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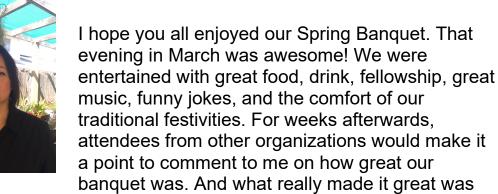
CEP Celebration July 5, 2024 Friday 5PM

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Condolences & Prayers Henry Loo



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



your support and participation! When Kung Sheong Doo turns out in full force, great things are bound to happen.

Lately, I have been noticing an inclination among the Chinese societies to want to reach out to each other. We all share the same vision. To perpetuate Chinese culture and traditions and to educate the younger generation to be aware of their heritage. Being Chinese today is fraught with new and different challenges. There is strength in numbers and the more we participate, not only will we be stronger as a community, but we can also have more fun.

I think we are all looking for ways to encourage our young people to interact and participate with each other in an effort to build a vibrant community that will persevere through the challenging times that we live in. The Chinese Chamber of Commerce has a group of really cool "Young Professionals" and United Chinese Society has a "NexGen" group of young people. Check out the NexGen "Dumpling Folding and Storytelling" event on Saturday 6/29/24 in this newsletter.

Cheers! Liane Fu, President

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### **Kung Sheong Doo's Spring Banquet**

The 94th annual Kung Sheong Doo Society's banquet celebrating the year of the Dragon, was a huge success! It was held on March 16, 2024, at Jade Dynasty and Seafood Restaurant. There were 28 tables sold this year and it was packed with members of KSD and guests, fun, food, prizes, and music. Past President, Lance Luke, was our emcee and he also sang with the beautiful sounds of the band, "Kolea." It began with the Chinese Lion Dance celebrating the newly elected President and Vice President, Liane Fu, and Christy Aiwohi. Over 25 prizes were given out throughout the evening with the help of Kaila Aiwohi-McKee and Mia Lum, who earned credits for their participation in the Cultural Education Program. Assisting with our delicious pupu and drinks bar were Colin Nakashima, Kanoe Bush, Haylie Oshiro, and Carson Fu. Past President Wesley Mun, made a special sushi platter that was so tasty, it was gone as fast as it came in. Many other Chinese societies and guests enjoyed the dinner. It ended with a special song led by Lance Luke, "You are my Sunshine". And then it was time to go! Next year's event will be the 95th year so be sure to watch for the next invitation to buy seats or a table. You will not want to miss it!







## **Kung Sheong Doo's "Living Treasure"**

### 恭喜恭喜 Vivian Loo

At the Chung Shan Society's annual banquet on March 2, KSD's Internal Auditor and past president Vivian Loo was honored with a lifetime achievement award for her decades of selfless work for the See Sai Doo, Chung Shan, and Kung Sheong Doo Society. Although Vivian is a native member of the See Dai Doo society, she dedicated decades of service to our society because her husband, the late Henry Loo, was a member and president of Kung Sheong Doo. Congratulations, and mahalo nui loa to Vivian Loo.

### General Membership Meeting Sunday June 9, 2024 11AM Harbor Village

At this meeting we will conduct our standard business. We look forward to your fellowship and participation with lunch to follow.

Please send your RSVP to <a href="kungsheongdoo@gmail.com">kungsheongdoo@gmail.com</a> and mail in a payment of \$10 per member (refundable upon attendance) and \$25 per nonmember (nonrefundable) by June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please include the names of all the attendees covered by your check so that we can verify guests with our membership lists. Please arrive early to allow time for check-in, return of your payment, and the seating of your party. The first to come will be the first to be seated. Space is limited to 9 tables.

### **The Youth Cultural Education Program**

The 4<sup>TH</sup> OF July Cultural Education Program Celebration will be held on July 5th at 5 pm via Zoom (**Zoom Meeting 423 785 4504 password 185628**)

All KSD members are invited to attend this program. Since this is not a "lunch" meeting, registration via email is not necessary. KSD's CEP Scholars will be presenting a cooking program about "Rice". Participation/attendance at this program will count towards the attendance requirement of a "member in good standing,." in lieu of attending the in-person June 9<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting.

KSD youths are also invited to attend. They will be able to earn a \$25 award for attending and a \$50 award by presenting a piece about rice. Please register with Wes Mun (youths presenting) at <a href="mailto:pokefish808@gmail.com">pokefish808@gmail.com</a> to assist in coordinating the program.

# KSD Annual Summer Picnic August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

The KSD 2024 annual picnic will be held on Sunday August 11, 2024, from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Ala Moana Park, picnic area #14. (Same place as previous years) Please join us for fun, fellowship, food, and games. You may choose from either a Young's Market Hawaiian plate lunch or a pizza and salad lunch. Please send your RSVP/payment to <a href="mailto:kungsheongdoo@gmail.com">kungsheongdoo@gmail.com</a> by August 5th. Please mail in a payment of \$10 per member (refundable upon attendance) and \$15 per nonmember (nonrefundable). Indicate your choice of lunch.

Besides the many prizes everyone will win, ice cold watermelon and root beer floats will be served. Bring your appetites and a big bag for prizes. Come early for parking and participate in the vegetable/snack mad dash free for all starting at 10:00 am. Youth and Scholar volunteers needed.





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# **The Performing Arts Program (PAP)**

Are you taking music, dance, or other performing arts lessons? KSD's Performing Arts Program will provide you with a tuition award. All participants must meet the "Member in Good Standing" criteria (participants' attendance at a minimum of 50% of KSD functions) in the year preceding and during the enrollment year. You will be required to assist at the Palolo Christmas Caroling event and provide an additional performance (maybe videotaped) or presentation to the KSD membership. Please contact the committee at Kungsheongdoo@gmail.com for an application.

### **New Members**

Michelle Nakatsuka Demi Jade Aiwohi-Kaimana - Granddaughter of KSD Vice President, Christy Aiwohi

We encourage all members to update their contact information, i.e. change of name, address, phone number, birthdate and especially their email address. This will ensure that all members are informed of our activities. Please send updated information to <a href="mailto:KungSheongDoo@gmail.com">KungSheongDoo@gmail.com</a>, Attention: Chinese Secretary.

# United Chinese Society Announcements: Ala Moana Chinese Acid Attack Victim Go Fund Me Page:

United Chinese Society joins the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii and is asking for your support regarding the chemical attack victim's situation. She needs our support urgently during this challenging time.

Please click the link below for more information and to make donations https://www.gofundme.com/help-needed-for-a-chemical-attack-victim

### **UCS NextGen Dumpling Folding and Story Telling Event**

The United Chinese Society warmly extends you a special invitation to attend the UCS NexGen Dumpling Folding and Story Telling Event. This unique initiative aims to foster young leadership, celebrate our cultural heritage, and build a supportive community.

When: Saturday, June 29, 2024

Time: <u>12:30pm</u>

Place: UCS Society Hall, 42 N King St, Honolulu, HI 96817 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

"As you probably recognize in our community, the keyholders of our cultural heritage, the old family recipes, the dances and music, the artforms, the practices that remind us of our grandparents are held with them. We hope this program can be a platform used to gift all that information to us, the Next Generation"

\*\*RSVP:\*\* Limited to first 20 responses to ucshicom@gmail.com, no later than June 15, 2024

