

### Greybeard Sez: Pray for Regular Rain

Feast or famine? Too much of a good thing?

Soggy weather has contributed to many muddy tire tracks on the grass of the front park. Please drive slowly. Try to stay off the grass on wet days.

Seaview's rainfall total for December, 2007, amounted to 847 mm (about 33 inches), the wettest month since Greybeard has been keeping track.

The National Weather Service had predicted a wet winter due to occurrence of the "La Nina" phenomenon, or maybe we are seeing the first symptoms of a previously unreported condition known as local wetting due to global warming. Pray for regular rains!

#### 2007 Rainfall Census

A previous newsletter's census was broadly speculative and we're determined to do better. However, actually head counting being impractical and invasive of privacy, we counted a firm figure of 206 dwellings taking into account that Seaview has many loners, couples and a few extended families.

We also factored in the numerous vacant or seasonally occupied houses as well as the many brand new as-yet-unsold speculation houses built in the past 2 to 3 years. We then applied intuitive analysis to arrive at a factor of 1.5 humans per dwelling = 309 humans, .50 dogs/human = 154 and .80 cats/dogs = 123.

It was also noted that Coqui are increasing, Kolea (plovers) are decreasing and two horses have been seen.

We publish this newsletter every year just before our Annual Meeting.

If you have information of articles or just thoughts you'd like to share, please get us your editorial early in March, 2009 and we'll see if we can fit it in!



Area residents gathered and shared their favorite dishes at the Annual Holiday Dinner, held this year at S.P.A.C.E. A good time was had by all with entertainment provided by local favorites, Puna and Kawika.

## AUNTIES RECIPE CORNER



Auntie Souza

Here's a couple of local favorites... try 'em out for yourself!



Auntie Willy

### Seaview Scramble – Pupu (Appetizer)

Mix the following into a large bowl and enjoy!!!

- 1 package fish cake (the brown one in the oriental fish section)
- 1 package Kamaboku (pink colored cake in the oriental fish section) sliced into 1/8" slices
- 1 package firm tofu cut into 1" squares
- 1 bag cooked shrimp
- 1 lb. Cooked Chinese peas
- 1/2 cup Sesame oil
- 1 bag sesame seeds

Sprinkle on or mix in 1 bag of Won Ton Pi Chips and enjoy!!

### Hawaiian Dip or Side Dish

Mix the following into a large bowl:

- 1 large container of small curd cottage cheese
- 1 or 2 cans tuna fish drained and flaked
- 1 bag or can of macadamia nut pieces or cashew nut pieces

This can also be stuffed in large ripe tomatoes on a bed of lettuce

## Kalapana Seaview Estates Community Association

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You are cordially invited to attend the Kalapana Seaview Estates Community Association's Annual General Meeting on April 27, 2008 at the Seaview Pavilion. Business Meeting starts promptly at 1 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments.

## Welcome to the Land of Fire!

This has been a most exciting year for volcano lovers. This past year, the lava river created its own perched lava channel that volcanologists have never observed before. Hilo is now number one as the volcano tourist destination. March 5th, the lava crossed Highway 137 heading for the ocean, just seven miles south of Seaview. Civil Defense announced this weekend that a new viewing station has been installed by the Park Service, opened with a blessing ceremony by Auntie Minnie, from Kalapana, and now the visitors are pouring in..

We had some cliff hangers over the past ten months when a fast moving flow broke out in new directions flowing north of Pu'u O'o, worrying a lot of people in Lower Puna and Pahoia Village. So many tentative directions and new outbreaks — north, west, east, now south — our biggest worry was that the lava would cut off our access to Hilo. The volcano goddess, Tutu Pele, was keeping us all on the edge of our seats because lava can cover up anything in its path and where she flows, nobody knows. But, thank goodness, she was only teasing us.

The vog has been challenging. Respiratory, asthma and headaches can be a problem without the Trade winds. Scientists announced the off gassing of SO2 fumes has been four times higher than the year before and estimated this summer the volcano was producing 180,000 gallons per minute of lava a day. Civil Defense now issues Vog Alerts on heavy vog days and urges residents to avoid physical exertion, especially children and seniors, to remain indoors and to drink lots of water.

It was only a week ago we saw the worst vog ever seen on the island in nineteen years. Blanketing everything from Seaview to Hilo, to Hamakua and Waimea, and all the way over the Saddle Road with dark, thick vog. But this weekend the Trade Winds returned, bringing sunshine in the morning, showers in the evening and smiles on our faces all day long. By Athena Peanut



## A Look at Our Finances

<b>INCOME</b>	
balance forward (checking)	
as of 1/1/07 .....	6354.58
maximizer .....	5031.90
interest on checking.....	17.15
interest on CD.....	96.15
certificate of deposit.....	5102.63
interest on ING.....	260.04
association dues & income.....	23297.00
transfer fees.....	3500.00
<b>total income and assets.....</b>	<b>43,659.45</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
lawn maintenance.....	6600.00
mailboxes.....	3050.00
telephone.....	408.80
state fee.....	15.00
tax prep.....	1145.83
bank fees.....	48.30
property taxes.....	300.00
quickbooks online accounting 06&07	
.....	287.15
office supplies.....	499.68
annual newsletter.....	480.20
postage .....	529.40
annual general meeting food.....	691.65
pavilion supplies.....	52.95
mail box structure.....	549.08
holiday dinner.....	328.31
minutes preparation.....	546.00
website maintenance.....	650.00
insurance.....	6073.04
permaculture.....	1506.00
repaint front signs.....	200.00
<b>Total expenses.....</b>	<b>23,961.39</b>
<b>Balances as of 12/31/07</b>	
checking balance.....	201.15
cd fhb.....	5236.87
ING savings.....	13260.04
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,698.06</b>
mailbox deposits.....	5600.00
<b>total assets.....</b>	<b>14,098.06</b>

### Suggestions for the Board?

By Jim Ferguson

Any suggestions, comments or ideas should be submitted to the Board in writing and signed by those submitting them. Board Meetings are held monthly, so timely submissions would be appreciated. The Annual Meeting is coming right up. As they said in the Broadway Musical, 42nd Street, it would be grand, grand, grand if you would come.

## Association News

From the President

### Aloha to the Community of Seaview

It has been my honor to serve as your Association President this last year. I have had the privilege to co-create with an exceptional team of people. Whenever more than one person is asked for an opinion, the potential for ego and for compromise is present. We as association representatives are no exception. It is with great deliberation that we toil over the many different agendas of our community. I am proud to say that your community representatives are generous and integral in their conscientious service. Their varied positions demand hours a week from their already busy lives and I for one would like to recognize them for their time and tasks. Mark Hinshaw has served for years as clerk. His position and responsibilities would take the rest of this article to describe. Mahalo Nui Loa! Athena Peanut has served on and off the Board for many years with passionate drive. Robert Stearns who recently served as President still gives hours a week of his time and is generous with counsel. Greybeard is a custodian of our piece of the ai'na and gives his mindfulness to our parks to keep them preserved and beautiful. There are many who keep our diverse neighborhood threaded into a pageant of unity. Whether the topic is a bus stop for our children or agricultural sustainability for our future these people and others are our manifestors. On behalf of the community, I sincerely thank you all for your generous and often thankless service.

I would like to welcome our new neighbors. Thirty four lots and nine houses were sold in 2007 here in Seaview. The price range for lots went from twenty to sixty thousand and homes went from sixty two to four hundred eighteen thousand. The Seaview area continues to fair the declining real estate market in comparison to many surrounding areas. I contribute this to exceptional weather, beautiful parks, and neighbors who serve as a bounty of resources. Kalani Resort offers a variety of classes and entertainment along with an exceptional restaurant and spa services. Belly Acres, who by the way just hosted our annual dinner, has just built a beautiful space, aptly named S.P.A.C.E. (Seaview Performing Arts Center for Education.) Belly Acres also offers classes for children and adults alike in the arts of clowndom and acrobatics. They are also hosting an array of guest entertainers and concerts. On Saturdays they are home to our local farmers market so be sure to check them out. Big thanks goes to Graham, of on the Belly Acres founders for his vision that we all benefit from.

I invite you all as individuals to participate in your community. Be a part of the Village. You do not need to have a board title to ask if your neighbor needs anything from town or pull weeds in the park. We have all chosen the land of Aloha for a reason. You are all custodians of the ai'na and each other. Serve with grace and love with compassion.

**Aloha and Malama Pono**  
Dawn M. Burke, President



## S.P.A.C.E. Comes To Seaview

The Seaview Performing Arts Center for Education (S.P.A.C.E.) is the newest attraction in Kalapana Seaview Estates. For those of you that haven't found it yet, S.P.A.C.E. is located at 12-247 W. Pohakupele Loop. S.P.A.C.E. is used for:

- Hiccup Circus Classes, events and camps
- Community culture and arts workshops and residencies
- Community meetings, fund raisers, benefits, etc.
- Professional residential arts workshops
- Family social events such as birthday parties, baby luaus, weddings, etc.
- Farmer's Market every Saturday 8am - 11am

S.P.A.C.E. was designed to be environmentally sustainable with energy from a 10kw solar system, rainwater catchment, solar water heating, natural airflow ventilation and maximum natural light. Native Hawaiian traditions have been included with the use of majestic ohia posts, bracing and trim all harvested from S.P.A.C.E. land and milled locally.

"This is a dream come true for us. We are very excited about expanding the range of services we are providing to the local community", says Graham Ellis, founder of the Hiccup Circus. "We are holding a variety of arts classes every day and monthly performances. This is not just a new chapter for us....it's a whole new book."

S.P.A.C.E. construction was funded through a \$250,000 donation from the Dorrance Family Foundation, on-going community contributions and donors world-wide. Phase 1, the Green Room, was completed in June 2007. It is a 35' x



72' x 18' 2,500 sq. ft. greenhouse containing workshop space and storage for props, costumes, and equipment. Phase 2, the Grand Pavilion, was completed in October of 2007. It is a state of the art Polynesian-style 3,500 sq. ft. multi purpose center with bathrooms, storage and office space. It is used 12 hours daily for arts workshops, classes and performances. On-going activities include circus arts, gymnastics, tap dance, and theater classes. On the weekends it is available for community and family events. Phase 3, which is in the planning stages, will provide a commercial kitchen and dining courtyard.

S.P.A.C.E. operational costs are supported through memberships. Annual adult memberships are available for \$25 and annual family memberships (up to 2 adults and 4 kids) are available for \$45. Please call 965-8756 for more information about any aspect of S.P.A.C.E

### About Our Finances By Mark Wyatt

This has been my first year serving on the Sea View board. These are a few of the changes that have taken place this year. We have made our account balances in the banks match the online quick books program. We have opened a high yield on line savings account with ING direct that earns 4.70 % as opposed to the .50% we were earning at FHB. The amount of owners paying their dues has risen and the transfer fees from the sale of properties have helped with the income. The task of keeping up with 933 lots and the status of each account have been overwhelming so we are searching for a bookkeeping service to take over that task. I would like to ask all owners to please keep your dues current because our income from property transfer fees seem to be on the decrease and those funds were a substantial boost to our income. We have implemented a work trade program for those that find it difficult to pay the annual dues so they can keep their accounts current, but I must ask that those of you that can afford to pay your \$25.00 annual dues please do so because the funds are desperately needed to maintain and operate our communities common areas and services. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those owners that included additional contributions above and beyond their annual dues.

I wish everyone a Happy New Year.

