

# KIA konnnection

September 2016

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



## KIA General Membership Meeting



The August KIA newsletter gave members an agenda of a HART update, with the two mayoral candidates making presentations, for the August 31st KIA General Membership Meeting. The

week before, KIA members were emailed information of a change in agenda since Mayor Caldwell and Brennan Morioka of HART were to be on the Mainland for a meeting on the rail. So that KIA members would still hear from the two mayoral candidates, Mayor Caldwell was asked to have someone read his message at the meeting. Then, since the City and County Ordinance 16-21 relating to a 50% exemption on property valuation for the 2017-2018 fiscal year was just announced, Councilwoman Carol Fukunaga was contacted. She agreed to give KIA members the information on how to file by their September 30th deadline. For any questions, feel free to call 768-5006 or email [cafukunaga@honolulu.gov](mailto:cafukunaga@honolulu.gov).



The KIA General Membership Meeting can be viewed on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/prlEUXHqELw>. You can see KIA's presentation of a \$10,000 check to KCAA Muriel Preschool from the KIA Invitational Golf Tournament which was held on

August 17th at the Pearl Country Club. Mayoral candidate Charles Djou made a presentation, as well as Raymond Soon who read Mayor Caldwell's message. KIA members were also given a Howard Hughes Corporation powerpoint by Todd Apo. All-in-all, this was a very timely meeting, with the most updated information from all.

## KIA News

Hope you read the September 14th issue of the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, page A13, "Island Voices" written by Loretta Yajima of the Children's Discovery Center. It reminded us that although we may be in a world of conflict, we must keep a focus on promoting peace through our keiki, as they continue to experience cultural diversity in Hawaii. She wrote, "Peace with the Heart of Aloha, with convening theme for the Asia Pacific Children's Museum Conference being held in Hawaii October 19 to 21, is an opportunity for educators and children's museum professionals to come together to discuss common issues and to see and experience how our sense of aloha and our multicultural society here in Hawaii can have a positive impact on the world beyond our slang shores."

## KIA Networking Event

October 2016

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KIA NETWORKING EVENT

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2016  
from 11:30am

Cupola Room  
at  
Honolulu Design Center

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** The last KIA event to meet fellow members will be held on Wednesday, October 19th at the Honolulu Design Center in the Cupola Room at 11:30am. This is a bring-your-own lunch OR purchase a delicious meal from Stage Restaurant. Since the October KIA newsletter may not be out in time, an email blast will be sent with a reminder, as well as three choices for lunch. Attendees in the past have learned about their fellow members and saw opportunities to do work with each other. The more we learn about each other and our products or services, the more we can use or recommend our own KIA members.

## HART News

The Honolulu Rail Transit Project "Move Oahu Forward" presents HONOLULU TRAIN #1 COMMUNITY DAY on Sunday, September 25th from 11am to 3pm at the HART Rail Operations Center. It will be a fun-filled day with lots of excitement for the entire family - including train tours, community entertainment, rail project information, and much more! Parking and Waikiki Trolley shuttle transportation to event site at Leeward Community College (95-045 Ala Ike Street, Pearl City). For more information, call their 24-hour Project Hotline at 808-566-2299 or visit online at [www.HonoluluTransit.org](http://www.HonoluluTransit.org).

## Membership Directory

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



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:sgoyalc@aol.com) at [sgoyalc@aol.com](mailto:sgoyalc@aol.com) for more information.

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