

Kalele Kurrents

Happy Holidays to All

Since we don't have chimneys at Kalele Kai, Santa needs to land his sleigh on our lanais. We don't want Saint Nick to not see us on Christmas Eve, so the Board is sponsoring a lanai decoration contest.



Our Security Team – I mean our judges - will submit their ballots for tallying to the management staff on December 23. If you feel that your creation is not visible from ground level or you are on the back of the building, please call the management office and we will send up a judge to personally view your masterpiece at a convenient time. Winners will be announced, and prizes awarded at the Mahalo breakfast on January 14th.

So, channel your inner elf start decorating and join us in coming together to celebrate the holiday sprit.

And speaking of holiday sharing, please don't forget to make a contribution to the Kalele Kai Employee Fund by December 16th. The team will be grateful.

Finally, the Board and I want to wish everyone a special holiday season and a healthy happy new year!

Roz Hamby

Board President



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Time is Almost Up!

There is a little over a month until we reach the deadline for you to vote your position on designating Kalele Kia as a non-smoking property. If you need a ballot or more information, please come by the office or contact us 808-395-0431 and we will be pleased to provide you with a ballot packet.

We are just a few votes short of settling this issue so if you haven't voted please don't miss the deadline.



Save the Date – January 14 from 9:30 to Noon

The Staff of Kalele Kai will be hosting a Mahalo Breakfast to thank everyone for their generous contributions to the Employee Holiday Fund. Don't forget the lanai holiday decoration winners will also be announced!

Reminders

* If you are planning on taking a trip for an extended period, please inform the management office

* New car or just don't have a parking sticker, please come to the management office, and register your vehicle.

* Please take a moment to review the House Rules as there have been some recent changes. The House Rules are posted on the website

* If you own a boat or kayak, remember you need to register with the Hawaii Kai Marina Association after the New Year to get a sticker for 2023.

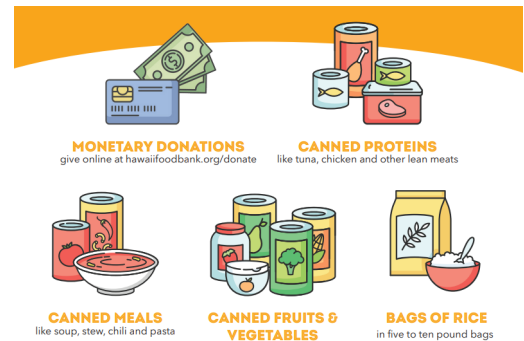
*Please Remember: personal items such as, but not limited to, lumber, furniture, boxes, crates, or recreational equipment shall not be stored in the parking stalls

Tis the Season of Giving

Starting this week, we will be collecting canned goods and dry goods to donate to Hawaii Food Bank. Our food drive will help hungry families in our community.

Did you know that in 2008, more than 4.5 million children benefited from food pantry services? Community food drives like ours help make sure those children and their families can get emergency food assistance when they need it.

Please give what you can. One grocery bag of food can provide as many as 11 meals. Every donation helps, and together we hope our combined donations will make a real difference for those in need. Hawaii Food Bank is asking for nutritious canned and dry goods. Pictured are some suggestions.



Donations can be dropped off anytime at the management office. If you would like to donate cash, please do so at <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/VFD/AOAKaleleKai>

We will be accepting donations until Mid-January.

Boxing Day Falls Annually Every December 26th



Unboxing day occurs every day in our internet driven shopping environment and with it lots and lots of cardboard boxes. A walk down our building hallways or a trip to the trash room will attest to how many boxes we generate at Kalele Kai.

On Oahu three things can happen to a poor unsuspecting cardboard box:

First and luckily, this is relatively uncommon, it can end up in a landfill where it takes up valuable space for items that can't be disposed of in any other way and eventually will deteriorate and create methane gas which is harmful for the environment.

Second, it can get mixed with regular rubbish and end up being incinerated by HECO to help power the Island.

Third, and best of all, we can recycle! A ton of recycled cardboard versus having to manufacture a cardboard product saves 17 trees, 7,000 tons of water and requires 4,000 less kilowatt hours.

We have cardboard recycling bins in each building which are picked up once a week on Wednesdays, but we need your help to make our recycling program effective.

Please don't mix plastic or glass in these cardboard bins.

All Cardboard needs to be "clean Cardboard" that means no pizza boxes or the takeout box from the Chinese restaurant that is soaked in grease. Wax lined produce boxes, often picked up at Costco, are not recyclable.

Most importantly, we need you to break down your boxes flat! We've all seen the bins filled with boxes and spilling on to the floor and we would have more than enough room had they been broken down.

Please make one of your gifts this Holiday Season your cooperation in making an effective cardboard recycling program for Kalele Kai.

Kalele Kai BOD

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The Board welcomes volunteers to serve on committees, if you are interested in serving your community, please contact our office.

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Calendar

December 26 —Management, Maintenance and Housekeeping Closed.

January 14—Annual Mahalo Breakfast @ Cabana, 9:30 AM—12:00 PM.

January 26—**IN PERSON** Board Meeting @ Cabana, 6:30 PM.



A Parade Like No Other



This year is the 25th anniversary of the Hawaii Kai Festival of Lights Boat Parade. Mark your calendar for Saturday December 10th for 5:30pm to 8:30pm.

The parade route snakes through the Hawaii Kai Marina and passes directly in front of the Kalele Kai docks. You will see boats rocking various themes, dancers, singers, music and of course over the top decorations.

Grab a spot and check out the action!

Thank you!

Mahalo for your understanding and cooperation during the garage drive area and roof resurfacing. We still have a few areas to address. Over the next few weeks, we will be fixing some "potholes" adding some drains and repairing the expansion joint that runs between Buildings 1 & 2. This work will require the relocation of some cars as well as redirecting traffic in building 3 for two to three days again.



This Issue our Spotlight Shines on...

Charles Tambua

Nearly everyone at Kalele Kai knows Charles. He has been our maintenance supervisor for over ten years dedicated to serving us all. Charles was born and raised in Saipan in the [Northern Mariana Islands](#), 120 miles north of Guam. Only English was taught in school but Charles's parents spoke Chamoru at home to make sure they didn't lose their ability to speak it.



Charles's parents worked on Guam and commuted home on the weekends so during the week he lived with his auntie. His father worked on the military base as a pipefitter/plumber and his mom was a nurse. On weekends Charles's father would take him around as his helper when he did his handyman and plumbing side jobs. Charles says he was destined to be "handy". When Charles turned 13 his auntie got married and moved to Hawaii; Charles begged his parents to join her so he could go to High School in the US. Charles got his wish and after graduating from Farrington High,

enrolled at HCC and the Job Corps to earn money. At HCC he specialized in carpentry and upon graduation worked as a union carpenter for 5 years.

Charles wanted to branch out beyond carpentry and took a job as the number two in maintenance at the Royal Aloha Condo in Waikiki and after five years joined us to lead the maintenance team.

Charles is married with four children, three girls and a boy. The youngest, a daughter is 15 and keeps him on his toes. He also has two dogs a Chihuahua and a Pitbull. Charles says the get along better than any of his children.

Charles has a contractor's license but says that when he can find time he likes to go to the beach with family, dive, hunt and fish, in fact he once caught a 20 foot yellow fin.



Random Thoughts with Bill Comstock

Confidence is what you had until you knew better

Irony is the opposite of wrinkly

Of course, I can tell right from wrong; I just happen to prefer wrong

You probably wouldn't worry about what people think of you if you could know how seldom they do

With every passing day I have less of a future about which to worry

I'm not a complete idiot; some parts are missing.

Humility is not one my faults, but if I had one, that would be it

Thoughts, like fleas, jump from man to man, but they don't bite everybody.

When I was young, I thought that money was the most important thing in life; now that I am old I know that it is.

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go.

Misers aren't fun to live with, but they make wonderful ancestors.

Just about the time when you think you can make ends meet, somebody moves the ends.

What I don't like about office Christmas parties is looking for a job the next day.

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