



LEO LIONA

The Voice of District 50 Hawai'i Lions

Upcoming Cabinet Meetings

Apr. 27 - 29, 2023

Cabinet Meeting & District
Convention
Ala Moana Hotel

Club Charter Anniversaries

Mar. 2

Ala Moana Lions Club - 1965

Mar. 7

Chinatown Lions Club - 1973
Waikoloa Lions Club - 2005

Mar. 15

Pali Lions Club - 1962

Mar. 17

Pearl City Lions Club - 1965

Mar. 24

Hilo Lions Club - 1932

Clubs Featured in this Issue

Aloha Pono
Hawaii Kai
Kamehameha
Kapolei City
Kauai North Shore
Koko Head
Region II, Zone 2

District Governor's Message

Aloha District 50 – Hawaii Lions, Companions in Service (CIS) and Leos,

Mark your calendars for the following events:

Honolulu Festival Parade

March 12, 2023 Sunday

Location: Oahu - Waikiki Post Office at Fort DeRussy to Honolulu Zoo

Time: Check in 3:30pm. End time approximately 8pm

Sign-up deadline: March 3, 2023

Young Lions Scholarship Application Deadline

March 15, 2023 Wednesday

Application on hawaiilions.org

D50 Awards Application Deadline

April 2, 2023 Sunday

Applications on hawaiilions.org

District 50 Convention

April 27-29, 2023 Thursday – Saturday

Location: Oahu - Ala Moana Hotel

Time: varies see HawaiiLionsConvention.com

Leo Conference

May 27-29, 2023 Saturday - Monday

Location: Oahu - Camp Homelani in Waialua

Time: TBD

Lions in the Park Family Fun & Membership Drive

Public invited

June 17, 2023 Saturday

Location: Oahu - Ala Moana Park Sections 11 & 12

Time: Set up at 6am to 2pm.

HLF Golf Classic Fundraiser

June 30, 2023, Friday

Location: Oahu - Pearl Country Club

Time: 10:30am check in. Noon shot gun start. 6pm dinner.

I MUA District 50 because "Together We Can"

Lion Gary Nip

District Governor 2022-2023



2022-2023 District 50 Leadership

District Governor

Gary Nip

First Vice District Governor

C.J. Kalopodes

Second Vice District Governor

Lori Inouye-Yamashita

Immediate Past District Governor

Mitch Tam

Cabinet Secretary

Jeff Ching

Cabinet Treasurer

Lester Nip

Sergeant at Arms

Sean Benito

International Director

Robert Lee

Past International Director

Maurice Kahawai

Board of Governors

PDG Angie Haramoto,

Chairperson

ID Robert Lee

PDG Blayne Hanagami

PDG Garrett Ogawa

IPDG Mitch Tam

DG Gary Nip

Submissions

Renee Ako, Editor

Please email submissions for the
April issue by Mar. 25, 2023 to:
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Hawaii Lions Convention 2023

hawaiilionsconvention.com

April 27 - 29, 2023

Thursday, April 27th

Golf Tournament	Waikale Golf Course
Cabinet Meeting	Ala Moana Hotel
Flag Ceremony	St. Louis Alumni Clubhouse

Friday, April 28th

General Session	Ala Moana Hotel
Awards Luncheon	Ala Moana Hotel
Service Event	Near Ala Moana Hotel
Fun Night	Ho'okupu Center

Saturday, April 29th

General Session	Ala Moana Hotel
Keynote Speaker Luncheon	Ala Moana Hotel
DG Banquet	C'est Si Bon



Allen Snider

Second Year International Director
Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada

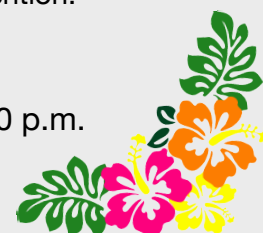
Please join us in giving a warm
Hawaiian welcome to ID Allen Snider
and CIS Lion Susan at our 87th Annual
Hawaii Lions Convention.

Keynote Speaker Luncheon

Saturday, April 29, 2023 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Ala Moana Hotel

ID Snider's Biography



HAWAII LIONS CONVENTION 2023



87th Annual District Convention Golf Tournament

WAIKELE COUNTRY CLUB

Thursday April 27, 2023



Visit the Website to
Download the
Registration Form

HAWAILIONSCONVENTION.COM

Contests

Closest to the Pin
Prizes Galore!

Waikale Country Club provides challenges and enjoyment to golfers of all skill levels from beginner to pro through the use of water features and special topography. Surrounding the course are spectacular views of Diamond Head, Pearl Harbor, and the Ko'olau and Waianae mountains.

Early Bird Registration Special

\$65 per person

Due by December 15, 2022

After \$75 per person

FORMAT - Individual Score

Tournament winner will be determined by Peoria System

Only 24 Golfers * First Tee @7:54am

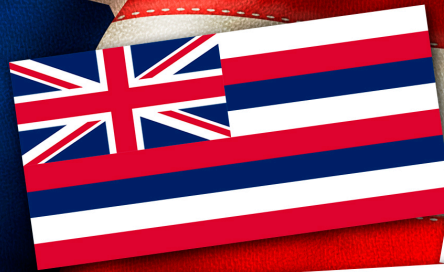
Green Fee * Golf Cart * Water & Snack

Contact Brian Akimoto (808) 741-0636 * bakimoto@hotmail.com

HAWAII LIONS CONVENTION 2023

FLAG CEREMONY

*I Pledge Allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America
and to the Republic for which it stands
one Nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all.*



Country Flag of
International Director
Allen Snider

St. Louis Alumni Clubhouse

Thursday April 27 - 6:00pm

Royal Hawaiian Band
Saint Louis School JROTC



*The Flag Ceremony will be held promptly at 6pm
with a Dinner Reception to follow.*

916 Coolidge Street Honolulu, HI 96826

hawaiiionsconvention.com



HAWAII LIONS CONVENTION 2023

FUN NIGHT

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN CARNIVAL

**THIS EVENT IS BEING ORGANIZED BY OUR
DISTRICT 50 LEOS FROM ACROSS THE STATE**

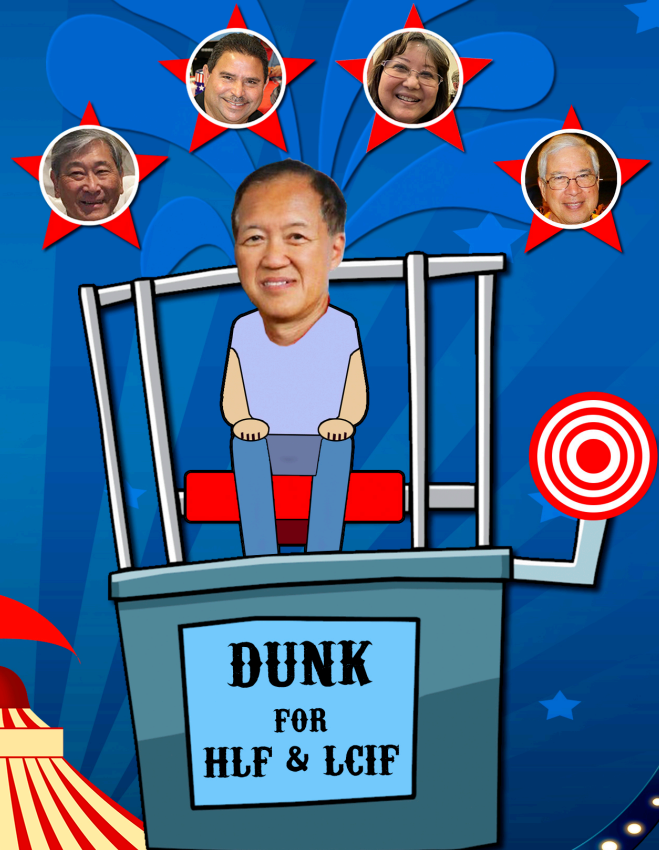
**FRIDAY APRIL 28
5:30PM - 9:00PM**

**\$55 PER
PERSON**

**CARNIVAL GAMES
DUNKING BOOTH
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
HAWAIIAN FOOD**

**CIRCUS THEMED
COSTUME CONTEST**

**BYOB
DRINK RESPONSIBLY**



**Monies Raised From the Games
Benefit participating Leo Clubs**



Ho'o Kupu Center - 1125 Ala Moana Boulevard Suite F

hawaiilionsconvention.com

29TH
APR

I MUA

DG BANQUET

STARTS 5PM | DINNER \$60 | LIVE MUSIC

DOORS OPEN 4:30PM

Join District Governor Gary Nip at the C'est Si bon in celebration of his year!
1574 Kanunu Street, Honolulu HI 96814

HAWAII LIONS CONVENTION 2023

OG GARY PRESENTS

STARTS AT 7PM / APRIL 29

MUSIC BY
**NEXT
LEVEL**

NEXTLEVELTHEBAND.COM

DANCE

Party

ADMIT
ONE

C'est Si Bon

OG BANQUET TICKET REQUIRED

Performing popular songs from Motown, Santana, Elvis, and Michael Jackson, to high-energy dance tunes from the disco era to Madonna to Bruno Mars...there is something for everybody!

H A W A I I L I O N S C O N V E N T I O N 2 0 2 3

2023 Honolulu Festival Parade Call For Volunteers! March 12, 2023

Submitted by Lion Irwin Santos



"Aloha All, the Honolulu Festival is happening Sunday March 12, 2023. We're looking for 40 volunteers to help support the tail end of the Grand parade. This is in addition to Clubs that are also marching. The Hawaii Lions will be positioned near the front of the parade and we're hoping that those that march the first time can also make the walk again. Those Lions only will be on a reserved bus to be shuttled back to the start for a 6pm volunteer line-up. To clarify, you can simply march, march & support the tail, or only support the tail. Please contact Lion Todd Kawamoto by March 3, 2023 if you're supporting the tail. More details below..."

The Honolulu Festival attracts over 5000+ participants and 30,000 visitors to events held over the 3 days of the festival. Cultural groups participating in the event are assured of an audience gathering to watch their performance. The Annual Honolulu Festival is Hawaii's foremost cultural event showcasing the multi-ethnic diversity of the Pacific Rim and Hawaii. For further information about the event, please visit the website. <https://www.honolulu festival.com>

40 (FORTY) VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Parade Volunteer general information:

Date: Sunday, March 12, 2023

Sign-up Deadline: March 3, 2023

Volunteer Waiver Forms: [Please download.](#) fill out, sign, and send to Lion Todd Kawamoto.

Volunteer hours: Check-in at 3:30 pm; end time approximately 8 pm, and we hope volunteers will enjoy the festival events before and after the parade!

Location: The parade starts near the Waikiki Post Office at Fort DeRussy park grounds fronting Kalakaua Avenue and ends at the Honolulu Zoo (1 mile)

Parade Marching: The Hawaii Lions will be a marching unit and poised near the front of the parade. For those that are capable and have the endurance to walk the parade again, we were asked by the Honolulu Festival coordinators for additional help and will be shuttled back to the start of the parade to support additional "Duties". Estimated finish time for marchers is 5:30pm. There will be a Robert's school bus shuttle available. Location to be determined.

Line-up time: For both fresh volunteers and those on their second round, it is 6pm and will start float duties at 6:30pm.

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Duties: Volunteer assignments include directing attendees to event venues, handing out pamphlets, holding placards and signs while marching in the parade, and even helping to move a flying dragon, a “Neputa” float, and a fire-breathing dragon along the parade route! Volunteers for the last few floats will be asked to mask since they will all be marching in close proximity. Masks will be provided at the volunteer sign-in table (parade start). Please see screenshot below. The latter assignments are reserved for volunteers who are in good health and able to lift 50 lbs.

Attire: Lions vest, comfortable clothes and covered footwear. Hat optional.

Transportation: We suggest public transportation, or drop off and pick up as parking is on your own.

Volunteer Mahalo: Parade volunteers will receive a commemorative 27th Honolulu Festival T-shirt and a McDonald’s meal coupon. Please indicate T-shirt size [S-> 2XL] when contacting Lion Todd.

Other: Sunscreen, water

Honolulu Festival concludes with the Grand Parade. And grand, it is. The parade starts at Saratoga Road and continues along Kalakaua Avenue, filling the streets with spectacular cultural performances and floats. Each year, we invite amazing guests and performers to our parade such as: Miss Hawaii, the Cherry Blossom and Narcissus Queens, school marching bands from Hawaii and mainland US, hula dancers and a variety of dance troupes from the Pacific region.

SAITAMA RYUJIN

Daijaya



GAT's Best Practices

with

PDG Cecelia Izuo

Zoom Webinar

Monday, Mar. 27th @ 6:30 p.m.

BOSTON

July 7 - 11, 2023

2023

*See You In
Boston!*



What happens at LCIcon
(Lions Club International Convention)?

Why should you attend LCIcon?

Visit [LCIcon Boston 2023](https://www.lcicon.com/boston2023) to learn more.

Global Leadership Team

2023 Advanced Lions Leadership Institute:

Feb. 18-20, 2023

Submitted by GLT Lion David Iwana



THE ALLI EXPERIENCE: TO COLLABORATE, SHARE IDEAS, EXPLORE BEST PRACTICES IN LEADERSHIP AND STRENGTHEN YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF LIONS INTERNATIONAL AND OUR FOUNDATION.

The Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI) took place on February 18-20, 2023 at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center in Honolulu. Congratulations to the twenty four graduates:

Lion Kalae Kukahiko	Kahalu'u
Lion Adriel Lam	Kaneohe
Lion Cedric Mitsui	Chinatown

Lion Sean Benito	Hilo Crescent City
Lion Shui Chang	Mililani
Lion Jeff Ching	Palolo
Lion Elizabeth Frilles	Mana Loa Nimitz
Lion Bixby Ho	Hawaii Cyber
Lion Wendell Hosea	Mana Loa Nimitz
Lion Michelle Sakata	
Johnson	Kona
Lion John Kelly	Waikoloa
Lion Toby Kubler	Waikoloa



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Lion Linda Ross	
Myers	Kona
Lion Lorraine Nip	Koko Head
Lion Puna Nouchi	Kapolei City
Lion Leeland Park	Hilo Crescent City
Lion Irwin Santos	Kamehameha
Lion Paul Seto	Kahului
Lion Mana Taylor-	
Hall	Koko Head
Lion Glenn Teraoka	Pali
Lion Shasta Yamada	Koko Head
Lion James	
Yamashita	Manoa
Lion Jaci Yokogawa	Palolo
Lion Pam Young	Mililani

The newly updated curriculum is definitely designed for greater participant interaction than in the past Institutes. Feedback from the participants include:

- Extremely valuable for current and future leaders in the district.
- Many “ah-ha” moments as takeaways.
- Appreciated faculty’s preparation, adherence to the published schedule, teaching skills and approachability of instructors.

Many thanks to Past Council Chair Elizabeth “Liz” Crooke (Salinas Host Lions Club) for flying in from California to teach the course with local faculty PDG Chris Morris, PDG Garrett Ogawa, and Lion Kathryn Chung.

The bonding continued after class at dinner on Saturday and Sunday night.

Global Leadership Team Coordinator Lion David Iwana worked tirelessly to plan and conduct the training that is not normally offered at districts. Then DG Bob Lee is credited for the first ALLI allowed at a local level in 2019. The success in 2019 made it easier to conduct ALLI in 2023 but will probably not be offered in Hawaii for another five years.



Lion Tony Tassilio **Global Membership Team Coordinator**

“Just Ask” a prospective new member to join your Lions ohana.

Every Lion should have an “elevator” speech to start the conversation. Imagine yourself in an elevator with a stranger and you have only 16 seconds to introduce them to Lions.

Example: Aloha my name is Tony and I’m a proud Lion. With 1.4 million men and women in over 200 countries, we are the largest service organization serving our communities. We could use your help at our next project on (date) at (location) from (time) which will make you feel

good in helping others. Here is my business card; please call me.

GMT Awards:

Contest period: July 1, 2022 - April 15, 2023

Prizes: 1st place \$300, 2nd place \$200,
3rd Place \$100

- Clubs attaining the highest percentage gain this fiscal year.
- Clubs must have a positive net growth at the end of the fiscal year.
- Tiebreaker is the club with the most Proud Lions for the fiscal year.

Lion Dr. Cedric Mitsui
Global Service Team Coordinator

As of February 1, 2023

District 50 Service Activities Completed: 2,519	Lions Club Reporting: 40/55 = 72.7%
Volunteer Hours: 39,748	LEO Club Reporting: 6/29 = 20.7%
People Served: 801,460	Hilo Crescent City Mililani
Funds Donated: \$117,861	Kaimuki Moanalua
Funds Raised: \$132,623	Kona Roosevelt
	TOTAL % Reporting: 46/84 = 54.7%

Congratulations to the Winners of the Region Level Best New Club Project:

Region 2: Mililani/Leaders 4 Life	<i>Traffic Box Painting Project</i>
Region 4: Chinatown	<i>Honolulu Community Resource Hub</i>
Region 7: Akaka Falls/Crescent City/Hilo/ Waiakea/Hawaii Lions Unlimited	<i>MEALS Malama E'Always, Lions Serve</i>
Region 8: Kona	<i>Legacy Project at Higashihara Park</i>
Region 9: Hawaii Cyber	<i>Kunawai Springs</i>

New District 50 GST Metrics % Lions Clubs who participated in:

Diabetes Community Service Project	11/55	20% of District 50 Lions Clubs
Environmental Community Service Project	29/55	52% of District 50 Lions Clubs
Childhood Cancer Community Service Project	11/55	20% of District 50 Lions Clubs
Hunger Relief Community Service Project	24/55	43% of District 50 Lions Clubs
Vision Community Service Project	24/55	43% of District 50 Lions Clubs
All other Community Service Project	40/55	72% of District 50 Lions Clubs

6 Clubs that have done community service projects in all 5 areas of service:

Chinatown Haleakala Hawaii Lions Unlimited Leeward Oahu Mana Loa Nimitz Waikiki 2000

5 Clubs that have done community service projects in 4/5 areas of service:

Akaka Falls Ala Moana East Kauai Kahului Waiakea

12 Clubs that have done community service projects in 3/5 areas of service:

Aloha Pono Crescent City Hawaii Kai Kahaluu Kamehameha
 Kapolei City Kauai Koloa Kona Moanalua Waikoloa West Kauai

Consider making a donation to the Hawaii Diabetes Association and the Pediatric Cancer Unit at Kapiolani Women's and Children's Center if you need to do a diabetes or pediatric cancer project.

9 Lions and LEO Clubs have done projects but not reported them, please report your projects or contact Lion Gavin Hall for help.

Please continue to perform and report your community service projects!

District 50 GST Total Community Service Project Contest will end 3/31/23.
 Monetary prizes for top 10 Lions Clubs based on projects reported to LCI on MyLCI.

Spotlight on Lion Sean Benito



Aloha fellow Lions, my name is Lion Sean Benito and I am running for 2VDG at the upcoming D50 Convention this April. I am a proud member of Hilo Crescent City Lions Club of Region VII. Inducted in 2012. I have had the pleasure of holding various positions over the years including project committee chair, Leos Advisor, Board Director, President (3x), Zone Chair, currently D50 Sergeant-at-Arms (2x) and Big Island Lions Foundation Board Member. I have been honored to have graduated from the Lions Leadership Institute as well as the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute.

**“I believe I
can make a
difference.”**

While the above positioned me well for my next adventure into a new leadership role; my formative education into leadership began with the Boy Scouts where I achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. This experience grounded me in the principles of scouting to be “trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent”. These principles meld perfectly with the Lions motto of “we serve” and provide a solid foundation for any leadership role.

So why run? Quite simply, I believe I can make a difference. Do I have all the answers? Hardly. Do I believe the answers are among us? Absolutely. All it takes is the patience to listen and discernment to make the right call. I have a four point focus:

- **Leos:** Because Leos are our legacy. I am convinced that better integration between Leos and Lions will yield growth and fresh new ideas.
- **Oneself:** Subscribing to 2VDG Lori’s “Healthy Heart...Mind....Lion”, but I also include seeking life balance.
- **Visibility:** Enhancing communication and exposure opportunities.
- **Experience:** aka leadership which includes our vision and propagating current and future leaders by evaluating processes and best practices coupled with an honest assessment of what’s working and not working.

Service is what we do and the act of service starts within. Embrace “if it’s to be, it’s up to me”. Step out, be bold. So, that’s exactly what I am doing. Join me. Let’s do it together. Aloha and mahalo...Lion Bruddah Sean!

For More Info - Go to: <https://amap.to/bruddahsean/>

Lion Bruddah Sean
2nd VDG Candidate
“IF IT IS TO BE, IT IS UP TO ME”



Spotlight on Lion Wendell Hosea



VISION FOR HAWAII LIONS



LION WENDELL HOSEA FOR 2VDG 2023-2024

Author/Playwright George Bernard Shaw once wrote:

If Not Now, When?

Lion Wendell Hosea is the candidate for 2023-2024 2nd Vice District Governor (2VDG). Lion Wendell has been a Lion since March 1976 with Kamehameha Lions Club and inducted by DG William S. Carvalho of East Kauai Lions Club.

Candidate Lion Hosea will celebrate his 47th year as a Lion:

Kamehameha Lions Club	1976 - 1981
Bayview Lions Club	1981 - 1986
Aiea Lions Club	1986 - 2015
Mana Loa-Nimitz Lions Club	2015 - Present

GOALS FOR FY2024 TO FY2026:

- Reach 2026 members from current 1500 plus members by June 2026.
- Re-establish cancelled Lions clubs with strong community legacy returning.
- Develop the communities not served by Lions clubs. There is room for growth.
- Appeal to ethnic, business and social-oriented groups to grow Hawaii Lions.
- Plan for the 2026 D50 Convention on the Valley Isle of Maui as our D50 By-Laws envisioned.
- Celebrate Hawaii Lions 2026 Centennial in October 2026 supporting Lions Club of Honolulu at a possible Iolani Palace backdrop.

IF NOT NOW, WHEN?

It is time now to say "Yes" and work together for tomorrow's dreams and goals each day ahead.

**PLEASE CONTACT LION WENDELL
TO VOLUNTEER.**

**Lion Wendell Hosea
for
2nd VDG 2023-2024**



We Serve

District Governor Maika'i Coin

Article and photos by Lion Gary Nip



DISTRICT GOVERNOR (DG) GARY NIP HAS A LIMITED SPECIAL DG MAIKA'I (JOB WELL DONE) COIN TO RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO GO BEYOND.

Here are some of the recipients and their outstanding achievements:

Lion Wes Nakamura Ala Moana Lions Club

Honored on 1/05/23. Lion Wes has for the past years put out an outstanding, most informative "Lions' Tale" Club Bulletin for Ala Moana members to enjoy.

(Photo unavailable)



Lion Kathy Hirata Ala Moana Lions Club

Honored on 1/5/23, she unassumingly coordinated some of Ala Moana's key Social Services projects, such as

Thanksgiving Luncheon for the Kalakaua Housing Seniors, Christmas Tree for the Elderlies at Kalakaua Housing, Mayor's Annual Craft Fair & Omiyages for the International Directors at their International Board Meeting in Waikoloa, Hawaii.



Lion Jackie Cabebe Waikiki 2000 Lions Club

Recognized on 1/5/23. She is an exemplary Lion demonstrating strong leadership skills at Club, Zone, and District levels. Lion

Jackie values a better community and is respected by many.



Lion Gina Amina Waikiki 2000 Lions Club

She received the DG coin on 1/5/23. She is willing to assist when W2K needs help despite her busy work schedule.



Lion Wendell Higa Kapahulu Moiliili Lions Club

Presented on 1/5/23. He is the Chairman for the successful Christmas Parade responsible for coordinating the "Physical Components." This year was especially challenging due to post-COVID uncertainty. He successfully met this challenge through numerous correspondence and logistic coordination to secure over two dozen participants and Santa for the parade.



Lion Glen Takamori Kapahulu Moiliili Lions Club

On 1/5/23, he was honored as the co-Chairman of the Christmas Parade. He is responsible for the "Administration" to secure Insurance and Permits with the Regulatory Agencies, City, Police, Neighborhood Boards and ensure the Parade meets all necessary requirements.



Zone Chair Lyn Liu Kapahulu Moiliili Lions Club

On 1/5/23, ZC Lyn was recognized for doing a good job as a first time Zone Chairperson coordinating the many activities of the four clubs in Region 3 Zone 2.

Read more stories in the next Leo Liona

Club News



Koko Head Lions held a successful *Lions in Sight* event at Kahala Mall on Jan. 21st. Lion Gavin Hall said they were shocked to collect 623 used eyeglasses, — the most ever received at one event in his 25 years of service!



Although Saturday, February 4, 2023, was dark and stormy, nothing could stop the brave Lions of **Region II, Zone 2** and from as far away as Kapa-Moi. These Lions trekked to Schofield Bowling Center for some wintry fun and fellowship despite severe, roaring thunderstorms. Pictured are the winners and their prizes at the zone's Valentine's bowling social.



Aloha from Georgia! Lion Anastasia Drgos of **Aloha Pono** may have left Hawaii but continues to share her Lion spirit with her club. She joins them for their monthly Zoom meetings and will even be co-chairing and funding a club event for Hawaii veterans in April!

D50 Hawaii Lions Awards

hawaiilions.org

- Global Cause Awards: Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Environment, Hunger and Vision
- Lions Hall of Fame Award
- Club Bulletin Recognition
- Leos Spotlight Lions Award
- Companion in Service (CIS) O'hia Lehua Award.
- Stellar Club Award

Deadline: Sunday April 2, 2023

Kamehameha Lions

Reaching Out To Our Community

Submitted by Lion Arlina Agbayani



1 Age ain't nothin' but a number! Kamehameha Lions Club member Kino "Rocky" Masuo, oldest participant at this year's Great Aloha Run. He is 93 years young!

2 Lyle Apo accepting the USO Indo-Region 2022

Volunteer of the Year Certificate from Amalia K. USO Hawaii Area Office Administrator.

3 Rain or shine. We volunteer! Kamehameha Lions Club participated at the monthly Food Distribution at Central Middle School. Over 250 food bags were distributed.

4 1VDG CJ Kalopodes & CIS BJ attended Kamehameha Lions Club's Valentine's Day meeting.

5 Kamehameha Lions Club participated as judges at the "Sight is Beautiful" Poster Contest. Good job to all!

Kapolei City Lions

“Sight Is Beautiful” Poster Contest Winners

Submitted by Lions Puna Nouchi & Aimee Matsuura

HO'OKELE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
STUDENTS SHOW HARD WORK AND
PERSEVERANCE THROUGH ART.

Oh oh! Be on the lookout for some future artists! The annual Lions “Sight Is Beautiful” poster contest was given to Ho’okele Elementary School in Kapolei. This opportunity was given to grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Although it was very hard to choose winners, these students showed that their hard work and perseverance paid off! On February 7th, each winner received a \$25 Walmart gift card, certificate, and an in-person surprise visit by mother and son, Lions Puna and Lee Nouchi! Every look on the winners’ face was priceless! What a great way to start off the 2023 year and getting to spend a gift card on a special treat!

Although it sounds cliché, the children are our future and we will continue to encourage our Kapolei community to strive for the highest and serve! I MUA!



5th grader, Damian Solivan won and was absolutely shocked!



Kindergartener, Amika Paul receives her prizes along with Lions Lee and Puna Nouchi, Ms. Vanderstappen, Kindergarten teacher, and Art teacher, Ms. Honicker.



1st grader, Harper Tamaru receives her prizes.

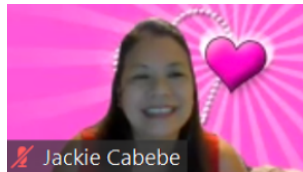


4th grader Makaiah Bessant (not pictured) won.

District 50 Fun-Raisers

Submitted by Lions Peggy Oyama & Aimee Matsuura

D50 FUN-RAISING TEAM: THELMA AIWOHI, JEFF CHING, MARK DESPAULT, AIMEE MATSUURA, PUNA NOUCHI, PEGGY OYAMA



Jackie Cabebe



Kalae & Tabitha Kukahiko

Valentines Zoom Party – February 11, 2023

Mahalo to those who attended our third, District 50 Fun-raiser Zoom Party on Saturday, February 11th, this time with a Valentine's theme! Winners of the contests and games were as follows:

Dressed to Impress: Kalae & Tabitha Kukahiko, \$20 **McDonald's**

Best Pick-up Line: "Donuts are hot, but not as hot as you!" Richard Ching, \$20 **Foodland**

Best Valentine Poem: Donna Miyashiro, \$20 **Tokkuri Tei**

Best Valentine Card: Pam Young, \$20

Wiki Wiki Car Wash

Bingo #1: Lee Nohara, \$50 **Zippy's**

Bingo #2: Peggy Oyama, \$50 **Costco**

Bingo #3: Tabitha Kukahiko, \$20

Wiki Wiki Car Wash & \$30 Costco

Scavenger Hunt: Gavin Hall, \$45 **Domino's**

Birthday Closest to February 14th: Jasmine Palmer, \$50 **Aloha Gas**

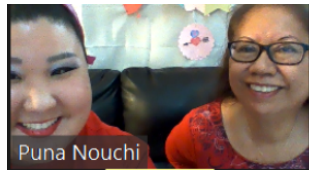
Spin the Wheel: Jasmine Palmer, \$20

Tokkuri Tei

Spin the Wheel Winners of **Big City Diner** \$15

Dessert gift cards: Kalae Kukahiko, C.J.

Kalopodes, Donna Miyashiro, and Gavin Hall.



Puna Nouchi



Spring Fling Party – April 1, 2023

Please join us for our next event, the Spring Fling Zoom Party taking place Saturday, April 1, 2023, 7 p.m. (socializing starts at 6:30). Register by the **Saturday, March 25th deadline** by e-mailing your name, mailing address, phone number and club name to Lion Mark Despault. (Sorry, no late registration). Then prepare to join us with your spring/Easter themed ideas on April 1st! Registration is free. Please sign-up ASAP. If you don't receive confirmation by 1 week after you've e-mailed your RSVP to Mark Despault, please follow up with him. Mahalo!

Kauai North Shore Lions

Golf Tournament for Scholarships

Submitted by Lions Jerry Moore & Stuart Cain

RAISING \$47,000 FOR KAUAI'S NORTH SHORE YOUTH.



We held our annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser for Scholarships on Saturday January 14, 2023. The tournament was at the Princeville Makai Golf Course on Kauai and it was a stunning weather day. We had 120 golfers for the tournament with numerous local business and individual sponsors donating

to the event. This was the 20th year we have been doing a golf tournament fundraiser to raise money for local students education. We achieved our goal and raised ~\$47K for local students!

The golf tournament included 18 holes of golf with a 4 person team scramble format. For the tournament all golfers were able to play for team prizes, straightest drive, hit the green competition, closest to the pin prizes and our big prize which had a \$25,000 hole in one competition on the spectacular Par 3 7th hole. Unfortunately nobody won the hole in one prize, but golfers

had a great time playing. The players also received a Lions Club Tournament Hat, sleeve of golf balls, 2 free drinks, snacks and a free car wash as part of the Goodie Bag for all participants.

Upon completion of the 18 holes of golf all players gathered under our tent for our famous Lions Club BBQ Tri Tip lunch. Outside the tent we had our Helicopter Ball Drop in which we sold 750 balls and the grand prize winner received over \$2,600. We also had 4 consolidation prizes of \$125 each for balls closest to special colored balls which were also dropped. This portion of the event raised over \$3,500 for our scholarship program. The day concluded with raffle prizes

being given out as well as the tournament prizes for the winning golfers.

We will reach



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out to local schools in March and scholarship applications are due by April 14th. Last year we gave money to 38 deserving North Shore students to assist with their educational expenses. As we do every year, we will donate

all this net money raised to worthy North Shore students. Students can apply year after year as long as they are continuing their education and reside on Kauai's North Shore.

Next year's tournament will again be at the Princeville

Makai Golf Course and will be on Saturday January 13th 2024.

Aloha,

Lion Jerry Moore,
Tournament Chair

Lion Stuart Cain,
Vice Tournament Chair

Hawaii Kai Lions

Eyeglass Recycling Project

Submitted by Lion Ellsworth Fujii

RECYCLING 2,067 EYEGLASSES.

On a beautiful but breezy Sunday, February 12 at 8:00 am, 12 Hawaii Kai Lions, 14 Kaiser High School Leos (including advisor Gordon Chun and brother Brandon), and 3 guests sacrificed their Super Bowl morning for the Eyeglass Recycling project. Thank you to Lion Frances for allowing us to use her garage due to anticipated high gusts and rain. Guests included Winston Watarai, D50 Leo Advisor.

Some Leos sorted and selected only reusable eyeglasses, while everyone else washed and wiped the 2,067 eyeglasses and packed them in shipping boxes. Lions who helped with the project were Silvia Ardila, Kendrick Chang, Cynthia Chun, Sandy Gomes, Alvin Hayashibara, Stan Ito, Walter Kuriowa,



Thank you, Leos!



Leos (and Diane) sorting eyeglasses



Lions and Leos, job well done!

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Frances Lum, Marja Leivo, Appan Subramanian, CIS Lyn Yee, and Ellsworth Fujii. Two potential HK Lions, Krysta Gallagher and Diane Taira, also helped with the cleaning.

Non-prescription sunglasses were placed in separate boxes and will be given to Lion Chris Chow, Waikiki 2000 LC who coordinates the collection of sunglasses that are given to foreign fishermen who are at sea for months and can't afford to buy sunglasses.

This year, due to downgraded Covid restrictions, we were again able to enjoy pizza and socializing after the cleaning was completed.

Thank you to the Lions who collected and stored eyeglasses from the various businesses and optometrists throughout the year.

Thank you to Cynthia who made her delicious oatmeal/raisin and peanut butter cookies for the volunteers!

Nine boxes of recycled eyeglasses were dropped off at DHX on Monday. We were



Lions cleaning eyeglasses

done by 10:30 so everyone was able to watch the Super Bowl. Congratulations, Kansas City Chiefs!!!

Check out the video by Lion Silvia of Lions and Leos at work:

[February 12th - Eyeglasses cleaning - Hawaii Kai Lions Club](#)



Save the Date!

Hawaii Lions Foundation Golf Classic Fundraiser

Friday, June 30, 2023 Pearl Country Club

Information, Registration, Sponsor Packages, Donation Opportunities:

<https://www.hawaiilions.org/>

Tournament Coordinator: Lion Thelma Aiwohi



Golf Classic Fundraiser



Pearl Country Club
Friday, June 30, 2023
12 o'clock shotgun start

Contests, Prizes and More!

Four Hole-in-One Contests

A CHANCE TO WIN A ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE

Win a Trip to: The SuperBowl, The World Series, The NBA Finals, or the Masters
See details on the Registration Page