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Mei 2k14*

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Editor: *Kalimapau*



A Honolulu Star-Bulletin article in 1962 reads:

Wahiawa Hawaiian Club Sees Data on 12th Century Heiau...

A project of immense proportions has been undertaken by the Wahiawā Hawaiian Civic Club – the clearing and maintenance of the heiau at Kūkaniloko...Saturday, Aug. 25, for the first scheduled clean up. At the present time the area is completely overgrown with tall weeds and Hilo grass, hiding from view rock formations and location of the sacred birthstone...

Photo: Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā members Thomas Lopez and Marie Ruane, co-chairs of the Kūkaniloko clean-up committee...



That article was written over 52 years ago. The Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā (HCCW) was then newly formed by Cardinal Kuhio Thomas (L) and Mary Kapai Keli'ikipi Thomas [R with Lurline Thomas (Lee) sitting] on November 10, 1960. They, and thirty others, were members of the Waialua Hawaiian Civic Club (WHCC). Circumstances supported their separation from WHCC in order to better serve their own community of Wahiawā...eō



Focus, integrity and commitment set the foundations of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā of today. In 53 years the Club has experienced over 325 members who brought with them more than 150 guests who showed interest in our mission – to inspire, educate, and encourage all things Hawaiian, seen and unseen; while together we chose "to guard the *kapu* of Kūkaniloko because we love them for all time..." Protection of our *pae 'āina, iwikipupuna, kupuna ma, and na'ōpio* are foremost on our agenda. Second, third and fourth generation descendants of the original founding and charter members continue to support their forefathers as Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā members today.

In the early 1970's, The Friends of Kūkaniloko, rooted in the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā, were instrumental in working together to have Kūkaniloko Birthstones State Monument protected by international law. In 1997, the Hawai'i State Parks Division entered into a ten year Curatorship Agreement with The Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā and The Friends of Kūkaniloko. In 2014, HCCW's maintenance and care of Kūkaniloko Birthstones State Monument and site interpretation of the 36,000 acres of kalana Kūkaniloko continues. Currently in process is the HCCW/OHA Stewardship of Kūkaniloko Proposal.

As we begin the next 50 years of service to Wahiawā and her surrounding communities, The Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā, The Friends of Kūkaniloko and Na Wahine O Kunia now have a global community of members and friends. Continued perpetual access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā as we have at present, is status quo in the maintenance and care of kalana Kūkaniloko. Our vision: *kulanui o Kūkaniloko, hale io, reforestation, restoration of kapaahuawa a me waihou hoolonopahu.* Our milestones and goals: perpetual maintenance and care *mea ola kanaka mauili o kalana Kūkaniloko e kūka'awe i nā kapu o Kūkaniloko no ka mea aloha no ho'i kākou ia lākou i nā kau a kau..."*

Through diligence, individually and collectively, Kūkaniloko is revealed. Her face is known and can be seen. Her story can be told again and again. The intensity of those who care for her is instilled in those who come to listen so they can see; and they come from around the world. Desire to feel her warmth; taste the rains that cleanse her; smell the invigorating crisp winds that caress her; see her majesty; and embrace her noble history of which we each are proud descendants; families of the land "to guard the kapu of Kūkaniloko because we love them for all time..." This is *Aloha*, the greatest truth of all...by *Kalimapau 2k14*

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Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā Preamble

We, the people of Hawaiian ancestry, do have certain moral, social, civic and educational responsibilities within our communities which we must uphold. As a club and as an individual, we must promote goodwill and understanding among our own people, without prejudice or discrimination, to work for the good of all.

Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā Officers 1960-1964

	1960-1961	1961-1962	1962-1963	1963-1964
PRESIDENT	Gulstan Poepoe	Gulstan Poepoe	Gulstan Poepoe	England Luke
VICE PRESIDENT	Walter N.P. Kim	England Luke	England Luke	Ruth Kaneakua
SECRETARY	Martha Helenihi	Rose Poepoe	Rose Poepoe	Pauline Newman
TREASURER	Lurline Lee	Lurline Lee	Roselani Kauhane	Roselani Kauhane
AUDITOR	Virginia Cruz	Ruth Kaneakua	Ruth Kaneakua	Rose Poepoe
HISTORIAN	Dolores Paahana	Dolores Paahana	Christine Dowson	Christine Dowson
CHAPLAIN	Ferry Kim	James Poe	James Poe	Frances Keao

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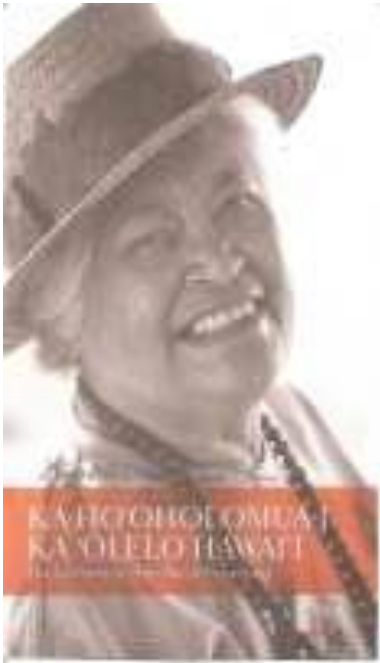


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Mrs. Lee, our Kupuna Covergirl

Lurline Hinano (Thomas) Lee...We dearly miss her *mana`o*, smile and respected presence. Mrs. Lee was *Pelekikena* of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā for more than 25 years [1984-2009] and a Charter Member for 48 years. The Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā was established on November 10, 1960 by founders: Cardinal and Mary Thomas, the esteemed parents of HCCW Members: Roselia Poepoe of Wahiawā, Barbara Pua'a of Waimanalo, the late Lurline Hinano Lee of Wahiawā, the late Loretta Hera of Lana'i, the late Cardinal Thomas Jr. and the late Herman "Bully" Thomas. Mrs. Lee spent 20 years as an English teacher, retired from Leilehua High School, then went on to teach for 10 more years as Kupuna at Mililani Waena Elementary. We honor her legacy of "education as a priority" with the **HCCW Lurline Hinano Lee Scholarship**. We continue to *malama`āina* our *kuleana* of Wahiawā and her surrounding communities, *wahi pana*, and *wahi kapu, piko o Kukaniloko*.

Me kealoha pumehana a pau loa Mrs. Lee "...because we love them for all time..."

*We'll see you in the sunlight and feel you in the rain
 We honor your legacy; it shall not be left in vain
 Aloha ke Kupuna, your spirit lives within*

Because of you, we stand proud and know: We are Hawaiian...by Kalimapau 2k9



Honoring Pelekikena Lurline Hinano (Thomas) Lee

January 28, 1933 - June 3rd, 2009

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HCCW Kakau 'Ōlelo (Secretary) 1962



HCCW Installation of Officers 1963



Kupuna Roselia at mo'opuna's Graduation 2014

Mahalo iā Kupuna Roselia Poepoe, Founding and Charter Member of 54 years... E ola nō... This line has been a part of the HCCW 'Ano'ai Newsletter ribbon since the June issue of 2k9. At that time there were five living Founding and Charter members. Kupuna Roselia Poepoe is the last of them. She is 2nd generation, first born daughter of Cardinal and Mary Thomas. From the beginning, Kupuna Roselia Poepoe has held numerous HCCW Offices throughout the years. The last meeting she attended with Kupuna Gulstan Poepoe was on February 11, 2004 at the Wahiawā Police Station Conference Room. She is honored as our *Lifetime Kupuna Lālā 'Ōiwi of the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā...We love you much as you are precious Kupuna Aunty Roselia Poepoe...eō*

These third and fourth generation members continue the kuleana of a legacy... Today in 2014, spanning 54 years of dedication to the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā, membership continues for the Thomas 'Āina. Pictured here with Mrs. Lee, are *nālālā 'ōiwi* 4th generation siblings Alika, Krystal-Lee and Kristina Tabangcura (standing), with their mom, Mamo, 3rd generation *lālā 'ōiwi* (sitting). Also included are dad, Ben Tabangcura and 5th generation *mo'opuna*. This year Krystal-Lee begins her second term as HCCW Kakau 'Ōlelo (Secretary). We, the Hawaiian Civic Club of Wahiawā honor our founding fathers as we continue their legacy to "guard the kapu of Kūkaniloko because we love them for all time..." *e kūka'awe in nā kapu o kūkaniloko no ka mea aloha no ho'i kākou ia lākou nā kau a kau...eō*



Next monthly meeting this week, Wednesday, June 11, 2014, Kamehameha Day Holiday...Join us for the Installation of Officers and bring your favorite potluck recipe for dinner...Wahiawa Police Station Conference Room at 330 N. Cane Street at 7 pm until pau. Bring your ukulele for kanikapila...