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# Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club

**Vol. 17**

**NOVEMBER**  
**Nowemapa**  
**(No-vay-ma-pa)**

**DECEMBER**  
**Kekemapa**  
**(key-key-ma-pa)**

Aloha All,

A lot to provide in this newsletter. It includes exciting news that LVHCC once again was awarded **the Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalanianaʻole Award for Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club of the Year in 2023**, having received the previous award in 2020, and the **Piʻilani Award for Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club/Council Electronic Communication for our website** at the recent Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs 64th annual convention. Reflections of convention by seasoned participant Gail Wright (Historian) is set forth in this newsletter.

Enjoy Oni Oneka's (a charter member) great and timely travel article!

Mahalo nui to all of the contributors especially Pat for his kōkua in always double editing and also mahalo nui again to Pa'a for providing the new format in October and "rescuing me" during my internet pilikia and kokua.

**Noho hau'oli a olakino ho'i**  
**Stay happy & healthy!!**

**Mālama Pono, Maggie**

## LVHCC MEETINGS

**LVHCC Board:** 1st Wednesday of Every Month  
Virtual 7:00 PM

**General Membership:** 3rd Wed of Every Month  
In Person & Virtual  
6:15 PM Pā'ina Potluck; 7:00 PM

Location Meeting:  
Kanaka Hekili MC Gym  
5000 W. Oakey Blvd. D-21, Las Vega  
Next meeting: **January 17, 2024**



**Kalani Heu  
Pelekikena**



**2024 - 2025**

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&  
Koho Mua 2024**



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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### Makua

Ed Crisostomo, Marivic Aldaya,  
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## LVHCC Guiding Values

Mālama	To care for our members, especially our kupuna.
Ola Kino Maika'i	To live healthy.
Hō'ihi	To respect the views of all.
Kuleana	To take responsibility.
Ike	To seek knowledge, be informed.
Na'au Pono	To nurture a deep sense of justice as we seek to uplift the conditions of Native Hawaiians.
Laulima	To work in harmony, for many hands make the work easier.

## OUR CORPORATE MEMBERS





**Pa'ahana Bissen  
Na Alaka'i**



While attending the **64th Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Convention** in Kālia, Wai-kīkī, I jumped at the opportunity to attend the Huaka'i (*guided field trip*) to Kūkaniloko Birthstones and the Navigation piko of our voyaging ancestors.

The description of the Huaka'i was more than enticing:

*The Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawa invites you to experience Pu'uhonua 'o Kūkaniloko, Kalana Līhu'e, Wahiawa, Helemano ... 36,000 acres upon the central uplands of O'ahu island demarcated by **ka'anani'au** within and without to boundaries of the Wai'anae and Ko'olau mountain ranges. Home to many native flora and fauna, it was here in these cool uplands that our Ali'i were born, nurtured and educated to eventually be selected to manage our sacred lands, its precious natural resources and our beloved people.*

### **Ka'anani'au**

*The traditional understandings of Time and Place*

The bus arrived at 8 am and 20 HCC members, including Aunty Gail Wright and I, were on our way at 8:15 am with all intentions to beat the Honolulu traffic. Our driver was from Southern California and was excited as we were to travel to Wahiawa and experience a rare visit to a valued sacred site of Hawaiians.



A 30-minute ride brought us to a T-Bone traffic light and a barred post stop. We all simultaneously commented: "I would have never found this place if I drove here myself.

Gates opened, we were cheerfully greeted and welcomed by members of **Hawaiian Civic Club**

**of Wahiawa (HCCW)** distributing water, chairs, and umbrellas. They quickly pointed out that the sun will soon heat up. There were no shade from trees, buildings or even the cooling of what was once a running stream nearby. When members come to clean and maintain the site, they must bringing in their own water, hats, umbrella and tents to protect them from the scorching heat. There has been a drought for many years and most of the work now has been to remove debris, dried brush and replant. So distant from the once lush trees, flora and 15 ft running stream. Even the beautiful green range of nearby mountains and low covering clouds, were misleading on the temperature and dryness of the area.



### **KA'ANANI'AU: PROTOCOL**

We joined HCCW in their oli kāhea before entering the ring of the pōhaku, requesting solemnness, respect and gratitude. Many brought ho'okupu to lay before the entrance. Distant from the city noise and bustle, the chanting voices resounded from the ground, through the trees, through the cumulating clouds and into the sky. It was easy to imagine and feel the hands that first laid the pōhaku and the chants that were called and the presences of our ancestors on the same soil.

### **KA'ANANI'AU: HISTORY AND PURPOSE**

HCCW Pelekina Noelani De Vincent joined by Kuka'awe Tom Lenchanko shared the history of Kukaniloko and the purpose of HCCW.

### **About Kūkaniloko...extracted from HCCW website**

In ancient times, the area called *līhu'e* of the central plateau of O'ahu Island, was the Royal

## THE GUARDIANS OF KŪKANILOKO

Center. Here, the highest-ranking children were born and raised to be the leaders of the people of our Nation, *ko Hawaii paeāina*. Today, Kūkaniloko Birthstones—encompassed by the uplands of *Lihue Wahiawā*, *Halemano* - remains as one of the most significant cultural sites on O'ahu. This was one of two places in Hawai'i specifically designated for the birth of high-ranking children; the other site was *Holoholokū* in Wailua on Kaua'i Island.

### Kūkaniloko: Birthright of Ali'i

*Kūkaniloko*, meaning "to anchor the cry from within," is the geographic *piko* of O'ahu. Circa 400 A.D. to 992 A.D., Kūkaniloko was set apart for the birth of *ho'ali'i* on O'ahu island. To be born at Kūkaniloko assured a status of divine descent and those privileges which came with such status. Birthright maintained the purity of divine lineage and established the *ali'i* as gods with the privilege to manage our sacred lands, its precious natural resources and our beloved people.

Birth of *ho'ali'i* at Kūkaniloko was *'ike maka*, eye-witnessed, by 36 *ali'i*, one of whom was the father. Upon presentation at *kuapu'u kūkaniloko*, *ho'ali'i* were taken to *waihauheiau*, *Ho'olonopahu* where recitation of the continued genealogy, the purification ceremonies and the splitting of the bamboo knife (between the teeth to create a sharp edge to sever the umbilical cord) were overseen by 48 *ali'i kapu*. Sacred drums of the *pahu heiau*, *Hāwea* and *Ōpuku*, were sounded to announce the arrival of the *ho'ali'i*. The reign of those *ali'i* born at Kūkaniloko is marked by good



*Tom Lenchanko describes the birthing process. 6 STRONG men held the chiefess, arm chained and braced themselves against the pōhaku may be for many hours of labor. The 7th man was the kahuna who would catch the baby not having it touch the pōhaku or dirt.*

deeds, peace, and prosperity. These *ali'i* did not participate in or practice human sacrifice.

**Kūkaniloko: Marking of Time and Place *mea ola kaka naka mau*...** living human beings imbued with the spirit of I'o - utilized the sun, moon, planets and stars relative to features upon the landscape to mark

time and place. Here at Kūkaniloko, the rising and setting of the sun upon the *pu'u*, peaks, along the *Ko'olau* and the *Wai'anae* mountain ranges were observed and used to mark time. Some of the stones at Kūkaniloko may have been used as reference points to observe the setting sun upon *Mauna Ka'ala* during the Spring and Fall Equinoxes as well as the Summer and Winter Solstices. As you see and as it is told by our ancestors: Kūkaniloko is the *hānau* (birth) and *piko* (center) of *Papahānaumoku* (Mother Earth).

Our journey ended with a well welcomed Bento plate and *kanikapila* to match. A very memorable day with **Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawa**: the guardians of Kūkaniloko. One can only admire in awe the decades of dedication and work this club has committed to the preservation of our *Kanaka Maoli* history and culture. ■



*Tom Lenchanko kneels near the navigational pōhaku identifying the ridges as the rise and fall of the sun in seasonal time.*

*(Left) Tom holds a nautical map that parallels the degree of separation on the valleys that lead to the mountain ridges of the Ko'olau and Wai'anae.*

### Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawa

Established: November 10, 1960

Club Pua: Na'u (*Hawaiian Gardenia*)

Club Mele: Pa'ahana

#### **Makia 'Olelo Hawai'i:**

*E kūka'awe i nā kapu o Kūkaniloko  
nō ka mea al hanō ho'i kākou iā lākou i  
nā kaula kau..."*

#### **Makia 'Olelo Haole:**

*"to guard the kapu of Kūkaniloko  
because we love them for all time..."*

**Please visit their website:**

<https://kukaniloko.weebly.com/>

Outstanding information.



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## Aloha mai kākou!



It's flu season. For folks who've had it, you know there are mild and severe versions and this differs from person to person. Here at LVHCC,

we continue to advocate for a healthy lifestyle that, often, takes willpower to keep with—even with the holidays and all the high sugar treats we all love.

There are ways to strengthen your immune system while enjoying some (but not a lot, and I know it's hard!) of the **Ono holiday grinds!!** Flu symptoms include coughing, runny nose, and congestion. Severe symptoms can include fevers, chills, body aches, fatigue, and headaches. Definitely not fun and always to be avoided; especially as between 20,000-35,000 people die from the flu each year in the US alone (nearly 120,000 worldwide).

So, what causes folks to get more severe cases than others? Age, health status, and immune system strength has a lot to do with getting a light or severe flu. The flu shot can help but it's not 100% effective. The American Medical Association notes *"annual flu shots effectiveness isn't fully known until we really get into the flu season and see what types of viruses actually end up circulating amongst the population."* Doctors assess each year which of the flu strains out there as being most likely to infect folks and adjust the shots to align with what was predicted.

Other than shots, there are preventatives that have been shown to assist with maintaining a strong immune system. Those people taking **probiotics**—think yogurt, sour poi, kimchee, natto, and other fermented foods—are less likely to get the flu and other respiratory infections; additionally, they need antibiotics less. This doesn't mean a "surge" of yogurt or poi when



you feel sick, by then, it's too late! Instead, including such things in your diet on a regular basis provides a benefit without the potential side effects of shots and drugs. Probiotics help maintain a healthy immune function in your gut (intestines) where good and bad bacteria live. Your gut plays an active part in many body processes, as your gut contains up to 80% of the body's immune cells—now that's a Jeopardy question answer worth remembering!

Helpful bacteria keep the lining of the intestines strong and keeps infectious bugs and other toxins from getting into your body. This helps keep inflammation, diabetes, arthritis, obesity, asthma, chronic fatigue syndrome, irritable bowel syndrome, and autoimmune diseases from affecting the body. Healthy gut bacteria also "trains" your immune cells to know what to look for between normal and invader microbes so they can be accepted, neutralized, or destroyed. Health gut bacteria also stimulates the body to produce antibodies in response to any new infections to be ready to fight with a strong defense.

But, as with all things, just including one thing into your diet involves more than just probiotics.

**Prebiotic foods** provide the nutrients helpful bacteria needs to bloom.



Such foods include *li-mu, bananas, onions, garlic, oats, apples, and flax-seed.*

This also means

decreasing things that will kill the helpful bacteria such as limiting sugars, cheese, alcohol, egg yolks, and meat as well as decreasing stress and definitely not vaping or smoking. That way, harmful bacteria doesn't take over and your immune system doesn't weaken. A strong immune system helps decrease the potential for getting the flu or other diseases and syndromes.

If you're looking for healthy gift ideas, how about some sour poi? There are some companies that ship to the Mainland including Aloha 'Aina Poi Company\* [www.alohaainapoico.com](http://www.alohaainapoico.com) and Hanalei Taro & Juice Company\* [www.hanaleitaro.com](http://www.hanaleitaro.com). Order some and let it sit for about 12 hours to start fermentation. The poi will expand, and get some holes in it, and the probiotics multiply! It can be used as a nonfat replacement for salad dressing oil and a half cup in a morning smoothie is like adding yogurt.

**Disclaimer:** LVHCC is only noting the two Poi company's as representative of what may be available and not identifying them as a Member, contributor, or paying entity of LVHCC



**Patrick  
Filbert  
Hope  
Pelekikena  
Elua**

# NA A'A MO'AUKALA (Historical Roots)



**Gail Wright**  
**Ho'opa'a**  
**Mo'olelo**

While the recovery of the Banyan tree in Lāhainā ("relentless sun") has gotten a lot of attention, the fire also nearly wiped out another set of trees.

These trees have a much longer history in Lāhainā with a greater significance in Hawaiian culture. 'Ulu, or breadfruit, has given sustenance since it was introduced to the islands centuries ago.

Researchers believe 'Ulu were among the many edible plants Polynesian voyagers brought around 1,000 years ago. Such imports could have been carried across the ocean, wrapped in rotted coconut husk and dried leaves and protected in a woven coconut basket.

Before the Banyan existed, Lāhainā was a lush wetland area and was renowned for 'Ulu trees. An 'Ōlelo No'eau (*Hawaiian proverb*) affirms, **Lāhainā i ka malu ulu o Lele** – *Lāhainā lies in the shade of the breadfruit trees of Lele* (an old name for Lāhainā). Vast groves of 'Ulu once grew in the area and people could walk across town and be constantly shaded. The trees also were a staple food which fed Hawai'i's Ali'i and generations of Kana'ka. The town was once called **Malu ulu o lele** (*the shaded breadfruit grove of Lele*).

By the late 19th century many of the 'Ulu trees had been burned to make way for sugar plantations. Fresh water sources at streams were diverted. Development transformed the landscape with far fewer trees. Hawaiian 'Ulu doesn't have seeds and the only way to promote new growth is by the hehu or the ka, the root suckers, that branch out in the 'Ulu tree root system.

One 'Ulu, named **Puloa**, is believed to have been planted by Rev. Dwight D. Baldwin in the early 1800s. The tree was part of a lush garden behind the historic Baldwin



**Ulu: Endangered in Lāhainā**

Home, the oldest house standing on Maui. The house is gone and the tree still stands, though the trunk is charred. The 2023 fire charred all but two of the dozen or so 'Ulu that remained. Now, as Maui recovers from the deadliest U.S. wildfire in more than a century, a band of arborists, farmers, and landscapers are trying to save Lāhainā's 'Ulu.

This means digging down to the roots of badly burned specimens to find live tissue that could be used to plant new shoots. In one case, they peeled back asphalt that butted against a charred 'Ulu trunk and, underground, found life. Ten thousand 'Ulu sprouts from Moku O Keawe

(the Big Island) have been delivered to Maui and will be planted once they go through quarantine. Restoring the town's greenery to what it once was will take decades, but the recovery has begun one sprout at a time. ■

**Sources:** "After Lahaina fire, there's a chance to restore ulu trees" by Ed Komenda & Audrey Mcavoy [www.mauinews.com/news/local-news/2023/10/after-lahaina-fire-theres-a-chance-to-restore-ulu-trees/](http://www.mauinews.com/news/local-news/2023/10/after-lahaina-fire-theres-a-chance-to-restore-ulu-trees/); "Treecovery' initiative aims to rescue centuries-old ulu trees burned in Lahaina wildfire" by Rick Quan [www.kitv.com/news/lahaina/treecovery-initiative-aims-to-rescue-centuries-old-ulu-trees-burned-in-lahaina-wildfire/article\\_c9df9370-8357-11ee-8974-db7f30a901a9.html](http://www.kitv.com/news/lahaina/treecovery-initiative-aims-to-rescue-centuries-old-ulu-trees-burned-in-lahaina-wildfire/article_c9df9370-8357-11ee-8974-db7f30a901a9.html); "What happened to the historic 'ulu trees of Lahaina?" by Alikea Dudley [https://www.kitv.com/news/lahaina/what-happened-to-the-historic-ulu-trees-of-lahaina/article\\_96c61916-50ec-11ee-9a4e-771f9f601603.html](https://www.kitv.com/news/lahaina/what-happened-to-the-historic-ulu-trees-of-lahaina/article_96c61916-50ec-11ee-9a4e-771f9f601603.html); "Lahaina Tree Restoration: Light Amid Tragedy" by Ilana Nimz, Hannah Lutgen, and Steve Nimz <https://tcimag.tcica.org/current-issue/lahaina-tree-restoration-light-amid-tragedy/>



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## FIRST ONE OUTSIDE OF HAWAI'I

**ZIPPY'S**  
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**GRAND OPENING**  
October 10, 2023

### LVHCC SPECIAL INVITATION

Doreen, Pat, Kalani, Tamar Hoapili (former LVHCC Pelekikena)  
represented LVHCC at the Grand Opening



Voted by LVHCC members a custom Koa Paddle & Award Frame were presented to Zippy's. Mahalo to our Hiro Kajiyama, master carpenter, and Doreen Van for preparing the makana.

### LVHCC RECEIVES \$10,000 DONATION

A surprise presentation was made by Zippy's CEO Jason Higa and VP of Marketing Keven Yim to LVHCC. Pelekikena Kalani Heu & Hope Pelekikena Elua Patrick Filbert. Both were overwhelmed with the generosity and spirit of aloha expressed by Jason Higa & Keven Yim.

Shai Walters

Doreen Vann



Kumu Charles Herring  
performing



Doreen Pat & Kalani





**Oni Onekea**  
**LVHCC**  
**Charter Member**

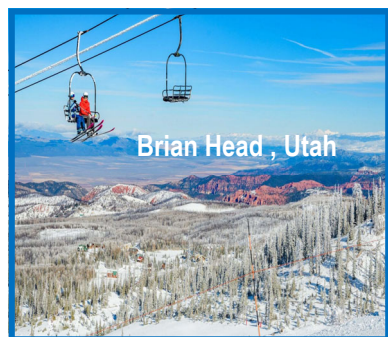
## Aloha LVHCC Members:



For those of you who may consider snow skiing, do it this season!

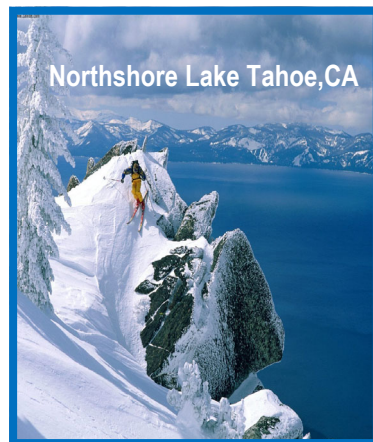
I am an Advance Intermediate Skier and enjoy Pack Powder. You may consider a ski

lesson package. Skiing is like Surfing, once you find that balance on the center of the skis, what a "Rush" going downhill! As they say, "No Guts No Glory".



Brian Head , Utah

But, maybe it's time to leave Lee Canyon and enjoy a larger Resort. You may want to visit *Brian Head Ski Resort* in Utah. It is a great 3 1/2 hour scenic drive. Visit Mesquite, St. George, Cedar City, etc. For non-skiers, it is still fun visiting the Resort. Kick back in the lounge or enjoy the sun deck watching the "action". If staying the night, enjoy a room with a fireplace, some cocktails, and go out and enjoy the night life. I also have been to North and South Lake Tahoe, Copper Mountain, Steamboat Springs, Park City, Alta. And Snowbird. **Let us know about your adventure in one of our future winter Newsletter!**



NOTE: As good as she is—  
this is not Oni.. Editor

## Hui Hou & Happy Holidays!!

### Oni

What is Hawaiian for snow?

Hau kea

Pōli'ahu. Ka wahine kapu hau  
O Maunakea.

Pōli'ahu is the goddess of snow;  
her home is Maunakea

Mary Kawena Pukui





## LVHCC General Membership Meetings

OUR VIRTUAL LVHCC  
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Somewhat LIVE



### NOVEMBER

Yolanda Cebula  
Marie Drury  
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Dawn Shibano  
Sheron Bissen  
Alison Bareng  
Brandon Bareng  
Adam Bareng



Makaiwis wit h new member  
Ed Crisostomo



Welcome Back our  
Lynette Macauley!



### DECEMBER:

Larry Gove  
Cathy Arakaki  
Lee Burnet  
Sam Ortega  
Shawn Rivera  
Alamea Cullen  
Charlie Van Acker  
Alamea Cullen  
Rico Christian Pascua  
Violet Rae Pascua-Maeha



Sisters!  
Gail Wright & Rita Kam



Pa'a & Elvira



Hiro & Melinda

**LVHCC MEMBERS:**

**119 MEMBERSHIPS**

**13 Corporate**

**3 Associate**



# ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

64th Convention

October 15-22, 2023

Kālia, Waikīkī, O'ahu, Hawai'i

**MAINLAND COUNCIL  
of the ASSOCIATION OF  
HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS**

*Na Lei Makalapua*

**2024-2025 OFFICERS ELECTION**



**Left: Assisting with kihei draping:**

former na MCAHCC Pelekikena Tee Furtado and Pa'ahana Bissen with current MCAHCC Carol Nalani Johnson

**Center: Newly Elected MCAHCC  
Pu'uku Stacen Makaiwi**

**Right: LVHCC members in attendance  
Pa'ahana Bissen, Gail Wright,  
Doreen Van and Hiro Kajiya.**



**Proud LVHCC Delegates:**

Doreen Van

Gail Wright, Pa'ahana Bissen

Stacen Makaiwi & Hiro Kajiya



**AHCC AWARDS LVHCC:**

**Prince Jonah Kalaniana'ole Award  
2023 Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club**



**2023 AHCC AWARDEES**  
AHCC Awards Chair Toni Lee  
(far right)



**Pi'ilani Award**  
2023 Outstanding Hawaiian Civic Club  
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# ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

## 64th Convention

October 15-22, 2022

Kālia, Waikīkī, O'ahu, Hawai'i



Aloha LVHCC Members:

**Uluwehiwehi O'ahu-a-Lua – Festive and Beautiful is O'ahu, Child of Lua**

**The 2023 AOHCC Convention Theme is a salute to Oahu's rich heritage**

Convention dates were October 15 thru October 22, 2023 held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village on the Island of Oahu.

<b>Sunday, October 15, 2023 -</b>	Huaka'i #1
<b>Monday, October 16, 2023 -</b>	Huaka'i #2
<b>Tuesday, October 17, 2023 -</b>	Workshops and Huaka'i #3
<b>Wednesday, October 18, 2023 -</b>	Workshops, Huaka'i #4 and #5, Awards, Hali'a Aloha, and Kukui Lama Kū

**Plenary sessions** were Thursday through Saturday.



It was my privilege to be a delegate for the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club, along with three others. Between us, we tried to attend as many workshops and resolution committee meetings as possible. Pa'ahana Bissen and I also attended *Huaka'i* #3 on Tuesday, which was a field trip by minibus to first Kulanihloko Birthstones in *Wahiawa*, then to *Maunawila Heiau* in *Hau'ula*, north shore, Oahu. This was a full-day excursion, and well worth attending.

Workshops were Tuesday and Wednesday. Because of taking the day long *Huaka'i* trip, I could not attend any of the Tuesday workshops. On Wednesday, I attended three workshops: first, "10 simple ways clubs and members can participate and use '*Olelo Hawai'i*' from beginner to *Manaleo*"; second: "*Kilohana*, the tourism division of the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CHNA); and third "Equitable tax policies that raise revenue and ensure the wealthiest among us pay their fair share".

The '*Oelo Hawai'i*' workshop started by the members given a survey of over 80 words to test our existing knowledge of the language. Amazingly, most of us could recognize most of these words. I plan to present this test at our next GMM!! Another way to gain knowledge is to use social media language programs such as Duolingo, which is a program that I use; best of all, it is free!! Every GMM meeting should include some language practice.

The second workshop was about *Kilohana*, the tourism division of the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA). This group is focused on transforming Hawai'i's approach to tourism to include the local community and cultural resources experiences.

The third workshop I attended, about Hawaii's tax codes, does not directly apply to local Hawaiians, but applies to family and friends living in the islands. Currently, the General Excise Tax to the Capital Gains Tax codes is peppered with inequities that take a larger share of income from low-income workers, while those with high-incomes pay a lesser percentage. There is a move to craft more equitable tax policies that will build more fairness in the tax code.

While the field trips are only a part of each convention, they provide an opportunity to visit new, or to renew, knowledge of local cultural places (both in Hawai'i and the mainland). The workshops provide a wide variety of informative seminars to compliment current events and the plenary sessions of the convention,

**Mālama Pono! A Hui Hou All!**

*Gail*

Mahalo Nui  
Tiarre Norwood for  
inviting LVHCC  
again & for great  
job!



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Kaleihoku Foundation Presents  
IT'S ANNUAL **CHRISTMAS LUAU**  
Saturday, December 9, 2023  
Paradise Recreational Center  
Vendors open to the public from 12-3:30pm  
(No ticket needed to shop between 12-3:30pm)  
Doors open for luau at 4:30pm  
Show starts at 5:30pm

Don't wait!! Tickets are going fast!! Scan QR code to purchase tickets now!!!

Featuring  
The Hula Hula Award winners  
and special performances by  
Hula Na Le O Kahikihiki  
Kupono  
Hula Kaleihoku Kukunani  
Join us for a night full of aloha with some mahalo hawaiian music, a little hula and some delicious Hawaiian food. Raffles, Silent Auction, Craft Vendors and Pictures with Santa for the keiki.

Or visit [kaleihokufoundation.org](http://kaleihokufoundation.org)

*Congratulations to all our Partners on their successful events!*

**4th. Saint City TOY DRIVE**

**DEC: 16th. at LA BONITA#2**  
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**Na Hula Halia Aloha Cultural Preservation**

**PRESENTS:**  
**2023 Aloha Kalikimaka ~ E Hula Kaku Christmas**

**FEATURING:**  
Headliner **Ho'okena**  
Headliner **Faith Thompson Aka**  
Headliner **"Kauili"**  
**Kirin, Sheldon, Gary**

**PLUS:**  
Original **"No Hula Kaku"**  
Singer **Maria Gibson-Bandmann**  
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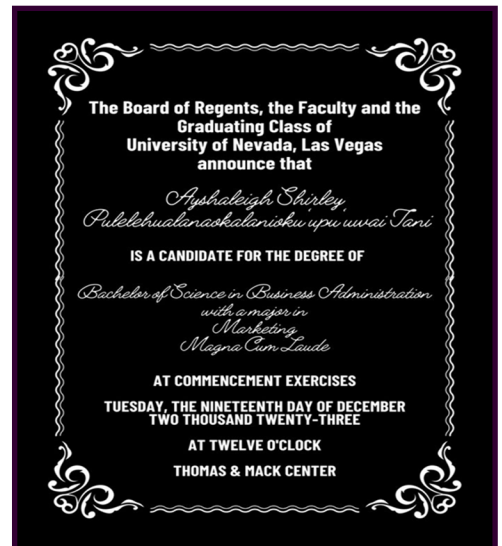




Pulelehua is a member of LVHCC for the past four years. She has served on our Audit Komike, Volunteered for Ho'olaule'a Festival and is a recipient of our LVHCC Essay Scholarship in 2021. She has assisted LVHCC with 'Olelo Hawai'i translations as a speaker fluently in 'Olelo Hawai'i. She will be moving back to O'ahu to complete her MBA degree . We are so proud of her and her commitment to our Lāhui in Las Vegas.



*Congratulations!*  
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1. Are you Native Hawaiian (this is not a limiting item, anyone can apply)?
2. Is your parent/guardian a member of the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club? If so, what is their name?
3. Essay - The legacy of LVHCC is attributed to all its founders, leaders and members who maintain its motto Kulia E Loa'a Ka Na'auao "Strive to Obtain Wisdom." In no more than **750 words**\* tell us about yourself and your goal to "Strive to Obtain Wisdom"
4. Please explain why you financially need this scholarship
5. Please upload your resume
6. Please upload your most current transcript (unofficial)
7. Please upload a letter of recommendation from a coach
8. Please upload a 2<sup>nd</sup> letter of recommendation (any source other than a peer or relative)

\* Essay should be in narrative form, largely based on your own opinion, experiences, history and aspirations

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