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Combine Board and General Membership Meetings

A Board Proposal

Your Board of Directors has been discussing the poor turnout of members at meetings. For the most part, it is the same members who show up for Board and GM meetings. The Board is proposing that we combine the two meetings on the same evening with the Board starting at 6 pm and the GM at 7 pm, once a month.

There are pros and cons about this proposal and the Board invites members input. You can contact Prexy Hope, Lion Mikki, Lion Pat or any other Board member with your thoughts. The Board suggests that a decision be made at the GM meeting on October 17.

We need members' input.

Sight Is Beautiful Poster Contest

The Club's annual service project with elementary schools, the Sight Is Beautiful Poster Contest, has started up. Last year, 986 students in 5 schools entered the contest and 3 students placed in the District finals. We expect that these 5 schools (Waiakea, Waiakeawaena, Chiefess Kapiolani, Keaukaha, and Keanepoko) will again participate.

The schools will submit their entrees by January 24. After that, the project chair Lion Pat Naughton, will ensure that all the guidelines have been followed and every poster has the student and teacher name on them. At this point, a club judging panel will select the winners by class level. Lion Pat will be looking for Lions to be on the judging panel. Please volunteer when he calls.

And, from our Immediate Past President, Lion Wayne Kuwaye

Hawaii Food Basket: On September 6, Lions Eugene Lyman, Clement Chang and Wayne Kuwaye were three of six Region VII Lions who packed food items into 420 cases onto 12 pallets and on September 7 Lions Eugene Lyman and Wayne Kuwaye were the only Lions that packed food items into 457 cases onto 13 pallets.

Moving District Fifty Forward: On September 8, Lion Wayne Kuwaye participated in another zoom meeting of the Moving District Fifty Forward Committee. Several issues have been discussed and possible solutions are in the making. Since Lion Wayne will be on Oahu from September 12 to September 17, he will be meeting with the committee members from Oahu while he is there.



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Akaka Falls Lions Club 60th Charter Anniversary Celebration: Lions PDG George Kodani, Wayne Kuwaye and CIS Carol Kuwaye represented the Waiakea Lion Club at the Akaka Falls Lions Club 60th Charter Anniversary Celebration that was held on September 9 at the Hilo Hawaiian Hotel. Charter members Lions Hiroshi Shima and Myron Isherwood shared their reflections along with PDGs Alan Garson and Blayne Hanagami of their involvement with the Akaka Falls Lions Club and what the club went through.



Lion Wayne visits with Akaka Falls Charter Members Lions Myron Isherwood and Hiroshi Shima
Photo by PDG George Kodani

Lions Helping Lions:

- (a) On September 10, Lion Kelton Chang and WHS Leo Karley Chang helped Lion Wayne Kuwaye set up two "Mahalo Truck Drivers" banners for Truck Drivers' Appreciation Week (September 10 - 16) to show all truck drivers that we appreciate the essential services that they provide for all of us. Something special may be given to all Waiakea Lions who can identify the locations where these banners were displayed.



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(b) On September 20, Lion Kellcey Ah Yo-Ribao and CIS Rex Ribao went to visit the home of a former WHS Leo who was injured in an auto accident resulting in her being disabled, to see how the Waiakea Lions Club can help by making a concrete pad so that she can safely enter and exit a car. CIS Rex said that we can provide the labor, machinery and tools to make the concrete pad and that materials will cost approximately \$1,400.00. Since the mother of this disabled person has been out of work since April, caring for her daughter and being on Oahu for medical care, it will be a financial strain on the family to make the concrete pad. Being that is the case, Lion Wayne Kuwaye met with Hawaii Lions Foundation Region VII trustee, ZC Greg Ayau, to see if the Waiakea Lions could request for a grant to finance this project. At the present time, the request for a grant-in-aid has been sent to the Hawaii Lions Foundation for consideration. Hoping that the Waiakea Lions Club receives the funding soon, we will then schedule the work that needs to be done.

The **Lions Vision Team** is on the road again:

On September 27, Lions PDG George Kodani, Eugene Lyman, Clement Chang and Wayne Kuwaye assisted Project Vision Hawaii with vision screening at Hilo High School and again on September 28 with the addition of Lion Melvin Kunimoto; help. Mahalo PDG George Kodani for the photos.



PDG Blayne Hanagami & Lion Wayne Kuwaye talking strategy.



Lion Clement Chang is ready.

On September 13, Lions PDG George Kodani, Clement Chang, Eugene Lyman and Melvin Kunimoto assisted with vision screening at Waimea Middle School and the same foursome assisted with vision screening at Waiakeawaena Elementary School on September 14. On September 15, Lions Eugene Lyman and Clement Chang were at Waiakeawaena Elementary School to assist with additional screening.



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On September 19 and 20, Lions PDG George Kodani, Clement Chang and Wayne Kuwaye assisted with vision screening at Waiakea Elementary School and on September 21 Lions Clement Chang and Wayne Kuwaye assisted with vision screening at Kalaniana'ole Elementary School to test students from Haaheo Elementary School and were at Kaumana Elementary School on September 22.

D-50 GAT Best Practices zoom meeting

The zoom meeting of the District 50 Global Action Team's Best Practices was held on September 25. Lion Wayne Kuwaye attended this meeting which was about proper procedures for doing vision screening.

KMC Winter Forum

The KMC Winter Forum is scheduled for January 26 to 29, 2024 at the Kilauea Military Camp in the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

Moving District Fifty Forward

The "Moving District Fifty Forward" committee held a zoom meeting on September 29. Most of the discussion was about developing "Da Ohanahood." Da Ohanahood is a group of good people doing good deeds for a good reason without expecting anything in return. We need to show others that we care about them and make them feel included. This committee was asked to make a presentation at the KMC Winter Forum. Every committee member was asked to check with their clubs on how the members feel about their club.

Coming up in October

October 1 - Hilo Christmas Lights Parade committee meeting in the breezeway at Kuwaye Trucking. 11:00 AM with potluck lunch and fellowship after the meeting.

October 2 and 3 Vision Screening at Waiakea Intermediate School. 9:30 AM on October 2 and 8:00 AM on October 4 and 5 Packing of food items at the Hawaii Food Basket 9:00 AM till 12:00 noon. Lunch to be provided.

October 5 Vision Screening at Kohala Elementary School in Hawi

October 21 American Cancer Society Pinkout Color Run at the Hilo Civic grounds 8:00 AM

Lion IPP Wayne Kuwaye

Other October Meetings and Projects

Oct 3 - Board of Directors Meeting, Kuwaye Trucking Breezeway, 6 pm

Oct 17 - General Membership Meeting, Kuwaye Trucking Breezeway, POTLUCK, 6 pm

Oct 14 - Akaka Falls winetasting

Oct 22 - Highway Cleanup, Wainaku Lookout, 9 am

Oct 31 - Halloween



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October Lions Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

Kayleen Kameda-Hunt	10/6
Alan Shiraiishi	10/13
Amy Matsui	10/21



Club Anniversaries

Ken Uemura	1977
Maurice Kahawaii	1986
James Miyaki	1986
Wayne Kuwaye	1987
CollinZ Tomei	1993
Amy Matsui	2011
Sandy Ozeki	2011

Bulletin Deadline for the November 2023 Issue is October 28
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Happy Halloween