

north shore outdoor circle

keeping the north shore clean, green, and beautiful

Mahalo and Aloha Oe

Peggy Cutting

Peggy Cutting has been a member of the North Shore Outdoor Circle (NSOC) Board of Directors since 1996. Peggy's last official board meeting was on August 12, 2019. Her 23 years on the board include service as president, co-president, secretary, and newsletter and membership chairpersons.

Elaine Niimi brought Peggy onto the board and Jean Merlet helped keep her on it. Cutting has many good memories from her work as a board and NSOC member. Particular favorites include laboring to create the bike path in Sunset Beach, the work NSOC did to help preserve Waimea Valley from developers and the fact that NSOC helped keep a parade of light poles off the view plain down Kamehameha Highway from Wahiawa to Haleiwa.

Peggy also particularly liked the NSOC Fieldtrips. She will always remember the visit to John Reppun's Farm at the back of Waiahole Valley, as well as volunteering atop Mt. Ka'ala and the special fundraisers held at spectacular private homes and beautiful gardens.

Most of all Peggy treasures the NSOC time she enjoyed with people having fun. She admires the commitment of the good people she served with over the years who worked together to do amazing things. According to Peggy, the best part of service with NSOC is "getting to know the people in your community."

Peggy Cutting leaves the board knowing her community and its history very well. She will be missed on the board, loved by all who served with her, and will continue as a NSOC member.



Our Guest Speaker :

Hawaiian Native Plant Restoration and Preservation

Rick Barboza

Hui Ku Maoli Ola



The North Shore Outdoor Circle is pleased to have Rick Barboza as the guest speaker at the General Membership Meeting to be held on September 23, 2019, at 6:00 pm at the Proud Peacock in Waimea Valley.

Barboza will speak on the importance of native plant restoration and the joy of putting plants in the ground that will thrive in their original habitat. He will also address the philosophy of choosing native plants as well as changing mindsets, how native plants can positively

change the landscape and how native plant restoration will lead to a healthier environment in Hawai'i.

Barboza's farm, Hui Ku Maoli Ola, is situated in Haiku Valley, Heeia and the farm's plants are part of restoration projects throughout the Hawaiian Islands. Hui Ku Maoli Ola has even provided native plants for restoration work on Kahoolawe. Whether the restoration is at a public site or in a private yard, Barboza fits needs in terms of planting that mirrors what existed in particular places in Hawaii 500 years ago.



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The farm has been in existence for 20 years though Barboza has been growing native plants for the last 23 years. The farm is expanding to Waimanalo where the focus will be on growing native trees. A graduate of Kamehameha Schools, Barboza earned his bachelor's degree in zoology from the University of Hawaii. The focus area for his degree was conservation biology. Originally from Waimanalo, Barboza now lives on his farm in Heeia.

**We hope you
will join us!**

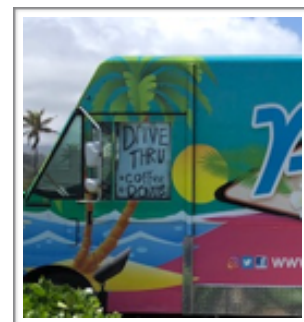
One of his greatest joys in the restoration work he does is to see native insects and birds return to the restoration sites.

Kathy Whitmire is looking for Signs ...

North Shore residents should be aware of two bills still pending before the Honolulu City Council, **Bills 46 and 47**. They pertain to the food trucks that are proliferating in our community. There are benefits and problems with these trucks, but as long as we educate ourselves on the issues, we can ensure that our north shore atmosphere stays clean, green, and beautiful. Our Signs Committee Chairperson, Kathy Whitmire has done the research and explains these bills.



Bill 46 would eliminate most of the new restrictions placed on food trucks operating within the Haleiwa Special District. If passed, the bill would also allow more food trucks to get special district permits.



Bill 47 would authorize food trucks to operate without permits on any commercial property throughout Oahu. The exception would be that food trucks would be required to get a permit to operate within Special Districts such as Haleiwa.

These two bills are very weak. They don't place controls on **visual clutter, excessive signage, and improper waste disposal** caused by food trucks. **NSOC has opposed both bills, but both bills passed the second reading in October 2018.**

Since then, the bills have been delayed and are currently set to expire without a final vote on September 22. The Honolulu City Council could act before then to extend the date, but we hope not. If both these bills expire it will be a victory for the NSOC.



The NSOC supported Bill 45, which passed! This bill required that the City of Honolulu **enforce the requirements of the Haleiwa Special District**. However, the city has not begun their enforcement of these rules which would require that the food trucks help maintain the historical, beautiful ambience of the north shore.

The Signs Committee is hard at work, documenting the trucks and other examples of businesses that are not following the rules set by the Haleiwa Special District standards.



DPP Complaints
768-8000

DOT Complaints
831-6714

TOC Hotline
593-0300

President's Message

The two years of our co-presidency have sped by. They say that as you get older time goes more quickly but in fact our co-presidency has been packed with so many worthy things to do, we truly don't know where the time went. There are projects that have been completed and many that are still ongoing. Projects such as removing Weed Circle's dying Banyan and maintenance of the other trees, securing and planting a tree in Patsy Gibson's memory, a true view plain at Waimea, a matching rock wall at Ehukai, the ongoing challenges along the entire length of Ke Ala Pupukea and the proliferation of illegal signs everywhere in our various communities are all items where good work has been done but much is still left for the North Shore Outdoor Circle (NSOC) to do.

It has been our sincere pleasure to serve as NSOC co-presidents. It is such a worthy organization with truly committed board and general members. We are grateful to new members and for those who have been members for many years. Most of all it has been a great honor and privilege to serve our community, and work in service with a wonderful team of good people to help to keep our slice of Oahu clean, green and beautiful. We are committed to remaining NSOC members and helping to ensure that the important work of this organization is ongoing. Hopefully, we will see many of you on the last Monday of each month at 8:15 am at Waimea Valley to help with maintaining the valley ginger garden!

Sincerely,

Ruth Holmberg and Lea Albert

**We are 70 members
strong now,
small but mighty.**

**We hope you'll join
us for an event
or activity
this year.**

**It's always a great
time to renew
your membership
- if you haven't
already!**



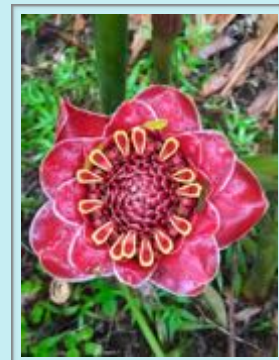
Save the Dates for these Events with NSOC and other community groups

NORTH SHORE OUTDOOR CIRCLE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 23, 6:00pm until 8:15pm
Waimea Valley - Proud Peacock



WAIMEA WORK DAY GINGER ALLEY September 30, 8:00am



If you are interested in Tax Incentives for Preservation, consider attending a seminar jointly sponsored by the North Shore Chamber of Commerce and the Historic Hawaii Foundation.

**October 30, 2019 from 9:30 to 11:30 am
at the Haleiwa Gym**



Look at her grow!

This shower tree, planted
January 20, 2016 at the
Banzai Rock Skatepark,
celebrates the life of

Ruth Leinau -

Past President of NSOC

North Shore Outdoor Circle Annual Membership Meeting

Monday, September 23, 2019 - 6pm

Proud Peacock Restaurant-Waimea Valley

Wonderful food from Ke Nui Kitchen

**Welcome
Installation of Officers
2019 Beautification Awards**



Guest Speaker

**Rick Barboza
Hui Ku Maoli Ola
Native Plant Restoration**

8:15pm - Pau

**Please RSVP to cooperk001@icloud.com
and let us know if you are bringing a guest.**

**"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment
before starting to improve the world." - Anne Frank**

**Please consider signing up on one of our committees.
It's a small time commitment for the chance to help keep the North
Shore -
Clean, Green and Beautiful.**