

# Diamond Head Clubhouse News



## Michelle ~ You will be Missed!!!!

By: Addam, Zach, Vernon & Esther

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On December 30<sup>th</sup>, Zach, Shardeh, Vernon, Addam and Esther went over to Koolau Clubhouse to wish Michelle a Happy Retirement. We were glad to see our friends from Makaha, Waipahu and Honolulu Clubhouse.

Michelle started at Kalihi Palama Psychosocial Rehab in 1990 and has worked for the state for 34.5 years. She helped start Waipahu, Honolulu and Koolau Clubhouse. In 2007, she became a clubhouse faculty member for the International Clubhouse Center for Development (ICCD). She traveled the world helping with accreditations at about 10 clubhouses here in the USA and other countries. She can now travel and just relax! Send us a post card from where ever you go!

Addam: Thank you so much Michelle for being such a wonderful Director. I loved how the Koolau Clubhouse had everything I wanted. It was all because of you. Thank you!

Zach: As for the group, we had a good time. We enjoyed the pizza and salad and the dessert was fantastic! I had such a wonderful time! This wasn't my first time there at Koolau Clubhouse.

Vernon: It was an enjoyable send off for Michelle, it was heartwarming and heartfelt. The food was good. I've only seen Michelle on zoom so it was nice to meet her in person, after all these years.

Esther: I started at Koolau Clubhouse and have now worked for almost 20 years. I have always said that I am thankful that I started under Michelle's leadership. She was very patient, supportive and an example of someone who has a heart and mind for clubhouse. She has been available through the years, even after I transferred to other clubhouses. I will never forget all she has been to me, members, administration and ICCD at large. I asked Michelle for a final comment and she said, "Clubhouse Rocks!" I concur, especially because of special people like you Michelle Chow! You will be missed, always!!! Happy Retirement!!!



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### Clubhouse Guarantees Its Members:

- The right of place to come to
- A right to meaningful relationships
- A right to meaningful work
- And a place to return to

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## Switching to the Kitchen

By: Jason

Aloha everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and an awesome start to the new year. Here at Diamond Head, there are some changes that are underway. For me, after spending 12 years in the Business Unit, it was time to try something new and more in the Kitchen Unit. So far it has been a great experience learning the ins and outs and of course working with the awesome Kitchen Unit crew. Thank you Business Unit for the fantastic 12 years. I'll be sure to keep in touch! Thank you Kitchen Unit for all the help and support as I make the transition in. Let's get to work!



KITCHEN UNIT

## Learning The Family Business

By: Katrina

2025 brings a year of exciting change to the Diamond Head Clubhouse! I have been working in the Kitchen Unit for the past seven years, but transitioned to the Business Unit at the start of the new year. To me, the change was seamless since I had the help of all the wonderful members, who have been excellent and patient teachers. I am motivated to learn the tasks of the Business Unit so I can truly say I embody Clubhouse International's Standard 10: "Clubhouse staff have generalist roles. All staff share employment, housing, evening and weekend, holiday and unit responsibilities. Clubhouse staff do not divide their time between Clubhouse and other major work responsibilities that conflict with the unique nature of member/staff relationships." I look forward to attending the Business Unit retreat to collaborate on our goals for 2025. At times, the unit change will be a challenge, but without challenge, I will not be able to grow and become the staff I would like to be. Thank you to all the members and Esther for all your help!



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## Kitchen Unit Update By: Sandra

Thanksgiving and Xmas brunch were good, and members had a wonderful time. Our new year has come, and everyone will do what they always do in our new year—2025. Kitchen Unit will have their Retreat on Wednesday, January 29th. Members and staff will get together and say what they will do in the Kitchen Unit. We will have get to know you games and something to eat in the morning. We will talk about what we have done in 2024 and what is needed to move forward in 2025. We will have a break and then eat lunch, then finish setting up our goals.

Jan 20, 2025 is Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Clubhouse will have a BBQ. Members will attend and have a good time. Hope you enjoy reading out Newsletter. Happy New Year!!!

## Birthdays



Brenda  
Craig  
Ronald  
Rylan  
Alan  
Shawn  
Stansen  
Edwin  
Edward

## Business Unit Update By: Zach

The Business Unit Annual Retreat this month will be my first. I've been at the Business Unit Retreat since 2004. This retreat should be interesting and fun. We are looking forward to reviewing our 2024 accomplishments of the past year and setting goals for 2025. We always enjoy the day spent together brainstorming and also getting to know each other better.

Wrapping up the year, seemed like a long road because of the accreditation, fundraiser and all the holiday celebrations. It was a challenge but it all worked out ok. We are looking forward to 2025!

## Wishing You a Happy New Year By: Vernon

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And one for discovery

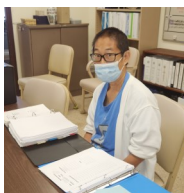
The point of interest in all things  
May it be a year to beat most  
May we say "Hello" to new things  
And lay to rest the old

At face value and personal  
May good things be ever  
So near and the not-so-good  
Far from reach

Happy New Year!

And

Auld Lang Syne!!







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# Sudoku

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# January Word Search

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 MUSIC BALLOONS PARTY  
 TOAST STREAMERS COUNTDOWN  
 CONFETTI DANCING FRIENDS  
 CHEERS CLOCK GOALS