

Sea Country



HOLIDAY EDITION

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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It is hard to believe that 2007 is already coming to a close. Whether you celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, none of the above or *all of the above*, we hope that you find special meaning in the miracle of life this Holiday Season.

HOLIDAY DECORATING & SAFETY REMINDERS

This is the best time of the year!

Festive Holiday decorations, Christmas Trees, Hanukkah bushes, candles, lights...what could be better? However you choose to express yourself this Holiday Season, the first and most important thing to keep in mind is **SAFETY**.

Please do not leave candles burning unattended. Do not overload circuits with too many strings of Christmas lights. Do not leave anything on the stove or in the oven if you need to leave your home. These important tips could save not only your life, but also the lives of other innocent people living around you. Plan ahead so you won't be rushed and make

bad decisions. If you have not checked your smoke detector in some time, now would be a good time to do so. If you don't have a smoke detector, it would be a wise investment to purchase one and *install* it. While you are at the hardware store, why not purchase a fire extinguisher, also. It might be the best gift you ever bought

for yourself!



PET ETIQUETTE

This is a friendly reminder that pets must either be carried or on a leash at all times when on the common areas. Please be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your pet when they do their "business". Some pet owners are forgetting to pick up after their pets. Remember that picking up after your dog is not *optional*, it is the law. Your kind understanding and consideration

is greatly appreciated!



WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Sea Country is a Community Association made up of a Master Association and 2 sub-Associations. The Sea Country Master Association is made up of Palekai, Po'okela, Kaimalino and Nohokai. Holomoana and Wailana are sub-Associations under the Master Association – meaning that they are separate Associations within the Master Association. Each Association has its own Board of Directors, its own set of governing documents and each pays Maintenance Fees to their respective Associations as well as Association Dues to the Master Association. Ed Lauer is the Resident Manager for the Master Association and the *Site Manager* for Holomoana and Wailana. If you live anywhere within Sea Country (including

Holomoana and Wailana) and have questions about things such as parking and towing, the pool, rental of the recreation room, landscaping issues, noise, etc., you may call Ed Lauer at 630-7157. If you live in Holomoana or Wailana and have questions about your account,

maintenance fees, payments or anything Ed may not be able to assist you with, Debi Balmilero is the Hawaiiana Management Property Manager for Holomoana and Wailana and can be reached at 593-6378. Marc Udoff is the Hawaiiana Management Property Manager for the Sea Country Master Association. If you live in any of the Communities that make up the Master Association (listed above) and have questions about your account, maintenance fees, payments or anything else that Ed Lauer may not be able to assist you with, please call Marc Udoff at 593-6819. The Master Association has its own governing documents and its own Board of Directors, separate from Holomoana and Wailana. If you need assistance and are still unsure whom to call, please call Marc Udoff at the number listed above.

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

Hopefully by now everyone is preparing for the Holiday Decorating Contest! It should be a festive event. Judging will be held on Friday, December 21, 2007 between 7pm and 8pm. 1st Prize is \$150. 2nd Prize is \$100. 3rd Prize is \$75. Winner of the "Most Creative" category will receive \$150.



NEW WEBSITE

Sea Country Community Association has its own WEBSITE! Accessing the site is easy. Simply go to <http://www.sea-country.net/> and you are at the site! Some features of the site are still under construction and will be



available shortly. When fully operational, you will be able to view governing documents, newsletters, Board Meeting schedules, make reservations for the recreation center and have access to an abundance of interesting and useful information. Take a moment to look at the site and become familiar with its features. Sea Country Resident Manager, Ed Lauer spent countless hours creating this site and it is something all Sea Country owners and residents can be proud of.

SEA COUNTRY SECURITY

At this time of year, more than ever...Security is everyone's responsibility. It is important for residents to be aware of their surroundings at all times. Even with the Neighborhood Watch in place in some neighborhoods, it is still important for each resident to be vigilant about security. We could always use more volunteers for the Neighborhood Watch Program. If someone or something looks out of place, call 9-1-1. It is better to error on the side of being cautious. The safety and well being of all Sea Country residents is a top priority! Your own personal security outside of Sea Country is also important. While you are out Holiday shopping, place your purchases in the trunk, on the floor or somehow concealed so "would-be" thieves will go on to another car if they can't readily see any valuables in your car. Always park in a well-lighted area if you shop at night. Shop with a friend when possible.



SEA COUNTRY CLUB POOL ID TAGS

The Photo ID program has been underway for several months now. There are still quite a few residents who have yet to obtain their Sea Country Club Pool Photo ID tags. Since the inception of the Photo ID, the amount of uninvited "guests" has decreased dramatically! This means that the Sea Country recreation area can now be enjoyed by more Sea Country residents and their invited guests. If you have not picked up your ID tag, they are issued on the 2nd and last Tuesday of each month between the hours of 8am - Noon and 3pm to 7pm at the Recreation Center. Homeowners will need to bring a photo ID and renters will need to provide proof of residency by bringing a copy of their lease or



rental agreement. The cost for the photo ID pool access card is \$1.50 each. The cost of \$1.50 per ID tag is to help defray the cost of the equipment to produce the ID tags. If you have any questions or need more information about the photo ID cards, please call the Resident Manager, Ed Lauer, at 630-7157 or 447-9723. (No ID tags will be issued on Christmas Day).

STORMY WEATHER

We certainly have had our share of strange weather recently. As a result of the last big storm, many trees were knocked down throughout Sea Country. Sea Country Resident Manager, Ed Lauer worked tirelessly, along with the help of Landscape Hawaii, to clear the roads of fallen trees and debris and to replant trees as fast as possible. If you have a tree issue, please call Ed Lauer at 630-7157 and he will see to it that it gets resolved. Along with downed trees, the power outage was a terrible inconvenience for the residents on the Waianae Coast. Ed stepped-up his patrols of Sea Country to make sure no one was taking advantage of the power outage. Ed...Sea Country thanks you!



2008 ANNUAL MEETING

The 2008 Annual Meeting is rapidly approaching. It will be held on Thursday, January 17, 2008. Check-in is at 6pm and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30pm. Even if you plan to attend, it is **very important** for you to send in your proxy so we may establish a quorum. At this meeting, one *non-voting* Community Representative will be elected from Kaimalino, Nohokai, Palekai and Po'okela to serve for two years and one representative will be elected from Holomoana for one year.

SAFETY FIRST!

Sea Country is a growing Community and it is very important that all residents are conscious of safety issues. An important place to start would be to ask each and every driver within Sea Country to PLEASE come to a complete STOP at the STOP signs. It is especially dangerous near the Recreation Center. This is where the highest concentration of children and adults are crossing to get to the pool. *Your cooperation is sincerely appreciated.*



QUIET HOURS

As we head into the end of the year, thoughts turn to Holiday Parties! Everyone loves a party. But not everyone wants to party until dawn. This is a gentle reminder to please lower the volume after 10pm. A little consideration goes a long way!

