



KAHAKUHI O 'ĀINAHAU

"The Flame of 'Āinahau"



CHARLENE KAZNER
Pelekikena
(President)

Aloha mai kakou,

Our 31st Annual Scholarship `Aha`aina, **Mauli Ola Hawai`i....Keeping Our Culture Alive** was a great success. Congratulations to the six Scholarship Awardees, our Leaders of Tomorrow. Mahalo piha to Ualani Ho`opai, chairperson for the `Aha`aina, Paddy Kakihara, program emcee, Kumu Hula Ululani Cortez, Nani Busch, Maile Hubbard, Pua Hao-Jarvis, na hula alaka`i and Eric Kakihara our music director, Hoku Aichele, Agnes Kakihara and Maggie Perry for the table decorations, Lani Ryan and Janese Johnson for the stage decoration, Analani Imbach and Joan Burgeson for coordinating the opportunity drawing, Maile Hubbard for coordinating the kitchen and to all of you for the many hours spent preparing and working on the `Aha`aina. Your hospitality was appreciated by many of our guests. E kala mai that I have not included all of your names, but there are so, so many of you to thank, that it would fill this whole newsletter. Please know that I appreciate you. The success of the `Aha`aina is due to all of us working together in Iokahi. We truly Alu Like.

MAHALO NUI LOA.

Mahalo also to everyone who attended Movie Night on Saturday, August 24th, which featured **E Haku Inoa, To Weave a Name**, directed by Christen Marquez who also starred in the movie. We were fortunate to have Christen attend to share her story and answer our many questions.

The Pacific Islander Festival OC is scheduled for September 21st and 22nd at the Huntington Beach Central Library. See articles within this newsletter for more details. I hope to see you at the festival, right in our back yard. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 3)

August (Au'kake) 2013



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

The summer is over, but the fun is not! I am really looking forward to having a great time at the upcoming Pacific Islander Festival in Huntington Beach. We will be serving food, singing on Sunday, tasting the delicious offerings that the other island communities offer, checking out the cultural village exhibits, and of course enjoying our time together. Come and join the fun with us on September 21 and 22 at the Huntington Beach Library!

(See attached flyer for more details.)

I want to send a big mahalo to all the 'Āinahau O Kaleponi Hawaiian Civic Club members who really put in all their time, hard work and aloha into the 31st Annual Scholarship 'Aha 'Aina from the cooks, musicians, dancers, pupus sellers, bartenders, cake cutters, raffle contributors, silent auction contributors, stage decorators, table decorators, clean-up crew, serving crew, and of course those who bought and sold tickets and entire tables. There are too many people that deserve acknowledgement to name here, but without your help there would be no 'Aha 'Aina and certainly our ohana, friends and community could not have had such a great time. It is incredible what can be accomplished when we all pitch in and contribute in our own way, big or small.

Mālama pono,

Edye Hill
Hope Pelekikena 'Ekahi



Ualani Ho'opai
Second Vice President
(Hope Pelekikena 'Elua)

Aloha Kākou –

WANTED TO TAKE THIS opportunity to say a BIG MAHALO NUI LOA to Christen Marquez and all those who participated in another successful movie night! The extensive Q&A session after the film made the evening extra special when we get to hear first hand, “how did the concept come about? How are things different today with your mother since making the film? And, how did your family members react when you said you wanted to film the big island visit?” Just a few of the many questions that came up.

E HAKU INOA IS A MUST see for anyone who has not yet had a chance to view it. This documentary shares Christen’s journey as she begins to understand the meaning of her long Hawaiian name, **Hepuakoamana’eka-punokamalei o nali’iamekahanohano’ia**. Separated from her mother as a young child, Christen is rebuilding her relationship with her mother one day at a time and in the process discovering so much more about herself. Sharing her story was important to encourage dialog about the issue of mental health but it really could touch on so much more such as family dynamics, Mother – Daughter relationships, cultural identity to name a few. To further support this engagement, Christen has also been working with Healani Palmer Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of Global Health Programs at Claremont Graduate University in creating a discussion guide to accompany her film as this is not a topic openly discussed in our community.

WE APPLAUD YOU Christen for your willingness to share your personal plight and your motivation in wanting to help by creating learning tools so others can also begin the healing. We wish you success on your O’ahu screening and PBS showing in October and that all those most important to you will be able to come together in support, recognition, and celebration.

AND TO ALL THE WONDERFUL menehune that contributed to the baked goods, lei making, opportunity drawing, photography, set up, servers, and tech support, Hoku & Mark Aichele, Edye Hill, Joann Hill, Agnes & Eric Kakahara, Paddy & Tom Kakahara, Charlene Kazner, Gina Jaster, Lori Larrison, Nanikapua McManus, Ka’ala & Kaiwi Pang, and Lehua Swopes MAHALO NUI!!! Without your combined efforts we wouldn’t have as much fun.

A hui hou,
 Ualani

P.S. to contact Christen, see a trailer of the movie, and view her other works please visit her website: <http://paradocsproductions.com/>



KOLOHE LUNCH



DATE: September 11, 2013 (satellite)

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Belecán Malaysian Restaurant in Tustin (next to Zov's Bistro..Enderle Center)

DATE: September 25, 2013

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: New Ruby Palace in H.B.

Last month's Kolohe was at the Hawaiian Kitchen in H.B. Nine members showed up, and we had a fun time. The food was **pono (?)** Just as a side note, anybody and everybody are welcome. **The more the merrier. Both places are favorites.** I did not get to go to the August Kolohe because I went to the UH-USC game in Hawai'i on the 29th. I have eaten squid luau twice so far. Eat your hearts out. I went to the Ko'olaupoko HCC luau last night. Abercrombee was there. I was really surprised because they didn't serve Hawai'ian food. I guess they get tired of it over here. Fat chance.

THE NEW KOLOHE LUNCH???

CERTAINLY, WE'RE TOO OLD TO BE NEW, but just so you all know, I am working hard (Oh brother!) trying to keep the **Kolohe spirit alive**. Today, (August 28, 2013 at 11:30 last Wednesday of the month (as set forth in Gil's rules of the Kolohe), three stalwart members set out to have what could be called the premier "Oahu Auxiliary lunch of the Kolohe". The attendees we're not liking the heat, but we all decided to be brave, and sat outside in the shade. We ate at **Roy's at the Ko'olina Golf Club Course**. The mostly ha'ole meal was devoured by all. One of the attendees made light of the fact that the now as kama"aina had no idea that this little slice of heaven even existed, and it took someone from the mainland (that's me) to show them where it was.

Aren't you all just dying to know who the charter members of the Oahu Kolohe were? Oh, by the way, and before I forget, the word "pono" in my last memo, was meant to be "ono". Just like lunch was today.

Well to continue, we even enjoyed looking at the black swans preening themselves in the mini lake and rapids (not really). The service was very congenial, and the whole affair was enjoyed by all. We talked story and caught up on what's happening with 'Ainahau and the rest of the world. Well that's about all from the practice field of the UH... Go Bows!. Can you believe that I said that? After all "Tomorrow is another day." The law of averages has to even out someday! A hui hou from the "gathering place". Sunday there will be a big celebration at Iolani Palace. Who do you think will be there? Hint, he belongs to 'Ainahau. **Oh I almost forgot**, the attendees were none other than **Joseph, BJ,** and Gil. They asked that I send you their love, and to please call when you come to town. They said they would see us at the Lunalilo Home after the convention. They looked great and rested. Any bets on how long they can keep up this new life!? They are so loveable. BJ not wearing her "LUNA" hat, hard to believe, and Joseph making everything turn out perfectly, as usual.

Aloha till next month. Gil

CHARLENE KAZNER
Pelekikena (President)
Continuation



Note from the Editor
Maggie Perry

The 54th Convention of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is November 10-17, 2013 on the island of Kaua'i. The theme this year is **O Ka Maui Ka Mea E Ola Ai Kanaka – The Spirit is What Causes Man to Thrive**. Google “54th Hawaiian Civic Club Convention” for more information. Pay special attention to the due dates, many of which are September 15th.

To our keiki....I hope you enjoyed your summer vacation and are ready to go back to school. Enjoy seeing your friends and study hard.

Mahalo for all you do. I appreciate your time, effort and dedication. Mālama pono.

Me ke aloha,
Charlene Kazner
Pelekikena

Aloha All,

Mahalo to our contributors. You will enjoy Gil's Kolohe column and also Linda's contribution to Kau Kau Korner. She made her delicious recipe and shared at pre-aha aina work day and I requested that she share the recipe in this issue. Please advise if you have a recipe to share for future newsletters.

Also mahalo to my “neighbor” Charles Herring for his interesting profile! Very enjoyable reading. **WHO WANTS TO BE NEXT??** Always looking for volunteers!

Next month, we hope to have a new column—our contributor will be kumu Ululani Cortez sharing her insights on Hawaiiana!!

I have inserted random pictures from our big event on August 10, 2013. See you at the Pacific Islander Festival! Mālama pono, MAGS





*Member Profile by
by Charles Kahuaka'i Herring*

WELINA! MY NAME IS CHARLES KAHUAKA'I HERRING. I am originally from the island of O'ahu, the district of Waikele known as the city of Waipahu on the Leeward coast.

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN A FAN and follower of 'Ainahau for many, many years as I was once a Pele-kikena for the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club. My life as a Hawaiian Civic member started in the early 2000 where I was able to share my life and time with the organization that connected me with home.

LIVING AWAY FROM HAWAI'I, we sometimes have to find that niche that will allow us to connect and to perpetuate our ethnic background. As a Pacific Islander and mixed nationality it was important to me to join and share my time with different organization in my new environment.

I HAVE BEEN ON THE MAINLAND now for 16 years and my residence is in Henderson, Las Vegas. Before moving to Las Vegas as a request by a friend; I was a "free bird" traveler with no care in the world as a young person going away to find my place in life and that journey took me to be living in Japan. My mom used to also say that my Hawaiian name fits me very well.

"Kahuaka'i" which means traveler or to journey.

IN JAPAN I WAS DOING a lot of different things with the arts but my main job was working as a Hawaiian hula dancer at a famous hot spring resort, at the time called Joban Hawaiian Center now known as Spa Resort Hawaiians. The Japanese movie "Hula girl" is about that place. The interesting part of being a dancer there is that the live band and dancers are all Japanese nationals. This was way before the hula boom and before it ever took off as we find it today. Its property was fashioned after old Hawaii with sand stages, hydraulic turn stages and better yet a full on water amusement park that also had a Hawaiian tropical garden. Although I have traveled to many countries and places, Japan held the best times of my travel life.

THE SAYING THAT YOU can never forget where you come from is true. The Hawaiian culture has always been in my life as a young child. Coming from a large family - I have 5 sister and 3 brothers.

MY PARENTS WERE OF the old school and our home was always filled with that Hawaiian life and values. I grew up around animals from cows, goats, pigs, ducks, cats and dogs. The vegetable garden that grew anywhere there were space and tropical plants filled up

*Member Profile by
Charles Kahuaka'i Herring - Continued*

around our house that we rarely see today. The smell of laua'e leaves and local flowering plants just right outside our windows and not to mention every pot or container that mom could find was a dream for a planter's pot. I lived by a river called Waikele stream. The river came from the streams of Wahiaawa and flowed down past my house as it continued to go out to Pearl harbor. The oysters, shrimps, Hawaiian crabs that could be gathered, the mullets and blue pincher crabs that could be caught with a net. The river was of brackish water and our pool almost everyday our pool almost every day. Growing up we would see jelly fish, baby hammerheads and stingrays swim up the river. This was a childhood playground. These are memories that just makes you look back and laugh.

GROWING UP I HAVE ALWAYS been fascinated with Hawaiian hand-made craft. I would learn a lot of crafts using seeds, nuts, leaves and barks and then incorporate a different style to what I was making. Let's say a little twist of "self creation flair" It would drive my grandma crazy. It has been a blessing to share what others have shared with me.

TODAY I STILL FIND THE TIME TO travel and share these crazy things. With all that I have shared, we find that there is so many avenues on how we as people of Hawaii or Hawaiian at heart perpetuate the Hawaiian culture.

I CURRENTLY HAVE A HAWAIIAN dance group called **Na Hula Hali'a Aloha Cultural Preservation.** We are not a halau but a "HU'I". I have not come from a halau background but by the performance art of stage life. I have the same value as a halau teaching and foundation but more of a laid back approach. Everything I do is about the arts first and then hula. I continue to do a lot of culture exchanges and culture projects in the community. I belong to several performing ethnic groups and share the teaching of using the art of hula as an interpretation expression of dance. Japanese seems to be the most popular, like Christian hula the Hawaiian art movements are implemented.

EACH YEAR I HOLD my annual Christmas event that I pay tribute to those individuals and community groups that have supported me and my group during the year. We embark on this continued journey on December 7 called ~ **Aloha Kalikimaka – E hula kakou Christmas.** Because I believe that Hula is like healing. It touches all people with it's music, its sound and it's movement. I am so grateful for this talent and creative ways that I am humbled by all my teachers that shared their time with me to excel and to give back. Because I live outside from "Āinahau. If time permits me to share a hula lesson or a craft associated with hula, it would be my contribution to start. If you would like to talk story or plan on visiting Las Vegas, please let me know by contacting me via **nahulalv.com** and come by. I look forward in meeting all of our members in due time. My job keeps me busy as well!



**God bless and Mālama pono,
Just Charles**



***Nū Lei Makalapua Report ,
Convention & Health
Information***



***Continued: Health Information
Information Continued***

AHCC CONVENTION INFORMATION FOR 2013:

November 10 through 17 on Moku o Manokalanipo (Kaua`i) at the Kaua`i Marriott Resort on Kalapaki Beach, room rates \$179 single/double + tax, maximum occupancy four persons, charges for 3rd and 4th person \$40/night, book today, call **1.800.220.2925**, deadline October 18, or until block of AHCC rooms sell out. T-Shirt order form and Kauai Convention tours are posted online, order your seat today! Check AHCC Website for more details, t-shirt orders, tours and awards available online: www.ahcc.org (54th Annual Convention) ‘O Ka Mauli Ka Mea E Ola Ai Kānaka” (“**The spirit is what causes man to thrive**”).

MĀLAMA PU`UWAI NUI: GOTTA HAVE HEART:

PIHP’s new program advancing Heart 101 Training, part of the Center for Native and Pacific Health Disparities Research approved PIHP for training and dissemination of program modules for **diabetes at risk for congestive heart failure**. Training program activities to begin soon, stay tune for more details to learn more about:

Ha`awina `Ekahi: ***`Ike Pono, Symptoms of Heart Failure***

Ha`awina Elua: ***Lā`au Pono, Managing Your Heart Failure Medicines***

Ha`awina `Ekolu: ***`Ai Pono, Heart Healthy Eating***

Ha`awina `Ehā: ***Na`au Pono: Physical Activity & Emotions in Caring for Heart Failure***

Members interested in signing up for this special program can do so at General Meetings. More details to follow. Program is available for all Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders at risk for heart failure.



Affordable Care Act (ACA): Friday, August 23, Herb Schultz, Director, Department of Health & Human Services, Region IX, `Āinahau o Kaleponi HCC Charlene Kazner, Ualani Ho`opai, and twenty four other Pacific Islander leaders from throughout Southern California to updated Pacific Islander Navigators and health advocates on the complex ACA process, options and resources to improve access to improve quality, cultural relevant healthcare for Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (NHPI). Newest development reported by Mr. Schultz, is that DHHS has approved and support COFA migrants access to ACA, subsidies to depend on determination by IRA for full benefits. Marlena Vaifale, follow up with MediCal, *California state funding*, it’s process, provisions and access for all NHPI communities.

For more details, contact C. Kazner, U. Ho`opai or K. Pang

August 2013: National Immunization Month: check with your provider for your personal Immunization check up!



***Mālama pono, a hui hou,
Ka`āla***





‘ĀINAHAU UPCOMING EVENTS 2013

- ▶ **6th Annual PACIFIC ISLANDER FESTIVAL 2013**
“Celebrating Pacific Island Cultures - ‘Ohana, We are Family” Saturday, September 21, 2013
 from 10am – 5:30pm/Sunday, September 22, 2013 9am – 5:30pm Central Library Park, Huntington Beach. Poster Attached
- ▶ **October 5, 2013 AOKHCC Movie Night**
- ▶ **Convention—Kauai—November 10-17, 2013**
- ▶ **Island Bazaar Bake Sale November 27, 2013 (Gardena, CA)**
- ▶ **Christmas Party—December 8, 2013**

**OTHER EVENTS FROM
ALOHAWORLD.COM**

05 Sep '13 07:00 pm- 05 Sep '13 11:00 pm
The Good Life Tour with Ekoru & Bo Napoleon

Halau O Lilinoe Event Center- Carson, CA
 The Good Life Tour presenting Ekoru featuring Bo Napoleon and Tribal Theory. Doors open @7:00pm All Ages Welcome! Halau O Lilinoe Event Center 305 W Torrance Blvd Carson, Ca 90745 .. [Details](#)

05 Oct '13 11:00 am- 05 Oct '13 05:00 pm
Nā Wehi: Sandwich Island Fashions

Halau O Lilinoe Event Center- Carson, CA
 Nā Wehi: Sandwich Island Fashions, Music and Food event will be a unique offering of the talent and creativity of the Pacific Island Communities in Southern California. It is a fundraiser for the Sandwich Islands Network V93FM.com to help keep the station on the air supporting the Pacific Islander communities and contemporary island music talent. This event will feature Pacific Islands fashions, leisure wear, lifestyle clothing, Island apparel and more. Contemporary island music will be offered with a concert to wrap up the event. Food and beverage will be available. More information coming on concert details and ticket sales. Mark your calendars now and check back for updates on this event.... [Details](#)

22 Nov '13 05:00 pm- 22 Nov '13 09:00 pm

Kawika Kahiapo in Concert

San Marcos Civic Center- San Marcos, CA
 Mark your calendars!! Kawika Kahiapo is coming to San Diego to do a fundraiser concert for Kuhai Halau O Ke-ka'eilaua'eokalani Pa Olapa Kahiko!! Check [him](#) out at www.kawikakahiapo.net Date: Friday, November 22nd
 Location: San Marcos Civic Center General admission will be \$35 in advance, \$45 at the door. Ohana packets of 5 tickets will be available for \$150. Food and drink will be available at the event. [Details](#)



KAU KAU KORNER By LINDA MCELREA

B J 'S HAWAIIAN FRUIT BARS

(not our BJ, but delicious just the same)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour 15" X 10" pan. Beat 2 eggs and 1½ cups of sugar until light and fluffy in large bowl at high speed of mixer. Add 2¼ cups flour, 1½ teaspoons baking soda, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 Teaspoon vanilla, and 2 cups canned fruit with juice (include liquid). Beat at medium speed until well blended, scraping sides and bottom of bowl. Spread in pan. Sprinkle with mixture of 1 1/3 cups flaked coconut and ½ cup chopped nuts. Bake a 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. While hot, drizzle with glaze, cool, cut into bars.

Fruit may be fruit cocktail or any fruit WITH juice (I used 20 oz. can of crushed pineapple = 2 cups).

GLAZE

In small pan combine ¾ cup sugar, ½ cup butter, ¼ cup evaporated milk; stirring constantly. Stir in ½ cup chopped nuts, cool drizzle over bars as soon as they come out of the oven. Cool completely before cutting. (above is how web site printed glaze instructions; I cooked it to a rolling boil for 2 min.; seemed to need that to melt the sugar completely)





**NEXT
GENERAL
MEETING**

DATE: September 15, 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!!*

FUTURE GENERAL MEETINGS:
October 20 (note: no November
 General Meeting due to the convention
 in Kaua`i) and December 1

Hau'oli La Hanau

AUGUST:

- 5 TOM KAKIHARA
- 10 LOUIS HUBBARD
- 11 LORI LARRISON
- 12 ARTLAND KA'AI
- 12 JOSEPH RODRIGUES
- 13 KEALOHA BODE
- 17 JENNIFER KAZNER
- 19 PAULA PALMER
- 20 PAUL SHELLABARGER
- 20 DAVID KAZNER
- 22 JOHN FEOLA
- 24 MAPUANA LAWRENCE

SEPTEMBER

- 1 SHERRY UDINK
- 2 MALULANI ODEGAARD
- 2 JOSEPH NARTEA
- 3 ANALANI IMBACH
- 4 JAMES KAMAKELE
- 6 MONA MAERTENS
- 10 DALE FALASCO
- 12 HEATHER HELELOA
- 14 MARIE FEOLA
- 17 MELANIE PUA HAO
- 18 EMMA NARTEA
- 19 LINDA MCELREA
- 20 CALVIN CHANG
- 21 ERIC KAKIHARA
- 22 DEB JANUS
- 22 GIL KVEEN
- 30 DENNY COLBERT

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE CORNER

No updates this month.



*Keep Āinahau Prospering & Growing—Kokua
 from near and far!! You can help by joining
 even if you are not in California! Homeless
 needs soaps you get at hotel stays—and
 clothes & towels. Contact Paddy Kakihara if
 you have or just bring to the
 General Meeting!!!*

**All Pau Until September, 2013
 Newsletter**



**PACIFIC ISLANDER
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