



SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY IS PAR FOR THE COURSE AT PCH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Led by 2023 Honorary Chair Eddie Flores

Palolo Chinese Home hosted its 31st Annual Dynasty Invitational Golf Tournament on May 12 at the Ala Wai Municipal Golf Course, where significant players both on the course and in our community chose to support the home. It was a heartwarming occasion that showcased the generosity and dedication of individuals who have given of their time, donated funds, and entrusted the home with caring for their loved ones.

The Awards Banquet at L&L Restaurant Ala Wai Municipal Golf Course marked the conclusion of an exhilarating day and an incredible display of sportsmanship on the green. Excitement filled the air as tournament winners received their amazing prizes. Topping the Team Prize leaderboard with their exceptional skill, All Islands Case Management claimed 1st place, garnering golf bags and umbrellas. Kevin Lee emerged as the triumphant recipient of the Putterama \$250 grand prize. The tournament wouldn't have been possible without the support of volunteers such as Queen Miss Chinese Jaycees Agnes Santiago, Queen Miss Asia Hawaii Maricelle Redona and Miss Hawaii Chinese Elaine Wu, who dedicated their time and efforts to managing the Lucky Draw table.

Over a hundred sponsors championed the event, including several new friends who joined the home's family of supporters. Their collective generosity helped raise funds for the home's operational costs, educational training, and care services provided directly to seniors and their families. These services include Skilled Nursing and Intermediate Care,

Hospice Care, Rehabilitation Services, Senior Day Care, Meal Preparation, Meals-to-Go, Adult Residential Care, Overnight Respite Care, In-Home Personal Care, Home Cleaning Services, and Good Neighbor Concierge Referral Services.

Palolo Chinese Home welcomes everyone in Hawai'i, ensuring that seniors and their families receive the utmost care and support. **Eddie Flores**, the 2023 Honorary Golf Tournament Chair and founder of L&L Hawaiian Barbecue, attests to this from personal experience: "Palolo Chinese Home has always been dedicated to meeting the needs of our kupuna. My mother received exceptional care at the Home for a couple of years, and the staff was always amiable and helpful."

This commitment to kupuna care is further exemplified in thoughts shared by tournament sponsor and long-time PCH supporter **Tyler Tokioka**, Chairman of Island Insurance. Said Tyler, "My late grandmother was a resident in the on-campus nursing home until the day she passed, and throughout her time there, she truly appreciated the care she received. PCH helped to put our minds at ease knowing she was receiving the proper level of care and attention that we might not have been able to provide. Additionally, my father-in-law was a resident at PCH during his rehabilitation from surgery. Likewise, the care helped his recovery efforts. The services provided to my grandmother and father-in-law exceeded what we had anticipated, and speak to the wonderful staff of PCH and their focus on making the patient's care their highest priority."

Mark Kashiwamura, whose mother also received care at PCH, also generously contributed to this year's tournament, donating gifts and \$500 towards the Lucky Draw.

The 31st Annual Dynasty Invitational Golf Tournament served as a means for the community to come together and gain a deeper understanding of Palolo Chinese Home's mission. Through such events and the support of generous businesses and individuals, the home can continue enriching the well-being of kupuna.





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highlighted so profoundly at this year's tournament, makes a difference in the lives of our seniors and their families.

We thank those who have advocated for PCH and made this dynamic event possible. Eddie Flores served as the Honorary Chair of this year's golf tournament. Many of you know Eddie as the founder of L&L Hawaiian BBQ, with restaurants nationwide and in Japan. He is not only a successful entrepreneur, but he is a very generous person, always lending his support to our seniors. We also want to thank our 2023 Golf Committee and Co-Chairs, Sean Spencer and Sandra Souza, for their outstanding work.

We express our gratitude to the 110 sponsors and donors who generously supported us. Additionally, we appreciate the 171 golfers who actively participated. Lastly, we thank our staff for their contributions and unwavering belief in our cause. You made this the best tournament by par!

Darlene H. Nakayama, CEO

Palolo Chinese Home hosted its 31st Annual Dynasty Invitational Golf Tournament on Friday, May 12, 2023, at the Ala Wai Municipal Golf Course, where players showed off their golfing prowess before coming together for a delightful banquet to celebrate the occasion. The fundraiser raised more than \$77,000. The daily work of Palolo Chinese Home is essential to sustaining a robust ecosystem in Hawaii that can support our seniors' expanding continuum of care needs and growing population. The ongoing support we have received from our community,

ADVOCATING FOR SENIORS

Congratulations to PCH CEO, Darlene Nakayama. She has been selected as an American Health Care Association (AHCA) delegate and Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH) Board Member, to serve through June of next year. These roles will offer unique opportunities to engage with both the AHCA and HAH, and to advocate on behalf of kupuna.

The AHCA delegate additionally plays an important part at AHCA's national gatherings by representing the state's Long-Term Care industry. In her new delegate role, Darlene recently made a trip to Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. to help champion for the needs of seniors and the care community.





MAY HAPPENINGS

May was a whirlwind of excitement and festivities at Palolo Chinese Home as residents celebrated various occasions. From May Day to Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day to Memorial Day, the month was filled with joyful moments and heartwarming celebrations.

To kick off the month, our residents created their own vibrant flower leis to celebrate Lei Day—a cherished Hawaiian tradition unlike anywhere else in the world. Cinco de Mayo brought a unique twist to our usual bingo night with a special edition called "Cinco de Mayo Bingo," featuring festive phrases that expanded everyone's knowledge of this holiday. On Mother's Day, Palolo Chinese Home, together with the generous support of the Women's Auxiliary group and Hawaii Cyber Lions Club, created a special celebration for the Home's kupuna. Hawaii Cyber Lions Club volunteers created special greeting cards while Auxiliary volunteers distributed treats to all residents. Fun activities included bingo and a wonderful performance by 808 Ukulele. Our kitchen also treated kupuna with delicious baked salmon and pesto pasta.

Most recently, we commemorated Memorial Day. Residents participated in various activities, including the opportunity to create their own lanterns and engaged in coloring and word games.



Residents played a special edition of "Cinco de Mayo Bingo."



Residents created their own lanterns in honor of Memorial Day.



Women's Auxiliary Group prepared gifts for PCH residents on Mother's Day.

ALOHA AND MAHALO

Palolo Chinese Home is bidding a fond aloha to Environmental Services Manager, Roy Asao. Roy will be retiring in July after helping to transition Ronald Galera into the post.

"It has been wonderful working with all of you, who really dedicate your lives to the care of our kupuna here at Palolo Chinese Home," said Roy. "Please help me to congratulate Ronald on his new role, and I know you'll take care of him the same way that you all helped me."

We wish Roy all the best and thank him for his dedication and service. We also celebrate Ronald's hard work, and know we will do a fantastic job as the home's next Environmental Services Manager. It is PCH's talented team across every department that makes excellent senior care possible, and we are so grateful for Roy and Ronald.



(L to R): Ronald Galera and Roy Asao





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The blessing of “long life” is universally celebrated. At Palolo Chinese Home, the Chinese character for longevity (shou) has long been used as our symbol. By adding two brush strokes, the artist, the late Clarence Lee, incorporated the Chinese character for people or mankind (ren), and the result is an image of a roof embracing long life — our wish for you. The unbroken circle signifies our mission of continuous care and respect for our kupuna (elders).

JULY 2023



NURSING HOME WEEK & NURSES WEEK

During National Nurses Week from May 15 through May 19, 2023, we honored and celebrated our nursing staff’s incredible dedication and hard work! Our staff had the opportunity to embrace different themes, including Sports Day, Beach Day, Decades Day, Superhero Day, and Pride Day. It was a delightful experience for everyone involved. In addition to the themed days, our nurses received wonderful goodie bags and enjoyed activities thanks to donations from St. Francis Hospice, Bristol Hospice and Re-Tech, along with 15-minute aromatherapy sessions generously provided by Navian Hawaii. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Karen Yim for donating homemade musubi, ordering manapua, and crafting beautiful handmade lei. We also thank Andrew, George and Tommy for donating delicious pastries for our staff.

These compassionate individuals are indispensable in providing exceptional care and support to patients daily. We take great pride in acknowledging their exceptional dedication not only during this special week, but every day!

At Palolo Chinese Home, we remain committed to uplifting kupuna, and to investing in our dedicated team of care professionals. Please join us in helping to provide the highest standards of service every day. Whether you contribute to the PCH Annual Fund, Endowment Fund, or through other wonderful ways of giving, gifts of all sizes and forms make a powerful difference. Learn more at www.palolohome.org.

