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## It's Annual Meeting Time!

Thursday

March 30, 2017

6:30 PM



Registration begins at 6:00 pm. A light snack and drinks are provided.

Harris United Methodist Church  
20 S. Vineyard Blvd. Miyama Hall

### All owners are encouraged to attend.

Whether or not you plan to attend the meeting, it is important that you sign the proxy and return it to Hawaiiana Management in the self-addressed, stamped envelope. This will insure a quorum so that business may be transacted.

### Why should you care about this?

Annual meetings usually address topics that may sound dry as dust to you, as a homeowner. These might include the association's budget, election of directors, and voting on amendments to the HOAs governing documents. The meetings can also address other issues the board believes need the attention of the entire membership.

Attending the annual meeting is nevertheless important (and may be more interesting than you expect.) **The decisions being made may, after all, directly impact your quality of life and the value of your property.**

You may ask, why do maintenance fees have to increase every year? Or is it better to have a special assessment to take care of property issues? Our building is now nearly 30 years old and some of our many systems are wearing out and are beyond their expected life.

### Unsung heroes: Board of Directors

A homeowner may want to make sure directors are elected to the board who will make good decisions for the community as a whole, as opposed to decisions that benefit his or her friends.

We have three openings for board directors whose terms are expiring. **Trappeur Rahn** and **Craig Williams** are standing for re-election. **Charles "Chuck" Arthur** has placed his name for nomination. Other nominations may be made from the floor.



## Have you looked at our building lately?

People have noticed that the window tint film on many apartment units has started to peel and crack, resulting in an unsightly appearance from the outside.

*Why do we have tinting film on the windows?* Tint can reduce up to 84% of solar heat, making your home more comfortable. We can cut energy costs, making our air conditioning run more efficiently and lowering our electric bills. Window films reduce 99% of ultraviolet rays, the primary cause of fading to furniture and cabinetry. They also reduce heat and glare, the other two main causes of fading.

The management of Honolulu Park Place has already identified apartment units whose window tint needs replacement, and will be sending a special letter to homeowners.

The good news is that AMCO, the original installers of the window tint, has given HPP a wholesale bid and excellent price to replace the film. Window tint film that does not meet qualifications shall constitute a violation of the House Rules. Any removal and replacement of window tint film shall be at the owner's expense.



## HPP Security Staff Mike Fua

**Mike Fua** is familiar to residents because he is the longest-serving security guard at Honolulu Park Place. In carrying out his duties, he appreciates taking care of the residents and

working with his fellow security guards.

His father is Head Chief in the east side of American Samoa. Mike received tattoos on behalf of his father, but he is not interested in succeeding his father as Head Chief. The tattoos relate the story of his family.

Mike lifts weights and enjoys riding round the island. The character of his face is superbly captured.

Mike's ongoing goal is to hone his abilities as a security guard. His co-workers value him as "a team player, a calm and humble person, a gentle giant."

We at HPP are very fortunate that Mike does not have any intentions and plans to leave his employment at HPP until he retires.

*Interview by Mimi Yoshikawa.*

*Photo credit: Gary Everest*

## Relieve pain and reduce stress!

By getting a massage—right here in the building!

**Stan Sugai**, 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Friday. Phone 808-536-6979.

**Susan Lovinger**, phone 808-342-6402. Mondays and Wednesdays, 4 pm-9 pm; Saturdays, Noon to 6 pm. By appointment only. \$50/hour

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"I already diagnosed myself on the Internet.  
I'm only here for a second opinion."

## Don't feel like cooking tonight?

Hey, we've all had those days when you've had to work late and don't feel like going out to eat. How about just going downstairs for a meal?

The Real Food Cafe is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 11 am-2 pm, 5-9 pm, featuring sandwiches, salads, paninis, personal chef service, catering and wine and food pairing dinners.

Call Chef **Heidi Anderson**, 271-7052, for off-the-menu items.

"I have been on Heidi's personal chef plan for over two years—and not once has she repeated an entrée! I carry up my dinner every night from the Cafe, and someone in the elevator always asks, 'Is that from downstairs? Smells delicious!'" *[from the Newsletter Editor]*

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*I memorized all of my  
email addresses, passwords,  
and PIN numbers . . .*

*but now I don't  
remember my name!*

## Meet Your Neighbors

### Kokona, Rei & Topher Erickson

Born in July 2011, **Kokona Erickson** has lived in Honolulu Park Place all of her life. Her Japanese first name means "harmony of the heart". She is bilingual in English and Japanese.

She enjoys attending St. Andrew's Priory as a kindergartner. "Inventing" is one of her favorite activities. Recently, she created a fish bowl with imaginative details of life within the fish bowl. Kokona is excited that she has now graduated to bicycling without training wheels.

Swimming in the HPP pool is a source of much enjoyment for her. Friends such as Hope at the condo make it fun for her to live at HPP.

Her parents are a significant part of her life. Kokona's mother, **Rei**, is a wedding coordinator for visitors from Japan. Her father, **Topher**, is an Anthropology professor at Hawaii Pacific University. Additionally, he is a Licensing Specialist with the Hawaii Teachers Standards Board, which licenses K-12 teachers in the State of Hawaii.

**Behr**, a certified medical/diabetic alert dog, is a life-saving member of the family who underwent a year of obedience and scent training. Topher suffers from hyperglycemic unawareness and Behr signals to him when he is hyperglycemic before he falls into a coma.



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