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A big MAHALO to Lion Sean Benito of the Hilo Crescent City Lions Club for the delicious cake. If you weren't there, this is the closest you are going to get to this fabulous cake.

Prexy's First Message for Lions' Year 2022-23

Aloha Fellow Lions, CIS and Friends,

The month of June was not very busy as far as projects were concerned. However, on Tuesday, June 1, Lions Eugene Lyman and I were helping with the packing of food items at the Hawaii Food Basket. A record breaking of 1050 cases of food items were packed and stacked onto 30 pallets. The prior record was 850 cases.

Thank you to all of you who helped the Waiakea Lions Club serve our community during 2021 - 2022.

Celebrations and Installations: On Saturday, June 4, Lions PDG George Kodani, Kayleen Kameda-Hunt, Melvin Kunimoto and CIS Diane, and CIS Carol and I attended the Hilo Lions Club 90th Charter Anniversary Celebration. It was a nice event with good food and fellowship.



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On Monday, June 13, CIS Carol and I were guests at the Akaka Falls Lions Club installation dinner.

On Saturday, June 18 we had our multi-celebration banquet. DG Mitch Tam helped with the presentation of awards and also a gong and gavel to President Joy Tassillio of the Hawaii Lions Unlimited Lions Club. The incoming directors and officers were installed by our incoming DG Gary Nip. A big MAHALO to Lion Jimmy Miyake for organizing and preparing the wonderful dinner. Many thanks to members who brought pupu and desserts, too.

On Monday, June 20, CIS Carol and I attended the Lions Club of Kona 88th Charter Anniversary Celebration and installation banquet.

On Monday, June 27, CIS Carol and I were guests of the Crescent City Lions Club installation dinner.

Welcome new Leo to Lion member Sydni Goya to the Waiakea Lions Club. Lion Sydni was a WHS Leo from 2008 to 2012. She expressed an interest in continuing to offer service to our community and was invited to join at our June 21 GM. She is a teacher at Keaau Elementary School. Congratulations and welcome to the Waiakea Lions Club, Lion Syndi!!! I am sure that your sponsor will assure that you will be an active and HAPPY Lion.

O K. Back to work, nuff break already:

The Boys and Girls Club needs our help with their Crab Feast (their fundraiser) on the Fourth of July (Monday, July 4) at their facility off of Haili St. from 4:30 pm till pau. They will furnish dinner for the volunteers who will also get to have an awesome view of the fireworks.

Board of Directors meeting: Our regular BOD meeting will be on Tuesday, July 5, at Kuwaye Trucking, starting at 6:00 pm. Enter from the gate along Kamehameha Ave (along the airport runway) or the gate on Keaa St (by the Waiakea Fire Station Helipad). Assignments of projects will be discussed and given out.

The Food Basket Pack Um and Stack Um: The Hawaii Food Basket again needs help with packing of food items on Wednesday and Thursday, July 6 and 7 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Highway Cleanup: Our first highway cleanup for 2022 - 2023 will be on Sunday, July 10 starting at 9:00 am.

Relay for Life:

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will be on Saturday, July 16 from 6:00 pm till 12:00 midnight at the Francis Wong Stadium. Setup will be on July 15 (Friday) from 9:00am to noon. They will be borrowing the Waiakea Lions tent. The Akaka Falls Lions invited us to hang out with them at their tent for a potluck eat-all-night event. Help is also needed on Sunday (the day after) for take down, clean up and put away starting at 8:00am. Donations were collected for American Cancer Society which will be turned in at the event.

Additional donations may be made at the event, too. Please contact VP Hope Chu Hung for detailed information (808-429-4256).



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General Membership Meeting (GMM)

Our first GMM for 2022 - 2023 will be on Tuesday, July 19, at Lam's Garden starting at 6:00 pm. Please make every effort to attend this meeting as we will be inducting Leo to Lion Syndi Goya into membership and we should give her a warm and happy welcome to the Waiakea Lions Club.

Dues letters were sent out in June. The club voted a reduction in Club dues this year and a grant in remembrance of the late PID Herb Watanabe has been received to subsidize dues further. Please send in your greatly reduced dues ASAP.

Much Aloha and Mahalo,
Lion President Wayne

A Message to the Waiakea Lions from DG Gary Nip



Fellow Waiakea Lions and Companions in Service (CIS):

IMUA District 50

Imua is the Hawaiian word meaning to move forward. In the last two years, we have lived in COVID-19 lockdown, social distancing and “you’re on mute.” Lions, we have not seen in person or virtually, may conclude that their service is not needed and there is no reason to remain a Lion. This is not true. We cannot let this happen.

Vaccinations and the removal of restrictions, signals a new normal of living with COVID-19 much like the flu. Moving forward could be improving our club documents, policies and procedures safely from home. Moving forward could be returning to projects like hearing and vision screening in our schools with safety protocols. Moving forward could be in-person meetings with virtual options for those at risk.

From April 28 to 30, 2022, DG Mitch Tam got us started by having the first in-person District Convention since 2019. Today some Lions Clubs are slowly and safely starting to meet in person. Please mark your calendars for the two District 50 events (aka Cabinet Meetings) which directly impact the Waiakea Lions:



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- 1/28/23 (Saturday) 9am WINTER FORUM at Kilauea Military Camp
- 4/27-29/23 (Thursday-Saturday) Cabinet meeting and District Convention at Ala Moana Hotel 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, HI 96814
- Your excellent club bulletin will keep you up to date on local activities.

Our District Goals for 2022-2023 are to increase the percentage of clubs reporting service, achieve a positive membership growth, train club officers and zone chairpersons and to support our Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) and Hawaii Lions Foundation (HLF). Did you know HLF funds District 50 humanitarian activities like vision and hearing each year (\$20,000 to \$30,000) and yet less than 4% of our members donate? Please donate to our HLF.

EVERY Lion matters. EVERY Lion can contribute. EVERY Lion is needed to move us forward. I MUA District 50.

Lion Gary Nip - District 50 Governor 2022-2023

A Picture (or many) Is Worth A Thousand Words Some pics from the CIS Appreciation/Awards/Installation Night



DG Mitch Tam and Prexy Wayne presented Prexy Joy Tassillio of the Hawaii Lions Unlimited, our former branch club, with a new bell and gavel.



Lion of the Year presented to Lion Pat Naughton by Prexy Wayne Kuwaye and DG Mitch Tam.

No Picture (how come?) but CIS Carol Kuwaye was awarded the “You’s Sombody” award for her support of the WLC and D50 – she received an engraved wine glass and a bottle of red wine to fill the glass. CIS Carol, you truly stay be Somebody! Mahalo.



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DG Elect Gary Nip Installed Officers for 2022-2023



DGE Gary reinstalled Prexy Wayne



DGE Gary installed VP Hope Chu Hing



DGE Gary installed PDG George Kodani as Treasurer

{Sorry PDG but in every pic the editor has, either you or DGE Gary have your eyes closed}



DGE Gary posed with the Directors just installed

(L to R: Lions Mel Kunimoto, Kurt Williams, DGE Gary, JoAnne Dakujaku and Sean Valencia)

{In the foreground is Lion Sean's CIS Robin's head}



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And for the Evening's Entertainment...

Lion Wayne singing his own composition "I am Proud to be a Waiakea Lion."

And Prexy's address to the Lions..



And a Note from DG Gary's CIS Joyce

CIS Joyce is creating a Lions Cookbook as a fundraiser for District 50 Lions projects. She asks that Lions and CIS share recipes (any kind) and send them via e-mail (jnip@hawaii.rr.com) or mail to 4168 Kaimuki Ave., Honolulu, HI 96816. Please send by August 1st. The cookbook will be sold for Christmas.

July Lions Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Sean Valencia	7/5
Keani Shirai	7/21
Sydni Goya	7/25
Jimmy Miyake	7/26



Club Anniversaries

Pat Naughton	1986
Thelma Merino-Young	2014

July Calendar

Monday, July 4 – Boys and Girls Club Crab Feast, 4:30 pm
 Tuesday, July 5 - BOD meeting at Kuwaye Trucking, 6:00 pm
 Wednesday /Thursday, July 6-7 – Food Basket "Pack Um & Stack Um", 9 am to 1 pm
 Sunday, July 10 – Highway Cleanup, 9 am
 Friday, July 15 – Set Up Relay for Life, 9 am to Noon
 Saturday, July 16 – Relay for Life event, 6 pm to Midnight
 Sunday July 17 – Cleanup Relay for Life, 8 am
 Tuesday, July 19 - GM meeting at Lam Garden, 6:00 pm



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Bulletin Deadline for the August 2022 Issue is July 28.

Please e-mail copy and pictures to Lion Pat at patrick_naughton@hotmail.com

A big Mahalo to PDG George Kodani and Lion Mikki Kameda-Hunt for the pics.