

# HUI LIMA KOKUA HAWAII CLUB NEWSLETTER

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**Website:** [www.huilimakoua.com](http://www.huilimakoua.com).

**Next Meeting.** (a) The next monthly meeting will be our Halloween dinner-meeting to be held on October 8th at the American Legion Hall located at 2639 Wagon Wheel Road, Oxnard, starting at 6:30 pm. Stew, rice and drinks will be furnished by the new board members. Members may bring a side dish (salad or dessert) if you wish. For the program we will have a Halloween paper sack mask decoration contest (made at home). Also we are encouraging members to share Hawaiian ghost or supernatural or eerie stories at the meeting. (b) Our November Thanksgiving potluck luncheon-meeting will be held on November 12 starting at noon in Ventura. Stay tuned for the exact location.

**Past Meeting.** (a) A last minute change in the meeting place to the Oriental House Restaurant in Oxnard was made due to the unavailability of the American Legion Hall on September 10th. We had a good turnout for the election-installation-casino night meeting. Congratulations to the following newly elected officials: President: **Darrin Ching**; 1VP: **Ken Reade**; 2VP Open; Treasurer: **Ron Wong**; C. Secretary: **Mike Nakamura**; R. Secretary: **Patty Grossman**; Advisor: **Gerry Wong**. **David and Kay Paisley** installed the new officers (see the photo album in the website for a group picture of the officers). We are looking for someone to volunteer as the 2VP. If interested please contact **Darrin**. Congratulations also to the following outgoing officers who did a great job: **Mario Castroni and Len Peterson**. (b) Top winners for the casino program were **Mike and Kay Nakamura, Trudy Cook, Travis and Celeste Harrelson, and Melanie Higa**. Every family took home a prize from **Ron's** goody bag.

**Membership News.** (a) We are looking for someone to chair our upcoming Christmas Program to include purchasing and wrapping Christmas gifts for children of Club members. This potluck-meeting will be held on December 10. The chairperson will be charged half the annual dues for next year. If interested, contact **Darrin**. (b) Now is the time to pay your dues for the new fiscal year. Dues are \$20 and \$15 for families and individuals respectively. Pay the dues to **Ron Wong** at the next meeting or send the check (made out to "Hui Lima Kokua") to him at 392 Tulane Avenue, Ventura, CA 93003. (c) The Hui has applied to work a booth at the 41st Point Mugu Air Show on October 22 and 23, 2005. If our application is accepted, be prepared to work both of those days. We will let you know as soon as we get the word. The Air Show will feature the "Blue Angels," the Navy's premiere Flight Demonstration Team who last appeared here in 1999. A crowd of over 150,000 people is expected to attend the weekend show. Admission to this event is free.

**Hawaii Sports.** (a) Waipahu's **Brian Vilorio** won the World Boxing Council light-flyweight championship with a first round knockout of former title holder, **Eric Ortis** (from Mexico), on September 10. **Vilorio** now sports a 18-0 record in his professional career. I don't understand why the Hawaii-born **Vilorio**, after his victory, danced around the ring waving the flag of the Philippines. How many of you remember when Hawaii's **Dado Marino** and **Bobo Olson** won the World flyweight and middleweight championships respectively in 1950's? Those were the days when there were champions in only 8 weight classes. (b) The team from Ewa Beach, Hawaii, won the Little League World Series Baseball Championship against Curacao in South Williamsport, Pennsylvania on August 28. There was a big parade in Waikiki to celebrate this historic occasion. (c) **Maurice Shimabuku**, son of **Ralph Shimabuku**, one of the original founders of the Hui Lima Kokua, was recently announced as the Coach of the Hueneme High School Girls Volleyball team. **Maurice**, a long time English teacher at Hueneme High School, resigned as the Volleyball coach 20 years ago after a very successful stint as coach. He won six straight league championships and the state championship in 1986 before he retired. The newspaper referred to him as a legend. "*Happy days are here again....*" (d) It was reported that **Michelle Wie**, teenage golfing sensation from Hawaii, will turn professional at about the time she turns 16 on October 11. She is expected to earn about \$10 million in endorsement contracts the first year, which will make her the

highest paid female golfer and the third highest paid female athlete in the world. (e) On September 24<sup>th</sup>, the UH Football Team won its first game of the season, shutting out University of Idaho, 24-0. Our record is now 1-2 after losing to powerhouses USC and Michigan State earlier in September. This is UH's first shutout since 1999. Head Coach **June Jones** and Defensive Coordinator **Jerry Glanville** did a great job getting the boys ready for this game. Next up is Boise State. Go Warriors!

**Hawaiian/Local Tidbits.** (a) Southern California Ukulele Festival will have workshops, luau and concert at Cerritos, California on October 1. See [www.ukulelefestival.org](http://www.ukulelefestival.org). Evening concert will feature **Herb Ohta, Jr.**, **Keoki Kahumoku**, 16 year old **Brittini Paiva**, 97 year old Hall of Fame **Bill Tapia**, and more. Paid admission. I have personally seen all four of these performers and they are all outstanding musicians. (b) Military personnel from Hawaii serving in Iraq won't be able to use their popular "shaka" salute anymore. The ban came about because one islander used the shaka instead of the regular military salute when a General passed him. Gee, it takes a lot of guts (or stupidity) for any soldier to use the shaka sign to salute any officer, much less a general. (c) Daylight Savings Time ends on October 30.

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### Delightful Quotes

Remember, on a bad day you are almost never alone.  
Always try to help a friend in need.  
Close your eyes and smile at least once a day.  
Hold onto good friends, they are few and far between.  
Laugh often  
Don't be overly concerned with your weight, it's just a number.  
Indulge in the things you truly love.  
Always try to see the glass half full.  
Meet new people, even if they look different than you.  
Remain calm, even when it seems hopeless.  
Take lots of naps.  
Relax.  
Never be ashamed.  
Keep your head up.  
Enjoy expensive toys often.  
There is always someone who loves you more than you know.  
Give it your all.  
It will get better.  
Be weird whenever you have the chance.  
Pray.  
Always be up for surprises.  
Don't be afraid to express yourself.  
Cherish every Sunday.  
Love your friends, no matter who they are.  
Be true to yourself.  
Help others.  
Make each day your masterpiece.  
Drink deeply from good books especially the Bible.  
Make friendship a fine art.

Build a shelter against a rainy day.

Pray for guidance and give thanks for your blessings every day.

Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.

Don't measure yourself by what you have accomplished but by what you should have accomplished with your ability.

Keep your head to the sky after you've gone through the fire.