



# PERCI ROARS

Pearl City Lions Club Newsletter  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY TAD TSURUMA

On Friday, July 1, 2022, Lion Jerry and I right away started our "Get to know our Community" by visiting our Pearl City Troop 75 Boy Scouts at their Friday meeting at Momilani Community Center 7:30pm. We gave one of our "Thank You Pearl City" project cards that our club created, to Scout Master Jeff Eshelman. He approved our visit to Troop 75. We saw Troop 75 older boy scouts mentoring the younger ones showing how to tie various knots with a rope. We also saw Troop 75 counselors, usually those with personal experience, mentoring the boy scouts so they could earn their scout pins. Scout Master let Lion Jerry and I know that Troop 75 will be assisting the Lions with events such as the environmental maintenance cleanup at the Momilani Community Center.



On Wednesday, July 13th, our Club welcomed our inaugural "In person" Lions General Membership Meeting at Pearl Country Club since the pandemic weened. It was great to see and greet many of our members in attendance. They wore masks just to be safe. We had special guest speaker, long time Pearl City Lion, Jits Fujimura.





## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued

His specialty is baking desserts, and boy did he cook up something mouth-watering; banana muffins. It was so so ono. He spoke about the ingredients he used to create his masterpiece. Lion Clayton Chang, whose CIS, Harriet, also created a chocolate delight cake. Our members said it was so light and scrumptious. Thank you to Lion Jits and Lion Clayton CIS.



## 2022-2023 OFFICERS

**President** Tad Tsuruma

**1VP** Raymond Nii

**2VP** Lance Soma

**3VP** Gabriel Balais

**Secretary**

Brian Akimoto

**Treasurer**

PDG Chris Tamura

**Tail Twister**

Vaughn Miyauchi

**Lion Tamer**

Paul Kudo

**Director 1-year**

Stanley Wachi

**Director 1-year**

Gerald Hirata

**Director 2-year**

Jerry Nagatani

**Director 2-year**

Alice Kudo

**Immediate Past President**

Guy Inouye

**Membership Chair**

Guy Inouye

**Incoming**

**Membership Members**

Wayne Morinaga

Glenn Yokoyama

**Bulletin Editor**

John Gephart

On Wednesday, July 27th, Pearl City Lions mingled and chatted with each other at the Pearl City Cultural Center prior to starting our General Membership Meeting. Dr. Glenn Medeiros, President of Saint Louis School was the speaker for the evening. He engaged our Lions with the history of Saint Louis School, explained his education progression from pop singer to becoming President. He said his heart was always in Education. He explained the fiduciary nature between Saint Louis School and Kamehameha School, which goes back awhile. Saint Louis School students participate in an array of community service as they advance from one grade to another till they reach seniors, starting at the lower school grade.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued



From the front, I could see all our members fixated on President Medeiros. Thank you President Medeiros.



On Saturday, July 30th, 3rd VP Gabby Balais, is leading our Club members to conduct a scheduled “Legacy Sign” maintenance, which includes repairing of the “drip water system” around the Legacy sign.

In conclusion, with more “in person” meetings and “in person maintenance, it is my hope that our club can begin to move forward. It is understood that there will be adapting and compromising to reach our common goal, “We Serve.”

Mahalo, Lion Tad Tsuruma



# ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

## LEGACY SIGN MAINTENANCE (JULY 30, 2022) BY LION GABBY BALAIS

It had been sometime since we last performed maintenance on the Pearl City Welcome Sign as the Naupaka and Ilima plants grew drastically and was in need of some cutting. The original waterline was also replaced as it started to show signs of wear and tear. The functionality of the new waterline was then tested to ensure proper installation was performed. Thank you to all the Lions that provided assistance on this project, especially since more than usual was done...Lions Jerry Nagatani, Tad Tsuruma, Linda Tsuruma, Vaughn Miyauchi, Baron Yamashita and Gabriel Balais. \*Special thanks to Lion Alice Kudo for stopping by to check up on us and provide refreshments. Her thoughtfulness and support is always most appreciated.



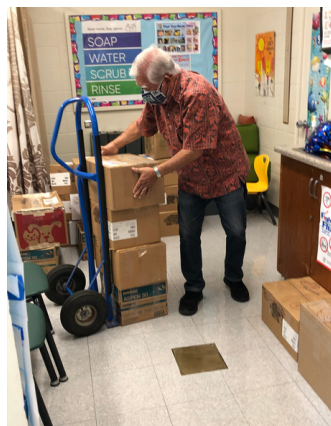
LEGACY SIGN "BEFORE"



LEGACY SIGN "AFTER"

## TEXTBOOKS TO PHILIPPINES (JULY 25, 2022) BY LION ALICE KUDO

We met at Manana Elementary School to pick up 39 BOXES of textbooks. The Librarian, with the help of her son, had the books ready and packed for transporting. Thank you to Lions Jerry, Baron, Vaughn, Tad, Linda, Clarence and CIS Lynn for 'flexing' your muscles to load AND unload the 39 boxes of textbooks. All boxes were delivered to Jem Star where they will put them into 'balikbayan' boxes (those are boxes used to ship goods / items uniformly to the Philippines).





# ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS continued

East Kauai Lions is the sister club of Baguio Lions (destination of these books) so their Foundation took care of shipping expenses. When Baguio Lions found out about the availability of books, they were quite excited so thank you to PDG Roy Nishida who called me with the great news about Baguio accepting the shipment of textbooks!



Thank you also to Lion Clarence Nishihara for initiating the project with Manana Elementary school's Librarian who coordinated with the various classes and got her son to help her pack them neatly in boxes to make it easier for the Lions to transport. Thank you all for your awesome help... 'where there's a need, there's a Lion' and 'Team PCLC', you are the true 'Lions with heart'.



TEAMWORK  
—  
*makes the dream work...*





# Pearl City Lions Club

## 2022 - 2023 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### 1VP Raymond Nii

**Aloha Committee:** Cindy Tamanaha

**Attendance Committee:** Lisa Yasuda

**Bulletin/Publicity Committees:** John Gephart

**Constitution Committee:** Raymond Nii

**Convention Committee:** Glenn Yokoyama

**Finance Committee:** Chris Tamura, Lance Soma

**Fundraising Committee:** Raymond Nii, Lance Soma, Gabby Balais

**Great Aloha Run:** Committee Raymond Nii

**Membership Committee:** Guy Inouye

**Program Committee:** Brandon Elefante, Clarence Nishihara, Gregg Takayama

**Sports/Recreation Committee:** Glenn Yokoyama

### 2VP Lance Soma

**Education/Leo Committee:** Lisa Higa

**Health/Social Services Committee:** Shelly Oshiro, Charlenee Caraang

**Holiday Basket Committee:** OPEN

**Sight and Hearing Committee:** Tad and Linda Tsuruma, Alice Kudo

### 3VP Gabby Balais

**Charter/Installation Committee:** Guy Inouye

**Christmas Meeting Committee:** OPEN

**CIS Luncheon Committee:** Linda Tsuruma

**Environmental Committee:** Gabby Balais

**International Committee:** Vaughn Miyauchi

## REMINDER!

### Membership Dues

Just a friendly reminder that your Pearl City Lions Club membership dues for are now DUE!

Dues are as follows:

**Regular member - \$94**

**Additional family member - \$72**

**Life member - \$51**

**Student - \$32**

Please make checks payable to "Pearl City Lions Club" and mail to:  
P.O. Box 48, Pearl City, HI 96782

If you have any questions, please email Lion Chris:  
ctamura@hawaii.rr.com

If you have already paid your dues, please disregard this reminder and we THANK YOU for your continued support of our club and community.

### Club Policies

The Board approved the club's policies at its July Board meeting. They are available for viewing on the shared drive:

<https://bit.ly/3p1Leec>





## Lord's Prayer written by 15-year-old school kid who got an A+ for this entry.

Now I sit me down in school  
Where praying is against the rule  
For this great nation under God  
Finds mention of Him very odd  
If scripture now the class recites,  
It violates the Bill of Rights.  
And anytime my head I bow  
Becomes a Federal matter now  
Our hair can be purple, orange, or green,  
That's no offense; it's a freedom scene.  
The law is specific, the law is precise.  
Prayers spoken aloud are a serious vice  
For praying in a public hall  
Might offend someone with no faith at all.  
In silence alone we must meditate,  
God's name is prohibited by the State.  
We're allowed to cuss and dress like freaks,  
And pierce our noses, tongues, and cheeks.  
They've outlawed guns, but FIRST the Bible.  
To quote the Good Book makes me liable.  
We can elect a pregnant Senior Queen,  
And the 'unwed daddy, our Senior King.  
It's 'inappropriate' to teach right from wrong.  
We're taught that such 'judgements' do not belong.  
We can get our condoms and birth controls,  
Study witchcraft, vampires, and totem poles.  
But the Ten Commandments are not allowed,  
No word of God must reach this crowd.  
It's scary here I must confess,  
When chaos reigns, the school's a mess.  
So, Lord, this silent plea I make:  
Should I be shot; My soul please take!

## District 50 Cabinet Meeting Saturday, July 23, 2022

Our District Governor, Gary Nip, was crowned with a Viking helmet at the first cabinet meeting on July 23, Saturday, held at Lanakila.



This reminds me of what our club used to do with the Samurai helmet upon installing our President.



Lion John Gephart (6/23/2010 GMM)  
receiving the samurai helmet at Lion Roy  
Uemura's last meeting as PCLC President

## PEARL CITY LIONS INFO

For District 50 news: [www.hawaiiions.org](http://www.hawaiiions.org)

For Pearl City Lions web news: [www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/pearlcityhi/](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/pearlcityhi/)  
For Pearl City Lions pictures: [pearlcitylionsclubphotogallery.shutterfly.com](http://pearlcitylionsclubphotogallery.shutterfly.com)

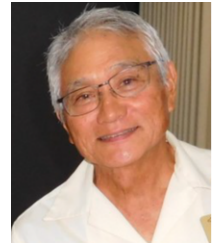
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Instagram: [instagram.com/pearlcitylionsclub](https://instagram.com/pearlcitylionsclub)



## Secretary's Board Bits by Brian Akimoto

- Approved purchasing new Pearl City Lions Club banner
- Approved resignation of Lion Barry Villamil.
- Approved holding 4th week's membership meetings at Pearl City Cultural Center. Members will have option to bring their own meals to these meetings.
- Approved PC Lions Club's Administrative and Activity Budgets for 2022-2023 year
- Approve PC Lions Club's Policies for 2022-2023 year
- Approved Lions Tad Tsuruma, Chris Tamura, Raymond Nii, and Brian Akimoto as authorized signatories for Administrative and Activity Accounts



## Tail Twister Says by Vaughn Miyauchi

Tailtwister says: "For the August 10 meeting, since it is Admissions month bring something that has our Hawaiian flag."



## BLOOD DONATION BY LION VAUGHN MIYAUCHI



Hi Lions! Our Blood Bank donations are as follows:

Lion Gerald Hirata – donated on June 24 at Dillingham

Lion Vaughn Miyauchi – donated July 12 at Dillingham

Lion Tom Fujita – donated July 25

Our team has saved 9 lives from June 24 - July 25.

This time, I decided to check how many pints our Pearl City Lions team has donated thus far. The results are as follows:

Lion Clarence Nishihara (86 pints), Lion Brian Akimoto (66 pints), Lion Gerald Hirata (64 pints), Lion Tom Fujita (37 pints), Lion Charlenee Caraang (18 pints), Lion Diane Siperly (40 pints), Lion Brandon Elefante (10 pints), Lion Vaughn Miyauchi (85 pints), Sharon Ige (14 pints). The total of just this team is 420 pints.

**At 3 lives per pint our team saved 1,260 lives.**

There are past Lions and some Lions who are unable to donate now but have donated in the past, so our Pearl City Lions donation far exceeds this amount.

Thank you, Pearl City Lions for your volunteer blood donations! To make an appointment, visit [bbh.org](http://bbh.org) or call (808) 848-4770. Use the Pearl City Lions Club code: 2743.



## DISTRICT 50 LEADERSHIP

**District Governor** - Gary Nip

**1st Vice District Governor** - CJ Kalopodes

**2nd Vice District Governor** Lori Inouye-Yamashita

**Immediate Past District Governor** Mitch Tam

**Honorary District Governor** Robert Lee

**Cabinet Secretary** Jeff Ching

**Cabinet Treasurer** Lester Nip

**Sergeant at Arms** Sean Benito

**Past International Director** Maurice Kahawaii

**Region IV Zone 2 Chair** Brian Nitta

### BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**Chairperson** PDG Angie Haramoto

PDG Robert Lee

PDG Blayne Hanagami

PDG Garrett Ogawa

IPDG Mitch Tam

DG Gary Nip

## Did You Know?... from Lion Vaughn

Did you know?... I watch Netflix and just sharing the Korean Dramas that CIS Merle and I enjoyed. I don't know if they are still available. Do you have any that you would suggest?

Start Up

Strongest Delivery Man

Crash Landing

Navillera

Heaven's Garden

Record of Youth

Itaewon

My Country

Memories of Alhambra

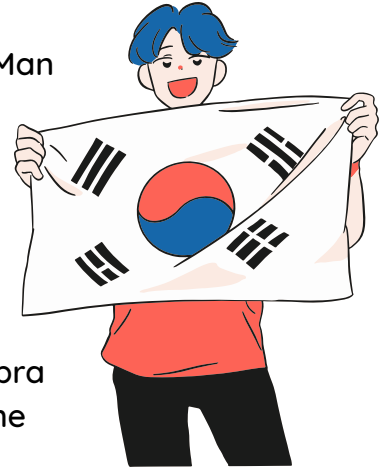
Live up to Your Name

Chocolate

My Name

Black Dog

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind



## FROM THE EDITOR

Aloha Pearl City Lions! Welcome to the August 2022 issue of Perci Roars!!!

Please send in your experiences and help us make this the best newsletter in District 50!

Thank you for all your support with photos and activity/project reports. We love getting to know our Lions and everything we do for the community.

Mahalo! -Lion John Gephart



**Please submit articles and pictures to me by August 29th!**

**Perci Roars** is the official monthly publication of the Pearl City Lions Club, proudly serving our community for over 57 years.

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# Lions Clubs International

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

## August Anniversaries

Lisa Higa & CIS Derrick  
Douglas Hoomanawanui & CIS  
Madonna  
Daryl Hu & CIS Patti  
Paul & Alice Kudo  
Jamie Moriguchi & CIS Burke  
Jerry Nagatani & CIS Yulee  
Eryle Okamura & CIS Susan  
Chris & Nadine Tamura

## August Anniversaries

Roy Uemura & CIS May  
Larry Veray & CIS Michie  
Baron Yamashita & CIS Loretta



## August Birthdays

Brian Akimoto  
Jane Asuncion  
Gerald Hirata  
Raymond Nii  
Tad Tsuruma

## Upcoming Events

8/10: GMM @ Pearl  
Country Club 6:30pm  
8/17: Board Meeting @  
PCCC 7:00pm  
8/24: GMM Location  
Pearl City Cultural  
Center, 6:30pm  
  
9/14: GMM  
9/21: Board Meeting  
9/28: GMM

# AUGUST 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 GMM @ Pearl Country Club 630pm IN PERSON	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Board Meeting @ PCCC, 7pm	18	19 Happy Admissions Day!	20
21	22	23	24 GMM @ Pearl City Cultural Ctr 630pm IN PERSON	25	26	27 UH Football vs. Vanderbilt 4:30pm
28	29	30	31			



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