

KIA konnection

June 2017

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**KIA's 30th Anniversary
and General Membership
Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 30th
11:30am to 1pm**

Dave & Busters

(RSVPs taken from August 1st)

The 30th Anniversary of the Kakaako Improvement Association is this coming August. The association was formed in 1987 to be a forum for concerned Kakaako business owners to express their concerns, discuss their ideas, work out their differences, and speak with a strong, unified voice on the complex issues that affect the area, such as zoning and land use, density, public safety, traffic and parking, housing, and improvement.

The anniversary and General Membership Meeting is open to KIA members only, up to two individuals per company membership. Lunch at KIA member **Dave & Busters** will be a Riviera Buffet or grilled chicken breast topped with roasted red peppers, fresh basil, and Boursin cheese; roasted tricolor potatoes, Caesar salad, garden vegetable medley, rolls and unlimited coffee, tea or soda.

Besides a terrific lunch, there will be guest speakers from Complete Streets, Bike Share Hawaii, and the Blaisdell Redevelopment Project. The Board hopes that stories of Kakaako will be shared; and if anyone would like to speak or has old pictures of Kakaako that they would like to share on a video, please email to sgoyallc@aol.com.



Are you opening a new location? Got a fundraiser you'd like to promote? If you do and would like to share it through our monthly newsletter, please [contact Sherry Goya](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com) at sgoyallc@aol.com for more information.

Hidden in Kakaako

Have you seen any of these murals on a wall down an alley in SALT? It starts at one end with Emme Tomimbang (who lived across the street from the **John A. Burns School of Medicine**, named after her father-in-law) and Dr. Fujio "Fudge" Matsuo. There is also a poem by Walter Yamane titled "The Mother Waldron Park in Kakaako." The last one-third says "Kakaako Heritage," with street names along the entire wall. If anyone knows about this wall, please share with your KIA members on August 30th or in our next KIA newsletter.



The Mother Waldron Park In Kakaako by Walter Yamane

Where once many played everywhere
and the park was filled with carefree laughter,
Where are all the boys... my friends?
Where's Lousy, Hash, Angie, Pauly and all the others who have
passed on?
Where have the years gone,
But in my memory?

The park was our world to grow up in.
To learn the many ways of life,
The joy lingers on...
And as in a movie picture,
I see and I feel,
But I cannot recapture the time in my youth.
For although the memories are as vivid as only yesterday,
Yesterday is gone.