

# KIA konnexion

November 2016

*KIA was formed in 1987 to be a forum for  
concerned Kakaako business owners*



## from the KIA Board of Directors

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## KIA Newsletter Update

The KIA newsletter will be updated, revised, changed, improved, and energized in 2017...that doesn't mean Peterson Rosario hasn't done a good job. He has done an EXCELLENT job organizing and laying out the articles that are written by Sherry for the past few years. They work so well together, that the newsletters have "fit" on either a one page or two page. KIA members are always welcome to email articles, pictures, special offers, upcoming events, etc. to Sherry. Since it is a monthly newsletter, announcements can be very timely for KIA companies to share with the membership.

### Holiday Craft Fairs:

Saturday, Nov 19th, 9am to 2pm, Blaisdell Exhibition Hall -  
**Mayor's 42nd Annual Craft & Country Fair**

Sunday, Nov 20th, 10:30am to 4:30pm Blaisdell Center Hawaii  
Suites - **Wiki Wiki One Day Vintage Collectibles & Hawaiian  
Show**

Saturday, Nov 26, 8:30am to 3pm, Kawaiahao Church -  
**Kawaiahao Church Holiday Food & Craft Fair**



## KIA 2017 Renewals

This year has passed by so fast, and KIA had two General Membership Meetings, two Networking Events, a Kakaako Clean Up, and a KIA Invitational Golf Tournament. There has also been a monthly newsletter filled with information for all KIA members. Mahalo to those who participated in one, some, or all of our 2016 events.

For 2017, KIA will continue with two General Membership Meetings and two Networking Events, unfortunately the Honolulu Design Centers' Cupola Special Events Room will not be available. When the dates and new locations are known, the KIA newsletter will have the information. In any case, KIA would like to thank Thomas Sorensen for his support over the years with the venue and lunch. If an occasion arises that a KIA member needs a great location, delicious food, and a variety of drinks, please think of the Stage Restaurant or Amuse Wine Bar.

Renewal notices for 2017 will be emailed KIA members in November. The annual membership dues are \$75 for companies with 20 or less employees; \$150 for companies with 21 to 49 employees; and \$200 for companies with 50 or more employees. The KIA Board appreciates all members and welcomes new membership any time throughout the year.

Please check the KIA website ([www.kia-hawaii.org](http://www.kia-hawaii.org)) to be sure that the Membership Directory listing of your company is up-to-date. Any changes should be emailed to Sherry Goya, KIA Executive Director, at [sgoyallc@aol.com](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com) and KIA Board member Peterson Rosario (and webmaster) will make the change. Comments and suggestions are always open when it comes to the KIA website. Both Sherry and Peterson try hard to keep it updated; but the time just flies by so fast that they might forget to make changes in a timely manner.

## Membership Directory

Changes to the KIA Membership directory should be directed to Sherry Goya, KIA Executive Director at [sgoyallc@aol.com](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com). Notice will be made in future newsletters and changes will be made on the [KIA website](http://www.kia-hawaii.org).



**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](mailto:sgoyallc@aol.com) for more information.**

# HOT SHOTS



## ▲ Native Hawaiian Educator Honored

H. Ka'umealani K. Walk recently was presented with the Kamehameha Schools 2016 Native Hawaiian Community Educator of the Year award. Walk displays her award alongside Wal'ale'ale Sarsona (left), managing director of KS' community education division, Kuamahi, and Ka'ano'i Walk, Ka'umealani Walk's son and senior policy analyst with Kuamahi, who nominated his mother for the award. PHOTO FROM KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS

## ▶ Cool Tourney For KCAA Preschool

Kakaako Improvement Association held an invitational golf tournament recently and donated \$10,000 to KCAA Muriel Preschool in Kakaako for air conditioning. PHOTO FROM SHERRY GOYA



## ▲ L&L Gives \$100K To Palolo Home

L&L Franchise Inc. president and CEO Eddie Flores Jr. presented a check of \$100,000 to Palolo Chinese Home. Since its inception in 1897, PCH has been caring for Hawaii's elders. A premier provider of long-term care services to seniors in Hawaii, PCH is open to all regardless of race, religion, gender or national origin. Today, PCH is a private, nonprofit, charitable organization whose mission is to assist and care for elders and their families by providing a continuum of care, which is professional and interdisciplinary, in a culturally sensitive family setting. Pictured are (from left) Darryl Ing, Eddie and Elaine Flores, and Darlene Nakayama. PHOTO FROM L&L

