

# honolulu park place

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## **Because of the pandemic ...**

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No one would dispute the fact that for the year 2020, our lives changed because of a worldwide pandemic— in over nine months our day-to-day lives across the globe have been totally upended.

Nothing in our previous lives would be left unchanged, including the way we work, go to school, shop, or be entertained. New words entered our vocabulary: coronavirus, social distancing, N95 face masks, zoomers, in-person, and personal protective equipment (PPE).

Our life at Honolulu Park Place has not been immune to these changes. Now we have to wear

a mask everywhere in the common areas; there is a protective shield around the security desk; and visitors are not allowed in the gym, the pool, and other amenities.

All this means is that we will not be able to have our traditional holiday party for the building. There simply is not

a space large enough to safely stay 6' apart from each other to socially distance, and we cannot serve food buffet-style as in the past.

The Holiday Party Committee (Katherine Crosier, Rebecca Friedman and Melanie King) has devised a plan for this year: to grant each apartment unit **two (2) gift vouchers** in the amount of **\$10** 

each for use in the Park Place Cafe, good during the months of **December 2020 and January 2021 only.** 

Pick up your **gift vouchers in the HPP Office** during office hours, then call the Park
Place Cafe at **808-782-7776** to reserve your
meal selection from the menu posted in the lobby.
Please note that some items may be unavailable
depending on demand.

The Cafe is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 11:00 to 4:00 pm on Tuesdays and 11:30 am to 6:30 pm on Wednesdays through Saturdays.



The \$10 discount voucher may be used for any food item, dessert or beverage at the Park Place Cafe. Please present the voucher(s) upon pickup of your food items—you are responsible for the balance, if any. Cash only, please.

We wish you all a SAFE holiday season and send high hopes that 2021 will be better!

### **Mahalo, HPP Staff!**

It is a tall order to keep a 40-story condominium with 437 units running smoothly. Yet in spite of the daily challenges, HPP's 25 employees work hard year-round to benefit all of us. We are fortunate to have smart, responsible management and front-line workers performing invaluable rules in building operations, maintenance, front office administration and security.

To show your appreciation, please consider donating to the **HPP Staff Holiday Fund.** Donations are pooled and distributed in December. Pooled donations ensure that all staff members, including those who work behind

the scenes or late-night shifts, benefit from your generosity.

Deliver HPP Staff Holiday Fund donations, check or cash, to the front office. Checks should be made payable to "Honolulu Park Place" and *Staff Holiday Fund* listed on the check memo line. Each donation will be logged and a receipt provided.

Donation deadline is **December 10, 2020.** 





#### **New House & Club Rules**

The Board of Directors voted to approve revisions to the House and Club Rules earlier this year and will be effective January 1, 2021. Residents may access the Revised House Rules and Club Rules at the Association's website: https://hpponline.org/

Please click on the **Resource Center** tab, and select the file folder entitled **Honolulu Park Place Club Facilities** to access the **Club Rules**, and select the file folder entitled **Welcome Packet** to access the **House Rules**.

Revisions to the House Rules and Club Rules approved by the Board include:

#### HOUSE RULES

- Deleted reference to Resident Manager
- Updated occupancy registration requirements
- Updated Animal Section
- Clarified parking sticker requirement
- Updated key, fob and lockout policies
- Clarified language for lanai plants and cleaning
- Updated bulk-trash pickup instructions
- Clarified fan coil unit inspection requirements
- Updated fining panel procedures

#### **CLUB RULES**

- Removed redundancies and updated to current practices
- Clarified consumption limitations
- Deleted "family" definition

Note: You do not need to be an owner to access these files.

# Enjoying Food Service from the **Park Place Cafe** compiled by Mimi Yoshikawa

**Richard Wagner,** Executive Pastry Chef, who is a regular patron, holds the Park Place Cafe in high commendation. "The selection is amazing and there seems to be something for every palate. When was the last time you treated yourselves to fresh mahi mahi, ahi and jumbo shrimp dished out with culinary creativity and at reasonable prices?" Richard invites residents who have not tried the eatery to check out "Chef Ken's food sorcery" and enjoy his creations.

**Steve Chang** orders dinner from the Cafe at least twice a week, and he has never been disappointed. "Ken's menu and food preparation certainly suit my taste especially the seafood dishes. The portions and prices are great too."

**Dennis Padlock** is very pleased with the quality of food, the variety of menu options, and the service including the observance of health and safety protocols.

According to **Lana Luke**, the HPP community is fortunate to have food service provided by Chef Ken. "His food has been delicious and of high quality. I have enjoyed a variety of his dishes and have never been disappointed." Her son's coworkers have also ordered from the Cafe and they rave about his food.

**Stan and Kathy Sugai,** who order almost every day from Park Place Cafe, give it a five star rating. "Chef Ken has a great selection with some special dishes as a nice treat. The food is not only one but reasonable in price." To know the weekly menu offerings, they suggest that residents use their phone to take a photo of the week's menu which is displayed on a stand in the lobby. Their friends ask them "What is your personal chef preparing for you today?"

For **Walters Miranda**, General Manager, Park Place Cafe provides convenient access to tasty, comfort food, and patronisation represents support of local food sources and local business.

**Brice Colombel** and **Elliot Okamura** rave about the "onolicious" Hawaiian Plate, relishing the homemade pickled onions included with the lau-lau or kalua pig, lomi salmon, rice and uala.

**Joyce Yuen** is a regular and very satisfied customer of Park Place Cafe. She has tried a variety of dishes including Cabernet Braised Ribs, Cheeseburger, Shoyu Chicken with shiitake mushrooms, and her all-time favorite is Seared Salmon with lemon dill butter or ponzu sauce. She appreciates that Chef Ken is accommodating and is willing to make substitutions for side dish orders. Food is available at reasonable prices and delivered with courtesy and with safe health practices.

**Topher and Lei Erickson** regularly take a break from their kitchen to "indulge in Chef Ken's meals," which they thoroughly enjoy together with their daughter, Kokona. Kokona's ninth birthday was celebrated with food catered by the Cafe -- mac and cheese (her favorite), hot dogs, and a delicious fruit platter followed at the end with warm delicious brownies and ice cream. The birthday meal was delivered with "top notch service." "We love having a high quality, experienced, friendly and professional maven at HPP. Chef Ken gets our vote!"

From Wednesday, December 2 through Saturday, December 5, Chef Ken will be offering a 10% discount on all food items to Veterans and Military personnel in appreciation of their service to our country. HPP residents may want to check out and pre-order the special holiday Dessert Platters offered by the Cafe.

A Safe and Happy Thanksgiving to our Residents and Staff at Honolulu Park Place!