

# **NEWSLETTER March 2018**



## **ALOHA, NEIGHBORS!**

#### **NEW BRIDGE**

"It's a big-deal happy day for hundreds and hundreds, maybe even thousands of motorists traveling in and out of Kihei every day . . . Yahoo!" said Mary Lawrence in an email. The road had been shut down since August to put in the new culvert bridge, a \$1.9 million county project. The work was blamed for increased traffic congestion

in South Maui.

The new culvert bridge is on South Kihei Road near Sugar Beach in Kihei. The bridge's opening made an immediate impact on lessening the backup of Kiheibound rush-hour traffic on North Kihei Road.

## **VISITOR SPENDING BREAKS RECORDS IN JANUARY 2018**

- On Maui, visitor spending rose significantly in January, up 18% to \$548.5 million, the highest monthly total ever recorded.
- The record-breaking numbers were boosted by growth a 5% increase in visitor days and higher average daily spending (+12% to \$253 per person).
- Arrivals on Maui increased 5.6% to 230,581 with more visitors from US West (+14.3%), Canada (+7.8%), and US East (+5%), but fewer visitors from Japan (-2.3%).
- The average number of visitors on any given day on Maui in January increased 5.3% to 69.808 visitors.



## **GRAND CASTLE IN THE SAND**

**February 22, 2018** 

Scott Dodson and fiancée Terri Robinson of Cour d'Alene, Idaho, have a lot to show for 8 hours of work at Kamole I Beach Park in Kihei on Wednesday afternoon. Some of the sand sculptures Dodson makes back home are "off the beach" and made to last months and even years.

#### **FUNFACT: LEGEND OF A DEMIGOD**



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One of the most well-known facts about Maui is its connection to a legend about a demigod named Maui.

According to legend, the Polynesian demigod Maui was the youngest in a family of demigods.

He was nicknamed the "discoverer of fire."

Legend says Maui pulled the Hawaiian Islands in from the sea and lassoed the sun on the volcano Haleakala.



# OUR PAT HOSKINS LOVINGLY RESTORES ORCHIDS!

Rather than throw them out, people give their old orchids to Pat . . . and she rescues them!

At left are orchids she has transplanted to the wall of the water pumphouse, up by building # 8.

## **MARCH SNOW ON HALEAKALA???**



Yes, for the first time in many years!



These are cars of tourists visiting the snow-clad elevation.



Warmly dressed residents enjoyed creating snowpersons!



Newspapers were excited

to write about the snowfall!

## KIHEI KAI NANI SITE MANAGER'S REPORT

## **January 18 to March 18, 2018**

This is a partial list of projects and repairs that have been done over the past 2 months.

- 1. We have changed all the ground and building lights (except for the unit-entry lights) to an LED light bulb. I bought those bulbs at Costco for about 50 cents each. They should last between 4 and 5 years. I have purchased enough to replace all entryway lights when the proper fixture is approved.
- 2. Have replaced several of the old mushroom path-lights because many of the old ones were broken.
- **3.** We have repaired the major ground-light shortage to the building lights in building # 2.
- **4.** I have installed the Electrical for the two new laundry room dryers; the dryers have been installed.
- 5. Two more dryers will be installed this month.
- 6. We have put the new surfboard storage together and moved the other unit up to building # 9.
- 7. We have changed some of the recycling containers to a larger one; the containers are still being cared for by the staff.
- **8.** We have replaced the burners of three of the BarBQs because they were rusted out.
- **9.** I have replaced two more wooden-bar BarBQ benches with new plastic benches.



## **LET THERE BE LED LIGHT!**

From Johnny Johnson, Site Manager

This is the new light fixture I put up between units 233 and 232.

It was the one most of the Board picked out for the stairway lights.

If there are no complaints about it, I will order the rest of the stairway fixtures; they cost about \$20 each.

## LANDSCAPE UPDATE

## Here were our Challenges!





# Thank you

Mike Rineer, Barry Ewing, Ralph Kopp, Donna Awe, Cindy and Jeff Kern for your outstanding volunteer achievements on behalf of us all!





## THE WONDERFUL RESULTS!!!

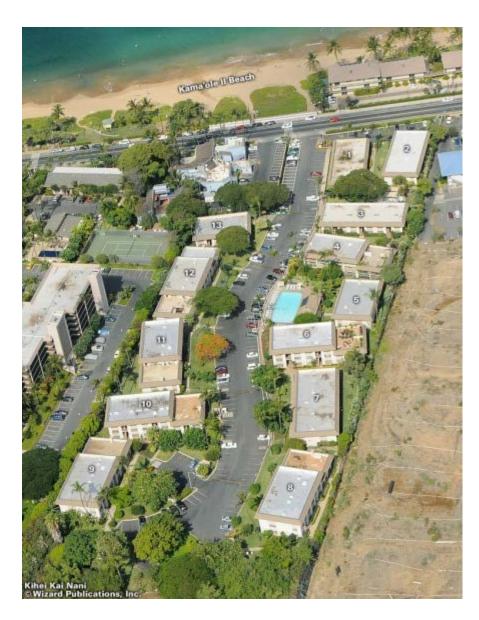


## "WALK AROUND" WITH JOHNNY AND PAT

Prior to every Board meeting, our Property Manager takes all owners who are interested on a "walk around" of the property.

At the most recent meeting, we had a large turnout for the tour (24 in all), led by Property Manager Johnny Johnson and Board member Pat Hoskins, Chair of the Landscape Committee.





KIHEI KAI NANI TOUR AREA

#### **SMOKING ON PROPERTY**

The Association has received multiple complaints from both owners and guests that smoke or the smell of smoke migrates into adjoining and adjacent units when people smoke inside the units. That constitutes a nuisance, interfering with other unit owners' peaceful enjoyment of the property, as well as being a health hazard.

In addition, owners who advertise their units as nonsmoking have lost guests as a result. In addition, unfortunately some guests don't abide by the designated smoking area requirement and smoke on the sidewalks and in the driveway.

- When registering, guests will now be required to sign a statement in the
  office that they understand smoking is permitted only in the designated
  areas. They will be warned that if they don't abide by that House Rule,
  they or the owner of their unit will be fined \$50 for each violation.
- At the Annual Owners meeting January 27, 2018, owners approved a proposal to amend the Association's Bylaws prohibiting smoking within the units.

That is in keeping with the 2007 state of Hawaii Attorney General's office opinion stating that condominium projects may ban smoking in units. The AOAO already prohibits smoking in common element areas pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statues 328J-3. The Association now seeks approval of the ownership to ban smoking inside the units.

Smoking will continue to be permitted in two designated smoking areas on the property as a courtesy to our owners and guests who smoke.

The ballot was sent out February 28, 2018, by DMI to your email or by USPS if you did not supply your email.

We request that you vote on the proposal by returning your signed Written Consent form as soon as possible via fax, email, or USPS.

For this Bylaw amendment to pass, 67% of the owners must approve the proposal.

## February 12, 2018

Re. Proposed Bylaw Smoking Ban

At the January 24, 2018, meeting Annual Owners meeting it was approved to propose to the owners an amendment to the Association's Bylaws prohibiting smoking throughout the project, including the owners' lanais.

While the Board may prohibit smoking in common elements pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes 328J-3, the Association seeks approval of the ownership to ban smoking in the units.

The Association has received multiple complaints that the smoke or the smell of smoke migrates into adjoining and adjacent units when people smoke in the units. This constitutes a nuisance interfering with other unit owners' peaceful enjoyment of the property.

For the Bylaw amendment to pass, 67% of the common interest percentage must approve the proposed change.

Smoking would be permitted in designated areas only.

You are requested to vote on this proposal by returning your signed Written Consent form ASAP by way of fax, email, or USPS. This information is on the attached ballot.

### ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF A SMOKING BAN

In 2006, the Hawaii legislature enacted law to create fair and consistent statewide protection for the health of people who do not want to be subjected to secondhand smoke. The legislature found that research demonstrated heightened health dangers to those exposed to secondhand smoke.

The State of Hawaii Department of the Attorney General has determined that secondhand smoke may unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of other units at a condominium project.

The State and Maui County laws already prohibit smoking in enclosed and partially enclosed areas of the common elements, so that is mandatory. Also many communities and hotels are now instituting smoking bans.

The smoking ban will benefit the Association members in a number of respects.

- The dangers of secondhand smoke are indisputable. Eliminating smoking not only makes economic sense, it addresses the legitimate health concerns of many people.
- Prohibiting smoking on the property will limit expenses for the Association and its members by reducing the need to clean ash trays, remove cigarette butts, and deal with damage and odors to the common elements and units.
- Prohibiting smoking in units will reduce the risk of fires. According to the National Fire Incident Reporting System in 2002, approximately 9% of all fires in the United States are caused by smoking. Although the risk of a fire is relatively low, a 9% reduction in the risk is significant, particularly when you consider the cost and impact of a fire.

Once again, please vote on this proposal by returning your signed Written Consent form **no later than April 16, 2018,** as instructed on the ballot on the next page.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors
THE ASSOCIATION OF APARTMENT OWNERS OF KIHEI KAI NANI

## THE BALLOT FOR WRITTEN CONSENT

# OWNER APPROVAL Authorization to amend the Bylaws as follows.

Smoking shall be prohibited in all condominium units including lanais and common elements including but not limited to in and on all stairways, stairway landings, entries, and walkways. Smoking means the inhaling or exhaling the fumes of tobacco, electric cigarettes, or any other plant materials or burning or carrying any lighted smoking equipment for tobacco, electric cigarettes, or any other plant material. There will still be designated smoking areas on the property for those who do smoke, but they will be the only areas that smoking is permitted on the property.

## Please check one box only, either FOR or AGAINST the proposal . . . and sign at the end of this ballot.

IN FAVOR OF APPROVAL (Check this box i	f you wish to approve the Bylaw Amendment.)
☐ FOR  AGAINST APPROVAL (Check this box if you	u do not wish to approve the Bylaw Amendment.)
☐ AGAINST  PRINTED NAMES(S) OF OWNER(S):	SIGNATURE(S) OF OWNER(S)
APT. NO:	DATE SIGNED:

(Please complete a separate ballot for each apartment you own.)

PLEASE COMPLETE AND FAX, MAIL, OR EMAIL THIS BALLOT BY OR BEFORE APRIL 16, 2018.

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