

Kalapana Seaview Estates Community Association

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Humpback whale in Seaview's offshore waters

Garry Hoffeld

You are cordially invited to attend the Kalapana Seaview Estates Community Association's Annual General Meeting on March 15, 2009 at the Seaview Pavillion. Business Meeting starts promptly at 1 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments.

Letter from the President

Aloha Kakou,

My name is Richard Valdez. I want to thank all the board members for working so well together this past year. We added a storage room to the pavilion bathrooms all accomplished by our volunteer board of directors. The ground was leveled. The structure framed, sided and roofed; the storage room and bathroom painted to match.

Removal of abandoned vehicles was another major project. There are still a few vehicles to be removed. If you have an abandoned vehicle on your property and would like assistance with removal, please contact the Board. A group of community members expanded our mailbox capacity almost doubling the amount of mailboxes and enlarged the KESCA bulletin board. Mahalo to all the Seaview folks who worked with us on these projects. Many hands working together are the true spirit of community. Community spirit is alive and well in Seaview.

The lawns at both Ocean and Pavilion Parks are now being mowed twice a month instead of once at no additional cost. The County, at the Board's request, installed a speed hump to slow traffic at the Pavilion Park. Please show respect for your neighbors and do not speed.

Our 8th Annual Holiday Dinner was my favorite event of the year. The dinner was potluck and traditional. The Association supplied the turkeys, potatoes, stuffing and gravy, all prepared by volunteers. Residents provided delicious side dishes and desserts. Attended by approximately 100 people, the Board purchased a party tent and 30 more plastic chairs to expand our seating capacity.

Our mail carrier's home was totally destroyed by fire and the community gathered to help Lareida and her family rebuild. Mark Hinshaw spearheaded a fabulous fundraiser held at S.P.A.C.E, our calabash-neighbor, Belly Acres' performing arts Center. Many Seaview residents participated and raised approximately \$5,000. Mahalo to all the volunteers and participants who made the fundraiser a success.

Construction is slowing down. Speculative building has been affected the most but some private homes are still being built. We welcome our soon-to-be neighbors. My partner and I walk the neighborhood often and invite others to do the same. It is a great way to meet your neighbors and get a breath of fresh air. To our off island owners, we hope that you approve of the past year's progress. Mahalo for your kokua and allowing me to serve this community that I love so dearly.

KALAPANA SEAVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2008

Balance forward (checking) as of 12/31/07	\$ 1201.15
ING savings " "	13260.04
FHB CD " "	5236.87
Interest income	1141.92
Association dues and late fees	19470.00
Transfer fees	4100.00
Donations	455.00
Mailbox deposits	-(7000.00)
Total income and assets	\$37864.98

EXPENSES

Lawn maintenance	\$ 7000.00
Mailboxes & structure	2033.07
Telephone	358.84
State filing fee	2.50
Tax prep and 2006 audit	420.00
Bank fees	27.50
Property taxes	300.00
Accounting	600.00
Office supplies	854.05
Annual newsletter & survey	972.27
Postage	569.20
Annual general meeting food	1018.33
Pavilion supplies & improvements	2407.68
Jan 08 & Dec 08 holiday dinner	1364.68
Website maintenance	766.80
Insurance	6441.51
Permaculture	2002.00
Notary services & recording liens	85.00
Bylaws preparation	100.00
Puna Community Development member fee	100.00
Total expenses	\$ 27423.43

Balances on 12/31/08

Bank of Hawaii checking	\$ 3864.38
ING Savings	13577.17
Mailbox deposits	-(7000.00)

Total assets \$ 10441.55

Treasurer's Report

Mark Wyatt, Treasurer

Much progress was made this past year to enable future volunteers elected to the Board to step into the treasurer's job without being overwhelmed by the many tasks required of this position. Even for a small association like ours, the record keeping requirements are an enormous amount of work. For this reason, the Board has contracted with an accountant to do Quickbooks data entry, audits for accounts that were past due and now are current and to file all of our delinquent government tax reports.

We have successfully filed liens on properties which were up for tax auction so back dues will be paid out of tax sale proceeds. Our income has dropped slightly because more members are staying current with their dues. The drop in our 2007 income was from \$23,297 to \$19,470 in 2008 because fewer late fees were generated and the percentage of members' delinquent in their dues also dropped. Some of that drop was offset by an increase in property transfers.

Grow Your Own

Mark Hinshaw, KSECA Clerk

In these challenging times sustainability has quickly become our most important goal. Becoming food self-reliant is essential particularly for an island people living in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. Hawaii imports 95% of its goods and services and there is no more than three or four days of food on the grocery shelves at any given time. One of the easiest ways to begin this lifestyle change is to create a food garden in your own yard.

The first step is to determine how much of your land is extra space. The key to maximizing garden produce is to lay out a plan where practically every square foot of available land is planted with things you like to eat. A good way to begin is to make a list of the fruits and vegetables you normally eat and lay out a plan to create growing beds for them. Growing your own food saves money and brings the health benefits accrued from working in the garden as well as access to fresh, wholesome garden produce.

Hydroponics is another method of growing plants in water and it can be easily combined with aquaculture, growing fish. The hydroponic plants utilize the fish waste for the growing medium. The picture below is a variation that I have growing Tilapia fish in my backyard with sheets of Styrofoam floating on top that hold the hydroponic lettuce and spinach plants. A great website to introduce you to aquaponics and walk you through the process of creating a system in your backyard where you can grow fish and produce together is:

<http://nsgl.gso.uri.edu/hawau/hawauh89001.pdf>.

It has been suggested that the Seaview begin planting fruit trees along all of the roadways in our subdivision and create a resident "adopt a tree" program to maintain them. Imagine our future prosperity with fruit trees lining all of the roadways and providing food for our community. The Association would purchase the trees and help plant them and the sponsor would maintain them over the years. This program will be proposed at our AGM on March 15th.



In the interest of keeping mailing expenses to a minimum, please include your e-mail contact info with this year's KSECA maintenance fee.

Mahalo



Aloha from Auntie Willy Ka'malamalama

Mahalo to the Board of Directors' vote to place me in the vacated office of Vice President, I am really enjoying this position that enhances my kuleana to malama harmony and peace in our community. I do think that adding a Native Hawaiian's perspective to the association Board of Directors strengthens the community.

I would also like to thank the community for their cooperation addressing the problem of unleashed dogs in our parks and researching the community's mana'o regarding future plans for our front ocean park. Parallel parking at the ocean park is one of the issues that will be discussed at our AGM in March. If you can, please join us and share your mana'o on questions dealing with park maintenance. We are a community-directed association and we need to hear from you.

Hawaiian Dictionary

Aloha	- Love, kindness, salutation
Calabash	- Large gourd used as a food bowl; a calabash-neighbor, neighbor who eats from the family bowl
Kokua	- Help, aid, assistance
Kuliana	- Concern, responsibility
Mahalo	- Thank you
Malama	- To protect, care for
Mana'o	- Thought, idea, belief
Ohana	- Family, clan, community member
Kakou	- Everyone, we, ours

Clerk's Corner

Mark Hinshaw, KSECA Clerk

Two significant changes to the KSECA Bylaw's were approved at the 2008 Annual General Meeting (AGM). The most significant change, **ART. II, Section 2, A.**, now allows one vote for each property. For example, if you own three properties in Kalapana Seaview you now have three votes. This change allows owners owning more than one property in Seaview to have a proportionate voice in the voting process. The second change in **ART. II, Section 2, Voting Rights, B.**, allows any KSE owner of record in the County of Hawaii Property Tax Office to appoint another individual to vote for them by sending the Association a signed and notarized statement that must include the following information:

1. Owner of Record's printed name, signature and contact information.
2. Tax Map Key (TMK) number of KSE parcel.
3. Date instrument was drawn.
4. Name of designated agent and contact information.
5. Length of time and purpose for which the authorization is given.

As customary, an owner may assign the enclosed proxy to any person, however the proxy is only valid for the current AGM. If you wish to assign your voting interests for a longer period, please provide us with the above information, sign, notarize and mail it to KSECA. Current KSECA Bylaws can be reviewed at www.kalapanaseaviewhawaii.org. Click on the "Association" link.



Lava Update

Athena Peanut, Editor

Something new has been added this past year as the Kilauea eruption begins its 27th year. Although the lava flows are still contained in the national park area, Tutu Pele's normal sulfur dioxide (SO_2) daily emission has increased from two to three tons a day to two to three thousand tons a day since March 2008. The SO_2 and other volcanic gases interact with the atmosphere and sunlight to form sulfate particles and tiny droplets of sulfuric acid creating acid rain and the haze we call vog (i.e. like smog, but emanating from volcanic instead of industrial sources). The effects, however, are the same on flora and fauna. People suffer respiratory ailments and significant damage to Hawaiian farm crops have resulted in a U.S.D.A. disaster declaration.

Although only a few miles from the flow, Seaview is more often than not blessed by the Trade Winds which blow the SO_2 to the Kona side of island. However this winter has been a tough season for us, with Kona winds or no wind conditions dominating. County officials advise us to stay indoors, keep windows closed, drink lots of water, rest and forego strenuous activity.

Geologists tell us that the increased gas emissions indicates large volumes of lava building up in the underground lava tubes that crisscross the island. To this writer, it means the next lava outbreak will be a BIG one. Stay tuned.

In Memoriam

Memorial services were held in our ocean park for three long-time residents of our Seaview ohana who passed away in 2008.

Thomas Erlenbacher

Gary Poretsky

Edward Horvath

Greybeard Sez

My beard grows down toward my toes,
I dress in ragged, worn out clothes.
But whenever I like,
I mount my bike,
And down the road I goes.

In Seaview, we have smooth roads and light traffic. Biking is good. Kehena Beach, Kalani Resort and other interesting destinations are a short pedal along the (formerly) Red Road. The steady climb up Mapuana Avenue will provide your cardio-vascular workout and the long glide down will satisfy your need for speed.

Bring your rusty, neglected bikes to the free cycle clinic at S.P.A.C.E., Saturday Morning Market. Get rolling.

Lost In SPACE

Sahara Lawrence, Scribe

Have you noticed that a ‘mother ship’ has landed in the northwest corner of Seaview? People are buzzing around and getting to know each other in ways never before seen in this part of the jungle. The Village Green Society, aka Belly Acres, has recently manifested a long held dream of creating a structure to be used by the community to creatively promote a sustainable local community. In little more than one year, the folks at S.P.A.C.E. (Seaview Performing Arts Center of Education) are manifesting their vision.

S.P.A.C.E. hosts a Saturday market that provides a sustainable economic venue for residents that features delicious organic foods, quality baked goods and garden vegetables as well as many personal care services such as hair styling, pedicure and massage. On-going classes in the performing arts, yoga, movie and jazz nights, family gatherings, fundraisers, and community forums provide an amazing variety of marketing, social and entertainment choices for our remote community. S.P.A.C.E. is also the home of a charter school . . . whatever the need . . . space is provided.

Our lives have been enriched by the sustainability vehicle that has landed from space in our backyard. Let’s put our hands together as we travel to the Center of the Universe. All aboard. See you there. Whoosh!!!

2008 Seaview Unofficial Census

Residences	225
People	315
Dogs	53
Cats	75
Birds	6
Chicken + 1 duck	29
Horses	2
Coqui	378,562

Astrological Perspective on Themes of 2009

Norma Jean Ream, Resident

Many people are making historical comparisons around the dramatic changes that the fall of 2008 brought to us. Economically, this financial crisis is compared to the 1929 Stock Market Crash. Politically, this time of Obama’s Presidency calls comparisons to John F. Kennedy and 1960. Socially, this time of the dissolution of racial boundaries reflects the mid-1960’s. Industrially, we can compare the need to retool many manufacturing practices with the turn of the 20th century.

Each one of these phases of change came from crisis and chaos. From each crisis also came innovation and new technologies and valuable hindsight. The coming year, 2009 is expected to be a dramatically challenging year, yet with the exciting element of new ideas in answer to the distress and chaos.

Several important astrological cycle points give potency to the series of events that will be the key themes of the year. Earthquakes and earth-based or weather events will be part of the things we have to face. These are beyond our control and acts of nature. Hawaii may have more lava output from the volcano. Already the vog situation is unbearable for some on the Kona coast. Earthquakes could be more of a factor this year.

The eclipse season of July has two lunar and one total solar eclipse. (Yes, it will be visible in Hawaii, July 25 at 4:35 pm HST.) Astronomically, eclipses cause more tension in the earth’s structure. With the addition of other factors, the late spring into the fall is likely to be a heightened storm season. The Gulf coast is the most vulnerable area for hurricanes. Hawaii looks okay for storms.

Socially, the biggest theme of the year is in Obama’s Inaugural message: Community Service. With the economy in a lax slump, even with the infusion of billions from the “Stimulation Package,” it is going to be financially difficult for the majority of people at the unskilled labor level of the work force. It will not be easy for upper level management either. This year will be full of situations where we must challenge ourselves to think and to behave differently. Change our habits and our attitudes of singularity. What is affecting the country is affecting every individual. We are all in this together. To make the best of it, we need to pull together. Life will be reduced to basics. Many people may need help who never thought about being in need. Life will be upside down for lots of people. Solutions to feeding communities will come from the conscious hearts and willing hands of all.

March into April is the first crisis period. The biggest issue is the economy. Issues over taxes and the use of taxpayer’s money in the corporate world are the foundation for a new civil uprising. The events of the years prior to our Constitution are reflective of what we are facing this spring. When tax day comes around, people may be demonstrating against paying taxes. Bailouts of Wall Street and stimulus funds to industries will take a long time before they translate into jobs and food. We face a difficult winter with record-breaking problems all around.

What to do? Downsize, minimize, and befriend your neighbors. Share and contribute what you can, when you can. Aquarius is the sign of brotherhood, equality, and group consciousness. The full house of planets in that sign starts the year with at least the feeling of unification of humanity. The call is for resolutions to old problems, and finding consensus in groups. We can focus on improving our lives at the local level by helping each other. Be visionary, innovative and compassionate. Let this be a stimulus to Community Service.

For more information see <http://www.astrologyhawaii.com>