

Ka Leo o Ka Pelekikena



Aloha e nā hoaloha,

I begin my words to you by offering congratulations for increasing your participation as members of the Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club. In the recent Great Aloha Run, February 18, 2019, we saw a 52% increase over last year's participation. You make a difference through your participation as a PHHCC member, as you assist not only in bringing visibility to our HCC, but also in giving voice to our Hawaiian communities. Your participation is symbolic of the stands we take for improving the quality of life of our Hawaiian people, and you leave an indelible impression each time you step forward to say "I am here to represent our Hawaiian people!"

Mahalo to Events Chairperson Doreen Rabago and Communications Chairperson Deedee Maika, who together collaborated to design a comprehensive effort to touch our membership, with the team of others who placed calls to outreach to PHHCC members.



Taking up the call of AHCC Pelekikena Hailama Farden to “See Kūhiō”, a reference to Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalanianaʻole, the founder of the Hawaiian Civic Club Movement, and his commitment to improving the status of our Hawaiian people, as the Chairperson of the Membership Committee, I am also committed to assuring that our PHHCC constituency are not members in name only, but also demonstrate ‘auamo kūleana (put action into responsibility).

Our PHHCC members’ representation at events is important, and leads the way to demonstrate that membership in an HCC is not merely about paying dues, it is more importantly about participation through attending meetings, outreach to other members, signing up to volunteer at events for at least 2 hours, and being on planning committees. Kūpuna often may not be able to participate as others do, and many have voiced that they do so by assuming child care of mo‘opuna to allow for mākua and ‘ōpio to participate. In addition, kūpuna are valuable resources to us and do participate through the sharing of their ‘ike.

Congratulations to the PHHCC membership; you rock! We look forward to more of our members participating in the upcoming **O‘ahu Council Hō‘ike‘ike and the HCC of Honolulu Centennial Celebration at the Bishop Museum on March 23, 2019**. See you, too, at the upcoming **PHHCC General Membership Meeting on February 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hālawa Gym**. Let’s do this!

Me ke aloha a me ka ha‘aha‘a,
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Ku‘umeaaloha Gomes
Pelekikena



With gavel in her right hand, newly installed, lei bedecked, Pelekikena Ku'umeaaloha Gomes addressed the humble crowd at the Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club Installation Luncheon, on January 13, 2019. "As the Pelekikena of Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club, it is my commitment to strive for unity going forward, to maintain that in the PHHCC, and to join hands with our sister Hawaiian Civic Clubs, and Hawaiian

serving organizations, such as the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement. Ours must be collective and collaborative work, for there is power when we are united", she proclaimed as she began her tenure for 2019. "I got her message, and I totally support that!" Board member Doreen Rabago said, as she listened attentively.

"There is much work to do, with allowing for the voice and visibility of each member of the PHHCC, while also honoring the history and work of the founders and those who currently work with diligence to uphold the integrity of this Hawaiian Civic Club. The PHHCC must strive to increase member participation, while acknowledging that every person in the PHHCC is valuable and has something of interest to share. So, let's find out what that something is, and allow each member to claim their place and space in the PHHCC, and to be able to participate fully and to their highest potential", she later declared.



Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club Members



Keoni Kuoha and
Ku'umeaaloha

Aside from members of the PHHCC, present to lend support of the installation of new officers and Board members, Pelekikena Ku'umeaaloha's installation drew the support of members of the Ke One o Kākūhihewa (O'ahu Council), Prince Kūhiō HCC, HCC of Honolulu, Sivila 'o Kapōlei HCC, and 'Ainahau 'o Kaleponi. Also in attendance were Council of Native Hawaiian Advancement CEO Kūhiō Lewis, and Papahana Kuaola, Executive Director Keoni Kuoha. Lisa Litoto-Ohata,

executive of the Kupuna Wellness Centers was also present. Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha’s daughter, Tearanuimoanamotumanamana sat smiling, as her mother was installed, “Man, this means she’s going to be very busy”, she said.



Upon the invitation of Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha, Esther Kia‘aina, who herself has seen many official installation ceremonies locally and nationally, agreed to be the Installation Officer, and officially conducted the swearing in of new Board Members and Officers.



Board Members being Installed

The nahenahe, old fashion Hawaiian mele of Nā Kani Ko‘olau (Kaipo Kukahiko, Kīhei Nahale-a, Jason Mejia) set the tone for a festive afternoon, while the beautiful floral arrangements thoughtfully prepared by Michael Kapua, graced each Hawaiian themed cloth-covered table, as the delectable smells of the ‘ono mea ‘ai prepared by Jennifer Gomes wafted through the air, on this Sunday afternoon.



Hawai‘i’s own renowned music icon Marlene Sai, took to the stage calling out, “Ku‘umeaaloha this one’s for you!” as she sang “Kainoa”, accompanied by the musical harmonies of the guitars of Nā Kani Ko‘olau. “This is a wonderful afternoon”, said

Lorna Pacheco with a huge smile on her face, as she leaned against the wall taking in the sounds of the soothing music.



Kumu Pueo Pata

A surprise guest artist was seen in Kumu Pueo Pata, a very dear friend of Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha, upon being eyed by Kaipo Kukahiko in the audience, and called upon to sing in his beautiful falsetto voice, “Hōlei”. Later

Kumu Pueo also shared the mo‘olelo of Haumea, the Hawaiian mythological goddess of protection and strength, and the kukui, the nuts, symbolic of her kino lau, that were scattered on the tables. The kukui and Haumea, were symbolisms that Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha asked to have present, and that were gathered the day before at Papahana Kuaola in Waipao in Kane‘ohe, as a gentle rain of blessing fell on the pickers.

Kumu Pueo invited all present to take the kukui as keepsakes and to remember the mo‘olelo that spoke of the use of kūkui for confronting ignorance, and bringing about change and peace. “Now I know that the kukui is not just about using it to make candles, I will remember that mo‘olelo”, said Michael Kapua excitedly, as he gently cradled the kūkui nuts in the palms of his hands.



Another highlight at the Installation Luncheon was the acceptance of five new members. Setting the pace of recruiting young adults were Immediate Past President Charles Kapua who sponsored the membership of Donovan Nacapoy, while Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha Gomes sponsored Emmalani Makepa-Wong, Chanel Makepa-Wong, Aliyah Irvine, and Kehaulani Omalza, (who actually has been a PHHCC member for two years and had not been sworn in previously).

As she left the Installation Luncheon, Emma Foley-Wong, shared these words, “I was particularly moved by the presidential

I too, recognize this as a fundamental truth in the success of any hui. We all have our own strengths and mana that when used together, can be a powerful force for positive change for our lāhui. I am excited for all the good work to come this year in following her example of alu like”.



Outgoing Membership Chair Doreen Rabago, Pelekikena Ku’umealoha Gomes, and IPP Charles Kapua, with new members: Emmalani Makepa-Wong, Chanel Makepa-Wong, Aliyah Irvine, Kehaulani Omalza, Donovan Nacapoy.

Mitchel Pei Award Winner



Momi with daughters and granddaughter

At the Installation Luncheon on January 13, 2019, Momi Philips was acknowledged at the recipient of the PHHCC Annual Mitchel Pei Award for outstanding PHHCC member of the year. Momi, a five year member of

the PHHCC. Momi is also a member of the Hale ‘o Nā Ali‘i. Momi grew up in Bingham Tract and graduated from McKinley High School. She raised five children to adult-hood, always instilling in them the importance of independence, while she worked to support her little family as an employee at Hilton Hawaiian Village and the Kahala Hilton. Today she is proud of her family, and especially her sixteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. “Mahalo, Momi, for always answering the call to kōkua for Pearl Harbor HCC, we appreciate you”.

He Mea Kakau ‘Ōlelo ‘O‘ia



Kehaulani Omalza and Ku‘umeaaloha

Introducing PHHCC’s recently appointed mea Kākau ‘Ōlelo (Recording Secretary). Kehau served as Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha’s Administrative Assistant at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, and has a Bachelor’s degree in Psychology with a minor in Communicology. She is the daughter of Marie and Weston Coleman, Jr. of Mililani, the niece of former Governor Peter Coleman of American Samoa, and married to Rodney Omalza, Jr. With four children,

three of them athletically active, Kehau has her hands full transporting them to and from practices and scheduled games. In spite of her busy schedule, Kehau agreed to kōkua with the role of PHHCC’s mea Kākau ‘Ōlelo, “I’m a fast learner and am willing to do the hard stuff and my Aunty Mana Lono, who is with the Wakinekona HCC has always encouraged me to become involved in a Hawaiian Civic Club, so here I am”, says Kehau, enthusiastically. Kehau joined the PHHCC in 2017.

“No Nā Hulu Makamae” For Our Precious Kūpuna

Born on January 31, 1835, Prince William Charles Lunalilo is honored each year in February, at Ali‘i Sundays held at the Kawaiaha‘o Church and the St. Andrews Cathedral.

Prince Lunalilo was the first Kamehameha ali‘i to refuse birthright ascension to the throne of the Hawaiian Kingdom after the passing of Kamehameha V, Lot Kapuāiwa. Instead Lunalilo insisted on the citizens of the Kingdom to vote in a democratic election process to select their next leader. Thus, entering into an electoral political race against David La‘amea Kalākāua, King Lunalilo became the choice of the people on January 8, 1873.



Of the five Ali‘i Trusts (Bernice Pauahi Bishop Kamehameha Trust for Education, Queen Lili‘uokalani Trust for indigent orphaned and part orphaned children, Queen Emma and King Kamehameha IV Alexander Liliho‘s Queen’s Hospital, Queen Kapi‘olani Maternity Home, later renamed Kapi‘olani Medical Center for Women and Children, and King Lunalilo’s Lunalilo Home for kūpuna), King Lunalilo was the first to create a charitable trust designed to benefit his Hawaiian people. To read more see: lunalilo.org/about/history

Each year, the staff of Lunalilo Home celebrates the legacy of their benefactor, King William Lunalilo, with their annual lū‘au

fundraiser. This year’s theme of “No Nā Hulu Makamae” (*For Our Precious Kūpuna*), families joined their resident kupuna at tables under a big white tent on the expansive Hawai‘i Kai property, to partake of ‘ono mea ‘ai Hawai‘i prepared by Dietary

Manager Aunty Tammy Smith and her crew, who also insisted on serving ‘ohana-style rather than buffet.

CEO Kauka Diane Paloma began the festivities by lending her powerful voice to a beautiful oli. Adding to the festivities and bringing smiles to kūpuna, the kanikapila style of the magical

NO NĀ HULU MAKAMAE
“For Our Precious Kūpuna”
 A benefit lu‘au for
 1883-2019
 Lunalilo Home
 Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Lunalilo Home
 11:00am-1:30pm
 Hawaiian Food & Entertainment
 Featuring

Na Hōkū Hanohano Award Winner & Grammy Nominee from the group “Nā Hōkū” Halehaku Seabury ‘a

Singer & Musician Pomaika‘i Keawe Lyman

Na Hōkū Hanohano Award Winner Kainani Kahaunaele

Na Hōkū Hanohano Award Winner from the group “Hōkūmape” Kama Hopkins

Kumu Hula of Hilonu ka ‘A‘ali‘i Kū Makani & Na Hōkū Hanohano Award Winner from the group “Hō‘okena” Manu Boyd

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voices of Manu Boyd, Kainani Kahaunaele, Pomaika‘i Lyman, Kama Hopkins, and Halehaku Seabury, filled the air, accompanied with hula froHālau o ke ‘A‘ali‘i Kū Makani.

“It was a delight to see Grandpa Eddie smiling and enjoying the mele, the kisses of those who came to greet him, and the ‘ono mea ‘ai”, said PHHCC Pelekikena Ku‘umealoa Gomes, who sat at the Gomes ‘ohana pākaukau. Like the Gomes ‘ohana, many other families arrived and went to bring Lunalilo Home resident kūpuna family members to the event and watch them delight in the festivities.



Other PHHCC members joined the celebration, at two other tables coordinated by Toni Lee.



Pearl Harbor Hawaiian Civic Club members enjoy good food, music, and fellowship. Below they surround current member and Lunalilo Home resident Paulie Jennings



**Hulo! Hulo! E Ola Mau Ka ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i!
(Hooray! Hooray! May the Hawaiian Language Continue to Live!)**

January 14, 2013, then Governor Neil Abercrombie signed a Resolution proclaiming February as Mahina ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i (Hawaiian Language Month). Our PHHCC Board member and ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i newsletter editor, Kēhau Pe‘a reminds us about this event, “Our people live through our ‘ōlelo, and we must not ignore the fact that Hawaiian is one of two official languages in the Hawai‘i State Constitution”. Beginning in March, Kēhau, will share brief ‘ōlelo ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i lessons in upcoming PHHCC newsletters. Look forward to navigating your learning of ‘ōlelo Hawai‘i.

Great Aloha Run, Run, Run!

“Keep on going!”, “Good job!”, “You got this!”, “Have



some water!”, “Yay!”, were cheers and suggestions that could be heard from the PHHCC Water Station #1, on Nimitz Highway fronting Pu‘uhale Elementary School, as a collection of 31 members, their family and friends, worked in unison to assist in hydrating the multitude of runners and walkers of the Great Aloha Run, on Monday, February 18, 2019.



Braving the chilly early morning, most PHHCC members arrived at 4 a.m. at the Pu‘uhale Elementary School Cafeteria and joined other volunteers of Water Station #1, to partake in a warm, delicious breakfast, pick up their Great Aloha Run Volunteer T-Shirts, receive last minute instructions, and be appreciated by GAR Water Station #1 coordinator, Pu‘uhale Elementary School Principal, Arnie Kikawa. Laughing, and exchanging talk, taking selfies and fun pics of the group, the PHHCC member GAR volunteers enjoyed the short time they worked together, in a true



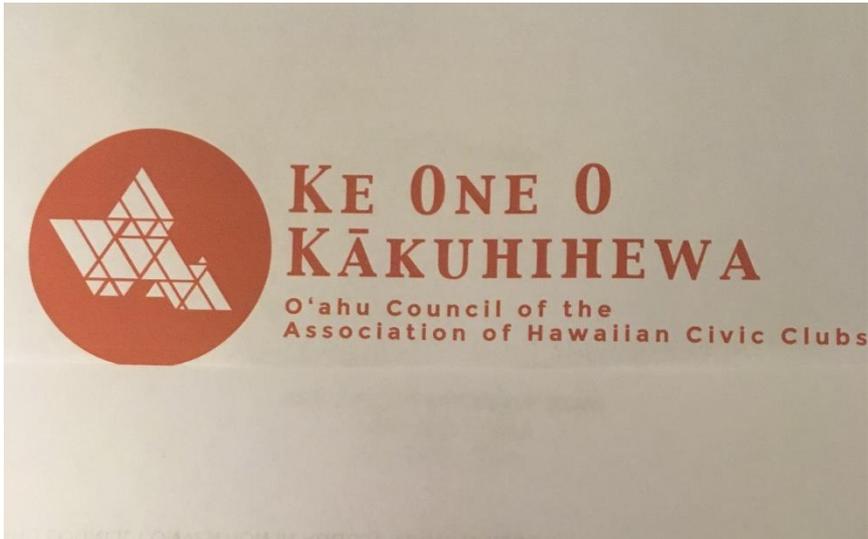


spirit of *laulima*, as many were surprised when at 8:20 a.m. the final three walkers came by. “I like getting done early, I can go home and go back to sleep!” exclaimed James Estores with his hands in the air in a sign of celebration.



The happy PHHCC Great Aloha Run volunteer crew!

Ke 'One O Kākuhihewa News



E kū i ka malo a hiu! (Stand up, gird yourselves for play!)

On Saturday, January 5, 2019, members of the PHHCC gathered for the Royal Hawaiian Hotel's annual Makahiki celebration, hosted annually by the Ke One O Kākuhihewa, the O'ahu Council of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs, and to which all O'ahu HCC's are called to participate.

This ancient festival of Makahiki, honors Lono, the deity of peace, agriculture and fertility. The morning started with a canoe landing of Lono on the beach fronting the hotel. The festivities continued in the Coconut Grove with presentation of ho'okupu, hula, and ancient Hawaiian games such as 'ulu maika (stone disk rolling), 'ō'ō ihe (spear throwing), moa pahe'e (dart sliding), and haka moa (standing chicken fight). PHHCC was well represented,



with second place finishes for Toni Lee in ‘ulu maika and for ‘ōpio



Pono Estores and Toni Lee

member Pono Estores in moa pahe‘e. Each was presented with a table top kahili from Shad Kane. Also present, was Lorna Pacheco who hosted a table displaying lauhala crafts. Following the ‘ono buffet lunch, hosted by the Royal Hawaiian Hotel, Ke One O Kākuhihewa (O‘ahu Council of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs) hosted its meeting that was attended by PHCC Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha Gomes and 2nd Vice President Lorna Pacheco.

Ke One O Kākuhihewa Resolutions Workshop ‘Ekahi

On the blistery cold and rainy, Saturday morning on February 9, 2019, in preparation for an upcoming Convention in Spring 2020, Ke One O Kākuhihewa (KOOK, O‘ahu Council of the Hawaiian Civic Clubs) held its first introductory Resolution Workshop ‘Ekahi in the Bernice Pauahi Building at the Kamehameha Schools in Kapālama. The workshop included presentations by KOOK Pelekikena Benton Pang, Prince Kūhiō HCC Pelekikena Makana Paris, PHHCC Pelekikena Ku‘umealoha Gomes, and Roth Puahala, KOOK Pelekikena Iho Nei and member of the Kamehameha HCC. The agenda included presentations on Prince Kūhiō’s Vision for his People and the History of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. In a commitment to bring HCC membership on to the same page, KOOK presenters also gave power point presentations on “The difference between Hali‘a Aloha Resolutions and Substantive Resolutions”, “How to Conduct Research for Resolution Writing”, “How to engage with the Hawaii Legislature on its Website”, and importantly how Resolutions lead to improving the life of our lāhui. PHHCC members present included Lorna Pacheco, Momi Philips, Chrissy Anjo, and Kau‘i Kaleo.



“PHHCC members listen attentively at KOOK workshop.



As participants eagerly shared insights in exercises designed for them to engage with fellow attendees, one HCC member excitedly shared, “Our voices need to be heard at the Legislature!”, while another added, “Yes, and we can make a difference to improve the quality of life of our people!”

The KOOK Resolutions Workshop ‘Ekahi is the first in a series of workshops, with the next workshop scheduled for April. All HCC active and participating members are encouraged to attend. It is the commitment of the KOOK to assure that the O‘ahu-based HCC’s will learn skills that will allow for each HCC to commit to civic issues that impact our Hawaiian communities, and to encourage the submission of substantive resolutions that have the potential of being supported at the State Legislature. Stay tuned for future information on the next KOOK Resolutions Workshop . . .

Celebrating 100 Years . . .

Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, Centennial Celebration
Piha Kenekulia Ka Ho‘olina Ola a Ke Ali‘i

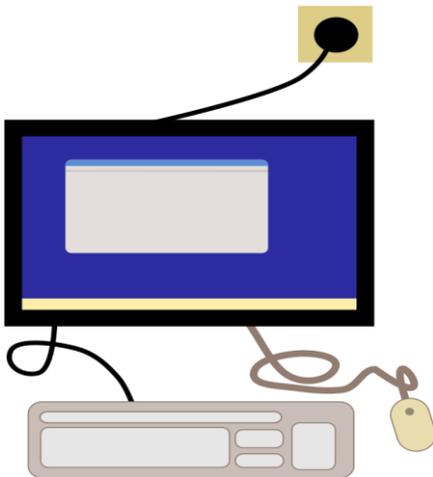
A partnership with the O‘ahu Council’s Hō‘ike‘ike
March 23, 2019 at the Bishop Museum, from 12 p.m. – closing
Entertainment includes Josh Tatofi, Ku‘uipo Kumukahi, Weldon Kekauoha and more.

HCCs are invited and encouraged to participate in this exciting event to highlight each HCC’s accomplishment. HCCs may also participate in having a booth and selling food or craft items. Under the direction of the PHHCC Event Coordinator, Doreen Rabago, plans are under way for PHHCC’s participation. Members will be contacted via our Communications Chair Deedee Maika to encourage participation in assisting with kōkua in 2-hour shifts, so our PHHCC can be powerfully represented. Let’s do this!

News of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AHCC), each year in January hosts its Annual Planning Retreat at the secluded setting of the St. Stephen’s Seminary on Pali Highway. This year was no different, and from January 18 – January 20, 2019, Council Presidents and Directors representing Hawai‘i Island, Maui (Lāna‘i and Moloka‘i), O‘ahu, Kaua‘i, and the U.S. Continent, along with the AHCC’s Committee Chairs, met and enthusiastically discussed issues and committed to “See Kūhiō”, a rallying cry by Pelekikena Hailama Farden to remember the legacy left to us by the Hawaiian Civic Club Movement founder, Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana‘ole. Pelekikena Ku‘umeaaloha Gomes, 1st VP Toni Lee, and 2nd VP Lorna Pacheco, attended this AHCC Retreat. “I’m glad I came”, said Lorna Pacheco, “I learned a lot about how the AHCC is run”.

Stay tuned for more information on the AHCC to be published here in the PHHCC newsletter. For more info on the AHCC see <https://www.aohcc.org/>



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