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## UPCOMING HAWAII LIONS & THIS MONTH'S WLC PROJECTS FOR 2009-2010

- **Sept 12, 2009: Akaka Falls Lions Club Fund Fest RSVP**
- **Sept 17-20, 2009: Hilo Jaycees County Fair Info Booth volunteering**
- **Sept 19, 2009: Hamakua Lions Club 75th Charter Celebration RSVP**
- **Sept 19, 2009: Get the Drift & Bag It activity**
- **Sept 20, 2009: Honokaa Peace Parade**
- **Sept 26, 2009: Puna Lions Steak BBQ**
- **Sept 26, 2009: Aloha Festival Parade Waikiki**
- **October 10, 2009: WLC Family Fun Day at Laupahoehoe Point Beach park. POTLUCK**
- **October 12, 2009: Keiki Vision Screening Waiakea Elem.**
- **October 26, 2009: Keiki Vision Screening Hilo Union**
- **November 2, 2009: Keiki Vision Screening Waiakeawaena Elementary**
- **February 5-6, 2010: Leos Convention at KMC**
- **February 19-21, 2010: KMC Winter Forum**
- **April 29—May 2, 2010: Annual District 50 Hawaii Lions Convention in HILO**
- **July 9-12, 2010: Hawaii International Youth Camp**

**Mark your calendars for these events!**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

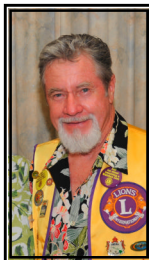
Aloha Lions and CIS'!!

Earlier in the month of August, Eunice Kennedy Shriver passed away. She was involved in starting the Special Olympics to which Lions Club International has a deep affinity for. Through the Opening Eyes program, thousands of Special Olympics athletes have received free eye care. Thanks to our close partnership, there are now several Special Olympics Lions clubs forming around the world.

I was absent at the first GM of the month, along with Lion George Kodani, Billy Lyman, Dave Foster, Les Estrella and Sam Reynolds. We were competing in the State Softball Tournament for Seniors over in Honolulu. After the 4th loss, the team I was on had to form a committee for suicide watch.

The Hilo Lions had their Fund Fest on August 15th, 2009. It was well attended by members of Waiakea Lions. Hilo Lions President Michael Texeira and auctioneer Winston Towata put on a lively show. Lion George and Shirley Ito were busy taking lots of pictures.

The Lelewi Beach park was a great success. Lions Bob, George, Jimmy, Sam, Herb, Greg, Kevin, Billy, Mel, Harry, myself, James, and 2 volunteers. Roots were removed, the pathway repaired with cement, and pot holes were filled. Sorry if I missed anybody. Afterwards several Lions still had some strength to go over to Lion Billy's house to help paint. What enthusiasm!!



Lions helping Lions pitched in to help Lion Jonathan Lum and CIS Myrtle move their household items to their home. Lions George, Billy, Patrick, Ken, Chuck, Craig, Harry, plus Jennifer and Megan Bolden and Chuck's nephew, Chad. That was 46 man hours well spent!! Such upbeat events provide a welcome contrast to some of our budget woes we're facing.

The Vision Van Project has been a real success with the Lions help from Akaka Falls, Hilo, Crescent City, Puna, Waiakea and Waikoloa Clubs. 5 Lions from our club were able to get in a little practice over at Lion Dr. Cedric Mitsui's office. That was a big help. Friday, the van was at the Office of Aging for testing, Saturday at Hilo High School, Sunday at the Maku'u Farmers market. It was going strong with new volunteers as I was leaving Sunday. Lion Kevin Ono was doing an outstanding job driving the van to the different locations. Mahalo to Lion Wayne Kuwaye for the safe storage of the van. Final results will be forthcoming.

Barrack Obama has proclaimed September 11th as the First National Day of Service and Remembrance. It is an annual event where all Americans are asked to participate in community service at any level. Let's try to come up with a project, because after all, "WE SERVE". Also this coming month, we are anticipating Helene Hale as WLC's first female Lion to our club.

Aloha and Thank You All,

Lion Ken Rosene

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. -Helen Keller



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## 2009-10 HILO LIONS FUND FEST

By Lion PDG George Kodani

A total of eight WLC Lions and four CIS' attended the Hilo Lions Fund Fest on August 15th, 2009 at the Hilo Dajingu Hall.

Mahalo to the following WLC Lions and CIS' that attended this event for the Hilo Lions Club in their fund-raising efforts: Lions Bob Kawakone, Stanley Takemura, Harry Suzuki and CIS Sue, Jonathan Lum and CIS Mrytle, IPP Abe Kubo and CIS Bessie, PGD George Kodani and CIS Esther, PID Herbert Watanabe, and Prexy Ken Rosene and CIS Yvonne Mira.



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## 2009-2010 WLC FUND FEST UPDATE

By Lion Craig Watanabe

The headliner for the August 4th, 2009 General Membership meeting discussed the cancellation of the 2009-2010 Waiakea Lions Club Fund Fest. The vote to discontinue this year's Fund Fest was passed 25-2. In place of donating products or services, WLC Lions are asked to donate \$100 that can be paid out in a single or multiple payments over the course of the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

A letter dated August 19th, 2009 was mailed out to all WLC Lions describing this course of action along with a payment coupon and directions on where and how to make payments. Please refer to this very important letter for further discussion on this issue.

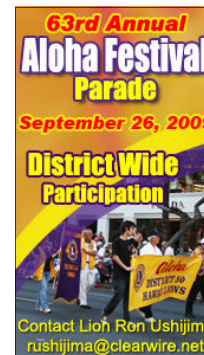
This cancellation affects only this year (2009-10). Viability of future Fund Fests will be determined annually. If you want to see the Fund Fest continue, WLC needs as many Lions to participate every year. Equally it's very important to let our fellow Lions clubs in our zone know that we continue to support their Fund Fests by attending their functions to help them raise administrative funds for their clubs.

As difficult a decision this was to make, 93% of those attending this<sup>5</sup>

GM meeting voted in favor to cancel this year's Fund Fest, assess a \$100 annual donation to the club and continue to support fellow Zone Lion Clubs.

When you look at the logistics of planning, preparing and running an event as large as this with the outcome netting less than \$5500, the energy and money spent could be better utilized for other worthy community events and projects without sacrificing volunteer burnout before our main fundraising event, the Chuckwagon Breakfast.

In place of the Fund Fest for this year WLC is replacing it with a Family Fun Day in the form of a Potluck to be held on October 10th, 2009 at Laupahoehoe Beach Park from 10am to 4pm. See pg 19 for more information.





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## AUG 4TH, 2009 GM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**By Lion Bob Kawakone**

**Headlining this General Membership meeting** was the motion to not have the WLC Fund Fest for this year only. The vote was 25 in favor, 2 against. Motion passed. More on this topic can be found on page 19 of this newsletter.

**Correspondence was passed around on:**

- Hamakua Lions Club 75th Charter Celebration
- Honokaa Peace Parade



**Guest Speaker for this meeting was Dr. Carolina Lam**—Director of the Center for Global Education and Exchange at the UH at Hilo. Assisting Dr. Lam were two students (Karen Motonaga and Jeffery

Arielle) who visited South Korea under this program. The Center for Global Education and Exchange was established to give opportunities for students to study abroad and explore

the world. To qualify, a student must have at least 24 college credits with a minimum 3.0 GPA and be a full-time student. For more information on this

UH/H Program go to :  
<http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/uhh/studyabroad/> or call Dr. Lam at 933-8811.



### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by Lion Richard Santos and 2nd by Lion Cedric Mitsui to vote for an approval of Lion Bill Lyman to replace Lion Santos as a club director on WLC's BOD. Motion was overwhelmingly approved.

Lion Ikuo Kiyohara reported a deposit was made by WLC to KMC for the March 2010 Leo Convention.

**The 85% attendance goal was met** with 27 Lions attending with three guests. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm

### **Going Crazy ain't for Old People:**

I was typing up the newsletter when my 5-year old boy Jesse came up to me scratching his head, "Dad do you know where my marbles are?" he asked.

I had to stop and ponder that question.



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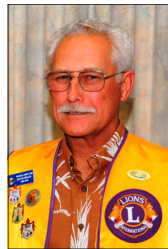
## AUG 11TH, 2009 BOD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**By Lion PDG George Kodani**

**2nd VP Lion Paul Sebala** reported that Waiakea High School Cafeteria has been reserved for the annual Chuckwagon Breakfast to be held on February 26-27th, 2010. Sebala also reported that WLC received a thank you card from the IYC for our donation of \$250 along with a list of IYC youths.

**IPP Lion Abe Kubo** reported that fellow Lion Richard Kodani is in need of newspaper to implement weed control at his new farm site. All WLC Lions are encouraged to bring their old newspapers to GM meetings for collection.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**



Lion Sam Reynolds was presented with the 2008-2009 "Outstanding Service Award".

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion to approve the final draft Fund Fest Letter (Aug 19th, 2009) was passed.
- Motion to approve Helene Hale 7

membership application was passed.

- Motion to approve Ben Franklin Crafts utilization of WLC's PA system and in return Ben Franklin Crafts will donate \$100 to WLC was passed.
- Motion to approve project to man the Hilo Jaycee's County Fair Information Booth from September 17 thru 20th, 2009 and in return WLC will receive a \$500 donation from the Hilo Jaycee's was passed.
- Motion to approve giving CIS' an opportunity to become members of WLC before holding first installation of new members was passed.

13 Lions attended, 7 excused.

### **How do you say Help in Five languages:**

I was a passenger in the emergency aisle of a Hawaiian Airlines jet enroute from Honolulu to Hilo when I stopped to read the emergency card found only on those aisles. The airline attendant told me I had to be able to speak English to sit there. The card gave instructions on how to assist the flight crew in the event of an emergency. It was written in five languages.



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## AUG 18TH, 2009 GM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**By PDG George Kodani**

The emphasis on this meeting was the number of projects and activities for the month of September with six events happening in the latter half of the month. See this month's calendar on pages 12 and 13 for more information.



**Another milestone for Waiakea Lions Club was the approval** for membership to Helene Hale by the general membership. Born in 1918, Hale moved to Hawaii in 1947 from Minneapolis and has served the people of Hawaii as a teacher, as well as a County of Hawaii and State Legislator.

Induction will proceed on September 15th at our General Membership meeting with members of the Akaka Falls Lions Club and DG Alan Garson present for this special occasion.



**Our Guest speaker was Mr. Bruce Meyer**, Civil Engineer for Okahara & Associates and was introduced by Lion Stanley Takemura. Mr. Meyers presented an overall picture of the Saddle Road Construction project from sec-

tions dedicated the day of this meeting as well as completed and upcoming sections



along this corridor. An interesting topic, Mr. Meyers fielded many questions from a few WLC Lions.



**Congratulations to Lion Jimmy Miyake** for being WLC's Lion of the Month for July. His dedication to the club and the community for which Waiakea Lions







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## AUG 25TH, 2009 BOD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

**By PDG George Kodani**

**Lion Prexy Ken Rosene** reported on the following:

- DG Alan Garson and Akaka Falls Lions club requesting approval to attend induction of first Lady Lion in WLC. Request approved but WLC needs to know head count to accommodate all present.
- Akaka Falls Lions Club Fund Fest, Saturday, September 12th, 2009 at 5:30pm \$15.00 Hilo Meshion. RSVP by September 7th, 2009
- Hamakua Lions Club 75th Charter Celebration, Saturday September 19th, 2009 at 5pm, \$25.00. RSVP by September 4th, 2009.
- Honokaa Peace Parade, Sunday, September 20th, 2009

**1st VP Lion Patrick Naughton** reports that the Contribution to Administration Account letter was mailed out to all members.

Lion Billy Lyman reported the following Guest Speakers thru November 2009:

- 9/15/09 GM—Hilo Coffee Company
- 11/3/09 GM—Hilo Hospital Foundation

Lion Billy also reported on the 8/22/09 Lions Helping Lions assisting Lion Jonathan Lum in moving household goods and furniture.

**Lion Wayne Kuwaye** reported that WLC to man the information booth at the Hilo Jaycee's County Fair from September 17-20, 2009

**3rd VP Lion Bob Kawakone** reported the WLC Family Fun Day will be on Saturday, October 10th, 2009 at Laupahoehoe Point Beach Park Pavilion. A flyer was mailed and email out to all WLC members.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion passed to participate in the "Get The Drift & Bag It" campaign on Saturday, September 19th, 2009. 3rd VP Bob Kawakone to follow up along with Lion Prexy Abe Kubo to follow up with LEO Club participation.
- Other motions were passed, see BOD meeting minutes for more information.

**14 members present, six excused.  
BOD meeting adjourn at 7:50pm**



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## LIONS HELPING LIONS

By Lion Sam Reynolds



A request to repair a disintegrating portion of the walkway at Leleiwi Beach Park

was made by the Hawaii County Parks & Recreation Department because a number



of children were being injured as they crossed over these dangerous sections.

Due to county shortage of funds, this matter was brought to the attention of Lion James Miyake who in turn convinced the WLC to take on this project to prevent further injury.

On August 14th, 2009 on a sunny day, 12 Lions and 11 volunteers mixed, poured and laid concrete by hand to finish the project before lunchtime. Of those 11 volunteers, nine of them were young men from the Acadia Hawaii-Pu'ukamalu, an organization for high risk young people managed by Saint



Joseph School. Two other volunteers (Don and Shiloh) also assisted in this community project.

Shiloh is a young man with only one arm, yet displayed his skills at mixing concrete. He was very grateful to be able to help us, we are grateful for his unselfish generosity in this labor-intensive work.



Mahalo to the following WLC Lions for their participated: Lions; Bill Lyman, Abe Kubo, Sam Kawamura, Prexy Ken Rosene, Craig Watanabe, Melvin Kunitomo, James

Miyake, Bob Kawakone, James Kojima, Kevin Ono, PID Herbert Watanabe and PDG George Kodani for their efforts that Friday morning. Total number of man hours spent: 44. Total cost: \$248.19.

See videos of this project at  
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## LIONS HELPING LIONS

By Lion Billy Lyman



The day wasn't over for some of the WLC Lions as we packed up and headed to Lion Billy

Lyman's home to paint ONE wall. Never mind he forgot to mention that wall was two stories and also included the second-floor veranda's beams, railings and ceiling. (preface by Lion Bulletin Editor Craig Watanabe), When it was done, the house gleamed in Manor Brown and Lyman White (yes true colors).

A total of seven WLC Lions 1 CIS and 1 guest provided a total of 34-man hours at a cost of \$50.00.

Mahalo to WLC Lions for their help in this project: Lions; Bill Lyman, Sam Reynolds, George Kodani, Kevin Ono, Abe Kubo, Craig Watanabe and Prexy Ken Rosene.



Doctor, are you sure I'm suffering from pneumonia? I've heard once about a doctor treating someone with pneumonia and finally he died of typhus. "Don't worry, it won't happen to me. If I treat someone with pneumonia he will die of pneumonia."



## What's Happening This Month



# September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> WLC GM meeting 6PM Michelle's Hale Guest SPKRS: Mike Luth & Leilani Ulu: Drug Abuse on Big Is- land	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> WLC BOD Meeting 6PM Michelle's Hale	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Akaka Falls Lions Club Fund Fest 5:30PM. \$15.00 Hilo Meshion RSVP
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> WLC GM meeting 6PM Michelle's Hale Guest SPKR: Jeanette Baysa of Hilo Coffee Company	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Hilo Jaycee's County Fair: Info Booth	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Hamakua Lions Club 75th Charter Cele- bration 5:00PM. \$25.00 Honokaa Hongwanji Hall RSVP. <i>GET THE DRIFT AND BAG IT ACTIVITY</i>
<b>20</b> Honokaa Peace Parade	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> WLC BOD Meeting 6PM Michelle's Hale	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Puna Lions Steak BBQ  District 50 Aloha Festi- val Parade in Waikiki
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			





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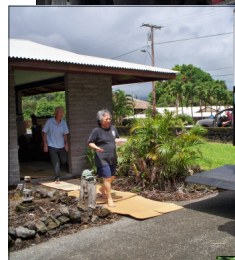
## LIONS HELPING LIONS

By Lion Craig Watanabe

On August 22, 2009 eight Lions, one CIS and three volunteers descended on Lion Jonathan Lum's apartment and moved it's entire contents to his home across town. With a Harper's moving van, two hand trucks and a variety of vehicles, the entire apartment and his storage locker was moved into their home in five hours.

Mahalo to Lions George Kodani, Ken Rosene, Billy Lyman, Jonathan Lum (and CIS Myrtle), Craig Watanabe, Chuck Bolden (and his three helpers), Harry Suzuki and Patrick Naughton for all of their help in this project. As CIS Myrtle said, "Couldn't have done it without all the help".

Now we need to help Lion Jon find his Allen Wrenches in that pile of boxes in their living room, dining room, bedrooms, kitchen, garage...etc.... But that's another project.





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## PROFILE: WLC LION WALT SOUTHWARD

By Lion Craig Watanabe

IPP Lion Abe Kubo, Bob Kawakone and myself (Lion Craig Watanabe) spent a few hours visiting Lion Walt Southward along with his CIS Leilani (Akoni). We learned a lot about both of them who had active careers. Now both retired Lion Walt and CIS Leilani enjoy a comfortable and well-deserved retirement in cool Kaumana Terrace.

Lion Walt Southward was born and raised in 1936 in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. He graduated from Langley High School then entered the U.S. Army in 1954 and left in 1956 with an honorable discharge as a Corporal. Southward then went to West Virginia and studied Journalism at Marshall University. While in Huntington, as a reporter for the Herald-Dispatch there, he joined the Huntington Lions Club, and transferred to the Waiakea Lions when he moved to Hilo in 1959.

When Southward arrived in Hilo, he worked for the Hilo Tribune Herald as a reporter until 1963. During that year he met Leilani Akoni and life was never the same for this man. Lion Walt went to bigger ponds working for the Honolulu Advertiser for another year before coming back to Hilo as the Advertiser's Bureau Chief in Hilo for another six years. Other occupations included Boise Cascade's public affairs manager from 1970

to 1977. Lion Walt Southward was also the editor of District 50's Leo Liona in 1963-64 and the District Secretary in 1968-69 as well as WLC President in 1970-71. Self-employed doing Public Relations work here in Hilo from 1977 thru 1997, Lion Walt has since retired and is still a member of the Waiakea Lions Club.



CIS Leilani was born right here in Hilo. She was one of eight children in the Akoni family: James, John, April, Clementine, Louise and half siblings David and Darlene. Leilani went to St. Joseph School

then onto Waiakea Intermediate and Hilo High School. She went on to UH Hilo studying coursework. In her occupations Leilani worked at the famed Kona Inn as a hostess for two years, then onto Beneficial Finance on Oahu and finally landing a position at KIPA as their Sports Director.

Leilani's passion was forming a local all-female softball team called the "Comets" back in 1969. Her drive earned her the District 29 NAIA Coach of the year award while at the UH-Hilo in 1989. This respected award proudly hangs in their home here in Hilo along with all of their sports achievements. Retired now, Leilani will still dust off that old glove to teach young girls the art of Fast Pitch Softball.



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## ZONE ADVISORY MEETING

BY LION CEDRIC MITSUI

The Region 7 Zone Advisory Committee meeting was held at Encore Restaurant here in Hilo on August 13th, 2009 at 6:30pm. Present were Zone Chair Lion Ronald Keith, District Governor Alan Garson, HLF Trustee Lion Greg Ayau, Region 7 Treasurer Nancy Kramer and Region 7 Secretary Lion Momi Mauhili. Region 7 Chair Lion Blayne Hanagami was also present.

Also representing Zone One were the presidents and secretaries of Akaka, Hilo, Crescent City, Puna Lions clubs, with Lion Prexy Ken Rosene, PDG Lion Secretary George Kodani, Lions Wayne Kuwaye and Cedric Mitsue representing Waiakea Lions club.

### 2009-10 Project List for Region 7:

- Commitment to Region 7 Vision Van project.
- Planning for District 50 Hawaii Lions KMC Winter Forum scheduled for February 2010 with Region 7 taking lead on this project.
- Planning for our LEOs Convention held in February 2010 Hosted by Waiakea LEOs
- Planning for District 50 Hawaii Lions 74th Convention in May 2010
- HIYC project planning for July 2010 led by Lion Dwayne Mukai



- Planning for Amblyopia screening within Region 7 for preschools for start of new year

- Continued Region 7 Leadership Training thru September 2009

for all incoming officers and directors

- Continued support for Region 7 Fund Fest programs
- Continued participation in the Annual Life Care Center's Health Fair on September 12th
- Continue participation in the HMSA Flu Guard Clinic Program during October thru November, 2009
- Schedule hearing screening for 2nd graders in Region 7 working with Rotary Club.
- Continued support for Region 7 Christmas Party for the Visual Impaired scheduled for December 4th, 2009 by Waiakea Lions Club
- Continued participation of the Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Bell Ringing project during December
- Continued participation in the Hospice of Hilo Christmas Tree of Remembrance during December
- Continue to encourage Lions from our five clubs to attend our District 50 Hawaii Lions Leader-





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## ZONE ADVISORY MEETING



ship Institute in January 2010

Region 7 Strategic Plan Committees

chaired by the five presidents of the five clubs consisting of five members one from each club. The five committees are:

- **Membership**—Consider forming new Lions clubs in Keaau, Kau and the UH Hilo campus. Also new LEO clubs at the Kamehameha Keaau campus, Puna and Kau Districts. Develop Membership database to analyze skills in membership needs. Develop mentoring program for incoming Region and Zone Chairs. Develop strong program for activation, retention and orientation of members.
- **Club Assistance Program**—To assist the clubs within our region who are experiencing difficulties with recruitment; developing new projects and activities; conducting new member orientations on a timely basis; getting members to serve as officers, directors and committee chairs.
- **Leadership Training**—Continue to provide leadership training during the months of August and September



ber for all incoming officers, directors, and committee

tee chairs. Encourage clubs to send their members to our annual District 50 Leadership Institute.

- **Region Projects/Activities**—Focusing on highly visible projects and/or activities, making sure to properly publicize them via local media including radio, TV and print. Expanding Sight Screening activities
- **Communications**—Develop a Region Calendar of Events and a Region 7 Website



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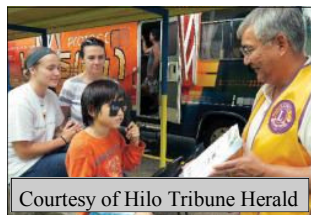
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## VISION VAN HIGHLIGHTS

BY PDG LION GEORGE KODANI



Courtesy of Hilo Tribune Herald

Stay tuned for complete highlights of the Vision Van project that completed late August of 2009 (as

Kuwaye provided manpower for registration and vision testing during their shift from



Courtesy District 50 website

of this printing) in our October 2009 Ka Leo O Ka Liona newsletter. Because of this major project combining resources of the Big Island's

Lions Clubs, we are providing some coverage of this project in this month's issue.



On August 29th, 2009 PID Herb, Lion President Ken, Lions Bob and Abe attended the Diabetes Conference at 10am. Later at noon Lions Cedric, Stan, Wilbert joined the three and together they screened 59 people during their shift from 12noon to 2pm.

On August 31st, 2009 PID Herb, PDG George, Lion President Ken, Lions Bob,



Courtesy of Hilo Tribune Herald

Abe, Wilbert, Cedric, and Carol

Mahalo to Lion Dr. Cedric Mitsui for providing pre-training on August 27th, 2009, to all WLC Lions who participated in this project. His training was invaluable and helped get the screening process off to a fast start and to Lion Wayne Kuwaye for safe storage of the Vision Van at his base yard.

For a complete story on the Vision Van see the August 31st, 2009 Hilo Tribune Herald or go to this link: [http://www.hawaiitribune-herald.com/articles/2009/08/31/local\\_news/local01.txt](http://www.hawaiitribune-herald.com/articles/2009/08/31/local_news/local01.txt)



*Photos courtesy of Lion Ken Rosene and the Hilo Tribune herald*



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## WLC FAMILY FUN DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

**The Waiakea Lions Club invites you**

**to our**

## **1st Annual Family Fun Day**

Come one, come all – to the new and exciting Waiakea Lions 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Family Fun Day that will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2009, from 10 am – 4 pm, at the beautiful and magnificent Laupahoehoe Beach Park.

The park pavilion is located at Laupahoehoe Point, approximately 27 miles from Hilo (turn right, just after exiting from the second gulch).

Lunch will be potluck – all members are asked to bring a main dish. The food committee, under head chef Lion Kenneth Uemura, will provide chicken hekka, rice, bread, veggies, dessert and assorted beverages.

Lion Paul Sebala, our program chair, is planning a slew of activities for your entertainment.

Like to sing?

Like to fish?

Like to win prizes?

Join us for karaoke!

Bring your gear to catch papio!

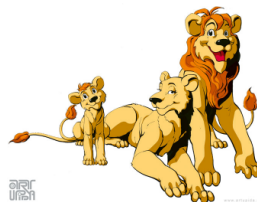
See you at reverse bingo!

There is also a large open field, so bring your kites, croquet, and frisbees we promise you a day of fun, and fellowship, that you will long remember.

This 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Family Fun Day is for Lions, CIS, children, prospective members, and their families. Please join us in Laupahoehoe on October 10!

Yours Truly in Lionism,

Lion Bob Kawakone  
Project Chair





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## DG NEWSLETTER



**August, 2009 - District Governor Alan  
Garson**

**District 50 Hawaii  
The Resources of LCI and District 50**

**Lions of District 50 Hawaii,**

I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize the immense amount of information that is available for all of our clubs and their members on the Lions Clubs International (LCI) website, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), and our own colorful and informative website, [www.hawaiilions.org](http://www.hawaiilions.org). There are a lot of resources available if we only use them!

The LCI website, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), is a wealth of information about Lions programs and activities. Club secretaries are required to file monthly reports on line, but there is a wealth of information available for everyone.

The web-site has on-line classes (elearning) that members can take at their convenience. Go to the web-site, click on "Member Center", then "Leadership Development", then "Lions Learning Center" to see the menu of 15 classes that are available. All you need to do is sign in with your e-mail address, and follow the directions. Such classes as "Effective Public Speaking", "Leadership", "Coaching", "Meeting Management", "Conflict Resolution", and many more are available and easy to follow.

Whether you aspire to a leadership position in your club, or use the course to improve your career or work situation, I am sure that you will find something of value.

The district web site, [www.hawaiilions.org](http://www.hawaiilions.org), is an excellent resource and has a tremendous

amount of information relevant to all Lions members in the district. Besides the current articles of club activities (and plenty of photos), submitted by club members, there is a lot of important information.

Under the heading "Vital Documents", you will find the most recently updated events calendar for the entire year, the recently revised constitution and by-laws of the district and HLF, and the "Order of Protocol".

Under the "Calendar of Events" heading, you will find current club and district activities in a calendar format —easy to follow what is happening.

Just under the D50 mission statement is a quick link to "Latest District 50 News, > go direct to announcements". A single click on that will take you to current announcements, including such things as the application form for the Leadership Institute in January.

In my many years as an Akaka Falls Lion, and as a Zone and Region Chair, I never fully realized the full potential of programs and activities available to the clubs through LCI and District 50. I began to use some of the resources in the two years that I served as District Leadership Development Chair, even more as VDG, and currently use them both on a daily basis.

<sup>20</sup>I urge you to spend some time looking at both of the web sites. They have a ton of





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information, and in this day and age of high technology, the web sites are one of the most informative and efficient ways to learn about the organization and its activities. I also want to encourage you to attend and support the following club and district activities:

Saturday, August 22nd – “Laughs for Lions” fundraiser sponsored by the Kamehameha Lions Foundation;

Saturday, August 29th – Diabetes Awareness Conference (in Hilo), sponsored by the Akaka Falls Lions Club;

Saturday, September 19th – The 75th Charter Anniversary of the Hamakua Lions Club;

Saturday, September 26th - Aloha Festival Parade

Let's showcase the Lions Clubs of Hawaii with many Lions marching behind our banner through Waikiki!

Aloha,

**Lion Alan Garson**  
**District Governor**  
**District 50 Hawaii**  
**Visit the Hawaii Lions D50 Website**  
<http://www.hawaiilions.org>

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A Japanese man was boasting about how his country had such advanced medical technology. He said, "We take the lungs out of a man, perform an operation, put the lungs back in, and in 4 weeks, the man is looking for work." An Englishman said, "We are far more advanced than you. We can take the heart out of a man, perform surgery and have him ready for work in just 3 weeks." The Irishman says, "That's nothing; we can take a kidney out of a man, put into another man's body and have them looking for work in 2 weeks." The American says, "Well hell, that's nothin. We had an idiot taken out of Texas, put in the Whitehouse and now half the country is lookin for work!"

"Open wider." requested the dentist, as he began his examination of the patient. "Good God !" he said startled. "You've got the biggest cavity I've ever seen - the biggest cavity I've ever seen." "OK Doc !" replied the patient. "I'm scared enough without you saying something like that twice." "I didn't !" said the dentist. "That was the echo."



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## EDITOR'S NOTE

### Aloha Fellow Lions, CIS and Leos



**In this issue** I'd like to first congratulate Lion Sam Reynolds for his Outstanding Service Award for 2008-2009 as well as Lion Jimmy Miyake for being July's Lion of the Month for Waiakea.

**If you haven't gone to our blog-site** at: [waiakealionsclub.posterous.com](http://waiakealionsclub.posterous.com) you are missing a new feature I've added, Video Clips. Now you can see and hear Waiakea Lions grunt and moan as they serve up some community service in living color. It's like being there!

**September will be a milestone** for the Waiakea Lions Club as we welcome our first female member...ever, former Hawaii Council member Helene Hale. She will also be one of our senior Lions at...well let's just say she's seen it all.

Helene Hale was born in 1918 and moved to Hawaii in 1947 as a teacher before becoming a state legislator and county councilwoman. Her depth of administrative experience and background will definitely enhance WLC.

In other areas of concern, some WLC Lions have mentioned to me that they cannot open attachments sent to them via their email. Most attachments require a program to view it's contents. If it's a Microsoft Word document you need that program. Attachments in MS Word will have an extension such as .doc or .docx . Sometimes an attachment will come as a read only document meaning you cannot alter it's contents. Those documents come as a PDF file. You'll need a PDF reader program to open those documents.

I know all this sounds a bit confusing but if you contact me I can step you thru this problem.

An exciting month awaits us this year with lots of activities and projects planned (and some in progress). With a down economy we need to network and come together as one coherent unit to overcome these tough economic times. United we stand, divided we fall.

**Aloha,**

**Lion Craig Watanabe**  
Bulletin Editor, WLC 2009-2010



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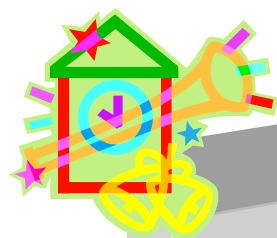
## LIONS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER 2009



CLEMENT CHANG—9/14/1941  
CONEN NAKAMURA—9/15/1956  
WAYNE KUWAYE—9/19/1950  
MELVIN KUNIMOTO—9/26/1947



## LIONS CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES FOR SEPTEMBER 2009



CHUCK BOLDEN—9/1/2006  
GEORGE KODANI—9/1977  
MELVIN KUNIMOTO—9/1978  
RICHARD KODANI—9/1999



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