

PERCI ROARS

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Sept 8, Friday, Dr Shannon Ching requested volunteers for hearing screening at Fern ES in Kalihi. D50 volunteers, including myself, assisted in the screenings. Everything went smoothly and the students heeded the directions of their teachers

as they moved to the hearing stations and completed their hearing screenings. Mahalo Lion Dr Shannon and June Ching for your continued commitment to young students health.

At our GMM on Sept 13, our club was honored to have 100th Infantry Battalion Veterans (Club 100) President Janice Sakoda speak to our club about the history of the 100th Battalion Nisei soldiers and their accomplishments which we still remember today. Many of our Lions veterans and their relatives that have ties to the 100th Battalion were eager listeners for that evening.

Sept 14, Thursday, Lions Linda, Lion Lisa Yasuda with guest Sharon Ige, and I were invited by August GMM speaker and sight impaired, Mr. Gensen Rabacal to listen to his music group at the Pizza Press at Pearl City Highlands complex. He and his group of about 5 to 7 musicians were well received by the patrons there. They played a mixture of local songs that the audience, at times, sang along to.



Fern School Vision Screening, Sept 8



Vision Impaired Genson Rabacal and Music Group, Sept 14



Charter Lion Ray Jablonski at Charter and Installation Banquet, May 13, 2023

Sept 20, Wednesday was a sad, sad day for our club. Our club's last Charter Lion member Ray Jablonksi had passed away. He was a Charter member since our club's inception in 1965. Lion's Al Demello, and Alice Kudo were able to visit him prior to his passing. I remember him being very feisty at our club's Charter banquet just a few months ago. We will miss him. Funeral arrangements are pending.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE BY TAD TSURUMA continued...

Sept 27, Wednesday at our GMM, our club members conducted vision screening practice for our upcoming October vision screening at our Aiea area elementary schools. Club members also participated and completed the "National Hand Washing Day" poster creation. It was a lot of fun and for a "great cause" to complete this project for our Health and Services committee chair Lion Shelly. Assisting were Lions Jerry, Raymond, Linda, Diane, Alice, Guy, Gerald, Lisa, Vaughn, and Cathy.

That's all for now, and remember to keep safe.

Thanks, Lion Tad

BLOOD DONATION BY LION VAUGHN MIYAUCHI



Thank you for saving lives!

Lions Gerald Hirata, Tom Fujita, Brian Akimoto, and Vaughn Miyauchi donated blood to save lives in September. Lion Clarence Nishihara found out that he could no longer donate blood. Our guest and former Lion, Sharon Ige, also donated in September. Thank you, lions, and guest, for saving 15 lives.

Thank you, Lion Clarence, for all your years of donating to save lives!!

Thank you, Pearl City Lions, for your volunteer blood donations! To make an appointment, visit bbh.org or call (808) 848-4770. Use the Pearl City Lions Club code: 2743.















PEARL CITY LIONS INFO

For District 50 news: www.hawaiilions.org For Pearl City Lions web news: www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/pearlcityhi/ For Pearl City Lions pictures: pearlcitylionsclubphotogallery.shutterfly.com

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

























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PC Lions. We want to thank our veterans in our club for their service to our country. At last Wed's meeting, the president of Club 100 Infantry Veterans gave an account of the formation of the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate). Consisted mostly (if not all) from Hawaii, the 100th was formed after intense lobbying to Congress to allow them to fight. President Janice Sakoda outlined their journey from Hawaii, to Camp McCoy Wisconsin, to Camp Shelby Mississippi, to Salerno Italy, where they experienced tremendous casualties during campaigns in Italy and France. In June 1944, the 100th was attached to the 442 Regiment. And as you know, the 442 Regiment is renowned for its heroic accomplishments and sacrifices during the war.

Tailtwister Lion Vaughn had asked members to submit thank you cards expressing appreciation for the sacrifices our veterans have made. Veterans who attended the meeting were Lions Clarence, Larry, and Roy. We know there are others who were not there. Thank you PC Lions Club veterans for your service to our country. We are proud of you and glad that you are members of our club. - Lion Brian







ZONE BLOOD DRIVE PROJECT (OCT 1 - NOV 30, 2023) BY ZONE CHAIR LION RAYMOND NII















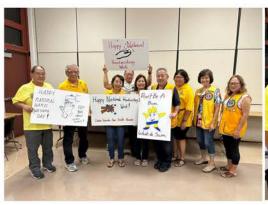
PC Lions, Zone Chair Lion Ray has organized a Zone project to donate blood to Blood Bank. The Blood Drive will start on Oct 1 and end Nov 30. PC Lions, Leeward Lions, and Mana Loa Nimitz Lions clubs are participating. Please schedule a blood donation during this period. Also, ask your friends and family members to make a donation too.

And when checking in that day, don't forget to them the PCLC organization code, which is #2743. Remember to have breakfast and drink water before you donate. "One pint saves 3 lives."

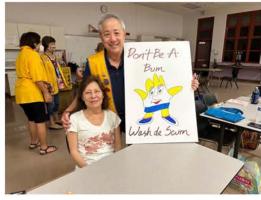
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October Birthdays

Ryan Abella Angela Ho Cathy Kuwamoto Vaughn Miyauchi Wayne Morinaga Larry Veray Lisa Yasuda

October Anniversaries

Brian Akimoto & CIS Ada Ryan Abella & CIS Josie







ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

LEGACY SIGN MAINTENANCE (AUGUST 12, 2023) BY LION GABBY BALAIS

It was a nice and cool morning on August 12, 2023. The Naupaka plant and surrounding grass grew considerably since last time and was in need of some trimming. Lions Gabby and Baron were the first to arrive onsite, with Gabby getting a head start on trimming the Naupaka plant (using his newly acquired hedge trimmer) and Baron cutting the grass with his weed whacker. Lion's Guy, Brian and Vaughn then showed up to further assist with trimming and clean-up. We were also glad to have fellow Lion and Senator Brandon Elefante assist us on this project. Thankfully, there was no rain and that we were able to complete our task before the sun shined down on us.

Thank you to all the Lions that provided assistance on this project Guy Inouye, Vaugh Miyauchi, Baron Yamashita, Brian Akimoto, Brandon Elefante and Gabriel Balais. 6 Lions, 6 hours







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ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS continued













LIONS HELPING LIONS - MAILBOX REPLACEMENT (AUGUST 26-28, 2023) BY LION VAUGHN MIYAUCHI

Lion Jerry Nagatani purchased the mailbox with a stand, and we schedule the work however it was delayed due to Lion Jerry's surgery. A new date was scheduled. Then unfortunately Lion Jerry couldn't help due to covid. Lion Gabby and I met on a slightly rainy Saturday morning, August 26, and removed the old mailbox and replaced with the new mailbox with the address. On Monday, August 28, CIS Merle Miyauchi and I went back to reinforce the bottom of the stand with rebar and pouring of a small concrete pedestal. Hooray, hooray!! Project completed!! 4 Lions, 16 hours









Secretary's Board Bits by Brian Akimoto



- Approved PC Lions Club membership for Cory Chun
- Approved donation for Momilani CC's Halloween Bash

Tail Twister Says by Vaughn Miyauchi



Tailtwister says: "For the October 11 meeting at Big City Diner bring a HAPPY HALLOWEEN card or note addressing all the personnel at the Queens West. All those without this will be fined."

If you cannot attend and want to participate, send an email to Lion John Gephart (johngephartis@gmail.com) and he will put in the next issue of Perci Roars.

NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT CORY CHUN



- Cory Chun was born and raised in Honolulu.
 He is a graduate of Iolani School, Gonzaga
 University, and the Gonzaga University
 School of Law. He has worked in the nonprofit and government sectors for the Hawaii
 Disability Rights Center, the American
 Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, the
 Hawaii State Legislature, and the Honolulu
 City Council. He also worked as in the
 regulatory department at Hawaiian Telcom.
- Cory served on the Waipahu Neighborhood Board from 2007 to 2022 and held the positions of Vice Chair and Chair of the board. He is a member of the American Cancer Society Hawaii Guam Board of Directors, the Patient Advocacy Council of the University of Hawaii Cancer Center, and the Waikele Community Association's Neighborhood Security Watch and Waikele Association Volunteer Efforts.
- In 2022, Cory was elected to the Hawaii State
 House of Representatives to represent
 District 35, which covers portions of Pearl
 City and Waipahu. He lives in Waikele and is
 married to his spouse Candice and has two
 children, Caley and Codey.

SEE YOU AT THE NEXT GMM!

OCTOBER / NOVEMBER VISION SCREENING DATES

FOR GRADES K, 1, & 3 MINIMUM 6 PCLC LIONS

October 3, Tuesday, Our Lady of Good Counsel, 8:15am
October 5, Thursday, Children's House, 8:15am
October 6, Friday, Gus Webling ES, 8:15am
October 23, Monday, Alvah Scott ES, 8:15am
October 24, Tuesday, Pearlridge ES, 8:15am
October 30, Monday, Aiea ES, 8:15am
November 3, Friday, Waimalu ES, 8:15am

ZONE PROJECTS

Oct 1 - Nov 30: Blood Drive October 28: Cleanup along Bike Path - Lehua El 645am November 18: Food Drive TBD November 22: DG CJ visitation at PC Cultural Center, 6pm

IMPORTANT DATES Oct 31: Halloween Bash at

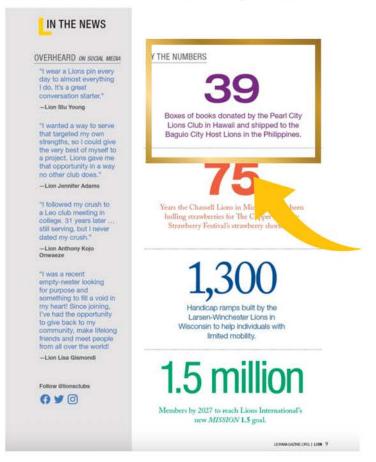
Momilani Community Ctr.
Dec 1: Salvation Army Bell
Ringing, Don Quijote, 430pm
Dec 2: Toys for Tots at
Momilani Comm. Ctr.
Dec 2: PCLC Xmas Mtg/Party
at PC Highlands, 5p
Dec 15: Caroling @ The Plaza,
630pm

OCTOBER 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
OCTOBER	2	Vision Screening, OLGC 815am	4	⁵ Vision Screening, Children's House 815am	Vision Screening, Gus Webling 815am	7
8 ZONE BLOOD	9	10	11 GMM @ Big City Diner Pearlridge 600pm \$20pp		13	14
DRIVE USE	16	17	18 Board Meeting @ PCCC, 7pm	19	20	21
²² CODE 2743	Vision Screening, Alvah Scott 815am	24 Vision Screening, Pearlridge 815am	25 GMM @ PCCC 600pm Bring Your Own Bento (BYOB)	26	27	Zone Cleanup Bike Path 645am (See Details Above)
29	³⁰ Vision Screening, Aiea 815am	31 Halloween Bash @ Momilani CC	26	27	28	29

PEARL CITY LIONS MADE IT IN THE LIONS MAGAZINE!

PC Lions, our club made the news in LCI "Lions" magazine! I don't know how they found out about the shipment of books to Baquio City Philippines. The story continues on page 49. Check it out! WOOHOO!





SUPPORT PEARL CITY HIGH SCHOOL THIS CHRISTMAS!

PC Lions, if you are planning to get a live Christmas Tree this year, you can do so by ordering one from Habilitat, and help PC High School also. The high school will receive 40% of the sales. What a great way to brighten up your home during the holidays and help PC High.



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FROM THE EDITOR



Aloha Pearl City Lions! Welcome to the October 2023 issue of Perci Roars!!!

Please send in your experiences and help us make this the best newsletter in District 50!

Thank you for all your support with photos and activity/project reports.

The picture on the left is of my daughter, Sydni, and I having a nice father/daughter dinner date at a fancy restaurant. This was taken about a week before she headed back to UCLA for her 2nd year of college! Rusti and I miss her! Enjoy!

Please submit articles and pictures to me by

October 31st!

Mahalo! -Lion John Gephart



Pearl City Lions Club

2023 - 2024 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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Tsuruma, Alice Kudo

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Christmas Meeting Committee: Larry Veray
CIS Luncheon Committee: Linda Tsuruma
Environmental Committee: Gabby Balais
International Committee: Vaughn Miyauchi

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

REMINDER!

Membership Dues

Just a friendly reminder that the deadline to submit your membership dues for the new fiscal year is:

July 1, 2023

Dues are as follows:
Regular member - \$96
Additional family member - \$74
Life member - \$51
Student - \$34

Please make checks payable to "Pearl City Lions Club" and mail to: P.O. Box 48, Pearl City, HI 96782

If you have any questions, please email Lion Chris: ctamura@hawaii.rr.com

Club Policies

The Board will also be reviewing the club's policies at its next Board meeting. They are available on the shared drive:

tinyurl.com/nspcy2hw

If you have any suggested changes to the Club Policies (July 2019) that you would like the Board to consider, please email Lion Raymond: raymondnii808@gmail.com



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