



# LIONS BONE



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by *Lion Robin Dame*, President

Fellow Lions of EKLC,

I, for one, needed some down time over this Holiday season. I was fortunate enough to have my daughter come stay with us for a couple of weeks. I hope all of you had time to spend with your families as well.

I wanted to point out that, I thought our Christmas Party this year was fantastic! The venue, the food, the entertainment, and the décor. I was truly impressed by this year's event. I know many had a hand in making it happen, but I want to send out a special thanks to our own Lion Harvey Kinoshita and his CIS Sandy. The two of them worked very hard in making this event special this year. Please join me in giving a Here, Here! To both of them!

Cheers!

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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Lion PDG Kelvin Moniz

## LIONS ANNIVERSARIES

Lion Donald Nagamine	1984	38 yrs
Lion Joanne Ochoco	2005	17 yrs
Lion John Baxter	2019	3 yrs
Lion Shawn Keoho	2020	2 yrs

MEETING VENUE: KAUA'I VETERANS CENTER  
3215 Kaua'i Veterans Memorial Highway, Lihu'e, HI

Advisory: Team cooking is postponed.

## JANUARY

Thu	Jan 05	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30] Sight Is Beautiful Poster Judging, GMM
Thu	Jan 12	06:30 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting, KVC
Thu	Jan 19	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30] Sight Is Beautiful Poster Judging, GMM
Sat	Jan 21	TBA	Lions in Sight Eyeglass Collection, TBA
Mon	Jan 23	06:30 p.m.	District 50 Webinar, Zoom
Sat	Jan 28	09:00 a.m.	Winter Forum, Kilauea Military Camp, Volcanoes NP

## FEBRUARY

Thu	Feb 02	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30]
Thu	Feb 09	06:30 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting, KVC
Fri	Feb 10	08:00 a.m.	Vision Hearing Screening, Wilcox Elementary School
Thu	Feb 16	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30]
Wed	Feb 22	08:00 a.m.	Vision-Hearing Screening, King Kaumuali'i School
Mon	Feb 26	06:30 p.m.	District 50 Webinar, Zoom

## MARCH

Thu	Mar 02	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30]
Sat	Mar 04		Spaghetti Luncheon Fund Raiser, King Kaumuali'i School
Thu	Mar 09	06:30 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting, KVC
Thu	Mar 16	06:30 p.m.	General Membership Meeting, KVC [Happy Talk, 5:30]
Mon	Mar 27	06:30 p.m.	District 50 Webinar, Zoom
Thu	Mar 30-Sun Apr 02		East Kaua'i Lions Club 85 <sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary Celebration

## SAVE THE DATE IN APRIL

Thu	Apr 27-Sat Apr 29		District 50 Convention, Ala Moana Hotel, Honolulu
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# ANNUAL EKLC CHRISTMAS PARTY, AN OCCASION FOR THREE SERVICE PROJECTS

## THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

A special thank you to PDG Roy Nishida for his valuable help in planning this Christmas party. He was also instrumental in planning our three signature projects where ( 24 ) East Kauai Lions Club members participated.

1. Toys for Tots was presented with a donation that would benefit (100) needy kids on Christmas.
2. Kauai Independent Food Bank was also presented with a substantial donation to feed the hungry for (100) people.
3. The East Kauai Lions Club Presented (8) Type 1 Diabetes Kids with a wonderful Christmas Dinner and each received a special gift.

## THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

A big mahalo to Lion Ron Garlie who will always be our star Master of Ceremonies.

President Robin Dame for presiding over our Lions Meeting.

1VP Lion Crystal Caday-Bargayo for presenting the Pledge to the American Flag.

3VP Lion Rebecca Carnate for doing the Lions Pledge.

2VP Lion Deanna Starinieri for planning and conducting the Chinese Gift Game.

Mahalo to Lion John Ochoco for his great Christmas Carols and Invocation he instilled the spirit of Lionism and "We Serve."

Lion JoAnne Ochoco and partner in service Leila Nishida for greeting our guests.

PDG Kelvin Moniz for presenting his outstanding Order of Protocol.

## THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

LIONS Angel Acorda, Joan Baganz, John Baxter Jr., Janice Bond, Rebecca Carnate, Crystal Caday-Bargayo, Helena Cooney, Felicia Cowden, Robin Dame, Paul Endo, Stephen Fujii, Ron Garlie, Barbara Gusman, Marcia Kellogg, Harvey Kinoshita, Carol Cacatian Mapue, Kelvin Moniz, Alfonso Murillo, Roy Nishida, Todd Raybuck, John Ochoco, JoAnne Ochoco, Rachal Seccratario, Deanna Starinieri, also all Companions-in-Service, and guests present.

Lastly, a loving mahalo to my wife Sandy Kinoshita for her amazing patience and talents. If it were not for her, I could not pull this off. The center pieces, photo booth and Christmas trees added to the spirit of our Christmas Party.

Yours in Lions Spirit,  
Lion Harvey Kinoshita  
Christmas Party Chairperson





The venue: Hilton Garden Inn Hotel



Event Chair Lion Harvey, Lion MC Ron kick things off.



Lion Prexy Robin leads in opening ceremonies.



In Opening Ceremonies, six violinists of Kaua'i 'Opio Keiki Orchestra with instructor, Megan Lawson, lead in the singing of "Hawaii Pono'i, later rendering a concert of classics and semi-classics, then receiving a check from Lion Treasurer Stephen, a Christmas gift in support of Ms. Lawson's violin classes at Kaua'i Boys and Girls Club.





Fifty-nine Lions, CISs, sponsored guests, and their escorts combine voices to sing "Joy to the World."



Ralph Clark, Marine Corps League, accepts a check for Toys for Tots. Lion PDG Kelvin, Executive Director, Kauai's Independent Food Bank, accepts a check for KIFB. Lion PDG Roy does the honors.



VIP Lions 1<sup>st</sup> VP Crystal, President Robin, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Rebecca, IPP Harvey, PDG Roy are poised to present special gifts to Type I Diabetes kids. For lack of signed waivers, the kids are not shown. Lion Ron's grandson, Connor, gets a present from Hawaiian Santa Claus who rode the winter swells on a longboard from the equator to the party.





Lion 2<sup>nd</sup> VP DeAnna, in charge of the popular Chinese Gift Game, explains that a gift can be “stolen” one time from the one who won that gift by luck of the draw [the gift must be opened], but the same gift cannot be taken again. The divested person must go up to get another gift. Said one happy Lion, “I’d rather steal a gift because I know what it is instead of going up to get a blind gift.” Perhaps that is the point of the game, those with low numbers having to start the process so that everyone goes home happy with a gift of choice!



Artistic and creative handiwork of Companion-in-Service Sandy Kinoshita is evident – two centerpieces per table and the Christmas photoshoot backdrop at the back of the hall shown here, plus a Christmas tree up front given away for door prize, and Christmas decorations gracing the registration table and stage, working on these accoutrements of Christmas for several days, including missing her routine indulgence of a Kukui Grove Friday night concert. The President’s Message gives a big shout-out to Sandy, along with ChairLion Harvey, for working hard on the Christmas party. Well deserved!

*All photos by Lion Joanne Ochoco*

## *SERVICE WITH ALOHA*

*Theme of Lion Bob Lee  
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR*



# LIONS PERFORM SAFETY DUTY AT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ON RICE PARADE



Lions about to perform safety enforcement, ie, blockading kids from diving under moving floats to retrieve candy, in linear order: Lions Rachel, PDG Roy, Prexy Robin, Harvey, Barbara. Stephen, Angel, Joanne, and John, Lion Rachel also serving as public address parade narrator at the Yoneji Store Building corner.

*Photo compliments of Lion Rachel Secretario*



*Photos by Lion John Ochoco*

*WE SERVE WE SERVE WE SERVE*



## ZONE NEIGHBORING CLUBS CORNER

# WEST KAUA'I LIONS CHRISTMAS PARTY A BLAST



Lion Prexy Charles Ortiz greets 71 in attendance at West Kaua'i Lions Club Annual Christmas Party at Wong's Restaurant in Hanapepe. West Kaua'i Lion Jackie Wong Renault is the proprietor of Wong's Restaurant.



Lion PDG Eric Nordmeier [in Lions vest] and Lion Naoko Ho [in Christmas red] pick among four entrees, among them, prime rib, horseradish on the side.



Right, East Kaua'i Lion Todd Raybuck, KPD Chief, is recognized as an Honorary Member, albeit more out of community respect than Lions officialdom. To his right sits 66-yr Monarch Lion Norman Hishisaka, 98, founder of Kaua'i Cookies, a signature product of Kaua'i.



Notable WK Lions Brian Kimura, Dick Uyeoka, an outstanding wide receiver on the UH football team in the 1950's, and PDG Eric Nordmeier



Guests of Lion Bunga Fuertes [in white, as in white Christmas] include Lion Joanne, Lion John, and Kaua'i Lion Prexy Jeff Venzon.





Koloa Lion Prexy Donald Quon, WK Lions Roy Miyake and Jay Ford Strike up “Jingle Bells” for Mrs. Claus to crash the party to give gifts to kids from pre-school to high school. Said Koloa Lion Sandi Sterker to *Lions Bone* editor, “It’s so much fun for little and big kids alike to sit on my knee and be happy to receive gifts!”

*All photos by Lion John Ochoco*

## *I MUA DISTRICT 50*

*Theme of Lion Gary Nip  
DISTRICT GOVERNOR*

**SAVE THE DATES: MARCH 30, 2023 – APRIL 2, 2023**

### **CHARTER ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND INCLUDES SMITH’S TROPICAL PARADISE LUAU AND INTERNATIONAL RHYTHM OF ALOHA SHOW**

*Inflation on the rampage, concerted negotiations for reasonable prices  
with hotels, restaurants and visitor destinations are Priority One.*

A special package at **Smith’s Tropical Paradise** should bring out every Lion. 1] Hawaiian luau. 2] Unlimited drinks. 3] Smith’s Tropical Paradise tour. 4] World-renowned “Rhythm of Aloha” show with performers from Hawai’i, Tahiti, Samoa, Philippines, New Zealand, China, and Japan. Total entrance fee? \$75 for Lions only. It is usually \$100+.

The Annual Smith Memorial Boat Ride, gift of the late Lion Walter Smith, was cancelled due to proprietary conditions. Smith’s cost to run the Lions boat ride was thus “transferred” to enable this incredulous package. More incredulous would be shunning an extravaganza sought after by world travelers to Kaua’i. *And at a special price only for Lions!*

### **DISTRICT 50 CONVENTION: WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT?**

Again, looks like that the club will have a sizeable delegation to convention. Early registration fee is \$35.00. Late registration fee is \$45.00 after December 31.

Single Lions are seeking roommates. Double room cuts cost in half. \$750 becomes \$375. Check with Lion PDG Kelvin on who is on the list to arrange doubling up. Double up for car rentals. Lion PDG Kelvin is always known to have a line on great budget deals.





Lion Helena 2<sup>nd</sup> from right, new-found Lion friend extreme right

File photo

Lions are nice people. Sourpuss Lions are rare – they hardly get sponsored. Meet Lions, enjoy the convention. Last year, **Lion Helena** developed ties with neighbor-island Lions, never missed an event, came home *enthused*. Convention was worth every penny to her.

About the penny, high cost is now the *median* on the bell-shaped curve! In honest thinking, one may stop living in mental resistance to inflation, or one may go on living in resonance of what is. So, if family budget can manage, go; if no can, just no go.

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## READERS' COMMENTS, GREETINGS

**Lion Garrett Ogawa, Past District Governor, Manoa Lions Club:** East Kaua'i Lions, continue to do the great work that you do! Wishing you all a Happy, Safe, and Healthy, New Year!

**Lion Kelvin Moniz, Past District Governor, East Kaua'i Lions Club:** "Team Cooking" looks good.

**Lion Mark Mizuno, Past District Governor, Hale'akala Lions Club:** Wow, 14 pages! Great job, EKLC.

**Lion Cecelia Izuo, Past District Governor, Pali Lions Club:** WOW! As Tony the Tiger would say "*Lions Bone* is Grrrrrrrrrrreat!" I would love to know what program Lion Helena Cooney uses for the Bingo game. Aloha.

**Lion Nishida, Past District Governor, East Kaua'i Lion Club:** Informative. Keeps our members informed of Lions activities. Happy Holidays.

**Lion Todd Raybuck, Active Member, East Kaua'i Lions Club:** Great photos all throughout highlighting the dedication of our club and the connection to the community. I appreciate all that the club does!

**Lion Wayne Mukai, Immediate Past President, Kaua'i Lions Club:** Mahalo, East Kaua'i Lions Club.

**Lion Felicia Cowden, Active Member, East Kaua'i Lions Club:** We certainly have an active club!!!



*Email project reports, articles, and photos to [juan.ochoco@yahoo.com](mailto:juan.ochoco@yahoo.com) by the 20<sup>th</sup>.*

*Remember the Three I's of Lions Bone Objectives:*

- 1] To Inform*
- 2] To Illuminate*
- 3] To Inspire.*

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**IN FELLOWSHIP  
WE SERVE**