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## Front Entrance Changes Coming

The Board of Directors is happy to announce that the project to address long-standing safety issues at our front entrance will be getting underway with construction starting the week of **July 14, 2025**. Completion of this project will make it much easier for persons with mobility challenges to enter and exit our building. Entering the building will require simply swiping your fob on the reader to automatically open the doors. The sliding doors will also open automatically when you exit the building. The architect's design will maximize the opening far beyond what we have now. No more grabbing a handle and pushing open a heavy glass door. The plan will also address the frequent water ponding issues along the curved retaining wall at the entrance. This project will expand the planted area where the slope is the greatest thus further reducing slip and fall hazards. Lastly, exterior grade porcelain pavers will replace the existing tile that becomes slippery when wet.

During this time, **residents will have to use the building's entrance from the loading dock.** Depending upon material availability and

**Mahalo!**  
**Mimi Yoshikawa**  
for her many years of service interviewing countless residents and HPP staff for the HPP newsletter, introducing us to our neighbors and making this a friendlier place to live.

**I think I have an urge to  
get up and clean the house.  
Wait...No. False alarm.**



the weather, the contractor hopes to complete the project in approximately four months, just in time for the holidays.

We sincerely apologize for this but we believe that the end result will be worth this temporary inconvenience. Building management will keep you posted on developments. Be sure to watch the electronic bulletin board near the mailboxes for the latest news on this exciting project.

# Staff Spotlight

by Natasha Bailey



Jaycob Cabrera-Tagomori  
(Administrative Assistant)

If you've ever walked into the admin office and been greeted by a friendly face who somehow knows the answer to every question (or at least knows someone who does), you've likely met **Jaycob Cabrera Tagomori**. Born and raised on Oahu and a proud McKinley High School grad, Jaycob has been holding it down in the admin office for over a year and a half now. He's the guy answering your calls, registering

new tenants, coordinating with contractors, and making sure the day-to-day administrative tasks that keep the building running get done.

Before joining HPP, Jaycob worked in security, so he said that this role feels "a lot less stressful" in comparison. Even though he lives in Kunia (yes, he braves that commute daily!), he still shows up with a smile because Jaycob sees HPP as a place that has cultivated a genuinely good community, with residents who talk story, look out for each other, and make the building feel like home. When he's not at his desk, you'll probably find him either fishing out on the west side or meal-prepping his legendary chicken and broccoli combo—his go-to for the past six months straight. Make sure to say hello to Jaycob the next time you're in the admin office!

After you've visited Jaycob, go introduce yourself to **Noah Lee**, our Operations Manager and unofficial resident therapist (his words, not ours—but he's not wrong). He oversees everything from housekeeping to security to maintenance, so whether you have a leaky faucet, a hallway light out, or a neighbor's plant jungle blocking your view, Noah's the guy to call. He originally came from working in the fast-paced world of hospital facilities at Straub, but decided to switch to residential operations due to his desire to advance his career.

Noah's favorite part of the job? Problem solving. He loves



Noah Lee  
Operations Manager

finding creative solutions that work for both residents and staff. When he's not at HPP, he runs his own AC cleaning business, Pono Air Conditioning, and enjoys dominating in Texas Hold'em in his free time. Oh, he's also double-jointed in his left thumb thanks to a bike crash at age 13. But more importantly, he wants residents to know: "Come talk story with me. Share your problems with me. I'm basically your building therapist, no co-pay required!" And trust us, he means it. Just don't expect him to handle your maintenance issue, clean your AC, and fix your love life...all in the same visit.



by Eric Lockett, Chair

Thanks to everyone who made this year's Summer Social a success. Special thank you to all the volunteers, performers, HPP staff, **Ken Maeda** and the Wabisabi Cafe Staff that showcased the freshly made, high quality food that patrons of Wabisabi have come to expect. Over 300 residents came by to sample some of the many dining options at the cafe and we hope residents and guests continue to enjoy one of the best amenities we have in the building. If you see fellow resident **Isaac Akuna** please let him and his fellow musicians (and hula dancing partner) know how much we appreciate them sharing their talents. Thanks also go to the residents who pitched in to serve the bentos and beverages with smiles and good cheer for all. Lastly, a huge *mahalo* to General Manager **Walters Miranda** and his staff who set up the venue, cleaned up afterwards and made the whole thing possible.

Follow Wabisabi on Instagram at **wabisabi\_808** or call them at **808-218-0537**.