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The Voice of Hawaii Kai

# Ka Leo O Hawaii Kai

Monthly Bulletin of the Hawaii Kai Lions Club



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Hawaii Kai Lions, CIS's and All,

As society continues to travel in uncharted waters searching for the home, we all knew as Normalcy, we are all realizing that it's not going to be the same cozy, familiar place we all remember. The same goes with Hawaii Kai Lions. We are modifying our projects/meetings/fundraising and socializing so we can continue to meet the evolving needs of our community.

The difficult times we are in seems to have inspired several people to look into becoming Lions. As of this writing we have one new member (welcome Lion Tom Ono), three applications submitted and four more interested in joining. I welcome those of you reading this bulletin for the first time and I encourage you to gather knowledge about Lions thru your contact person, sponsor or online. Anyone it's welcome to contact me with inquiries anytime and if I cannot answer your questions, I will direct you to the right person.

I encourage all seasoned members to keep in mind that new people generally don't speak Lion. They don't know a PDG from a IPP and generally know few of the 54 club members. I, for instance, used to think a first quarter cabinet meeting was held when 1/4 of the kitchen cabinets were installed and decisions were needed on countertop. So, let's all try to communicate with clarity in mind so no one gets overwhelmed.

I had to review some Hawaii Kai Lions numbers recently and found some interesting figures I'd like to share. Did you know?

- The current membership collectively has over one thousand years of community service as Hawaii Kai Lions? (1076 to be exact).
- That the difference in age between our oldest and youngest members is 79 years?

- That our membership is 11/54 women yet they do 50% of the work.
- That even in this COVID-19 era we have already logged in 970 hours of community service.
- That our club is 6% Scandinavian (A thousand Swedes ran thru the weeds, chased by one Norwegian)

PROJECTS, PROJECTS, PROJECTS. With the current restrictions projects are generally limited to 5 people. You are not seeing them on our website sign up because they are filled instantly. Please submit any new project proposals to myself or any board member. Remember a project proposal needs a community needs assessment, cost estimate and a clear scope of work. Please, do your homework and submit only well thought out proposals. Ideas are also welcome, but they have a better chance of being reality with some additional information.

January has been a month of gain and losses for Hawaii Kai Lions, like life, I guess.

Have a great February, stay healthy happy and committed.  
Eric

## Joke of The Month

Submitted by Lion Ed Lee

An armed thief entered a house mid-afternoon and found two people there.

He tied up the woman and ordered the man at the point of his gun to hand over the family's jewelry and other valuables.

The frightened man started sobbing, and said, "You can take anything you want, and even beat me up, but please, untie the rope and free her."

"You must really love your wife!"

"Not particularly, but she will be home shortly."

### Flash Trash Pickup @ Makapu'u



Lions Allen Umeda, Eric Kvick with prospective Bill and John.

*Submitted by Lion Allen Umeda*

A “Flash Trash Pickup” was conducted at Sandy Beach on Saturday, January 16 from 8:00-9:30am. It was a good opportunity to get some fresh air and beautify one the nicest beaches on our island.

The following people participated in this activity: Eric Kvick, Allen Umeda, Hawaii Kai Lions Club potential members): Bill Kern, John Kratochvil.

Trash was picked up on the Makapu'u end of Sandy Beach to minimize contact with beachgoers around the more popular areas of the beach. An increasing number of people are picking up trash along the beaches due to restrictions on indoor activities and fewer volunteer opportunities. But there was still a lot of opala hidden in the shrubs and bushes and a total of about 80 pounds of trash was collected.

Future trash pickups will be outside of city parks as the Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation has put a hold on community service activities at their parks until further notice due to COVID.



### Recycle For Sight



Lions Jeanne Alices, Tom Ono, and Dave Iwana cleaning glasses.

*Submitted by Lion Ellsworth Fujii & Frances Lum*

Like everything else, the pandemic affected the number of eyeglasses collected as people were primarily at home for most of the year. However, thanks to our collection partners, a total of 648 pairs of prescription eyeglasses and sunglasses and regular sunglasses were washed, dried, and packed in our temporary “club house” (i.e., Frances Lum’s garage) on January 25, 2021. Thank you to Frances who also provided home-baked brownies to the helpers.

The eyeglasses will be delivered to the DHX warehouse where all the eyeglasses collected by Lions across the State will start its journey to give sight to those in need.

Lions Ellsworth Fujii, Jeanne Alices, Rick Yee, David Iwana, Tom Ono, Ken Nishibun, and Frances Lum, CIS Lyn Yee, and Guests Silvia Ardila and Yolisa (“Lisa”) Ishibashi wore masks and gathered in two shifts to complete the work. A remarkably successful project, with the bonus of working and getting to know prospective Lions-to-be Silvia and Lisa.

We are grateful to our eyeglass collection partners: Bank of Hawaii – Hawaii Kai branch, First Hawaiian Bank – Kaimuki branch, Hawaii Kai Public Library, Hawaii Kai Assisted Living Center, Honolulu Vision Care Center, Starbucks at Hawaii Kai Towne Center and Koko Marina Center, and Straub Health Center – Hawaii Kai Clinic.



## February Tail Twister — Trivia Quiz

Submitted by Lion Frances Lum

In honor of Valentine's Day and President's Day, take this trivia quiz.

1. In which country are women purchasing chocolates for men on Valentine's Day?
2. Which monument was given as the ultimate gift of love?
3. What fruit is also known as the "love apple"?
4. What computer virus was detected in Hong Kong on May 1, 2000?
5. When was February 14 declared St. Valentine's Day?
6. Who created the first Valentine's Day box of chocolates?
7. What website was born on Valentine's Day?
8. How many U.S. towns are named Valentine?
9. During the Victorian Era, what were sent to suitors they didn't like?
10. Which U.S. President lost both his wife and mother on Valentine's Day?
11. Who was the first president born in a hospital?
12. This president liked to skinny-dip in the Potomac River early in the morning.
13. He became president even though no one had voted for him.
14. His fancy attire and rich lifestyle led to the nickname, The Dude President.
15. He is the only president to have been a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University in England.
16. When the king and queen of Great Britain visited, he served them hot dogs.

See page 4 for the answers...



Potential members Silvia and Yolisa, with Lions Ken and David.

## Give a Big "Hug" to HUGS



Lions Eric, Cynthia, Ken with prospective members John and Yolisa.

Submitted by Lion Ken Nishibun

On Saturday the 23rd of January, the Hawaii Kai Lions Club power washed the 100-year-old structure in Kaimuki that serves as the headquarters for HUGS (Help, Understanding and Group Support).

HUGS provides services for the children of Hawaii, ages birth to 21 years, who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening illness that ranges from cancer, cardiac issues, liver and kidney ailments, to chromosomal defects. The acronym HUGS was appropriately conceived by a family receiving support for their son, who had a cancerous tumor. "When your child is diagnosed with having a terminal illness, sometimes the only thing even a doctor can do is give you a hug," said Pleaman Shaver. "There are days when I wake up wanting nothing more or less than a big hug. It says so much -- I care, I hurt with you, hang in there."

Today HUGS provides support, compassion and aloha to approximately 400 of Hawaii's families of children with life-threatening illnesses.

The Headquarter building was in dire need of a thorough cleaning and thankfully President Eric had the proper equipment to power-wash with bleach the entire exterior, all of the walkways, benches and playground toys. It was great to see prospective members Yolisa Ishibashi and John Kratochvil join current Lions Eric Kwick, Cynthia Chun and Ken Nishibun in this project that took a total of 5 ½ hours.

HUGS Executive Director Joan Naguwa, and Community Resource Development Coordinator Alan Castillo were truly appreciative of the much needed cleaning of their facilities and extended their heartfelt Mahalo to the Hawaii Kai Lions Club for our continued support throughout the years.

## February Tail Twister — Answers

Submitted by Lion Frances Lum

See page 3 for the questions...

Here are the answers to the Valentine's Day and President's Day trivia quiz.

1. Japan
2. Taj Mahal
3. Tomato
4. I Love You virus
5. 1537
6. Richard Cadbury
7. YouTube.com
8. 4
9. Vinegar Valentines
10. Teddy Roosevelt
11. Jimmy Carter
12. John Quincy Adams
13. Gerald Ford (he became VP when Spiro Agnew resigned and succeeded Richard Nixon when Nixon resigned).
14. Chester Arthur
15. Bill Clinton
16. Franklin Roosevelt (and the queen asked how to eat them!).

## Answers to What's In A Name

Submitted by Lion Frances Lum

Here are the answers to last month's tail twister.

1. A two in one (a name in a name).  
Girl's name LiANNE Poppinga or JEANne ALICEs  
Boy's name KENdrick or KENDRICK Chang
2. Something used in the kitchen. ApPAN Subramanian
3. Add an "s" and rub it on your chest. Eric KVICK(s)
4. This one has value. EllsWORTH Fujii
5. Perfect bread for sliders. Ken NishiBUN
6. Lots and lots of enthusiasm. Appan SubraMANIAN
7. Noise a piggy makes all the way home when doubled. Merv WEE
8. Country known for its romantic city (and wine). FRANCEs Lum
9. Popular place to hang out before COVID. Alvin HayashiBARa
10. Makes your mouth water. Allen UMEda
11. Appropriate Zodiac sign for our Club. Joel LEO
12. A kidney, for example (slightly misspelled). Marty JORGENSEn
13. "Yes" in Japanese. Tom HAIa
14. Go shopping in this "village." EdWARD Lee
15. Aries symbol. Les MuRAMaru
16. When you get this, it is often accompanied with a hug and peck. Marja LEIvo
17. An artist did it. AnDREW Uramoto
18. A triumph. DelWIN Ching
19. Windward side of the island. Ed or Bunny LEE
20. Computer speak (abbreviation). KeLAN Yoshioka

## Koko Head Recycling



Lions Appan, David, Eric, Ken, and Frances sorting recyclables.

Submitted by Lion Frances Lum

One day before the event of emptying and sorting the HI-5 recyclable bottles and cans from two large cages, Koko Head Elementary School put out a call for some helping hands. In almost no time at all, 5 Lions responded. On Thursday, January 14, working socially distanced and masked with Koko Head Elementary School parents, the Lions uncapped bottles and sorted and bagged aluminum cans, glass bottles, and plastic bottles. Did you know that glass wine bottles, plastic shampoo bottles, and milk jugs, while recyclable in our blue bins, do not qualify for the HI-5 program? Those had to be discarded. If you have HI-5 bottles and cans and would like to support Koko Head Elementary School, drop them off in the cages that are easily found in the front of the school.

## Recipe of The Month

Submitted by CIS Lyn Yee

### CONGRATULATIONS CIS LYN YEE! BEER MISO TSUKEMONO

Ingredients:

- 1 cup white miso
- Japanese cucumbers, sliced 1/4" thick
- 1 cup sugar
- 1-2 tbsp salt
- 1/3 cup rice vinegar
- 1 cup beer (you can use the whole can, but I drink the leftover! Hic!)

Directions:

Marinate sliced cucumbers overnight. Remove from marinate the next day. Chill and enjoy. (Marinade can be used again. Pour off excess water from previous cucumbers and add a new batch of cucumbers. Repeat marinate process)

## In Loving Memory of CIS Aki Leu ...as submitted by her Family



Akiko "Aki" Furuno Leu, wife and CIS (Companion in Service) of Lion C.F. Leu, died on January 15, 2021 at Queen's Medical Center following a two-week battle with Covid-19. She was ten days short of her 94th birthday.

Aki was born in Honolulu, and graduated from McKinley High School. She enjoyed a forty-year career with Sears, primarily at the Ala Moana store, retiring as the supervisor of the Advertising department.

She and C.F. met through a mutual friend, and married on April 9, 1955 in Boulder, Colorado where C.F. was attending graduate school. They returned to Hawaii and started their family, buying their first home in Kailua after their daughter was born in 1957, and moving to their Niu Valley residence in 1968 to be closer to work and schools for their three daughters.

Lionism was a big part of Aki's life, starting with C.F. joining the Pali Lions Club as a charter member in 1962, and continuing when he transferred to the Hawaii Kai Lions Club in 1991. She loved both the service and social aspects of the Lions Club, and their calendar which she managed, was filled with projects, parties and golf activities. Aki engaged her family and many friends each year to sell pancake breakfast tickets, and used her skills to make her famous mango chutney and pecan pies for the bake sale.

Golfing became a passion when she took up the game after retiring, and the fellowship and travel it provided gave her much joy. Aki became a pro at 6:30 am speed dialing to get good tee times for the golf gang, and was delighted when she got an early time at Ala Wai. She and C.F. enjoyed travelling, and a highlight was the numerous golfing trips with their Lion friends to the neighbor islands and mainland. In retirement, they were also able to take many trips to the mainland to see family and friends including graduations of 4 of her grandchildren, visit China, and at age 91, Aki took a long-awaited trip to Japan.

Aki always put her family first and was a proud mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She instituted the Leu family tradition of the extended family Sunday dinner, which is being carried on through her children and grandchildren. She and C.F. were able to enjoy seeing their grandchildren excel on both the playing field and academically, as well as welcome in the new generation of great grandchildren.

Aki is survived by her husband of 65 years, three daughters, six grandchildren, four great grandchildren and a brother. The family is planning a celebration of her life when it is safe to do so.

### Fond remembrances of CIS Aki...

CIS Lyn Yee was able to gather the following remembrances of our beloved Aki from fellow CIS's:

- had a sense of humor, a sweet and genuine person
- was enthusiastic re everything she was involved in
- was a generous and compassionate friend
- always there to give a hand, if you did something for her, she would want to reciprocate
- loved volunteering with various Lions projects including once housing a Nagoya-Joto Lion's daughter who came to Hawaii to practice her English
- never spoke ill of anyone, was always interested in what you had to say
- was a remarkable and supportive coach's wife to CF (CF was an athletic director and involved with Title IX)
- made the best pecan pies and mango chutney for the bake sale
- enjoyed the dinners and gatherings with the CIS' (always happy to see everyone, and was sad when she couldn't attend because of CF's condition)
- shared her love of golf and t-time rituals



**Hawaii Kai Lions Board Meeting  
January 14, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Eric Kvik.

Secretary Rich Halverson was present.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Present: Alvin Hayashibara, Appan Subramanian, Cynthia Chun, David Iwana, Ellsworth Fujii, Eric Kvik, Frances Lum, Kendrick Chang, Jeanne Alices, Kerry Yoon, Marty Jorgensen, Rich Halverson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

December 10, 2020 meeting minutes were approved.

**COMMUNICATION NOT REQUIRING ACTION****BOARD/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Treasurer: Lion Jeanne Alices

Paid International Dues Jan 14th electronically.

Lion Eric proposes cancelling the meal plan and returning this year's \$96.00 plus \$8.60 for every year they paid into the plan.

Lion David Iwana moved "that we suspend Paragraph IX of the Standing Rules on the meal plan until the board chooses to reimplement it. (2), we disperse the current balance in an equitable fashion." The motion was seconded and adopted by unanimous vote after debate.

1st VP – Administrative Committees: Lion Marty Jorgenson

Lion Eric asked who would join him and Ellsworth on the nomination committee.

Lion David Iwana recruited for the 2021 Lions Leadership Institute February 13, 14 and 15 on Zoom.

2nd VP – Activities Committees: Lion Cynthia Chun

Lion Cynthia reminded us of the Flash Trash pickup project this Saturday at Makapuu. Next Saturday is a spray washing the walls at HUGS. Limited to 5.

Lion Ellsworth reported an eyeglasses cleaning event on Mon Feb 25 at 9:00 am the park across from Lion Frances house. Limited to 5. May have two shifts.

Lion Frances reported on the project Wed Jan 13 7:30-11:00 am to sort the recyclables at Koko Head Elementary. Limited to 5.

Lion Alvin reported no pancake breakfast on Father's day.

3rd VP – Social & Special Events Committees: Lion Appan Subramanian

No report.

Membership Director: Kendrick Chang

Lion Kendrick reported that new member Tom Ono will be inducted next week. New prospective members have been assigned Lion primary contacts. Three of six potential members look good.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Lion David reported on a potential fundraiser using BiteSquad. One dollar discount to the user and one dollar to Lions Club.

Lion Jeanne suggested a golf tournament as a fundraiser.

President Eric led a discussion on fundraising ideas. All club members please send fundraising ideas to President Eric.

Lion Alvin called a meeting for Saturday February 6 at 1:00 pm to discuss fundraising ideas.

**ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm

## Hawaii Kai Lions Membership Meeting January 21, 2021

### CALL TO ORDER:

- The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by President Eric Kvik.
- Secretary Rich Halverson was present.

### OPENING CEREMONY:

- Flag Pledge: Lion Eric Kvik
- Lion's Pledge: Lion Jeanne Alices

### ATTENDANCE:

Present: Alvin Hayashibara, Appan Subramanian, Cynthia Chun, David Iwana, Delwin Ching, Ellsworth Fujii, Eric Kvik, Frances Lum, Ken Nishibun, Kendrick Chang, Marty Jorgensen, Merv Wee, Nancy Rocheleau, Peggy Oyama, Rich Halverson, Rick Yee, Sandy Gomes, Thomas Ono, Mino Takaesu, Marja Leivo, Kazuaki Nakano, Jeanne Alices, Allen Umeda  
Guests: Yolisa Ishibashi, Silvia Ardila, John Kratochvil, Bill Kern

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

November 19, 2020 meeting minutes were approved.

### INDUCTION OF MEMBER:

PDG Merv Wee inducted new member Thomas Ono

### Communication Not Requiring Action

Lion Rich presented a Letter of Thanks from Lunalilo Home.

### REPORTS:

#### Treasurer:

Lion Jeanne announced the suspension of the meal plan and the distribution of the account to every current Lion who contributed to the meal plan. Checks are in the mail.

1st VP - Administrative Committee: Lion Marty Jorgenson  
No report

2nd VP – Activities Committees: Lion Cynthia Chun  
Lion Frances reported on cleaning out the recycling cages at Koko Head Elementary.

Lion Ellsworth reported on the eyeglass cleaning project being held at the park across from Lion Frances' residence Mon Feb 25 at 9:00

Lion Allen reported on the Sandy Beach and Makapuu Trash Pickup project. About 180 pounds were picked up between the two.

Lion Eric reported on HUGS project to help children from neighbor islands on Oahu for treatment for illnesses. Project would involve pressure washing the HUGS building location.

Lion Alvin reported pancake breakfast is cancelled. Requests ideas for raising money for the activity fund.

3rd VP – Social & Special Events Committees: Lion Appan  
Lion Kazuaki requested discussion on planning for charter night.

President Eric announced return to two regular meetings per month

### Reports of Standing Committees

Nominations Committee - Lions Ellsworth and Eric announced recruiting is starting for new board members.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

### NEW BUSINESS:

None

FUTURE EVENTS					
Date	Time	Event	Place	Attire	Project Chair
Thursday, 2/4	7:00-8:00pm	General Membership Meeting via Zoom Agenda: TBA	Zoom	N/A	N/A
Thursday, 2/11	7:00-8:00pm	Board Meeting via Zoom	Zoom	N/A	N/A
Saturday, 2/13	8:30am-12:30pm	Aloha Aina Recycling Drive (Two shifts; sign-upon website.)	Kaiser High School	Work Attire	Allen Umeda
Thursday, 2/18	7:00-8:00pm	General Membership Meeting via Zoom Agenda: TBA	Zoom	N/A	N/A

Instructions to access zoom:

- 1) Secretary Rich Halverson will send an email link with instructions a couple days before the zoom social.
- 2) On your home computer / laptop, click on the link provided on the email at the schedule date & time.
- 3) If prompted, enter the zoom meeting ID and password. (Meeting ID and password will also be provided in the email).
- 4) Visit the following link to test zoom on your computer: <https://zoom.us/test>
- 5) \*Zoom requires a stable internet connection and a digital device with audio and camera. Any Mac & Windows laptop/computer or IPAD is acceptable.

BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	DATE OF INDUCTION	Membership	
2/10 Rick Yee 2/21 CIS Loyal Mehrhoff 2/28 Stanley Ito	1/12 Peggy Oyama & Loyal Mehrhoff	2/22/2005 Rich Halverson	Active	43
			Student	1
			Affiliate	8
			At-Large	3
			Privileged	3
			Total	55

District 50 Region V, Zone 2		Hawaii Kai Lions Club Officers – 2020-2021			
Honolulu, HI – Chartered 4/9/1973		President	Eric Kvick	Secretary	Rich Halverson
Intl President	Dr. Jung-Yul Choi	Email	eekvick@gmail.com	Email	richhalverson@gmail.com
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1 <sup>st</sup> VD Governor	Mitch Tam	IPP	Ellsworth Fujii	Tail Twister	Frances Lum
2 <sup>nd</sup> VD Governor	Gary Nip	1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Marty Jorgensen	Directors	David Iwana
Zone Chairman	Ellsworth Fujii	2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Cynthia Chun	Mem. Dir.	Ed Lee
		3 <sup>rd</sup> VP	Appan Subramanian	Bull. Ed.	Kendrick S. Chang
		Treasurer	Jeanne Alices		Kendrick S. Chang
		Lion Tamer	Dr. Kerry Yoon		
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		



**Membership Meeting**

**Date: Thursday, February 4th  
7:00pm**

Place: Lunalilo Home Clubhouse  
Attire: Club shirts, pins, & nametags  
Cost: members  
w/ meal plan \$3  
w/o meal plan \$7

Program:

**Board Meeting**

**Date: Thursday, February 11th 2021  
7:00pm**

Place: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Facilities Committee

Chair: Dr. Kerry Yoon

**NO IN-PERSON CLUB MEETINGS  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**Membership Meeting**

**Date: Thursday, February 18th  
7:00pm**

Place: Virtual Meeting via Zoom  
Attire: N/A  
Cost: N/A

Program:  
TBA

Opening Song: N/A  
Flag Pledge: N/A  
Lions Pledge: N/A  
Invocation: N/A  
Closing Song: N/A

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