

April - June 2017

The Hawaii Odd Fellow

Friendship~Love~Truth



Pili'aloa~Aloha~'Oia 'I'o

Hawaii Odd Fellows at the 2017 Hawaii Food Bank Food Drive





Brothers and Sisters of Excelsior Lodge #1

I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation for the friendship, love, and truth that the lodge brings to the members and the community. This lodge has a strong commitment to helping others who

need assistance. I believe that this lodge has a lot of strong heart and commitment.

One of the foundational beliefs of Odd fellowship is a commitment to improve and elevate the character of humanity through service and example. We must also remember that Odd Fellows know and accept their strengths and weaknesses and keeps away from badmouthing people and making unreasonable allegations. These are important truths that are important to all Odd Fellows.

I know that in the coming months that this lodge and all the members will put their extra effort in to the activities we have planned as well as helping our brothers and sisters who are in need. I ask that we continue to work hard this year and remember to respect each other's views and opinions in all that we do.

In FL&T, Randy Grant

Noble Grand, Excelsior Lodge #1

Excelsior Members Birthdays April-May-June 2017

April - Mindy Len, Patti Patterson, Michael Lyons, Michael Chung, Robert Kawai, Cynthia Low, Robert Dahl, Jordana Ferreira, Destinn LaBatte, Michael Yoshinaga, Danny Wood

May - Andrea Hamilton, Mae Tsuneda, Norbert Enos, Curtis Lau, J. Frank Bragg, Gilbert Shimatsu, John Crabbe, Garret Rivers, Geri Tseu, Jimmy Shin, Frances Chung, Lu K. Nunes, Peter Comilla, Fred Lum, Anthony Cacal, Phil Schmidt, Nicole Cummings, Makana Ramos

June - Alvin Namuo, Al Chock, Roy Ota, Steven Tseu, Walter Simao, Naomi Oshiro, Lisa Parker, Lambert Lui-Kwan, Jessica Caires, Lei Fountain, James Kahalehoe Jr., Jonathan Hoomanawanui, Dave Murai



Aloha

Harmony Lodge members

First and foremost, I hope all who attended the Installation Dinner enjoyed the delicious and great Hawaiian food prepared by Juana Tabali-Weir and her husband William. A big thank you to them for the out-

standing job they did in preparation of our dinner. That was my last official act as Vice Grand along with clean-up duties, and I would like to thank all the members of Harmony Lodge for their support and guidance during my term as your Vice Grand.

Thank you to all the members who attended the Laie Adopt A highway project on March 11. I apologize for not being there as I was called in for duty at the Airport due to a shortage of armed Law Enforcement Officers.

Thank you to all the Harmony and Excelsior members who attended and helped on the USS Missouri project on Saturday, March 25. I would like to apologize for being absent that day. I slipped and fell getting out of the shower and in the process, hitting the side of my face and spraining my wrist, which was very painful. I was unable to lift anything with my left hand and all I could be was moral support for all of you that worked so hard that morning. Hats off to John Crabbe and his crew for the usual outstanding job they always do on this project down to the great tasting lunch.

We have more projects in the works and I hope to be part of all of them. Again, I ask for your support as the Noble Grand so we can move forward and be a great lodge that will lead the way in service.

Always, In Friendship, Love and Truth

Your Noble Grand John Shaw

Meeting Notices

King Kamehameha Canton #1, meets at 6:00pm on the first Wednesday of each month

Polynesia Encampment #1, meets immediately after the Canton.

Excelsior Lodge #1 meets at 7:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Harmony Lodge #3 meets at 7:00pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month.

Pacific Rebekah Lodge #1 meets at 6:00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Hawaii Food Bank 2017 Food Drive

The Hawaii Odd Fellows once again continued their support of the Hawaii Food Bank. As in years past, our collection site was the Windward City Shopping Center and we again had the 8:00-11:00am shift. The members in attendance were blessed with a morning of postcard worthy weather and the time passed quickly by. Following our shift, our members gathered at Kin Wah restaurant for a most enjoyable lunch. Thank you Pacific Rebekahs for a job well done!



Naomi Kim, Freida Menezes and Nathan Ramos, PG



Mike Chung, PG, Steven Tseu, PG, & Curtis Lau, PG with KSSK DJ Kathy with a "K"



Janice Yamaguchi & Stanford Shiroma, PG



Michael Yoshinaga, Steven Ariola & Gilbert Shimatsu, PG



John Shaw, NG, Harmony Lodge #3

Hawaii Odd Fellows Officers for 2017

The officers of Excelsior Lodge #1, Harmony Lodge #3 and the Pacific Rebekah Lodge #1 were formally installed at the Lodge Hall on Tuesday, January 24, 2017. This year's installation was hosted by Harmony Lodge #3, and they did a fine job of organizing the ceremony as well as the reception that followed.



Excelsior Lodge #1, L-R: Lambert Lui Kwan, PG-Grand Representative, Cynthia Low-Treasurer, Robert Yee-Vice Grand, Norvia Shiroma-Chaplain, Kevin Noneza-Left Scene Supporter, George Barlett, PG-NG Right Supporter, Jon Yoshinaga-Warden, Randy Grant-NG, Steven Tseu, PG-VG Right Supporter, Nathan Ramos-Junior PG, Galan Yamaguchi-Right Scene Supporter, Carter Crowell-Outside Guardian, Norbert Enos, PG-NG Left Supporter, Steven Ariola-Conductor, Joanne Tanimoto-Financial Secretary, Tedmund Cheong-Inside Guardian & Betty Ann Perkins-Secretary.



Harmony Lodge #3, L-R: Roy Vierra-Left Scene Supporter, Ed Souza, PG-NG Left Supporter, Manley Kanoa-Right Scene Supporter, Mike Lyons, PG-NG Right Support, Phil Schmidt-Inside Guardian, Allen Perkins, PG-VG Left Support, John Shaw-NG, Claude Kawabata-Junior PG, Louis Caires-Conductor, Lambert Lui Kwan, PDDSGM-Grand Representative, Steven Tseu, PG-Secretary, Mike Chung, PG-Treasurer, Danny Baynes-VG.



Pacific Rebekah Lodge #1, L-R: Lambert Lui Kwan, PDDSGM, Karro Yee, PG, Jana Menezes-Inside Guardian, Lynn Pang-Outside Guardian, Charles Van Gieson, PG-DDSGM, Cynthia Low, PG-Treasurer, Steven Tseu, PG, Gilbert Shimatsu, PG-NG, Freida Menezes-Chaplain, Melvina Nakao-Junior PG, Winona Namuo-Conductor, Juana Tabali-Weir-VG, Randy Grant-Warden, Joanne Tanimoto-Treasurer.

Polynesia Encampment and Canton King Kamehameha Installation of Officers

The Polynesia Encampment #1 and the Canton King Kamehameha #1 held a joint installation on Sunday, February 12, 2017 at the Hale Ikena on the grounds of Fort Shafter. The more than forty members and guests enjoyed a delicious brunch followed by the installation of the officers for 2017.



Polynesia Encampment #1, L-R: Steven Tseu, PG-Guide, Lloyd Nakao, PCP-2nd Watch, Nathan Ramos, PG-2nd Guard of the Tent, Robert Yee,-Outside Sentinel, Allen Perkins, PG-Senior Warden, Danny Baynes-Treasurer, Karro Yee, PG-Outside Sentinel, Francis Robinson, PCP-1st Watch, Jon Yoshinaga-High Priest, Rod Schultz, PCP-Scribe, Randy Grant-Junior Warden, Gilbert Shimatsu, PG-CP, Charles Van Gieson, PCP-DDSGM, Ron Mizuno, PCP, Stanford Shiroma, PCP-4th Watch.



Canton King Kamehameha 1st, L-R: Nathan Ramos PG-Guard, Robert Yee-Sentinel, Norvia Shiroma-Accountant, Jon Yoshinaga-Ensign, Randy Grant-Lieutenant, Gilbert Shimatsu PG-Captain, Juana Tabali-Weir-Clerk, Lambert Lui Kwan PDDSGM-Grand Representative.

Upcoming Events

Adopt A Highway: Saturday, May 20, 2017, 8:30am, Laie Country Home

Arthritis Walk: Sunday May 21, 2017, 8:00am
Registration, 7:30 at the Stan Sherif Center

Harmony Lodge Degree Day: Saturday, May 27, 2017, 8:00am at the Lodge Hall

Special Olympics: June 3, 2017, Check in at 7:30am University of Hawaii, Stan Sherif Center. If you are interested; attendance is limited to the first 25 members who sign up at the Lodge Hall.

Odd Fellows Memorial Day: Sunday, June 11, 2017, 9:00am at the Lodge Hall.

USS Missouri: June 24, 2017, Meet at USS Arizona Parking Lot at 7:15 am

Odd Fellows Summer Picnic: Saturday, July 22, 2017, 10:00am-4:00pm. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. Street Parking, \$5.00 per person (first 5 guests, refundable at check in) Bring your own chairs and preferred beverages (water & Punch will be supplied) Open to all Hawaii Odd Fellows. R.S.V.P. by June 30 with deposit check to: 1134 1st Av. Honolulu, HI 96816 Contact Robert Yee: rydad1@aol.com for information

Remember to check our website:
ioofhawaii.org for updated meeting and project schedules.

Message from our DDSGM

My Brothers and Sisters

I am honored to be appointed as the District Deputy Sovereign Grand Master for the Jurisdiction of Hawaii, by the Honorable W. Larry Ferguson, Sovereign Grand Master of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows whose Slogan is; "Recruit - Rebuild - Rededicate - Odd Fellowship" and his Moto; "Be a Lover not a Fighter".

Excelsior lodge No. 1 is finishing up its first round of Initiating new members, of four and Harmony Lodge #3 will be Initiating six to eight new members on May 27, 2017. Hawaii has been consistent in bringing in new members, however, we could use a few more, and we should continue bring in good active members.

There is a calendar posted on Excelsior's Website (ioofhawaii.org.) and one in the hallway of the Lodge Hall with the dates of our upcoming Community Service Projects, it makes no difference who is sponsoring the project, but anyone who wants to assist is welcome. We all work hard together and play harder together.

Aloha

In FLT Charles A. Van Gieson

DDSGM - Hawaii



Hawaii Public Radio Spring Fund Drive

On Saturday morning, April 22, 2017 a group of Hawaii Odd Fellows again turned out to staff the phone bank at the Hawaii Public Radio Spring Fund Drive. Our participation at this fund drive marked the twentieth year that the Hawaii Odd Fellows have supported HPR. This service project was coordinated by project Chairperson Melvina Nakao who once again brought the University of Hawaii Wahine (Women's) Basketball Team to assist. As in years past, this 6:00-9:00am shift was very bust with our volunteers taking in \$32,647.00 in member pledges.



USS Missouri

The first of three USS Missouri service projects was held on Saturday, March 25, 2017. On this outing, our members were assigned dockside tasks performing sanding and painting duties. As always, there was a good turnout with nearly forty Hawaii Odd Fellows signing in.

The USS Missouri is a Harmony Lodge project which has always enjoyed good participation from all our Hawaii Odd Fellow Lodges. Kudos go out to John Crabbe, Mike Chung and their crew for continuing a rewarding and fun project. The next USS Missouri project will be held on June 24, 2017 which is as always, a Saturday. If you have never come out to this project, make some time and join us. You won't be disappointed.



Super Bowl 51 at the Lodge Hall



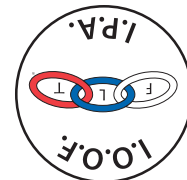
Sunday, February 5, 2017 was a much anticipated date for our Hawaii Odd Fellows. On that Sunday about forty members and guests from all our Hawaii Lodges turned out for Super Bowl LI (51). Those in attendance enjoyed excellent food, fun, games and fellowship. This is one event that has seen more members attending as each year goes by and our members are already eagerly anticipating Super Bowl LII.

Important Notice!!

Harmony Lodge #3, Polynesia Encampment #1, & Pacific Rebekah #1 will be dark for the months of July and August. These lodges will continue their regular meeting schedules in September.
Excelsior Lodge #1 will be dark on the normally scheduled meeting day of Tuesday, July 4, 2017.

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