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## LOT 1A IS KKN'S PROPERTY AT LAST!

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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#### **Lot 1A**

The last few months have been very eventful at Kihei Kai Nani. First, over 74% of the owners agreed to purchase Lot 1A! We only needed agreement from 67%. Five owners said no, the others abstained. DMI reports that over \$1,300,000 has been paid by owners, most paying the \$8,500 right away. Those who chose the \$4,250 option, or chose to pay long term, will pay the remaining \$200,000. We were able to secure a 7 year fixed loan at 3.9%. Coupons will be sent to those owners detailing their monthly payments. There is no pre-payment penalty for those who choose to pay off their share earlier.

We no longer have to worry about construction trucks tearing up our driveway and new condos being built. The driveway easement is no more. In addition, we have a our beautiful landscape barrier with our trees and plantings. Owners have already made suggestions about what to do with the additional area beyond it. We know it will be a topic of great importance and interest at the January 27, 2018 Owners' Meeting.

## Projects and Plans



Since January, Manager Johnson, and our staff have been doing upgrades and finishing projects such as tiling unit 118's lanai and driveway repairs. So far this year, we have had no major leaks in the



interior plumbing lines that have damaged our units in the past. This summer we plan to do the high risk component study to help prevent further leaks. We will also inspect the bottom units that have not been repaired for water leakage.



### May Walk Around

Owners were treated to a true KKN Aloha event at the May Walk Around. Johnny Johnson had arranged for our usual coffee and donuts to be accompanied by our intrepid staff, Kenny and Willie, performing Hawaiian songs. It was a special surprise when owner Janet Rineer arrived to contribute her lovely hula!

Who said pineapple is gone in Maui? We can now add pineapples to our other wonderful fruit trees - Mango, Bananas, Star Fruit and Papayas! What's next? Lilikoi and Avocados? A Lot 1A orchard??



The lawn has grown in under the Star Fruit tree since it was trimmed, and the stump from the fallen tree at building 3 was



removed. After the sewer replacement at building 13, the landscape was restored at the driveway end, and a hedge was planted along the small wall to prevent falls. Johnny Johnson also added a step in front of the surfboard storage container, to





make it safer for people to get their equipment. We also planted Forever around the new plumbing on the lawn in front of building 11 as a safety precaution, so people will not stumble over the wall in the dark.

The flowers in the planters outside the pool area are bountiful and beautiful!



The Jacaranda trees at building 7 are in full bloom and during a recent rain storm the flowers formed a beautiful purple carpet wherever they touched.



Be sure to contact Landscape Committee Chair Pat Hoskin with any suggestions you have for landscape improvements. Pat planted this beautiful native white hibiscus near building 8. It's the only hibiscus with a scent. Stop by and take a sniff!

### **Office Roof**

The Board had planned to replace the office roof this summer as termite and roof tile damage was extensive, but further investigation by an engineer revealed that we needed to do much more, so the Board has put off the repairs until Summer 2018. A committee has been formed to work on plans.



### **Website**

Our current website is outdated, difficult to maintain, and prone to security issues. The Board voted to update the website to be easily viewed and navigated on a phone or tablet. The new website will be much more user friendly. Every effort will be made to maintain branding of the KKN identity and logo. Board member Wayne Braid will oversee the changes. Once it is completed, it will be much easier for the Board or our Manager to post new items, photos, and notices and to delete outdated and old information. We hope to

reorganize information so it will be easier to find. We will also try to establish a section that will alert owners to new information as it occurs. Our website is: [www.kknaoao.com](http://www.kknaoao.com)

## Kamaole Grand Update

On April 25, the Maui Planning Commission heard Kamaole Grand's request for a Special Management Area (SMA) use permit for a \$90 million, 217-condominium unit project. This development will be on the 8.39 acre vacant lot north of our property, behind the Kamaole Shopping Center. Plans call for seven 2 and 3 bedroom 4 story buildings, surrounding a recreation center and pool, with a driveway around the edge of the property. The buildings will be 45 feet from our north border with a road and parking spaces against the fence between our properties. KG's major access point will be mauka of the project at Liloa Drive, with a makai access at South Kihei Road. A group of Kihei Kai Nani owners attended the hearing to present our concerns about: 1)



the hearing to present our concerns about: 1) additional flooding since past developers changed the ground configuration by building up the back elevation; 2) new blasting during installation of utilities; and 3) the increase of traffic, especially on South Kihei Road. We also requested a more substantial fence or wall to prevent flooding and car lights from shining into our units. Royal Mauian owners were also there and filed an intervention complaint. Their complaint detailed additional traffic and flooding danger, but the Commission

determined that their complaints were the same as the community at large, and not just pertinent to their condominium complex. After a full day of testimony, the planning Commission approved the SMA with two conditions: Permanent restriction on short term rentals and Electronic monitoring of drainage run off during construction. One commissioner did request the developer to use a fencing material other than vinyl, but the developer said it was too expensive, so we'll probably have vinyl fencing on our north border. The development will have to undergo more hurdles before they have a completed plan, so it's unlikely anything will happen soon. We will make sure KKN is represented at any future hearings.

**Aloha,  
Ethel Belway, President  
New House Rules**

1. No noisy renovation work may take place on Sundays, Thanksgiving Eve and Day, Christmas Eve and Day, New Year's Eve and Day and all other holidays in which the KKN office is closed. This includes Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Kamahamaha Day and Veteran's Day.
2. Tile cutting, sawing and other loud renovation work must be done WITHIN the condo being worked on. It may not be done on the lanai or on the grass outside the unit without manager's permission.
3. All firearms, air guns, cross bows and similar destructive devices must be cased or disarmed when in common areas; nor may any cleaning and repairs of said items be done in common areas
4. Owners must comply with office guidelines regarding installation of all window AC including portable window ACs. Rusty, leaky and noisy window AC's must be replaced.



**Reminder to owners:** The House Rules state that all window coverings must appear white or off white on the side facing the exterior. (Some owners are not in compliance and will be notified to make the needed changes.)

**Please remember that after 1 warning, non-compliance with the House Rules can lead to a fine of up to \$50 per day for violation of the rule.**

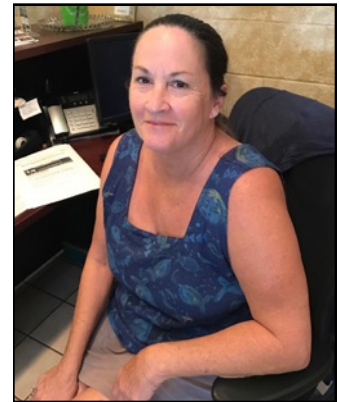


### **Hit And Run Damage On Building 10 Handrail**

Last month owners were stunned by a loud noise coming from the parking lot next to the stairway railing at building 10. A driver literally climbed the curb and smashed into our rail. The driver left, but not before an owner photographed the car and got the license number. Our Manager filed a police report the next morning. Mahalo to our owner for taking quick action!

### **New Weekend Office Staff**

Please welcome Carrie Cornwell, our new weekend office receptionist, when you are next at KKN. Carrie moved with her family to Maui in 1974 and graduated from Lahainaluna High School in 1976. She continued her education in Maui and has worked in both elementary and pre-schools. Carrie is married and has raised 2 children. She is also a grandmother of 2. She feels blessed to live on Maui and enjoys our beaches, hiking and camping. She is happy to be working at Kihei Kai Nani.



### **Maui News Article (6.21.17)**

#### **Excerpt and Summary of Ben Lowenthal's article: Did the Spanish Get to Hawaii before Cook?**

"The official first European to make contact with Native Hawaiians was Captain James Cook of England in 1778. But not everyone agrees that it's true. Centuries before Cook, Spanish explorers were stumbling upon Pacific islands.

Magellan's voyage through the Pacific began the Spanish domination of the high seas. The Spanish trade route . . . started at the port of Acapulco and moved west along the Equator (and south of Hawaii) all the way to Manila. To get back, galleons went north through Guam and the Marianas and across the ocean back to Mexico.

Hawaii is in the middle of this trade route. How could they miss it? Spanish ships were the first Europeans to reach far-off places like Pitcairn Island, Vanuatu and the Marquesas Islands just to the west of Hawaii. . . . Many theorize that the Spanish were, in fact, the first Europeans to reach Hawaii, but kept it to themselves. They were in tight competition with



Portuguese and Dutch explorers. The route from Mexico to the Philippines was top secret. When Cook reached Kauai and began trade with the Hawaiians, he was surprised to find the locals had bits of iron. They were happy the English were willing to trade iron nails for food. So how did the iron get there? Some hypothesize that nails were fastened to pieces of driftwood, but others point to it as proof Cook was not the first European to arrive.

There's a legend that, long before Kamehameha united the islands, a strange foreign vessel was wrecked on the rocky coast of south Kona on the Big Island. Tradition says that the captain and his sister were the sole survivors. On the beach, they kneeled in silence for a long time before standing up right and meeting the local people. The place where they knelt was christened Kulou (which means bowing or kneeling) and it remains the name to this day. The captain and his sister were white and were welcomed by Native Hawaiians. They intermarried and their descendants became chiefs in their own right. Were these shipwrecked Spaniards? Some think so.

In the 1590s, a fleet of ships set out west from Mexico bound for Indonesia to gather spices. Near the proximity of Hawaii, all but one were lost in a storm. Perhaps the visitors who landed in Kona were in fact Spanish survivors kneeling at the beach to thank their God for making it to shore. But the most definitive proof of Spanish sailors in Hawaii are the Italian and Spanish maps from the 1500s and 1600s, long before Cook set out from Portsmouth, showing islands in the vicinity of Hawaii. It was believed that they depicted the Big Island, Maui and the smaller islands of Maui County.

And so there is some proof . . . that the Spanish got here first. But until we find a sunken galleon full of Mexican or Peruvian gold. . . off the coast, we will still credit Cook."

## Community News

### Rescue Tubes

The Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea has installed 28 rescue tubes at beaches across South Maui. It's hoped they will prevent future drownings. South Maui waters have accounted for more than a quarter of drownings on the Island over the past decade. Many visitors assume there is no danger in the ocean, yet more than half of the drownings happen while snorkeling.

The bright "banana-yellow" cylinders are approximately 50 inches long and can keep three adults afloat. They will be placed every 300 feet starting at Kalama Beach Park's north end to Cove Park, Charley Young Beach and all 3 Kamaole



Beach Parks. The tubes, bought from the Rescue Foundation on Kauai, will be installed at the high water mark Mauka of the vegetation line. They will be mounted on tall poles stopped with a yellow flag and a number affixed to indicate their GPS location. The numbers will be on file with 911 operators.

The tubes will never fulfill the role of a lifeguard, but they provide an essential resource when lifeguards are away, and hopefully, they'll prevent a "double drowning" - a situation where the rescuer drowns along with the victim.



### **Iao Valley State Monument to Reopen in Mid-July**

The good news for everyone is that our beautiful Iao Valley State Monument and trails should be reopened by mid July. They have been closed for repairs since the devastating storm and flood last September. Damage was extensive and many changes had to be made as the park was restored. The Kepaniwai Park is already open for visitors.

### **Waihee Ridge Trail Reopened for Hikers**

Adventure enthusiasts in Maui have another reason to celebrate as the Waihee Ridge trail is now open for hiking. What makes the Waihee Ridge trail so popular with hikers is its 1,500-foot elevation gain along 2.5 miles to the top. The trail provides views of the Waihee Gorge on one side and on the other side, Makamakaole Gulch and the Pacific Ocean. On a clear day, the Central Maui Plain is visible to the top of Haleakala. With the reopening of the Waihee trail, people of Maui can enjoy hiking and breathtaking





views of the whole county.

## Maui Sunsets to Remember

### Important Dates

July 4: Independence Day - Office closed

Sept 4: Labor Day - Office closed

October 3: 9:00 AM KKN Walk around

October 4: 9:00 AM KKN Board Meeting

November 10: Veterans Day - Office Closed

November 23: Thanksgiving - Office Closed

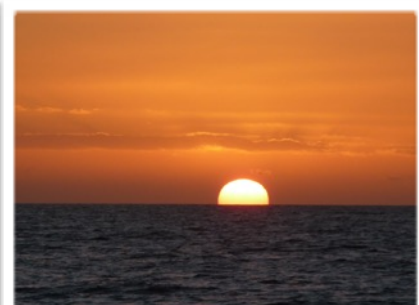
December 25: Christmas Day - Office Closed

January 1: New Year's Day -Office Closed

January 23: 9:00 AM KKN Walk around

January 24: 9:00 AM KKN Board Meeting

January 27: 9:00 AM KKN Owner's Meeting



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