Mission: (1) To complete the Lau Family Geneology, (2) to raise funds for the use of the Association for charitable purposes, (3) to give aid and assistance to needy and infirm members of the Association, and to aid the surviving spouse and children of a deceased member, (4) to encourage all members to take an active part in the civic, social, and moral welfare of our community, (5) to encourage younger generations to learn and use the Chinese language, (6) to encourage all members to associate with one another with respect and love at all times, and (7) to encourage all to know and commemorate historical dates and preserve and perpetuate important traditions.

History: The original club was called the Kai Kok Club, and was formed during the 1930s by emigrants to Hawaii from Kai Kok village (Xijiaoxiang 豐角鄉), located near Shekki town (Shiqizhen 石歧鎮) in the Lung Doo (Longdu 隆都) subdistrict of Zhongshan county, in Guangdong province. Records indicate that the earliest Lau in Guangdong, named Lau Siuhung, settled in this village in the early 12th century. It is estimated that hundreds of thousands of his descendants are now scattered throughout the southern Chinese provinces and elsewhere.

Sources: UCS publications and correspondence with Amy and Mabel Lau.
Activities When the Kai Kok Club in Hawaii was first organized, its members were very active. Regular meetings were held at the Sheung Fat Grocery owned by Mr. Lau Chong Chor, on Maunakea Street. However, from the 1960s to 1980, Club members grew inactive. Only one gathering was held each year on the day of the Ching Ming Festival (Qingmingjie 清明節), when a few members and their families would gather at the graves to pay respect to their ancestors.

During the latter part of 1980, the younger generations of the Lau Clan, mostly of the 22nd and 23rd generations, gathered together and were instrumental in reactivating the Club. However, they changed its name to The Lau Family Association, with new by-laws, which limited Association membership to those with the surname Lau (the most common spelling variations of the Chinese character 劉 are Lau, Liu, Low, and Lowe).

Membership: The Association currently has about 480 members.

Association presidents
1981   Paul C P Lau
1982   Kwock Nam Lau
1983   Hin Chiu Lau
1984   Henry C F Lau
1985   Thomas B Lau
1986   Walter T Y Lau
1987   Gayle J Lau
1988   Eugene Liu
1989   Elizabeth C Lau
1990   Tim Hung Lau
1991   Franklin Y P Lau
1992   Daniel W C Lau
1993   Yan Tuck Lau
1994   Gordon G J Lau
1995   William S L Lau
1996   Patrick K.L. Lau
1997   Stuart C. Lau
1998   Phillip M.K. Lau
1999–00 Wilson W.O. Lau
2001   Robert Y.K. Lau
2002   Samuel Lok On Lau
2003   Amy P.M. Lau

All pictures were taken at annual banquets of the Association, and were provided by Mabel Lau.