

# March 2023

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A program for those 60 years and above, living from Ward Avenue through to Hawaii Kai. This program is partially funded by State funds through the Elderly Affairs Division, Department of Community Services, City and County of Honolulu and the State of Hawaii Executive Office on Aging and administered by Moiliili Community Center. MCC- An Aloha United Way Agency

Thank you to those who donated items and all the volunteers who helped make our Rummage Sale a success!

Our sale raised about \$1400 for the Senior Center Program! We appreciate your hard work!

DOE Spring Break is from March 13 to March 17. During this week, the Children and Families Program will be holding their Spring Intersession Program. Please be aware that the children will be on property during the day. **Scrabble** will be moved to Room 208 during this week.

## COVID-19 SAFETY REMINDERS

Thank you all for your cooperation and understanding. We appreciate you following the safety protocols. As a reminder, we are still maintaining COVID-19 precautions. Please continue to follow the procedures listed below:

- PARTICIPANTS, INSTRUCTORS, AND STAFF MUST WEAR A FACEMASK AT ALL TIMES.
  - If you forget a face mask, we will provide you with one.
  - If you are unable to wear a face mask, please wear a face shield.
  - If you do not have a face shield, we will provide you with one.
- Temperatures must be checked upon arrival and departure of MCC.
  - CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT at the "Attendance Station" located outside MCC front office.
  - After checking in at the Attendance
     Station, staff will give you a wristband.
  - Instructors, if someone in your class does not have a wristband, please send them down to the Attendance Station to check in.

- PLEASE SANITIZE YOUR HANDS UPON ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE FROM MCC. (If you cannot use alcohol sanitizer, please wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.)
- IF YOU ARE FEELING SICK IN ANY WAY,
   PLEASE DO NOT COME TO THE CENTER.
- If you feel sick while you are at the center, please notify a staff member immediately.
- If you are traveling off-island, please quarantine for five days before returning to the center and take a COVID-19 test on the fifth day. If the test is negative, you may return to the center.
- Classrooms/studios will be sanitized between each class.
- No sharing food or eating together on MCC property.
- Classes will continue at 50% capacity. Once a class is full, you will be put on a waitlist.

- The lunch program will not be returning right away since congregate eating is not allowed due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- The water fountains at the center are turned off, so please be sure to bring your own water.
- Room 303 is closed due to COVID-19 precautions.

These safety procedures are to ensure the safety of everyone at MCC. If COVID-19 begins to spread through our center, we will need to shut down the entire center for a minimum of two weeks. Please do your best to follow the safety procedures so we can prevent that situation from happening.

## **GENERAL REMINDERS**

### **Parking**

There is limited parking at MCC. Please be dropped off, take the bus or carpool (if you are carpooling or taking the bus, be sure to wear a mask).

Theresa (Parking Attendant) will be directing traffic and coordinating the parking. Please be courteous and follow instructions. Please think about your safety and the safety of those around you. For the safety and well-being of all our members, we kindly ask that when your classes are over to immediately leave the Center to avoid overcrowding and parking issues.

## **Senior Center Registration Forms**

Please remember to update your registration forms. You may fill out registration forms at the Attendance station.

# **Community Center Membership Fees**

Please remember to renew the \$40 annual membership fees. Memberships should be paid for each calendar year. All payments must be given to the main office. Please be sure to place cash/checks in the membership envelopes and fill out envelope with name, phone number, and address. Checks may be payable to Moiliili Community Center.

#### **Air Conditioners**

If your class uses the air conditioner, please keep the doors and windows shut. Please also turn off the AC at the end of your class. Air conditioners should not be set lower than 75 degrees. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **Online Payment Option**

You may now pay membership fees and make donations online at moiliilicc.org. If you do wish to pay online, there will be a 6% processing fee. You may opt out of paying the processing fee by choosing "I don't want to cover the processing fee for Moiliili Community Center" on the "Your Details" page when making a payment. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Senior Center Staff or the MCC Main Office.

## **Donation Policy**

Monetary donations are welcomed to help balance our budget. A \$2 donation per activity or a \$20 donation per month is encouraged but is not mandatory. This is a suggested amount and is a donation, so if you are unable to, please do not worry. Subsidy monies are available for those interested in participating and find it difficult to pay; see MSC Director.

MCC is now accepting donations for the Thrift Store, Rummage Sale, etc. Donations will be accepted on **MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS ONLY.** MCC staff will not accept donations on any other day. All donations should be turned in to the main office.

#### **MCC Restrooms**

For the safety of all, please do not prop the restroom doors open. Each classroom has a set of keys for the women's and men's restroom. Please make sure that the keys are back in its place by the end of your class.

## **Upcoming Holidays**

Moiliili Community Center will be closed on the following Holidays:

- Monday, March 27 Prince Kuhio Day (OBS.)
- Friday, April 7 Good Friday

## SENIOR CENTER CLASS REMINDERS, CHANGES, & UPDATES

#### New Class!

Beginning Hula will be Mondays 11am – 12pm starting March 6. Students will be exposed to basic hula steps and movements. There will be a focus on hapa haole (English-based) songs.

#### New Class!

**Zumba Toning/PiYo** will be Tuesdays 10am – 11:30am. This class will feature Zumba incorporating weights, pilates, and yoga.

## • Performance Inquiry!

On Saturday, March 25, 2023, the Blue Zones Project will be hosting another Keiki to Kupuna Family Fun Day at Old Stadium Park from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Instructors, if your class is interested in performing at this event, please notify Senior Center staff as soon as possible.

• **Koto** class is temporarily canceled.

- **Pre-Beginning Bon Dance** will begin at 9:30am until Koto class resumes.
- We are thinking about creating a free-play chess class. If you would be interested in this class, please contact the Senior Center staff.

### Beginning Ukulele

Last day of current session: 3/9/23
Practice days for performance: 3/16/23 &
3/23/23
NEW SESSION starts on 4/6/23 – new
session will be a review and continuation of previous session.

 Full Classes (Please ask staff to join waitlist):

**Group Singing** 

Line Dance I

Line Dance II

Solo Ukulele I

Solo Ukulele I

# SENIOR CENTER SPECIAL EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

# **AED Training**

Thursday, March 2, 2023 10:00am – 11:00am Rm. 202

MCC will be installing AEDs (Automatic External Defibrillator) in every classroom and studio. If you can, we highly recommend coming to learn about the devices and how to use them in case of an emergency.

# Chigiri-e Workshop

Saturday, March 4, 2023, from 9:00am – 12:00pm Rm. 105

Chigiri-e is a Japanese art form in which the primary technique uses colored paper that is torn to create images and may resemble a watercolor painting.

### Niko Niko Genki Taisoo – Televised

Thursdays at 8:00am on OLELO MSC's own Faye Murata's Niko Niko Genki Taisoo Exercise Program is showing on OLELO (channel 54) every Thursday at 8:00am. If you have a chance, watch it, and enjoy the morning exercises.

### Virtual Lei Ilima Craft Workshop

Sunday, March 12, 2023, at 1:00pm via Zoom

Learn to craft two easy envelope style cards. This will be a good project to use scrap pieces of paper. Supplies needed: 6.5" x 5.5" white card stock paper, scrap pieces of paper, ¼ sheet of white bond paper, dark green paper or embroidery floss, scissors, Elmer's glue, and regular size hole puncher.

## In-Person Lei Ilima Craft Workshop

 $We dnesday,\ March\ 15$   $9:15am-10:15am\ Rm.\ 209$  Learn to craft a pop-up "Year of the Rabbit" and Easter themed card. Supplies needed: scissors and Elmer's glue.

## **Keiki to Kupuna Family Fun Day**

Saturday, March 25, 2023
9:00am – 12:00pm at Old Stadium Park
Enjoy fun activities for the whole family, including games, arts and crafts, entertainment and more!

This event is co-sponsored by Moiliili Community Center and will be featuring some of our Senior Center classes!

Seminars and Workshops are scheduled to provide education and information and do not constitute an endorsement of a product or company by the center. Please contact the Senior Center (955-1555) to register for any seminars or workshops.

## SENIOR CENTER SERVICES

All services are free. Senior Center staff will not accept tips. Donations to the Moiliili Senior Center are welcomed. If you are interested in any of these services. Please contact the Senior Center at (808) 955-1555.

## **Assisted Transportation & Escort**

Program Worker, Sukil, is available from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Monday through Fridays, to assist in transportation/escort service to doctors' appointments, grocery shopping, haircuts, post office and other necessary places. Appointments with Sukil are first come, first served. Please call ahead of time to reserve your transportation needs with Sukil.

## **Technology Training**

If you need assistance utilizing technological devices (smartphone, tablet, laptop, etc.) or need assistance accessing information via internet, you may make an appointment with Senior Center Director, Chelsie Arume, to receive assistance. You will need to bring your device to the appointment for assistance. Appointments are first come, first served. Please call ahead of time to schedule an appointment.

## **Shopping Delivery**

Participants may order groceries from their supermarket and pay on-line on your own or you may contact us to make the order for you if you are comfortable giving us your credit card number for that particular transaction. Please note: We do not retain or keep on file credit card numbers. The information is deleted. We will pick up the goods and deliver them to the members.

## **Telephone Reassurance**

We are continuing to check-up on Senior Center members via telephone calls. These calls assure members' well-being and provide updated information from the Senior Center. If you do not wish to be contacted for telephone reassurance, please notify Senior Center staff.

#### Call – I'm OK

Call – I'm ok is a telephone check-in system to support seniors who live alone. Call the special phone number to say, "I'm OK." If you do not call, we will call your home. If there is no answer, we will call your emergency contact If no one knows where you are or have not seen you, staff will go to your home to check on you.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

#### **Class Instructors**

We are looking for volunteer instructors or leaders to for classes such as *friendly matters, kanikapila, yoga, meditation, aerobics, technology assistance, cultural/educational seminars, etc.* 

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Senior Center at 955-1555.

# COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

#### **Free Tax Assistance Sites**

Please visit <a href="https://www.hawaiitaxhelp.org/free-tax-help/free-tax-sites/">https://www.hawaiitaxhelp.org/free-tax-help/free-tax-help/free-tax-sites/</a> or <a href="https://www.hawaiitaxhelp.org/free-tax-help/free-tax-sites/">AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Locator</a> for more sites and information.

#### **Catholic Charities Hawaii**

1822 Keeaumoku St.

Saturdays, February 18 - April 8

Appointments only.

Call (808) 319-7681 for an appointment.

Appointment lines open on Tuesdays and Fridays 9am to noon.

DO NOT LEAVE MESSAGES

#### **Hawaii State Capitol**

415 South Beretania Street, Third Floor Saturday, March 4, 9:30am – 1:30pm Call (808) 450-4351 for an appointment.

#### **Honolulu Community Action Program**

1915 Palolo Avenue

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00am – 12:00pm Call (808) 732-7755 for an appointment.

#### International Church of Oahu

20 Dowsett Ave.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, February 7 – April 6, 10am – 1pm (Closed February 23 and March 23) Walk-ins only.

#### **Lanakila Multipurpose Senior Center**

1640 Lanakila Ave.

Mondays, February 6 – April 10, 8am – noon (Closed February 20 and March 27)
Appointments only.
Call (808) 847-1322 for an appointment

#### Hawaii Kai Public Library

249 Lunalilo Home Road Saturdays, February 4 – April 8, 9am – noon (Closed February 18) Walk-ins only.

### Hawaii Tax Help - Kapiolani

1347 Kapiolani Blvd.

Sunday, February 5, 9:30am – 1:30pm Saturday, April 8, 9:30am – 1:30pm

AND certain Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays

Start: 1/29 End: 4/8

Email <a href="mailto:stamanaha@hawaiitaxhelp.org">stamanaha@hawaiitaxhelp.org</a> for available

dates and times.

#### Senior Information and Assistance Handbook

This handbook is a key resource for our Kupuna, their families and caregivers to assure our elders are comfortable, healthy and have safe living environments as they age in place. The Senior Information and Assistance Handbook provides valuable information on senior housing options, meal assistance, transportation, community services and much more. Family and caregivers can also find resources to adult day-care, in-home care, safety and fall prevention and support group classes.

Online Version: Honolulu, Hawaii Department of Elderly Affairs Division (EAD) - Publications

\*Please see Senior Center staff for a hard copy of this handbook.

Senior Helpline: If you need help finding community resources or information, please call (808) 768-7700.

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## SPRING WORD SEARCH

APRIL MAY
BIRDS RAINBOW
BLOOM SPRING
BUNNY SUNSHINE
FLOWERS WARM
GARDEN BUTTERFLY



First day of Spring is Monday, March 20.

## SENIOR CENTER CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

- **Beginning Bon Dance:** Traditional Bon dance for beginners with SOME experience.
- Pre-Beginning Bon Dance: Traditional Bon dance for beginners with LITTLE TO NO experience.
- Beginning Ukulele: Learn a variety of strumming techniques and music keys, multicultural songs and genres, and introduction to instruments form the "percussion" family, played by tapping, shaking, or scraping. Please bring your own ukulele, music stand (optional), 3-ring binder, and pen/pencil. Sessions last for 8 weeks.
- Buyo & Enka: Traditional kabuki inspired Japanese dance.
- Card Games/Hanafuda: Both in one classroom.
   Enjoy the traditional and modified versions of Hanafuda, and one-of-a-kind, original card games.
- **Fall Prevention:** Exercises to enhance balance and prevent falls.
- Group Singing: Instructed singing as a group.
   The group will sing a variety of songs in different languages.
- **Hanafuda:** Hanafuda (花札, "flower cards") are a style of Japanese playing cards.
- Hawaiian Quilting: A distinctive quilting style of Hawaii that uses large radially symmetric applique patterns. (Some sewing experience required)
- Hula: Hula for enjoyment. Learn about Hawaiian culture through music and dance (Hula skirt preferred but not mandatory).
- **Beginning Hula:** Students will be exposed to basic hula steps and movements. There will be a focus on hapa haole (English-based) songs.
- **Kitsuke:** The art of wearing Japanese kimono.
- Knit, Crochet, & Crafts: Crochet, knitting, and more!
- Koto: Japanese string instrument (Need to have own Koto).
- Lei Ilima: Craft workshop

- Line Dance I: Group choreographed dance, repeating a sequence of steps while arranged in one or more lines or rows.
- Line Dance II: Group choreographed dance, repeating a sequence of steps while arranged in one or more lines or rows (Need to have previous experience with Line Dance).
- Mah-Jongg: Chinese game played with tiles.
- Okinawan Dance: Traditional Okinawan dance.
- Drawing & Painting: All levels welcome.
   Materials provided. Instruction for beginners.
- Rhythm & Life (R&L) Chair Exercise: Chair aerobic exercise to traditional Japanese music.
- Rhythm & Life (R&L) Niko Niko Genki Taisoo: Exercise to Japanese music (may be sitting or standing).
- Scrabble: The ultimate crossword game in which every letter counts.
- **Shodo:** Traditional Japanese calligraphy.
- Solo Ukulele I: Beginning plucking ukulele.
  Learn to read music and play the melody.
  Participant acceptance will close after the first
  2 meetings. Must have own ukulele and must
  purchase \$40 book. Session lasts 20 weeks.
- Solo Ukulele II: Advanced plucking ukulele (Please get instructor's permission to join this class). Learn to read music and play the melody. Participant acceptance will close after the first 2 meetings. Must have own ukulele and must purchase \$40 book. Session lasts 20 weeks.
- Soroban: Traditional Japanese abacus class.
- **Suzuko:** Choreographed dance with bells.
- **Tai Chi:** A series of gentle physical exercises and stretches, inspired by previous MSC tai chi instructors.
- **Zenidaiko:** Choreographed dance with sticks.
- Zumba Gold: Modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves you love at a lower intensity.
- **Zumba Toning/PiYo:** Zumba incorporating weights with Pilates and Yoga inspiration.