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Newsletter

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President's Message-Madie Greene

Aloha Kakou NCA members,

A year has gone by and with it many accomplishments achieved. The diligent integrity of this Board to focus on the future and where we would like to see our Community is unyielding. Many ideas and plans are passed our way and we are looking at each one and prioritizing them.

As you may well know, our first priority will always remain with the children and their needs. The summer fun program was a huge success with approximately 25 to 30 children attending.

We have acquired new equipment to keep up with the demand of the upkeep of our roads and grounds, and are looking into economical ways to repairing our roads. Miconia eradication with the Team Action Nanawale is underway. Electrical rewiring of our buildings and a Security System has been put into place. The cell tower is up and running and we expect other wireless companies to tap in, providing good cell phone reception to all. We have been aggressively addressing illegal structures and Albizia issues which both are ongoing.

With the economy the way it is, we have done some cutbacks in some areas. Changes are forthcoming and will not affect the Association and should, prove to be economically beneficial in many ways

I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to our NCA Board, our Membership, our Office staff and our Maintenance staff for the time and effort in making this past year fruitful and prosperous and look forward to another year of challenges.

Treasurer's Report-Andrew Dauz

MAHALO to the Membership for your continued loyalty and support to the Nanawale Community as we continue through these economic hard times. We will be faced with many challenges for years to come, but the Board of Directors will move diligently to ensure that all issues and concerns are addressed and that the best solutions are utilized in appropriating the funds wisely.

The office personnel were very punctual on the Assessment billings, which have allowed the Association to achieve the 2010 Planned Fiscal Budget income by the end of July. We have exceeded that budget by 12%. Another priority for the office staff was to address Members with outstanding balances. Year to date, the Association has exceeded last year's year-end total of past due assessments collected by 23% and have attained \$48,000 as of December 15.

The Association operated business adhering to all accounting principles, which reflected in our 2009 Audit conducted by Carbonaro CPA & Associates.

To combat the raising vendor prices, fuel and utility expenses, cutbacks were made by reducing the employee work schedule to 4 days a week. A dump truck was purchased to haul away debris, which has significantly reduced our fuel costs as it allows Maintenance to make fewer trips around the subdivision and to the transfer stations.

Aside from the on-going maintenance of the roadways, equipments and Longhouse facilities, this year Nanawale Community Association was faced with some concerns that needed to be addressed. The Longhouse office and lunchroom was renovated as the old floorings were posing a health risk. The original electrical wiring at the Maintenance Workshop, Pottery and Recreation area was a major fire hazard that needed to be replaced. A concrete foundation was laid at the Maintenance Workshop site to provide an environmentally safer area to work on and house the large equipments.

With every year there will be different challenges but the Board of Directors will continue to work closely to make the best decisions possible for the Association. For 2011 there are several issues that will be addressed. A new tractor will be purchased for higher efficiency of maintaining the roadways, finding a better solution for repairing/paving the roads, resurfacing the swimming pool deck, repairing the major water leaks at the Maintenance Workshop area and re-fencing of the playground area for the safety of the children.

Lastly, we are happy to say that Nanawale Community Association continues to operate business through these hard times in the "BLACK".

Board of Directors

- °Madie Greene-President
- °Francis Malani-Vice President, Team Action Nanawale
- °Andrew Dauz-Treasurer, Architectural
- °Al Kualii-Secretary, Neighborhood Patrol
- °Glen Bousquet-Environmental
- °Eleanor Shannon-Policy
- °Paul Martinez-Maintenance
- °Mark Workman-Sergeant at Arms
- °Beverley Godfrey-Activities



Nanawale Staff

- °Robert Berry-General Manager
- °Kathryn Katada-Administrative Assistant

- °Bruce Kuamo'o-Maintenance Supervisor
- °Rymer Like-Maintenance Worker
- °Robeert Montolongo-Maintenance Worker

- °Salome Lagman-Recreation Worker
- °Pablo Martinez-Recreation Worker



Valentine's Day



Spring Time Fun



Easter Egg Hunt



Halloween



Christmas Party

Architectural Program-Andrew Dauz

Illegal structures have and will continue to be a challenge for Nanawale Community Association. It will take consistency on our part to follow up on existing illegal structures and to take action and remove any new ones immediately.

One of the major challenges we face is with property owners that do Lease to Own. Almost 90% of all existing illegal structures are Lease to Own lots. The problem is that these owners lease their properties and do not disclose to the purchaser that there are requirements and restrictions when building a home. Unfortunately, it is with these property owners that we have a difficult time communicating with.

In the beginning of 2009 there were 34 known illegal structures in the subdivision. Year to date, we have reduced that number significantly to 14. Of the 14, 4 have submitted a building permit and home plans that have been approved, 2 are applying for a building permit and having home plans drafted and the remaining 8 have chosen not to respond in regards to their illegal structure and is currently being charged a monthly fine or in the process of being fined. Through persistency and under the direction from the Board of Directors, the goal is to remove all illegal structures that exist in Nanawale.

Mahalo to the Members, Neighborhood Patrol and Maintenance staff who have all notified the Association of new illegal structures that appear in our neighborhood.

Activities Program-Beverley Godfrey

The mission of the Activities Program is to promote the social life, recreation, community relations and spirit of brotherhood among the members, their families and all residents of Nanawale Estates. Our goal is to provide activities, classes and social gatherings for our community residents to enjoy. We welcome your valuable input and participation.

Mahalo to our community members and the local businesses who make our Youth Program and Community Events possible with their donations. These activities are funded strictly by these generous contributions that allow Nanawale to promote community spirit!

A Schedule of Events is planned each year and is made available on our website and at the Longhouse office. This year was filled with many exciting Activities and the participation was incredible.

◦The year started off with a VALENTINE'S CUPCAKE DECORATING contest in February. Prizes were awarded to the 3 best entries.

◦SPRINGTIME FUN DAY in March was a fun filled family day with a waterslide, relay race, obstacle course and a pie-eating contest. Food was provided to all that attended.

◦Our EASTER EGG HUNT in April brought more keikis than we anticipated with over 75 participating. Hundreds of candy filled eggs were scattered and an Easter basket was given to 3 keikis that found the golden egg.

◦The COMMUNITY YARD SALE in June did not fair so well for us.

◦Also in June was the start of Nanawale's SUMMER FUN PROGRAM, which ran through July 31. The turnout was tremendous averaging 25-30 keikis daily. On the last day of the program we celebrated with games, contests and food for everyone. Through this period we also had the SENIORS NUTRITIONAL PROGRAM taking place.

◦Ongoing is the AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM. The children are offered tutoring with their homework as well as developmental skills through interactive games and activities.

◦HALLOWEEN was a huge success with a live DJ, costume contest, games and lots of candies for everyone.

◦ In December Nanawale's Annual CHRISTMAS PARTY was celebrated with arts and crafts, Santa and gift giving and food was provided to all that attended.

A very special MAHALO to Weed and Seed, Geo Thermal, KTA, Pu'ula Church, Island Natural and Home Depot for their kind and generous contributions that allow us to provide activities for the Nanawale Community.

Director's Report

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Environmental Program-Glen Bousquet

2009 and 2010 have been extraordinary years for co-operation between our Members. I am pleased to report that many Nanawale lot owners have stood up and recognized the importance of removing dangerous Albizia trees and maintaining their property even when they live far away. Helping fellow members who may have had dangerous branches and trees hanging over their homes or structures and power lines is a number one concern. Removing Albizia and other dangerous trees help to preserve property value as well. So all of us here extend a hearty MAHALO and THANK YOU!

Removing Falcataria moluccana (Albizia trees) have been a constant battle. One we win tiny steps at a time. Nanawale Association or NCA maintenance crews have removed many trees from our easements as well. NCA has not been free of obligations from dangerous trees either.

We worked with the Power Company to remove Albizia along the easement so HELCO could install poles for an owner that had no power.

Albizia trees can reach 135 feet after 20 years. It is one of the fastest growing trees on earth. The wood has the consistency of balsa, is fibrous and can contain large amounts of water in its uppermost branches. It has a symbiotic relationship with a type of bacteria that helps produce nitrogen for its root system, even if there is little soil. Like Lava!

Introduced by a botanist Philip Rock in 1919. It was his intention to introduce a fast growing tree that could populate new lava land. When they get big and heavy it's not easy for the roots to get a grip on the porous and brittle lava so it falls and rots, creating soil. He may or may not have considered what that might mean to someone that built a home near one when it was small. A risk you take on the Big Island. Removing a large Albizia tree can be very costly, that's why we recommend that the small trees be dealt with immediately when it's easy and cheap to control.

Many people love these trees for their beauty, and they are... however, everyone should know not to build under one or near one that leans. It is toward that end that we forge ahead so determinedly. Education about Falcataria moluccana is crucial if we hope to control them.

There is still so far to go and the NCA is proud to have been able to provide an avenue when a problem or concern arises. We would like to encourage members to contact our office and ask how you can have an assessment done and pictures taken and e-mailed to you.

Let's continue to manage our properties and maintain not only the value, but the beauty of our neighborhood.

Maintenance Program-Paul Martinez

2010 has been a challenging but very productive year with many accomplishments achieved. The year started with a complete change in the Maintenance staff. Under the new leadership of Bruce Kuamo'o, Maintenance Supervisor, his goal was to prioritize the workload and establish a plan of action. Aside from the general maintenance of the roadways and grounds, issues were addressed to provide better productivity as well as a safer environment for the Association.

An inventory of all equipment was taken to determine which equipments were in good working condition, what needed to be repaired and serviced, and equipments that could no longer be used. Also, the Maintenance workshop area was completely restructured for better efficiency.

Electrical rewiring was done to the Maintenance workshop, Pottery and Recreation areas as the existing wires were posing a major fire hazard. Large debris that had accumulated for several years on the Longhouse grounds were removed, a concrete foundation was laid at the workshop area for safety precautions as well as proper storage of all pesticides, fuel and chemicals. More sensor lighting and an improved alarm system was installed for security purposes. All major repairs were done to the Longhouse facilities.

Most importantly, Bruce has strived at networking with our vendors and has built a solid working relationship with them. Through his hard efforts and cost effective approach, we are seeing better recommendations, pricing and discounts from the vendors that Maintenance utilizes.

Plans are set forth for 2011 such as finding a better solution to repairing/paving our roadways. With the professionalism and work ethics that the new Maintenance staff has displayed, the Association can expect many more accomplishments for years to come.



Longhouse



Longhouse Grounds



Maintenance Workshop



Longhouse Grounds



Workshop and Pottery

Director's Report



Scheduled Events 2011

°Valentine's Day
Friday February 11 2-4pm
 'Cupcake Decorating Contest'

°Spring Time Fun
Saturday March 19 12-4:30pm
 Waterslide, Games, Food

°Easter
Friday April 1 2-4pm
 Easter Egg Hunt, Prizes

°Community Yard Sale
Saturday June 4 8am-3pm

°Summer Fun Program
 Date and time to be announced

°Halloween
Monday October 31 6-8pm
 Costume Contest, Games, Candy

°Community Christmas Party
Saturday December 17 1-4pm
 Santa with gifts, Crafts, Food

ONGOING

- °Pottery Lessons
- °Senior Nutritional Program
- °After School Program
- °More Events to be announced

Neighborhood Patrol-Al Kualii

The Neighborhood Patrol continues to be a very valuable program as its visibility in the Community has helped to deter illegal activities to take place and provides a safer environment to live in. Based on the monthly Police Department's report, Nanawale continues to have one of the lowest criminal activities in the Puna District.

Aside from watching for any suspicious behavior, the Neighborhood Patrol also reports to the office abandoned vehicles, garbage and debris on the roadways and new illegal structures.

We encourage the Community to report any suspicious behavior or illegal activity by calling HPD's non-emergency number at (808) 935-3311.

Policy Program-Eleanor Shannon

The Board of Directors are in the process of developing a Corporate Action Plan that could assist them in fulfilling fiduciary responsibilities to the Corporation Membership. The Board has approved the Plan's VISION and OBJECTIVES and is currently developing statements of purpose and responsibilities for each of the eight (8) Corporate programs that are managed by a Board Director.

To assist Program Directors in fulfilling each of their respective responsibilities, the Board MAY establish a Board Apprentice Program that could serve as an intake program for the recruitment of potential Board Directors and standing committee members; IF, a sufficient number of members show an interest in participating in such a program by notifying the Board of Directors of such interest.



Board of Directors

Association Staff



Top: Al Kualii, Beverley Godfrey, Paul Martinez,
 Mark Workman and Glen Bousquet
 Bottom: Eleanor Shannon, Madie Greene, Andrew Daus and
 Francis Malani

Robert Montolongo, Rymer Like, Kathryn Katada, Robert
 Berry, Bruce Kuamo'o Pablo Martinez and Salome Lagman