



Monthly Bulletin

Koko Head Lions

Upcoming Events

June

06 Clean Up
Mo'ili'ili Cemetery, 7a
Richard Kaneko, Chair

27 Clean Up
Mo'ili'ili Cemetery, 7a
Richard Kaneko, Chair

Project Sign Ups

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Upcoming Meetings

June 2, 16, July 7, 21

1st & 3rd Wednesdays
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.; Zoom Meetings

Zoom meetings begin at 5:00 p.m. In-person meetings will revert back to the 6:30 p.m. start time.



President's Message

Aloha,

It has been an eventful month. The first EVER D50 Convention on ZOOM is over, and soon we will be starting our new fiscal year. Here are some highlights from this past month.

D50 CONVENTION

D50 Lions held its 1st EVER Virtual District Convention, It ran relatively well considering "the hiccups with the technology." What would normally be a monumental task was further complicated by the introduction of ZOOM. Imagine 140 voices all singing together from their living rooms... It was a disaster, but the Convention Committee handled it AMAZINGLY well.

Hats off to:

- DG Garrett Ogawa,
- PDG Nadine Nishioka,
- Convention Chair Lion Jackie Cabebe,
- Lion Gina Amina,
- Zone Chair Lori Inoue-Yamashita,
- Lion Carolyn Hayashi, and
- Lion Jeff Ching.

Congratulations also to our newest Proud Lion recipients:

- Lion Debra Mendes
- Lions Mike & Arlene Dezellem, and
- Lion Shasta Yamada

And to our Proud Lion ELITE recipient:

- 1st VDGE Lion Gary Nip

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Koko Head Lions

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MO'ILI'ILI JAPANESE CEMETERY

The Mo'ili'ili Japanese Cemetery is now OFFICIALLY a Koko Head Lions LEGACY Project, as a bronze Lions emblem and plaque have been installed at the entryway to the cemetery.

August will mark the one year anniversary of the Koko Head Lions performing this service to the community and our CMCC, Lion Shasta, is planning a plaque dedication ceremony that will include representatives from the Lions (both club & district), the community and the media. Plan to attend with Purple Shirts and Satin Vests, on Sunday August 8, 2021. Time TBA.

DUES ARE DUE

July marks the beginning of the new fiscal year. As the effects of COVID-19 are slowly diminishing and we start getting back to a somewhat "normal" way of life, this will be your final opportunity to take advantage of the \$43.00 membership dues. Annual dues will return to the standard \$108.00 starting July 2022. I would like to thank the Board of Directors who made that discounted rate possible for the last two years.

To achieve different results, one must simply do
Something Different



Respectfully,
James Campbell
Koko Head Lions
President 2019-2021

June 3
Gary Nip

June 21
Phil Sharp



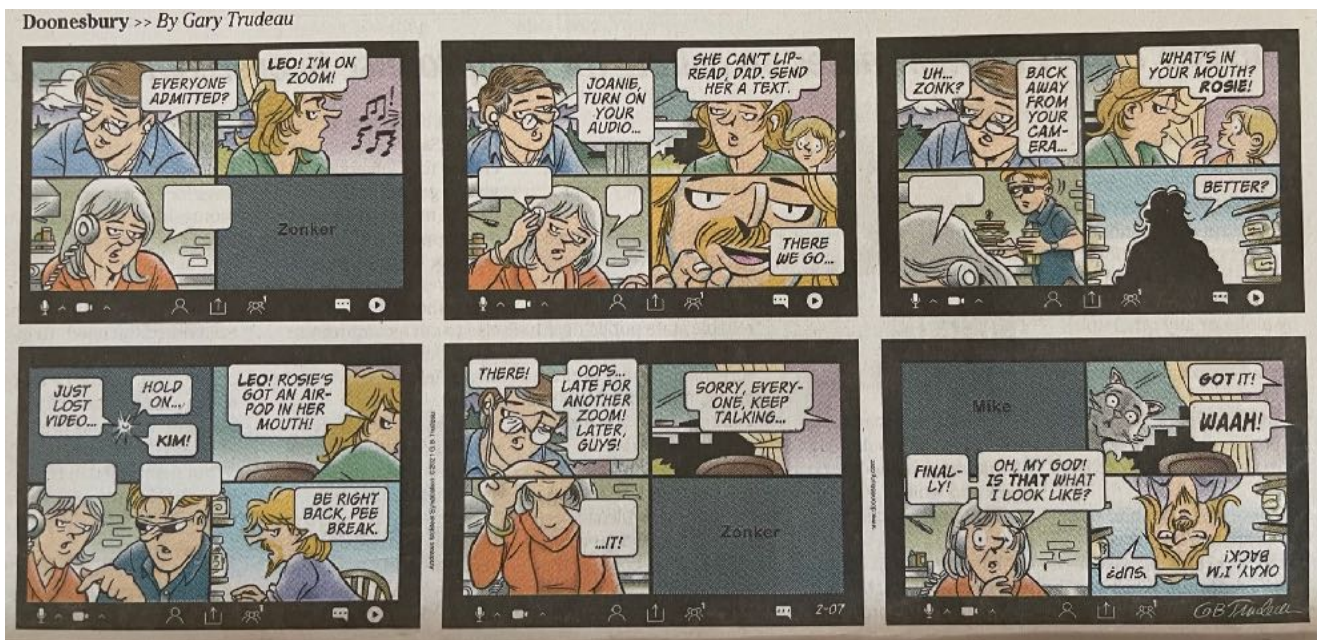
First Vice District Governor Elect Update

Article and photo by Lion Gary Nip



Lion Gary was elected as the District 50 First Vice District Governor (1VDG) for 2021-2022. Until the Lions year starts on July 1, 2021, Lion Gary is called the First Vice District Governor Elect (1VDGE). 2VDGE Chris "CJ" Kalopodes (Kaneohe Lions Club) and DGE Mitch Tam (Lions Club of Kona) are the other officers elected at the recent District 50 Convention held on May 14 & 15, 2021. The Convention was the first virtual Convention due to Covid-19 and despite a few technical glitches the Convention Committee did a great job. The elections were preceded by the nominating speech by Lion President James Campbell and the

seconding speech by PDG Bob Lee. (Lion President James mentioned we are "planning a big 75th Charter Celebration next summer and hope the District can join us and DG Gary"). A "Demonstration" was then held in support of the candidates. At an in-person convention, Lions would march around the conference room. At the virtual Convention each attendee was provided a paper fan with Lion Gary's famous face thanks to Lion Richard Kaneko. Lions waved their fans in front of their Zoom cameras to the song "I don't want another pretty face."



Zoom Humor by Lion Ric Ching

District 50 Convention

Article and photo by Lion Gary Nip

The 85th District 50 (D50) Convention was held on May 14 & 15, 2021. The Convention was the first virtual Convention due to Covid-19 and despite a few technical glitches the Convention Committee did a great job. On Thursday May 13, there was a D50 Lions golf tournament followed by the 4th D50 Cabinet meeting via Zoom at 2pm. That evening we held the traditional Flag Night honoring the flags of the United States, Hawaii and New York state (Guest speaker Past International President Al Brandel is from New York.)

On Friday May 14, the Convention began with annual business followed by the annual meeting of the Hawaii Lions Foundation (HLF). All Lions are members of the HLF. The traditional "Parade of Checks" was conducted where Clubs (including Koko Head Lions Club) and individual Lions donate money to HLF. That night was called "Fun Night" with contests for prizes which included best hat and best decorated Lion Gary face fan. Our own Lion Shasta won prizes in both contests. Comedian Frank De Lima performed live and made us all laugh via Zoom.



On Saturday we honored Lions who passed away since we last held our Convention in 2019. Lion President James

Campbell represented our club and spoke about the late Lion Ted Aratani.

During the Awards portion of the Convention, seven clubs including Hawaii Kai Lions Club earned the Stellar Club award. Hilo and Aloha Pono Lions Club won the membership awards. (It was noted there are now 1,565 members in D50 with 41.6% women Lions to include new Lions Arlene, Debra and Shasta) Proud Lions pins were awarded to several Lions to include Lions Debra, Arlene, Michael and Shasta. Lion Gary was awarded the Proud Lion Elite. The Humanitarian award was presented to Rev. Tad Iwata. (Our Club nominee Laura Ruby of the Mo'ili'ili Cemetery is a winner in our hearts.)

Next D50 Conventions:

- Kona King Kamehameha Hotel
April 28-30, 2022
(1VDG Gary election to DG)
- Honolulu Ala Moana Hotel
April 27-29, 2023
(DG Gary's convention)



Sight is Beautiful Poster Contest

Article and photo by Lion Gary Nip

District 50 sponsors a Sight is Beautiful Poster contest each year. Since 2016, Koko Head Lions Club has participated via local elementary schools in our area. Koko Head Lions Club awards \$20 for 1st place, \$15 for 2nd Place and \$10 for 3rd place in each grade in each school.

One first place winner from each grade was submitted to the Zone Chair for competition with the 1st place winners of Hawaii Kai Lions Club. Diamond Head Lions Club, who does not participate in this contest, judged the posters for the Zone and determine one poster from each grade to

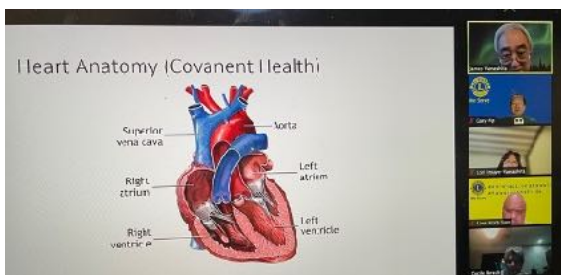


move on to the District competition. Posters from Kindergarten student Tatienne (left) and 4th Grader Saige (right), both from Holy Nativity School moved on to the District competition.

Results of the District competition were announced at the District Convention where the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place winners in each grade won \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 respectively. Our students' posters did not place but congratulations to the Hawaii Kai Lions Club and their first grade student from Koko Head Elementary School for placing 2nd place.

District 50 Health & Wellness Seminars

Article and photo by Lion Gary Nip



District 50 Health & Wellness Chair Lion Dr. James Yamashita (Manoa Lions Club) presented two seminars on Heart Disease. The first seminar occurred on April 29 and the second was held on May 18, 2021. One of the tips mentioned is to not take baby aspirin daily if you are healthy because it could cause bleeding. Pictured to the left is a shared screen of a Power Point slide showing the parts of the heart.

The next Health & Wellness Seminar is on Breast Cancer (men can also get breast cancer). It is scheduled for Wednesday June 30 at 6:30 pm by Lion Dr Lori Yamashita (CIS of Dr James Yamashita). The Zoom link is [Meeting ID: 815 0069 8117](#) [Passcode: 327857](#)

Mo'ili'ili Japanese Cemetery Installation of the Lion's Seal & Plaque

Article by Lion Phil Sharp Photos by Lion Gavin Hall

On May 17th and 18th, four of us got together to install our Lions' Seal and Plaque into the left column of the entrance to the Mo'ili'ili Japanese Cemetery. In charge was Laura Ruby, Mo'ili'ili Hongwanji; Dean Uehara, mason; Lion Gavin Hall and myself. We took five hours on Monday to drill out the two locations and four hours on Tuesday to install and grout the two items.



This first picture shows Laura and I centering and leveling the inscription with a measuring tape. She then scribed the shape for Dean to drill out. Look closely and you can see where the Lions' seal has already been scribed. No, the alignment did not come out looking like that!

Second picture shows Laura is tapping holes where the guide screws are going into the wall. This was done for one hole on the plaque and two holes on the inscription.



Picture number three shows Dean starting drilling out the alignment holes. Two for the inscription are already done. He is working on the plaque hole.

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The next three pictures show the holes being drilled out. You can see the scribe marks which will be drilled out to make the holes. The last picture shows Laura lining up the inscription.



The next three pictures are of the continuation of drilling out the holes for the Seal and the Plaque. The middle picture shows the scribe marks that make it easier to drill out the stone areas.

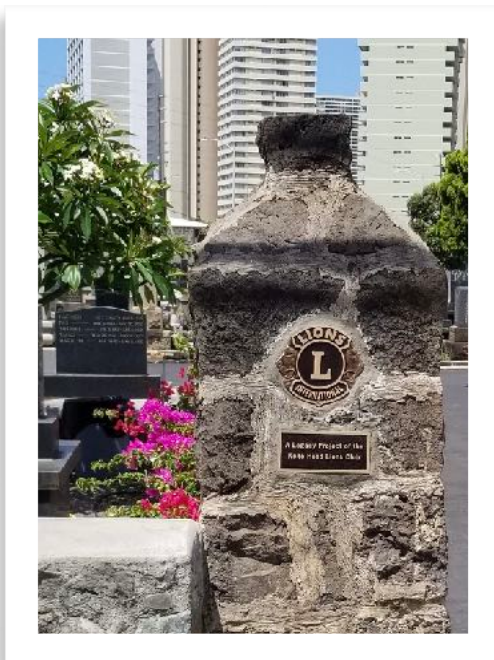
The alignment holes have been drilled and can be seen if you look carefully.

Great shot Gavin!



The final three shots show myself mixing the concrete for the holes, Laura filling in the gaps and holes on the completed installation and

the final of Gavin trimming off the tape.



The final picture shows the final product. Thank you Gavin. You always come through!!

A final comment: The sun and the heat were murder. It made the installation an endurance event. Worse yet, because there are no bathrooms available, one could not drink any water for fear of needing to go!

I now remember why I opted for 7:00 am to 9:00 am for cemetery cleaning: it gets too damn hot and uncomfortable.

Congratulations to our Awardees

Proud Lion

Debra Mendes



Koko Head Lions Club



Mentor/Sponsor: VDG2 Gary Nip



Proud Lion Elite

2nd VDG Gary Nip



Koko Head Lions Club



Arlene Dezellem



Koko Head Lions Club



Mentor/Sponsor: VDG2 Gary Nip



Michael Dezellem



Koko Head Lions Club



Mentor/Sponsor: VDG2 Gary Nip



Shasta E. Yamada



Koko Head Lions Club



Mentor/Sponsor: James Campbell



WE WANT YOU!
To Join Lions Deb & Ric
"The Card Making Initiative"
*Zoom to the June 2nd Club meeting
for More Info.*