



NCC News

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A Weekly Newsletter of Nu‘uanu Congregational Church

Installation of 2014 Church Officers

This morning, we will be installing the 2014 Church Officers during the 9 a.m. worship service. Please come up when you are called.

2014 Annual Meeting Update

The Annual Congregational Meeting took place on Sunday, January 26, 2014. These are the actions taken by the congregation:

1. Approved the 2013 Annual Meeting minutes.
2. Elected the 2014 officers as printed in the Annual Report
3. Approved the 2014 budget.
3. Unanimously adopted the Policy on Non-discrimination.
4. Adopted the resolution below:

“Our congregation move forward in our ministry to and with Japanese-speaking members by doing the following:

1. Assure that the pastoral needs of our Japanese-speaking members be met by the senior pastor;
2. Affirm our congregation's Japanese heritage in worship and other activities by various boards, committees, and groups;
3. Beginning Sunday, February 9, 2014 conduct one Sunday morning worship service that includes everyone and embraces the diversity of the congregation;
4. Given the current make-up of our church membership, hold off on any search for a Japanese-speaking pastor unless there is a significant shift in the make-up and mission of the congregation.”

We thank Moderator **Rebecca Kanenaka** and all the officers who have served the congregation faithfully.

Access Statement

As stated in our Vision Statement, “Nu‘uanu Congregational Church is a diverse, open congregation of faithful Christians who seek to affirm all persons as children of God.” Furthermore, our Policy on Non-

discrimination clearly states that “we do not discriminate against any person, group or organization in hiring, promotion, membership, appointment, use of facility, provision of services on the basis of race, ethnicity, skin color, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, faith, nationality, marital status, or disability.”

As a part of living out our vision and commitment to an inclusive and diverse community, following accommodations are in place for worship:

- To provide communication access to worship, large print worship bulletins and other alternate format of orders of worship are available.
- Assistive listening devices are available from the ushers.
- Those wishing to have Japanese interpretation are asked to give their request to the Church Office at least one-week in advance so that they might be accommodated.
- Members needing transportation to worship are invited to contact Ohana Ministry for access to taxi service.
- Those traveling by Handivan are requested to let the Church Office know at least 2 days in advance so that members of the Diaconate might meet the van on Sunday mornings.

Due to the age and construction of the buildings, not all areas are easily accessible to persons with mobility issues. Nu‘uanu Congregational Church will provide reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities within these limitations.

For requesting other accommodations, please contact the Church Office.

HCUCC 2014 Church Leaders Event - Feb. 22, 9 am-4 pm

Join church leaders from our sister HCUCC churches for a day of networking, learning, and talking story right here at our church! Workshops based on experience, interest, and responsibilities will be offered. Sign up with Paula Yamamoto by **February 5**. Registration forms are available in the church office. Questions or more information? See **Lori Yamashiro**.

Mahalo!

To all of you Treasurer Hunters and Treasure providers!
Thank you, Sew Fun Furoshiki makers and Nu‘uanu Congregational supporters for bringing your treasures, helping out the cashiering, helping customers, or making Spam musubi, as well as helping sort and price. The Garage Sale or Treasure Hunt with the Children's Center was definitely a hit and the feedback has been good from those who attended and those who were working at the sale. It was an opportunity to get to know The Children's Center Staff and families, get to know each other whom we don't know well, and still make some money for TCCI, as well as NCC's Missions. The sale made approximately \$3,000 and will be split between the school and the church missions. Thank you, again, all for your hard work, and we are hoping we can do this again in the future!! Aloha, Laurie Hamano, NCC's Treasure Hunt coordinator

Use It or Lose It - Keeping Your Mind Sharp

Come and learn how the brain works, what it needs, and whether or not you are at risk for Alzheimer's Disease. What are the warning signs? **Sandy Brekke**, from the Kaiser Medicare Department, will present an informational talk on this subject. The date is Thursday, **February 27, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.** in Kosasa Hall. We will have a short business meeting before the presentation. February planners are Sets Takahashi, Betty Morikawa, Wayne Kobayashi, Howard and Barbara Mau.

Aloha from Makaiwa Tong (Posted on NCC Facebook page)

"Aloha NCC 'Ohana, I wanted to thank you for the Christmas cards which I recently received from the post office (I picked up my package on Hawaiian time). I really appreciate so much the ways you have extended your aloha to me even though I'm far away. I miss and love all you. I also have a new address by the way, because I'm living off campus. (6444 Colby Street, Oakland, CA 94618) Take care & a hui hou."

Giving Statements

Your 2013 Giving Statements are ready to be picked up. See Paula on the Fellowship Lanai after the morning service. Thank you, George Honjiyo, Howard and Barbara Mau for helping to get them ready.



Office Help Needed

Paula Yamamoto will be going on her annual ski trip **February 17-27**. If you are able to help out in the office, please sign up or call the church office. Mahalo!