



**I Mau Ho'omua Ka 'Uhane**  
**Aloha A Kanaka Nā'Ike A Me Nā Hana**  
*To perpetuate the Aloha Spirit and the Hawaiian Culture*

**Kekemapa 2025 - Ianuali 2026**

Just that quickly, 2025 is in the books and 2026 is underway! Winter has arrived, complete with a winter storm that has affected a large part of the CONUS. In Clarksville and the nearby area, an ice storm blanketed much of the region bringing down trees and leaving thousands without power. In Nashville, more than 100,000 are still without power a week after the storm. Many rural roads are also still hazardous to travel.



A rural road near Clarksville showing damage following the recent ice storm.

The last big event of 2025 was Christmas, which hopefully gave everyone a special time to share with family and friends the gifts of love and aloha. We hope all of our members, their families, and their friends were blessed with a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

# Club Activities:

## General Membership Meeting

Our December meeting was held at Club Wyndham Nashville, 2415 McGavock Pike. In addition to our usual monthly business, we also held our annual Christmas gathering. The pot luck lunch featured several Hawaiian dishes plus the usual trimmings. Afterwards, we enjoyed participating in games and gift exchanges. The best part was the fellowship we shared with all who attended.



The January meeting was conducted virtually. Our next meeting will be via Zoom® on February 8<sup>th</sup>. The link will be sent via email prior to the meeting date.

## Manna Cafe

On December 27, 2025, and January 17, 2026, our club assisted Manna Café with serving breakfast meals at Christ The Healer Church, 1295 Paradise Hill Rd, Clarksville, TN 37040. We assist on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month with the next scheduled date being February 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Wally Kaaihue, our Hope Pelekikena Mua, if you would like to help with this program.



*Manna Café Ministries  
Volunteer Network Program*



Birthdays for December 2025 and January 2026

December birthdays were Vivian Kaaihue on the 17<sup>th</sup> and Scott Gehring on the 19<sup>th</sup>. For January, Charles Herring's was on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Hau'oli la hanau to each of you, and may God bless you with many more.



Gold's Gym

We were at Gold's Gym on December 13, 2025, and January 10, 2026. At the December setup, we conducted a Christmas ornament-making workshop for the children who attend the gym's child care program. Each child took their handmade ornaments to place on their trees.





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## Aloha Aunty Lorna Akima

by Denny Colbert and Scott Gehring

It is with fondest aloha that we announce the passing of one of our club's charter members, Lorna Akima. In addition to the details below, Lorna was a supporter of our hui and Mainland Council. She was always at the annual Merrie Monarch Festival seated by the Royal Court. We mahalo Lorna for her many years of service to the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs as Convention and Meetings Chair. She will be missed by the many people whose life she enriched through her interactions.



### **Lorna Marlene Kaiuwailani Akima**

November 16, 1941 - November 3, 2025

Lorna Marlene Kaiuwailani Akima, 83, of Kamuela, died on Monday, November 3, 2025 at home. She was born on November 16, 1941 in Wailuku, Maui. She was a retired administrative officer for the Department of Interior, Pu'ukohola Heiau National Historic Site and was a class of 1959 graduate of St. Anthony High School, Maui. She was

also life member of the Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club; member of 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu Chapter II, Waimea; and member of Tennessee Hawaiian Civic Club. Visitation will be held from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on Saturday (Jan. 10, 2026) at Waimea Anunciation Catholic Church; Memorial Mass at 10 a.m. Casual / Aloha attire. Survived by, husband, William Akima of Kamuela; children, Willette "Kala" (Eddie) Akima-Akau of Kawaihae and William (Ululani) Akima of Kamuela; hanai daughter, Jolynn Dean of Kamuela; grandchildren, William "Amas" Akima, III, Shawnette Akima, Alika Akima, Shauncette Akima, Dansette Correa, Kekoa Guerrero, Nalu Akau and Zion Wong-Yuen; 18 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

## Scott Gehring Retirement



Congratulations to Scott Gehring, our Hope Pelekikena Elua, on his upcoming retirement from Nissan North America, Inc. after 41 years of service.

## Glucagon-Like Peptide-1 (GLP-1)

by Nawchilani Livesay and Hunter Upchurch

GLP-1 receptor agonists offer promising benefits for Hawaiian people at high risk for diabetes and obesity-related complications, particularly in improving glycemic control, supporting weight loss, and reducing cardiovascular risk. However, their use must be carefully weighed against potential side effects, high costs, limited population-specific data, and cultural considerations. Equitable, culturally responsive healthcare approaches are essential to ensure that GLP-1 therapies support—not replace—holistic, community-centered models of Hawaiian health and well-being.

## Reminders

Please remember to wear your club shirts to all PUBLIC functions unless otherwise specified. We want our “colors” to be in the public’s view when appropriate.

## Annual Club Membership Renewal

**Attention all HHOTHCC Members** – If you have not yet renewed your annual club membership, please do so not later than February 28<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the renewal form is attached to this newsletter. In accordance with our governing documents, those who do not renew by February 28<sup>th</sup> will be removed from the active roster which would then necessitate a reinstatement request. If you have any questions about this process, please email us at the club’s email address – [hhothcc@gmail.com](mailto:hhothcc@gmail.com).

## Long Range 2026 Planning Schedule

We have completed the initial version of our 2026 calendar which is shown below. It will be updated as changes occur.

### FEBRUARY

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|---------|---|
| 7       | GOLD'S GYM/KEIKI, 4-10 YO, VALENTINE CRAFTING |
| 8       | BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL)    |
| 13 - 15 | GOLD'S GYM/HULA THINGS, PHASE II              |
| 21      | MANNA CAFE                                    |
| 28      | GOLD'S GYM                                    |

### MARCH

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| 6 - 8 | MCAHCC 1 <sup>ST</sup> QUARTER MEETING (PORTLAND, OR)                    |
| 15    | BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (IN-PERSON), GOLDEN CORRAL, CLARKSVILLE |
| 14    | GOLD'S GYM/KEIKI, 4-10 YO, ST. PATRICK'S DAY CRAFTING                    |
| 21    | MANNA CAFÉ   |
| 28    | GOLD'S GYM   |
| 28    | PRINCE KUHIO PARADE, KAPOLEI, HI   |

### APRIL

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| 5  | BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL) |
| 11 | GOLD'S GYM - LAUNCH EVENT                  |
| 18 | MANNA CAFE                                 |
| 25 | GOLD'S GYM                                 |

### MAY

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| 2  | HHMA STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY                                       |
| 3  | LEI DRAPING, TENNESSEE STATE VETERANS' HOME                         |
| 3  | BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (IN-PERSON AT LUNCH AFTER DRAPING) |
| 9  | GOLD'S GYM (TENTATIVE)  |
| 16 | MANNA CAFÉ  |
| 23 | GOLD'S GYM  |

JUNE

- 7 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (IN-PERSON), GOLDEN CORRAL, CLARKSVILLE
- 13 MCAHCC 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER COUNCIL MEETING (VIRTUAL)
- 20 MANNA CAFÉ
- 27 GOLD'S GYM

JULY

- 11 GOLD'S GYM
- 12 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL)
- 18 MANNA CAFÉ
- 18 - 19 HO'OLAULE'A, ALONDRA PARK, CA
- 25 GOLD'S GYM - LAUNCH EVENT

AUGUST

- 8 GOLD'S GYM
- 9 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL)
- 15 MCAHCC 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER COUNCIL MEETING
- 15 MANNA CAFÉ
- ? HHMA PICTURE DAY/BOOTH FUNDRAISER
- 22 GOLD'S GYM

SEPTEMBER

- 5 GOLD'S GYM
- 6 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (IN-PERSON)
- 19 MANNA CAFÉ
- 19 GOLD'S GYM
- 26 HHMA TOURNAMENT/BOOTH FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER

- 4 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL)
- 10 GOLD'S GYM
- 17 MANNA CAFÉ
- 24 GOLD'S GYM (KEIKI, 4-10 YO, HALLOWEEN CRAFTING) - LAUNCH EVENT

NOVEMBER

- 7 GOLD'S GYM
- 8 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (VIRTUAL)
- 15 - 21 AHCC CONVENTION, PORTLAND, OREGON
- 17 MCAHCC 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER COUNCIL MEETING
- 21 MANNA CAFÉ

DECEMBER

- 5 HHMA HOLIDAY SALE/BOOTH FUNDRAISER
- 12 GOLD'S GYM (KEIKI, 4-10 YO, ORNAMENT CRAFTING)
- 12 MANNA CAFÉ
- 19 BOARD/GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/CHRISTMAS PARTY (NASHVILLE WYNDHAM)

\*Events/Meetings are subject to change.



# Hui Hawai'i O Tenesi Hawaiian Civic Club (HCC)

## Membership Application (New Members Only)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hawaiian Ancestry Ae \_\_\_\_\_ A'ole \_\_\_\_\_  
Hawai'i Born Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Residence Work/Business E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ **NOTE: Our monthly newsletter is sent via email; if you do not include your email address, you will not receive our newsletter.**

Please list household members (children under 18*)	Age	Sex	Birthday
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____

\* 23 if a full-time college student.

PLEASE CIRCLE THE **COMMITTEE(S), WORKSHOP(S), PROGRAM(S)** YOU ARE INTERESTED IN:

**Committees**

- Budget and Finance
- Health Education
- Ways and Means
- Na Mea Hawai'i
- Membership
- Food/Catering Programs
- Charitable and Welfare
- Scholarship/ Grant Writing
- Constitution and Bylaws
- Na Kupuna (Sr. Prgms.)

**Workshops**

- Boutiques: Arts and Crafts
- Kamali'i/Opio (teens)
- Na Keiki (children)
- `Olelo (language)
- Family Programs ('Ohana)

**Performance Workshops**

- A Cappella Choral Group
- Music Group
- Hula-Dance Group

Date Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

For more information please email us at [HHOTHCC@gmail.com](mailto:HHOTHCC@gmail.com)

**DUES (Non-Refundable): First year's dues are determined by the date of the application. See the section below each category to determine the amount due.**

Single Membership (When **ONLY** one person becomes a member), 18 years and older: \_\_\_\_\_  
January – March: \$25.00 April – June: \$18.75 July – September: \$12.50 October – December: \$6.25

Married or Family Membership (When multiple **FAMILY MEMBERS** become members): \_\_\_\_\_  
January – March: \$40.00 April – June: \$30.00 July – September: \$20.00 October – December: \$10.00

Please complete your application and send with check payable to: **HHOTHCC – MEMBERSHIP**

Hui Hawai'i O Tenesi HCC  
338 Idaho Springs Road  
Clarksville, TN. 37043

### Mahalo Nui Loa

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\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE DATE





# Hui Hawai'i O Tenesi Hawaiian Civic Club (HCC)

## Membership Renewal/Reinstatement Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hawaiian Ancestry Ae \_\_\_ A'ole \_\_\_ Hawaiian Ancestry Ae \_\_\_ A'ole \_\_\_  
Hawai'i Born Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Hawai'i Born Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home/Residence Work/Business E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. _____	___	___	_____
3. _____	___	___	_____
4. _____	___	___	_____

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Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ Reinstatement: \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be approved at a scheduled business meeting)  
Single Membership (When **ONLY** one person becomes a member), 18 years and older: \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Married or Family Membership (Only Married Couple and their children **listed above**): \$40.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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# Hui Hawai'i O Tenesi Hawaiian Civic Club

## Officers:

President – Nawehilani Livesay  
Email – [nawehilani@gmail.com](mailto:nawehilani@gmail.com)



First Vice-President – Wally Kaaihue  
Email – [menehunewallyk@rocketmail.com](mailto:menehunewallyk@rocketmail.com)



Second Vice-President – Scott Gehring  
Email – [noeau1@yahoo.com](mailto:noeau1@yahoo.com)



Secretary – Vivian Kaaihue  
Email – [vivian.kaaihue@gmail.com](mailto:vivian.kaaihue@gmail.com)



Pu`uku – Bruce Livesay  
Email – [livesayb@gmail.com](mailto:livesayb@gmail.com)



## Directors:



Marlene Livesay  
Pelekikena Iho Nei



Hunter Upchurch

## Mainland Council Representatives:

Scott Gehring  
Nawehilani Livesay  
Hunter Upchurch

## Address:

338 Idaho Springs Road  
Clarksville, TN 37043

## Website:

[www.huihawaiiotn.com](http://www.huihawaiiotn.com)

Year Chartered: 2008

## Club Motto:

*I Mau Ho`omau Ka `Uhane Aloha  
A Kanaka Na `Ike A Me Na Hana*

*To perpetuate the aloha spirit  
and the Hawaiian culture*

## Club Flower:

Hibiscus

## Club Colors:

Brown and Orange

## Club Song:

He Hawaii Au