

Hawaiian Shores Community Association March 2014 Annual Newsletter

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President's Message

Aloha Members!

We have had a busy and productive year at HSCA completing our transition to radio-read water meters and billing. We also completed the Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Reports (PER & ER) on our aging water system. The PER and ER are pre-requisites to apply for a USDA Rural Development low interest loan/grant combination package to complete major repairs and upgrades to our existing water system. This year, HSCA received two grants relating to our water system. We received a Wellhead Protection grant from the EPA and administered by the State Dept. of Health allowing us to increase security and protect against spills at our water yard while conducting public education efforts on water conservation, leak detection and water usage with our membership. We also received a \$25k USDA Predevelopment grant to offset the cost of completing the PER and ER. The cell tower at Maikoiko, approved by members in 2012, is under construction with completion before the end of March. We welcomed several new staff members and the board has been holding all its meetings at the renovated Community Center. Our staff has been hard at work on community beautification projects and we continue to interact with our community hosting junior life guard trainings and reward days for Keonepoko students at our pool. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Member Meeting!

Mahalo! Eileen O'Hara

We hope everyone has a great year and if you need information from HSCA please be sure to email us at HSCA_BOD@hawaii.rr.com or call (808) 965-8140. Contact info & hours of operations can be found on the HSCA website: www.hawaiianshores.org



HSCA staff, Samantha Martoni (Water Operations Specialist), Mary Anne De Mey (Accounting Associate), Caroline Weber (Board Secretary) and Natalie Beam (Operations Support Associate) in front row. Board members Hiro Yanagihara (VP), Tom Cumming, Arnold Gregory, Kevin Wibberley (Treas.), Solveig Lamberg, Eileen O'Hara (Pres.) and Steve Bailey in back row at a recent meeting of the BOD at the renovated Community Center.

Board Mahalos and Updates:

We have a number of exiting board members who deserve our recognition for their service to HSCA. Kevin Wibberley is leaving the board after five years of service, as is Caroline Weber. Both served as officers of the board and will be missed for their dedication. Solveig Lamberg has completed a 3 year term and she is running for one of the two 1-year terms in this year's board election. Remaining on the board for another year of a 3-year term is Eileen O'Hara, President. Hiro Yanagihara, Vice President, Tom Cumming and Arnold Gregory have two years left on their terms. Steve Bailey, appointed to a vacancy in Oct. 2013, has already proven a valuable asset to HSCA. He is running for a 3-year term

Staff Updates:

We have new staff this year! Starting with the HSCA staff members are most likely to meet, our new weekend Honu Facility



Attendants are: Sara Tokura-Ellsworth and Ikaika Greenlaw. They recently completed a CPR class with more trainings planned.

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Our HSCA office staff are pictured on the previous page with the Board and include Mary Anne De Mey, Accounting Associate, Natalie Beam, Operations Support Associate and Samantha Martoni, Water Operations Specialist. Below is a photo of our dedicated maintenance crew Keoki Kahe`iki has been with HSCA the longest followed by Sheldon Clarose. Jeff Morse is new to HSCA having joined the crew in December 2013.



HSCA Crew: Jeff Morse, Keoki Kahe`iki & Sheldon Clarose

Water Updates:

We completed the Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Reports in January which was approved by USDA. The reports call for substantial repairs and upgrades to our aging water system. This is so important to the health of our community and protection of our property values. Without an update, our water system could become a liability and fail altogether. We now can proceed to apply for a low interest loan/grant combo package from the USDA Rural Development. The reports are available at the office for members to review.

We were able to apply around \$15,000 of a Wellhead Protection grant to survey our water yard, secure with fencing and a new gate, introduce spill protection equipment, and develop public education materials. Also part of that project is an update to our Emergency Response Plan which is a component of our application to the USDA Rural Development.

Our water system continues to provide the best drinking water available and we were able to reduce major leaks with the roll out of the radio read meter system. This is good news for all members as reducing leaks saves everyone money and reduces wear and tear on pumps. Please visit our website to review the Consumer Confidence report for this year.

BE A WATER HERO! Please report any leaks you find in the HSCA water system to the office immediately. If you hear water running or find water puddles along the water line, call the office (965-8140) immediately.

LEAKS COST EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY!

Parks and Facilities Update:

We did some sprucing up of the main office at Honu Park with a professional steam clean job, fixing a leak in the main pavilion, and electrical system upgrades in the office and warehouse. We also acquired a new HSCA vehicle – a Ford Transit as existing trucks are aging. The cell tower at Maikoiko is underway with construction anticipated to be complete in a few weeks. AT&T is already contracted to go on the tower with Verizon Wireless to follow. There is sufficient height for 3 more carriers to lease space on the tower.

Roads Update:

Since joining the board in October, recently retired traffic engineer, Steve Bailey has been working on a master plan for subdivision road repair. We're looking at elimination of vegetation, crack sealing, and resurfacing on the more degraded asphalt surfaces. This work will be planned in conjunction with repainting lot numbers.

HSCA granted a new temporary access across its largest property behind the community center. Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estates (KSBE) owns the large adjacent agricultural property and needed access for its 3 tenants. Most of KSBE's large acreage abutting Hawaiian Shores Recreational Estates from our water yard to Ahi Street is leased to a rancher. There is a macadamia and a papaya orchard on the property. HSCA will receive \$2,000/year, access to the back of its large property, and a commitment by KSBE to control Albizia growth along the border where the main water line runs. If this win-win works for both parties, the membership will be asked to consider making the arrangement long term at our next year's annual meeting.

Please remember to send in your ballot! If you are mailing, it must be received by Friday, April 18th by the League of Women Voters at P.O. Box 665, Hilo, HI 96721. You can also vote in person at the April 19th Annual Membership Meeting at 9:00 AM at the renovated HSCA Community Center on Kahakai Blvd.