

# Grand Champions Villas

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Aloha Fellow Homeowners,

Life continues at its usual peaceful pace in our little corner of Wailea. Yet there is no lack of surprises and excitement, some wanted and some unwanted.

There was a major leak at our main water pipe during the early hours of Sunday, July 31. Our Resident Manager, Toni, acted very quickly and brought in the proper vendors to repair the leak. Even though it was on a Sunday, and the repair effort was enormous requiring heavy equipment, in most units, water was back up by noontime. Rest of the units received water before midnight, less than 24 hours after the outage. The asphalt was repaired the next day. Owners, residents, and agents were kept informed throughout the repairs.

Thank you, Toni, for a superb job!

Marnie, our Office Manager, moved on to a new job opportunity. We will miss her, yet we are happy for her and wish her the best in her future endeavors.

Melonie Fernandez joined our team as our new Office Manager. She has come up to speed quickly, and she is already contributing and doing a great job. When you stop by the office, please welcome her to the Grand Champions Ohana.

Here is an update for our roof replacement project:

- We are still on target for commencing in April/May 2023. Specific timing and building sequence information will be available in the coming months.
- Although there will be some disruption, there will be no need to vacate the buildings when the roof replacement is underway.
- Our choices for the roofing material have been approved by the WCA.
- The project is currently within budget. No special assessment is anticipated.

Best wishes,

**Brian Banks,**  
President

## Wailea Update

1. Wailea Community Association (WCA) has installed signage for the crosswalk at Wailea Ike Place and Wailea Ike Drive, until the County is able to install crossing signal lights.
2. Ledcor's La'i'loa development continues construction and vertical framework has begun.
3. Ledcor continues working on the environmental impact statements for the parcels near Kai Malu and Pi'ilani Hwy. Activity with these two (2) parcels won't occur for at least three (3) years.
4. The Okolani sinkhole repair is scheduled to be done in October.
5. The traffic light installation at Okolani and Pi'ilani Hwy should be done by year end.
6. The Honualua (670) - above Wailea - did not get its Phase 2 approval in March and contested hearing cases continue regarding Phase 3 planning.
7. Wailea Community Center awaits final approval from the Planning Commission with the plan to break ground before year end.

### Congratulations New Owners

Unit 006 – Soma Island Living, LLC

Unit 063 – Tian Wang & Sihui Chen

Unit 125 – Weiran Li & Yansha Jin

Unit 174 – Wellshare Group, LLC

### DATES TO KNOW...

The AOA office will be closed:

Labor Day – Mon. Sept. 5<sup>TH</sup>

Veteran's Day – Fri. Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving – Thur. Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Day (Sun 25<sup>th</sup>)– Observed Mon. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>

No Construction Days:

Labor Day, 9-5-22

Columbus Day, 10-10-22

Election Day, 11-08-22

Veterans Day, 11-11-22

Thanksgiving, 11-24-22

Christmas Day (Sun 25<sup>th</sup>)– Observed 12-26-22

Board of Directors – Tues., Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

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## Island smart with Sunscreen



**Starting October 1, 2022**

Only Mineral Based Sunscreen will be available for purchase/use in Maui County.

We're protecting ourselves and our reefs with allowed main ingredients of reef friendly:

Zinc Oxide & Titanium Dioxide

Avoid sprays and remember toxic sunscreen chemicals are harming our marine life.

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## **Hawaiian Boiled Peanuts**

### Ingredients

- 1 lb. raw peanuts
- 1/4 cup Hawaiian sea salt
- 6 whole pieces of star anise
- 4" piece of ginger, thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon black peppercorns
- 10 cups water

### Instructions

Rinse the raw peanuts and pick out any debris. Place the raw peanuts in a large pot.

Top with the sea salt, star anise, ginger, and black peppercorns. Cover with water.

Instant Pot/pressure cooker, use the manual setting, and cook on high pressure for 45 minutes.

### Notes

If you are cooking on the stove, soak the raw peanuts in water overnight before cooking. Add the sea salt, star anise, ginger, and black peppercorns to the pot the next morning. Bring to a boil and then simmer over low heat for 1-2 hours. Stir every 15 minutes and check for doneness after 1-hour.

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## **Manager's report**

Summertime, when occupancy in Hawaii is supposed to be lower, is when the AOA likes to do some of the larger preventive maintenance projects. Although it seems that there has not been a "low season" on Maui this year the following projects are in progress:

1. Landscape renovation at the entrance and around the water feature.
2. Dryer vent cleaning ended Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. The never-ending dry rot repairs.

The following projects are being planned:

1. Landscape renovations for both pool areas.
2. Painting of lanais may or may not be done this year.
3. Both pool area decks need re-coating.
4. Concrete repairs at curbs, walkways etc.

This year marks my 32<sup>nd</sup> year working for this Association. It has been a wonderful experience. I have heard rumors that I will be retiring soon, I hope to offer a few more years of service before we begin to train the next lucky candidate to take the helm.

**Mahalo to everyone for the continued support.**

**Aloha, Toni Fowler**



**MAHALO from the GCV Staff,**  
Toni Fowler, Resident Manager  
Melonie Fernandez, Office Manager/Editor  
Richard Delapinia, Maintenance  
Scott Crane, Maintenance