

Ōlelo Launa

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President's Message

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Aloha neighbors. At this year's annual meeting held January 10th, you returned Joel Ravey and Mark Villanueva to serve three more years on the Royal Kunia Community Association (RKCA) Board of Directors.

After serving three years on the board, Joe Picon returned to work on other community activities. Thank you, Joe, for your service to your neighborhood over the past three years, and your continued contribution to the Boy Scouts of America and other community

work. Welcome to Colin Wright, elected to serve the community on the board over the next three years. Colin has been a resident of Royal Kunia since 2001.

The board selected the following members to these respective posts: President - Mike Freeman, Vice President - Doey Guasch, Secretary - Mark Villanueva, Treasurer - Joann Hirata.

I would like to extend a huge mahalo to outgoing president Joel Ravey. Joel has served on the

RKCA board since 1995, and has been our board president since 2001. His tireless service over these past eleven years has been instrumental in guiding this budding community through the many challenges and development threats that we have faced. Thanks to his efforts, we all enjoy living in a safe and beautiful neighborhood. I have benefited from Joel's counsel over the past two years, and feel fortunate to have him continue as a board

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HEAD'S UP KUNIA!

- The RKCA board meeting start time is now 7:00 pm. Call 688-9001 to confirm place and time of meeting.
- HPD no longer handles animal complaints. Call the Humane Society at 946-2187 for noise or abuse complaints.
- Royal Kunia is patrolled by off duty HPD, however, if any suspicious activity is seen—call 911!

Bulk Item Pickup

A FRINDLY REMINDER when using the City & County of Honolulu's Monthly Bulky Item pickup service. Royal Kunia Subdivision has been designated Sector 14, with monthly collec-

tion day starting the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Pickup is conducted over a 3-4 day period. If your item(s) is/ are not collected by Friday of collection week,

call 455-9644 for the oversight. Should your item(s) remain uncollected, your item(s) may be dropped off at one of the City's Convenience

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Centers or stored on your property until the next month's scheduled collection.

Rules for bulky item pickup, as stated from the City & County of Honolulu, Dept. of Environmental Services website:

- Put items out for collection no earlier than the evening before your scheduled pickup day or period. Bulky items sitting at the curb-side for long periods are unattractive in your neighborhood, can be unsafe (especially for children) and can attract illegal dumping at that site.
 - Remove or secure doors for refrigerators. Children have been known to suffocate in refrigerators, unable to open the doors from the inside. Remove the doors, tie it closed or place the door against the ground or a wall to prevent it from opening.
- Do not block sidewalks, driveways or roadways.
- To obtain more information, please visit www.opala.org

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member.

Your other board members are Jim McNarie, Wayne Nakamoto and Lance Widner.

While there are many items of interest to the community we must address, here are my top priorities:

- Ensuring any future plans for the area called the Proposed Golf Course enhance the community.
- Continuing rigorous covenant enforcement so that all our neighbors can enjoy the amenities of our carefully planned neighborhood and the resulting rise in equity in our homes.
- Working with Castle and Cook to complete the Community Recreation Center we have waited so long for.

With the help of our talented Treasurer, Joan Hirata, maintain best value for our community fees, budget effectively and live within our budget.

Over the past year, board member Lance Widner has been a strong and effective voice for our community as Chairman of the Government Affairs Committee. Lance has kept the concerns of Royal Kunia before our elected officials in city and state government. We all owe

Lance a debt of gratitude. We are fortunate to have him continue his quest this year.

I would also like to recognize Diane Santiago for her energy in putting together our community newsletter, "Olelo Launa", to Allison Miyashiro and Victor Tago for putting together our community website: www.RKCA.org, to Bill Palmeira, Chris & Monica Yasuda, Roland Louie, and Fred Takeshita for committing their time to removing or painting over graffiti as their schedules permit, and to Albi Mateo for the work she does day in and day out to meet the needs of our neighbors and neighborhood.

It takes more than just a Board of Directors to manage a community. We need each and every resident to contribute in keeping Royal Kunia a great place to live. Each of you just needs to give a little for everyone to benefit a lot.

Please feel free to contact the RKCA office at 688-9001 with your thoughts and concerns. You are welcome to attend our monthly board meetings, held at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month. I just ask that for each problem you bring up, have at least one solution for us to consider.

WEST OAHU CIVIL AIR PATROL IN NEW LOCATION

Hey! Did you know that our own State, Hawaii Wing, Civil Air Patrol opened a NEW Location? Well, they did and the new unit is called **WEST O'AHU COMPOSITE SQUADRON**, located at the Pacific Aerospace Training Center, Honolulu Community College Facility, in

Kalaeloa (Barbers Point). In fact on December 16, 2006, they had their 1st MEMBERSHIP DRIVE, and will conduct its' **OFFICIAL GRAND OPENING on March 24, 2007 @ 8:30 a.m.** Yes! You are Invited.

West O'ahu Cadet Flight actually opened its' doors on September 30th

for the 1st time. The Membership Drive in December was a success, with a 40% increase in the number of cadets and a modest increase of adult members. Participants enjoyed activities, including a brief overview of Civil Air Patrol, Air

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