

WALA'AU TIME

Edition 1

August, 2009

Welcome everyone to the Hui 'O Hawai'i of Yuma's newsletter!
This is our first and we are planning many more to come!

Pelekikena's Message.....

Aloha Kakou!

It is with joy that I greet you as your president. This will be an exciting year for our Hui 'O Hawai'i of Yuma. With the beginning of this new year we would like to see more of our members having a great time learning our Hawaiian culture and understanding the meanings of the Hawaiian traditions.

With new committee chairmen we hope that our Hu'i O Hawai'i will be more outgoing in our community as well as with our members. We are looking forward to an exciting adventure with our hula and also time to enjoy each other's company. Let's get to know each other and our families.

If you have any ideas that you would like to have our Hui be involved in, please let us know and if you would like to contribute any special talent give us a call.

A hui ho,

Iris Heick

President - Hui 'O Hawai'i of Yuma



Hui 'O Hawai'i of Yuma was organized in 2006 as a non-profit, social club for Hawaiians and all others interested in Hawaii. The Hui seeks to continually promote the Hawaiian culture and provide social activities in the "Spirit of Aloha" (Spirit of Love).

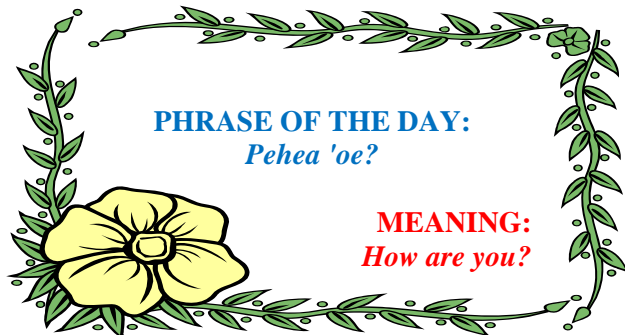
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The Hui would like to welcome and congratulate our new directors and officers. Everyone is excited and our prayers and good wishes go out to each and every one of you. The Hui 'O Hawai'i of Yuma Ohana would like to extend our blessings upon all of you, may you have a prosperous and loving term full of fun and camaraderie.



Do the Hula

Aloha.....

Summer is almost pau (finished) and hula practice is starting to pick up! This year, we decided not to take off the entire summer and started planning on what hulas to learn for our upcoming performances this year. We have been doing the same hulas for a while and need something fresh. Each year brings new ideas!

The Gracious Ladies (guess which ones we are!) have started to learn "Pua Lililehua". We just love those old songs.....The Hot Wahines have been learning some hulas that Pua, Lynsey & Christine learned at the Hula Conference last year. They have "homework assignments" so that teaching new hulas is spread out to everyone.....The Beginners are learning "Kapua E" and will be learning "Nani Waiialeale" soon..... "Kilakila 'o Haleakala" & "Holoholo Ka'a" are in the works for the Kane, and the Keiki will be learning "Puka Puka Pants", "One Paddle, Two Paddle", and "That's the Hawaiian In Me"!

We have some new "couple" hulas this year also, so we can't wait to show them off!!.....And of course..... there are special Christmas hulas that we'll do for our Christmas show

If any of the club members are interested in dancing, please call me at 581-4458 or email me at hawainmom@aol.com.

Aloha

Auntie Cathy AhYo



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- October 24 Elks Club Luau
- November 7 Children's Faire
- December 12 Christmas Performance
- January 24 Sun Vista RV Park
- February 27 Hui Luau
- March 13-14 Phoenix Aloha Festival



Annual membership fees are due now....

Please mail them to:

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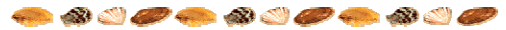


KILAUEA VOLCANO

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

A Home to the Goddess of Fire

The Goddess Pele the lady with the unpredictable, volcanic personality. She often appears either as an old woman or a young girl. There are many stories of sightings before volcanic eruptions. Island lore tells that the power of the goddess extends beyond the shores of Hawaii. The fire that resulted from the 1906 earthquake that destroyed much of San Francisco was said to have had the unmistakable brand of Pele. Pele is a goddess who is still actively worshipped today. Note the offerings on the rim of the crater when you visit Kilauea Volcano.



You Know Someone Is From Hawaii if...

They have a separate circuit breaker for their rice cooker.

Only NOW they know that cilantro is the same as Chinese parsley.

They measure the water for the rice by the knuckle of their index finger.

The condiments at the table are shoyu, ketchup, chili peppah watah, and kimchee. Also, takuwan, Hawaiian salt, slice onion, and pickle onion.

They think the four food groups are starch (rice), Spam, fried food, and fruit punch.

They sometimes use their open car door for a dressing room.

They wear two different color slippers together and they don't mind.

Nice clothes means a T-shirt without a puka.

They are barefoot in most of their elementary school pictures.

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