



## NA`ALEHU MAIN STREET

(A Non-Profit 501(C)3 Community Service Organization)

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### Notes on NMS Board Meeting October 16 2007

*Present:* Marge Elwell, Jean Shibuya, Eleanor Powell, Teresa Alderdyce, Diane Nelson, Dennis Elwell.

*Minutes* of the September meeting were read and approved on a motion by Eleanor, seconded by Jean.

*Membership:* Eleanor reported membership at 148 with 2 or 3 pending.

*Mark Twain:* Marge confirmed that there will be two performances by Jerry Tracy as Mark Twain. On Dec 8 at Ocean View the cost will be \$10 in a partnering arrangement with OVCA. On Dec 9 there will be a performance at Hana Hou, cost \$25 including \$15 for dinner. Profits from this will go to the Na`alehu Theater.

*Theater:* Marge will meet with County officials in the mayor's office 10/18 to present a plan to save the theater. The presentation will include an inspection and quote from Bob Taylor that is important both for the county and Weinberg Foundation. Dennis asked that the community be told that NMS is interested only in saving the theater, not in ongoing management. Marge asked Board members to treat the theater negotiations as confidential.

*Fundraiser:* Marge reported that NMS made \$300 from the fundraiser using Macy's cards.

*Garden:* The last weeding party had 10 workers and the garden is perhaps in its best shape ever. There will be a plant and seed exchange on Oct 28 from noon to 3pm. Diane gave a tour to visitors from New Zealand and is always looking for partnerships and helping to build the Friends of the Garden group. At the last Saturday tour nobody came and there was discussion of changing the time. Marge stressed that the weeding team should be members for insurance coverage even if we pay their dues. Amanada from the Volcano Art Center garden has again asked for volunteers to help there. Diane can give classes if there is interest. The lua will leave at the end of October to save cost.

*Farmers' Market:* The market continues to have good attendance and can cause problems of fitting everyone in. YTD table revenues are \$4810.

*Art Show:* The proposal is to select 5 artists for the next show to reduce the burden on us as organizers. The show is tentatively planned for November 2008.

*Internet café:* Customer support has been slow recently and Tom Testagrossa is moving to a job in Kona. YTD receipts are around \$3200.

*Board membership:* With currently only five Board members, we need to add a director for the schools and an art director. Various names were suggested. Marge asked Board members to bring a potential new Board member to the next meeting.

*History Commission:* Marge reported that she is on a Task Force planning to ask the County to create a History Commission as on Maui and Kauai. She will give testimony at the second reading of a Bill to create the Commission and asked the Board for authorization to testify on behalf of NMS. This was proposed by Jean, seconded by Eleanor and passed unanimously.

*Next meeting* will be on November 13 at 6pm and will probably be the last of the year.