

Important Dates

July 3, 2015	Independence Day
July 15, 2015	Board Meeting
August 21, 2015	Admissions Day
September 7, 2015	Labor Day
September 16, 2015	Board Meeting
September 19, 2015	60th Anniversary Carnival



Wala'au

(Talk Story)

"Enhancing Lives Through Self-Reliance"
Since 1955

July 2015

Programs for adults with disabilities

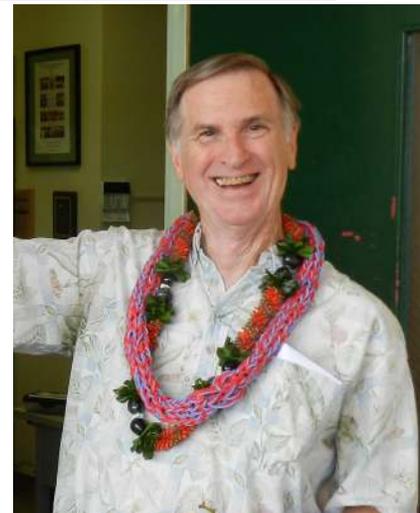
- Job assessment, placement, coaching and long-term support
- Adult day program through Medicaid Waiver Program
- Internal employment through grounds and custodial services

For more information about our programs and services visit our website at www.kalimaomaui.org or contact us at 808-244-5502

KA LIMA O MAUI

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Congratulations on your retirement Dan! On June 30, 2015 Dan Cordell retired after 22 years of service. He processed payroll, took care of the human resource needs of the agency, was the safety coordinator and our computer technician. Dan also acted as our photographer, designed advertising ads for our special events and was really a jack of all trades. Whenever there was a need, Dan would jump right in and try his best to help. He embraced our mission and made the clients and workers a priority in his work. There would be some challenging times with payroll and Dan did his best to make sure the workers got paid on time for their hard work. He would look forward to gatherings or events to get to interact with our special Community. We will truly miss you and your smile, but look forward to your visits and hopefully help with our fundraisers.

We wish you and Irene the very best in your retirement and may God Bless you both with many happy years together!

Ka Lima O Maui is a private Not-For-Profit organization founded in 1955 serving adults with disabilities and/or who are economically disadvantaged. Our mission is to "Enhance Lives Through Self-Reliance" through employment program and living skills.

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**From the Executive Director
Chantal Ratte**

New Service Contracts

This past quarter we want to thank the following businesses for giving us the opportunity to serve them:

United Parcel Service
Cordell Residence

What do you spend your paycheck on? Recently I surveyed a random group of Ka Lima staff and Ka Lima workers to find out how they spend their hard-earned money:

- I like to save my money
- I like to buy snacks and food for my friends
- I buy some Chinese food at Panda Express
- I buy DVD Blue Ray movies.
- I pay for my rent
- I like to buy clothes
- I pay my bills...telephone, electric, water, gas for my truck etc
- I buy myself a coffee every morning
- I go to the Fun Factory
- I fix my car
- I buy food for my family
- I put some money in savings for different things
- I pay my mortgage
- I go to the movies
- I pay my bills...utilities, house, gas
- I buy the occasional pau hana drink. :)
- I go shopping
- Save for education

Notice any similarities? This quick survey confirms the fact that persons with disabilities need the same things we all need; mainly food, shelter, and recreation. A paycheck is a powerful symbol to all of us, as it represents not only our independence but also our meaningful contribution to our community.

**Perfect Attendance
Honor Roll**

Congratulations to the following for staying healthy during the past quarter!!!

Pache's Team
Jonathan Hosaka
Kleint Flores
Dusty Flores
Sam Manini

Nancy's Team
Travis Hehn

Robin's Team
Brian Bantilan
Crystal Nunes
Conrad Domingo

Lucy's Team
Edward Kanoho
Karl Pastor
Marsha Rocha
Palani Rocha

Gail's Team
Dean Ireland

Aaron's Team
Elmer Baluran
Jayson Harris

James Santiago
Joemar Dichoso
David Lynch

Kamaile's Team
Alan Bantilan
Daniel Rodriguez
Billy Tagay

Jay's Team
Jonathan Hosaka

Mark's Team
Michael Cabral
James Ribillia
Kanale Medeiros

Christy's Team
Leroy Miranda

Ed's Team
Clyde Kaea
Shaun Labang

Sanford's Team
Catalino Rasay

Look Who's Working

By Pam Kahae



Jonah Wun was referred to Ka Lima O Maui for employment services in August of 2014. He would religiously scan the classifieds in the Maui Newspaper, visit Maui's one stop, craigslist etc. everyday. Jonah put in applications for several different positions: Bakers assistant, dishwasher,

prep cook, courtesy clerk, deli worker and then finally putting in an application at Ka Lima O Maui as a janitor worker. Jonah was hired on May 27, 2015 and assigned to Gail's crew where he is stationed as a janitorial worker at the Kihei Police Station. As Jonah wanted to start his employment career slow he chose to work only part-time. However Jonah's work performance and reliability proved to his Supervisor (Gail) that he was an exceptional employee. Jonah was soon offered a fulltime position and he accepted the opportunity graciously. He is a soft spoken young man but has work ethics as powerful as a lion's roar.

LOOK WHO'S LOOKING FOR WORK?

Chance Esperanza – Customer Service Representative (Grocery or Retail)

Janet Marciano – Sales or relative work

Ricky Wills – Food Service (Server/Manager)

Stacey Roberts – Office Clerical

Harlan Nakanishi – Social Services Worker

Owen Kusacabe – Agricultural Worker (prefers the upcountry area)

Fundraisers

100 Holes of Golf

The organizer and participants of our "100 Holes of Golf" never cease to amaze me. This past Memorial Day weekend, 16 participants tee'd



off at sunrise and played 100 holes of golf until sunset. After a long and exhausting day, they quickly changed and got ready for a reception dinner held at Alexa Higashi's house in Wailea. These golfers, all from Oahu with the exception of one from California raised an average of over \$5,000 each for Ka Lima O Maui, leaving us so incredibly grateful. Larry Stubblefield, organizer and board member played in his **35th consecutive** event. He is an inspiration to all of us at Ka Lima and his dedication to the organization is deeply respected.

This event could not be possible without the support of the following Wailea properties; Fairmont Kea Lani Hotel, Grand Wailea Resort Hotel & Spa, Wailea Beach Marriott Resort & Spa and Four Seasons Resort Maui at Wailea. Wailea Golf has also been instrumental in the success of this event since its beginning.

Maui Hotel & Lodging Charity Walk

On May 9th, Ka Lima participated in the 2015 Maui Visitor Industry Charity Walk by raising pledges, helping with an aid station and participating in the walk. This event continues to grow in its participation and the amount of funds being raised.



At last count, the event had raised over \$850,000 for numerous worthy Maui Not for Profit organizations. With internal competition among the different work crews and departments, Ka Lima O Maui raised over \$10,000 for the Charity Walk. Our staff and clients got creative in their efforts to raise funds from selling poke bowls, private grounds services to car washes. Great job everyone!



Birthdays

Rhonda Whetstine April 5
 Roxanne Higa April 6
 Norma Sim April 8
 Rose Mary Manini April 12
 Nancy Tabon April 15
 Keoni Wilson April 22
 Matt Wanderscheid April 23
 Sharon Kimoto April 23
 Barbara Kim-Cugal April 28
 Elden Mahelona April 28
 Christina Chang April 29
 Ryan Behn April 29
 John Deblasio April 30
 Rawley Nawaa April 30

Travis Hehn May 1
 Daniel Cordell May 5
 Janet Marciano May 7
 Melissa Proud May 10
 Caridad Anton May 11
 Jenie Espejo May 11
 Richard Crisostomo May 12
 Michael De Cambra May 18
 Anthony Silva May 24
 Jarrett Carvalho May 28

William Koa June 1
 Evelyn Bocobo June 3
 Jayson Harris June 5
 Linda Hoshino June 5
 Arthur Salsbury June 13
 Catharyn Bailey June 15
 Ray Agaran June 15
 Maria Cavan June 16
 Michael Cabral June 26
 Margaret Emoto June 29
 Charlene Asuncion June 30



HUI News

By Barbara Kim-Cugal



In June, clients and staff went camping in Keanae. We received an education on the harvest of taro, bananas, sweet potatoes & other vegetables. We also got to enjoy time at "Chings Pond", fishing in

Keanae, bombing off the pier into the deep blue sea, strolling along the coast of Keanae, and visiting an old Hawaiian Church. We were welcomed with open arms by the "Aquino Ohana"! Thank you to Mark & Georgie Aquino for being such wonderful hosts to us. Many thanks to the staff that helped



with the camping trip; Pam Kahae, Robin Sagon, Mark & Kim Sturdavant, Claudia Rosenbaum, Nilsa Ruiz, Michael Burns, Purity Kahae & Torye Cugal. We are hoping to make this camping trip an annual event with the HUI Club and to have more clients join us for a fun filled time.



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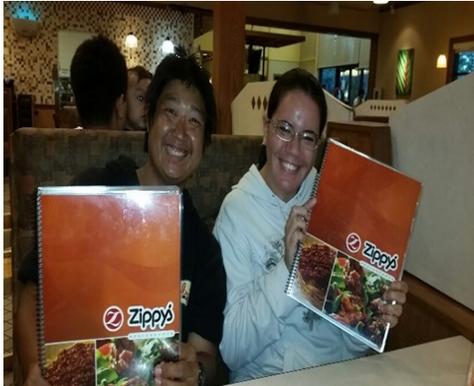


Target comes to Maui

Let's shop till we drop at Target, Maui. Crystal Nunes & Jason Sugahara got to enjoy a night out with myself & Pam Kahae. At Target, we walked around, looked and purchased some things from

the newest box shop on Maui.

Later that evening we had dinner at Zippy's & cruised the Queen Kaahumanu Shopping Center. One of the many activities our clients get to enjoy.



Macy's Shop for a Cause



Help support The KaLima O Maui HUI Club by purchasing a Macy's Shop for a Cause cards. Cost is \$5.00 all proceeds go towards our HUI club to help pay for activities. If you would like to purchase one of these cards please contact Barbara at 244-5502 or email barbara@kalimaomaui.org.

Weinberg Workforce Development Program

By Nilsa Ruiz-Rois



Bill was born in Kauai and moved back to Maui from Arizona, where he spent 15+ years cleaning and detailing cars. Bill's mom, Nalani Morris, used to be a volunteer for Ka Lima a long time ago. When they moved back to Maui, Bill decided he wanted to work for us. He impressed everyone at the interview with his enthusiasm, willingness to learn and sense of humor. Bill is currently working part-time with the Kihei Police Station grounds under Sanford's supervision. Everybody on the team is happy to have Bill as a member of their crew.

Luis Pellerano was looking for the opportunity to better himself and to become a productive member of the community. Luis was hired on February 24, 2015 and is currently working part-time with Ed's grounds crew. He gets along well with everybody and is doing good in his new job. Another important achievement for Luis: he went back to school; he's taking night classes to get his GED!



Richard Crisostomo came to Ka Lima referred by a friend. He started working with the TSA janitorial crew after passing his badge exam. Soon after he started cross-training with the Kihei MPD. After some time working at both locations, Richard is currently working only with the TSA crew.

Waiver

Submitted by Keri Pasion-Salas



We visited the Lahaina Farm and spent time with the wonderful animals. The beautiful grounds made for such a fun and relaxing day! Per Brandon De-Cambra, “My favorite thing about the Lahaina Farm was feeding the animals and the turtle race”.

Per John Kealohanui, “I like the brown horse “.

Our very talented athletes: Eva Eujano, Fae Torres, Stacey Roberts, Ryan Behn, Wade Balinbin, Brandon De-cambra and Jayson Harris, represented Maui proudly in the Special Olympics State tournament in May. All athletes did great and received awards for swimming and track and field. Great Job guys!



In the spirit of National Armed forces Day we were lucky to have BJ McDonald come to speak to us about the different aspects of the armed forces and his current role as a National Guard recruiter. This was a very unique experience for the participants and they had a lot of questions about helicopters and the tours that BJ served in. Thanks BJ for the great presentation!

Vocational & Work Adjustment Training Program

By John DeBlasio



Braeden Yap wants to become a farmer. Though he has significant agricultural background and training, he is also knowledgeable about musical instruments, having played the clarinet in band. He therefore accepted an assignment at Bounty Music where he tunes ukuleles, cleans the store and stocks shelves. Braeden continuously receives praise for his diligence. Though he is doing very well in the music store, he expects to

search for agricultural employment when his work experience is finished.

Jaymee Silva (pictured on the left) spent six weeks at the Westin Ka'anapali Ocean Resort and Villas. The Westin embraced Jaymee's goal to become an entrepreneur.



They assisted her in developing an understanding of business processes by exposing her to many departments. She ordered materials for the convenience store, assisted Housekeeping with room inventories, patrolled with Security, assisted Marketing with tours and helped Human Resources assign lockers to new workers. The hospitality industry appears a good match for Jaymee until the day when she has sufficient resources to start a business of her own.

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Work Experiences

The Spring *How to Succeed at Work* classes ended in June after 12 weeks of classes, three days per week. Participants are now seeking work experience sites where they can practice their employability skills. Usually the assignments last about 6 weeks. Three class completers have gone on to practice their workplace interpersonal skills with local businesses. Five others are currently looking for opportunities to do the same.

Students who are still seeking places to learn and demonstrate their accumulated knowledge include:

- Destiny Crosby would like to work and learn about bakeries.
- Lee Pang is looking for a site in Paia.
- Eileen Weinbel would like to work with children.
- Dan Brito would like an assignment in the broadcast industry.
- Ivan Martinez would like to work in a west side restaurant



Janet Marciano performed janitorial duties at the Power house Gym in Kihei. Every day she wiped down all the exercise equipment, polished the mirrors and maintained the floors. She found the employer to be very supportive. Janet is currently collaborating with Pam Kahae in the search for a janitorial or retail sales position.



We also welcomed Wally Vierra to our program! Some of you may remember him when he participated in the VWATS program. Wally enjoys listening to Hawaiian music, hanging out with his friends at Kalima, and using his galaxy tablet. Wally would like people to know that “I am friendly and I am nice” Welcome Wally!!

We moved our entire program out of our building and into the Cameron Center right next to the administrative offices. Our building is about to go under renovation. This was a very exciting and a huge task that involved many helping hands, thank you to everyone who helped!



Camping in Keanae June 2015

