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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Greetings Lions, Family and Friends,
Spring is officially here with us.
After experiencing weeks of stormy
weather – heavy rain, gale winds, and
flooding, it is nice to see blue skies.

W2K held its March 5th general membership meeting via Zoom. Please note our upcoming signature event for W2K will be on Sunday, April 2nd - this is the Kupuna Food Basket. Thank you to Lions Marie Luna and Jan Offner for co-chairing the project. We appreciate Lion Marie and others for purchasing the food items for our baskets; To the other Lions and Friends, thank you for supplying the project with your monetary donation. The Project Dana Kupuna are always delighted to receive the food baskets from W2K. Please RSVP your attendance for April 2nd activity from 9 to 11:30 with me.

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

Jackie Cabebe President

MARCH 2023 CALENDAR

March 3, Fri: Hinamatsuri (Dolls') or Girls' Day
March 4, Sat: Monthly food and Hygiene distribution with the Reality's Community Resource Hub Group, 9-2, Keelikolani Middle School.
March 5, Sun: W2K General Membership Mtg, Zoom, 9 am – 10:30 am. Prexy Jackie.
March 12, Sun: Honolulu Festival Parade, Waikiki, 3:30 – 8:00. D50 Participation in Parade.
March 17, Fri: St. Patrick's Day
March 18, Sat: Sight Is Beautiful posters to D50 Chair Leona Kobashigawa.
March 26, Sun: Prince Jonah Kuhio Day
March 27, Mon: D50 Club Best Practice Webinar, 6:30 pm, PDG Cecelia Izuo.

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D50 Cabinet Secretary Jeff Ching

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 MARCH BIRTHDAYS

LYNDA ASATO
REV TAD IWATA
JUDY OSATO
APPLE YADAO



LIONS IN THE PARK

Saturday June 17

time: set up 6am to 2pm

where: Ala Moana park Sections 11 & 12

what: Lions in the Park family fun and membership event (public invited)



HEALING THROUGH ART EXHIBIT

Lion Lynda Asato, a cancer survivor, is a member of the Healing Through Art Program. The Queen's Health System is sponsoring the 10th Anniversary of the "Healing Through Art Exhibit" at the Downtown Art Center, 1041 Nu'uuanu Ave, 2nd Floor from February 15 to April 8, 2023, from 11 am to 6 pm (Tues to Sun). Some of the artworks will be for sale. On Sunday February 19, 2 pm – 5 pm, there will be an "Artists Reception" at DAC. Open to public.

www.downtownarhi.org.

March 26- Prince Kuhio Day

Prince Kūhiō Day is an official holiday in the state of Hawai'i in the United States. It is celebrated annually on March 26, to mark the birth of Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole (Wikipedia).



FOND ALOHA

Henry N.J. Lee

June 6, 1930 – January 9, 2023

Celebration of Life: March 14, 2023

Mililani Memorial Park & Mortuary

Associate Member of

Waikiki 2000 Lions Club

HEARING SCREENING

2022-23 District 50 School Age Hearing Program is chaired by Lion Jackie Cabebe. The pandemic impacted the program for three years. Schools were faced with challenges of social distancing, and distant learning. Lion volunteers, majority retirees, were also cautious of the unknown effects of COVID.

Today, the schools are returning to a sort of normality requesting Lions Clubs to implement hearing screening for their keiki. Chair Jackie and PDG Shannon Ching, Au.D., are conducting hearing screening training for Lions willing and interested in learning the protocols of screening. Lion Clubs are responsible for scheduling and coordinating the screenings.

Hearing screening is not confined to Oahu. On February 23 and 24, 2023, Chair Jackie, PDG Shannon Ching, Au.D., Lion Gina Amina and Lion Kili Matsui assisted the Kona Lions with their screening. Mahalo to all the Lions and Friends for caring for our children.



Honowai: Leeward LC, Manoa, Kapahulu-Moiliili, W2K, Kamehameha, Chinatown, Koko Head, Diamond Head.



Linapuni: Ala Moana, Pearl City, W2K, Hawaii Kai, Kapahulu-Moiliili, Chinatown.

PICS FROM HEARING SCREENINGS



Linapuni: W2K, Mililani, Koko Head, Kapahulu-Moiliili. (also Kamehameha)



Kona: L Gina from W2K conducting OAE eval.



Alvah Scott: Pearl City LC, W2K, Manoa, Kapahulu-Moiliili LC



27th HONOLULU FESTIVAL PARADE

"Connect with Aloha, Forward to New Future" was the theme for the 2023 Honolulu Festival, an annual cultural event which finally returned after the 2019 pandemic.

D50 Cultural & Community Affairs Committee Chair Lion Todd Kawamoto coordinated District 50's participation, "Let's show everyone we are still stronger than ever, reaching hearts and serving our communities!" Lion Todd: "Mahalo to Lions Daryl Matsuo and Irwin Santos for notice and publicity, Lions Chris Chow and Ron Ushijima for advice and info from years' past parade, Lion Adriel Lam for providing vehicle, Lion Mel Tom for the beautiful pin, and the marchers and volunteers."

District 50 Lions were ecstatic to participate in the Honolulu Festival Parade, with the last parade held in 2019. The parade was lit up with floats and marchers representing the different communities we have in in Hawaii. District 50 Lions marched with Leos down the parase spreading Aloha to parade onlookers.

Interested Lions and Leos were asked to walk in the parade a second time to assist with one of the parade's floats featuring an inflatable green dragon that is the length of 3 school busses. Lions and Leos were tasked with marching in front of the dragon (while learning the dance choreography on the spot) along with holding down the dragon's rope ties and mobile generator.

Fellow Lions from Japan were met during the parade where pins and friendly conversation were exchanged.

Great times were had at this year's parade. Mahalo to D50 Cultural & Community Affairs Committee Chair Lion Todd Kawamoto and all Lions involved in planning efforts.



Honolulu Festival wraps up with parade

District 50 Hawaii Lions marched in the Honolulu Festival's Waikiki Grand Parade on Saturday afternoon along Kalakaua Avenue on the final day of the three-day festival...

Picture courtesy of Star Advertiser, 3/13/23, page B1.

Picture by Craig T. Kojima/CKOJIMA@STAR ADVERTISER.COM

District 50 Lions socializing prior to start of the parade at Fort DeRussy park



District 50 Lions and Leos march down Kalakaua Avenue



District 50 Lions and Leos march down Kalakaua Avenue for round two, this time alongside the inflatable green dragon that was swept from side to side of Kalakaua

2023 Step Out Walk: American Diabetes Association of Hawaii

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) is having the Step Out for Diabetes walk Saturday, April 22. Help is needed on the day before the walk (Friday) as well with the day of the walk (Saturday). VDG Lori is coordinating Lions to help with the Friday prep while Lion Kathy Higa is coordinating help for Saturday, the day of the walk.

1) Friday, April 21 12:30pm to 3pm: Duty- Setup tasks

- Seeking up to 20 people to assist with the event set up for the date. Putting up signage or banners, prepping fruit, packing bags, packing t- shirts, setup volunteer area, etc.
- If able to assist please contact VDG Lori with your shirt size

2) Saturday, April 22 7:00am to 11am: Duty- Course marshal

- Check in at the volunteer tent. Pick up vests. Secure walkers/runners to stay on course. Watch traffic. Communicate to command center on participants location on the route. Partner with course cleanup. After last walker, walk back to event area, and return vest.
- If able to assist please contact Lion Kathy with your shirt size

Mahalo For Sunglasses

The longline international fishermen are grateful for the donation of sunglasses from District 50 Lions and friends. Being out in the sun from dawn to sunset, the fishermen are exposed to intense sun rays and the glare from the water. Having sunglasses are vital in protecting the fishermen's eyes from the elements.

Lion Sight Sub-Chair Jenn Shintani was instrumental in securing 3 boxes of sunglasses from the Hawaii Kai Lions, special thanks to Lion Ellsworth Fujii for amassing the boxes for Lion Jenn.

Mrs. Jo-Ann Chow, volunteer for the Seafarers Medical Clinic, has been distributing the glasses to the fishermen on medical days.

Photos to right and below: Fishermen from Piers 17 and 36 receiving sunglasses generously donated by District 50 Lions.



Kawawanakoa Middle School Band Japan Trip

From March 12 - 19, the Kawawanakoa Middle School band traveled to Tenri City in Nara Prefecture to take part in various musical exchanges and performances. 24 students and parents took part in the musical journey, which included rehearsals, performances, and social exchanges with students from the local junior high school, high school, university, and a professional group of musicians. The band also were honored with the opportunity to perform an offertory performance at the main Tenrikyo shrine. The students returned to Hawaii with new musical techniques, many Japanese friends, and a lifetime of memories. The Kawawanakoa Middle School band would like to express sincere appreciation to the Waikiki 2000 Lions Club for their tremendous support in helping to hold a fundraiser bazaar last fall and also for the generous gifts, which made the trip to Japan extremely affordable and enjoyable for all.



(Article from Lion Reverend Tad Iwata. Picture from Two Wandering Soles)