



Newsletter

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President's Message

The HPRA directors have recently been discussing, both informally and at meetings, the importance of our mission statement and the basis of what it states.

The Honolulu Police Relief Association is committed to providing support to its members and to foster the spirit of `Ohana.

*You may not remember what someone says or does,
But you'll never forget about how they made you feel.
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Back in 1932, the same year that the Honolulu Police Department was founded, a group of dedicated individuals stepped forward to provide a service that was unavailable to officers at the time. As most of you know, this group created HPRA and was able to provide life insurance for the officers and their families. I am sure that those officers never forgot how it felt to have that kind of support during a time of need.

The current directors agree that the philosophies that fuel our ability to provide that kind of support and foster that unique spirit of `Ohana should reflect a feeling upon our members that they will always be appreciated and never forgotten.

**Ability is what you're capable of doing.
Motivation determines what you do.
Attitude determines how well you do it.
(Lou Holtz)**

With all of our training, experience, and relationships in HPD, we are confident of accomplishing this task. We strongly believe in our mission statement and are highly motivated to see it through. Our dedication and attitude is reflected in our determination to do well.

The members of the board have committed themselves to take HPRA to new levels of service to its membership. We have

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In the old days ...

In 1932, as outlined in General Orders No. 21, a new monthly pay rate was designated for employees of the police department.

Chief of Police	\$540
Assistant Chief	\$270
Captain of Detectives	\$247
Captain / Inspector, Vice Division	\$225
Lieutenant of Detectives	\$202
Lieutenant	\$180
Sergeant/Assistant Inspector/ Statistician/Chief's Secretary	\$157
Detective	\$148
Stenographer/Clerk	\$144
Patrolman	\$135
Patrolman (Country)	\$112
Matron	\$99
Office Boy	\$27

Officers were also issued a book in which to record mileage traveled on police business and gasoline used.
(There was a mileage book even then)

From the HPRA Archives:

Here is the list of officers and directors who were elected to HPRA as it operated in 1981. That was thirty years ago and HPRA had already been in operation for 49 years.



Warren Ferreira	President
Hartwell Doane	Vice President,
	Chair - Properties Committee
Chester Hughes	Treasurer, Chair - Finance & Investments Committee
Daryl Jean Aiwahi	Secretary
William Ornellas	Chair - Elections Committee
Edwin Ross, Jr.	Chair - Scholarship Committee
John Gerard	Chair - Recreation Committee
Lester Akeo	Chair - Banquet & Entertainment Committee
Jack Montgomery	Chair - Financial Aid Committee
Gordon Lee	Chair - Publicity Committee
John Torres	Chair - Sick & Visitation Committee
Clement Kaonohi	Chair - Ways & Means Committee
Ronald Souza	Chair - Awards Committee
Rose Inouye	Director
Frank Sua	Director
Alika Parish	Director
Joseph Self	Director

The Chief of Police of HPD was Francis Keala.

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already begun work on marketing, not only our mission, but that of HPD's and all of its employees and retirees. Our Marketing Committee is chaired by Director Andrew Castro.

Our Benefits Committee, chaired by Director Kim Buffet, is also looking at additional benefits for the members that include re-evaluating the current death and sick benefits packages.

Most recently we have started research on providing a stronger 'Ohana showing at funerals of retired HPD employees. The emphasis here is to show appreciation to our employees and remind everyone that members of our 'ohana are never forgotten.

One of our long-range goals is to secure property or a building that can be used by our membership. This is already in progress with our Properties/Investments Management Committee, chaired by Director William Clark.

All of these are not easy tasks and attaining our goals will be difficult even with a dedicated and committed board of directors. We ask for your patience and your continued support during this coming year.

Take care and stay safe.

Aloha,

Robert M. Imoto
President, HPRA



HPRA supports DARE

The DARE Golf Tournament teed off at the Pearl Country Club on Friday April 8, 2011 to raise funds for DARE in Hawaii and HPRA was there to support the effort. Over 100 golfers from various organizations in Hawaii took to the links for a day of fun in the sun. HPRA sponsored Hole #12, a challenging Par 5, and provided gift baskets for some of the winning threesomes.

“DARE is a remarkable educational opportunity that encourages our youngsters to make good decisions in life,” said Robert Cravalho, Vice President of HPRA. “It is important that HPRA supports these types of activities and demonstrate their commitment to not only its members, but to everyone who lives in our community.”

At the banquet that followed, participants were treated to a smorgasbord of local favorites. This successful event was made possible by the thirty plus volunteers, the sponsors, and most importantly, the golfers.

HPRA looks forward to supporting DARE in the future.

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And from the store

Aloha Members,

Our store shelves have been restocked after the holiday season rush and we have several new items now available.



HPRA has been authorized to provide an “**IN THE LINE OF DUTY**” t-shirt that honors our fallen HPD officers. This item is scheduled to be available in time for Police Week 2011, which runs from May 15th to the 21st. All proceeds from the sale of this shirt will go to the Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation (HLEMF). This organization is working tirelessly to raise funds to construct a law enforcement memorial on the State Capitol grounds and HPRA has pledged to support their efforts.

There is a limited supply of these shirts, so please check for it at our HPRA Store.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the **Hawaii Law Enforcement Memorial** is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 16, 2011 at 2 p.m. The designated site is between the Kalanimoku Building and the City parking structure, near Beretania Street.

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In addition, local artist Lee Samson has completed his first painting of his series, Civil Servants of Hawaii, and prints are now available at our store. In 2009, Mr. Samson considered creating a series of paintings that demonstrated the Aloha Spirit in the actions of Honolulu's civil servants. He wanted to begin the series with the HPD and came to HPRA for assistance.

The result is *Hanakokolele*, a masterpiece that shares a simple story with the viewer and reveals the kind, gentle side of an HPD officer. Come down to the store to see it in person and identify the



HPRA members depicted in the piece.

The HPRA store is located one floor below the Hawaii Law Enforcement FCU (previously the Honolulu Police FCU) at 1537 Young Street.

The store is open Monday thru Friday (0730 to 1600 hours) and now on Saturdays (0730 to 1530 hours). Come and browse or just talk story with the staff! Mahalo!

Robert Cravalho
Vice-President, HPRA

Pick up an HPRA organization license plate and not only show your support to HPRA, but also show everyone that you belong to a very special and unique 'Ohana. They may be purchased at all Satellite City Halls. Applications are also available at the HPRA office.

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Buy an Organization License Plate

\$25 initial cost + \$5.50 for decal
(\$20 will go to HPRA)

\$25 annual fee for following years

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HPRA 2011 Directors/Officers

Executive Board

Robert Imoto, President
Robert Cravalho, Vice President
Glen Luecke, Secretary
Gary Takata, Treasurer

Directors

Kim Buffett
Andrew Castro
William Clark
Kurt Kendro
James "Kimo" Smith
Michael H. Tamashiro

All directors are elected by the membership and receive no monetary compensation for their services