

# HUI LIMA KOKUA HAWAII CLUB NEWSLETTER

## MAY (MEI) 2005

**Next Meeting.** (a) The next monthly potluck dinner meeting will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Oxnard American Legion Hall located at 2639 Wagon Wheel Road starting 6:30 pm. For the program we will be playing games with chances to win prizes from **Ron Wong's** bag of goodies. **Ron** would not divulge the games we will be playing so be prepared for anything. Also, we will be finishing the fun fur leis that many started last month. Bring your finished and/or unfinished leis to the meeting. Y'all are also encouraged to wear your club shirts. If you don't have one, **Gerry Wong** will have some available for sale at \$12. (b) The Ohana Kakou Hawaiian Club from San Fernando Valley is inviting us to a picnic on May 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday, from 10 AM to ?? at Dearborn Park, 17141 Nordhoff Street, between Balboa & Louise. The picnic will be in the back of the park on Wish and Prairie Streets. Ohana Kakou will furnish the main dish (BBQ and hot dogs) and punch. Everybody should bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Also bring chairs, mats, ukulele, guitar, music, etc. Enjoy a day of fun, talk story, relaxation and make new friends. To get to Dearborn Park from HWY #118, get off at Balboa and head south, go to Prairie St., turn right, go to Wish St. Picnic will be at the corner of Prairie and Wish Streets.

**Past Meeting.** (a) After our potluck dinner on April 9<sup>th</sup>, **Carmen Postrzech** from the San Fernando Valley Ohana Kakou Hawaiian Club taught us how to make fun fur leis. I was very impressed by the leis made by our membership. **Carmen** did a wonderful job in teaching us. Mahalo! If you missed our last meeting and don't know what a fun fur lei looks like, visit our website: [www.huilimakokua.com](http://www.huilimakokua.com). (Please bookmark it).

**Membership News.** (a) The membership roster is being sent to all members. Please verify your name, address, etc. and report discrepancies to **Ron Wong** or me. (b) If any member has a son/daughter graduating from high school this year, please notify **Ron** so that we can award him/her with a graduating gift.

**Hawaiian/Local Tidbits.** (a) The annual Northridge Hoolaulea (Hawaiian Festival) will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at Northridge Park, 10058 Reseda Blvd, Northridge, one block south of Devonshire Street. The hours are from 10 am to about 6 pm. All kinds of Hawaiian food (lau lau, kalua pork, hot malasadas, shave ice, boiled peanuts, ono plate lunches, Okinawa dango, etc.) will be available for sale along with Hawaiian style boutiques. There will be continuous Hawaiian entertainment. Come early and bring low back chair, blanket or straw mat if you want to sit under the tarp or near the front of the stage. Admission is free. (b) I was looking at the results of last month's Miss Aloha competition of the Merrie Monarch Hula Festival held in Hilo. The winner was a cute, young dancer, **Maile Francisco**. She has a Hawaiian middle name with 38 letters. It started with a "K" followed by 37 letters plus three okinas (apostrophe-like thingies). How would you like to be saddled with a name like that? Placing second in the Miss Aloha competition was **Jeri-Lynn Koko**, daughter of **Jerome Koko** of the Makaha Sons. (c) **Greg Librando** will be conducting a six week (Saturday) ukulele class during the summer at Ventura College starting in July. (d) A "Hula Anyone?" program will be held at the Lobero Theater in Santa Barbara on May 28 (Saturday) at 5:30 pm and May 29 (Sunday) at 2 pm. Ticket cost is \$27.50. Contact **Loesje Akau** for tickets.

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### HOW CAN YOU LIVE ON WITHOUT KNOWING THESE THINGS?

Many years ago, in Scotland, a new game was invented. It was ruled "Gentlemen Only...Ladies Forbidden"...and thus the word GOLF entered into the English language.

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The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV was Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

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Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the US Treasury.

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Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

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Coca-Cola was originally green.

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It is impossible to lick your elbow.  
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The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska  
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The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% (now get this...)

The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%  
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The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$6,400  
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The average number of people airborne over the US any given hour: 61,000  
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Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.  
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The first novel ever written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.  
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The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.  
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Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

Spades - King David

Hearts - Charlemagne

Clubs - Alexander, the Great

Diamonds - Julius Caesar  
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If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air the person died as a result of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.  
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Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4th, John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.  
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Q. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?

A. Their birthplace  
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Q. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?

A. Obsession  
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Q. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter "A"?

A. One thousand  
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Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common?

A. All invented by women.  
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Q. What is the only food that doesn't spoil?

A. Honey  
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Q. Which day are there more collect calls than any other day of the year?

A. Father's Day  
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In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase..... "goodnight, sleep tight."  
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It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month ... which we know today as the honeymoon.  
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In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts... So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them "Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down." It's where we get the phrase "mind your P's and Q's"  
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Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When

they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. "Wet your whistle" is the phrase inspired by this practice.

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At least 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow