



WEST KAUAI LIONS CLUB
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West Kauai Lions Club performs many community service projects throughout the Lion year. One of the projects is to maintain the Children's Peace Garden on the Storybook Theatre of Hawaii (SBTH) grounds. On Saturday September 10th 25 Leos from the Waimea High School Leo Club and five (5) Lions from West Kauai clean up the garden and parking lot.



Group picture of Waimea High School Leos, West Kauai Lions, and Mark Jeffers Executive Director.

Picture taken after working to clear vegetation over growth, painting, and clearing the parking lot area.

The garden area is multipurpose as it is utilized often for various functions including ceremonies and a multitude of other activities.

West Kauai Lions has and continues to support the SBTH.

Lions at work from left to right: Lion Mark Domingcil, Lion Naoko Ho, and Lion Charles Ortiz



The purpose of The Storybook Theatre of Hawaii (SBTH) is to enable Hawaii's school children to experience and participate in the performing and media arts; SBTH also perpetuates the cultural values and heritage of the peoples of Hawaii and the Pacific. Distinguished Oahu-based sculptor, Kim Duffett, has created the first-ever sculpture honoring the life and work of the late US Senator Spark M. Matsunaga (D)



and his visionary efforts in creating a world of peace. The sculpture, 1.20% x life-size, is permanently installed in a children's peace garden at Kauai's celebrated Storybook Theatre in Hanapepe, the hometown of Sen. Matsunaga.



The sculpture of Sparky and a young friend entitled "Walking in the Garden of Peace" encapsulates the forward-thinking philosophy behind Matsunaga's work as a politician and civil leader. "Duffett "imagined this garden to be a manifestation of Sparky's work and his dream," describing the process in creating a garden that represents the utopian vision of what Matsunaga believed could bring the world together.

The In/Out Social was held on Wednesday, September 21st at Wongs Chinese Restaurant.

This was a full meeting which included introduction of prospective Lions Vince Palacio and Jay Ford, Lion Chris Anderson from Colorado and Lion Sandi Sterker from Koloa Lions Club, CIS Sarah Paiste, although the year has just started there has been many projects accomplished from July 1st , messages from Immediate Past President Kay Hill on the accomplishments during the previous Lion year and Club President Lion Charles Ortiz provided information on what is in store during the current Lion Year.





Back row (L-R) Lions Mark Domingcil, Brian Kimura, Charles Ortiz, Vanessa Udarbe, Camela Udarbe - daughter of Lion Vanessa, Antonia Triado- Loomis, George Paiste, Prospective Lion Jay Ford, Basilio Fuertes, Malcolm Tam, Lockcey Triado-Goravica, Emiliano Erice Lower row (L-R) Vinice Palacio prospective member, Joan Contival, Lion Chris Anderson visiting from Colorado, Sarah Paiste CIS, Sandi Sterker - Koloa Lions club, Sharon Gamiao, present but not in picture are Lion Vanesa Udarbe's sons Anthony and AJ, and Jackie Wong- Renaud

Upcoming

- virtual Cabinet meeting will be on Saturday, October 22nd.
- Zone Advisory Committee meeting will be on Monday, November 7th starting at 5 PM
- Kilauea Military Camp Winter Forum Friday January 28th and Saturday January 29th, 2023
- Saturday February 18, Sunday, 19, and Monday 20 the District will have Advanced Lions Leadership Institute on Oahu
- Thursday April 27th, 28th, 29th is the District Convention at Ala Moana Hotel on Oahu

The Hanapepe Salvation Army Kokua Soup Kitchen whose mission is feeding those are in need of food is assisted by West Kauai Lions with the preparation, serving of dinner, and cleaning up on the fifth Monday of the month. We also assist as needed with landscaping and other projects at the Hanapepe Salvation Army. Pictured are those assisting on Monday, August 29th feeding.



Top row (L-R), :Lions Vanessa Udarbe, Antonio Triado- Looms, Lieutenant Jose Gonzalez - Salvation Army Chaplain, Naoko Ho, Charles Ortiz, Lower row (L-R) Lions Joan Contival, Lockcey Triado-Goravica, Basilio Fuertes, Brian Kimura, and Kay Hill.

West Kauai Lions sponsors the Waimea High School Leo club. This year is an active year for the Leos under faculty advisor and Lion Julia Hirano. School recently started and during the first meeting there were over 30 new members signing up. The Leos have initiated plans to have a retreat during the Winter break, their own fundraisers and projects, and assisting West Kauai with their projects.

Upcoming projects:

- General Membership Meetings October 5th, 19th, November 2nd, 16th, December 7th and 21st
- 13th World Deaf Golf Tournament October 15th - 22nd Wailua Municipal Golf Course
- Halloween Social
- Salvation Army feed the hungry Monday, October 31st
- Thanksgiving - Turkeyshoot Social
- Salvation Army Red Kettle fundraiser
- Christmas Caroling
- Christmas Social