

Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu December Newsletter

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Mele Kalikimaka and Hauoli Makahiki Hou!

Blessings of this most festive season and prosperous New Year!

2004 AHCC CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS!

HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB OF HONOLULU MEMBER AWARDS OF LEADERSHIP!

Congratulations to...

MAXEEN "MACKY" SHEA, HCCH Corresponding Secretary, won the **AHCC Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club member**....we're really proud of **Macky**...and especially appreciative of all that she does for our Club...checks our mail and mails out your newsletters too.

BLAINE FERGUSTROM, HCCH Webmaster, won the **Best Website award**. Mahalo **Blaine** for the awesome website, and we are proud of your support!

ELECTION RESULTS:

President: Toni Lee, Pearl Harbor HCC
1VP: LEIMOMI KHAN, Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu
2VP: Soulee Stroud, President, Mainland Council
Treasurer: Pat Sniffen, Pearl Harbor HCC

Recently elected to the O'ahu Council was our very own **Louise Gerboc** as Oahu Council Director. Congratulations to all!

- **MEDICARE RESOLUTION PASSED!** First national resolution in the history of Hawaiian Civic Clubs...says **Lela Hubbard!**
- **STRYKER BRIGADE RESOLUTION PASSED!** VOTE 80 TO 79...
- **FEATURED ARTICLE** on the details of the convention cruise by Leimomi Khan, HCCH Convention Chairperson, up ahead

Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs 2005 Convention.

Place: Fairmont Orchid Hotel at Maunalani

Cost \$160. + tax per day

Dates During the week of 23-29 October 2005

(Note the convention moved to October not November) Typically the convention starts on Wednesday evening. So members should make their reservations now. As far as I know Aha Mele will happen at next years convention. More to come.

MAUI NO KA OI! Hey...we missed a good time...

The HCCCH Maui Cultural trip provided many new enjoyable experiences for senior kupunas tutu **Sarah Kauka**, aunty **Eloise Bruns** and aunty **Katherine Farm** (ages 78 - 87) and junior kupunas **Luana Sala**, **Pat Schmidt**, **Macky Shea** and **Susan Malterre-Htun** (ages 58-64) this past November 11 - 13. It started with the charming ambiance of the 'OI Wailuku Inn and the gourmet breakfasts of owners Janice and Tom Fairbanks. We toured Maui Tropical Gardens on a tram, had Tea at Maui Lavendar Farm with a fun tour by owner Ali'i Ching, had a nice tour and tasted some wines at Ulupalakua Ranch/Tedeschi Winery where the tasting room used to be King Kalakaua's cottage, toured the Surfing Goat Dairy where four "kids" were born while we were there and we got to hold "Megan", a nine-day old kid goat and taste feta and chevre cheeses. We also toured Bailey House, Iao gardens and Kamehameha Schools with the people from the ship. We ate at IHOP, Sheiks and a Japanese Restaurant in Kaahumanu Mall. We got to shop at Sig Zanes and Maui Home Maid Bakery (mochi, manju). With all this running around, we still found time each evening before dinner for pupus and cocktails and fun singing with **Aunty Katherine** at the ukulele on the porch lanai of our "hanai" home for three days. Our bags were fuller going home with the extra shopping from the Lavendar Farm, Tedeschi Winery, Surfing Goat Dairy, Sig Zanes and the mochi and manju (we even have lavendar plants). With all that we did, we still didn't get to some of the places like Maui Chocolate Factory and Enchanting Gardens, so think we may need to do this again some day.

Aloha, Macky

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, December 11, 2004	Annual Christmas Party
Sunday, December 12, 2004	Ali'i Sunday – Kamehameha V
Sunday, December 19, 2004	Ali'i Sunday-Bernice Pauahi Bishop
Feb 28-March 3, 2005	Kaho'olawe Cultural Trip
Saturday, July 23, 2005	Holokū Ball

CLUBS HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Our annual Christmas Party will be held at Pake's, in Kaneohe from 11:30 to 2:30 (lunch), 7 course chinese for \$20.00 per person. We will be having a drawing for such door prizes as: DVD players, Stereo's, dinners for two and so on...should be fun. Aunty Katherine will be contacting everyone. **Roy Brooks at 386-3298 cell.**



Part of the business is election of 4 Board of Director. The term of office for these director positions is for 2 years starting Jan 2005. The election will take place at the Clubs Christmas Party scheduled for 11 Dec 2005. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the party. Anyone interested in serving on the HCCCH Board of Directors should call Louise Gerboc 988-4111 x101 (w) or 988-9580 (h).

MAHALO NAKE'U BAKE SALE TEAM!

We had a very successful baked sale Sunday, November 21st, for one of our club's annual fundraisers. BIG MAHALO to the team who volunteered towards the success of this fundraiser:

Katherine Farm
Maxeen Shea

Dawn Farm-Ramsey
Susan Materre-Htun

Momi Jones,
Chairperson

Over \$1,000 was collected! GREAT JOB! More donations are expected through the mail from members who were non-bakers. Many thanks to **Aunty Mary Smith** who came through again with a massive amount of baked goods (15 cakes and cookies and other onolicious desserts); **Roy Brooks** who donated two cases of his Chocolate Chip Pecan cookies for sale; and **Aunty Katherine Farm** whom made 16 jars of pickled onions which brought in \$128.00 @ \$8.00 per bottle. Aloha Momi J.

A Special Mahalo to Nake'u Awai, HCCH member...for the opportunity to fundraise for our club each year at this very successful, elegant and festive event. It gets better each year. Hey! For Christmas gift ideas, visit Nake'u today at 1613 Houghtailing, Ste 5, or phone 841-1221. Mahalo and Aloha.

HOLOKU BALL 2005

Chairpersons **Leimomi Khan** and **Leatrice Kauahi** are co-chairpersons for Holoku Ball **2005** to be held on **Saturday, July 23, 2005**. They will be soliciting help from the members and everyone is encouraged to support them. This is our annual scholarship fundraiser and your help and commitment is what makes it the success that it is.

CLUB UNIFORMS

For information about uniforms, please contact Chairperson, **Louise Gerboc** at 988-9580

KAHO'OLAWE? *Mark your calendars*

Our cultural trip to Kaho'olawe will be Feb. 28 to Mar. 3. If you are interested, please email Susan Malterre-Htun at <htunk001@hawaii.rr.com> or phone at 732-2468 for further information.

"HAWAII COALITION IS ON THE MOVE!" by Lela Hubbard

Statewide meeting to discuss the components and process for Building nationhood will be held on Saturday, December 11 at 8:30am At the Airport Meeting Room. For more information call **Lela Hubbard**, at **487-2311**.

NA KAI 'EWALU

"Reconnecting the past, with the present, for the future"
 Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs
 45th Annual Convention
 NCL America, "Pride of Aloha"
 November 7-14, 2004

A report by Leimomi Khan, HCCH Convention Coordinator

Sunday morning, they all arrived....335 registered members and guests to the annual Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs convention. Greeted by Tootsie Cazimero and Hawaiian musicians; **Harriet Roxburgh**, convention coordinator, and her team; and **Marlene Ebeo**, Getaway Travel, and her team...check-in went smoothly. A continuous drizzle of rain blessed all passengers.

A sail away party saw most of us present. Hugs and honi-honi could be seen everywhere as members of 46 civic clubs gathered. Later that evening, on the 11th deck, the Mau'i Council treated members to kanikapila. We sang and danced till the wee hours of the morning. Throughout the seven-day journey, the ship was filled with the Aloha of our members. At breakfast, lunch, dinner, in meetings, everyone greeted each other in true Hawaiian style....and in the evenings, Hawaiian music filled the air as members gathered to talk story, play their ukulele, share mele and hula.

On Tuesday evening, Pelekikena **Charles Rose** officially opened the convention. Among the kupuna recognized for their contributions to the community and to civic clubs was our very own Aunty **Nel Araki**. Member, **Bucky Leslie** (he's also president of the Kuakini HCC) and members of his club created a bouquet of white anthuriums, comprised of flowers presented in remembrance of each deceased member. **Bucky** also added a special touch of presenting lei to each person who placed a flower. Everyone commented on how beautiful the Halia Aloha (necrology) ceremony went. The bouquet was ever-present throughout the convention. It is likely that future Halia Aloha ceremonies will continue in this manner, versus the use of candles, though the candles remind us that their shining light will live on forever.

Maxeen Shea, HCCH, was selected as Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club Member, and the HCCH website, under the administration of **Blaine Ferguson**, was selected as best website.

Over a five-day period, administrative and program committees met, workshops were held. HCCH Members, **Kalani Brady, Tomi Chong, and Ramsey Taum** conducted workshops on, Ask a Kauka, Kau Inoa, and Tourism, respectively. Additionally, Darrell Yagodich conducted a workshop on the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act. All said and done, action was taken on 37 resolutions:

- **The Community Relations Committee** acted on eight resolutions, seven of which were commendation, recognition or remembrance resolutions. Of particular significance were two resos, 04-15, which recognized the exemplary leadership of **Charles L. Rose, Jr.**, and reso 04-33, Establishing a voter registration program among all HCC to empower native Hawaiians in decision making.
- **The Benefits and Trusts Committee** acted on 12 resolutions. Nine of these resolutions concerned the Department of Hawaiian Homelands and ranged from supporting Administrative Rules and Guidelines for the Implementation of a DHHL Planning System to Supporting Reauthorization of Title VIII of the Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act. Two resolutions supported the repeal of Chapter 38, the Leasehold to Fee Conversion Law, and one resolution urged the State of Hawai'i to Withhold from the Counties the Power to Condemn Residential Leasehold Land. All resolutions were adopted.
- **The Education Committee** acted on one resolution which called for Equity for All Students of Hawaiian Ancestry Attending Kamehameha Schools Ho'omakaika'i Explorations Program. This resolution was particularly targeted to improving the timeliness of the process for acceptance and acting on applications to enable Hawaiian students from the mainland to have a better chance in securing airline reservations at a reduced price, and also that some kind of concession be made in the scholarship department to offset expenses.
- **The Employment and Housing Committee** acted on three resolutions: Resolution 04-11 requests that the Department of Human Services Ensure Timely Updates of the Child Welfare Services Database; Resolution No. 04-13, urged the University of Hawai'i School of Travel Industry Management to Provide Greater Opportunity for Native Hawaiians to Benefit from the School's Programs and Services; and Resolution No 04-37 called for the AHCC to Assist the Mainland Council in Identifying and Contacting Qualified and Interested Native Hawaiian Women for Potential Presidential Appointments
- **The Health Committee** acted on three resolutions, urging the AHCC to continue their support for the implementation of a 5-year Cancer Awareness Campaign; to urge the congress to make the medicare drug benefit affordable for seniors and the disabled, and to support Education in Genetics and the ethical issues surrounding genetic studies that impact on Native Hawaiians.
- **The Na Mea Hawaii Committee** acted on four resolutions urging the Legislature to restore funding to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission; urging the Dept of Lands and Natural Resources to implement the master plan and best management practices for the preservation and interpretation of the natural and cultural resources of Kawai Nui Marsh, Kailua Ahupua'a and Ko'olaupoko; urging the YMCA of Honolulu to preserve and protect Ulupo Heiau and the surrounding cultural landscape; and urging the Hawai'i Tourism authority to acknowledge the historical cultural and educational significance of the Prince Kuhio Commemorative Celebration, the King Kamehameha Celebration and the Aloha Week Festivals and to provide adequate funding for these annual events.
- **The Native Rights Committee** acted on six resolutions: Urging the AHCC to support a traditional framework for the traditional Hawaiian custom, practice and application of Hanai; urging the AHCC to conduct educational workshops and seminars relating to the findings of the Hanai Task Force; and urging the AHCC to host a conference to discuss the future of tourism in Hawaii, including the social, political, economic, cultural and environmental impact upon Native Hawaiians, their culture, communities and natural resources; urging the support of the Alternative Technology Called Plasma Arc and the Opposition of Landfills in Hawaii; urging the support of a special purpose revenue bond for the Plasma Arc technology; and expressing deep concern regarding the impact of the United States Army Stryker Brigade upon the 'Aina of Hawai'i and O'ahu and calling upon the Hawai'i Congressional delegation to reconsider their support. Among all resolutions submitted, this one was the most controversial that caused significant debate on the floor. The resolution was passed with 80 votes for and 79 votes against.

Other items of significance discussed included the following:

- **Convention 2005** will be held at the Fairmont Orchid, Hawaii, 23-30 Oct 2005. Reservation forms were distributed. Convention 2006 will be held on O‘ahu, place to be determined; Convention 2007 will be held on the mainland. Consideration is being given to Alaska and Washington, D.C.
- **The Doe Case** was heard by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court on Nov 4, decision is pending; the hearing on the leasehold conversion before the City Council will continue in December; the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the ruling of a lower court regarding the status of a Native Hawaiian as Native American: Native Hawaiians were once part of a kingdom “that was treated as a co-equal sovereign alongside the United States”, therefore cannot apply for recognition as Native Americans; Akaka Bill may be brought to the floor of the Senate for a vote no later than August 7, 2005; and Enrollment at Charter Schools is up but funding is decreased; “No Child left behind” had members in support of and against the mandated Federal plan, important that Civic Clubs look at specifics to see where improvements can be made; Principals have more decision-making authority and perhaps can address the needs of our children.

Election for AHCC leadership was held with the following outcome: **Toni Lee**, Pearl Harbor HCC, President; **Leimomi Khan**, Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu and Kalihi-Palama HCC, 1st VP; **Soulee Stroud**, Hui O Hawai‘i O Utah, 2nd VP; and **Pat Sniffen**, Pearl Harbor HCC, Treasurer.

All-in-all, a very productive convention, with fun had by all. Convention at sea, in this member’s opinion, provided us the opportunity to more closely network with other civic club members; to appreciate the beauty of our islands as we stood in awe at the beauty of the Na Pali Coast and at 1:30 in the morning, at Madame Pele’s lava flow. Cultural discussions that were held throughout the week, as well as a special Waste Management presentation by NCL, gave us a special appreciation of our culture and the importance of caring for our land and our ocean.

I wish to extend appreciation to all members of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, and in particular to our leadership, **Anita Naone**, President, and **Leatrice Kauahi**, Vice President, for their encouragement and support that resulted in my election to the position of First Vice-President of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs. I will work hard to live up to your confidence.

Let’s also applaud the sound leadership exhibited by every member of our club at convention, especially **Marlene Ebeo**, who handled the travel arrangements of all 335 members who attended the convention...an awesome task; **Tomi Chong**, Registration and Credentials Chair; **Momi Jones**, Resolutions Chair; **Henry Gomes**, Chair, Policy and Planning Committee; **Leimomi Khan**, Chair, Employment and Housing Committee; **Claire Hughes**, Chair, Health Committee; and **Claire Pruet**, Chair, Education Committee. Mahalo also to **Ramsey Taum** for his stellar workshop on Tourism in Hawaii, **Dr Kalani Brady** who assisted **Claire Hughes**, and **Ted Takai, Jr**, who on his own initiative, took pictures of all events and shared with the AHCC and HCCH leadership.

Lastly, the AHCC President, **Charles Rose**, a member of our club, is applauded for his exemplary leadership these past four years. During his tenure, Charlie enhanced relationships between the AHCC and other organizations, informing them of the many worthwhile projects that we are involved in; he applied for and obtained funding from several resources, which has resulted in the AHCC’s ability to open an office, hire staff, produce day-to-day services to councils, clubs and members, provide a newsletter, and began to do archiving of our association, councils and clubs. Additionally, through his leadership, the AHCC has partnered with Chaminade University of Honolulu in two projects: One is the Native Hawaiian Leadership Training Project; the other the acquisition and development of a facility to be used by the Civic Clubs. AHCC has also received a grant to assess the level of use of the Hawaiian language by our members and to develop a plan to increase our use of the Hawaiian language. Another grant is to explore the creation of a Community Development Financial Institution. Hawai‘i Maoli has also been selected to be the repository for the Kau Inoa Nation Building Project. All said and done, **Charlie Rose** has moved the AHCC to new heights. We are proud of his accomplishments and thank him for his leadership.

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**Wishing you and your families a Joyous Christmas  
and Prosperous New Year!**