

Kalapana Seaview News

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2003 Newsletter



President's Message

Garry Hoffeld
President, KSECA

Aloha Seaview Owners and Residents!

We have had a lot of activity in Seaview this year. A few new houses have been started as well as progress on existing projects. Real estate sales have surged with several lots and houses sold. Prices vary from lot to lot based primarily on location, but, overall prices are up from last year. Some new owners and current residents have purchased multiple lots.

There has been several social events this year. In March, the *Magical Muse Mission* sponsored a fabulous Celtic music festival in the Ocean Park with music and family fun for all. *Belly Acres* and *Volcano Hiccup Circus* hosted several community shows and events at the Pavilion Park. Included were musical performances, circus acts, a dog show, potted plant show, and a Halloween costume contest. Graham Ellis, circus miester, also held children and adult classes and activities culminating in a splendid production of "Malama I Ke Kai" (caring for the sea). Many residents took part in the production and performance of this

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Parks Ohana Report

David Hoffeld
Board Member, KSECA

This is my first year as a Board Member here in Seaview, although I have been active in our community for about three years. My official position is *Community Liaison*, which has allowed for better communication between the Board and our Community. I am now working with the "Parks Ohana" and the "Kokua Club". This year we removed some outdated playground equipment, and livened up the remaining with a fresh coat of paint. We also built a great new swing set. It's obvious the children of Seaview are very appreciative of our efforts.

Special thanks to all who contributed at the Hiccup Circus/Belly Acres 2nd Annual show held at our pavilion. The Board was able to match the donations collected at this event to complete our project.

Currently, we are working with a small grant to improve our volleyball court. The volleyball players are enthusiastic about the upgrade and if anyone has ideas or would like to volunteer, Please let us know.

awesome event held in the Pahoehoe High School gymnasium.

Wrapping up the year's activities was our second annual holiday dinner. Residents Willie and Souza shared a Hawaiian blessing with a huge circle of neighbors before we all filled our plates with turkey and vegetarian dishes.

The *Kokua Club* has been rallying together on residential projects. Special thanks go to the *Parks Ohana* for the great work in the Keiki Park. We have successfully changed from a few houses scattered on the lava flow to a real community.

Standing on the Edge of Creation

Val Vaughan
Board Member, KSECA

Thousands flock to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park to View Kilauea Volcano

Beginning in mid-July 2002, thousands of locals and visitors have been traveling to the end of Chain of Craters Road in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park every evening to view the latest lava flows from Kilauea Volcano.

It was on July 19, 2002 that lava from what is known as the Mother's Day flow reached the sea at West Highcastle. This was followed two days later by a sea entry at Wilipe'a. As suggested by its name, these flows originated in mid-May from two areas south and west of Pu'u 'O'o, the huge, active cinder cone of Kilauea.

Since Kilauea has been active since 1983, why is this recent activity so popular? The answer is that the current flow, both down the pali and into the ocean, offers the best opportunity for close-up viewing in several years. Actual flows into the ocean do not occur every day. The direction and intensity of the lava flow can change at any time. Most of the current activity, however, is within easy walking distance of the end of the Chain of Craters Road.

For more info, visit the following websites:

USGS [US Geological Survey]
<http://www.whvo.wr.usgs.gov/>

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park
<http://www.nps.gov/havo/>

The Unintentional Community: Village Economics

Athena Peanut
Vice President, KSECA

The world political crisis overshadows all of our lives and we are drawn to move in closer to one another in these radically changing times. I find myself thinking of practical economics more than ever. What will happen when the daily ships bringing 95% of goods used on our island do not arrive? If I were queen for a day what would I wish for?

Number one on the list is buying most of my groceries from my neighbors instead of buying anonymous food from the grocery stores. Also, going to the pavilion once a week to watch a movie with my neighbors and visiting an acupuncturist in residence would be nice. When I earnestly began to compile this list I found to my surprise that I already do a lot of "business" right here in Seaview.

A great mechanic who also installs solar systems maintains my venerable vehicle. The greatest "handy men" live in Seaview. Auntie Theresa is the best seamstress I ever knew. The best builders and carpenters live here. We have several outstanding healers in residence as well as artists of all mediums. I even bought a computer from a neighbor who was in the business. So basically what I discovered was that outside of the food trip, many of our individual needs can be met right in our own village. We even have a travel agent to book our trips and an astrologer to chart our departure time!

To best ensure our future sustainability and quality of life issues, acknowledge and support your neighbor's skills by patronizing them. Just imagine how much money is spent by Seaview villagers in a month's time. Just imagine the economic turnaround for us if even a third of that amount remained in the community! What if we could also agree on a simple, workable bartering system? The mind boggles, the imagination soars!

This is nothing new. This is the ancient way. . . tried and true. Implemented by groups of people defined by common boundaries throughout the ages for survival and maintenance of *quality of life*.

Greybeard Speaks

WHAT CAN SEAVIEW DO FOR US?

- ❖ Improve our lovely parks and common areas.
- ❖ Surround us with cooperative, helpful neighbors.
- ❖ Maintain insurance policy against unforeseen nonsense.
- ❖ Pay the parks' real estate taxes.
- ❖ Coordinate neighborhood social events.
- ❖ Serve as collective voice when dealing with bureaucracy.

WHAT CAN WE DO FOR SEAVIEW?

- ✓ Join in, attend our meetings, games and events.
- ✓ Pay your maintenance fees (\$25. cheap).
- ✓ Participate in volunteer projects - community garden, parks and playground committee,
- ✓ Utilize our Recycling Center.
- ✓ Serve on Board of Directors.
- ✓ Pick up little pieces of litter.

Report From Inner Seaview:

Not just mowing the lawn, the park volunteers have been reforming the formerly featureless fields into a fun-filled fantasy world of ephemeral free features.

Your participation is invited. Have you seen the amazing maze? Are you ready for the great egg hunt next Spring? Have you adopted a plot of the community garden?

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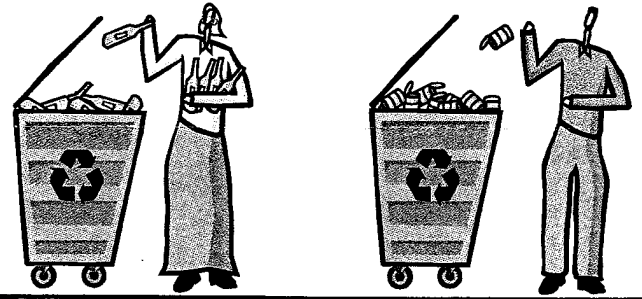
How do we refer to ourselves as residents of Seaview?

- Seaview*ites*?
- Seaview*ers*?
- Seaview*ists*?
- Other _____.

Think Globally – Act in Seaview



Feeling guilty about send all those empty beer bottles and cans to the dump? We have begun a modest recycling project to collect glass and aluminum. Please leave your empties in the barrels behind the pavilion bathroom. The income generated will be used for park improvements.



2002 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME & ASSETS

Checking Balance as of 1/1/02	\$6,069.34
Savings Account	\$5,000.00
Maintenance Fees	\$9,555.00
Interest	\$ 112.24

TOTAL INCOME & ASSETS \$20,736.58

EXPENSES

Bank Fees	\$ 27.00
Phone	\$ 221.98
Park Maintenance	\$2,400.00
3 Year Financial Review	\$2,181.50
Park Property Taxes	\$ 778.14
A.G.M.	\$ 190.00
Newsletter/Postage	\$ 662.77
Park Supplies	\$ 497.86
Office Supplies	\$ 26.11
Liability Insurance	\$1,904.19
Solar Power Equipment	\$2,498.74

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$11,388.29

BALANCE as of 12/31/02 \$9,348.29

THERE SHE BLOWS! BIG ISLAND WHALE WATCH



Each winter in Hawai`i brings an increased buzz of excitement and influx of visitors to the islands--not just in the form of two-legged tourists, but of the long-finned, gargantuan variety as well. We're talking about humpback whales, the State of Hawai`i's official marine mammal. From as early as September until as late as May, humpback whales can be seen in the near-shore waters surrounding the Hawaiian Islands. Numerous whales have been spotted along the Puna coastline and visible from Seaview's ocean park.

Scientists estimate that approximately 4,000 to 5,000 humpback whales--two-thirds of the North Pacific stock--migrate to Hawai`i each winter. From their feeding grounds in Alaska, they cross 3,000 miles of ocean to reach their winter destination, which offers the promise of relaxation, adventure and "romance." The primary activities that humpback whales engage in during their stay in Hawai`i include mating, birthing and nursing. Male humpbacks also spend their time competing with others for female attention and perfecting their singing techniques.

Sighting humpback whales can be an awe-inspiring experience whether from the water or the shore. Their impressive acrobatic displays are visible from miles away. Mothers can be seen teaching their calves to breach, and males can be seen competing with one another in fierce head-to-head battles. The underwater vocal stylings of male humpback whales can even be heard by divers, snorkelers and boaters. There is just so much interesting info that is available on these marvelous creatures that you will be captivated by their stories.

Proposed By-Law Revisions for 2003

The following proposed By-Law changes will be voted on at the 2003 Annual General Meeting:

ARTICLE VIII, Fiscal Year -- Proposed - The fiscal year for this organization will be from January 1 to December 31. (Changed from July 1st to June 30th.)

In Memorial

- ❖ *Kupuna* Florence Childs, graduated July 13, two weeks after her 93rd birthday, peacefully in her sleep at home.
- ❖ Rick Williams
- ❖ Hank Roberts, Jr.
- ❖ James Vandervort
- ❖ "Momo" the goat.

Seaview Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The Board of Directors cordially invites you to attend our AGM on Sunday, April 6, 2003, at the Seaview Pavilion commencing at 1:00 p.m.

The agenda will include review of the following:

- 2002 AGM minutes;
- Treasurer's Financial Report, and,
- Parks *Ohana* Report.

Nominations and elections will also be held for the four board members whose present terms will be expiring.

The community is encouraged to share their *mana'o* with the Board.

DICTIONARY

MANA'O = KNOWLEDGE;
OHANA = FAMILY;
KUPUNA = GRANDPARENT