

# HUI LIMA KOKUA HAWAII CLUB NEWSLETTER

## OCTOBER 2016

Website: [www.huilimakoua.com](http://www.huilimakoua.com). Happy Autumn!

**Next Club Activity.** (a) Our next event will be our annual **Mini-Luau starting at noon, Saturday, October 8, 2016 at Our Lady of Assumption Church located at 3175 Telegraph Road, Ventura, 93003.** This event is being chaired by **Kaimana Pendergrass**. Only a limited number of tickets are available for members, family and friends. Most of the tickets have already been handed out so if you need tickets, send a check to **Ron Wong** at 392 Tulane Ave, Ventura, CA 93003 for what you need. Costs for tickets are \$10 for members, \$15 for nonmembers and \$5 for children 12 and under. If you want to pay your dues at the same time, it's \$20 for a couple and \$15 for a single adult. Submit separate checks (payable to "Hui Lima Kokua") for tickets and dues. We will need your kokua at the luau. How can you help, you ask? Contact **Kaimana** at 805-320-6853 if you are available. We need people to donate fruits (specifically grapes, watermelons, and cantaloupes) on Friday October 7 and help to cut them at the Parish Center from 9 am to 12 noon. Bring a knife and cutting board. We also need your help cooking, serving, setting up the hall, cleaning up after the luau, and donating door prizes and desserts on the day of the luau. We will start setting up the Hall starting at 6 pm on Friday night (October 7) and finish up starting on Saturday at 9 am. Please let **Kaimana** know if you can help. Mahalo! We will not have a regular potluck meeting in October. (b) For planning purposes, November 12 will be our Thanksgiving potluck and **Mario Castroni** has already volunteered to roast the turkey.

**Past Meeting.** Last month's meeting was held at City Buffet Restaurant where we held our election and installation of next year's officers. The following are the officers for the coming fiscal year (October 2016 – September 2017): President: **Darrin Ching**; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: **Kaimana Pendergrass**; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Vacant, Treasurer: **Ron Wong**; Recording Secretary: **Arlene Fraser**; and Corresponding Secretary: **Mike Nakamura**. **Mario Castroni** will serve as the Advisor and **Leandra Castroni** has volunteered to serve as the Aloha Chair Person. Congratulations to all the incoming officers and mahalo to all the outgoing officers! At the meeting **Arlene** won a \$9 scratcher.

**Hawaii Sports.** The University of Hawaii football team has a 1-3 record so far while the Wahine Volleyball team has a 7-4 record and is ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in the country.

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### **Hawaiian Nostalgia** (Forwarded by **Ron Wong**)

#### **Do you remember:?**

Radio personalities like.. J. Aku Head Pupule on KGMB in the mornings saying "OK, all you SLOBS, it's time to GET UP!!!"

When you could buy one big sack of See Moi for a nickel.

The Windward side had... taro patches... rice paddies... water buffalo... and when you mentioned Kaneohe, everyone knew you were talking about the pupule house.

When the tallest building in Honolulu was the Aloha Tower.

And you could see the Dole Cannery Water Tower from nearly everywhere.

When the site of Ala Moana Center was a big swamp. Waialae-Kahala was mostly pig farms and the area next to the airport was a neighborhood called Damon Tract.

Grade school JPO's... Junior Police Officers in their white shirts, khaki pants, polished black shoes, red helmets and arm bands.

Movies were 9 cents and that 25 cents could get you the movie, soda, and popcorn at Golden Wall Theatre.

And when you did something dumb everybody yelled..."Bakatare You!" (btw, Kaimana still uses this term).

And when you did something naughty they shook their finger and said..."A hana koko lele!"

Dollar bills with HAWAII printed across them...I still got some.

Going to high school football games at the ole stadium --- lovingly called the Termite Palace.

Harry Bridges, Teamsters Union leader, calling union dock strikes...causing food shortages...everybody stocking up on rice, toilet paper, spam.

Sad Sam Ichinose... many of the promotions at the "Civic Auditorium" were his.

Everyone discussing the "Mauka Arterial" and when it was finally completed we all got lost because we didn't know East from West... All I knew was Ewa side, Diamond Head side and Mauka and Makai.

Holding the 49th State Fair year after year and finally becoming the 50th state in 1959.

Summers spent working at the cannery... even with double gloves on, by the end of summer your arms were all acid burned.

Old Chinese ladies with bound feet shuffling along wearing dark grey tunics and trousers.

Filipino men from Waipahu on the bus with their game cocks in cages.

Wesley Edwards with his mic walking along the beach and talking to the tourists ...and taking the mic down to the ocean to let everyone listening on the mainland hear the sound of the waves at Waikiki... on Hawaii Calls.

"Right on the kinipopo"...

When anything that said "Made in Japan " was junk.

When everyone called Plumerias "Graveyard Flowers"...(MAKE' MAN!!)

Going to dances at the Ala Wai Clubhouse and dancing under the stars (and sometimes raindrops!).

Riding the electric boats on the fragrant Ala Wai Canal.

Going to the Saimin Stand for a bowl of saimin for 15 cents and BBQ stick for 10 cents...wonton mein for 25 cents. Big cone sushi for 5 cents a piece and shave ice for 5 cents.

**Political Humor:** (Forwarded by sister **Audrey**)

If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates. ~Jay Leno~

The problem with political jokes is they get elected. ~Henry Cate, VII~

We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office. ~Aesop~

If we got one-tenth of what was promised to us in these State of the Union speeches, there wouldn't be any inducement to go to heaven. ~Will Rogers~

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.  
~Nikita Khrushchev~

When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it.  
~Clarence Darrow~

Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel. ~John Quinton~

Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you.  
~Author unknown

Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other. ~Oscar Ameringer~

I offer my opponents a bargain: if they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them. ~Adlai Stevenson, 1952~

A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country. ~ Tex Guinan~

I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians.  
~Charles de Gaulle~

Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks. ~Doug Larson~

There ought to be one day -- just one -- when there is open season on Congressmen. ~Will Rogers~