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Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Dear friends and colleagues,

As we turn the page on 2023 and welcome the New Year of 2024, I would like to start off by thanking Past-President Michelle Morihara, CFRE, and our Chapter's Board of Directors for their dedicated service this past organizational year.

Looking ahead to my service as President, I am thrilled to be working alongside an incredible team of fundraising professionals and embracing the opportunities that lie ahead. This is going to be an amazing year filled with learning, mentoring, networking, and fundraising. And I am excited for us! (see New Board article below).



As I reflect on my own professional development journey, I am truly grateful for AFP. The educational offerings and the tools and resources that were made available to me as a new fundraising professional, including scholarships – both local and national – enabled me to attend the AFP Aloha Chapter National Philanthropy Day Conference & Awards Luncheon as well as my first AFP ICON early on in my career. The knowledge and skills that I have acquired over the years are truly invaluable. I still continue to learn new and innovative fundraising approaches and best practices from my AFP colleagues and mentors!

Whether you are a seasoned development director, fundraising consultant, grant writer, volunteer fundraiser, foundation executive or a new development associate, you can rest assured knowing that our Chapter is committed to supporting our members and providing quality educational programs and networking opportunities.

Mahalo for being a part of our 'ohana. The work that you do every single day to make our community and the organization that you represent even better is truly inspiring.

With much gratitude and aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice". The script is elegant and cursive.

Janice N. Knapp, CFRE
President, AFP Aloha Chapter

Professional Development



The AFP Aloha Chapter held its Annual Membership Meeting on December 8, 2023, at the Bishop Museum's beautiful outdoor Atherton Hālau. Mahalo to all who attended this fun and festive event along with our venue host Bishop Museum and Jen Onishi, Membership Committee Chair.

The membership meeting was led by Board President Michelle Morihara, CFRE, who reviewed the 2023 Annual Report including the chapter's highlights of the year, announced the 2024 board and thanked the outgoing board members. [View 2023 Annual Report...](#)

The gathering included an ono Hawaiian buffet lunch from Highway Inn followed by two special presentations, "Trendline not Faultline!" by Nowshad (Shad) Ali, CFRE, President and CEO of On Purpose Leadership, and "Maui Wildfires Impact" by Mary Leong Saunders, Vice President of Philanthropy at Hawai'i Community Foundation. Mahalo to Shad and Mary for their informative talks.

And always a fun part of our annual get together was the lucky prize drawing! This year due to our generous board members and others, everyone went home with a nice gift. The meeting was a great way for our membership to gather, recap the year, and get ready for the holiday season and new year!

Welcome to Our 2024 Board Leadership

The AFP Aloha Chapter advances philanthropy throughout Hawaii by actively promoting the practice of ethical and effective fundraising. Each year local fundraising professionals are nominated for and approved by Chapter membership to serve as a volunteer Board of Director. This diverse group provides professional development, networking, and mentoring to Hawaii's professional fundraising community's needs based on survey responses, direct feedback, and fundraising trends.

The 2024 board members are a diverse group of fundraisers from a variety of nonprofit organizations across the state of Hawaii. Please welcome the AFP Aloha Chapter Board of Directors:

- **Janice Knapp**, CFRE, Shriners Children's Hawai'i, *President*
- **Ryan Catalani**, Family Promise of Hawai'i, *Pres-Elect/IDEA-Scholarship Comm Co-Chair*
- **Michelle Morihara**, CFRE, The Friends of 'Iolani Palace, *Past-Pres/Comm on Directorship*
- **Rüdiger Rückmann**, Honolulu Waldorf School, *Sec/IDEA-Scholarship Comm Co-Chair*
- **Budd Lauer**, Maryknoll School, *Treasurer*

Directors

- **Kerri Bosworth Van Duyne**, YMCA of Honolulu, *Government Relations Committee Chair*
- **Wendy Chang**, CFRE, Punahou School, *National Philanthropy Day Committee Chair*
- **Harmony Hallas**, Hawai'i Community Foundation

- Peter Hayashida, CFRE, Marts&Lundy
 - Be-Jay Kodama, Catholic Charities Hawai'i
 - Billie Lueder, Hawaii Baptist Academy
 - Michael Marsh, CFRE, Responsive Caregivers of Hawaii
 - Mariko Miho, Makana Consulting 808, *Professional Advancement Committee Chair*
 - Edward Nishioka, Boy Scouts of America, Aloha Council, *Communications Committee Chair*
 - Jennifer Onishi, Hawai'i Foodbank, *Membership Committee Chair*
 - Hilary Sholin, Honolulu Museum of Art
 - Jacqui Sovde, Kamehameha Schools/Pauahi Foundation, *Be The Cause Committee Chair*
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Welcome to Our New Chapter Administrator Chris Kurosawa

The Aloha Chapter would like to introduce and welcome our new Chapter Administrator, Chris Kurosawa!

Chris is a motivated individual with a background working with special populations in the healthcare industry. Being born and raised in Hawaii, her work ethic is driven by her passion to positively contribute to the unique, close-knit community in Hawaii. While relatively new to the field of fundraising and philanthropy, she hopes her skillset and commitment to continuous learning will benefit the AFP Aloha Chapter community.



Please contact Chris at admin@afphawaii.org or at 808-527-2426 to assist with any of your AFP Aloha Chapter requests or questions.



HURRY! Application for the Chamberlain Scholarship to ICON 2024 in Toronto Are Due This Friday, January 12th!!!

The Chamberlain Scholarship program honors Ralph E. Chamberlain, CFRE. Mr. Chamberlain had a long and distinguished career of service to the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), beginning in the 1960s until his death in 1999. Because of his long-time support of the Foundation's annual fund and generous planned gift, the AFP Board of Directors renamed their Conference Scholar Program in 2000 to honor Mr. Chamberlain's memory and commitment to the Association. Read more about Ralph E. Chamberlain [here](#).

Each year, the AFP Foundation offers AFP chapters a Chamberlain Scholarship, which covers the recipient's conference registration to the annual AFP ICON. **ICON 2024** will be held on April 7-9 in Toronto, Canada. The scholarship is available to individuals

(AFP members and non-members) who have never attended AFP ICON (covers registration fee only). **Applications are due by January 12, 2024.** Click on the below for more info and application form:

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Take our 2024 Coffee Talk Survey!

We're always looking for topic discussions that you are interested in and are seeking your input as we start to plan for our Coffee Talk series for 2024. Please take a moment to take this short survey (just 3 questions) to give us your suggestions for topics and presenters. Of course, what's a Coffee Talk survey without a little coffee? **We will be awarding the first 5 respondents with a \$10 coffee card!** So, please click on the link below to share your thoughts. The survey will close on Monday, January 22, 2024, 5pm (HST), so don't delay. Mahalo for your support!

Take Our Survey!

Member News

The [Member Spotlight](#) is taking an extended holiday and will be back in next month's issue.



Janet Bullard

VP of Advancement & Marketing Communications
Bishop Museum

Marlene Rice

Maui Foodbank

Sara Sugidono

Fundraising Support When You Need It Most!

AFP membership and support from the fundraising community is essential to any fundraiser, even in the best of times. But in the toughest of times—after the events of September 11, the Great Recession, and most recently during the COVID-19 pandemic, AFP membership is CRITICAL.



BE the CAUSE Campaign

Mahalo for Your Support of the 2023 Be The Cause Campaign and Congratulations to Sanae Tokumura, ACFRE, Our Drawing Winner!

Thank you to all our AFP Aloha Chapter donors for their BE the CAUSE 2023 contributions! Your unwavering commitment and support translate to even more of the AFP Foundation for Philanthropy contribution going towards our Aloha Chapter to support our local professional development, including conference scholarships!

[Mahalo to Our 2023 Donors...](#)

Congratulations to Sanae Tokumura, ACFRE, from Solid Concepts, Inc., who was drawn as the winner complimentary registration to our 2024 AFP Aloha Chapter National Philanthropy Day Conference & Awards Luncheon on November 15, 2024 at the Sheraton Waikiki!



Partner News



Aloha from the Hawaii Gift Planning Council!

We are pleased to present "**Conversations About Money: Understanding It, Identifying It, and Asking for It**" featuring Melanie Keilholtz, Associate Director, Office of Gift Planning at UC Berkeley at a new time.

Here is the link to view this FREE seminar via live stream. You don't want to miss this!

When: Jan 11, 2024, 12:00 p.m. (New time!)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87160097518?pwd=YmpPSjBoem1adW9PSk5VbUVxTmozZz09>

Passcode: 167066

Aloha and Happy New Year from the HGPC Board!

Important Links & Info!



Support Hawaii's Professional Fundraisers with a [one-time or monthly recurring gift](#) to the AFP Aloha Chapter. Your gift provides access to affordable or free fundraising development tools, training, & resources. **Mahalo!**



**Set Getting Your CFRE as a Goal for 2024--
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As a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE), you show the world your mastery of ethical best-practice fundraising. You will stand out and get ahead for demonstrating you have what it takes to successfully fundraise and bring greater value to your organization. Whether you're a department of one or oversee a team, the CFRE credential will help ensure your fundraising adheres to globally-accepted, ethical best practices. [Start Your Application...](#)

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[Chief Operating Officer](#) - American Red Cross Pacific Islands Region

[Director of Annual Giving](#) - YMCA of Honolulu

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- Post a Job: [Chapter Job Center - AFPHIAlohaChapter \(afpglobal.org\)](#)