

WAIKELE OHANA NEWS



Photo by Golf Club Estates Resident Ken Mijo

Waikēle residents and volunteers gathered for a bi-monthly clean up project on Saturday, August 16, 2014

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Aloha!

The new school year is well underway, and I hope that Waikele students and their families have exciting and positive experiences to look forward to this school year. The year 2014 has been exceptionally busy, and before we know it the holidays will be right around the corner.

I'm sure it is noted elsewhere in the Waikele Ohana News, but I need to add my congratulations to the Waikele Community Association on their beautiful, permanent office space on Pakela Street. It's a great location with beautiful grounds. I was so happy to join the WCA staff at the open house several weeks ago and to renew acquaintances with Association General Manager Malcolm Ching, Board members and staff as well as the many residents who stopped by to say aloha. The WCA is a tremendous resource for assuring that Waikele continues to be a great place to live.

Hawaii's close brush with major tropical storms in early August was a powerful reminder that we all need to be prepared for the unexpected. Even the public schools were closed for a day as a precaution. An inquiry several weeks ago from a Waikele resident brought to light some troubling circumstances about the ability of State Civil Defense to

adequately warn area residents about impending threats. His letter pointed out that Waikele has no warning sirens within the community and must rely on the siren across Kamehameha Highway in Crestview for emergency notifications. Further, he had not heard the siren at all on the designated test day.

In response to the Waikele concern, I contacted Adjutant General Daryll Wong who heads the department that administers State Civil Defense. The staff response noted that the nearby siren in Crestview had "a major malfunction and is not repairable," and thus was not in service on the July test day. As a result of my inquiry, Civil Defense conducted a review of their modernization and replacement schedule. They reported the following:

- The malfunctioning Crestview siren has now moved up to the "emergency repair" list and will be replaced no later than January 1, 2015 – within the next three months.
- More important, Civil Defense also noted that a new, dedicated siren for Waikele is scheduled to be installed at the Community Park in 2016.

The location of sirens close to or within residential neighborhoods is important for the safety and security for our communities. I will continue to monitor this matter to make sure the installation of the new siren in Waikele

remains on track.

Waikele residents who use Kamehameha Highway will be happy know that the long-awaited resurfacing of this much-travelled route is underway. The project includes repaving and safety improvements heading north from Ka Uka Boulevard in Waipio to the area just beyond Mililani. A little closer to home, the project to add an additional left turn lane from Lumiaina Street onto Kamehameha Highway received additional funding in the amount of \$355,000 so that work there can be completed. That project includes modifications to traffic signals to accommodate the new lane and assure that vehicles can move more quickly in and out of Waikele.

We have all been frustrated from time to time by the huge number of highway renewal projects currently underway. Here's a reminder that information about lane closures and the status of various projects is available online at <http://hidot.hawaii.gov>. Click on "Roadwork," and you'll find lots of up-to-date information to help you avoid getting tangled up in traffic.

Senator Michelle Kidani represents the 18th Senatorial District, including the communities of Waikele, Village Park, Royal Kunia, Waipio Gentry (above Waipio Uka) and Mililani Town. Senator Kidani's State Capitol office is in room 228, telephone 586-7100, email SenKidani@Capitol.Hawaii.gov.

W.A.V.E

Waikele Association Volunteer Efforts

By: Krysten Takahama

VOL-UN-TEER?

The dedication of the W.A.V.E. volunteer team never ceases to amaze me. Without question or expecting anything in return, W.A.V.E. volunteers give up portions of their Saturdays to help clean-up their community. Saturday, August 16, 2014 was no different – the volunteers cleaned landscape debris and picked up rubbish along Lumiaina Street fronting Signatures, Royal Pines, and Parkglen. Being the efficient volunteers that they are, they cleaned the whole vicinity within an hour and even had time to clean-up the Waikele Elementary School parking lot as a thank you to the school for allowing all of us to utilize their lot.

Thank you to everyone who constantly comes out to help! Your time and efforts do not go unnoticed, and I think this was reiterated to some of you on the 16th when a couple of homeowners stopped you mid-clean to thank you for cleaning. It is great to see that not only the WCA Staff appre-



ciates all of your efforts, but Waikele residents do as well. If you are interested in participating with our W.A.V.E. volunteer teams during bi-monthly clean-ups, please e-mail me at krysten@waikeleohana.com.

Join the Volunteer Team!

We are always welcoming new volunteers so please do not hesitate to contact me if you or anyone you know is interested in volunteering around the community! Volunteering is a great way to get active in your community as well as build lasting relationships with your neighbors. It is so great to witness the life-long friendships that have been formed between active volunteers who all have the same vision for Waikele.

We all have one goal in mind, and that is to keep Waikele the beautiful community that you all love living in! I look forward to hearing from current and new volunteers alike via e-mail at krysten@waikeleohana.com. Again, I hope you all have a fabulous holiday season! Enjoy time spent with your family and friends!





Notes from Ron

Councilmember Ron Menor

I am continuing to work with the Waikele Community Association (WCA) to address concerns about the vacant parcel of land on Lumiauu Street adjacent to the Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park (CORP). As you recall, several nearby homes were threatened by a number of recent brush fires.

The Honolulu Fire Department took down a portion of the wrought iron fence in order to access the brush fires but did not repair it. Residents used the opening in the fence to access the area for exercise purposes, although it is not designated as a walking or jogging path. I contacted the City which made the necessary repairs to the fence.

I also invited Michele Nekota, the City's new Director of the Department of Parks & Recreation, to visit the site and meet with Malcolm Ching and a Waikele resident whose home and property were damaged by the last brush fire. We discussed a possible partnership between the City and WCA that would make improvements to the vacant property, a portion of which serves as a retention basin

for CORP. As a result of the meeting, WCA agreed to begin drafting a proposal for improvements to the property which will be implemented in conjunction with the City.

Over the past year, my office has worked hard to forward constituents' complaints and concerns involving traffic safety, sidewalk improvements and other issues to the appropriate City departments. For example, I contacted the City administration on behalf of a Waikele resident who raised safety concerns at the intersection of Lumiauu and Aoku streets. According to the constituent, motorists who exit Aoku Street onto Lumiauu Street must proceed out into the intersection because their view is blocked by parked cars along Lumiauu Street. As a result, there have been several near-accidents. To eliminate this blind spot, the constituent suggested that parking be restricted on Lumiauu Street at the intersection with Aoku Street. The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) investigated the intersection and is willing to consider parking restrictions, but would first like the input of the Waipahu Neighborhood Board before proceeding with this issue. I will continue to

work with Waikele residents on this important matter. I am also working on getting the Division of Urban Forestry to remove two shower trees planted on Lumiauu Street near Hanina Street which is causing a lot of debris which are clogging the drainage inlets and causing a nuisance to residents.

Lastly, I'd like to wish all of you the very best in the coming school year. On a related note, the Council adopted Resolution 14-149 CD1, which extends the student fee-based U-Pass Project to provide bus passes for undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Hawaii-Manoa campus. This resolution would benefit students from Waikele who commute to UH via TheBus. I encourage you to take advantage of this bus pass, which costs \$30 for the entire Fall 2014 semester and was included as part of student fees. For questions, call the UH Ticket & Information Office at 956-7235.

In closing, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your councilmember. I will continue to work hard to address concerns raised by the community, so please feel free to contact me at 768-5009 or via email at rmenor@honolulu.gov. For an update on my Council activities, please log on to: www.facebook.com/RonMenorHawaii.

ARRIVE ALIVE

By: Krysten Takahama

to promote pedestrian safety in front of the school where many of our keiki utilize the crosswalks. If you would like to participate in this sign waving event, please e-mail me at krysten@waikeleohana.com.



Did you know that Hawaii is the only state in the nation with a month (August) dedicated to pedestrian safety? According to statistics, a pedestrian is killed in a traffic crash in the U.S. every 2 hours. If you could play a role in promoting pedestrian safety, would you? Well, that's exactly what WCA volunteers, Walk Wise Hawaii, and HPD Community Policing Team (CPT) did on August, 18, 2014. We all bound together and waved signs along Lumiaina Street fronting the Waikele Park for about an hour to raise pedestrian awareness and driver safety. While the time spent waving signs was short, everyone felt it made a big difference in encouraging drivers and passerbys alike to be aware of their surroundings and to be mindful of one another.

We will be holding another sign waving event in coordination with Walk Wise Hawaii, HPD CPT, and the Waikele Elementary School on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 along Lumiaina Street fronting the school. It is very important to all of us



Talk Story with Ryan

Representative Ryan Yamane



Aloha,

I hope you and your family are doing well! Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you and our community in the Hawaii State House of Representatives. I would like to take this opportunity to update you on what I have been working on since the beginning of this 2014 Legislative Session.

District and Legislative News

The Department of Education recently shared with me its list of upcoming repair and maintenance projects coming to our Waikele community schools, these projects will be performed between now and July 2015.

- Waikele Elementary: Expansion of parking lot \$100,000
 - Waikele Elementary: Additional play ground and walkways \$500,000
 - Waikele Elementary: Air conditioning system improvements \$2,000,000
 - Waipahu Intermediate: Reroofing for B Building \$275,000
 - Waipahu Intermediate: Reroofing for D building and gutter replacement \$20,000
 - Waipahu High: Electrical upgrade for Admin building \$25,000
 - Waipahu High: Reroofing of portable buildings \$60,000
 - Waipahu High: Electrical upgrades for H, G, Q buildings \$60,000
- Total Maintenance Funds to Waikele community schools: \$3,040,000**

At the Legislature, we also included additional projects to benefit the Waikele community in the coming years. Included in the 2013-2015 State Budget are the following projects:

- Waikele Elementary: School library and digital media expansion \$400,000
- Waikele Elementary: Construction of a performing arts stage in the Cafeteria \$500,000
- Waipahu High: Gym renovations of showers and restrooms \$400,000
- Waipahu High: Construction of a retaining wall behind the school \$800,000
- Waipahu High: Construction of a new classroom building \$1,200,000
- Waipahu High: Campus-wide electrical upgrade \$2,000,000
- Waipahu High: Construction of new stadium turf field with all-weather track \$5,500,000
- Kamehameha Highway: Repaving from Lumiauu St., Waikele to Mililani \$8,000,000
- H-1 Freeway Waikele On-ramp and Off-ramp: Resurfacing and repaving \$1,500,000
- H-1 Freeway P.M. Contraflow: Construction from Radford Dr. to Waikele offramp

\$55,000,000

Total funds on behalf of the Waikele community in this year's State Budget:

\$75,300,000

I am very happy the Department of Education will be following the requests of our principals and the Legislature to maintain our schools by performing these important projects. I will continue to represent our community's and school's needs with state officials to perform the many projects we included in this year's State Budget.

Bill on Behalf of Waikele Community Comes Law

One bill I would like to highlight was a bill I introduced on behalf of the Waikele community. In response to Waikele's recent and deadly explosive fire from fireworks stored in an old underground military bunker near Waikele Elementary School, I worked with the Honolulu fire Department to craft HB 1664.

This bill, now signed into law as Act 11, ensures the safety of the general public and the first responder community by defining standards in the Fireworks Control Law for "permanent" and "temporary" fireworks storage facilities based on national standards for safety to protect life and property, while requiring these newly designated "permanent" and "temporary" fireworks storage buildings to comply with local codes and our national standards. With this law, I sincerely hope our community and State does not suffer from

similar fire hazards and accidents like our Waikele community has endured.

Queen's West Oahu Now Open

I am delighted to bring you news that the new Queen's Medical Center West Oahu is now open!

Queen's West Oahu opened on May 20th, 2014; and on their first day of serving patients EMS officials reported to me that they transported over 110 patients to the new hospital by ambulance.

Only a ten-minute drive from Waikele, the new Queen's West Oahu will retain its position as a general medical hospital, providing general core services such as: emergency, diagnostics and treatment, cardiac, orthopedics, and gastroenterology. Many improvements were made to the facility, including major upgrades to the ER department and updated technologies were added.

Due to the fast growing population rise in the Leeward area, I am very thankful for the addition of Queen's West Oahu as a local hospital to serve our community.

With My Warmest Aloha

Representative Ryan Yamane

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Representative Ryan Yamane represents District 37 which includes the communities of Waikele, Waipi'o Gentry, and Mililani. He has served in the State of Hawaii House of Representative since 2005 and is serving as the Chairman of the House Committee on Transportation.



Go Green Day with Waikele Elementary

Thanks to Mr. Sheldon Oshio and Ms. Arnie Kailiawa of Waikele Elementary School for including me in our community's "Go Green Day". I enjoyed meeting the parents and students who volunteered their time to help Waikele recycle and "go green". Mahalo for taking care of our 'aina.

I am dedicated to working hard to serve you. Please feel free to contact me anytime by phone or email if you need any assistance and mahalo for your continued support.



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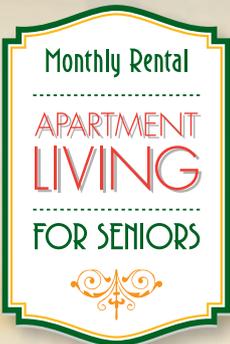
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MANAGER'S MEMO
by Malcolm C.C. Ching, General Manager

There are many benefits of living within a planned community such as Waikele.

Residents that purchase a home in Waikele automatically become members of the homeowners association and are then required to pay association dues. But what exactly does your dues pay for? One person recently told me on the phone that "They pay us (WCA) association dues every month and therefore it is our job to maintain the entire Waikele and take care of every problem in the community." The fact is that homeowner associations can do quite a bit to make community living enjoyable, but not all problems are the responsibility of the association.

Maintenance & Repair

The major role of the Homeowners Association (HOA) is to collect dues to cover the expenses of maintaining the common areas. The majority of common area in Waikele is landscaping. Therefore a good portion of the collected dues go towards landscape maintenance which includes tree trimming, mowing the grass easements, cleaning out the vegetation, irrigation and repair of miles of irrigation piping throughout the community.

Administration

Dues also pay for the hiring of association staff which conduct covenant enforcement, processing modification permits, maintaining homeowner records, facilitating meetings, paying the bills, doing the quarterly newsletter, and organizing community volunteer groups and events.

Utilities and Insurance

The association also is required to carry a certain amount of insurance which is covered by association dues. Utilities such as water and electricity are constant cost that continue to rise each year.

Volunteer Groups

Waikele also has one of the most successful volunteer groups in the state called W.A.V.E (Waikele Association Volunteer Efforts). This group conducts bi-monthly beautification projects in the community. Dues help to support the efforts of this team by providing T-shirts, cleaning equipment, and refreshments.

In addition to these expenses, the Waikele Community Association also puts on a Easter Egg Hunt in April and a Winter Wonderland Ice skating event every other year at no cost to homeowners. We also have a Community Safety Team (CST) that patrols the community to address safety concerns and help expedite removal of abandoned vehicles.

However, there are many areas within our community that are not under the jurisdiction of the homeowners association. These areas include the City and County roadways and parks, the fire station, the Waikele Country Club, the elementary school, the shopping center, and the Board of Water Supply substations. Association dues to not pay for maintaining these entities nor does the WCA have any authority over them because they are not members of the Waikele association.

Since 1991, the Waikele Community Association has been the recipient of several landscaping awards and recognized for being one of the few communities in the state with having graffiti under control. Crime stats also show Waikele as having the lowest crime rate within the district and the real estate market show that Waikele homes continue to maintain some of the highest property values.. Of course, Waikele is not crime free, graffiti free, or problem free. There are still many more improvement projects that need to be done in the coming years, however it is your association dues that are helping to keep Waikele the premier planned community in the state.

Association Dues Trivia: "How much were the WCA Association dues back in 1991?"

Answer: When the Waikele development began in 1991, the association dues were set at \$35 a month. Today the association dues are about \$38 per month. That is less than a half percent increase per year over the past twenty years.

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BARKING DOGS

We often receive complaints from our residents regarding barking dogs in their neighborhood. Here in the City & County of Honolulu, it is against the law for a dog to bark constantly for 10 minutes, or for 30 minutes on and off unprovoked. Barking is a way for dogs to communicate their thoughts, feelings, and needs to their owners. Below are some helpful tips that we found at HawaiianHumane.org.

Dogs may bark for the following reasons:

1. To notify you of potential danger or something out of the ordinary.
2. To fend off a perceived aggressor or trespasser.
3. To let you know that he or she is bored, needs exercise, and attention or is feeling lonely.
4. To tell you he or she is hurt or scared.
5. To advise that he or she is hungry or thirsty.
6. To join other dogs barking nearby.

Helpful Tips:

1. **Effective & Positive Training**
 - a. Use positive reinforcement with praise and treats.
 - i. Reinforce good behaviors by saying "Good dog – quiet"
2. **Anti-Bark Collars**
 - a. Citronella anti-bark collars work by dispensing a spritz of scent that's considered unpleasant to dogs. This interrupts their barking. The collars can be purchased from or loaned to you by the Humane Society.
 - b. Shock collars are not recommended and may cause pain and create other behavioral problems.
3. **Exercise**
 - a. Dogs that need to exercise often bark to release tension; tired ones rarely bark excessively.
 - b. You can help by enjoying a long walk together before you leave home. Or make it a part of your daily routine to visit a community dog park.
4. **Dogs Left Home Alone**
 - a. Below are some tips to help keep your dog comfortable and quiet when you are away:
 - i. Housing your dog indoors with treat filled toys and a radio help fight boredom.
 - ii. Install a pet door for indoor/outdoor access.
 - iii. Create comfortable quarters in the garage, backyard or other areas – away from traffic and distractions.
 - iv. If you must keep your dog outdoors try to install a solid fence material so that he/she cannot easily view distraction.

And last but not least, be a good neighbor. A good relationship with your neighbor helps to prevent and resolve barking issues. Ask neighbors if they ever hear your dog barking. They will appreciate the concern and be more likely to let you know before it becomes an issue. When you change schedules, move, or get new pets, let your neighbors know.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

by Denton Chun, Secretary, Waikele Community Association



Aloha Waikele Neighbors, My name is Denton Chun, and I am currently serving as Secretary of the Waikele Community Association (WCA) and I am honored to be given an opportunity share with you the welcome message in this month's edition of the WCA newsletter. I was fortunate to be elected to become a member of the Board of Directors 3 years ago, after attending several General Meetings, participation in the TAAG Team and the Green Team. As a resident of Waikele of 17 years, I am pleased to be able to serve this terrific community. Serving on the board allows me to be more in touch with our residents, being able to meet our neighbors, listen to their concerns and continuing to find ways to continue and maintain in having Waikele one of the best (if not the best) planned community in the State.

We are very ecstatic and excited about WCA's new office. Should you have any issues or concerns such as.. modifications to your home, obtaining permits, Bulky Item pickup, how to be part of the "Waikele Wave"...our new office is located at 94-970 Pakela Street, just off Waikele Elementary School.

The season of summer is now coming to an end and the wonderful colors of autumn will soon be upon us. Soon, many of the leaves from the trees in our neighborhood will fall and accumulate. Although our landscapers, Fred Lau and Associates have done a fabulous job in maintaining Waikele, to be one of the best planned community in appearance, it would be the Green Team, (now Waikele Wave) to spring into action, and help beatify Waikele, with planned Community Clean-up dates. Come to the new WCA office for information how you can be a part of the action.

Did you see the major renovations happening now at the Waikele Premium Outlets? Big time construction is going on now to make way for a new BIG and brighter shopping experience. Until the dust has settled, please kokua and pardon the inconvenience as the transformation is done, to add a more tropical and paradise appearance...

On August 18, Waikele residents participated in another CTAP (Community Traffic Awareness Program) project, in partnership with HPD and other local officials. This traffic awareness project is to bring light of the dangers of speeding and being aware of our surroundings, the dangers of texting and driving. School is now in session, and please be mindful of kids walking to and walking home from school.

The Modifications Committee continues to do hard work maintaining the integrity, appearance and value of our Waikele neighborhood, by assuring that modifications made on individual's home comply with all rules and regulations set forth within guidelines of Waikele Community Association.

Lastly, let's take an opportunity to thank the Waikele Posse and the CST Patrol. Crime statistics have decreased and it's great to see residents coming together with energy and excitement to be the eyes and ears of the community. CST and HPD can't do it alone, so we all need to do our part to continue to make Waikele as one of the lowest crime district. Whenever you see HPD patrolling the neighborhood, thank them for keeping our residents and property safe for our families.

Until we meet again –
A hui hou kakou

EDUCATIONAL CLASSES

by Krysten Takahama

Sign-Up for Educational Classes

The Waikele Community Association will be offering FREE educational classes throughout the year! We would love to build a big database with educational seekers, so we would like to hear from you on what kinds of things you would like to learn about. Don't feel too pressured, we've got several topics for you to consider, including: PV/solar installation, plumbing, landscaping, HPD issues, modification information, and retirement plans. It is important to us to continually educate ourselves and our homeowners! Please e-mail us topics you're interested in learning about.

We'll be bringing in the big guns! Professional speakers will be present to provide hour long educational seminars and light refreshments will also be served! So please, come one, come all! We'd love to have you join our never-ending educational journey. If you are interested in being put on an e-mail list to

receive up-to-date information on when these classes will be held, please e-mail your information to krysten@waikeleohana.com.

Crime and Safety Presentation

We held our first educational class on Saturday, July 12, 2014 on the topic of Crime and Safety. Guest speakers included the Honolulu Police Department and a deputy prosecutor who discussed crime happening in the Waikele district and the process by which criminals go through after an arrest is made. HPD also offered kupuna IDs to anyone who was interested in obtaining one.

The presentation was so successful that we are thinking about bringing that topic back for anyone who might've missed the first one. For now, we are working on putting together another class for any interested homeowner to attend. The topic and date of the presentation are TBA. Please e-mail the office for further information.

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October 13 – Columbus Day

November 11 – Veteran's Day

November 27 – Thanksgiving

November 28 – Employee

Appreciation Day

December 25 – Christmas Day

WCA MEETINGS*

& UPCOMING EVENTS

Modifications Committee Meeting

October 8, 2014

November 6, 2014

December 4, 2014

Board of Directors Meeting

October 2, 2014

Waikele's 15th annual Winter Wonderland

December 7, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.



Please join us at our 15th annual Winter Wonderland! The event will be held on Sunday, December 7, 2014 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Ice Palace in Aiea Stadium Mall. Enjoy ice skating, door prizes and pics with Santa!

Covenants Corner

by Natasha Nagatoshi, Covenants Specialist



Aloha Homeowners, Waikele

Happy Holidays! I hope all of you had a fun filled relaxing summer! This year has been very busy for the WCA. As an Association we have been a part of many community events and projects here in Waikele.

As the holiday season approaches, I just wanted to provide you with a few suggestions and rule reminders to help make your holiday season more enjoyable!

Holiday Decorations

Temporary holiday or special event decorations are exempted and need not be submitted for approval provided that they are installed no sooner than thirty (30) days before the holiday or event and are removed no later than fifteen (15) days after the holiday or event.

- All Halloween Decorations must be removed by November 15, 2014.
- All Christmas decorations must be removed no later than January 15, 2015.

Party Tents and Temporary Structures

During this holiday season there will be many parties in our community and many of you will be using tents to accommodate these events. A remind that all party tents are allowed to be up for a period of no more than 4 days (blue tarps may not be used for temporary structures) and if you plan to use the tent again or need it up longer than 4 days, please notify our office at 676-1991.

Christmas Tree Disposal

Christmas trees may be disposed of using

the Honolulu City & County green recycling bin. Trees of all sizes must be broken up, placed in the green recycling bin, and placed on the curbside only on the day of scheduled pick-up. Decorations, such as tinsel and ornaments must be removed from the tree completely. For easy drop off, Waipahu Convenience Center will be accepting Christmas trees.

Location: Waipahu Depot Road, near the Honolulu Police Academy

Hours of Operation: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily (closed on Christmas and New Year's Day)

Phone: 676-8878

Honolulu City & County Refuse Schedule

- **Monday** – Regular trash pick-up
- **Thursday** – (alternate) Green Waste pick-up (Green Bin) and Recycling (Blue Bin)
- **2nd Wednesday of every Month** – Bulky Item Collection (Items may be placed curb side no earlier than the night before your scheduled bulky item pick up day and must be removed by the Monday following your scheduled bulky item pick up day).

Also as a reminder there will be no Green Waste (Green Bin) or Recycling pick up (Blue Bin) on Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25, 2014 or New Years Day, Thursday, January 1, 2015.

Please keep in mind that these rules and regulations are in place to help protect your property and the community as a whole. If I can be of any assistance in answering any of your concerns or questions regarding the community rules and regulations, please do not hesitate to contact me by email: Natasha@WaikeleOhana.com, or by phone: 676-1991.

WAIKELE PARK NEWS

Boy Scouts Troop 263 Landscape Beautification Project

By: Edwina Lau

The Scout Leaders and families of Troop 263, chartered by The Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints Kapolei Ward in the Makakilo Stake, beautified the landscape in the Waikele Community Park parking lot on March 1, 2014. 4 Adult Scout Leaders, 6 Scouts, and 2 family members volunteered a total of more than 40 man-hours on a Saturday afternoon. They were able to remove small branches growing out of the trunks of the Singapore Orchid Trees and filled more than 20 trash bags with fallen leaves and debris. On the scouting.org website Scout Master Paul Dulan, Jr. said "We're very grateful for this opportunity to serve. We were planning to come rain or shine!" The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by

instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Thank you to all of the volunteers: Scout Leaders: P. Dulan Jr., M. Kaonohi, J. Porter, P. Soma; Boy Scouts: K. Kane, T. Iese, I. Iese, M. Toelupe, W. Porter, E. Kelii; and Family Members: K. Dulan and R. Porter.



MODIFICATIONS IOI

by Krysten Takahama, Administrative Assistant

Just a reminder to homeowners wishing to modify their homes: anything done to the exterior of your home MUST get Waikele Community Association (WCA) approval. We require you to fill out an "Application for Approval of Modifications, Additions, or Improvements"—this form can be obtained from the WCA office or by logging onto www.WaikeleOhana.com.

Photovoltaic Application Process

With HECO speeding up their approval process to hook up PV systems to their grid, so comes the influx of photovoltaic applications to the Waikele Community Association office. The permitting and processing of the application is fairly simple so long as all of the correct documents are submitted. Please see the following helpful info bullets. They detail everything you need to know about submitting a PV application, including the documents you need to submit in order to gain a WCA permit...

- There is NO fee for a photovoltaic application
- Submit a completed and signed application
- Submit a roof plan/plot plan showing where the panels will be installed on the roof
- Submit a brochure on the type of panel and micro-inverter, if any, to be installed
- Submit a copy of the approved DPP Building Permit from the City and County

If one, or more, of the abovementioned documents are missing at time of application submission, the WCA will be unable to grant you a permit. ALL documents must be submitted before processing the application. The Administrative Assistant is more than happy to work with you and your solar company to obtain all of the necessary documents for PV installation.

Please remember that you are not allowed to do any modification to your home without obtaining WCA approval first. The turnaround time for PV application approval is generally

short, but it is highly recommended you turn in your application and supporting documents a month ahead of date of installation to allow yourself ample time in case any additional documents are missing (which will hinder the application process).

*Please keep a few things in mind in regards to the permit process and the permit itself:

1) The Modifications Committee meets the first Thursday of every month. If you feel that you need to explain your plans further and would like to attend the meeting, please call the office at (808) 676-1991 or e-mail info@waikeleohana.com to be put onto the meeting agenda.

- 1a) To have your application and plans reviewed at the meeting, ALL documents must be submitted to the WCA no later than 12 p.m. the day before
- 2) The permit approval process for any modification can take anywhere from 1 to 6 weeks upon date of receipt of the application.
- 3) If your plans were disapproved by the Committee, you will be allowed to revise your plans and resubmit to the WCA (within 30 days) without an added application processing fee.
- 4) You are NOT allowed to perform any work to the exterior of your home until you receive your permit from the WCA.
- 5) Permits last for 120 days (4 months) if you need an extension, please call the office to request one—this is to be done when your permit is set to expire.
- 6) Deviations from your approved plans will null and void your permit—corrective action will be necessary to bring the modification into compliance.
- 7) Attached to each permit is a "Modification Completion Form." It is the homeowner's responsibility to fill out the form correctly upon completion of the project and to return it (via mail, fax, or in person) to the WCA office.



Hanalani Schools



Open House!

Oct. 25 - 12:00-5:00pm
Mar. 14 - 8:00am-1:00pm

Meet Teachers

Teachers & administrators will be available to answer questions, show you their classrooms, & share the many benefits available to your child.

Personal Tours

Current students & Admissions Associates will be giving tours. We encourage you to ask questions as you tour our spacious 6-acre campus.

Food & Fun

Enjoy complimentary snacks or purchase a delicious plate lunch & shave ice from one of our vendors. A bounce house will help your keiki burn off excess energy!

Robotics Demo

Hanalani has a championship robotics team. We are 5-time regional champs and have been international champs 2 times. Come and see first hand why we are successful.



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WAIKELE'S 15TH ANNUAL *Winter Wonderland Event*

Join us for a Christmas celebration at the Ice Palace, Aiea Stadium Mall on **Sunday, December 7th** from 6:30-9:30PM. **Enjoy ice skating, door prizes and pictures with Santa!**



This is a **PRIVATE EVENT, open to Waikēle residents only.** Space is limited to a maximum of 550 guests and tickets will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.



Please RSVP to the Waikēle Community Association at **676-1991** or via email at krysten@waikēleohana.com BEFORE November 24, 2014

When calling or emailing to RSVP for the event please include the following information:

1. Name
2. Address
3. Phone Number
4. Neighborhood You Live In
5. Number of Adults and Children Attending

We look forward to seeing you at the Ice Palace on December 7, 2014



What's Happening

By Krysten Takahama, Administrative Assistant

Hello Everyone! As we are nearing a close to 2014, I just wanted to take this time out to thank you all for being such great homeowners; it has been such a pleasure working with and getting to know a lot of you. I hope you all have a happy, healthy, and memorable holiday season! Before closing this newsletter, take a look at a few things that have been happening in the community these past couple of months

Time Well Spent



The curbsides looking immaculate as best you can! Our staff and landscapers are thoroughly impressed with the amount of landscape debris you pick-up each time you go out to clean. Bravo!

The WCA Staff would like to send out a big mahalo to Waikele residents Fred Ota and Albert Galanta for going out on their own time to clean lower Lumiauau Street. We cannot thank you enough for your persistent efforts in keeping



Permits

For all homeowners who have received approval for a home modification from the Association, please remember to post your green permit somewhere that is visible from the street throughout construction or installation. Once issued, the permit is valid for 120 days. Many homeowners are not aware that our office can offer to "freeze" your permit or grant an extension if your project is delayed. If your modification has been stalled for any reason, or if you cannot complete construction within the 120 days, please do not hesitate to contact our office to notify us of the situation.

Courtesy House Checks

Planning a trip can be stressful enough without the added worry of leaving your

home empty and unguarded for days. The WCA is happy to offer "Courtesy House Checks" for our Waikele residents. If you are going to be away for a period of time, notify our office with your dates of absence and emergency contact information, and our very own Community Safety Team (CST) officers will perform routine drives through your neighborhood, checking for any suspicious activity. Planning on having friends or neighbors stop by to water plants or feed your pets? Let us know, and we will inform CST so they can identify suspicious intruders from expected guests. Take the extra step to keep your home safe - it's worth it!

City and County Problem Report

www1.honolulu.gov/csd/publiccom/fixit.htm

Have you ever noticed a burnt out or flickering street light, fallen street sign or gaping pothole in the Waikele community and wondered when the City is going to get around to fixing it? Chances are, they haven't been alerted to the concern yet. You can change that! Now it is easier than ever to report problems like these to City & County for further action. Visit the website above or if you have a smart phone download the app "Honolulu 311" to submit a brief description of the problem, photo and its location, and the report is passed on to the appropriate department. It only takes a few minutes. On the many occasions I've submitted a report to the site, I've received a response within a few days to update me on the status of the repair. The next time you see a problem in Waikele that falls under City & County jurisdiction, take note of the details and submit a report to the above website. Your community will thank you for it!

Did You Know?

The Waikele Community Association provides logo window decals for your vehicle so that patrolling officers can determine who is and who is not a Waikele resident. Stop by our office to pick up your decal!

For more information, or if you have any questions regarding any of the topics discussed in our newsletters, please do not hesitate to call our office or visit our website at www.waikeleohana.com.



Waikele Community Association

Frequently Called Numbers

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Abandoned Vehicles.....	532-7700
Associa Hawaii.....	836-0911
Board of Water Supply.....	748-5000
Bulky Trash Items.....	768-3200
C&C Facility & Maintenance	
(Pothole hotline).....	768-7777
(Roads, traffic signs & markings, Bridges, streams, flood control systems, City buildings & office facilities, City vehicles & heavy equipment, parks, Streetlights, etc.)	
768-3343	
C&C Mayor's Complaint Office....	768-4141
C&C Street Light Maintenance....	768-5300
C&C Tree Maintenance.....	971-7151
Deceased Animal Pickup.....	768-9780
(C&C Roads only - Waikele) OR.....	768-9781
Hawaiian Electric Co.....	548-7311
HECO Security Department	
(graffiti).....	543-7685
HECO Security Captain	
(Willard Gilbert).....	543-4491
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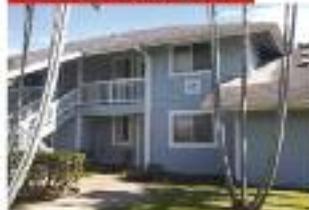
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