

Tails of Aloha

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May 2010

Pearl Harbor Shipyard Award Goes to...

Congratulations to Paul Marrietti on receiving the 2010 Excellence in Federal Government Exceptional Community Service award from the Pearl Harbor Shipyard. With over 4,800 employees at the shipyard, this was a fantastic feat!

Paul is a program analyst in the Production Resources Department C900.

Paul started as a therapy team member and because of his interest with animals and helping others, he is now vice president of the Tails of Aloha Board.

The two girls in Paul's life are Kimi and Hope, the Golden Retrievers who help him with his work in animal therapy.

Paul is a tremendous asset to Tails and we are very proud to have him as a team member and board vice president.



Paul receiving his award from Captain Gregory Thomas, Commander of the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.



Kimi and Hope spending some time at the park with Paul.

Changing lives, one visit at a time

Ham Radio Technicians

Another aspect of Tails of Aloha is our Emergency/Disaster Program for animals. As part of expansion, we now have licensed ham radio technicians as part of our organization!

We hope to be working with the various ham radio organizations and applying for grants to assist us with the purchase of additional equipment.

Experienced hammies who would like to assist us with our program may contact us at info@tailsofaloha.com

A big Yippee-ka-yea to Jeff Kang, Warren Hoopii who also passed the exam on May 15.

WH6DKL - Gayle

(New Member of the Nerd Herd)



Don't Let Life "Pasture" By



Website

With our increased and varied work, we are finding that we are in need of a few people to help us maintain our website. If you are familiar with wordpress and building websites and would like to volunteer your services, please contact us at info@tailsofaloha.com.

Dates to Remember

May 30

Civil Defense K9 Search and Rescue Observation/Participation

July 10 - 11

Petco Pearl City - tables inside of Petco

August 28

Hawaii Foodbank Hunger Walk - Help to raise funds for Tails of Aloha by having people to sponsor our walkers.

To say we are excited is a bit of an understatement. It would be classified closer to ecstatic! The Board of Tails of Aloha has been hard at work seeking items for our silent auction and drawings for our Breakfast at Sniffany's to be held on October 3 at the ultra luxurious, Kahala Resort from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Maile Ballroom. Tickets will be sold at \$50. Tails of Aloha therapy team members will be there with their 4-legged or feathered team member.

A few of the silent auction items will be coming from places such as....are you ready for this?

Tiffany's

Macy's

Bark Avenue

Crazy Canine

Wines from Mutt Lynch Winery

There will also be door prizes! Donations are still being accepted.

Valet Parking - \$5

Join us!

Breakfast at Sniffany's



October 3, 2010

Kahala Resort and Hotel

Maile Ballroom

Breakfast Buffet

9:00 - noon

Tickets at \$50

Silent Auction

Valet Parking \$5

Contact: 478-8075 or

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Getting Even

Is that smoke I see coming out of your ear? Are you disappointed about something that happened to you? Are you thinking of getting even?

Let's be realistic. There are only two ways to react, and taking revenge is not one of them, because it always ends up biting you in the rump. And what makes your situation even more challenging is the fact that both of these steps are not easy because they require thinking out of the box.

So, what are the 2 steps? LETTING GO is the first and foremost. And, if you can, FORGIVING is the other. This is common knowledge, preached extensively by all religions. But you must also realize that both of these steps are one of the most difficult you will ever experience. I know all too well from personal experience.

It is okay to be angry and to think of settling the score. But there is one very important qualification...It is okay just for now! Eventually, over time, we have no other choice than to let go and if at all possible to forgive. Only then can we move on to heal the damage and reinstate our own self-confidence.

How long will your period of revenge last? That is up to your personality - but the shorter the better for you physically and mentally. And keep in mind however hurtful and disappointing the event may have been, there is one good thing about it...it bears a valuable lesson that will prevent you from repeating the situation next time.

Are you in a getting-even process right now? Make it as short as possible for the benefit of yourself and those around you.

**We can't shake hands
with a clenched fist**

Hawaii Pet Expo 2010

2010 marked our third consecutive year at the Pet Expo held at the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall. The event was a success for everyone involved. A majority of the Board members came out and assisted at the booth...Special thanks to Ryna Yamada who literally sprang into action when an elderly woman went into a diabetic coma at the Pet Expo. Her knowledge of medications from working at PharMerica was literally a lifesaver! She waited for the ambulance and escorted them into the Blaisdell Exhibition Hall with great calmness...All the team members are a great asset to our program, and each and every one of them were at their best behavior (yes, I do mean the humans)!



Chez Black and Mokka
Sharon Black and Rambo
Shirley Choy and Miata
Christine Clairmont and Meri
Theresa Donnelly and Shamrock
Barbara Gighighi and Spirit



Warren and Candy Hoopii with Jiji, Babe, and Happy



Gregg Kamei and Miho
Carolyn Killian and Riley
David Lau
Paul Marietti
Aprilani Mcllwrath and Maile



Miki Nagatoshi
Lisa Oi and Maya
Kevin Oshiro and Miso
Al Perkins and Polo
Paul Sakuma and Lucy
Gaila Serrao



Gail Shiraishi, Kimi and Hope
Karen Kaneshiro-Soon and No'e
John Wadahara and Hoku
James and Ryna Yamada



Randy and Mabel Yawata with Precious

Dates to Remember

May 29 - World Turtle Day

May 30 - Hug Your Cat Day

June 1 - National Go Barefoot Day

June 2 - Leave the Office Early Day

June 5 - Pet Visit at Maluhia

June 10-13 - Superman Week

June 12 - Pet Visit at Maluhia

June 15 - Nature Photography Day

June 16 - Fudge Day

June 17 - Recess at Work Day

June 19 - Garfield the Cat Day

June 23 - Let It Go Day

June 25 - Take Your Pet to Work Day