

Kalele Kurrents

Community

It appears that I'm always talking about community, but this time, I want to address our broader concept of Ohana. In the wake of the tragic fires that struck Maui, Anna from the Executive Office stepped up to lead a remarkable relief effort. Astonishingly, they managed to fill our cabana with supplies within a mere 24 hours. Anna, along with her firefighter husband, Rob, who hails from Maui, volunteered to distribute these supplies just days after the devastation occurred. I believe that all of us have friends or family who have been affected by this disaster.

Although months have passed, there are still ways we can help, especially during the Holidays. The folks at Hawaii Public Radio have put together some helpful suggestions on how we can assist our neighbors on Maui. Here are some ways to get involved:

Hawai'i state and local officials recommend donations of cash to reputable non-profit organizations active in Hawai'i, which will allow the non-profits to buy and provide exactly the goods and services required to meet the needs of survivors.

· **Maui Strong Fund**

The Hawai'i Community Foundation started a Maui Strong Fund to support residents affected by the wildfires. Individuals can donate at www.hawaiicomunityfoundation.org/maui-strong.

· **Maui United Way**

Maui United Way is accepting donations to its Maui Fire and Disaster Relief fund at <https://mauiunitedway.org/disasterrelief>.

This was a tragic event, and our hearts go out to the many families and businesses impacted.

Together, let's stand strong and extend a helping hand to our Neighbor Island ohana on their path to recovery.

Roz Hamby

Board President



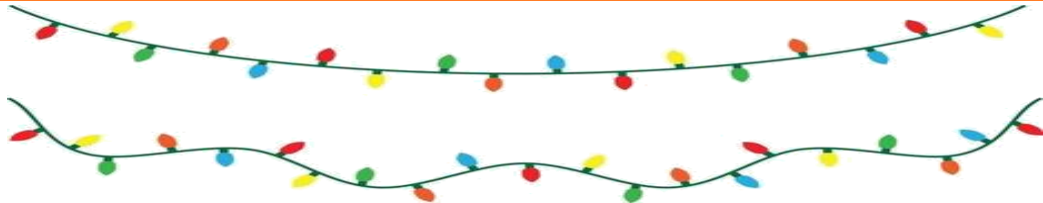
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Meet our New Assistant General Manager, Mandy Apilando

We're thrilled to share the exciting news that Mandy is joining us as the new Assistant General Manager at Kalele Kai! Bringing in a wealth of experience from her background in ultra-luxury condominium management, especially from her seven-year tenure at Anaha at Ward Village, Mandy's expertise, professionalism, and infectious smile make her an outstanding addition to our management team. Her first day with us is set for Monday, November 20th. We encourage you to swing by the office to meet Mandy and give her a warm welcome! She'll be partnering closely with Anna, who has recently stepped in as our General Manager after Bill Comstock retired.



Holiday Lanai and Door Decorations

As the Holidays draw near, it's a joy to witness the lanais adorned with dazzling lights and decorations. As we approach this festive time, we're looking forward to seeing even more delightful displays. If you plan to decorate your lanai, kindly keep these considerations in mind:

1. Utilize a timer for your decoration lights to automatically switch them on and off. This simple step of turning off the lights during the day and after midnight not only conserves electricity but also frees up some extra funds for more delightful presents!
2. Ensure that your lights and decorations are securely fastened. Given the current high winds and the anticipation of more blustery weather in the coming months, it's crucial to periodically check and secure your decorations to prevent any loosening or potential hazards.
3. Remember to take down all holiday decorations and lights by January 15th. While you're welcome to enjoy the holiday spirit for as long as you'd like, we kindly ask that decorations on your lanai and doors be removed by this date.

Let's continue to spread joy and cheer throughout our community while also ensuring safety and consideration for our shared spaces during this festive season.

Kalele Kai's Fire Alarm System—What you Need to Know



Kalele Kai boasts a robust array of fire prevention and suppression equipment designed to safeguard both our residents and the structure. Here's a breakdown of some of our system:

Smoke Detectors (Inside Your Unit): When smoke detectors beep within your unit, it's important to note that they won't alert management, nor will they trigger the building-wide alarm. In the event of a false alarm, you'll need to reset the alarm on your own.

Smoke Detectors (Common Areas): Activation of the smoke detectors in common areas will trigger a building-wide alarm. Only Kalele Kai staff or the Fire Department can reset these alarms.

Fire Extinguishers: Each floor is equipped with multiple fire extinguishers located within cabinets in the hallways. Simply open the cabinet door when accessing an extinguisher. Please notify the office immediately after usage so that we can assist you and promptly replace the used extinguisher.



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The Board welcomes volunteers to serve on committees, if you are interested in serving your community, please contact our office.

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Calendar

Nov. 20—Nov 22 Fire Alarm Testing

Nov. 27—Nov 30 Tree Trimming

Nov. 23 Management Closed

Nov. 30 Board Meeting @ cabana

December 4 Fire SYSTEM testing

December 25 Management closed

Sprinklers: Every unit and common area within buildings (excluding the amenity deck) are fitted with sprinklers. It's crucial to avoid damaging these sprinklers. Refrain from hanging objects or hangers on them, and take extra care to avoid contact when moving tall items. Damaging the glass bulb attached to the sprinkler will activate them, releasing water at a rate of approximately 25 gallons per minute. This can result in significant damage not only to your unit but also to units below. Remediation and restoration from water damage of this magnitude can take weeks and months, respectively.



Bonus: Entrance Doors (Keep them Closed!) Refrain from propping your entry door open. If renovations are underway, please inform your contractors, as they may prefer to keep it open for convenience. Closed doors can reduce fire growth, limit damage to your home, keep temperatures down, and can even save your life if you become trapped.

CLISE
BEFORE YOU DOZE

MAKE A 900 DEGREE DIFFERENCE
During a fire, a closed door can mean the difference between **1,000 degrees** and **100 degrees**.

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And lastly, please call the fire department immediately if there is a fire. Notify management or security immediately after.

Understanding the functionality and importance of these fire safety measures is crucial in ensuring the well-being of our residents and the preservation of our community. Your cooperation in adhering to these guidelines is greatly appreciated.

The Band is Getting Back Together



The Fab Four are back! Our kōlea, or Golden Plovers, named John, Paul, George, and Ringo, have completed their 6,000-mile roundtrip journey from the North, shed their tuxedo plumage, and are now back to enjoy their part-time residency here at Kalele Kai.

Several residents have recently shared their observations of aerobic birds in the area - the White Fairy Terns. These birds are also known as "manu-o-Ku" in Hawaiian, which translates to "the bird of Ku." Ku is one of the four great gods in Hawaiian mythology, revered as the god of war. Fairy terns are characterized by their white plumage and a black ring of feathers around their bulging eyes, which accentuates their already large eyes. They also possess a sharp black beak that turns blue at the base.

Interestingly, much like the kōlea, these Fairy Terns have adapted remarkably well to urban life. While they are found in various tropical and subtropical regions around the world, most of the Hawaiian

population of White Terns resides in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands. Currently, the main Hawaiian island where manu-o-Kū can be found is O'ahu. However, you can't spot these graceful birds just anywhere on O'ahu. The urban and suburban areas of Honolulu, spanning from Hawai'i Kai to Ford Island, are the only places where nesting manu-o-Kū can be found. Although they may be seen flying overhead in other parts of the island, these seabirds exclusively nest in the city. This unique status led Mayor Mufi Hanneman to designate the manu-o-Kū as the Official Bird of the City and County of Honolulu in 2007. In Honolulu, they prefer to nest in trees, directly laying their eggs onto branches.

During the nesting process, an adult diligently searches for an ideal location, typically a fork, slight depression, or cup in a branch, or even a rough spot in the bark. Once the chick hatches, it remains on the same branch or nearby until it's ready to fly. Despite the potential risks posed by strong winds, their strong claws enable them to grip branches securely, allowing even days-old chicks to weather powerful storms. Meanwhile, the parents venture out to the ocean to catch small fish and squid, returning with multiple prey items to feed their chicks.



The presence of White Fairy Terns in our city is a testament to nature's resilience in an urban environment and offers our community an opportunity to appreciate and learn more about this unique bird species.

This Issue our Spotlight Shines on...

Rino Carolina

Rino Callorina has worked at Kalele Kai for seventeen years. Rino was born in the Province of Pangasinan in the Philippines. Like many in the province, Rino's parents were rice farmers. Growing up, Rino's favorite subject was history, and his preferred sport was the most popular sport in the Philippines - basketball. He pursued nautical sciences in college.

After college, Rino joined the merchant Marines, where he sailed the world for five years. Following his time at sea, he returned home to the Philippines and the family farm, where he also started a business supplying goods to other farmers. Rino's uncle served with US forces in the Philippines during World War Two and was granted special citizenship during the war. In 1978, Rino's uncle brought Rino's parents to join him in the United States.

Rino's parents persistently urged him to join them in the US, so he handed over his farm and business to his cousin and made the move to the States in 1995.

His initial job was as an airport screener, before all the changes to procedures resulting from 9/11. He also attended night school to become a nursing assistant and eventually became a part-time caregiver. He left the airport screening job to work in security at Pagoda Hotel. I am sure he has some interesting stories to share from that chapter of his career. Fortunately for us, in 2009 Rino left the Pagoda and joined the Kalele Kai Ohana.

In 2009, Rino became an integral part of the Kalele Kai Ohana. Throughout his time with us, safety and security have been his unwavering priorities. His dedication is evident in his willingness to work back-to-back shifts for weeks on end, never missing a day off. Rino's eagerness to learn and assume new responsibilities is an inspiration to us all. Family is of paramount importance to Rino, and his 50-year marriage stands as a testament to his commitment. He is the proud father of two sons and the loving grandfather of five grandchildren. When he is not working diligently, Rino enjoys pursuing hobbies such as gardening, leisurely walks, and avid reading. His favorite book, the Bible, holds a special place in his daily routine, reflecting his deep faith and values.

Rino Callorina's journey is a remarkable testament to resilience, adaptability, and a steadfast commitment to both his work and family. We are privileged to have him as a valued member of our Kalele Kai family.



Random Thoughts

By Bill Comstock

I'm so old I remember staying at home when I was expecting a phone call
No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery
You know you are getting old when you see that first gray hair – on your kid
If you can't be a good example; settle for being a horrible warning
Thoughts, like fleas, jump from man to man, but they don't bite everybody
Wise people think all they say, fools say all they think
We never really grow up -- we only learn how to act in public.
The more I see of this world; the less I worry about the next
There is a zoo with only one animal and it is a dog; it's a shitzu
Because there's a "Highway to Hell" but only a "Stairway to Heaven" - says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers
It is always the best policy to speak the truth, unless, of course, you are an exceptionally good liar.
I was addicted to Hokey Pokey but I turned myself around
Some of us learn from the mistakes of others; the rest of us have to be the others.
Strangers have the best candy
We must believe in luck. For how else can we explain the success of those we don't like?
They say that age is just a number - Oh right, and a jail is just a room
The song, "Who Let the Dogs Out" sticks in your head all day...starting right now

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