

Pali Lines

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Boston is a great walking city, where you can walk through the old town, the financial district, large city parks, but the metro rail system also makes going from one point to the next so much easier too. Get a 7-day rail pass and go just about anywhere in the city.

The Boston Convention and Exhibition Center was so large that it held all the Lions activities from registration, to Plenary sessions, to seminars, and the International Show. Our hotel was literally across the street which made it super convenient.

First day of convention was registration day and also time to browse through the Exhibition Hall. The next day the First Plenary session highlighted the activities of the outgoing International President and flag ceremony of all the nations. A memorial service as held at the Second Plenary session along with LCIF highlights and accomplishments, and key note speaker. Election results were given at the Third Plenary session, the newly elected International President Patty Hill highlighted her goals for the year and finally all the incoming DGs were sworn in and officially became DGs.

Aside from trying to sit together at the Plenary sessions, the Hawaii group got together several times, one to have a joint Hawaii-Illinois pupu meet and greet and another night for a group dinner at the Oyster House Restaurant.

Every Lion should attempt to make at least one International Convention, the next one being in Melbourne, Australia, just to enjoy the excitement of the Convention and to meet Lions from around the world.

OUR NEXT MEETING: August 9, 2022 6:30 PM

Our next general membership meeting will on Aug 9 at St. Anthony School teacher's

lounge. Park inside the courtyard parking lot and walk makai to the meeting room.

Come for fellowship and to hear the goals of our newly elected Club President.



The Hawaii delegation marches in the Lions International parade through Boston



DG CJ Kalopodes officially becomes DG as IPDG Gary pulls his DG elect ribbon off

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DG CJ Kalopodes

1VDG Lori Inouye
Yamashita

2VDG Sean Benito

ZC Kalae Kukahiko

President Cecelia Izuo

Secretary Lynette Ramirez

Pali Lions Club is always seeking new members. For more information, please contact any of our members or email at palilions@gmail.com.

Prexy's Message

Dear fellow Lions,

We had a wonderful start to our new Lions year beginning with the 4th of July Parade lining up parade. We have worked on the parade line up for many years in the past, yet the feeling was extra exuberant since the parade was cancelled when Covid hit. Thank you, Lions, for your help in our first project of the year. 30 hours was spent for approximately 10,000 people (as estimated in a news report) to have the joy of celebrating our country's birth.



Later in the month we had our special planning meeting. We started off with team building exercises led by our new member Michael Lee. We learned that Charles loves fast cars, Camryn doesn't like early morning meetings, and Lynnette loves to travel to different countries. As our moderator IPDG Gary Nip said several times, everyone was "Awesome." Ideas kept flowing on what we like about our club and how our club can grow. I want to give a special thanks to IPDG Gary Nip and Michael Lee for their preparations for our special planning meeting. I also want to thank Lynnette for compiling our ideas and our Action Plan.

Our homework now (that's what you get for electing a teacher as your president) is to bring in new members, have family involvement activities, have 1-2 service projects each month, and making members aware of the duties of the different offices in our club. These were some of the ideas that came from our special meeting.

4th of July Parade Staging and Line Up July 4, 2023

Great to have the Kailua 4th of July parade back, ever since it had been cancelled due to Covid. The Lions were also back in force helping with the line up of parade participants. Chairperson Lion Rob Piimauna of Koolaupoko Lions Club was especially grateful to see the large turn out of Lion volunteers. Things went pretty smoothly, with only a few groups out of line, but as the marchers started down the route on Kainalu Road, everything fell into proper place. Huge mahalo to the following Pali Lions: Mike S, Glenn, Charles, Gary, Jay, Paul, Lynnette, David K, CIS Angie, Camryn, Clarence, Cecelia, CareyAnne, and Michael Lee (riding in the Kailua Neighborhood Board float.)

Kailua Intermediate School Parking July 16, 2023

Lion Mike Shimote's niece, who is a counselor at Kailua Middle school, asked the Lions to help with a parking fundraiser for their school. Therefore bright and early Sunday morn July 16 several Pali Lions spent a couple hours directing parking for a special volleyball tournament. The school collected \$10 per car. Thanks to Pali Lions Mike S, Glenn, Lynnette, Mike L, David K, Camryn, and CIS Angie.

LIONS SHORTS

Here's some add'l pics



Hawaii and Illinois Lions held a get together in a tradition that started decades ago



Lions Cecelia and Clarence were able to have a picture taken with International President Patty Hill and her husband



We were able to meet PIP Jimmy Ross, along with new Lion friend Ek Raj from Nepal



PDG Cecelia demonstrating for 3rd International Vice President Mark Lyon (a Lion!)

Lions International President Patty Hill



Report from Lions International

Dr. Patty Hill was elected International President at our recent Lions Convention in Boston. As a Lion for more than 32 years, International President Dr. Patti Hill has always brought out the very best in others. Her life and career have been defined by her passion for social justice, her dedication to helping others reach their full potential and her devotion to making the world a better place for all people.

She says, "Changing the world is a journey. There is no middle and no end. There is only a beginning—and it starts with us. It happens through the many small choices and acts of kindness we make every day. Together, the sum of our efforts makes the world a better place, one life, one relationship and one community at a time."

President Hill's programs and initiatives will focus on four key priorities for Lions International that are critical to our mission of service.

1. Creating a greener, cleaner environment
2. Sharing our stories with the world
3. Reaching our full potential as Lions and leaders

Excerpts from Minutes of Meeting July 12, 2023



Report by Secretary Lynnette

Call to Order: Location: Ruby Tuesday
1st VP David Kunioka called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm. In attendance were Jay, Paul, David K, Dan, Cary, Karen, Michael S, Lynnette and Michael L.

Remarks by the 1st VP: 1st VP David K thanked all for attending.

Minutes of previous meeting: Motion was made by Michael S, 2nd by Dan. With no objections, the motion carried.

Communications:

1. Did not brief the Breast Cancer "Making Strides". No one had the email with the communication.
2. Briefed the call for volunteers for the Lions with Heart (teach CPR at the Hula Festival)
3. Briefed on the save the date email for the Kamehameha Lions 75th Charter anniversary lunch on 9/12 at Filipino Community Center. Lynnette forwarded email after the meeting.

Unfinished Business:

1. Club Policy Revisions: Dan will send the revisions to Cecelia.
2. Red Cross Sound the Alarm: No update. Jay is having trouble contacting the people required.
3. New Member's/Officers lunch: Paul confirmed date for Aug 20 at 1120 at Gyotaku Pearl City. Lunch orders taken at next meeting.
4. Birthdate corrections: Lynnette briefed that members should check if their birthdays need corrections.

New Business:

1. Constitution/By-laws: Will discuss them at the July 29th meeting.
2. July Planning Meeting: Motion to fund cost for lunch made by Mike S, 2nd by David K. Motion carried.
3. New member application: Motion to accept application for new member Michael Lee made by Dan, 2nd by David K. Motion carried.
4. Kailua Intermediate Parking fundraiser: Discussed the details for volunteering to help with their parking fundraiser on Jul 16 at 7am.
5. New projects: Jay proposed eyeglass cleaning (he has a lot of boxes, need date and location).
6. Someone suggested doing another Safe Sidewalk project.
7. 4th of July project: Completed.

Committee Reports:

1. Kalama Beach Cleanup: Jay reported that the Outdoor Circle appreciates Pali Lions helping with the cleanup. We cleaned up a lot around the area behind the house.
2. Paint Walls: David K requested to remove this. There has been no contact back regarding this project.
3. State Archives: No update.
4. Membership: Michael S. suggested having a mentoring program for new Pali Lions.

Announcements: Best Practice Zoom meeting July 24 at 630 pm.
Next club meeting August 09. Meeting was adjourned at 711 pm.

Minutes of Special Club Meeting July 29, 2023

By Secretary Lynnette

Call to Order: Location: St. Anthony's School Teacher Lounge

Meeting was called to order by IPDG Gary Nip at 8:06 am. In attendance were Michael S, Gary, Charles, Paul, David K, Camryn, Gavin, Cecelia, Clarence, Lynnette, Michael L and IPDG Gary Nip.

1. Team Building: Michael L. coordinated three different team building exercises.

Remarks: Gary Nip went over a brief introduction and the agenda.

2. Mission Statement: Mission statement is "Provide reliable voluntary service and resources primarily for the Windward Community and to compliment the goals of District 50 and Lions Club International." Everyone in attendance agreed our mission statement is still relevant.

3. Rules for brainstorming/communication:

The following rules were agreed upon:

- End on time or earlier
- Respect all ideas
- Take 15 min breaks
- Time limit for discussion is 10 minutes, then it gets put in the parking lot

4. Discussion of 3 things members really like about the club. Each person wrote 3 things they like about the club, , fellowship, everyone gets along, respectful, friendly, good mix of senior and junior members, summary is below:

- Members: camaraderie hardworking and fun group, loyal, solidarity.
- Helping/serving the community, helping in ways that are needed, everyone excited to do good for the community.

c. Projects: type of projects, variety of projects, good projects, enjoyable

d. Meetings: not very formal so more comfortable to attend, people are welcoming, good food, good fun

e. Paying it forward mentality, helps me to be positive role model, tradition, carrying on what my father started.

5. Discussion of 3 areas that require growth. Each person wrote 3 areas that require growth. Major categories are as follows:

a. Projects: more projects, more variety or new projects that can best help community, more promotion of club when out doing projects

b. Membership: more members, more ways to attract new members, attract younger members/demographic inclusivity, mentor new members

c. Fundraisers: more fundraisers

d. Club visibility: more community awareness/visibility in community, school/university awareness, social media platform

e. Officers: more volunteers for officers, young lions move up in leadership roles, need committee chairs

f. Miscellaneous: family day, later start times for morning meetings

6. Brainstorm ideas for projects and what the community needs. Broke into 2 groups for this discussion. Summary of ideas below and action plans to follow:

a. Talk with schools (e.g. Kailua intermediate vision testing, e-waste collection), public library, and Kailua District park for needs.

b. Senior homes

c. Safe sidewalks

Officer Installation and New Member Induction Meeting August 20, 2023

Please save the date for our annual Officer Installation and New Member Induction to be held at Gyotaku Restaurant in Pearl City on Sun Aug 20 at 11:20 am. New members are especially encouraged to attend and you will be officially sworn in as a member of the Pali Lions. Officiating the event will be our 1st Vice District Governor Lori Inouye-Yamashita and Lion Jim will also be there accompanying her.

Please make you lunch selection by our next meeting. The basic lunch is \$24.95 and the menu is on the right. Make a one choice selection. If you want the larger Hana menu, it is \$34.95 with sashimi already included in the price.



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ZONE CLUB MEETINGS:

Kahaluu Lions Club
1st & 3rd Thu
Key Project
47-200 Waihee Road

Kaneohe Lions Club
Pohai Nani
45-090 Namoku Street
1st & 3rd Thu 7 pm

Koolaupoko Lions Club
Kailua Information
Center



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Passing Thoughts and Any Last Words

Pali Lions have been featured in Kailua Beach Neighbors magazine in the past and most recently in the Voice section of Midweek. Great to get this kind of publicity for our club as we do our community service.

Check out our Pali Lions website, which Lion Lynnette has been managing and click on "Bulletins and Media" to find the Midweek article (along with our past bulletins.) Thanks Lion Lynnette!



CALENDAR:

- Aug 9 Aug General Membership Meeting
- Aug 20 Officer Installation and New Member Induction Lunch
- Aug 26 Cabinet Meeting at KEY Project
- Aug 28 Best Practice Zoom Meeting