

The Hawaii Odd Fellow

Friendship~Love~Truth



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Hawaii Odd Fellows Summer Events



SGL August 2017



Summer Picnic



Eclipse Viewing-SGL August 2017



Summer Picnic



Brothers and Sisters of Excelsior Lodge #1

Six months ago, I was installed as the Noble Grand of Excelsior Lodge #1. In the past six months, the Lodge has shown friendship, love, and truth through our community efforts of kindness to each other and the community at large. I know that putting others before ourselves is a key part of what makes the lodge successful. We visit the sick, honor the dead, relieve the distressed, bury the dead, and educate the orphan.

However, as witnessed by recent events at the Sovereign Grand Lodge, we can see where people stray from these foundational truths by not seeking input and guidance from others. An organization is strong when it works together, like the bundle of sticks, if we try to be the lone branch, we will break. I would ask that all the brothers and sisters stay focused on what is good for the whole and not the few. We can continue to keep this lodge strong if we do not allow political or sectarian actions create conflicts and strife in the lodge. I continue to ask for your loyal support to the lodge and the members of the lodge in all that we do.

In F.L. & T,

Randy Grant, Noble Grand, Excelsior Lodge #1



Aloha Randy

On October 15, 2017, Randy Grant, Noble Grand, Excelsior Lodge #1 and his wife will be relocating to Japan and they expect to be living there for the next three to five years before returning to Hawaii. "It wasn't in the plan, but sometimes that's how things turn out" said Randy. Our Hawaii Odd Fellows wish Randy good luck as we look forward to his safe return.

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Excelsior Members' Birthdays September-October-November- December 2017

September – Glenn Akamine, Alfred Christian, Thomas Nakamura, Barry Kim, Ron Mizuno, Rowena Tsai, Rod Schultz, Hamilton GoPaul, Bill Shea, Mary Thompson, Joseph Kelly, George Barlett, Patricia Osborn, Alan Fernandez, Dean Mishima, George Shibata, Patrick Uza, Judith Van Gieson, Brian Briones, Joseph Lippert, B. Charles Pascal

October – John Lattanzi, Glen Goya, Jean Lizardi, Gail Uza, Tedmund Cheong, Alfred Antonio, Wayne Lovell, Ben Baniaga, Richard Heflin, Lambert Burke, Yona Chock, Bay Watanabe, Francis Robinson, Keith Williams, Rod King, Naomi Kim

November – Claude Kawabata, Juana Tabali-Weir, Ernest Baptist, Timothy Connors, Ben Villaflor, Lynne Hill, Melvin Mung Lim Jr., William Lau, William Settle, Steven Ariola, Trina Rivers, Freida Menezes, Benjamin Wadahara, Kevin Ventura Noneza, Kanekoa Crabbe,

December – Thomas Yim, Bernice Akamine, Howard Malin, Louis Caires, Kenneth Wiseman III, John Osborn, Jesse Smith, Delorese Gregoire, John Hill, Norvia Shiroma, Lawrence AhNee, Nickolas Young, Geri Kawai, John Bonsey, Lloyd Nakao, Cynthia Ponce Marugame, Faye Ramos

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.

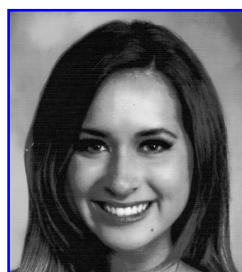
2017 Harmony Lodge #3 Scholarship Recipients



Brian Mayeshiro
Class: Senior
University of Hawaii at Manoa
Sponsor: Eva Mayeshiro



Adrian Aina
Class: Freshman
Grand Canyon University
Sponsor: William Shea



Allison Akiona
Class: Sophomore
University of Tampa
Sponsor: Phillip Schmidt



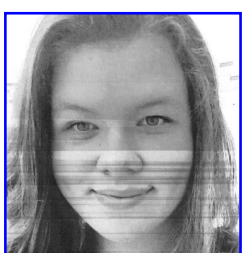
Megan Lyons
Class: Senior
University of Arizona
Sponsor: Michael Lyons



Laura Levi
Class: Freshman
University of Washington
Sponsor: John Crabbe



Ariell Aina
Class: Senior
Southwestern Assemblies
of God University
Sponsor: William Shea



Brittany Ann Schmidt
Class: Sophomore
Windward Community College
Sponsor: Phillip Schmidt

USS Missouri

The Harmony Lodge sponsored USS Missouri project took place on June 24, 2017. Nearly forty Hawaii Odd Fellows of all lodges turned out for this quarterly project. Besides the regular maintenance of the ship, and in preparation for the fourth of July, our members were tasked with the prepping and painting of the staffs holding the flag of our country. See you on November the 4th for the final Missouri project of the year!



Kailua 4th of July Parade

The Hawaii Odd Fellows have been a regular participant in the Kailua 4th of July Parade for many years. This year would be no exception with a sizable contingent of Odd Fellows present. Eliciting a number of positive comments was Donna Miller who showed up at this year's parade in her handcrafted Betsy Ross costume. Donna has been one of the regular parade attendees and her Betsy Ross persona was prominently featured in the local ABC nightly news broadcast.



Hawaii Odd Fellows on parade



Steven Ariola, Donna "Betsy Ross" Miller & Ben Baniaga



Donna Miller, Governor David Ige, VFW member Rona Adams & Mayor Kirk Caldwell

SGL Sessions

St. Louis, Missouri

Sixteen Hawaii Odd Fellows made the journey to this year's Sovereign Grand Lodge Sessions in St. Louis, Missouri. Members from Excelsior #1, Harmony #3, Pacific Rebekah #1 and King Kamehameha Canton #1 were in attendance to represent their respective lodges. With a session shortened to just four days, everyone agreed that it made for quite a full schedule.



Members of the Hawaii Delegation



Officer's Banquet at the Sessions



Robert Yee, VG, Excelsior Lodge #1, Richard Kim, PSGM
And Danny Bayne, VG, Harmony Lodge #3



Lambert Lui Kwan,
Grand Representative Hawaii



At the Gateway to the Arch

Annual Summer Picnic

Many members and family look forward with great anticipation to the annual Hawaii Odd Fellows summer picnic. Held at the Laie Country Home, the site provides open space and ocean breezes that make for an enjoyable day of fun and fellowship. Sponsored by Excelsior Lodge #1, this year's gathering saw nearly a hundred guests in attendance.



Excelsior Lodge No. 1

Scholarship Spotlight

Submitted by Geri Tseu

Meet our future leader in the nursing community!

In 2016, Sister Trina Rivers was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship from Excelsior Lodge No. 1.

Being a mother and a wife, plus working fulltime at Queen's Hospital for 15 years just didn't seem satisfying enough, so Sister Trina decided to pursue her master's degree in Nursing Practice to further expand her knowledge and capabilities.

According to one of her professors and a doctor she has worked with "Trina always goes out of her way to help train new student nurses and she is not afraid of any challenge presented to her. With a smile and a "can-do" attitude she exhibits extreme compassion in caring for her patients."

As stated in her scholarship essay:
"With there being few Native Hawaiians with doctorate degrees, I want to give back to my people by managing complex medical problems and promoting healthy living and disease prevention for the individual as well as their families. Multiple co-morbidities have affected this population as well as my own family. There are currently not enough primary care physicians, and the shortage will be even greater in 2020. As a Doctor in Nursing Practice, I will have the opportunity to collaborate with other disciplines to achieve a better patient outcome. I am so honored, blessed, and proud that one day soon, I will be a healthcare provider to the people of Hawaii. In this capacity, I will be able to educate and promote healthy living, and prevent and treat illnesses. I will use my experiences and accomplishments to help the people of my community."

Please join in giving Sister Trina our biggest congratulations and much success towards her quest for a doctorate in Nursing Practice!



Hawaii Odd Fellows Observe Memorial Day

The Odd Fellows in Hawaii observed their Memorial Day on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at the Kapahulu Lodge hall. Representatives from Excelsior Lodge #1, Harmony Lodge #3, Pacific Rebekah Lodge #1, Polynesia Encampment #1 and Canton Kamehameha #1 presented the ceremony.



Upcoming Events

USS Missouri: Saturday, November 4, 2017, 7:30 am at the Arizona Memorial Parking Lot

Adopt A Highway: Saturday, November 18, 2017, 8:30 am, Laie Country Home

Family Programs: Sunday, December 3, 2017, 6:30 am, Blaisdell Exhibition Hall

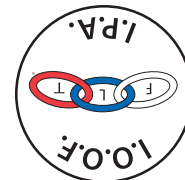
Excelsior Lodge #1: Anniversary Dinner, Saturday, December 9, 2017, 5:30-9:30 pm. Ala Moana Hotel

Harmony Lodge #3: Christmas Dinner, Saturday, December 16, 2017, 6:00 pm Cocktails,
6:30 pm Dinner - Hilton Waikiki Beach Hotel

Pacific Rebekah Lodge #1: Holiday Luncheon, Noon, Sunday, January 21, 2018, Bird of Paradise
Restaurant at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club-Ewa Beach

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