Seawall

If we're doing the math correctly, we have about 3140 linear feet of seawall. Most of it needs capping, but it's only critical in a few areas. The worst is the area between the 600-700 blocks where a combination of pressure from the naupaka and erosion has dislodged some of the retaining wall.

We don't intend to cap the seawall in 2010. BUT we are initiating a long-term, systematic initiative of maintenance and repair. In 10 or 15 years, with a little vigilance, we should be able to cap and mortar the entire 3000-foot wall and restore its original look and structural integrity.

Other Projects

- We need to immediately do some maintenance on the underside of the bridge. Fairly large chucks of concrete have dropped out of the surface and exposed the underlying rebar;
- We'd like to restore the lawn in the front triangle; and
- The central park walkway is in need of resurfacing.

The list goes on, but everything at this point becomes a function of budget. So much has been neglected for so long, that our primary task has been to set priorities based on safety and the added cost of further neglect.

Harvey Shapiro

Harvey has been a board member and our Treasurer for the last two years. He passed away suddenly on Friday, September 4.

In real life, Harvey was a research economist for the Honolulu Board of Realtors for more than two decades and a columnist for the Honolulu Advertiser.

He was a gentleman and a guy who put his heart into everything he did. He was 63.

We'll miss him.

Registration

The office recently sent out a flyer asking us all to update our registration. This was spurred by the death of our friend, and longtime island resident, Harvey Shapiro.

The Management Office needs up-to-date information if we're going to be able contact your family and friends in the event of an emergency. And emergencies happen all the time.

All the information is kept in the strictest confidence, but it's imperative that it be accessible by the resident manager. This is equally true for tenants and owners alike. If you're in doubt about how long it's been since you updated, please contact Rick at 395-3355.

A Final Note

Many of these projects have been on the books for some time:

- The pedestal project was first budgeted in 1995;
- The painting project was deferred from 2003 to 2014;
- The hurricane clips were budgeted in 2006; and
- The seawall patching was scheduled for 2007.
- All of this is now being done in 2009-10.

It's the result of engaging the whole community. We've been lucky to find both the right combination of talent and a shared commitment to proactively address the critical need to get things done.

Next Board Meeting:

Monday, October 19, 6:00 pm



