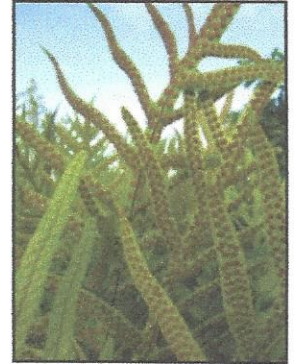


ALOHA ESTATES ASSOCIATION

** established 1979*

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WINTER/SPRING 2018-19



Annual Membership Meeting

Saturday-March 23, 2019 @ 9 am

Mt. View Senior Center

Potluck after the meeting

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P. O. Box 566 Mt. View, Hawaii 96771-0566

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**Mahalo Aloha Estates Association
Board and Officers
for your volunteer service**

**Kelvin Kane.....Board of Director
Glen Barfield.....Board of Director
Barbara Levin.....Alternate Board
Tom Hoots.....Alternate Board
Grant Blakeman.....President
John Pacheco.....Vice-President
Penny Blakeman.....Secretary
Leilani Kruger.....Treasurer/Newsletter
Mahea Kane.....Administrative Assistant**

**"Volunteers are not paid -- not because they are worthless,
but because they are priceless." Author Unknown**



**Mahalo Lotus Buddhist Monastery
For the maintenance of
Mauna Kea Drive**

Aloha,

The past year has been a good year thanks to all the members of our community that have stepped forward to help in many different ways. We may be a small community but we have several neighbors that are willing to be helpful. Collectively, we have a strong and wonderful neighborhood. Recent additional speed humps have been installed and several pot holes have been repaired. Re-paving on Na'u Nani Road (3) along with gravel added to Ua Nani Road (5) are completed. Several abandoned vehicles have been removed. Local government agencies were contacted, including the Mayor's Office, for input and assistance with the aftermath of the heavy rains and flood waters that damaged the end of Na'u Nani (3) and Mauna Loa Drive. We are moving forward with having thick and low hanging vegetation growth cut back on Ua Nani (5). Special thanks to all community members that worked constantly to maintain their properties and helped keep our roads safe. And thanks to all the Board members that worked diligently on a variety of community issues. I look forward to seeing you all at the annual general meeting next month.

Mahalo,

Grant Blakeman, AEA President

Keep Common Roadways Clear

We ask that you pay close attention to the **SPRAY Notice** posted above the first page Invoice. The Road Maintenance Committee will spray herbicide along the roadways to manage the grass and brush overgrowth. Property owners were notified to keep the 40' wide right-of-way or common roadway free and clear of obstructions to ensure safe passage to those who travel on them. It is essential that County resources (police, fire and ambulance) have access to our neighborhood community. Lot owners were reminded to keep within property boundaries and refrain from encroaching onto the common roadway. Rocks, trees, cars and other obstacles hinder the safety for all. AEA is authorized to notify property owners of any infraction and ask that items be removed. We appreciate your kind attention to this matter.

2018 Treasurer's Report

Bank of Hawaii Checking Account
Balance as of December 31, 2017 **\$33,229.73**

2018 Income:

2018 Association Road Dues Receipts
 (Includes Transfer/Late Fees) 25,434.66
 Bank of Hawaii Interest Earned 9.17
2018 Income TOTAL **25,443.83**
2018 Income Balance **\$58,673.56**

2018 Expenses:

DCCA Business Registration Renewal 3.50
 Webmaster (12 mos. maintenance) 600.00
 Newsletter Postage 193.86
 Hawaii Printing 64.58
 Printing (record log, mailing labels, etc) 200.00
 Bureau of Conveyances/filing fees 902.00
 Pyramid Insurance 575.00
 (Great Divide-General Liability)
 1st American Title (TF Refund) 25.00
 Instant Sign Centers 18.23
 HP Instant Ink Plan 78.00
 Office Max 128.44
 County Planning-Subdivision map copy 5.00
 HPM Building Supply 26.68
 Office Supplies 39.38
 Telephone/Internet 668.71
 McAfee Live Safe 20.79
2018 Expenses TOTAL **\$3,549.17**

Bank of Hawaii Checking Account
Balance as of December 31, 2018 **\$55,124.39**

Respectfully submitted by:
Leilani Kruger, Treasurer

All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) in Hawaii

The state of Hawaii **does not permit the use of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs)** in any state parks or on public roads. Therefore, they don't require registration with the state. Currently, Hawaii also does not have any licensing regulations for ATVs. Presently the law allows for citations if you are caught riding on a public road or beach in the state.

(<https://www.dmv.org/hi-hawaii/other-types-of-vehicles.php>)

\$\$\$\$Treasurer's Year in Review\$\$\$\$

Association Road Maintenance Dues' revenue increased last year by nearly \$9,000 from the previous year, largely due to aggressive and ongoing collection efforts. Liens were filed with the Bureau of Conveyances against those properties that were \$250 delinquent or more. Property owners were notified on numerous occasions to reconcile their accounts by paying in full or making monthly arrangements. For those who made that effort...mahalo!

Delinquent dues for years leading up to and including 2018 are **\$35,252.10** and the breakdown by roads follow: (1) \$3,150 (2) \$4,220 (3) \$4,700 (4) \$5,244.60 (5) \$8,730 and (6) \$9,207.50

The cost for filing a Lien against a property for delinquent dues is \$132 which is paid for by the property owner. The Bureau of Conveyances fee to file a Lien petition is \$41 and once all delinquencies and fees are paid, another \$41 is paid to file a Release petition. Aloha Estates charges \$50 in processing fees.

E mālama i ka'āina

Road Shoulder Maintenance By Tom Hoots

Hello to friends and neighbors. I want to share a topic that receives much debate at Road Committee meetings. The issue is maintaining the road shoulder adjacent to your parcels. Those who drive on the roads know that most parcels with homes are nicely maintained all the way up to the pavement. Thank you. Your neighbors appreciate your efforts to keep Aloha Estates well-presented. If you do not drive on the roads, you can look at GOOGLEMAPS.COM to observe that many parcels receive no upkeep. People familiar with our tropical environment know how quickly invasive plants encroach on land that is not kept up. Owners who do not live in Hawai'i would be shocked at the rapid growth of invasive vegetation. If not maintained with regularity, vegetation quickly overtakes everything, including roadways. Not only are overgrown roads unsightly, they present major obstacles to Emergency Response Vehicles. That is the major concern of the Road Committee. The Road Committee's first responsibility is to keep the roads safe. Due to the age of many of the roads, most of the road fee money is spent to repair pot-holes and broken pavement. Increasing road maintenance fees is something the Committee wishes to avoid. However, if overgrowth issues continue, increasing fees to pay for professional road shoulder maintenance is very likely. To that end, we humbly beseech all property owners to maintain the road shoulders adjacent to their parcels. Mahalo nui loa.
