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Happy New Year!

COVID Report

Due to the high numbers of COVID being reported, we are again canceling our union meetings for the month of January. The number of cases, as of this writing, is over 27,000 cases here in Hawaii and over 500,000 Nationwide. There is a 16.7% State positivity rate over a seven-day average. We do not want to be a spreader by having large gatherings such as our Union meetings.

Please continue to stay safe by not having or going to large gatherings, wearing a mask, and keep washing your hands.

Happenings in 2022

Work for 2022 still looks promising for construction. Spectrum will be hiring more Customer Service Representatives. Negotiations this year will be for Maui Spectrum members, Warehouse, and Mid-Pacific Teachers Association.

With the new reapportionment of the State of Hawaii this year, all State House and Senate Representatives will be up for election including the Governor and Lieutenant Governor's race. The counties will still run their elections accordingly.

Last thoughts

Mahalo to everyone that came out to our holiday gift card drive-thru event held on December 18, 2021. It was great seeing everyone (over 600 members Statewide) with their families so we could wish them a Happy Holidays. Gift cards were purchased to support local businesses such as City Mill, Highway Inn, Tanioka's, Foodland, etc.

Starting February 2022, the union will no longer accept cash for dues payments or merchandise sales. All payments and/or purchases, will be done by credit card or checks **ONLY**. A letter will be forthcoming to explain the reason for this policy change.

Since the pandemic began (March 2020), your Executive Board has been meeting, despite the cancellations of General Membership meetings. Since March 2020, all expenditures being done are sent to the International for approval by the International Vice President of the 9th District and the International President. **Reminder: You can look at the past minutes of the Executive Board since the Pandemic began in March of 2020.** To view minutes, call Dennis Kaloi, our Recording Secretary, to schedule a time for you to look at the minutes. When we can meet in the General Meeting again, we will take up all the minutes at one time for Membership Approval. Take the time to look through them, because they are over 22+ months of meeting minutes.

STAY SAFE BY STILL WEARING YOUR MASK, WASHING YOUR HANDS, STAY 6' APART, AND I HIGHLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO GET THE BOOSTER SHOT AS WELL AS THE FLU SHOT. DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN WHEN YOU ARE SOCIAL GATHERING WITH PEOPLE OUTSIDE YOUR BUBBLE.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D.K. Kim', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Damien T.K. Kim
Business Manager/Financial Secretary

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