KAFCE NEWS

ACHIEVEMENT DAY ~ 01.12.2020 Welcome back to a New Year; in fact to a new decade! As we reflect on our past achievements and look to the future, let's celebrate each day as a new beginning!

Bernie Tangalin, Emcee, convened the group and introduced today's guests: Ruth and David Haitsuka. Laurie Ho, KAFCE President, distributed 2020 KAFCE Directories and ran a short contest to "find directory errors." Prizes were earned by members providing directory edits. We fondly remember members who dropped out and wish them well on their journey.

Laurie revealed "The Year of the Rat," Chinese horoscope and gifted each of us with a beautiful bracelet. The bracelet's symbolism was as follows: red cord (good luck), two mystical foo/fu or lion dogs (blessings, protection), and a golden ball (money). Thank you Laurie, for the thoughtful Chinese New Year's gift!

Laurie mentioned two statewide initiatives: 1. Zero Hunger Challenge (save those dimes) and 2. Food Too Good to Waste. Application packets for CHARACTER COUNTS!® were distributed in schools with a deadline of January 31, 2020. "Respect" is this year's essay/art theme.

Mahalo to everyone for your contributions to today's event! A special shout out to Kay Nakata for bringing that yummy yellow cake frosted with strawberries and pudding from Mark's Place. Celebrations are always made special topped off by a cake.



Pic above: Marina Pascua, lei master extraordinaire, presented her lei creations to guests: David and Ruth Haitsuka, HAFCE



Pic above: Annie Rellin, Club Musubi Treasurer, helping to display and organize auction

Laurie Ho acknowledged and thanked the 2019 Club Officers for their service: <u>Hui Holumua:</u> Bernie Tangalin, President; Kay Nakata, Vice President; Gladys Fujiuchi, Secretary; and Marina Pascua, Treasurer.

<u>Club Musubi:</u> Maurina Borgatti, President; Terry Phillips, Vice President; Frances Dinnan, Secretary; and Annie Rellin,



80's Senior Members, L-R, Joyce Yokoyama, Phyllis Tokita, Marina Pascua, and Kay Nakata

> "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller

Bernie Tangalin, Emcee, introduced the 2020 KAFCE Club Officers: <u>Hui Holumua:</u> Same as 2019

<u>Club Musubi:</u> Maurina Borgatti, President; Terry Phillips, Vice President; Christine Wong, Secretary; and Annie Rellin, Treasurer

> Frances Dinnan Newsletter/Historian



Achievement Day Guest Speaker, Padriac Gallagher, Red Cross Disaster Program Manager, padriac.gallagher @redcross.org

The Red Cross (RC) is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission.

RC are "first responders" when a disaster situation occurs. Through a worldwide network RC mobilizes volunteers and specialists to assist in disaster relief. RC is well-known for providing temporary shelter, food, and emotional support to victims of disasters. There's a lot more that RC does for our local and global communities visit: redcross.org.

Padriac recommends we prepare 3 disaster kits: 1. your house, 2. your business/work place, and 3. your car because we never know when and where emergencies might occur.

Shelters do not have much of anything. If you ever need to take shelter come prepared with your own supplies for yourself, your family, and your pets. He mentioned having a 21-day supply for Kauai instead of the recommended 14-day supply. Outer islanders are dependent on importing our supplies and it may take up to 3 weeks for boats to operate after a major disaster.

RC volunteer recruitment and training is an ongoing process and if interested visit: redcross.org/volunteer. "There's a critical shortage of volunteers both locally and nationally," says Padriac Gallagher.

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Pic above: Ruth Haitsuka, HAFCE Pres.; Laurie Ho, KAFCE Pres.; Carolynn Lum, V. Pres.; Frances Dinnan, Secretary; and Marina Pascua,

The Installation of 2020-22 Officers was compared to ingredients used in making "BREAD" by Ruth Haitsuka, HAFCE President. Marina Pascua made beautiful ribbon leis honoring each officer. Thank you Marina!

President Laurie Ho was compared to liquid. As President, she will bring together members to achieve group outcomes. In bread, liquid is used to "bind" together all ingredients. Vice President Carolynn Lum was compared to yeast and sugar. As V.P. she will activate and cultivate members to move on agreed programs and services. In bread, yeast is used to rise the dough and sugar enhances the bread's flavor.

Secretary Frances Dinnan was compared to flour. As a Secretary she will keep accurate meeting records of the Council. In bread, flour is used to influence the characteristics of the bread's outcome. Treasurer Marina Pascua was compared to shortening. As Treasurer she will keep accurate financial records to help the organization run smoothly. In bread, shortening helps with a bread's elasticity and smoothness.

Members were compared to the many additional ingredients. Each slice of bread in the loaf is important ~as KAFCE~ each member is important. Together, we are awesome!





Margo Hashimoto pic above holding a 4-finger yarn lei device created by David Haitsuka At our Feb. 8th Meeting Margo will demo how to use David's creation and email us what to bring



Pic above: floral centerpieces, made by Margo Hashimoto's Craft Group, were auctioned off by Bernie Tangalin, Emcee. Thank you Margo and Bernie!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MAR 14 - Club Musubi Meeting, Lihue Neighborhood Center, 9-1 p.m.

APR 11 - All Clubs Meeting,

CHARACTER COUNTS!® Awards Luncheon, Lihue Neighborhood Center, 9-1 p.m.

MAY 1 - Hui Holomua, Lei Day, Community Service Project for Kauai Museum, at Kauai Marriott, 9-3 p.m.

MAY 9 - Open, Lihue Neighborhood Center

YARN LEI WORKSHOP ~ 02.08.2020

KAFCE members learned how to make yarn leis using a special device taught to Margo Hashimoto by David Haitsuka. Margo sent out a supply list prior to the workshop but also brought materials for anyone wanting to learn. Suzie Yokoyama completed her yarn lei first! Others struggled and needed one-to-one tutoring, like me. Marina Pascua, our master lei maker, made us laugh out loud as her explanations took on a provocative tone. "To begin the process you wind the yarn "in and out" of four chopsticks," she explained. I think you had to be there. It was a wonderful workshop and a fun way to learn how a simple craft could be improved with a homemade jig. Thank you Margo and David!



Pic above L: Margo and Suzie Pic above R: Margo and Bernie wrestling w/duct tape

Pic below: KAFCE crafters busy making yarn leis and jigs



HAFCE ANNUAL MEETING ~ 10.17.2020

Everyone get ready to experience "Aloha, It's Kaua'i's Spirit!" Save the 17th in October and make plans to attend the statewide annual meeting.

A full schedule of business meetings and activities are being planned. All other Councils are encouraged to send delegates or to consider designating proxies with Kaua'i's Council. Registration info will be published soon.

> Maurina Borgatti Annual Meeting Chair



CLUB MUSUBI EVENT ~ 02.16.2020 Pic above Club Musubi members went out to enjoy the day! A luncheon and activities at the South East Asia (SEA) Restaurant, Harbor Mall in Nawiliwili arranged by Team 2: Annie Rellin, Pearl Shimizu, Frances Dinnan, Suzie and Joyce Yokoyama.

"Thank you for all the goodies!!! It was fun!! The food was tasty. Just what we all needed, good friends, good food, good conversations ... very relaxing." Annie Rellin

"Just wanted to give a Shout Out to Team 2 for organizing a great event! ... Best of all was catching up with everyone and, of course, all the goodies! I truly value our friendships!" Jo Shimamoto