Aloha mai kakou,

IN MAY, we proudly celebrate Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Month. A little history.....In 1977, Senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga from Hawai‘i introduced a Senate Bill (a similar bill had already passed in the House) calling upon the President to proclaim the first ten days of May as Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Week. In October, 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a resolution designating the annual celebration. Almost twelve years later in May, 1990, the holiday was expanded further when President George H. W. Bush designated May to be Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Please join us this month to celebrate the rich diversity, history, culture and tradition of our islands. Activities and events are mentioned in this newsletter and at www.alohaworld.com.

OUR 22ND ANNUAL OHANA RETREAT will be a two-day Workshop this year on June 29th and 30th at PIHP’s complex in Santa Ana.....no sleepover this year. The staff of ‘Aha Pūnana Leo from Hilo will facilitate the two-day workshop which will focus on Hawaiian culture, values and ōlelo Hawai‘i. Space will be limited to 50 participants. Please contact me at (714) 290-8681 or via e-mail at sevenkaz@aol.com if you are interested in attending. More information to follow soon.

PLEASE JOIN US on Sunday, May 5th at 1:00pm at our Community Garden where our keiki will honor and celebrate Earth Day. They will help us weed and water the garden, plant their own vegetables to take home and learn what Earth Day is all about. Bring your keiki for a fun-filled afternoon.

MAHALO TO ALL OF YOU who give so much of your time and hard work to our many activities and events. Without all of us paddling together, our canoe would go off course from our journey. Let us steer our canoe together in the same direction guided by our ancestors whose path we continue to follow. Happy Mother’s Day to all of our Mothers, Happy Graduation to our Graduates and we Honor and Salute all of our Military at home and abroad. Malama pono,
Charlene Kazner, Pelekikena

Edye Hill
Hope Pelekikena 'Ekahi
(First Vice-President)

Aloha AOKHCC Ohana,
I WANT TO THANK all those members who remembered to send in their dues. We are still accepting membership dues. Also don’t forget to encourage your family and friends to join and be a part of our community ohana. It is never too late to join the fun.

THE SUMMER SEASON is just around the corner and there is so much fun to be had. I am really looking forward to the Ohana Retreat where we bring guest speakers and teachers up to California from the Islands and get some hands on teaching of our culture and history. It is also a great opportunity to meet new people in the local, California area that share a love of Hawaii.

I HAD GREAT PRIVILEGE of attending, with other AOKHCC members, the First Annual Luau of Kaleleonalani HCC in the San Fernando Valley. This is a brand new Hawaiian Civil Club founded by a AOKHCC past president, Analani Imbach. The food, entertainment and the Aloha spirit was abundant and delightful. It is so wonderful to see the love of our culture spread and grow.

HULA PRACTICE IS underway and I can tell that this year is going to be a really great one! All the dancers are so very dedicated and I can’t wait to see how it will all come together. Keep your calendars clear for the big event this August, 10, 2013.

Malama pono,
Edye Hill
Aloha mai kākou

Spring has sprung and `Āinahau is off and running to a great start. We have learned most of the new hula numbers we will be doing for this year’s `Aha `Āina Scholarship Lū`au on August 10, 2013, the community garden has been planted, donations are coming in, two Hawai`i bands have been fed, and the 1st Annual Island Creations Bake Sale is now complete. Please join me in acknowledging these individuals for their contributions:

I would like to send a BIG MAHALO to Pua Hao for submitting the necessary paperwork to her employer, Broadcom that resulted in a $500 donation to a charity of her choice in which `Āinahau is the recipient.

Tom Kakihara and his band of menehune also deserve a BIG MAHALO for coordinating lunch meals this spring season for both Kapa`a Middle School Ukulele Band and Moanalua Middle School Orchestra. They shared familiar foods and conversation during their visits to California with the intensions of making these student travelers feel a little more comfortable in a strange new place.

And Linda McElrea also merits a BIG MAHALO for coordinating the first Annual Bake Sale in Gardena since Miss Maggie’s departure. Food prep, bakers, and sellers all graciously contributed to a successful event in which repeat customers are coming back for more.

And don’t forget! May is PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH a time to celebrate our culture, tradition, and history and here a few options to help you do just that: The LA Asian Pacific Film Festival (May 2-12), AOKHCC Movie Night on Saturday May 4th, and the 2nd quarter meeting of the Mainland Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Club (MCAHCC) in Salt Lake City, UT.

A hui hou.

Aloha no,
Ualani

Aloha kakou everyone:
Awesome work has been done by all! Mahalo to the contributors in this newsletter including the picture takers from the Keiki event (Edye) and the bake sale (Frances, Stan and Ua)! Talk about coming through in time of need – Linda chairing her first bake sale and those members helping Linda on Saturday and at the Sunday bake sale! That is heart warming and showing the `Āinahau spirit! It was so good to see familiar faces stepping up to make these events a big success!! Really do wish I were there! Miss you all. Had a special treat when Linda recently made a quick visit to my hale in Anthem.  Aloha Nui Loa, MAGS.

Note from the Editor
Maggie Perry

Hawaiian Word of the Day
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he momi e lei ai -- a pearl to wear as a lei
Today’s Hawaiian Pearl is: AHONUI – Patience; patient; enduring; long suffering; to tolerate.
Most of us know the word for patience to be “ho’omanawanui,” but ahonui is quite common too. It’s interesting how Hawaiians view patience. Ahonui literally means “great breath” (aho – breath). The breath is very important in traditional Hawaiians. Traditionally in Polynesia, when greeting one another people “honi” or smell, touching nose to nose…passing breath. When a kahuna was on his deathbed he would breathe his last breath to his foremost student, passing on the last bit of hidden knowledge. It is interesting how they view patience as taking a great big breath and likening that to patience. Sometimes we get so bogged down with so many tasks, sometimes very difficult ones. We need to remember to “ahonui” patience, enduring, to tolerate.

Sample: ‘O kou ahonui kai ho’omakua mai ia’u. — Your gentleness (patience with me) has made me great.

Aloha No, Jackie Judd
Aloha, Liana Iaea Honda
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April is VOLUNTEER Month

Ho`omaika`i `i ana ~ Congratulations to the many Volunteers of `Āinahau o Kaleponi HCC for your tireless kōkua sharing your talents, performances, cooking and baking skills, musubi, egg and tuna slider productions, chili lunch and dinners for hundreds of Hawai`i students competing and performing throughout the year!

Mahalo nui loa for your dedication and service to our Hawaiian community! IMUA!

Minority Cancer Awareness Month

In partnership with PIHP (Pacific Islander Health Partnership), Charlene Kazner reports over a hundred pre-registered for the 2nd Cancer Survivors’ Event Recovery and HOPE. Saturday, April 20. Cancer survivors from throughout Southern California, their co-survivors, families, friends and supporters learned about bio-specimen and bio-banking process used to develop personalized cancer treatments, the future in the battle for a cancer cure. The event opened and moved to the sounds of Let’s Move! Health rhythms led by Ualani Ho`opai, Charlene Kazner and her mo`opuna grandchildren, was followed by a Tongan lunch served by Famili Pe Taha, a Tongan Civic Club. Aunty Lori Carter, joined the Pacific Island Fashion Show of cancer survivors, celebrating cancer survivors journey for recovery.


Celebrating the 7th International Children’s Festival at the Aquarium of the Pacific, PIHP and AOKHCC members joined presented nā mea Hawai‘i all things Hawaiian: kākau tattoo, nā pa‘ani: hū, pala‘ie, kīnane sports & games; ka ulana lau hala pandanus, lau nui coconut fronds, nā mea laukī working with ti-leaves.

Mahalo for kōkua: Edye & Geoff Hill, Eric Kakhara, Ka`ala Pang for engaging the community in the many cultural traditions of Hawai`i at the event that included the International Peace Choir, Nixon Academy Musical Troupe, Persian Spring Show, Nā Hoa o Ka Hale Kanu Hālau, Korean, Chinese, Persian, West African, Mexican performances.

Health Column
by Jane Pang

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander leaders came together for a nine hour summit Saturday, April 27, 2013 at Gold Coast, Las Vegas, NV, for the NHPI Policy Platform Blueprint and National NHPI Demographic Report. Coordinated by EPIC (Empowering Pacific Islander Communities), partnering with Asian Pacific Legal Center, Calvin Chang, EPIC Liaison, looks forward to producing a demographic report for the national NHPIs. Thirty five NHPI Stakeholders participating included: Kimberly Tanaka Pool Dan Ichinose,Kawen Young, Junior Fonoti, Sefa Aina, Elaine Howard-Tokolahi, Fipe Havea, Rozita V. Lee, Albious Latior, Stakgear Get Staked, Kyle Lum, Catherine ‘Ofa Mann, Jacob Fitisemanu, Carmen Gilbert, Victor Kaiwi Pang, Fina Tavita Schwenke, Kelani Silk, Lua Pritchard, Kehaulani Natsuko, Alisi Tulua, Keith Castro, Chris Vaimili, Miriama Kiliana Aumavea, Naomi Tacuyan Underwood, Anapesi Kaili, Tana Lepula, Sefa Aina. More regional NHPI Stakeholders convening are scheduled for 2013.

SAVE the DATE: Youth Health, Fitness & Education events:
► May 4, “Believe to Achieve” NHPI Health, Fitness & Education celebrating Pacific Islander Heritage Month, 10am – 2pm, Orange Coast College (OCC) at the Main Quad.
► May 11, 3rd NHPI Health & Fitness Day, 10am – 2pm, UCLA North Athletic Field, bus ride available at PIHP @ 8am, student must be pre-registered; call Charlene Kazner (714) 290-8681 to register.
► June 1, 9am – 2pm, CSU Dominguez Hills, Journey to SUCCESS; bus ride available, student must be pre-registered; meet at PIHP Parking Lot, 8am, return 3pm; call Charlene Kazner (714) 290-8681 to register.
► June 8, 10am – 2pm, CSU Fullerton, NHPI College Day, Middle – High School students, family, friends, Titan Student Center
► June 8, 3pm – 7pm, Sāmoa Recovery Benefit, Titan Center, FREE Parking, $10.00 Donation
In 1979, `Āinahau member, Galal Kernahan initiated and established the observance of El Dia del Maestro or Day of the Teacher in California. He researched, promoted and lobbied legislation which eventually was authored by Senator Joseph Montoya. In 1983, the first observance of El Dia del Maestro was held throughout the state. Galal revived attention to the Code of Ethics and transmitted some of its principles into the Rules of Professional Conduct. On the 2nd Wednesday of each year we celebrate "California Day of the Teacher." This year, that special day is Wednesday, May 8th.

Encourage na kamali`i to show their appreciation by giving a card, drawing a picture or doing whatever comes to mind to Mahalo their teacher. We celebrate and observe the work of all teachers whose dedication, mentoring and patience is so vital to our children and future.

Mahalo to Galal for his diligence and fortitude which led to the recognition of our educators.

Charlene Kazner

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**HULA PRACTICES – May 2013**

**Place:** Wintersburg Church

**Dates:** April 4, 11, 18 & 25

**Time:** 7:00 – 8:30PM

**EXTRA HULA PRACTICE-COSTA MESA SENIOR CENTER**

**QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT MAILE**

7:00 – 8:15PM

Maile Hubbard

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The following is a critique of our last Kolohe Luncheon held on April 24th, at Da Hawaiian Kitchen, 9842 Adams Ave., Suite 104, Huntington Beach. The group of us who attended were not disappointed! Everyone enjoyed the local food—they had really great poke—fresh and generous portions. Their laulau, lomi salmon and poi plate was very good as was the Kalua pig. Joining the group were: Maureen Gallagher, Paul Chang, Lori Carter-Mathews, Jay Mannion, Rose Burns, Lani Ryan, Colonel and myself.

Scheduled to date:

Date: May 8, 2013 (Satellite Lunch)

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Cham Sot Gol Korean Barbecue
9252 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA

The regular Kolohe Lunch location on May 29, 2013 is to be decided. We would love to see different faces at this long standing event—so please mark your calendar and join us!

Please contact Gil Kveen H: (714)544-1093 C: (714)454-4244 or Jackie H: (714)962-8518 C:(714) 397-5313
DATE: June 9, 2013
TIME: 2:00 P.M.
PLACE: Farmers & Merchants
12523 Seal Beach Blvd., Seal Beach, CA 90704
Come join us for a surprise performance at General Meeting!!

NEXT GENERAL MEETINGS: July 14,
August 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Dec. 1

WE ARE TAKING NOMINATIONS FOR A NEW DIRECTOR ON OUR BOARD. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR WANT TO NOMINATE SOMEONE, CALL GIL KVEEN AT (714) 454-4244. PLEASE GET APPROVAL FROM THE NOMINEE BEFORE SUBMITTING THEIR NAME. ELECTIONS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING ON JUNE 9TH.

If you have any changes in address/phone numbers/e-mail, please e-mail Maggie or call: (702) 433-3919, mapg5@msn.com for any changes or membership information.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER:
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referred by Pua Hao-Jarvis
Nani Busch
Nani.busch@gmail.com
Referred by Ualani Cortez

Keep ʻĀinahau Prospering & Growing—Kokua from near and far!! You can help by joining even if you are not in California! Attached is application. Homeless needs soaps you get at hotel stays—and clothes & towels. Contact Paddy Kakihara if you have or just bring to the General Meeting!!!
Celebrating the 7th International Children’s Festival at the Long Beach, CA Aquarium of the Pacific
PACIFIC ISLAND HEALTHCARE PARTNERSHIP AND `ĀINAHAU HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB MEMBERS JOINED IN PRESENTING

Pictures: Eric Kakihara mentoring to keiki, Jane Pang explaining displays and Geoff Hill explaining the games.
1) At the McElrea Hale preparing Spam Musubi: Mapuana, Edye, Jennell, Charlene and Norm. 2) Below: Carmen, Frances, Linda, Jody and Sherry; 3) Linda, Dennis and Charlene; 4) Lori Carter-Mathews; 5) Beautiful table of goodies and 6) of course beautiful Agnes!! Super Job Everyone!!
ĀINAHAU O KALEPONI HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB
Membership Application and Renewal Form

Date Submitted: _______________________________  Sponsored by: _______________________________

Name: ______________________________________  Spouse: ____________________________________
Hawaiian Ancestry  Ae____  A'ole____
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Address:___________________________________________________________________________________
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Please list household members (children under 18) Age  Sex  Interests/Talents to Contribute
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DUES:  New: _________  Renewal: _____________  Date membership Accepted: __________________________

Single Membership, 18 years and older $25.00 _________
Single Parent with Family: $30.00 _________
Student Membership (full time) $10.00 _________
Ohana /Family Membership: $40.00 _________

Please complete your application and send with your check payable to:

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