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District 50 Hawaii, Region 7, Zone 1



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

- **July 9-12, 2009: Hawaii International Youth Camp**
- **July 19, 2009: Relay for Life Cleanup Project**
- **July ?, 2009: Leleiwi Beach Park Painting Project (see our blogsite for current date)**
- **August 29—September 9, 2009: Vision Van Project**
- **February 5-6, 2010: Leos Convention at KMC**
- **February 19-21, 2010: KMC Winter Forum**
- **May 20-21, 2010: Annual District 50 Hawaii Lions Convention in HILO**

Mark your calendars for these events!

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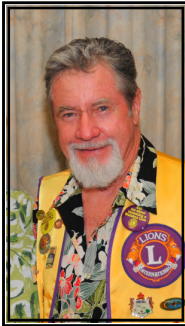


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**ALOHA WAIAKEA
LIONS & CIS'!!!!!!!!!!**

The last time I was in front of a keyboard, it was called a linotype at a newspaper in Santa Monica, Calif back in 1963! So my message to all is to give me time and support. June was a busy month, with graduations going on and

awards being passed out.

Na Ko'a Poki'i Awards were presented at Waiakeawaena Elem., Keaukaha Elem., Waiakea Elem., Kapiolani Elem. and Waiakea Intermediate. Thank You to the Lions that made the presentations and were visible to the young students. PID Herb Watanabe, PID George Kodani, Lion Prexy Abe Kubo, ZC Bob Kawakone, myself and a Lion that has been missed terribly by the club, Wilbert Lau.

The Highway Clean-up on Sunday, June 7th was a rousing success. About a third way through the clean-up it started to rain pretty good, who would have thought that could happen on this side of this beautiful island, but lots of people were honking their horns to let us know that they appreciated what we were doing and the rain couldn't stop a bunch of fun loving LIONS. Mahalo Lions Ikuo Kiyohara, George Kodani, Duffy Bartels, Abe Kubo, Billy Lyman, Pat Naughton, Kevin Ono, yours truly, Paul Sebala and Energetic CIS Jan.

The Awards and Installation Banquet, held on Saturday, June 13th, was well attended and all Lions and CIS's had fun.

The dinner was pretty good too. We were honored to have International Director Maurice Kahawai and CIS Lani attend. He swore in all the Lions into there new positions, even though he was practically hoarse, what a LION!! I wish to thank all my fellow Lions for the support they showed me in electing me to the presidency.

We will be having five major District 50 projects scheduled for 2009-2010, Vision Van in late August, KMC Winter Forum in Feb. 2010, Leos Convention in Feb, 2010, Hawaii Lions 74th Annual District Convention on April 29th to May 1st in HILO, HIYC Campers in July, 2010. All tolled, 16 Region VII joint projects scheduled plus our usual active and fun projects.

Soooo, hang on to your hats and lets make this one helluva memorable year and remember why we do it, "WE SERVE"

Next Month: My first International Convention. Holy Mackerel, time flies when you're having fun.

Aloha and Thank you again,

LION KEN ROSENE

"Walking with a friend in the dark is better than walking alone in the light".

Helen Keller

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JUNE 2ND GENERAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

BY 3RD VP LION BOB KAWAMOTO



VDG Lion Alan

Garson spoke at the June 2nd, 2009 Waiakea Lions Club General Membership meeting discussing some of the goals for the up-

coming 2009-2010 year. One in particular would be a review of District 50's long range planning to see where we are in meeting goals set three years ago. Other goals included revisions of the Contest and Awards rules as well as looking at an emphasis on conducting visible activities and projects that receive good publicity. Lion Alan was featured in the [June 11, 2009 Honolulu Advertiser](#).

Lion Sam Reynolds introduced guest speaker, Mr. Clinton Ama-miya a Master Classical Pottery maker trained in Japan, China, Europe as well as here in the United States. He is renowned for his work in non-poisonous glazing techniques incorporating wood burning ovens to finish his works that have appeared in major hotels around the world. Some examples of this technique can be found online at: http://www.antiquealive.com/masters/m16/master16_view1.html

In the Presidents report, Lion Prexy Abe Kubo reminds us of our annual Installation, Awards & Recognition banquet to be held on June 13th, 2009 at the Hilo Hawaiian Hotel,

Mala Ikena Room starting at 5:30pm. Cost per person will be \$21.00 which also includes tax and tip.

Lion Melvin Kunimoto has been named May 2009 Lion of the Month for his efforts in obtaining donations for the annual Ladies Appreciation night, the WLC Fund Fest, WLC Christmas party and our annual Awards Night. We congratulate Lion Mel for an outstanding job



As of June 2nd 2009 WLC membership is now at 60 with four new members including Lions Dave Watters, Les Estrella, Michael Durch and yours truly Craig Watanabe. Three other Lions have passed on; Lions Bob Kita, Kinney Louie and Tommy Hirano. Our continued condolences go out to their families.

District 50 membership as of May 1st, 2009 stands at 1,825 with 85 new members and 63 clubs statewide.

Concluding the evening's meeting, a motion was made to present **Garret Tanouye**, from Troop 19 BSA who was awarded an Eagle Scouts ranking, a gift of \$100.00. The motion was made by Lion Bryan Ito and 2nd by Lion PID Herbert Watanabe. The vote was unanimous.



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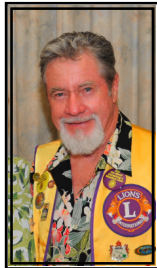
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JUNE 9TH BOD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

BY 3RD VP LION BOB KAWAMOTO



3rd VP Lion Ken Rosene (President Elect 2009-2010), reported 29 bags of trash were picked up during the June 7th 2009, in our highway Cleanup Project. Mahalo to the following for participating in this community service:

Lions Ken Rosene (chair), Paul Sebala (and CIS Jan), Duffy Bartels, Abe Kubo, Bill Lyman, George Kodani, Ikuo Kiyohara, Kevin Ono and Sam Reynolds.

Incoming 3rd VP Lion Bob Kawakone motioned for participation in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life walk on the weekend of July 18th & 19th, 2009. 2nd by Lion Paul Sabala 2nd with unanimous vote, the Waiakea Lions Club will provide 20 Lions for this event.

In WLC New Business

Several motions were made including one to raise our annual dues up \$5.00 to \$90.00 for 2009-2010. Motion passed 12 for and 1 against.

Two other motions were made regarding GM and BOD dinner subsidies with passing votes. All motions will be presented at the next GM meeting (see BOD minutes for more details).

Region VII – ZC Report

On June 4, 2009, the final Region VII Zone Advisory meeting was held at the Michelle's Hale restaurant.

The Vision Van project to be held from Aug. 28 through Sept. 9, 2009, will receive grants from the American Diabetes Assn., District 50 – Hawaii Lions HLF, and a \$1,000 from Region VII. All tolled \$3,000.

VDG Alan Garson announced that Lion Blayne Hanagami from Akaka Falls Lions Club will serve as Region Chair for 2009-2010. He will serve along side of Zone Chair Ron Keith from the Hilo Lions Club.

Five major District 50 – Hawaii Lions projects is scheduled for Region VII, Big island.

- Vision Van, Aug. 28 through Sept. 9, 2009
- KMC Winter Forum, Feb. 19, 20, 21 2010
- Leos Convention at KMC, Feb. 5, 6, 7 2010,
- 74th Annual District 50 – Hawaii Lions. Convention, in Hilo, May 20, 21, 22 2010,
- Hawaii International Youth Camp, July 9, 10, 11, 12 2010.

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WAIĀKEA LIONS CLUB 2009 –2010 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

BY: 3RD VP LION PAUL SEBALA AND IPP LION PREXYABE KUBO

At our April 7, 2009 GM meeting, Lion Paul Sebala made a motion to have our club secretary, Lion Bob Kawakone, cast a unanimous ballot for the entire slate of officers and directors for 2009 – 2010, that motion was 2nd by Lion George Kodani, vote, unanimous, 23 yeas 0 nays

Your officers and directors for 2009 – 2010, need your support and effort to serve in the coming year to help our club continue to be the very best Lion's Club.

Officers

President - Lion Ken Rosene
IPP - Lion Abe Kubo
1st VP - Lion Pat Naughton
2nd VP - Lion Paul Sebala
3rd VP - Lion Bob Kawakone
Secretary - Lion Bryan Ito, DDS
Lion Tamer - Lion Sam Reynolds
Tail Twister - Lion Chuck Bolden
Membership Director - Lion Loren Mochida

One Year Directors

PID Herbert Watanabe
Lion Duffy Bartels
Lion Sam Kawamura
Lion Richard Santos

Two Year Directors

Lion Tony Arruda
Lion Mike Dorch
Lion Wayne Kuwaye
Lion Cedric Mitsui
Lion Cyrus Wilson

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OUTGOING PRESIDENTS 2008-2009 MESSAGE

MAHALO!!! MAHALO!!! MAHALO!!!

To all of the Lions and Cis in the Waiakea Lions OHANA, for doing an outstanding job in working with me and supporting the club officers, and board of directors in achieving the accomplishments during fiscal year 2008-2009.

The ride was not smooth, and at times very bumpy, but working together as a family, we got through the year, and I am proud to be a member of the Waiakea Lions Ohana.

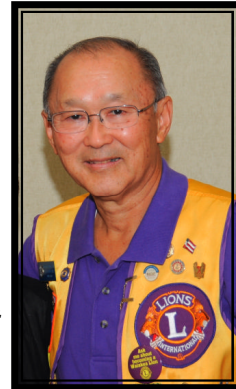
I would like to extend a special and sincere **THANK YOU!!! TO THE VICE PRESIDENTS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND CHAIRMANS AND CIs** who served so willingly with me in fulfilling our motto "WE SERVE".

I am hoping that all of you in our Waiakea Lions Club Ohana had an opportunity to attend our final event of the year, our Awards, Installation of Officers, and Recognition of our Past International Director, and Past District Governors and Honorary Charter Members. You all gave your best effort, whenever, and however you could, throughout the year.

The Board of Directors, without any hesitation approved the motion to

increase our budget for this event to subsidize the cost to make it more affordable to the members and CIs, our way of saying thank you, by giving back a little to our hard working, dedicated Ohana.

**Mahalo and Aloha-
for a g-r-e-a-t
year!!**



Lion Abe Kubo



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OUTGOING WLC EDITOR MESSAGE

BY LION CHUCK BOLDEN

It has been an incredible year for me, with images of the many dedicated outstanding "hearts" to serve our community, that ARE the Waiākea Lions. This is an amazing club.

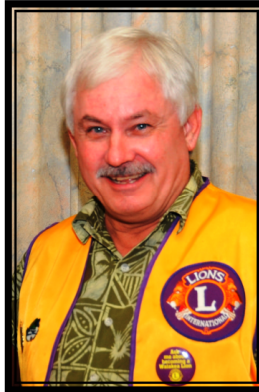
Our incoming bulletin editor, Lion Craig Watanabe, has some groundbreaking ideas for the bulletin this year that will truly enhance our communications as a club. Technology has such great potential. But it can be intimidating and does take a small investment of time to learn how to use these new tools. I know Lion Craig is willing to help any Lion to walk them through how to use our new blog page or to post articles. If we can set up a demonstration at a GM meeting we will do that.

Our Bulletin will also be there (on the blog), as well as being "emailed" to every Waiākea Lion who provides an email address.

The bulletin has evolved over the years to include more photographs of our Waiākea Lions "In Action" with color and other features that have increased the size and that just can not be mailed in B&W with quite the same impact. In addition, new postal regulations took effect over the last 2 months that placed more restrictions on mailed bulletins.

Accordingly, we are asking every Lion to please get your email address to Lion

Craig if you have not done so already, at: waiakealions@yahoo.com



If you are having problems with your computer Lion Craig may be able to upgrade your machine with spare parts. He has offered to do this (and he's pretty geeky with this stuff) so don't hesitate to ask what he can do.

For those who can not, or just plain prefer the paper bulletin, it will still be provided on request. Toward that end please attend the first GM meeting, the first Tuesday of each month, which will reduce the copies that must go out U.S. Mail.

Last but far from least..... Please support this years bulletin Editor by emailing him short stories or articles. I think it is especially important that Committee chairs complete their committee reports with a copy to the bulletin editor. It is his job to share this information with other lion's so that they are aware of the projects that are upcoming, the projects that were completed, the good effort of the lions involved and the costs/revenues of these activities. It's how we share communications.

Thank you all for the privilege and great honor to serve as your bulletin editor last year. But just wait until you see where Lion Craig can take this!!!

Lion Chuck Bolden

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OUR WAIĀKEA LION'S OHANA

EACH ADDITION OF OUR NEWSLETTER WILL FEATURE A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF SEVERAL LION'S.

Lion Rodney was born July 7, 1951 in Kailua, Oahu, and Cis Virginia was born in Kula, Maui. They currently reside at 169 Kuaha Place, Hilo, HI. (off Kaumana Dr. In the Country Club Estates)

Lion Rodney has a brother, Derrik Oshiro. Cis Virginia has two brothers, Paul Higa and Ken (Lynette) Higa, and two sisters, Karen Otaguro, and Patricia (Frank) Yee. Lion Rodney and Cis Virginia have a daughter Angela (Dean) Fujimoto a granddaughter Kira, and a son Jonathan Oshiro.

Lion Rodney's school days were all at Kailua Elementary, Intermediate and High School, and he attended University of Hawaii Manoa and received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and Business Management. Cis Virginia attended Kula Elementary, Intermediate, and Maui High School and graduated from the University of Hawaii with a Bachelors degree in Education.

Lion Rodney was employed as the branch manager for City Bank, Kaiko'o Mall, before moving on to the County of Hawaii as a Legislative Specialist, and currently is the Deputy County Clerk. Cis

Virginia is currently employed as a Library Assistant for the State of Hawaii at the Hilo Public Library.



Lion Rodney joined the Waiakea Lions in 1994, and has served as President, Club Treasure for three years, and District 50 Treasurer for PDG George Kodani. Waiakea was awarded 3rd place in the Best Club when he was President. He has chaired numerous committees and actively participates in all projects. Lion Rodney was the lion of the year and also was named the Best Bulletin Editor in 2008. Lion Rodney is a strong believer in the saying, WE SERVE, BUT DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY, AND " IF CAN, -CAN! AND IF NO CAN, -NO CAN!" Lion Rodney Loves to have a good time and enjoys an exercise of chasing the little white ball and also a pastime which requires bending his elbow. Get to know this lion and ask him which exercise comes first. Cis Virginia has a passion, do you know what it is? I mean besides Lion Rodney, find out what it is by talking to her.

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JUNE 2009 COMPLETED ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS

BY 3RD VP LION BOB KAWAMOTO



Highway Clean – Up

On Sunday, June 7, there were 9 Lions and 1 CIS who participated in our final highway clean up for the year, on a 2 mile stretch of highway leading into Hilo town.

A total of 29 bags of trash were picked up, that included bottles, cans, foam lunch containers, food wrappings, newspapers, and other types of trash.

Keeping this stretch of highway clean is vital as thousands of people pass through this main artery to get into Hilo town, on a daily basis.

We have assisted the State Highway Department for over 27 years, by cleaning up this specific stretch of highway on a quarterly basis.

Kudos to Lion President Abe Kubo, Lions George Kodani, Ken Rosene (project chair), Kevin Ono, Duffy Bartels, Bill Lyman, Ikuo Kiyohara, Sam Reynolds, Paul Sebala and CIS Jan Sebala

Sight is Beautiful Poster Contest

On June 1, the WLC presented the District 50 – Hawaii Lions 1st Place award to Braedon Coloma, 2nd grader from the

Waiakeawaena Elementary School, with an award of \$225.

This 1st place award to Braedon is significant because, there were only four 1st place awards district wide. This year over 7,000 posters were submitted for consideration statewide.

Mahalo to Lions Bob Kawakone, Abe Kubo, Ken Rosene, and Duffy Bartels.

85% Attendance Goal:

On June 2, there were 25 Lions that attended our General Membership meeting. This met our 85% attendance goal.

Our guest speaker for the night was Vice District Governor Lion Alan Garson who covered the five major District 50 projects that are scheduled for the coming year: the Vision Van (8/09), KMC Winter Forum (2/10), Leos Convention (2/10), the District 50 – Hawaii Lions 74th Convention (5/10) and International Youth Camp (7/10).

Lions Helping Lions:

On June 14, there were 6 WLC Lions who met at the home of Lion President Abe Kubo to help construct a 10' by 10' form for a concrete base to support an air conditioning unit.

The 10' by 10' form was fully completed, and the concrete is scheduled to be poured on July 7.

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JUNE 2009 COMPLETED ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS

BY 3RD VP LION BOB KAWAMOTO

Lions Helping Lions was started three years ago to assist the members of our club. Since then, we have cleaned yards, painted homes, replaced old roofs, cleaned windows, cut down unwanted trees and done other projects at the request of our members.

This is Lionism at its best - meeting the needs of our community, including our own members.

Kudos to PID Herbert Watanabe, PDG George Kodani, Lions James Miyake, and Stanley Takemura

Annual Planning Meeting:

On June 16, there were 15 Lions from our club who met at the Michelle's Hale restaurant to evaluate, and make plans to improve our club. Topics included recruitment, MALS, retention, activation, orientation, participation, activities and project selections.

Every year, we make it a point to hold this meeting in our quest to become a better club. All members in attendance participated, and their ideas, suggestions and recommendations were recorded for follow up.

Annual Retreat:

On June 30, there were 23 Lions who attended our annual retreat. First on our agenda was incoming President Ken Rosene, who reminded us of the challenge of the major projects we have scheduled, and the planning process that needs to be done on a timely basis, to

ensure success.

Next, Lion Bob Kawakone, orientation chair, reviewed the responsibilities of our incoming officers and directors to insure that everyone knew what they were responsible for, to guarantee a smooth transition into our new lion year.

Following the review, Lion President Ken took us through a brainstorming session where our members provided new ideas, suggestions, recommendations, and solutions. These were recorded, and will become part of our planning process to meet our goals and objectives for the new year 2009 – 2010.

In closing, Lion President Ken strongly emphasized the need to think outside of the box, and to make changes whenever necessary in order to continue to provide service to our community. This will enable our club to continue to meet the mandates of our Motto, "We Serve". **This is what Lionism is all about.**



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What's Happening This Month

Waiakea Lions Club

JULY 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Independ-
5	6	7 WLC-GM mtg Michelle's Hale	8	9 Hawaii Int'l Youth Camp	10 Hawaii Int'l Youth Camp	11 Hawaii Int'l Youth Camp
12 Hawaii Int'l Youth Camp	13	14 WLC-	15	16	17	18
19 American Can- cer Society-	20	21 WLC-GM mtg 6:00pm	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 WLC-	29	30	31	



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WAIAKEA LIONS AWARDS & INSTALLATIONS BANQUET

BY LION PREXY ABE KUBO

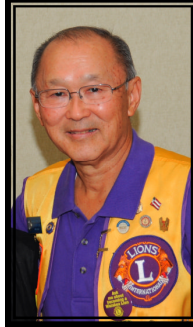
The Waiakea Lions Club's annual Awards Banquet

was held on June 13, 2009, at the Hilo Hawaiian Hotel. **44 Lions, CIS, and guests** enjoyed the Hawaiian Seafood buffet, which included steamed crab legs, lau lau, kalua pig, fresh poki, oysters, clams, squid, sashimi, and bountiful salad and dessert stations.

This year, the club subsidized half of the cost of dinner for all who attended as a way of saying "Mahalo" for a job well done – a savings of \$21.00 per person. Thank you Lion President Abe Kubo for your kind acknowledgement of everyone's hard work.

After Waiakea's honorary charter members, past District Governors, and our past International Director were honored for their past service, outgoing Lion President Abe Kubo presented the 2008 – 2009 Waiakea Lions Club awards that were individually crafted, compliments of Lion President Abe Kubo and Lion Paul Sebala.

First to be honored was Lion Ikuo Kiyohara as our LION OF THE YEAR. Lion Ikuo was selected because of his outstanding leadership



as chair of our annual Chuckwagon Breakfast that netted the highest profit ever.

Lion Ikuo was also selected for his commitment serving as our club's liaison with the Leos of Waiakea High School. Lion Ikuo secured the assistance of the Leos in 11 of our club's major projects during 2008 – 2009, resulting in the Waiakea High Leos placing third in District 50 – Hawaii Lions.

Lion Bob Kawakone, our club Secretary, was honored as the **OFFICER OF THE YEAR** for his commitment, and for lending his expertise in leading our club to winning five major awards for 2008 – 2009.



Lion Pat Naughton received the **DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR** award. Lion Pat was instrumental in maintaining our Lions Helping Lions program this year, responding to requests from our members.

One special request came from Lion Kinney Louie, for home maintenance. Over 15 Lions showed up to sweep his roof of leaves, scrub it down of mildew, clean his screens, windows

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WAIAKEA LIONS AWARDS & INSTALLATIONS BANQUET

BY LION PREXY ABE KUBO

and remove excess rubbish from his property. The spirit of our Lions Ohana really shined that day, and showed what Lionism was all about. Lion Kinney was so appreciative; he passed away a few months later.

The COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN OF THE YEAR award went to Lion William Lyman for co-



chairing our signature project for 2008 – 2009, our Christmas Party for children from our community.

Under Lion Bill's leadership, major changes were implemented such as holding the party during the afternoon instead of the evening. As a result, 97 children, and over fifty parents attended our party on December 7, 2008. Counting all Lions, CIS, Leos, children, parents and guests, there were 248 attendees - the largest attendance that we have had for any of our major projects.

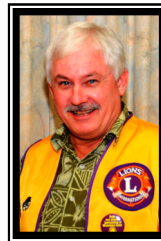
Lion Paul Sebala was awarded our DISTINGUISHED SERVICE award for his outstanding service during 2008 – 2009, serving



as chair for over ten major service activities and projects.

Lion Paul was also honored for his commitment, innovation, creativity and for doing things from his heart. He was always ready to lend a helping hand. Mahalo, Lion Paul, for a job well done.

Two Lions were singled out for **OUTSTANDING SERVICE awards**, and for always being available when needed. Congratulations to **Lions Sam Reynolds and Ken Rosene**.



Lion Charles "Chuck" Bolden, our Newsletter Editor, was awarded our BULLETIN EDITOR award – in recognition of creating an enjoyable publication that was recognized as the 3rd best in District 50 – Hawaii Lions.

Mahalo Lion Chuck, for your commitment in providing our club members the best possible news on a timely basis throughout the year.

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WAIAKEA LIONS AWARDS & INSTALLATIONS BANQUET

BY LION PREXY ABE KUBO

The final awards were **CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION** for 2008 – 2009, for Waiakea Lions who volunteered their time and energy whenever they were called upon. This epitomizes the true spirit of Lionism, and is why our club has placed in the top five for the last decade. **Mahalo to Lions Melvin Kunimoto, Cedric Mitsui, James Miyake, Kenneth Nakagawa and Kenneth Uemura.**

International Director Lion Maurice Kahawaili did the honors of installing Our 60th President, Ken Rosene and the rest of our officers and directors for Lion Year, 2009 – 2010.



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2009-2010 Awards & Installation Banquet photos
Courtesy of PID Lion Herbert Watanabe



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**THE WAIAKEA LIONS CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Michelle's Hale
July 7, 2009 Agenda Highlights**

Highlights of the first General Meeting of the 2009-2010 to be held July 7th, 2009 will include:

- ***Call to Order by Lion President Pro—Tem Lion Pat Naughton @ 6pm***
- Activation of the WLC Tail Twister: Lion Chuck Bolden
- Guest speaker—Larry Stevens (supervisor) Hale Oluea
- Proposed raising the annual dues from \$85 to \$90
- Leleiwi Beach Park sidewalk repair project
- American Cancer Society—Relay for Life Cleanup project
- Lions helping Lions project for Lion Prexy Abe Kubo
- Memorial service for Lion Poncho Murashige
- Treasurer's Report
- Annual Fund Fest Report as well as upcoming WLC Fund Fest organizational meeting
- Upcoming Guest speaker for next GM meeting
- WHS Leo Program Liaison report
- Public Service Committee Report
- Annual Membership drive
- Leadership & Activities/Projects, training schedule
- Unfinished Business
- Tail Twister's report
- Convention Report

If you know anyone that may be interested in becoming a Guest Speaker for an upcoming General Membership meeting, contact Lion Billy Lyman to get them on the speaking schedule or email to: waiakealions@yahoo.com

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JUNE 16TH, 2009 WLC CONCERNS ADDRESSED

BY 3RD VP LION BOB KAWAMOTO

On June 16, 2009, with 15 members in attendance at the Michelle's Hale restaurant, our club strengths and concerns were reviewed and our recommended solutions were ranked and the results recorded.

STRENGTHS

- Stable membership
- Sufficient number of active members (27)
- Adequate membership participation at our activities & projects
- Minimum of two new members being inducted annually
- Strong, supportive Leos group from WHS
- Strong supportive & active CIS group
- Strong & supportive group of Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts from Troop 19
- In-depth membership (qualities)
- Membership—Quality/Wide variety of resources
- Quality projects & activities
- Membership spent nearly 3600 hours doing community service
- WLC and it's membership spent over \$16,000 on community service
- Successful & sound fundraisers that adequately provides funds to meet our admin and activity expenses
- Strong in-depth leadership with a string of 59 presidents with no need to recycle
- Quality orientation system that assures timely orientation sessions for new members
- Strong retention program (minimum losses)
- Good Leadership training program that assures strong leadership
- Quality communications system with an award winning newsletter published every month
- Good Guest Speaker's program with a guest speaker scheduled at every GM meeting
- Membership Survey conducted every two years (to allow member input)
- Quality meetings with interesting agendas
- Good attendance with 85% attendance for 18 out of 24 GM meetings for 2008-2009
- Members encouraged to participate & serve as chairs
- Members encouraged to serve as an officer of the club
- WLC has a strong Sight Program
- WLC has a strong Youth Program
- WLC has a strong Service Program for the less fortunate in our community.

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LIONS CONNECTING ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB

BY LION CRAIG WATANABE

You've heard this question every day of your life from everybody younger than you, "***When are you gonna go online***" ONLINE? Just the sound of it sends feelings of frustration or anxiety running thru your veins. And now you're gonna hear it one more time...

Here's the pitch: The Internet really is well-suited for a more senior person who is slowly becoming less mobile in their lives. Yes it's a new-fangled form of whatever, but it's really as easy to learn as getting to know that new digital tuner that's sitting on your old analog TV set.

Once you've adapted to surfing online, here's some of the benefits you'll appreciate from it:

- The newspaper has been free online and you can read more than just the local Tribune Herald, such as the Honolulu Advertiser and the Star Bulletin as well as West Hawaii and the rest of the outer island and national newspapers like USA Today.
- Check out TV like you've never seen it before with HULU.com Missed a show on TV? Go to HULU.com and see those episodes right from your computer.

- Get up to date weather information whether you're in Hilo, Oahu or anywhere around the world you may be traveling to.

But the most intriguing part of the internet is being able to link up with fellow Lions from around the island, state, nation and internationally. There are websites devoted to LCI from YouTube, My Space, Twitter and Facebook.

What the heck are those ?

They're what are called online social networks where people of similar beliefs can meet online and share their stories. Kinda like a McDonalds for coffee but better. From these social networks I've been able to hook up with **Lion Man Rokka** from the **Nepal Lions Club in Kathmandu**, you know where the Himalayas are. He's the outgoing president of their district and we found each other while on Facebook. I'm putting together a story for a future issue of Ka Leo O Ka Liona. He tells me one of their projects is to build 60 libraries around Nepal.



Lion Man Rokka

Closer to home, you can visit the Dis-

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LIONS CONNECTING ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB

BY LION CRAIG WATANABE

trict 50's website at: hawaiilions.org where there are thousands of photos and hundreds of stories from Lions around our state. Our outgoing bulletin editor **Lion Chuck Bolden** has submitted stories from our club.

At District 50's website you'll find up to date information about Lion activities on all islands including newsletters from each club statewide including ours.

The internet opens doors for many of us who are aging who want to see more than the front yard of our homes. You don't have to wait for this issue to get vital club or district information.

If you can't make it to the meetings, most of the highlights are posted within a few days so you can respond to upcoming events before they happen.

If you want to learn more about what your kids already know, feel free to contact myself (Lion Craig Watanabe) and I can help you get better acquainted with the 21st century and all the marvels it has to offer.

My dad is almost 93-years old and has shown interest in wanting to go online. If he can do it, so can you.

every copy of this bulletin that is received online as opposed to being printed and mailed saves WLC money every year in printing and postage costs. Those monies can be better spent on projects we do every year, plus we'll save the trees and all the little animals that inhabit them.

Protect the Aina...go Online!

This month's LION "MOMENT OF HUMOR"

A Kahuna gave a talk to the Lions Club on sex. When he got home, he couldn't tell his wife that he had spoken about sex, so he said he had discussed horseback riding with the members. A few days later, she ran into some men at Michelle's Hale and they complimented her on the speech her husband had made. She said, "Yes, I heard. I was surprised about the subject matter, as he's only tried it twice. The first time he got so sore he could hardly walk, and the second time he fell off."

From: jokesiteexample.com

Another reason to go online? For

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LIONS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE/JULY 2009



Mauice Kahawaii—6/3/40

Paul Sebala—6/22/63

Patrick Ho—6/28/46

Rodney Oshiro—7/7/51

Walt Southward—7/16/36

Dan Landis—7/20/36

James Miyaki -7/26/49



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Simply send us your announcements, short stories, articles photos and videos
Collect points to get "Na Maka 'o Liona" pin of Aloha!
hawaiiions.org

The Na Maka 'o Liona pin

For more information on this pin check out District 50's website at: http://www.hawaiiions.org/content_d50_lion_pin.asp Called the Na Maka 'o Liona pin, this pin was created by Randy Shiroma of Aloha Marketing International. 35-points is all you need to get one. To find out more on how to obtain one of these beauties, go to www.hawaiiions.org for more information. I know Lion Chuck Bolden has one, ask him how he got it!



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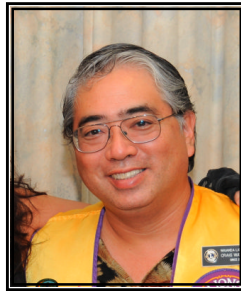


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EDITOR'S NOTE



Aloha Fellow Lions, CIS and Leos

I would like to invite all of you to come visit our new Waiakea Lions Club Blog site at: <http://waiakealionsclub.posterous.com/> for updated WLC information including highlights of your GM and BOD meetings. Don't forget there is a District 50 website that has everything you need to stay connected with activities with the Lions International and District 50 events and projects statewide you can visit this site at: <http://www.hawaiilions.org/> If you have stories, projects, events, schedules, photos or anything related to the Waiakea Lions Club or Region 7 (East Hawaii) that you'd like to see in an upcoming issue of Ka Leo O Ka Liona, send them to: waiakealions@yahoo.com attention Editor as an attachment.

As your incoming WLC newsletter editor for the 2009-2010 year, I would like to thank Lion Chuck Bolden for his help during this transition period, The July issue of Ka Leo O Ka Liona will be made available on our blogsite early July of this year. It will also be sent via attachment to your email inbox, however I suggest going to the blogsite to view it directly without having to log into your email client. It's faster and easier and you can download it there as well into a paper copy. Portions of the newsletter will be made available as well as GM and BOD meeting highlights as they are sent to me. The June 2nd and 9th GM highlights are already posted there and can be downloaded.

Mahalo,

Lion Craig Watanabe

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