

# LANTERN

April, 2016

## Pearl Harbor Boat Tours

With the arrival of spring last month, once more, **Stanford Yuen** has been arranging occasional boat tours of Pearl Harbor. As mentioned in Member News in this issue, Chamber president and L & L Hawaiian Barbecue president and founder **Eddie Flores, Jr.**, and some 80 friends, relatives, and L & L franchisees recently went on a boat tour as part of L & L's 40th anniversary. As they and others will tell you, this is not the routine shuttle between the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center and the USS *Arizona* Memorial and back. Instead, the boat leaves, and sails under the Clarey Bridge and circumnavigates Ford Island in a counter-clockwise direction, returning after about 90 minutes.

During the tour on Friday, May 27, or Wednesday, June 8, you will see the ships "mothballed" in Naval Inactive Maintenance Facility in Middle Loch, the entrance to Pearl Harbor, the drydock facilities, the naval shipyard, the submarine base, and the USS *Missouri* before stopping at the Memorial. Please note that between June 13 and June 26, the dock of the Memorial will be dismantled, removed, and replaced, and it may be a while before the next tour or at least stops at the Memorial. That being the case, call Lucia at 533-3181 if you're interested in going on either of the upcoming boat tours so that your name can be added to the tour manifest. (More information and a boat tour map will be provided for those signing up for the boat tour).

## CHAMBER

## INSTALLATION BANQUET

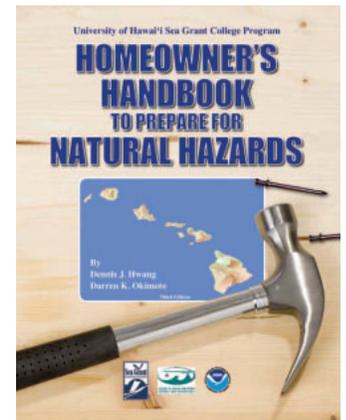
The annual installation banquet for the Chamber's 2016-2017 officers will be held on Thursday, May 19, at the Empress Seafood Restaurant. In addition, we'll honor and recognize Chamber annual awardees: Outstanding Narcissus Festival Volunteer, Outstanding Chamber Volunteer, Outstanding Business person, and Lifetime Achievement. (Nominations are being accepted for the awards, call the Chamber for the deadline for nominations). Cocktails start at 5:30 p.m., and dinner and the program will begin at 6:30 p.m. The "early-bird" rate will be \$38.00 per person or \$360.00 for a table of ten if made by Thursday, May 12. Afterwards, it will be \$40.00 per person or \$380.00 for a table of ten. Please RSVP by Monday, May 16. Sponsorships with premium seating for a table of ten and a "vendor booth" are available: \$1,000.00 for Platinum, \$750.00 for Gold, and \$500.00 for Silver. Contact the Chamber office at 533-3181 to reserve your space.

## COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS EVENT

### – Hurricane Season

The hurricane season is approaching: The season will officially start on May 15 in the East Pacific Ocean, and on June 1 in the Central Pacific; they will both end on November 30. According to a front page article "Expect another active hurricane season," in the April 23 *Honolulu Star-Advertiser*, despite the weakening of the El Nino that brought an "active hurricane season" in 2015, there will be another active season in 2016. Last year, one of the strongest El Nino on record generated 14 named storms, including eight hurricanes, five of which became major hurricanes. At one point, the islands were bracketed by three hurricanes.

Have you prepared for another active hurricane season.? Please come and join us for our FREE workshop with **Dennis Huang** on Thursday, April 28, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Honolulu Mission Memorial Auditorium, 567 S. King Street, Honolulu. A free copy of *Homeowners Handbook to Prepare for Natural Disasters* will be distributed to everyone at the event. No RSVP is required.



## Member News

**John Berger's** "On the Scene in the April 14 *Honolulu Star-Advertiser* had a photo of a slightly wind-blown Chamber president and L & L Hawaiian Barbecue president and founder **Eddie Flores, Jr.**, and long-time Chamber director **Stanford Yuen**, together with Air Force LTC **Chris Hauver**. The occasion was one of the Pearl Harbor tours arranged from time to time by Stanford, this time for some 80 friends, relatives, and franchise owners celebrating the ubiquitous chain's 40th anniversary.



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*President*  
Eddie Flores, Jr.

I can't believe that my term is almost over. Time certainly flies when you are kept busy (or perhaps time flies when you're having fun). March was another busy month, with many events and activities.

On Friday, March 18, I testified at the State Legislature in favor of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce Foundation's \$300,000 grant-in-aid request. There were over 200 people, who also testified for their grant requests. The hearing started at 9:00 a.m. and ended in the evening. Fortunately, **Wen** went at 8:30 a.m. and was able to estimate a time for my testimony. Again, please thank Senator **Suzanne Chun Oakland**, Senator **Donovan Dela Cruz**, Representative **Karl Rhoads**, and Representative **Ty Cullen** for their assistance. We should find out the result by June.

Our board member, **Douglas Ho**, was invited by **Yao Ming** to visit his winery in Napa Valley last month. As you can see in the picture, Yao Ming is for real. He is much taller than Doug.



We held our reunion for the Philippines trade mission at One Ala Moana in March. Over 40 people from the Chinese and Filipino Chambers attended and shared our stories. We are planning another trade mission next year in February to visit the Philippines and Vietnam. If you are interested, please send me an e-mail.

The Chinese Chamber conducted a marketing seminar entitled, "Impact Marketing" on Wednesday, March 16, at Hawaii National Bank's conference room. There were 40 participants registered. I would like to thank Hawaii National Bank for sponsoring the seminar. The next seminar will be on Labor Law on Thursday, April 14. If you are interested in attending, please sign up by calling the Chamber right away at 533-3181.

The General Election for new Chamber directors was held on Friday, March 4. I would like to congratulate all of the new directors: **William Chang**, general manager of Mobile IT Force; **Gabriel Lee**, American Savings Bank executive vice president for commercial markets; and **Cynthia Yamasaki**, chief energizing officer for CYM Consulting LLC, dba EEPATH. Congratulations also to those reelected to the board: **Gifford Chang**, **Jonathan Cook**, **Eddie Flores, Jr.**, **Patrick Graham**, **Alan Ho**, **Jan Leu**, **Linda Louie**, **Peggy Luu**, **Mangmang Qiu**, **Angeline Shiroma**, **Delwyn Wong**, **Sherman Wong**, **Pearl Yuen**, and **Sonny Zhang**. I am looking forward to working with you in the coming year.

The election of 2016-2017 Chamber officers was held on March 25 at the Empress Seafood Restaurant. The newly elected officers are: **Mona Choy-Beddow**, president; **Gifford Chang**, president-elect; **Joseph Hu**, first vice president; **Tina Au**, second vice president; and **Sherman Wong**, third vice president. They will be kept busy for the next twelve months.

We are proposing some By-Law changes, which will be considered for Chamber board approval at its April meeting. If approved by the board, the proposed By-Laws will be submitted to the Chamber membership for adoption. Based on that schedule, please review all of the changes and give us your input.

Please note the following dates on your calendars:

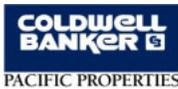
- 2016 Chinese Chamber Installation Banquet - Thursday, May 19
- 2016 Chinese Chamber Golf Tournament - Thursday, May 26
- 2016 Moon Festival - Friday & Saturday, September 9-10
- 2016 China National Day Celebration - Saturday, September 24

Aloha, Eddie

C H A M B E R N E W S & A C T I V I T I E S

## General Membership Meeting/ Narcissus Court Meet and Greet

There will be a general membership meeting (GMM) and an opportunity to meet 2016 Narcissus Queen and her court on Tuesday, May 24, at the Hokua condominium, 1288 Ala Moana Boulevard. The GMM will be held from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., and is for the purpose of adopting newly amended By-Laws as approved by the Chamber board at its April 26 meeting. Then from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Chamber members and friends are invited to meet and greet 2016 Narcissus Queen **Ashley Fu** and court. There will be heavy *pupu* and door prizes. The cost of this event is \$25.00 for Chamber members, \$30.00 for non-members. To reserve a place for yourself and your guests, contact Lucia at 533-3181.




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## Condolences

On March 11, his 95th birthday, **Edward Eu** passed away. He was the owner of Universal Motors and EuroMotors Hawaii as well as Audio Center Hawaii. Eddie was also Chinese Chamber president (1967-68), a regent of Chaminade University, past president of the Honolulu Symphony, and a member of the Waikiki Rotary Club. He is survived by wife, Peggy; daughter Vivien; five grandchildren; and one great granddaughter. Our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies to his family.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr 14	Thu	<b>Legal Seminar</b> Hawaii National Bank Training Room 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Apr 15	Fri	<b>67th Narcissus Festival Mahalo Party</b> One Ala Moana – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Apr 18	Mon	<b>Marketing Seminar Q &amp; A Follow-up Session</b> Chamber Office 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Apr 19	Tue	<b>Executive Board Meeting</b> Chamber Office – 6:00 p.m.
Apr 26	Tue	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b> Empress Restaurant – 12:00 p.m.
May 8	Sun	<b>Mother's Day</b>
May 19	Thu	<b>105th Chinese Chamber Installation Banquet</b> Empress Restaurant – 5:30 p.m.
May 24	Tue	<b>General Membership Meeting and Meet &amp; Greet Event</b> Hokua - 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
May 26	Thu	<b>2016 Chinese Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament</b> Pearl Country Club – 12:00 p.m.

## Chinese Chamber of Commerce/HMCOA Golf Tournament

Please join us for a day packed with fun and fellowship. The golf tournament, jointly presented by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Hawaii Mainland Chinese Overseas Association, will be held on Thursday, May 26, at the Pearl Country Club. Player check-in and lunch begin at 10:30 a.m., and the shotgun start is at 12:00 noon. The awards banquet starts immediately after completion of play. Maximum handicaps are: 30 for men and 36 for women. The format is three-person scramble, with minimum of four (4) drives and a maximum of two (2) putts once on the green. There will be team and door prizes as well as prizes for closest to hole, hole in one (\$10,000 cash prize split between first player and Chinese Chamber). The entry fee is \$145.00 per player and \$435.00 for a team of three. Title, eagle, and birdie sponsorships are available and tax-deductible contributions to the Chamber are welcome. To register, please click on the link [2016CCCHGolfregistrationForm.pdf](#) or contact the Chamber office at 533-3181 if you have any questions.

## May Fashion Show

On Saturday, May 28, the Hawaii chapter of the Global Federation of Chinese Business Women will present a fashion show. It will be held at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Coral ballroom and starts at 11:00 a.m. For more information and to make reservations, contact Lucia at the Chamber office, 533-3181.

## Narcissus Queen Search

The search for contestants for the 68th annual Narcissus Pageant is continuing. Qualifications for contestants are: a minimum of 25% Chinese ethnicity; single and never been married or given birth to a child; 19 to 26 years of age on the Pageant date of January 7, 2017; and a resident of Hawaii for at least twelve (12) months prior to Pageant.

If you know of any young women meeting those qualifications and is interested in competing in the Pageant, please fill out the application and send it to the Chinese Chamber by August 1. For more information, please open the attached documents: [2017QueenSearchPoster.pdf](#), [68thApplicationForm.pdf](#), [68thAgreement.pdf](#), [68thRule.pdf](#) or contact the Chamber office at 533-3181.

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