



President's Message



November marks the beginning of the holiday season for us all. It is a busy time of the year as we prepare for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year.

Your Board of Directors is also busy preparing for 2024. Next year's budget will be a challenge. We have several projects that were scheduled for 2023 that had to be deferred due to unforeseen and major repairs to our main sewer lines.

In putting together our budget, we are not just planning for the upcoming year. We must ensure that we have a Reserve Fund that will be in place to cover future Capital Projects.

This year we hired Armstrong Consulting Inc., to complete a Reserve Fund Study. Their assessment of the cost of current and future Major Projects will greatly assist us in this and future budget year.

Our biggest concern continues to be our common area sewer lines. Each line serves four (4) units. Maintenance and Repairs are costly and disruptive to owners/occupants.

We are working on a plan to upgrade our aging system. In the meantime, we need the help of every owner to avoid system backups. Please read the Special Notice Article in this edition of DA KINE and follow our advice. It will make a difference.

I will conclude by wishing you all a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

... Walt Weiss, KEE Board President

Resident Manager's Report:

This past month we started work on another sewer line repair. This one is in Building #10. In this case we started work before an emergency occurred.

Our camera inspection revealed damage to pipes under a unit that was going thru some renovations. This gave us the opportunity to coordinate Association work with the owner's work.

Along with the ongoing maintenance of the property, we were able to power wash the



Tennis/Pickleball Courts. We also completed several repairs to pathway lighting.

AAA Fire Equipment will be on site in November for the annual inspection of our fire extinguishers. Other than that, we have no major projects scheduled for the remainder of 2023.

Finally, just a friendly reminder that KEE has Holiday Blackout Days during the holidays. During these days, no remodeling or contract work is allowed. Of course, this does not apply to emergency repairs.

Holiday Blackout dates are the Wednesday before Thanksgiving (11/22/23) through the Sunday following Thanksgiving (11/26/23); and, from 12/24/23 through 1/2/24.

Mahalo for your ongoing support and, Happy Thanksgiving

....Marlene Almadova, Resident Manager



**DIS 'N 'DAT Thanksgiving Day Holiday Trivia

Thanksgiving is the most popular United States Holiday. It is followed closely by Memorial Day, Christmas, and Veterans Day. So here are some interesting items for you to consider.

The first Thanksgiving was actually an autumn harvest feast. It took place in the year 1621 in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Colonists and the local Wampanoag Indians celebrated together.

Turkey was not on the menu. Instead,

they ate deer and local seafood. Much was provided by the Wampanoag Tribe.

In 1849, Thanksgiving was declared a national holiday in the Kingdom of Hawai'i by King Kamehameha III. This was 14 years before President Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday in the United States.

The TV dinner was invented by Swanson



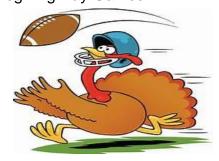
Foods after they over ordered Turkey for the 1953 Holiday.

To cut their losses, they ordered 5,000

aluminum trays, set up an assembly line and created 5,000 dinners to be frozen and sold.

It was a hit with the public. By 1954, they were selling 10 million turkey TV dinners a year.

The first Thanksgiving Football game was played between Princeton and Yale in 1876. Within a few years there were thousands of Thanksgiving Day Games.



In 1989, President George H.W. Bush pardoned the first Thanksgiving Turkey. But where do these birds come from, and where do they go when pardoned?



The birds are usually Male Broad Breasted Turkeys and are provided by the National Turkey Federation.

For many years, when pardoned, they were sent to Gobbler's Rest at Virginia Tech University's

Poultry Science Department.

Now, after complaints that this was not a suitable location, they are sent to the North Carolina State University College of Agriculture where they reside in special private turkey accommodations.





Finally, what about the urge to take a nap after the Thanksgiving meal? It is not the turkey's fault. Most experts

say it is a combination of the food and drinks consumed along with the sheer amount of food eaten.

So, what do those experts advise? Eat and drink less. Eat healthier. Stop when you are full and go out for a walk after you eat! Good luck to all of you who will try to follow these recommendations!

We wish you the best on this upcoming holiday.

November Events on Oahu

Annual Makahiki Festival and Te Moana Nui Games – Waimea Valley Saturday, November 4th – 9 AM-2PM Admission \$4.00



Would you enjoy

witnessing or maybe even participating in the traditional games of Hawaii. The events include Coconut Tree Race, Foot Race, Stone Lifting and Wrestling. There will also be live music, food, hula, vendors, and other cultural activities all associated with bringing in the Makahiki or Hawaiian New Year. For more information click the image above.

Wahiawa Lions Club 77th Annual Veterans Day Parade "Wahiawa Loves Our Veterans"

10 AM Saturday, November 11, 2023 California Avenue in Wahiawa

The Royal Hawaiian Band leads off the festivities at 10 AM.



The Parade Starts at Ka'ala Elementary School and proceeds up California Avenue to the Wahiawa District Park. This year over 80 marching units are expected to participate. Festivities continue at the park after the parade. Click image for more info.

Turtle Bay Pro-Am Body Boarding Event "Show Down at the Stables"

November 10 – 12 (Holding Period) Turtle Bay Resort

watermen, this event is dedicated to engaging the youth of Hawaii in water sports. It includes both professional and aspiring junior riders. Click the link for more info

Waikiki Holiday Parade Friday, November 24^{th,} 7 - 9PM Kalakaua Ave, Waikiki, Ft. DeRussy Park to Queen Kapiolani Park



Set on the first Friday after Thanksgiving to commemorate the heroes of Pearl Harbor and usher in the holiday season. Spectators are treated to Marching Bands, Pearl Harbor Survivors, Entertainers, and a whole lot more! Click the Image for more info



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SPECIAL NOTICE

KEE BOARD ASKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We are asking for the support of all Owners and Residents in helping to reduce the number of sewer line backups that are occurring on our property.

We know that our pipes are getting old, and we are taking steps to deal with that issue. In the meantime, there are actions that you can take to help us minimize the number of leaks and backups that are occurring.

It is a known fact that most of the problems we are dealing with are not caused by broken or damaged sewer lines. In fact, we believe that most of the problems that occur could be avoided.

We respectfully ask all owners to consider and to implement the following three recommendations for taking better care of our common sewer lines.

1. Report Sewer Problems

Keep an eye out for signs of wear or tear. These include slow drainage or clogs in sinks or toilets. Other signs are foul odors rising in your bathroom through your shower trap or toilet. If you notice unexplained pooling or wet spots near your foundation or landscape, it may also be a sign of a leaking sewer line. Report these issues to us so we can evaluate and help with solutions.

2. Flush with Care

Watch what you flush down the toilet or wash down the sink. Don't put grease and coffee grounds down the sink or garbage disposal. They can accumulate on the walls of your pipes and clog them over time. Pour grease and oil into a container and put it in the trash instead.

Do not flush disposable wipes, cotton swabs, facial wipes, diapers, sanitary napkins, condoms, or anything else! Most of the clogs and backups we have experienced have been caused by these products. Do not be fooled by items that claim to be "flushable". They are not!

3. Post a Notice in Your Rental

Inform your rental guests of the abovelisted Flush with Care guidelines by posting a notice. Signs and notices are inexpensive and easy to order online. We have placed some examples on the next page. Avoid loss of rental revenue and expensive maintenance from leaks and clogs.

With your help we can avoid some problems and, in the process, reduce KEE expenses on costly repairs



BOTH OF THESE ARE AVAILABLE FROM AMAZON AND OTHER SELLERS ONLINE

STICK UP SIGN EXAMPLE



ELEGANT SIGN EXAMPLE





HAU'OLI LA HANAU



Omar Enriquez

Lisa Lai

Holly Hamilton Cherri Tsukamoto

Let us recognize your birthday in DA KINE. Email your name to <u>vickieldc@yahoo.com</u> – Subject: DA Kine Birthday..... Mahalo

AND LET US NOT FORGET





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