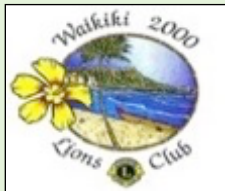


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Aloha Fellow W2K Lions,
Hau'oli Makahiki Hou! Doesn't it feel like 2023 is a turning point to the restrictive pandemic years of the past two years? "IMUA – move forward!"

DG Gary Nip encourages all Lions, Leos, CIS and friends to continue their quest to serve their communities. Lions of W2K, your enthusiasm to be involved is greatly appreciated – you are making a difference. In our recent Holiday Basket Project, we have received many expressions of thanks from the kupuna at Project Dana. The kupuna valued being remembered.

Thank you to Region III Zone 2 Chair Lyn Liu for coordinating the Zone Social with DG Gary Nip and CIS Joyce. Everyone enjoyed the bento dinner, and the drawing of "presents." DG Gary and CIS Joyce shared inspiring goals with us. DG also recognized Lions for their "job well done" endeavors with his Maika'i pins.

Be Safe, Take Care and mahalo for all you do.

Jackie Cabebe President

JANUARY 2023 CALENDAR

Jan 1, Sun: Happy New Year.
Jan 5, Thurs: Reg III Z2 Social, St Louis Alum Clubhouse, 6-8 pm. ZC Lyn Liu.
Jan 7, Sat: Lions Can Cook Book binding; 7-2.
Jan 7, Sat: W2K Glasses/Hearing Aids Collection, Lanakila Sr Ctr, 9:30- 11:30.
Jan 13, Fri: Hear Scrnng, Pearl Harbor Kai ES Chair Jackie Cabebe
Jan 14, Sat: Walmart Wellness Fair. 10 – 2 pm
Jan 15, Sun: W2K Gen Memb Mtg, 9-11 am, Tenrikyo Honolulu-Ko Social Hall, Judd St
Jan 16, Mon: Dr Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan 21: Lions In Sight, Keeaumoku Walmart, 9-2
Jan 27-28: KMC, 3rd District Forum

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D50 Cabinet Treasurer Lester Nip

Region III Zone 2 Chair Lynette Liu

Region III HLF Trustee Miles Matsumura

Clubs in the Zone, Meeting Times

Ala Moana: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Confirm with Lion Ron Ushijima, Secretary. ushijimaron@gmail.com

Kapahulu-Moiliili: 1st Thursday, 6:30 pm, St Louis Alumni Club. Confirm Lion President Lynette Liu or Secretary Jamie Tanimoto

Kuhio: 2nd Monday, 6:30 pm, Ala Wai Golf Clubhouse. Confirm with Lion Lottie Chun-Kuhio@KuhioLions.com

Waikiki 2000 1ST Sunday, 9 am, Tenrikyo Honolulu Ko Church. Confirm with Lion President Jackie Cabebe

Region III Zone 2: Zone Chair Lion Lynette (Lyn) Liu.

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HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

L Eloise Balais

L Kili Matsui

L Linda Morneau

L Marissa Sakoda

L Albert Yoza



LMPSC AND W2K

COLLECT GLASSES/HEARING AIDS

Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center and Waikiki 2000 partnered in the collection of eyeglasses and hearing aids on Saturday, January 7, 2023, in the front parking lot of the Senior Center. Twice a year (First Saturday in January, and first Saturday in August) Lion Lynda Asato coordinates the project with Lanakila, Project Director Susie Chun. On Saturday, L Lynda was assisted by PDG Shannon Ching, L June, and Juanita Kawamoto Brown from 9:30 to 11:30.

The highlight of this collection was the connection with the Project Dana site coordinator from Jikoen. She was so grateful with W2K's thoughtful kupuna basket donations in December and April that in seeing the message re W2K collection, she amassed glasses to donate to our collection.

YEAR OF THE RABBIT

2023 is a year of the Water Rabbit, starting from January 22nd, 2023 (Chinese New Year), and ending on February 9th, 2024 (Chinese New Year's Eve).

The sign of Rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace, and prosperity in Chinese culture. **2023 is predicted to be a year of hope.**

People born in the year of the Rabbit are believed to be vigilant, witty, quick-minded, and ingenious. Strive for creativity.



Pics from Collection:

Top: Lion Juanita Brown, Jikoen Site Coordinator, L. Lynda Asato, L June Ching.
Left: PDG Shannon Ching, L Lynda, Jikoen Coordinator, L June Ching

REGION III ZONE 2 SOCIAL

Despite the decreasing number of clubs in RIII Z2, Zone Chair Lyn Liu was not deterred in organizing a “New Year” party for the members with DG Gary Nip and CIS Joyce. The successful fellowship reflected ZC Lyn’s positive and uplifting attitude. Twenty-five Lions gathered for a delicious bento, an array of dessert, and a holiday drawing of presents ranging from gift cards to wine, to a variety of goodies.

DG Gary Nip presented a power point program on “Together We Can” (Teamwork) promoted by Lion’s International Prexy Brian Sheehan. DG segued to his theme: IMUA – moving forward. He shared personal examples of effective recruitment strategies.

The Maika’i pin has been designed by DG Gary Nip to recognize Lions, CIS for “a job well done.” At our zone meeting, he honored the following”

Ala Moana Lions Club:

L Kathy Hirata – Giving and Supportive Member

L Wes Nakamura – Lions Tale bulletin editor

Kapahulu-Moiliili Lions Club:

L Lyn Liu – Club Prexy, Zone Chair

L Wendell Higa – Christmas Parade

L Glen Takamori – Christmas Parade Co-Chair

Waikiki 2000 Lions Club:

L Jackie Cabebe – Club Prexy, D50 Hearing Chair

L Gina Amina – Club IPP and Club “Ms Aloha.”

Pics below:

DG Gary and CIS Joyce (standing), Seating: CIS of L Tala, L Sachiko, L Jamie, ZC Lyn.



DG Gary awarding Lion Kathy Hirata of the Ala Moana LC.
Missing: Lion Wes Nakamura.



Awardees:
Kapahulu-Moiliili Lions Club
Top: DG Gary with ZC Lyn Liu.
Next: DG Gary with L Wendell Higa.
Third: DG Gary with L Glen Takamori.

Recipients:
Waikiki 2000 Lions Club:
Prexy Jackie Cabebe with DG Gary.
Lion Gina Amina with DG Gary.

PROJECT DANA'S KUPUNA

GRATITUDE THANFULNESS APPRECIATION HAPPINESS



EMAILS from Executive Director Cyndi Osajima:

- A Ninety-year-old Kupuna was so happy to receive the W2K Lion Holiday Bag. She lives alone and is a widow. Thanks!
- A housebound Kupuna who lives alone just lost her sister. She received one of the Waikiki 2000 Baskets – “My Christmas present.” It was great to see her smiling.

LETTERS:

- Dear Members of Waikiki 2000 Lions Club,

Thank you very much for the many very practical and costly items that you gave our Project Dana recipients. As one recipient wrote in an email to me, “Am absolutely floored by the generosity – such practical items, even stamps.” Your grocery bags and Christmas ribbons made the gifts special.

Thank you for your great generosity of the items and your time in putting these bags together. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely, Theolinda Matsumoto, Honolulu

- Waikiki 2000 Lions Club:

With much, much gratitude for your generous gifts from the Lions Club, one is overwhelmed !

The coordination involved – even having a card from the children of a Tenrikyo Church, The stationery and stamps among all the goodies.

With Aloha, Eugenia Park, Honolulu

Blessings for the Lions outreach. (Message relayed by Ms. Theo Matsumoto)

- To Waikiki 2000 Lions Club:

Thank you for supporting Project Dana with the Kupuna Holiday Baskets filled with so many practical stuff – toilet paper, paper towel, etc. etc. And also, the magnifying glass.

The holiday baskets are greatly appreciated. My “client” was very happy to receive 2 bags full. Thank you again for your kindness and generosity.

Very gratefully, Carrie Kawamoto, Mililani

- Dear Members of the Waikiki 2000 Lions Club

Thank you so much for your thoughtful and helpful support of our kupuna. I am part of the Mililani Hongwanji Project Dana. I just delivered the 2 bags donated by you to the woman I help weekly, and she was so thrilled, just as she always is by your bags of useful items wrapped up so nicely. I know it's a lot of work to do all you do and want you to know how much its appreciated. She wanted me to tell you a big “Thank You!”.

Many thanks, Jill and Flora, Mililani

- Dear Waikiki Lions Club Members,

Thank you so much for all the essential items I received from you. We really can make good use of the items.

Hope you all have a great holiday season.

Diane Yoza, Mililani

- Waikiki 2000 Lions Club,

Thank you for the large bag of every day-use good. Paper towels, Kleenex, paper plates, utensils, etc. Your Club's generosity seemingly has no end You have blessed us every year.

As 90+ years couple, we really appreciate your gifts as our ability to shop diminishes.

Mahalo, Masao and Alice Kino.

P.S. Many thanks to Kayla of Tenrikyo Church for the Christmas card.

D50 Lions Supports with Health Promotion & Diabetes Awareness

District 50 Lions supported Walmart Hawaii locations in the Walmart Wellness Day event which was held on Saturday, January 14, 2023. The Walmart Wellness Day is an opportunity for Walmart shoppers to learn more about their health and take the next steps needed reach a healthier life. During this event, Walmart staff provided free health screenings, including glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure and vision screening. District 50 Lions were called to 5 Oahu Walmart locations (Keeaumoku, Kunia, Mililani, Fort Street Mall and Kapolei), Hilo Walmart and Kahului Walmart to assist with the event. Attending Lions played a vital role in encourage shoppers to take a few minutes to take care of themselves by receiving a free health screening and by learning more about diabetes. Lions were able to make valuable connections with community members while increasing the public's awareness of taking care of one's health and Lions as an organization.



It has been windy and quite cold lately (for Hawaii)!
Please stay safe, warm, and dry. Perfect weather to stay indoors, eat something comforting and watch a movie or so.

Honolulu District Elementary Speech Festival Needs Our Help!

Message from Principal Daniel Larking from Kalihi Waena Elementary School:

We are asking for your support in spreading the word asking for help finding judges for our event. After being canceled for two years due to the pandemic, and being held virtually last year, we are excited and pleased to announce that the 33rd Annual Texaco Honolulu District Elementary Speech Festival is back **IN PERSON** this school year.

**Saturday, April 15, 2024
8:00am - 11:00am
Kaimuki High School Campus**

The 2019 Speech Festival comprised 404 students from 34 of our district's elementary schools. We plan to have a similar number of students participating this year and as such, we will be needing approximately 120 judges to support them.

We are asking for your support to spread this information throughout your organization to help us find judges who are willing to spend a morning supporting our collective future. Many of you have supported us in the past, for many more this is a new request. Have no fear, no experience is necessary! We will train new and returning judges alike.

The success of the Speech Festival for thirty-two years is possible because of the many volunteers from our community organizations, businesses, government, and Department of Education. We would like to thank you ahead of time for coordinating your volunteers and for serving as a judge to provide positive feedback to our student performers.

Please use this [2023 Speech Festival Judges \(Google Form\)](#) to enter the information of those who will be volunteering as judges. We ask that all volunteers please sign up on that form as soon as possible so we can get an accurate count to help us in our preparations.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us:

(Judge Recruitment Lead) Daniel Larkin at daniel.larkin@k12.hi.us

Sabrina Feliciano at sabrina.feliciano@k12.hi.us

Tim Hosoda at timothy.hosoda@k12.hi.us

Katherine Nakamura at katherine.nakamura@k12.hi.us

**Waikiki 2000 Lions Club Meeting:
February 5, 2023, Sunday
9 – 11 am
Tenrikyo Honolulu-Ko Church Social Hall.
349 Judd Street.**