your exercises. She gave a very informative speech and made you feel you want her to help you with your exercises.

Ellsworth gave a report on how he felt at leadership seminar. Said he enjoyed it and was apprehensive on going but was happy to have gone. Also said he is glad that he joined Our club after hearing what other lions that attended the seminar were saying.

Treasurer's report made by Eric kvick

Secretary minutes approval from bulletin

1st VP Sandra Gomes none

2nd VP Joel Leo none

3rd VP Kaz Nakano none excused

Received Leo officers report and three project reports

Announcements /projects: 1/21-Eye Glasses Recovery Cleaning & Packing

1/24 Zone Meeting all members available.. at Aina Haina Elementary Cafeteria

A retreat is in the planning stage and a date will be announced soon.

Feb 15 - Sight if Beautiful judging Alvin to remind schools of pick up dates.

Feb 19- Great Aloha to handout t-shirts

Feb 22nd Kaiser complex 5th grade fitness 7:30-12

March 1 Meeting Stan Sheriff Center Wahine BB game

March 3 Zone Social Natsunoya 11-2 \$35 per person

March 17 and 18 Walk for vision and hearing Dist. 50 event

Las Vegas convention June 29-July 3 2018 registration is now \$200 another increase on April 1st.

Blue and Gold Cub Scout in February – Sign up will be on our sight.

Letters received: Peggy holiday message to HK Lions Jackie thank you letter

Closing song: by Cindy Giorgis

FUTURE EVENTS				
Date	Time	Event	Place	Attire
Thursday, 2/1	7:00-8:30pm	Membership Meeting	Lunalilo Home Clubhouse	Club Shirt
Thursday, 2/8	7:00-9:00pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Lunalilo Home Clubhouse	Club Shirt
Friday, 2/9	8:00-10:30am	Hearing Screening	Hahaione Elementary School	Work Shirt
Thursday, 2/15	7:00-8:30pm	Membership Meeting	Lunalilo Home Clubhouse	Club Shirt
Thursday, 2/22	7:30am-12:00pm	Kaiser Complex 5th Grade Fitness Day	Kaiser High School	Work Shirt
Saturday, 2/24	9:00am-12:00pm	Malama Maunalua Huki Ocean Clean-up	Kuliouou Beach Park	Work Shirt
Saturday, 3/3	11:00am-2:00pm	Zone Social (\$35 per person)	Natsunoya Tea House	Aloha Attire

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	DATE OF INDUCTION	August Membership	
2/9 Carole Wee 2/10 Rick Yee 2/16 Kaleen Nishibun 2/21 CIS Loyal Mehrhoff 2/28 Stan Ito	2/18 Ken & Kaleen Nishibun	2/22/2005 Rich Halverson	Active	53
			Privileged	1
			Affiliate	11
			Total	65

District 50 Region V, Zone 2		Hawaii Kai Lions Club Officers – 2017-2018			
Honolulu, HI – Chartered 4/9/1973		President	Jeanne Alices 1714 9th Avenue Honolulu, HI 96816 jalices1979@yahoo.com (808)282-1780	Secretary	Alvin Hayashibara 767 Hahaione Street Honolulu, HI 96825 athayashibara@yahoo.com (808)429-3312
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1 <sup>st</sup> VD Governor	Robert (Bob) Lee	IPP	Joel Leo	Mem. Dir.	Ed Lee
2 <sup>nd</sup> VD Governor	Angelita Haramoto	1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Kaz Nakano	Bull. Ed.	Cindy Giorgjis
Zone Chairman	David Iwana	2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Eric Kwick		Kendrick S. Chang
		3 <sup>rd</sup> VP	Ron Goong		
		Treasurer			
		Lion Tamer			
Meetings			Make Up Meetings		
The Hawaii Kai Lions Club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at Hale O Aloha room of Lunalilo Home, 511 Kekauluohi Street.			Diamond Head Lions Club meets the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month. 6:30 pm, 3140 Campbell Avenue.		
The Board of Directors meets the Thursday following the first club meeting of each month at Hale O Aloha room of Lunalilo Home, 511 Kekauluohi Street, unless otherwise noted.			Kaimuki Lions Club meets the 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month, 7:00 pm, Crane Lodge, 3640 Crater Road.		
			Koko Head Lions Club meets 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 7:00 pm, Niu Valley Middle School		

**Date: Thursday, February 1st, 2018, 7pm** attitude adjustment  
 Place: Lunalilo Home  
 Attire: Club shirts, pins, & nametags  
 Cost: members  
     w/ meal plan \$3  
     w/o meal plan \$7

Program: Open, TBA

Opening Song: Sandy Gomes  
 Flag Pledge: Ron Goong  
 Lions Pledge: Tom Haia  
 Invocation: Alvin Hayashibara  
 Closing Song: Alex Ho

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**Date: Thursday, February 8th, 2018**  
 Time: 7pm  
 Place: Lunalilo Home  
  
 Board of Directors Meeting

Facilities Committee  
 Chair: Vacant

**Report by 6:30 pm**  
 Please find your own replacement if you are unable to fulfill those duties.

**February 1st, 2018**  
 Mino Takaesu  
 PDG Mervin Wee  
 Rylen Yamamoto

**February 15th, 2018**  
 Rick Yee  
 PDG Roy Aoki  
 Marlene Arnett

**Date: Thursday, February 15th, 2018, 7pm** attitude adjustment  
 Place: Lunalilo Home  
 Attire: Club shirts, pins, & nametags  
 Cost: members  
     w/ meal plan \$3  
     w/o meal plan \$7

Program: Sight is Beautiful Poster Judging

Opening Song: Stan Ito  
 Flag Pledge: Dave Iwana  
 Lions Pledge: Keith Katsuda  
 Invocation: Eric Kimura  
 Closing Song: Walter Kuroiwa

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