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Annual Meeting, Tuesday, May 9, 2023 6:30 pm

Honolulu Park Place Club

Registration begins at 6:00 pm
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. You can also deliver the proxy to the HPP Admin office. This will insure a quorum so that business may be transacted.

Why should I 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 HOA's governing documents. The meetings can also address other issues the board believes need the attention of the entire membership.

Attending the annual meeting may be more interesting than you might expect.



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Annual Meeting, cont.

The decisions being made may, after all, directly impact your quality of life and the value of your property.

You might ask why maintenance fees keep rising or whether it would be better to have a special assessment. Our building is getting to the age where many of our systems are wearing out and are beyond their expected life.

Board of Directors

You as the 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.



Do you know what this is?

It's a fire sprinkler head, part of the automatic extinguishing system (AES) that prevents fire growth and spread by releasing water through a series of sprinkler heads connected to a distribution piping system. At Honolulu Park Place, these are mounted at strategic points in your apartment. **Don't touch it!**

The Fire Alarm System is triggered by an actual event — but **there are no False Alarms!** Yes, it may be a major inconvenience, but the fire system does not sound for no reason, and no one “pushes” a button to make it activate.

For example, someone could be making dinner, then open his door to the hall which could trigger a Hallway Smoke Detector. Also a fire sprinkler head could be tampered with, or a child may activate a pull station. Or the entire building could be burning. Don't ignore the alarm. **It could mean Life or Death.**

Aloha, Halen!

After almost eleven years of service as a security guard at Honolulu Park Place (the last four years as supervisor), Halen Bargas will be moving on to assume a position at the Juvenile Detention Center in Kapolei.

Halen enjoyed helping and interacting with the residents and bonding with some of them. He will miss working at HPP, but he is looking forward to the challenges of his new job.

We wish Halen all the best as he moves forward in his career progression.

Interview: Mimi Yoshikawa

Meet HPP Staff

Frank Sylvester



Frank Sylvester was born in Majuro, Marshall Islands. His mother was Marshallese and his father was Hawaiian.

He relocated to Hawaii and worked at Anaha, Capitol Place and One Kalakaaua, where he enhanced the condo with the development of a koi pond. He joined the maintenance team at Honolulu Park Place in January 2019.

As supervisor of the maintenance and custodial staff, he meets with them at 8am, Monday to Friday, to assign duties for the day and to discuss work issues. Duties which are performed on a daily basis include cleaning and mechanical checks. Fire drills are conducted every month as part of ongoing staff training.

Duties performed on a quarterly basis include the maintenance of air conditioners and sprinklers in apartment units as well as in the perimeters. In addition, the staff work on specific projects/problems such as painting, water leaks, and damage caused by severe weather conditions. As maintenance supervisor, Frank is available to provide assistance in emergency situations.

During his free time, Frank enjoys hunting and playing basketball as well as swimming and surfing. He loves to watch football games and has been an avid fan of the Forty Niners.

He welcomes the opportunities to face challenges at work and to grow in skills and knowledge under the supervision of the General Manager. He envisions that he and his staff are part of a team of employees at HPP who work cooperatively to uphold high standards of maintenance in the building.

*Interview: Mimi Yoshikawa.
Photo: Gary Everest)*