



# *NCC News* April 12, 2015



*A Weekly Newsletter of Nu'uanu Congregational Church*

## **Green Day II - Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

REMINDER... Green Day II at NCC, on April 18th: Free-cycling, e-waste, handmade items, hydroponic kits & fresh lettuce, worms, Ralph, da Worm Guy, dri-car wash, container home, and favorite local eats, like spam musubi, hot dogs, chips, water. Come and bring a friend!



Due to the heavy demand for shredding, there is a **limit of 3** banker boxes or copy paper size boxes per person. —Missions Committee

## **Pick Up Your Steak/Chicken Plates!**

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets for our first National Youth Event fundraiser! Your support means so much to the youth here at NCC and to all the local UCC churches working to make it possible to send our youth to Florida in 2016 to attend the National Youth Event. If you purchased tickets, your steak/chicken plates will be ready to pick up after the 9:00 morning worship right outside on the lanai. Please have your tickets ready! Enjoy!

For more information on the National Youth Event and our local church's efforts, visit: <http://www.hi2nye.org/> —NCC Youth

## **William and Jean Wood 2015 Scholarship**

Applications for the 2015 William and Jean Wood Scholarship are being accepted for those who will be attending a university, college, and/or institution of higher learning. The scholarship is available to members, families, and friends of Nu'uanu Congregational Church.

Note: All required documents (application, two references, transcripts, etc.) **must be received together in one packet by April 30, 2015** as specified in the instructions. Incomplete application packets received will not be considered.

Applications may be obtained from the Nu'uanu Congregational Church web site ([www.nuuanu.org](http://www.nuuanu.org)) or office (ph. 595-3935 or email [nccadmin@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:nccadmin@hawaiiantel.net)).

--Marilyn Naka

## **NCC Brochure**

Please peruse the new Nu‘uanu Congregational Church brochure; and then take it with you and give it to someone who does not currently attend church. We would love to have them join us. —Pastor Mary

## **FACE Container Home**

FACE (Faith Action for Community Equity) is a faith-based community organizing group whose mission is to give a voice to the underserved who don't know they have a voice. Nu‘uanu Congregational Church is one of the founding members of FACE. FACE has been pushing for low income affordable housing for years, and FACE has commissioned an 8' by 20' shipping container to be turned into a 2-bedroom sleeping unit to give folks an opportunity to walk into a shipping container and see how it can feel like home.

The Shipping Container Home is on display at NCC's parking lot from April 3 to April 21. It is open between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. during weekdays; Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 11; Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; and on Saturday, April 18 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Sunday, April 12, after worship, folks from FACE will present an adult forum on "Homelessness on Oahu" in the Old Library. In addition to explaining about the Shipping Container Home, they will give us an overview of Housing bills in the Legislature and City Council and what FACE is doing. Let us continue to learn more about how we can help alleviate homelessness in Hawai'i. —Pastor Mary

## **Emergency Preparedness**

Hurricanes, Tsunami, Earthquakes & storms, flooding, electricity outages: Who knows what will happen? **Claire Loo Nakatsuka** and her son **Andrew** (16) took the Community Emergency Response Team training by the City and County. They want to share how you can prepare for an emergency, in efforts to prevent a disaster from happening. Come visit their Emergency Preparedness display **today and next Sunday** after worship on the lanai.

## **PowerPoint Operators Needed**

The Diaconate is looking to expand its pool of Sunday PowerPoint operators. If you are interested in serving God in this capacity, see **Lori Takeyama-Goshi** or **Mabel Suzuki**. Paul Yamamoto is the operator for April, and he is willing to train or answer any questions you might have.

## **Access Statement**

(Revised 8/2/14 by the Diaconate Board)

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, assistive listening devices, Japanese Bibles and Japanese hymnals are available from the ushers.
- 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.