Can you believe it’s August 1st? I can’t! We have three weeks of classes left in summer term and are rapidly ramping up for the Fall Term. Fall registration starts August 22nd! There will be opportunities to review how to purchase memberships, register for classes, and volunteer to help others. Be sure to fill out questionnaires for those of you who want to volunteer to be a volunteer, and those of you who think you will need help with registration.

A moment of Zen, flower bunches at the Ko Farms stand at KCC Farmers Market this past Saturday :)

And don’t forget to VOTE!!! See Hawaii 2022 Election info below.
OLLI Announcements:

- **Fall 2022 Orientation, Lumens, & Zoom Trainings, FAQ RSVP** We have planned several trainings to help both members & instructors prepare for Fall Term. Sign up here.
- **Fall 2022 Class helpers needed!** Learn how to be an OLLI class volunteer and how to make all your OLLI classes better. Training and mentorship will be provided. From monitoring the char box to logging into the Zoom account, there are many levels from easy-peasy to slightly more complex. All are needed! Sign up here.
- **The Fall Session is right around the corner!** OLLI Fall Term dates: September 19 to Dec 9 with Fall Registration starting August 22nd.

2022 Hawaii Elections

Did you know the 2021/22 redistricting changed the boundaries of precincts for the 2022 election? I didn't and was surprised to see I'm in a different district than 2018! The City and County of Honolulu Election Map 2022 lets you type your address and confirm your district. Hawaii residents have now all likely received our ballots in the mail and they will have the appropriate information, but if you want to double check, click here.

These links from Civil Beat include an overview of the 2022 elections, candidate positions, and a voter toolkit with much useful information.

- Civil Beat Guide: 2022 Is A Big Year For Politics And Elections In Hawaii
- Civil Beat Elections Guide
- Civil Beat Voter Toolkit

Remember, **No Vote, No Grumble**

Teagan's Thoughts

I don't particularly have many thoughts this month other than being slightly shocked that it's already August, and that my Fall semester will be starting in just 3 short weeks. Actually, my other thought is that by this time next year, I will have my masters degree which is simultaneously exciting and nerve wracking. I am, however, trying not to get too far ahead of myself and instead focus on the present.

Speaking of the present, since my entry for last month's newsletter, I adopted a second dog, and she has been a wonderful gift in mine and my other dog's life. Seen here are my two dogs whom I love dearly and who are the best of friends. (Honey, my 1st dog, is the tan and black one. Maisie, my 2nd dog, is the white and brown one.)
Since the Spring of 2018, Carol Zink has been a wonderful contributor to our OLLI (she even proof reads our catalogs), starting off as a student and becoming an instructor shortly thereafter, first teaching a class on the French Revolution. Having taught a wide range of topics, Carol said that one of her favorite classes she’s taught is one on Russian history, having taught it twice, once in person and once online, this past Fall. While Carol has proven herself as an engaging instructor, she is also one that rises to the challenge of teaching subjects that are not always easy to navigate, such as the class she recently taught on the Palestine–Israel Conflict. Carol noted that “the subject is quite emotional for a lot of people, and [she] did a lot of extra research to make sure [she] was presenting information in a factual, balanced way.” It’s no surprise that her thoughtful and well organized approach to teaching has made her a well-regarded member of our OLLI, with the popularity of her classes being attributed to her exceptional teaching abilities. When asked about how she’s been positively impacted by OLLI, Carol responded, “I really enjoy talking about history to people interested in learning it! OLLI Hawaii students are so willing to engage in a positive way, they ask lots of interesting questions, and I learn something from them every time I teach!”

Though she most frequently teaches intriguing classes on history, Carol is also well known for her apple pie, having taught a hands-on class on how to make apple pie from scratch in Fall of 2018. We are quite pleased that she will be teaching the class again this Fall so make sure to keep an eye out for it in our Fall Catalog that will be released later this month.

When not teaching for OLLI, Carol is not only physically active but active in her community as well. She fishes, kayaks, boats, hikes, swims, and bikes (in good weather), and this past year she did some cross country skiing, a little winter hiking and snowshoeing during what she refers to as the ‘winter experiment,’ emphasizing that the experiment will NOT be repeated as “winter is just too much work!” During her ‘downtime,’ Carol frequently volunteers by working at a charity thrift store and delivering summer lunches to those that receive free lunch during the school year, and she additionally serves on church boards, as well as task forces. Carol is also a member of a choir in New Hampshire and she looks forward to singing with the Windward Choral Society again when she returns to Hawaii this October. As if all of that weren’t enough to fill her time, Carol loves to spend time with her five grandchildren, ages 7 to 13. As is blatantly apparent, Carol Zink is a VERY busy woman and we are grateful to have even a fraction of her time. If you are interested in taking a class with Carol this Fall, she will not only be teaching a class on ‘How to make an apple pie’ but a class on The Cold War, as well.