## APRIL - JUNE 2019

# **Windward Oahu News**

Oahu Association for Family and Community Education

## PROJECT LEADERSHIP TRAINING (PLT) AND OTHER EVENTS

## Mark Your 2019 Calendars!

June 25 PLT – Gardening/Composting 6:30 pm July 9 Board Meeting 10:30 am Location TBD July 2 Foster Gardens 2:30 pm – 7:00 pm

July 18-21 NAFCE Conference, St. Louis, Missouri @ Marriott St. Louis Airport

August 13 Council Meeting 6:30 pm

August 24 Juarez Workshop Kits for Orphans 9:00 am – 12:00 Noon September 1 CHARACTER COUNTS!® - Respect Contest Begins

September 24 Program Planning 6:30 pm

October 8 Board Meeting 10:30 am Location TBD

October 18-20 Hawaii Association Family and Community Education State Conference - Hilo

October 22 PLT Crafts 6:30 pm

November 5 Council Meeting Time 6:30 pm

November 19 Installation of Council Officers – Windward Passage – 11:00 am

November 26 PLT Sushi 6:30 pm

December 14 Year End Celebration 6:00 pm

## **ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**













Members from

our three clubs –Hui O'Makani: Natalie, Nancy, June, Emily, Joanne, Florence; Hui O'Koolau: Maggie, Ed; Imiola: David, Chutima, Ruthie, Ketzen, Faye, Jeanette. This is Windward Oahu Council's annual service community project with the Boys & Girls Club located in Kailua, Hawaii. There were 27 boys and girls participating along with 5 staff leaders. This year's project were launching straw rockets, decorating cookies and butterfly pins. The straw rockets, lead by David Haitsuka, where they decorated pieces of paper and attached to their straws. Lauching involved blowing a burst of air through the straw and the rocket takes off into the air. Members made their own rockets and competed with the kids in attendance.

Decorating cookies was a huge hit as they got to eat their cookies after decorating. Looked even more delicious with all the frosting and candies to enhance the decorations.

Lastly, the children learned about butterflies as leaders had a printout of information and quizzed kids about butterflies. The clothespin butterflies were put in their hair as some boys used it in an unusual way. All enjoyed all of the activities and Windward Oahu looks forward to working again next year.

#### **CHARACTER COUNTS!**®









Flood Alexander Goto

St John Vianney Class

Lily Supall Cayla Lynne

CHARACTER COUNTS! • Windward Oahu's winners from St. John Vianney in Kailua and Hanalani Schools in Mililani were announced: First Place: Lily Supall of St. John Vianney, Second Place: Cayla Lynne Flood and Third Place: Alexander Goto, both of Hanalani Schools. Lily placed second in the statewide competition. Congratulations students for your excellent essay and artwork. We look forward to having you participate in our CHARACTER COUNTS!® contest this coming Fall.

## PLT – APRIL – HAKU LEI MAKING











Deai, who has been making Haku Lei for over 50 years after first learning the skill at the Parks & Recreation class, Emily shared her expertise during our April program leadership training. Members gathered a variety of flowers (bougainvilia, pentis, miniture crown flowers, globe amaranth [bozu], gardenia, stephanotis and others) as well as ferns and leaves. Emily demonstrated the basic techniques and members set out to do their own creations. Here's a sample of

their creations. Thank you, Emily, for teaching all of us!











## PLT - MAY - MALASADAS













Maggie Schulte, among her many talents, demonstrated the making of Malasadas, using a recipe from one of their longtime member, Elearnora Cadinha. This recipe has been used at Hui 'O Koolau's garage sale which community residents would come by to purchase these malasadas.

Members took turns with the scooping of the dough and placing it in the hot oil. Pictured are Pat Kubo and Evelyn Cabral scooping the dough.

The batter for this recipe makes 5 dozen malasadas and there were plenty to be eaten as well as some to take home to share with other family members. Thank you, Maggie, for sharing this recipe and how to make malasadas!

# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES, EVENTS & NOTES**

### URBAN GARDEN CENTER - TUESDAY, JUNE 25 - 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Gardening and Composting are on the agenda for the day. A master gardener will be leading the members through the garden and learning the techniques of composting. Please let Pat Kubo know as soon as possible if you plan to attend. The cost will be \$10.00 (\$3.00 fee for garden and \$7.00 for bento lunch).

# FOSTER GARDENS – (GLEAM) SATURDAY, JULY 20 - 2:30 Pm – 7:00 pm

REMEMBER TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Iris is requesting those members who plan on volunteering at this event to please let her know as she needs to account for volunteers as well as get the correct shirt size for members. Stay tuned for updated information from Iris.

## JUAREZ PROJECT - SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 - 9:000 am - 12:00 Noon

Members will be putting together the kits for the mission trip to Juarez. More information will be coming out soon at our Council meeting or through your clubs. Potluck lunch to follow. Event will take place at the Haitsuka residence.

## WANTING TO DO SOMETHING SPECIAL?

Program Planning will be on Tuesday, September 24 at 6:30 pm. Come and bring your ideas - old or new. (Food demo, craft projects, interesting topics - health, exercise, general interest)

#### **HAFCE REPORTS**

As the second quarter is coming to an end (June 30), I would like to remind all members to submit their individual time reports and donations to your club – for your time spent working on minutes, preparing projects for meetings or events, etc. As you remember, these time reports and donation of goods supplies, etc. are very important when the Annual Report is calculated and produced.

Pat, Dixie and Ruthie are trying their best to get all reports in but reporting on the events as well as pictures taken are just as important. It only takes a few minutes to evaluate and jot down the findings so that it can be reported to our HAFCE Vice President, Elaine "Queenie" Daligdig. Windward Oahu did an excellent job in reporting last year, so let's get those reports in!

#### **COUNCIL NEWS UPDATE**

#### NA LEI FOR VETERANS PROJECT



The Na Lei Project for our Hawaii State Veterans in Kaneohe was held on Saturday, May 25 at the residence of the Haitsuka's. Joining us this year, a volleyball team consisting of thirteen members who could join us plus their coach (Shawne Kalahili) and several parents, members from the Kahalulu Senior Citizens and Kahaluu Key Project (Miriam Wright, Cathy Simmons,

Moana KupauJan (sorry no last name), Laurene Pagoyo and others from the community, Yoshiko Hamaguchi, Martha-Bella Bauer, Carol and Ed Schulte, Cara Scanlan-Haitsuka, Stacy Lane, Sandy Moses, Lori Davidson, Odetta Samson ad Teddy Yee). Windward members were Pat Kubo, Emily Deai, Annie Segawa, Maggie Schulte, Jeanette Pang, Faye Kozuma, Ketzen and Jordan Lane, David and Ruthie Haitsuka.



Lillian Tim Sing wanted to attend but due to medical reasons, she could not attend. She did contribute by sending flowers along with purchasing orchids for this event along with chili, hot dogs and chips. Thank you Lillian for contributing but also caring for about this event. Evelyn Cabral we wished you could have joined us but you were also under the weather for this event.

Thank you also to George and Norma Crowder for their time spent collecting ti-leaves for our project. George remembered our project from last year and took the time to contact us to support our cause. Your leaves were wonderful and large and made lots of lei. I also would like to thank Steve Nagano at Urban Garden Center in Pearl City for allowing Windward Oahu to pick crown flowers. These flowers were used with other flowers and foliage. Windward really appreciates your support.





Putting in many hours were our hosts, David and Ruthie Haitsuka. Picking over 3,000 crown flowers from Urban Garden Center as well as hosting the senior group at University Avenue Baptist Church, we also purchased orchids for this important event. These senior made 50 lei for our precious

Veterans. University Avenue continues to be a partner with Windward Oahu FCE members. Emily Deai picked flowers, Jeanette Pang brought flowers leftover from the center to contribute to "stretching" our supplies of flowers and greenery, Pat Kubo brought orchids, Maggie Schulte brought crown flowers, plumeria and other supplies. Others who attended brought flowers and foliage also like Moana Kupau, Jan Medeiros, Faye Kozuma and Lori Davidson. After all the preparing and sewing, Windward Oahu Council delivered to the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery 688 fresh lei.



Thank you Yoriko Hamada, Elaine Tsuruda, Barbara Matsukado, Alice Kamemori, Joy Fujimoto, Shirley Kiyuna and June Clark for the many hours of making yarns leis for the veterans. Also thank you to Nancy Arakaki, Annie Segawa, Faye Kozuma, Chutima Leider, Jeanette Pang, Carole Mulford, Jacqueline Chong, Florence Ouchi, Norma Shackley, Maggie Schulte, Ruthie and David Haitsuka for the time spent making the yarn lei. If I missed mentioning your name, please accept my apologies. After

collecting it for delivery on Saturday, May 25, our total yarn lei was 2,707.

This year the Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery was short on flower lei made by the community – Girls Scouts at Windward Mall and others in the community. Luckily, the yarn lei we provided last year and this year, each Veteran was honored with a special lei. We need to get the message out that Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery has over 12,000 veterans to be honored. During the fresh lei making, we have made new supporters for next year to help with flowers and other supplies to make more lei for our veterans. Support of Kaneohe Veterans and get the word out – need lei sewers, flowers, greenery. Can you help us next year? The date will be Saturday, May 23 at the Haitsuka residence.

#### **CLUB HAPPENINGS**

## **IMIOLA NEWS:**

Imiola Club utilized the "Zoom" meeting format to hold their club meetings as its president, Ruth Haitsuka, was not available to be in Kaneohe for its meeting as she was in Mililani for May and June in Maui. These meetings were an avenue in which the club business could be taken care of even though not physically present. With members traveling, talk story was on the program for meetings.

#### **HUI `O KOOLAU NEWS:**

For the Windward Oahu Installation of 2020 officers, Hui 'O Koolau as part of the Council rotation format, has been tasked with taking care of yearly installation of incoming officers for 2020.

After many meetings, discussions and on-site visits to various venues in and around Kailua and Kaneohe, members voted on Windward Passage in Kailua. Many thanks to chairperson, Bernie Baker for procuring this beautiful place for us. Always mindful of our dollars, we decided this was the best place to hold a meeting of this significance whereby we not only can conduct official business but can also bond and have Fun!!!

So keep the date of Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 11:00 am free for luncheon at a very affordable price of \$10 per person. We all hope to see everyone there. Watch for more details in the near future

#### **HUI `O MAKANI NEWS:**

FCE membership has brought benefits such as the following:

- Fellowship with people we respect and have come to like very much
- Learning new crafts and recipes
- Opportunity to be of service to our communities local, island and state
- Opportunity to practice leadership skills
- Opportunity to acquire insights and information on Leadership and Health

But most of all, FCE has been fun. Meetings are lighthearted and accepting and usually includes food!

Our Leadership Chairperson has been Iris Fukunaga and for this edition of the Newsletter a shortened version of her insights for each month is included.

#### March

Leadership: Leaders motivate by expecting the best and expecting positivity. An important concept to remember is that a person's view of themselves is often reflected in how they react with others.

Activity: With materials provided by Natalie Oda-Lee and Pat Kubo, and in honor of Girl's day, we made a thank you note card (Arigato –bowl with chopsticks).

#### <u>April</u>

Leadership: If a person's actions inspire others to do, dream, be more, that person is a leader. Leadership is evidenced in productive relationships with others. Strive for good relationships because they make a person a better leader but most importantly, a better person.

Activity: Fun Day Preparation – Makani enjoyed making candy filled paper cup pinatas.

## **May**

Leadership: Leaders lead with humility and their hearts. They treat people with encouragement and inclusivity. People are the priority.

Activity: Making a basket garden. – Pat Kubo provided flowers, plants, baskets, figurines (dirt too!) to make fairy gardens. Thank you Pat!







Annie Sagawa, Stella Wakamatsu & June Tom



Lee Murabayashi & Joanne Oyama

#### THINK ABOUT IT

What would happen if there was no Windward Oahu FCE? Would that free up your time and energies to do other things? Would you miss your FCE friends? Events are scheduled each year and put on the calendar as a reminder to keep the dates free for FCE activities. To keep an organization running, there needs to be many helpers to make it run and not rely on a few. Eventually, these few will burn out and who will be there to hold the organization together? Participation is a key factor to keep us together along with working as a TEAM. We have a place to meet and it is always available for FCE members. Think about our bosts who continue to keep