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At the Podium



This week's speaker is Joan Parker. Ms. Parker is the Early Literature Intervention Recovery Teacher at Kealakehe Elementary School. She currently works on Standards Implementation, Design Coordination and Reading at the school.

Imminently qualified for and deeply involved in her job, she received her Bachelors of Education from Regina Saskatchuan College and her M.S. from Heritage College.

Her discussion on the "Benefits of Reading Aloud" is especially relevant for our Club given our involvement in, and sponsorship of, the "Read to Me" program.

Profiles

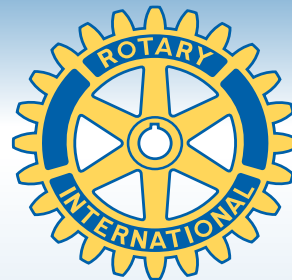


With the inaguration of our new "Profiles" section in the Coffee Blossom, it seemed only appropriate for our first profile to be of our new president, Bev Fraser. Therefore we present, in Bev's own words, our first "Profile."

I moved to Kona six years ago, along with my husband Mike and daughter Kimberley. Prior to moving here, we lived in a small town in the southeastern corner of British Columbia, Canada, where I was the Executive Director of the Columbia Valley Chamber of Commerce and Mike was a lumber-grader for Slocan Forest Products.

We decided to move to Kona after vacationing here for several years. There was just something about this place that immediately made us feel at home, and as Canadian Citizens the only way to move to the United States was to purchase a business, which we did in 1997. Despite all the obstacles put in our way from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, we finally became "permanent resident aliens" in 2001. Both Mike and I work full time in our store, and we are both very active in the community not only through Rotary, but through several other organizations as well.

I had always wanted to be a Rotarian, as I grew up in the family of Rotary. My father was a charter member of his club, and held every executive position including President. He was constantly involved in Rotary events, and it was through his involvement that I saw the true meaning and value of Rotary. It wasn't until I moved to Kona that I had the opportunity to join, and am grateful to be part of the Kona Rotary Club. Since my father passed away four years ago, it has been my desire to carry out his legacy of a lifetime commitment to "service above self".



Service Above Self

This Week

July 31, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Joan Parker,
Reading Specialist, Kealakehe
Elementary School
"Benefits of Reading Aloud"

Greeter: Scott Unger

Door Prize: Rolf Vossen

Coming Up

Greeters:

Rolf Vossen	08/07
Lynn Walton	08/14

Door Prize:

Scott Unger	08/07
Charla Thompson	08/14

Birthdays:

Ron Hawkes	08/02
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Anniversaries:

Tina Clothier	08/03
Robert Weiss	08/04
Katherine Augustine	08/04

Programs:

Gary Saracusa	08/07
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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



I am very humbled by the faith that the Rotary Club of Kona has put in me as your leader for this year. Although I have only been a Rotarian for a short period of time, I

feel that it has been a lifetime involvement as I was raised in a Rotary family. I hope that all of my experiences, along with my passion for Rotary, will help me to lead our club through an outstanding year.

Each of us has our own reasons for joining Rotary, and for why we stay involved and committed to the club. Why did you become a Rotarian? What was it about Rotary that drew you into the club? Why do you continue to be involved and what does it do for you? I believe we need to ask ourselves those questions from time to time and we need to share the answers with others who are potential Rotarians. There are many people in our community who don't know anything about Rotary; friends, neighbors and business associates who could benefit from you and I sharing our Rotary experiences. We need to work hard at our image by letting the community know that we are a very diverse group of people that work hard at improving our community, our nation and our world through Rotary. Share your Rotary experiences with others - it will benefit everyone.

Rotary Calendar

Aug 6, 2003, 5:00P - 8:00P

TRI-CLUB SOCIAL

Place: TBA

Cost: TBA

Contact: Bev Fraser, 329-4599

Sep 25, 2003, Thu, 11:30A

KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON

Speaker: Evan Dobelle, University of Hawaii President

Place: King Kamehameha Hotel

Cost: TBA

Contact: Kathy Damon, 322-4850

At the Club

This section is for club news, information and a summary of the previous week's meeting. Correspondingly, we are in search of someone who is willing to take notes at regular meetings and get those notes to Richard electronically by Monday noon of the following week. If you are willing to help out contact Richard or President Bev. Mahalo.

At RI

NORTH AMERICAN ROTARIANS CELEBRATE VOCATIONAL SERVICE

More than 350 Rotarians from North America met at the Delta Vancouver Airport Hotel in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, to discuss the importance of vocational service in Rotary, as well as ways to help improve job skills and job training. The first of 15 RI PRESIDENTIAL CELEBRATIONS planned for 2003-04, the 19 July conference was also aimed at sharing information so that successful vocational service projects can be replicated in other communities in Canada and the United States. RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe reminded participants that vocational service is a key element of Rotary's identity. "There has never been a better time for us to serve as role models and to renew our commitment to vocational service," he said in a keynote address. "This includes adhering to-and promoting-the highest ethical standards."

The future of the Group Study Exchange program, the significance of The Four-Way Test, extension of vocational service to youth, and the importance of vocational service to the future of Rotary, were among the topics discussed at plenary and breakaway sessions. Past RI President Cliff Dochterman set the tone for discussion with a presentation about Rotary's early years, explaining how significant vocational service was to the flourishing of the organization. "Vocational service is what makes Rotary different from other service clubs," he said. Outstanding vocational service projects, such as adventures in aviation, youth mentoring, and an integrity awards dinner, were highlighted alongside the following efforts.

The Rotary Club of Prince George Yellowhead demonstrated how members offer mock job interviews to high school students. The program enlisted high school students to create their own resumes and go through the interview process with a Rotary club member. The Rotary Club of Vancouver Chinatown presented their "Pulling Together" cultural awareness program. The project took 25 Native Canadians and 25 Vancouver-area police officers on a weeklong canoe trip down the Fraser River, staying on reservations throughout the journey to learn and understand more about the native Canadian community.

President Majiyagbe presented vocational service awards to Peter Luongo of the Rotary Club of Langley (D5050) for his work with a youth orchestra, and to Gordon Coburn of the Rotary Club of Vancouver Chinatown (D5040) for his work with First Nation (native Canadian) youth through canoeing. He also installed 130 club presidents and 13 district governors as leaders of their clubs and districts at a precelebration banquet. Past District Governor Chris Offer, chair of the Vancouver Presidential Celebration, said that the short concentrated program and active Rotarian participation helped to enliven the one-day event. "The highlight of the day was the group discussion session," he said. "The buzz and level of debate at the tables was incredible, and the number of creative new ideas of how to implement vocational projects in clubs was impressive."

Following are the themes, venues, and dates for the next four celebrations: Twin Clubs/World Community Service in El Paso, Texas, USA/ Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, on 26 July; Health Concerns in Johannesburg, South Africa, on 2 August; Population Concerns in Abuja, Nigeria, on 9 August; and Peace and Tolerance in Stockholm, Sweden, on 13 August.

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE TO "ADE'S HOPE FUND"

Rotarians and friends of Rotary who wish to honor the memory of RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe's wife, Ade, are encouraged to contribute to Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children.

The special fund within The Rotary Foundation was established shortly after Mrs. Majiyagbe's untimely death on 6 June to commemorate her commitment to the goal of universal literacy and education. Contributions to Ade's Hope Fund are earmarked within the World Fund to support grants that address the educational needs of women and children.

Checks should be made payable to The Rotary Foundation with a notation that the money is for Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children. Contributors in the United States should send their gifts to The Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 75133, Chicago, IL 60675-5133.

You Can Say That Again

"The public may be willing to forgive us for mistakes in judgment, but it will not forgive us for mistakes in motive." Robert W. Haack, President, New York Stock Exchange

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In Memoriam

MARK RIFE

I had been a member of The Kona Rotary Club for a couple of years when I finally had the privilege to meet and know Mark Rife. Mark to this day represents to me all that a Rotarian is and could become. His leadership and knowledge of just what a Rotary club should be and what a Rotarian could do to aid his fellow man and community was boundless.

Mark was a President of our club and under his calm and measured leadership, the numbers of members swelled. Our club went from around thirty-five members to around fifty members, a quantum leap in the growth of an organization of this size.

And many of our members, my self included, became 'Rotarians' for the first time. We gave of ourselves—selflessly, for the better of our community and our world. And we did it with a smile, because Mark did everything I ever remember him doing with a wry smile on his face. He ENJOYED being a Rotarian as much as he enjoyed life. Mark Rife was the first person I can remember who LIVED being a Rotarian. And last week, when I learned of his passing near Sacramento, his voice came back to me with one of the truest phrases I've ever heard. Mark said to me one day, "No matter where you go and you meet someone and then you find out he's a Rotarian, and you can be pretty sure he's an all right guy". Yes, Tina, and an all right member of the opposite sex, as well...there weren't women in Rotary in those dark ages.

With Mark, everyone was included. His wonderful wife, Leona, was as much a Rotarian as Mark, and to this day, they are both Honorary members of our club. I honor his memory by wishing that every Rotary member throughout the world would have the opportunity to meet just one Rotarian that will have the impact of a Mark Rife --what a wonderful world this would be. Dick Hershberger.

Just for Fun

NOW THAT I'M 'OLDER' (but refuse to grow up), HERE'S 10 THINGS I'VE DISCOVERED:

- 1 - I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.
- 2 - My wild oats have turned into prunes and All-Bran.
- 3 - I finally got my head together; now my body is falling apart.
- 4 - Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
- 5 - All reports are in: life is now officially unfair.
- 6 - If all is not lost, where is it?
- 7 - It is easier to get older than it is to get wiser.
- 8 - Some days you're the dog; some days you're the hydrant.
- 9 - I wish the buck stopped here; I sure could use a few.
- 4 - Funny, I don't remember being absent minded.
- 5 - Kids in the back seat cause accidents.
- 6 - Accidents in the back seat cause kids.
- 7 - It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
- 4 - Funny, I still don't remember being absent-minded.
- 5 - The only time the world beats a path to your door is when you're in the bathroom.
- 6 - If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would have put them on my knees.
- 7 - When I'm finally holding all the cards, why does everyone decide to play chess?
- 8 - It's not hard to meet expenses...they're everywhere.
- 9 - The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.
- 10-These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter...I go somewhere to get something and then wonder what I'm hereafter.

"God grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones that I do, and the eyesight to tell the difference." Source unknown, edited freely.

Community Calendar

Aug 25, 2003, Mon
1ST ANNUAL BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT
 Sponsor: Friends of the Salvation Army, Kona Corps
 Place: Hokulia
 Cost: \$350.00
 Includes: Entry fee, lunch, concert with Makaha Sons, hosting by Sam Choy, MC Rodney Villanueva
 Contact: Bill Wong, 329-0911

Sep 7, 2003, Sun, 1:00P-10:30P
GRAND ANNUAL MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA & SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER
 Sponsor: West Hawaii Crime Stoppers
 Place: TBA
 Cost: TBA
 Includes: Live entertainment from Hawaii's best musicians, hourly prize drawings from 4:00P, silent auction featuring trips, gourmet dining, more
 Contact: Alan Pratt

Insertions for Community Calendar are \$5 per insertion payable a week in advance to the Rotary Club of Kona. All insertions are subject to approval of the Board and on a space available basis. Submit insertions to Crystal Yamasaki at: chrys@wtahawaii.com fax: 329-5334 Include Your Name, Phone Number, Dates to Run, Event Name, Event Location, Event Date, Event Sponsor, Event Cost, Event Description. To simplify submission, forms are available at all Rotary meetings.

Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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At the Helm

Hilo Bay, Wed, 6:45A
Nani Loa Hotel

Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
Nani Loa Hotel

Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

On the Road

Whether you're traveling to another island, another state or another country, you can still attend a Rotary Meeting at one of the thousands of Rotary Clubs worldwide. To find a meeting wherever you're bound, log on to: <http://www.rotary.org/services/clubs/index.html> Meeting information is updated weekly.

Submissions

Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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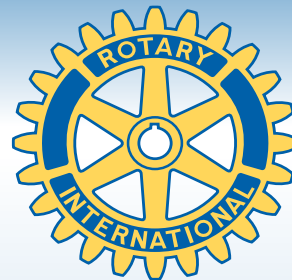
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Four-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOOD WILL and better friendship? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Aug 7, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Gary Siracusa,
District Governor,
Rotary District 5000

Greeter: Rolf Vossen

Door Prize: Scott Unger

Coming Up

Greeters:

Lynn Walton 08/14
Gretchen Watson-Kabei 08/21

Door Prize:

Charla Thompson 08/14
Edgar Sundberg 08/21

Birthdays:

John Fitzgibbons 08/18

Anniversaries:

James Lightner 08/08

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Sharron Ackles 08/14
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At the Podium



This week we are honored to have our official visit from District 5000 Governor Gary Siracusa.

Gary was born in Auburn New York and graduated from Boston University in 1972 with a BA in American Political Science. In 1990 Gary moved to the north shore of Kauai, where he is the owner of Dreamworks Construction. He joined Rotary in 1994 (classification Commercial Construction) and is a Charter member of the Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay. He has held various positions in that club,

including Secretary, Foundation Chair, International Service Chair and Club President in 1997-1998.

He has held various positions in District 5000 including International Service Chair, Coordinator for Concentrated Learning Education Program, Coordinator for Rotoplast and Coordinator for Disaster Relief. He will be the general chair of the Far West PETS in 2006. Gary is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, a Benefactor, has received the Service Above Self Award along with the Four Avenues of Service Citation. His most memorable Rotary experience was participating in the Ghana October 2000 Polio Immunization.

Gary's hobbies include golf, photography and reading.

Profiles



Cheryl M. Holdcroft is the Development Director for the Kona Hospital Foundation located in Kealahou on the island of Hawaii. She is responsible for all aspects of funds cultivation and project management for the organization on behalf of Kona Community Hospital and the new medical facility planned for West Hawaii. She has previously consulted on board development and fundraising with several non-profit organizations in Washington State and Hawaii, and volunteers with several non-profit organizations on the Big Island.

She attended the University of Washington in Seattle where she earned a Bachelor of Art degree in English. After graduation she and her husband Todd taught English in Japan and Korea for three years. Before staying home with her children, she also worked as an International Recruiter for AT&T Wireless and owned a coffee business in Seattle.

Cheryl became interested in Rotary because of her experience as a Rotary Exchange Student in Japan in 1983. She counts this experience as one of the most important in her life. She still keeps up with the language, friends and her host family in Japan. She hopes her daughters Lauren (10) and Katie (7) will become Rotary students in the future. When not working and shuttling exchange students, Cheryl enjoys reading mystery novels and hanging out with her family and four cats.

Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



There's a saying you hear every once in a while; if you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. I know several people have

asked me: "How do you find the time to do all that you do?" A customer of ours asked me that question; the same question that he asked his mom, who is President of one of the Honolulu Clubs.

The answer is not that complicated. It's simply a matter of priority. At this point in my life, Rotary is very high on my list for many reasons: Rotary is one of the greatest ways for me to be of service in our community; to work towards making this a great place to live. Of all of the choices of "service clubs" in Kona, I believe that Rotary is the best at all that we do, both in the community and in the world. In addition, our weekly meetings provide a great opportunity for networking, both on a social and business level. On a more personal level, Rotary makes me feel connected to my father and all that he did for Rotary in his lifetime.

Not all of us put Rotary as our top priority. However, if we want to achieve all that the club set out to do this year, each of us needs to have Rotary in at least our top five priorities.

Where does Rotary fit in your list of priorities?

Rotary Calendar

Sep 25, 2003, Thu, 11:30A
KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON
Speaker: Evan Dobelle, University of Hawaii President
Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
Cost: TBA
Contact: Kathy Damon, 322-4850

At the Club

Last week's meeting marked the first issue of the new format Coffee Blossom. Several positive comments marked the debut and a few suggestions for changes, most notably a need for the email version to be in a four page format instead of the large two page format. This issue reflects the change. Bulletin editor Richard is still looking for someone to take notes of the meetings for this section of the Bulletin.

Joan Parker was the speaker at last week's meeting and gave an interesting talk on the importance of reading aloud to children (and teenagers and even adults). She ended her talk by reading a favorite children's story to the membership. Mahalo Joan for a great talk and delightful story.

Two potential new members have been approved by the Board for your consideration. Diane Ilstrup is a former Rotarian from Rochester, Minnesota (01/88 to present). She was Principal of John Marshall High School. Her proposed classification will be Education Administration Consultant. Her sponsor is President Bev Fraser. Howard Martin is a former Hilo Rotarian (1988 to present). His proposed classification is Chiropractor/Massage Therapist and his sponsor is Allen Kono.

At RI

ROTARY CLUB ACTS QUICKLY TO HELP BOY WITH LIFE-THREATENING BRAIN ANEURYSM

When Rotarian Ali Tahiri was in Sri Lanka on business three years ago, he was put in contact with the family of a young boy who needed immediate medical treatment for leukemia. Sadly, the boy died before he could be helped.

"This touched me deeply," says Ali, 2002-03 president of the Rotary Club of Rancho Penasquitos Sunrise (San Diego), California U.S.A. "I have two children of my own. I never wanted to see another young person die because they couldn't get medical help when they needed it." So when Ali was in Sri Lanka again last year and learned about a young boy suffering from a life-threatening aneurysm in his brain, he acted quickly. Ali put the boy's family in touch with a San Diego neurosurgeon who had successfully treated other children with the condition. With the support of his Rotary club, Ali arranged to fly seven-year-old Aravinda Seneviratne to San Diego for the rare and risky operation to repair the brain aneurysm. "Such an operation could cost more than US\$50,000, but there wasn't time to worry about that," he says. "We just had to get him in the proper hands quickly."

Aravinda had suffered from debilitating headaches for about six months before Ali met him. "There's very much pain," he told doctors. "It's all over the place and I vomit." A CT scan in April revealed the rare type of aneurysm that, left untreated, could result in brain damage or death. With the help of Rancho Penasquitos Sunrise Rotarians, Aravinda's family raised \$16,000 for the surgery. Although the neurosurgeon donated his service, the club is committed to raising another \$39,000 for the additional hospital expenses.

Just three weeks after the 3 July surgery, Aravinda was back in Sri Lanka with his sisters and parents, and well on the road to a complete recovery. "To fully recover, the doctor stressed that Aravinda needed to walk, exercise, use his brain," says Ali. "So while he was here we took him to Sea World, on an airplane flight, and on all kinds of adventures. He told us he is very happy, and happy most of all to be free of his headaches."

At DS000

WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT

District 5000 of Rotary International is comprised of the 41 Rotary clubs spread across communities throughout the State of Hawaii. Together with some 1.7 million Rotarians around the world, we seek to further the object of Rotary: to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise.

Rotarians are all volunteers. They organize service projects which benefit the local or world community. These have included:

- Adopting schools to assist in obtaining supplies, refurbishing, and other support
- Building, cleaning or repairing youth oriented centers
- Developing and participating in literacy projects
- Mentoring young people and serving as role models for career choices
- Coordinating and participating in blood drives
- Providing food for the needy in Hawaii and around the world
- Promoting the highest ethical standards in the practice of one's business or profession

You Can Say That Again

"Four years was enough of Harvard. I still had a lot to learn, but had been given the liberating notion that I could teach myself." John Updike, author

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- Supporting programs which enhance opportunities for employment, while at the same time recognizing the value of every useful occupation
- Protecting the environment by aiding in cleanup of ecologically endangered environments
- Participating with the United Nations, the World Health organization and other international bodies to vaccinate the world's children against polio and other preventable childhood diseases, with the goal of eradicating polio by the year 2000;
- Supporting programs that help the mentally and physically handicapped;
- Coordinating a youth summit to hear the concerns and proposed solutions to problems cited by our youth;
- Providing millions of dollars in scholarship support to Hawaii High School Seniors for college study here and on the mainland;
- Supporting the world's largest international exchange scholarship program;
- Supporting programs which encourage international understanding and peace;

AND THE LIST GOES ON AND ON...

Just for Fun

COWS, POLITICALLY SPEAKING (No ethnic slurs intended.)

DEMOCRAT: You have two cows. Your neighbor has none. You feel guilty for being successful. You vote people into office that put taxes on your cows, forcing you to sell one to raise money to pay the tax. The people you voted for then take the tax money, buy a cow and give it to your neighbor. Your feel righteous. Barbara Streisand sings for you.

SOCIALIST: You have two cows. The government takes one and gives it to your neighbor. You form a cooperative to tell him how to manage his cow.

REPUBLICAN: You have two cows. Your neighbor has none. So?

COMMUNIST: You have two cows. The government seizes both and provides you with milk. You wait in line for hours to get it. It is expensive and sour.

CAPITALISM: You have two cows. You sell one, buy a bull, and build a herd of cows.

AMERICAN DEMOCRACY: You have two cows. The government taxes you to the point you have to sell both to support a man in a foreign country who has only one cow, which was a gift from your own government.

BUREAUCRACY: You have two cows. The government takes them both, shoots one, milks the other, pays you for the milk, and then pours the milk down the drain.

AMERICAN CORPORATION: You have two cows. You sell one, lease it back to yourself and do an IPO on the second one. You force the two cows to produce the milk of four cows. You are surprised when one cow drops dead. You spin an announcement to the analysts, stating you have downsized and are reducing expenses. Your stock goes up.

FRENCH CORPORATION: You have two cows. You go on strike because you want three cows. You go to lunch. Life is good.

JAPANESE CORPORATION: You have two cows. You redesign them so they are one tenth the size of an ordinary cow and produce twenty times the milk. They learn to travel on unbelievably crowded trains. Most are at the top of their class at cow school.

GERMAN CORPORATION: You have two cows. You re-engineer them so they are all blonde, drink lots of beer, give excellent quality milk, and run a hundred miles an hour. Unfortunately, they also demand 13 weeks of vacation per year.

ITALIAN CORPORATION: You have two cows, but you don't know where they are. While seeking them you see a beautiful woman. You break for lunch. Life is good.

RUSSIAN CORPORATION: You have two cows. You have some vodka. You count them and learn you have five cows. You have some more vodka. You Count them again and find that you have 42 cows. You stop counting cows and open another bottle of vodka. The Mafia shows up and takes over however many cows you really have.

FLORIDA CORPORATION: You have a black cow and a brown cow. Everyone votes for the best looking one. Some of the people who like the brown cow best vote for the black one. Some people vote for both. Some people vote for neither but think they are voting for both. Some people sue because they thought they were voting for horses. Some people can't figure out how to vote at all. Finally a bunch of guys from out-of-state tell you which is the best looking cow.

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Place: Hukulia
Cost: \$350.00
Includes: Entry fee, lunch, concert
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Choy, MC Rodney Villanueva
Contact: Bill Wong, 329-0911

Sep 7, 2003, Sun, 1:00P-10:30P
GRAND ANNUAL MUSICAL
EXTRAVAGANZA & SILENT
AUCTION FUNDRAISER
Sponsor: West Hawaii Crime
Stoppers
Place: TBA
Cost: TBA
Includes: Live entertainment from
Hawaii's best musicians, hourly prize
drawings from 4:00P, silent auction
featuring trips, gourmet dining, more
Contact: Alan Pratt

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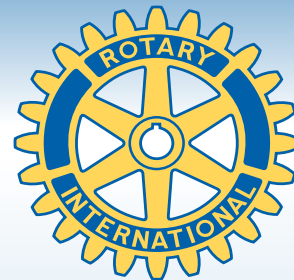
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Aug 21, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Sherry Barcken
Kona Outdoor circle
Designing & Publishing
a Successful Cookbook

Greeter: Gretchen Watson-Kabei

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At the Podium - Sherry Bracken, Kona Outdoor Circle

Kona Outdoor Circle Board Member Sherry Bracken, who served as KOC's president from 2000 to 2002, will discuss Kona On My Plate, KOC's award-winning cookbook. Published in October, 2002, Kona On My Plate was recognized as the First Place National Prize Winner in the Tabasco Community Cookbook Awards. Sherry last spoke to our Rotary group in December, 2000.

Profiles - Barbara Bush, Immediate Past President

I moved to the Big Island in February 1990 from California where I was Branch Manager for Central Coast Farm Credit, in the Carpinteria Office. I have a BA in studio art and psychology from the State University of New York, Oneonta, and a MBA from California Lutheran University, School of Business. I joined my first rotary club, The Rotary Club of Carpinteria, in 1987.

Knowing that I wanted to change careers once in Hawaii, I initially found a place to live that entailed taking care of horses in Ahualoa on the very wet side of the island, and then soon after, landed on a macadamia nut and coffee farm in Captain Cook. In 1991 I found my way back in the office via a new position with Hawaii Island United Way, my first stab at fundraising and marketing a non-profit organization. Since then I have worked for Family Support Service of West Hawaii and now Hualalai Academy. Over the years I have been an active volunteer and/or Board member of several local non-profit organizations. Sometimes its tough to keep my vocation and my avocations separate! It was in 1991 that I joined the Rotary Club of Kona where I have served as treasurer, club bulletin editor, on various committee(s) and as president. Rotary has been a part of my life for as long as I can remember, as my father was a very active member of the Rotary Club of Otego New York. He had perfect attendance, held every position possible, and introduced the world to us through the Youth Exchange program. I can remember telling him I wanted to be a Rotarian when I grew up and being so very disappointed when he told me I couldn't be, as only men could join Rotary! My father died in 1972, so I wasn't able to share this experience with him.

Although my family was quite large enough, I was born the youngest of eight, my parents also welcomed into our home every rotary youth exchange student. What a wonderful educational opportunity to learn about far away places and people. We still keep in touch with my sister Sonia from Argentina, my brother Andrew from Australia, and my sister Maria from Greece. Two of my siblings also participated in the program with my sister going to Australia in 1967-68 and my brother going to Japan in 1971-72.

I am honored and proud to have been the President of the Rotary Club of Kona 2002-03. You gave me an opportunity to step forward and participate at a level I hadn't done before. Thank you. I encourage others to consider the opportunities to serve within Rotary. We are a part of something very special in our world. Let's make the most of it!

Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



Having just completed the required Semi-Annual Report to Rotary International, the subject of membership is at

the forefront of my thoughts this week. Coupled with the membership seminar held this past weekend, it seems that the subject is an appropriate one for discussion.

During each Rotary year, our club has inducted several new members, while at the same time some of our members have resigned. It seems to be a constant ebb and flow, with our average membership around 83. This year our Semi Annual Report shows our membership at 73 as of July 1, 2003. Since that report we have inducted two new members, with two more to be inducted this week, bringing our current number to 77. Since the District goal is to increase membership by 3% we have already met that goal. The challenge now is to make the NET gain 3% - meaning that we cannot lose any more members.

The reality is that most clubs have an attrition rate of somewhere around 15%. If that statistic were to apply to our club, we would need to induct 15 new members just to net a 3% growth for the year. There are two ways to face this challenge - one is to increase our membership and the other is to retain our current members. This challenge is not just for the membership committee - it would be impossible for them to do it all on their own. Retention of members and bringing new members is something we are all responsible for in order to sustain and grow the club. If you are unsure of the process, or have any questions on how to go about bringing a new member in, please don't hesitate to contact our Membership Chair, Gretchen Watson-Kabei.

Please consider introducing someone you know to the Rotary World - you might be surprised at the results of your efforts!

At the Club

Pitching in as speaker last week for Sharon Ackles (who cancelled at the last minute due to a family emergency) was Dave Berry from Honolulu. In town to conduct a seminar on grant writing, he was kind enough to take the podium. Dave's talk entitled "The 20 Minute Rotarian," was enlightening and inspirational. Dave convincingly made the point that if every Rotarian donated just 20 minutes per day of his time or income, or a combination of the two, then every goal and project of Rotary could easily be accomplished with time and money left over for new goals and projects a plenty. According to Dave, "If we all did what we could, we could do it all."

New Generations - Exchange Student Update

A big mahalo to Rotarians Ed Sundberg, Laura Galluzzy, Ann Goody and son David, Pres. Bev Frasier and her grandson, Mike Gardner, Allen Konno and his wife Michiyo, Barbara Bush, Ron Scott, and host dad Greg Ogin, his wife Cherrie and daughter Kate for welcoming Emelie Cronholm, our incoming student from Sweden at the Airport on Tuesday night. (Sorry if I missed anyone - it was a bit hectic running between the Aloha and Hawaiian terminals....)

Inbound student from Russia, Kostya, will arrive next Tuesday, the 26th of August, and I would love to have another crew to greet him at the Airport. I am still waiting on final flight details. If you are interested, let me know at the weekly meeting and I will give you a call with times and flight numbers.

Thanks for your support! Cheryl Holdcroft, Youth Exchange Officer

At RI - Rotarians Discuss Concerns and Initiatives at Nigeria Presidential Celebration

More than 1,500 Rotarians flocked to the Nigerian capital, Abuja, from all parts of the country and beyond to attend the RI Presidential Celebration at the Abuja Nicon Hilton Hotel on 9 August 2003. The event was planned to spotlight Rotarian activities aimed at addressing population concerns in Nigeria, which with more than 120 million people, is Africa's most populous country. The celebration was declared open by Nigeria's Health Minister Professor Eytayo Lambo, who represented Obasanjo at the event. In a keynote address, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Deputy Executive Director Imelda Henkin commended Rotary for projects that assist families in improving their health and living standards. "Rotarians are renowned for their selfless dedication to community service," she said. "We hope that UNFPA and Rotary International will be able to work together to help reduce the incidence of reproductive diseases such as obstetric fistula that affect African women."

Other highlights of the event included an open discussion forum and a projects fair showcasing initiatives aimed at addressing development and population issues, HIV/AIDS, and other health concerns, as well as an awards and recognition ceremony at a gala banquet where RI President Majiyagbe presented four Paul Harris Fellow pins and specially designed plaques to conference speakers and Rotarians.

The event was also very much a celebration of the homecoming of RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe, who was traveling back to his motherland for the first time since taking office in July. From the moment he stepped off the plane at Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport near Abuja on 8 August, President Majiyagbe was given the royal welcome and feted as a goodwill ambassador of Nigeria and Africa and for the historic achievement of his being the first RI president from Africa.

Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo received Majiyagbe at Aso Rock, official residence of the Nigerian presidency, on 8 August and the two addressed a joint press conference highlighting the complementary roles played by Rotary and the government in Africa's development.

You Can Say That Again

"You define a good flight by the negatives: you didn't get hijacked, you didn't crash, you didn't throw-up, you weren't late, you weren't nauseated by the food. So you are grateful." Paul Theroux

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"I will challenge the members of my government that Rotary is a worthwhile organization to join and support," said Obasanjo. The Nigerian president congratulated RI President Majiyagbe upon his taking office, remarking that Africans playing a leading role in the organization would ensure the expansion of Rotary on the continent. Commenting on the challenges of polio eradication in Nigeria, one of seven countries where the crippling disease is still endemic, Obasanjo said it was a national shame that children in the country were not fully protected from the poliovirus. "We will do everything in our powers to rid our country of polio by 2004," he said, "even if it is necessary that I go out in the next 15 months to help with educating people in the affected areas about polio eradication."

RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe thanked Obasanjo for the support that Rotary has received from the Nigerian government and the Nigerian president personally. "You and your government have been extremely supportive of our efforts to help eradicate polio in Nigeria and for other initiatives we've undertaken in the country," he said. The RI president requested the government's help in reducing red tape at Nigerian customs which greatly hampered the flow of medical supplies and other humanitarian goods from the Rotary world to communities that needed it within the country.



In Club Service - A note from Stephen Bobko Hillenaar

It is finally ready, the Rotary Club of Kona Club Directory for the year 2003-2004. After a lot of hard work from several individuals the Club Directory has been put together into a new format. You now have the choice of printing a hardcopy of the Directory or viewing the Directory on your computer. Your copy of the Club Directory will be presented to you on a CD with .pdf files. Each of these files can be opened with the Adobe Acrobat reader and either viewed on screen or printed out on your own computer.

Should you not want to go to the trouble of printing out the Directory, you may request a copy for a nominal \$5.00 donation made payable to the Rotary Club of Kona. As is always the case, please bring any changes and or corrections to the attention of Stephen P. Bobko-Hillenaar. Every attempt has been made to provide the most accurate information possible, please assist in keeping that information up to date.

Special thanks go to Charla Thompson for taking pictures of the club members. This year's Club Directory has the highest percentage of Rotarian pictures then in any previous Club Directory. Thanks also go to Bev Fraser for proofing the Directory and ensuring its accuracy.

Just for Fun

Seems God was just about done creating the universe, but he had two extra things left in his bag of creations, so he decided to split them between Adam and Eve.

He told the couple that one of the things he had to give away was the ability to stand up while urinating. "It's a very handy thing". God told the couple, "I was wondering if either one of you wanted that very ability." Adam jumped up and blurted, "Oh, give that to me! I'd love to be able to do that! It seems a sort of thing a man should do. Oh please, oh please, oh please, let me have that ability, It'd be so great! When I'm working in the garden or naming the animals, I could just stand there and let it fly. It'd be so cool, I could write my name in the sand. Oh please God, let it be me who you give that gift to, let me stand and pee, oh please..."

On and on he went like an excited little boy who had to pee. Eve just smiled and told God that if Adam really wanted that so badly, that he should have it. It seemed to be the sort of thing that would make him happy and she really wouldn't mind if Adam were the one given this ability. And so Adam was given the ability to urinate while in a vertical position. He was happy and did celebrate by wetting down the bark on the tree nearest him, laughing with delight all the while.

Fine," God said looking back into his bag of leftovers, What's left here?

Oh yes, brains...."

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Aug 26, 2003, Tue, 5:00P
CENTENNIAL PROJECT

MEETING

Place: Old Airport State Park,

Jogging Path Entrance

Contact: Barbara Bush

Come out and see what's up.

We need your input, ideas
and suggestions.

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KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON

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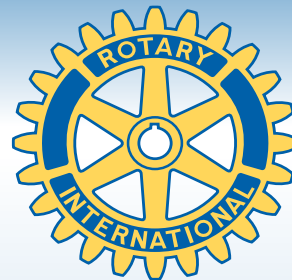
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Program: Club Assembly

Greeter: Robert Weiss

Door Prize: Jim Stroup

At the Podium - Club Assembly

Our scheduled program this week is a club assembly - the second for the year. Our regular meeting room will be unavailable as they are laying new carpet, so the meeting will be taking place in the Windjammer Lounge. Topic for the assembly will be membership. Both President Bev and Membership Chair Gretchen Watson-Kabei attended the recently held membership workshop given by Hal Darcy. There were some excellent recommendations that came from that seminar, along with some very good questions that we must ask ourselves as member of Rotary. The Club Assembly will provide an opportunity for group discussions on how to face the challenges of both increasing and retaining membership in our club. We will be having different groups headed by Past Presidents who will have questions for discussion. Please be sure to take part in the discussions, as the health of our club is dependent on your involvement.

In addition, we will have two short presentations. Past President Barbara Bush will talk about the club's Centennial Project and how it is progressing. We will also have a guest, Captain Alex Kane, who will speak briefly about his book "Now, That's Livin". Alex is a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu, and has been a Rotarian since 1952. A portion of the proceeds from the sales of his book goes towards the Polio Eradication Program.

Profiles - Tom Daniel, Immediate Past Past President



My father, an engineer at Kodak, had joined Rotary only a few years before he died, but he was very excited about the organization. He was president-elect of the 500+ member Rotary Club of Rochester when he died suddenly of leukemia at the age of 49. Another big passion of his was exchange students, though most of his effort had been as president of the local chapter of the American Field Service which, at that time, was a much larger program than Rotary Youth Exchange. We hosted many exchange students in our home and, like Barbara B., I now have brothers and sisters all over the world. I haven't been as good as Barbara about keeping in touch with them, but we always have homes to stay in when we travel.

After graduating from MIT, I spent a couple of years teaching high school physics and math (and several other subjects) as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Cameroon. After Peace Corps, I taught at a high school in Rochester, but in February, with 6 ft of snow on the ground, a recruiter from the Maui DOE office had no difficulty in convincing me that Hawaii must be a better place to teach. I taught on Maui (old Maui High and Seabury Hall) for a couple of years before being enticed back to school as an oceanography graduate student at UH Manoa.

It took more than 9 years to get my Ph.D., partly because for several of those years I was employed full time by UH and spent more than a year altogether bouncing around on the briny deep trying to collect data. 1978 was a pivotal year in my life: I got my degree, got a divorce, finished the Honolulu marathon, lost 3 of my best friends when their research vessel (which, but for the marathon, I would have been on) was lost at sea off West Hawaii, and (on New Year's Eve) met my permanent wife, Alice. I left Hawaii on New Year's Day 1979 to begin a new job at Lockheed Ocean Systems in Sunnyvale, CA. Our phone bills became exorbitant, so Alice moved to California in April, following the closure of the State legislature, where she had worked as a staffer. We returned to Hawaii to get married on New Year's Eve, 1979, and had fun celebrating at the same New Year's party where we'd met the year before.

After three years in California, we were finally able to return to Hawaii via my new job as laboratory director of the just opened Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii at Keahole Point. Our son Mike, now a Junior at Berklee College of Music in Boston, was born 4 months after we arrived in Kona. I spent most of my first 13 years working hard to develop NELH into a significant R&D center. Eventually, recalling my father's love of Rotary, I talked with Alan Clark about joining the Kona Club, and I've now been an enthusiastic Rotarian for eight years. I've chaired International Service, co-chaired community service and was proud to serve as president for 2001-2002. I'm still very excited to have the opportunity to participate in this amazing organization, which can and does actually bring about positive change in our world!

After more than 20 years working hard to build NELH to its present place of prominence in the new field of deep ocean water applications, I was summarily fired earlier this year by a new Executive Director who doesn't see the need for technology innovation as a component of business development. Thanks to fellow Rotarian Lynn Walton, I now have the opportunity to build a whole new career in the field of health care. I find the job challenging and am honored to have the opportunity to work with Lynn and the impressive team he's put together to make our hospital into the fabulous medical facility and community center that it has become.

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Rotary Prayer

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Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter

President's Position



This past two weeks members of our club have greeted both of our Youth Exchange Students who will be part of our community and Rotary for the next year. Emelie arrived

last Tuesday, and Kostya arrives on Wednesday. I would like to personally thank their first host families - Greg and Cherrie Ogin (Emelie) and JR and Marcie Rogers (Kostya) for taking part in the program, and for continuing to make Youth Exchange a vital part of our club.

For those of us who have hosted an exchange student, we know the experience is remarkable. The six months that Mike and I hosted Csilla will be forever remembered. We had such a great time including her in our family, and it was a wonderful learning experience for all of us. I saw things in a different light while she was here - and in many ways she opened my eyes to what I otherwise would have missed. The hardest part of the whole experience was when she left - and yet I know that we will be friends forever. While it is true that not all host situations are perfect, it accomplishes what it is meant to. Provide young students with an opportunity to live and learn in another culture, and to appreciate that there are many differences in our world, and understanding and appreciating those differences goes along way to working towards a more peaceful world.

Even if you are unable to host a student, there are many ways that you can be involved. Are you going to the movies next weekend? Why not invite one of the students along? Are you planning on attending any of the Aloha Festival Events? I guarantee that either of the students would love to be invited to learn more about the culture of Hawaii. You don't need to be a host family to be involved - all you need is the willingness to provide an opportunity for the students to take part in. If you are interested in helping out, please call or talk to Cheryl Holdcroft, our Youth Exchange Coordinator.

You never know what influence you could have in the life of either of our students.

At the Club



Sherry Bracken, past president of the Kona Outdoor Circle, was our speaker last week. It was a delight to see Sherry again, she last spoke at the Club about 2 years ago. After giving us a brief synopsis of the history of Kona Outdoor Circle, Sherry talked about the Circle's latest fund raiser, the "Kona on My Plate" cookbook. The award winning cookbook has been a fabulously successful endeavor and is currently in its second printing. (Editor's note: We apologize for the misspelling of Sherry's name in last weeks bulletin. It is the policy of the Coffee Blossom to promptly correct any errors when they are brought to our attention; if we feel like it and we are not too busy.)



In Community Service - MENTOR NEEDED

Andrew Adams is an 18 year old senior at Kealahou. He resides with his elderly grandparents in Holualoa. His younger sister is in foster care. Andrew has been diagnosed bi-polar but is no longer on medication, as directed by his physician. He appears to act younger than his years. He is gifted in the arts. He loves computer games and working with younger children. He is easy going and seems to have a good sense of humor. We are looking for someone that can pass a criminal history check and has a Porsche. (Jus' kidding on the Porsche part). We want someone to reinforce social competence and life skills and provide a positive role model. Please call Pam Naumann at Family Support Services of West Hawaii at 334-4156 (or see fellow Rotarian Don Bebee or Barbara Bush).

A big mahalo to Rotarians Ed Sundberg, Laura Galluzy, Ann Goody and son David, Pres. Bev Frasier and her grandson, Mike Gardner, Allen Konno and his wife Michiyo, Barbara Bush, Ron Scott, and host dad Greg Ogin, his wife Cherrie and daughter Kate for welcoming Emelie Cronholm, our incoming student from Sweden at the Airport on Tuesday night. (Sorry if I missed anyone - it was a bit hectic running between the Aloha and Hawaiian terminals....)

Inbound student from Russia, Kostya, will arrive next Tuesday, the 26th of August, and I would love to have another crew to greet him at the Airport. I am still waiting on final flight details. If you are interested, let me know at the weekly meeting and I will give you a call with times and flight numbers.

Thanks for your support! Cheryl Holdcroft, Youth Exchange Officer

At RI - Total funds raised in polio eradication campaign exceed \$111 million!

As of 30 June, the polio eradication fundraising campaign (PEFC) has exceeded its goal by more than US\$30 million. A total of US\$111,499,351 in cash, commitments, District Designated Funds, and government matching funds has been raised to help make the world polio-free.

Although the campaign has succeeded in surpassing its goal, Rotarians are urged to continue to send in their contributions to fulfill commitments made to the campaign. Contributions will be accepted until 30 June 2005.

There is plenty of PEFC news indicating that clubs are staying the course in their fundraising efforts. In The Netherlands, the Rotary Club of Gorinchem challenged each of its more than 50 members to raise US\$1,000. One of the best projects, according to club member Frans Looijen, was a calendar. A local artist did the paintings and club member René Jansen had them made into a calendar that he sold to businesses. More than \$9,000 was raised through this project and another \$1,000 was added to that figure when the paintings were later made into postcards.

Other projects included a Swing Polio Out of this World party that raised about \$4,000, a lottery to win a balloon trip, and the sale of 11 dollhouses made by one of the members. "To date, we have more than 60,000 (US\$66,624) and are not done yet," says Looijen.

In Germany, the Rotary Club of Wetter-Ruhrthal is one of the country's top performers in the PEFC.

You Can Say That Again

"You define a good flight by the negatives: you didn't get hijacked, you didn't crash, you didn't throw-up, you weren't late, you weren't nauseated by the food. So you are grateful." Paul Theroux

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More than US\$25,000 has been raised through a variety of activities — the most recent being a sports event, which raised 9,050 (US\$10,049). The Rotary clubs of Wittten/Ruhr and Leusden C.A. paid an entry fee to participate in the nine different competitions, which ranged from darts to volleyball. Members of the Wetter-Ruhr club acted as referees.

Additionally, the Rotary Club of Wetter-Ruhr organized an auction of paintings that raised 18,215 (US\$20,226). In all, a total of 27,265 (US\$30,275) or 634 (US\$704) per club member has been donated to the PEFC.

Eradication Status

There are significant reasons to be optimistic about achieving our goal of global polio eradication by 2005.

1. The number of polio cases has been reduced by a projected 99 percent since Rotary and partner agencies formed the global polio eradication initiative — from 350,000 in 1988 to fewer than 1900 in 2002.
2. Three of six regions of the world are free of the wild poliovirus.
3. Despite intensive surveillance efforts, one of the three types of viruses (Type II) that cause polio has not been seen since 1999. Could it be that it has already been eradicated? The World Health Organization will continue to promote active surveillance to determine this possibility. Nevertheless, significant challenges lie ahead, including immunizing all children — even those in remote, conflict areas — maintaining political commitment to polio eradication, and meeting a funding gap of US\$275 million.

Given the tremendous progress so far achieved, the prospects of achieving global polio eradication by the year 2005 are high. Rotary looks forward to providing all children with a permanent gift — a world free of polio.

Just for Fun - Mental Health Hotline, by Tammy-Colorado

Hello, and welcome to the Mental Health Hotline.

If you are obsessive-compulsive, press 1 repeatedly.

If you are co-dependent, please ask someone to press 2 for you.

If you have multiple personalities, press 3, 4, 5 and 6.

If you are paranoid, we know who you are and what you want. Stay on the line so we can trace your call.

If you are delusional, press 7 and your call will be transferred to the mother ship.

If you are schizophrenic, listen carefully and a small voice will tell you which number to press.

If you are a manic-depressive, it doesn't matter which number you press-no-one will answer.

If you are dyslexic, press 9696969696969.

If you have a nervous disorder, please fidget with the hash key until a representative comes on the line.

If you have amnesia press 8 and state your name, address, phone number, date of birth, social security number and your mother's maiden name.

If you have post-traumatic stress disorder, slowly and carefully press 000.

If you have bipolar disorder, please leave a message after the beep or before the beep. Or after the beep. Please wait for the beep.

If you have short-term memory loss, press 9.

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If you have low self esteem, please hang up. All our operators are too busy to talk to you.

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Sep 25, 2003, Thu, 11:30A
KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON
Speaker: Evan Dobelle, University
of Hawaii President
Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
Cost: TBA
Contact: Kathy Damon, 322-4850

Community
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Sep 7, 2003, Sun, 1:00P-10:30P
GRAND ANNUAL MUSICAL
EXTRAVAGANZA & SILENT
AUCTION FUNDRAISER
Sponsor: West Hawaii Crime
Stoppers
Place: Royal Kona Resort
Cost: TBA
Includes: Live entertainment from
Hawaii's best musicians, hourly prize
drawings from 4:00P, silent auction
featuring trips, gourmet dining, more.
Free parking included.
Contact: Alan Pratt

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Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
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Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

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Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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Four-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOOD WILL and better friendship? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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Sep 4, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Dr. Donella Wilson
American Cancer Society

Greeter: Tom Whitmore

Door Prize: James Stanley

Coming Up

Greeters:
Chrystal Yamasaki 09/11
Pedro Yanez 09/18

Door Prize:
Earl Spenard 09/11
George Solandros 09/18

Birthdays:
Cyndy Staudt 09/10
Lynn Walton 09/10

Anniversaries:
David Rees-Thomas 09/01
(Eliane)
Ross Griffin (Sue) 09/02
Kathy Damon (Gus) 09/11

Programs:
Memorial to 9/11 09/11
Ironman Triathlon 09/18

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At the Podium - Donella Wilson, PhD, American Cancer Society

Dr. Wilson, trained as a molecular biologist, has a breadth of knowledge that spans not only basic science, but the programs and mission of the ACS as well. She joined the American Cancer Society as a Scientific Program Director in January 1993. On numerous occasions she has provided television, radio, and press interviews on health and science topics.

Before joining the Society, Dr. Wilson, was an associate professor and researcher at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. Interested in science since high school, she received her undergraduate degree in biochemistry from Johnston College at Redlands University in California, earned a master's degree in immunogenetics from Texas Southern University, and went on to Purdue University, where she earned another master's and her doctorate in molecular biology. Her postdoctoral studies included work at Washington University in St. Louis, and at both Harvard Medical School and MIT/Whitehead Institute, where she was a Radcliffe College Mary Ingraham Bunting Fellow.

Dr. Wilson has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards for her contributions to biomedical research, and she has served on the Council of the American Society of Cell Biology. She is currently chairperson of their minority affairs committee, successfully submitting a million dollar grant to NIH on their behalf.

In her spare time, Donella Wilson is a volunteer for the DeKalb Unit of the American Cancer Society, and she has captained Relay for Life teams for 10 consecutive years. One year, she captained four teams simultaneously! She is also likely to be found on the racquetball court or in some exotic body of water scuba diving. She relaxes by gardening, jogging, and playing the piano.



Profiles - Ken Kjer, Immediate Past Past President

I want to state right at the outset that my association with Rotary has been one of the most rewarding and beneficial events in my life. I joined Rotary in 1973 at Lake Tahoe, Nevada. The club is known as the Tahoe Douglas Rotary Club with about 80 members. I joined the Rotary Club of Kona in 1995. I have had the pleasure of serving my Rotary clubs as an Avenue of Service member, Director, and President. All of the Rotarians that I have worked with are outstanding representatives of not only their profession but also the ideals of Rotary and the Four Way Test..

I have always held the classification of real estate. In Nevada, I owned real estate offices at Lake Tahoe and in Reno. I also had the good fortune to be elected to serve as a County Commissioner for Douglas County, Nevada. Now that I am in Hawaii I am the Broker for Clark Realty Corporation at Keauhou. In applying the four way test in each of these arenas I am always comfortable with decisions I make and the business that I conduct.

The rewards that I have received from Rotary are incredible. My children participated in a myriad of meaningful events including holiday celebrations that encouraged them to establish social skills with adults and as the host family for an exchange student from Culiacan, Mexico, they not only established a warm and loving relationship with a young woman that has endured over many years but also became more aware of the different cultures in the world. I think that the Rotary Student Exchange is one of Rotary's finest programs which encourages international understanding with a goal of freedom and peace. The friendships that I have made with fellow Rotarians have also been a great source of joy and comfort. As a Rotarian I am also proud of the fact that we have been able to be a small part of eliminating polio from the face of the earth which is an awesome achievement. Our efforts at the local level with scholarships and support of many community projects is equally impressive.

I want to thank the members of the Rotary Club of Kona for the opportunity to serve as the year 2000-2001 President. We achieved many goals that year - 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club and, with Ron Hawkes help, established a long term relationship with the Master Card Tournament. We also were able to fund the upgrading of the soccer fields at the Old Airport which provided a benefit for over a thousand young athletes in our community and maintained our commitment to the annual scholarship program.

The rewards of my membership in Rotary have been great. I encourage you to make the most of your Rotary experience.

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President's Position



Competition - does the word have a positive or negative connotation to you? Some people thrive on the idea of competition, while others avoid it at all

costs. If you are in business, you should know your competition as well as you know your own business. The same applies if you are an athlete - you know the competition and what you are up against. Anyone who has been in any type of competition knows that it's all about being prepared, and doing the best that you can do and to be satisfied with the results.

Our club is non-competitive, compared to some Rotary Clubs. For those clubs receiving the "Club of the Year" or any type of recognition is what drives them to succeed. For me, it's not about the recognition as much as it is about what we accomplish in our own goals. One of the goals for this year is to support the Food Bank, which we are going to do next week.

So where does "competition" fit it?

Next week, in conjunction with the anniversary of 9/11, we are going to have a competition in the club. I will be appointing two team leaders - one for the men and one for the women. The idea is to see which of the two groups will bring the most non perishable food to the meeting next week.

Sometimes competition is healthy - especially when the beneficiary is an organization in need of our support.

At the Club - Meet Our Exchange Students



Kostya Dorokhov and Emelie Cronholm arrived during the last two weeks from their home countries of Russia and Sweden. Kostya is staying with JR and Marci Rogers. Emelie is staying with Greg and Cherrie Ogin. Both students are attending Kealahou High School.

Emelie leaves behind her parents and two sisters in Sweden. One of her sisters was an exchange student to Canada with Rotary International. She says Hawaii is the dream destination for exchange students. Kostya's parents and little sister will miss him while he is here. Kostya just started school yesterday, and has been enjoying the movies and hanging out with his two teenage host brothers.

Please take some time to get to know these students this year. There is a clipboard circulating if you would like to sign up for a dinner at home or out with one of the students, or if you would like to take them on an outing to one of the beautiful spots on our island.

Future host parents this year will be Ann Goody, Barbara Kossow, Cathy Amelotte, and Tina Clothier. The host family rotation schedules for the students will be determined in the next few weeks. We welcome these students and members of their host families to today's Rotary meeting!

At RI - Avery Dennison, Costco Wholesale, and Sprint offer deals for Rotarians.

RI is pleased to announce that agreements have been reached with three corporations that will donate funds to Rotary and The Rotary Foundation as part of a corporate sponsorship program. These companies have developed specific incentive programs for Rotarians that will be mutually beneficial: Avery Dennison Office Products Company is providing support to the polio eradication effort based on Rotary participation in a special product promotion. The company is offering a coupon redeemable for Avery Clean Edge Business Cards. For every coupon redeemed, the polio eradication fund-raising campaign will receive a US\$5 donation. Avery will also contribute \$2,500 to the club that has the most coupons redeemed, in support of the club's own service projects. This promotion is only available in the United States.

Costco Wholesale Corporation, an international chain of membership merchandise warehouses operating in the United States, Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, Japan, Taiwan, and Korea, is offering a rebate to RI for each Rotarian who joins its membership program. Sprint, a global communications company, is offering U.S. Rotarians local and long distance service for businesses at a discounted rate. RI will receive a percentage of the monthly billing generated by Rotarians who sign up for the service.

In July, RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe and General Secretary Ed Futa sent a letter to club presidents explaining the corporate sponsorship program. In part, it read: "Corporate partnerships offer exciting new opportunities for Rotarians and Rotary International, but we realize that some Rotarians may question such commercial relationships. To allay any fears, we want to stress that participation in these programs is entirely voluntary and that RI will not provide any contact information to our corporate partners. All contact will be initiated by Rotarians who wish to participate in the programs. RI will keep Rotarians informed on the results of these efforts by providing periodic updates through the RI Web site and other membership publications.

In recent years, RI has responded to Rotarian requests for improved service, especially in the areas of technology and communications. Many of these improvements call for a substantial financial investment at a time when unfavorable investment markets have severely reduced income. By participating in our corporate partnership programs, you can support Rotary International's efforts to strengthen membership, enhance Rotary's public image, improve communications, and further assist club and district leaders in carrying out their challenging tasks. "Your support and participation will guarantee that these programs make significant contributions to polio eradication and the essential work of Rotary International in serving 1.2 million Rotarians in more than 30,000 clubs."

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"The moments of happiness we enjoy take us by surprise. It is not that we seize them, but that they seize us." Ashley Montague

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Clubs remember victims of 9/11 with memorial clock.

Like many of the communities surrounding New York City, Westchester County — located about 30 miles from downtown Manhattan — suffered losses on 11 September 2001, when two airplanes crashed into the World Trade Center, killing 2,801 people.

Hoping to keep alive the memory of the nine members of their community who lost their lives in the attacks, the Rotary Club of Eastchester, New York, USA, is donating a clock for permanent display outside Town Hall. David Walker, who was Eastchester club president when the strikes occurred, said the loss of lives in their community galvanized the club to show support for victims and their families. And — as is so often the case when tragedy strikes in one part of the Rotary world — Rotarians from across the globe immediately sought ways to help: Unsolicited, the Rotary clubs of Sendai, Miyagi, Japan, and Honolulu, Oahu, USA, each donated US\$1,000 for a memorial.

Eastchester club members spent several meetings discussing an appropriate memorial before settling on the idea of a clock. "We gave a lot of thought and consideration to doing something that was appropriate," Walker explains. "The idea of a memorial stone by itself didn't capture the message we wanted to send. The clock seemed like a good way to convey that the community would never forget those who lost their lives." The balance of the cost to purchase and install the clock — estimated at \$3,000 — is being raised by the Eastchester Rotary club. Scheduled to arrive in mid-August and be installed in time for the second anniversary of the attacks, the clock face will feature Roman numerals around the dial and the date of the tragedy on the face. The names of the nine victims from Eastchester and neighboring Tuckahoe will appear on two bronze plaques on the clock's granite base, which is being donated by the family of a village trustee.

Just for Fun - Food Crossword

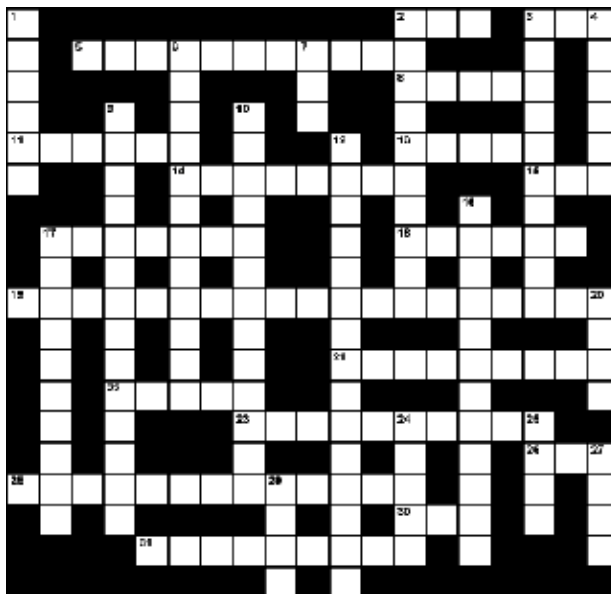
This puzzle will run for 2 weeks. Complete the puzzle correctly and be eligible to win a prize.

Across

2. Most highly proteinaceous vegetable crop known
3. 303 is a popular one
5. Bergamot flavored beverage
8. California steam beer.
11. Collect or look around for (food)
13. Unleavened Passover bread
14. Cake named for 1001 Nights character
15. An old name for a strong ale
17. Eurasian seashore plant related to cabbage
18. (French) Flavored with hot spices
19. Pungent sauce of soy and vinegar and spices
21. Piscatorial platter
22. Dish made with batter poured sparingly into a frying pan
23. Small black or red ones are used to make wine
26. A slippery or viscous liquid or liquefiable substance not miscible with water
28. Vinaigrette
30. All European and American ones lay their eggs in the Sargasso Sea.
31. Used to mix partner of 28 across

Down

1. A method of preparing rice which originated in the East.
2. A cooking device with an overhead heat source like a broiler.
3. Blue ribbon
4. Mace covers it
6. Liverwurst
7. Sex hormone 'estrogen' was first made from a compound in this tuber.
9. (French) Croissant dough rolled around dark chocolate.
10. Swiss cheese with nutty flavor often used in cooking
12. Hindquarter of deer.
16. 'Good guy' drink of early American western movies
17. Butter-rich Scottish cookie
20. An open vessel with a handle and a spout for pouring
24. Boil and bake roll
25. Nutritive material of an ovum
27. To insert long, thin strips of fat into meat
29. Pop



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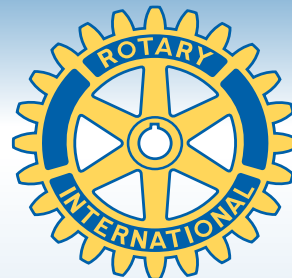
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This Week

Sep 11, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Memorial to 9/11
Food Bank

Greeter: Crystal Yamasaki

Door Prize: Earl Spenard

At the Podium - Memorial to 9/11, Food Bank Drive

This weeks program will be the Food Bank, and our efforts to contribute and support this very much needed organization in our community. The Board of Directors has chosen to take a different approach to our fundraising for the Food Bank. Rather than do a once a month drive that we have done in the past, we are going to concentrate all of our efforts into just one meeting.

Our goal is to contribute 600 pounds and \$1,000.00 to the Food Bank. Last year we donated 515 pounds and \$950.00, along with \$590.00 in food coupons. In order to reach that goal we are going to have some friendly competition between two groups in our club - the men and the women. Two team leaders have been appointed and will be rallying the groups to see which can bring the most non-perishable food donations to the meeting.

In addition, there will be food trivia, food quizzes and food games to take part in. Prizes will be given in each category and of course there is the boasting rights for either the men or the women - whichever group brings the most food!

Christy Barrett and/or Diane Heiman will be speaking on behalf of the Hawaii Island Food Bank. Don't miss this meeting and the opportunity to enjoy some friendly competition!!

Profiles - Michael Gardner



I was born at an early age in Minneapolis' Swedish Hospital in 1951. My parents were kind and considerate and we lived in the Hopkins, Minnesota school district the entire 13 K-12 school years. I graduated in 1969 in the upper 30 percentile following very little study, a lot of joking around and completion of all required assignments. Participation on school football, basketball, ice hockey and baseball teams and fishing and hunting were my preferred activities. I played Hopkins J.C.s' bantam hockey on the side. I had been forced to study the piano for 5 years in an effort to culturalize my lifestyle and today I am glad to be able to read music.

The interdenominational Bible believing church my mother has attended since 1950 invited me to teach a year-round first grade Sunday School class, which I did from 1966-69. Two of my students were Cory Carlson and David Wheaton, who became nationally recognized athletes. Summer vacation Bible school teaching also became a favorite activity at Minnetonka Community church where I was confirmed in 1965 after 2 years of weekly catechism classes under the Rev. Dr. Kenneth E. Churchill, my mentor and friend

from 1957 to the present, in his position as head of the Red Sea Mission Team. He had taken over for Tim Lahaye, who had been called to a ministry in San Diego and later to an authorship career, most current the best-selling "Left Behind" series.

By this time, playing hockey all year round in the Junior Olympic/NHL sponsored training program took hold. This after lettering several times at Hopkins in football and hockey, where I was named captain. My favorite memory was scoring 3 goals from center ice in various Lake Conference contests at Braemar Country Club Arena in Edina, Minnesota. The goaltenders later claimed they could not see the pucks. In football, the highlights were defeating the #1 rated team in the major school ratings, Robinsdale, in 1967 after making some key tackles and frequently seeing stars in the contact. Then, to see our middle linebacker and locker mate, Mr. Bill Light, go on to captain the Minnesota Gophers and attain consensus all-American status. Personal pain resulted from a still bothersome premeditated knee injury inflicted by two large Richfield players in our homecoming game with them in 1968, following my good fortune in making a bunch of unassisted tackles. They apologized after the game, which we lost.

I aimlessly attended 2 colleges (Concordia, Minnesota and Biola, L.A.) over the course of 3 transitional years culminated by a shortened career in the U.S. Army and finally, graduation from Brown College, Minneapolis, at the top of the class in broadcasting and first class FCC engineering license attainment. During this time, my focus remained upon my hockey career which evolved into minor league pro service on the west (left) coast in the 1971-72 season with Las Vegas and California. This resulted in a major league tryout in the debut year of the World Hockey Association's St. Paul Fighting Saints, which I later declined to entertain my new found focus upon music.

I married a high school sweetheart (she was 18 at the time) in 1974 during my first radio job in Bozeman, Montana at KBMN. I emigrated to Hawaii in 1975, working at KPOI in Honolulu and KIPA in Hilo. Returning to Minnesota for a brief 13 month period, KTIS AM & FM and KRIS/KFMX AM&FM; four stations mostly 6 days a week. This was to save my marriage and to work my way back to Hawaii. The marriage proved to be unsavable and I returned to Hawaii in January, 1977, taking a position as program director/chief engineer at KKON, Kona. Later that year, co-owner Herbert Hoover III moved me on to his KAOI, the only FM station outside Oahu at the time. Rotarian Kirk Monroe served as GM and allowed me to totally control formats, policies and employees. My first day at KAOI was 6/21/77 and it involved engineering the "Awareness '77" psychic call in talk show hosted by Eric Paul-Kalani Rolf. I had many good laughs that night (they all were quite serious about the program) and Bob Longhi, who was in the studio audience, treated me with a ride home as my car had not yet arrived from Kona. The next week, I was assigned to be the DJ/host of the "Hawaiian Sunset" nightly pau hana music program, a position I thoroughly enjoyed until 1981, when we hired the wonderful Auntie Ulu of Wailuku and I taught her the music library, technical controls and other pertinent

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George Solandros	09/18
DeWayne Sluss	10/02

Birthdays:

Cyndy Staudt	09/10
Dick Hershberger	09/26
Kathy Damon	09/30

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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure,
our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



Last week we were on the verge of having a hurricane hit the Big Island. Most of us anxiously watched or listened to the news reports to be

updated on where Jimena was headed. Mike and I took the precaution of moving everything off our lanai, and making sure everything else was tied down. I was relieved when the storm passed without doing any major damage, yet somewhat disappointed that we did not get the rain that we so desperately need. I do know one thing for sure - had the storm hit with intensity, we as Rotarians would have been ready to help.

Why does it take a major disaster to bring out the best in people? We need only think of how people sprang into action on 9/11 and the outpouring of support for the families of those who died. People from all over the country went to New York to see what they could do to help - and thousands more donated to the 9/11 fund.

As Rotarians we should be leading the way in helping people and communities on a regular basis - not just when disaster strikes. Don't wait for the next catastrophe before lending a hand to someone in need - do it today.

details so she would not "messup", as she called it. This freed me to focus more on my duties as program director. 1981 also marked my commencement of the first Hawaii Radio "Reggae Show" hosted by the gifted young DJ, Mr. Guy Amico. This followed our promotional concerts which featured Bob Marley, Peter Tosh, Jimmy Cliff, Toots and the Maytals, Third World, Black Uhuru and several other top Jamaican groups and their widespread cross-cultural acceptance in Hawaii. However, I regretted the later merging which resulted in Jah-waiian music. Being that 95.1 was the only free-form progressive station (long uninterrupted sets of deeper album cuts) at that time in the U.S., the icon/artists of the business regularly called to express their desire to sit in or have an interview. Those wonderful folks included Eddie Kamae and the Sons, Bla Pahinui, Olomana, the Cazimeros, Rap Reiplinger, Andy Bumatai, Frank DeLima, Randy Lorenzo, Cecilio and Kapono, Richard and Solomon Hoopii, Frank Hewitt, Wavy Gravy, Fleetwood/Mac, John Mayall, Dave Mason, Jim Messina, Mick Taylor, Eddie Money, Richie Furay, Leo Kottke, Elvin Bishop, Jefferson Starship, Sunny Bono, George Hamilton, Ed Marinaro, Hana Mandlikova, Billie Jean King, Rosie Casals, John McEnroe, Peter Fleming, Bill Scanlon, John Fitzgerald, America, Jimmy Barnes and others. CDs were introduced in 1984, through the advice and product support of Mr. Brian Blackwell of Columbia Records, Honolulu office.

In 1986, KAOI was sold to Dallas based cable magnate, Mr. Roger Whitehurst, who issued my walking papers complete with an appreciated letter of recommendation. The next month, negotiations began with KKON-KOAS, Kealakekua, owned by L.A. sportscaster Mr. Gil Stratton, who was in the midst of the FCC process of selling the licenses to Mr. Bill Evans, owner of the Clio Awards for broadcast commercial production in NYC. I was brought in as the stations' program director also choosing to be a DJ/host on KOAS FM, the first on the west side. In early 1987, KOAS became the first station to transmit across the saddle to Hilo through a translator location near the Parker Ranch sheep station. I had brought in long-time Maui broadcast engineer, Mr. Alex Kowalski to head that project. Alapai Abreu continued doing the popular Hawaiian music show "On the Porch", which ran on KKON AM from 1977 to 1992. It was my honor to be Al's supervisor two separate times and we had a special relationship, as I knew he was the heart of the station. Hiring and training applicants who had musical ears is the priority...I could teach folks to read copy and run the controls...a musical ear cannot be taught. The newly changed format on KOAS quickly became popular, as well, and for two years, 1987-89, registered on the Oahu Arbitron Ratings, the only "neighbor island" station to earn that level of listenership. Mark "Night Rider" Peteffer was our best DJ, among the 21 live operators, coming over from KAOI in 1986 with me. Regular trips to Hollywood's record companies and a reporting status to the nationally published Bill Hard Report ensured my steady flow of new and old music releases into the libraries. Among the guests there were Fabulous Thunderbirds and Bonnie Raitt.

In October, 1980, I met and fell in love with the soon to be divorced nationally recognized Maui artiste Sharon Carter-Kelly. We were married in the Wailuku courthouse by Judge Fukuoka on 4/14/85 in a private ceremony. After two years, Samson was born 5/1/87 at Hilo Hospital. Rachel-Rose came along on 4/28/89 at Kona Hospital, which has made extreme positive improvements in recent years. We are blessed with wonderful children; Samson in grade 11 and a cashier at WAL-MART and Rachel in grade 9 in all honors classes; both at Kealakehe, and very active in the growing youth program at Mokuiaikaua church. We were divorced in 1998.

April 1, 1989 brought another of the many changes. Due to potential sale of Mr. Evan's Clio Awards and his massive dissatisfaction with Hawaii, I was relieved of the position, again leaving behind large music libraries built from the national record companies and locally by Chip of Mele Kai music. At our house in Papa Bay, Sharon was raising the babies and doing small art projects, including the start-up logo package of KLUA-FM for station founder Mr. Jim James(Fakas) of Redlands, California. I applied to work there, but Jim respectfully, objectively told me I would not fit in to his "all-hits" station.

After much research and a short stint as a lugger with old friend Albert Shiotsuka at Kona Trans, we successfully sold the house in less than a month, largely through the efforts of long time advertiser Mr. Ron Aronson of Bradley Properties and then moved to Austin, Texas to work as a DJ at KLBJ radio, a subsidiary of the LBJ Company. Sharon was an honors Arts graduate of UT, 1972 and had kind relatives in the area. KLBJ was the #1 rated Rock station in the U.S., according to Billboard and Rolling Stone Magazines. While Sharon raised the children and sought art work, I began a 5 year stint with WAL-MART to supplement the radio income and benefits plan. I enjoyed it as well, working in sporting goods and electronics at a time when anyone with a Texas driver's license could walk up and within minutes walk out with any kind of pistol and ammo. As a part of my job, I sold firearms and we were regularly audited by the ATF, from whom I received interesting information about the 1992 L.A. riots, the O.J. Simpson tragedy and the Branch Davidian massacre in nearby Waco. Meanwhile, Sharon landed a coveted position as a freehand textbook illustrator for Holt, Rinehart and Winston. We purchased a one acre estate on a subdivided Stark Ranch 45 miles northwest of Austin; 12 miles west of Georgetown where the children attended the excellent, high tax based schools and where the WAL-MART store was located. By this time I was working in the national "Japanese style" horizontal management plan, modeled after Honda Motors, Ltd. This was strongly opposed by certain store and district managers.

The benefits at WAL-MART helped us live comfortably, coupled with our 10% family discount and preview of all future clearance items. At KLBJ, I had my own weekly program called "A Deeper Look", which was a Texas flavored KAOI/KOAS mix. My other duties included various live DJ shows in the AOR computer generated format, which had begun to CREEP in and today totally dominates radio. KLBJ-FM was rated #1 in central Texas, vying with former Texas governor John Connolly's KASE-FM for that position. Our concerts at Zilker Park, Austin Coliseum and the Frank Sheriff center, home of the Longhorns, were rampant and frequent. I was offered a job with KLBJ-AM news/talk where LBJ White House advisor Mr. Cactus Pryor ruled the roost, which I declined in favor of the music aspect of the FM.

Highlights at KLBJ included numerous Limo rides, contributing as a lister to the authorized Stevie Ray Vaughan biography; Bob Dylan, Tom Petty and David Bowie shows, great southern and Tejano food, Sharon's wonderful Texas heritage aunts who lived in Shoal Creek, the learned airstaff who now make over 6 figures, chats with Luci Baines Johnson, the huge Austin record stores, the cold Barton springs, the 110+ live music venues in greater Austin, fishing and partying at Lake LBJ in the hill country and meditating in private, sitting on LBJ's bed at their lake compound. Being awakened by Sharon and the children in between working those two wonderful jobs is prominent as well. We became members of the Round Rock Evangelical Free Church where I led the men's weekly Bible study for 2 years. Later we joined Georgetown's Main Street Baptist where the children prayed to receive the Lord Jesus as personal Saviour. Sharon earned a position with Viacom's Austin Shirt Company as lead artist.

After leaving KLBJ in April, 1992 following a moral disagreement over their instating "Howard Stern" type content, I focused on Wal-mart until taking a weekend live DJ show with KFOX FM classic rock in January, 1995. It was located in Harker Heights, with a beautiful view of nearby Ft. Hood from the top floor of a bank building that the 3-station Clear Channel studios occupied.

Following a 10th anniversary emotional, sentimental trip back to Hawaii in June, 1995, the FOX put me on full time in my old favorite 7-midnight shift. After they started live remote broadcasts from strip clubs that catered to the largest military base in the free world and other assorted questionable activities at the sister RAP station, I was relieved of the position which the corner officed non-radio experienced GM justified because long time company employees wanted to move to the Austin area. I knew that my moral stance foiled another well paying job!

You Can Say That Again

"If I had learned to type, I never would have made brigadier general."
Brigadier General Elizabeth Hoisington

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I wanted to return to Hawaii, with plans for Sharon and the kids to join me after I got re-established. After 2 1/2 months of daily fruitless job seeking on Maui, my good friend and former KOAS DJ Larry Cohn suggested I come to Kona...which would be my 4th time on the Big Island in 20 years. I phoned Wal-mart in Kona, which had just opened in August 1995. They hired me over the phone, saying no one in the store including the GM had had 5 years experience with the company, soon to become #1 in the world. Larry put me up until a rental was found on Mahilani in Highlands. Later, the same Jim James hired me to do mornings, afternoons, many commercials and then all the newscasts at KLUÅ-FM Kona and Hilo, often sleeping on a cot between shifts in one of the several offices there. I returned to Texas in 1997 and Sharon and the children joined me in Kona.

Marnie Herkes came in one day and I asked her to come in once a week to do a live show we called "Chamber Corner". Later she invited and sponsored me in the Kona Rotary Club. My Dad was past president and 37 years perfect attendance with the Lake Minnetonka Excelsior Rotary Club, so I had guested several times and currently make up there. Within a few weeks of joining at the beginning of Tina's year, our KLUÅ building manager Mr. Rolf Vossen stopped by and offered me the International Service Director position. Then, through DG Roy King, Allen Konno who founded Rotary Youth Exchange in Japan 35 years ago, asked me to develop a district wide Hawaii Youth Exchange program. Two years later, teaming with financial expert Ron Scott, we received the large club of the year D5000 Foundation Award through the encouragement of President Zola. In addition to my opportunity for district service in YE, Gary Siracusa tapped me to be Hawaii County World Community Service Chair which lasted 3 years.

Due to the wonderful work of our committee members and participating clubs in all 4 counties, the program has grown from 5 to 17 students in and out over the past 5 Rotary years. We look forward to renewed growth under long time mentor and friend DG Gary, as Oahu(Honolulu Club)will have their first outbound student; Mike Prum of Roosevelt High School, who came to the program through the efforts of former DYEC member Diane Bandonis and my speaking trip to Oahu schools 3 years ago, hosted by Jay and Sally Blanchard of the Waikiki Club. Current Committee members are Marc Imamura, Janos Samu on Kauai, Bruce Glor on Oahu and Jim Vitale on Maui. Former RYE student Cheryl Holdcroft serves as Kona club chair after taking over from Ron Scott, backed by our active I.S. committee. Another highlight was being supported by the Kona club after being invited by R.I. President Devlyn to serve as a leader at the 2001 San Antonio International Convention, which changed my life. THANK YOU! Aloha and Mahalo...Rotary works for us all!

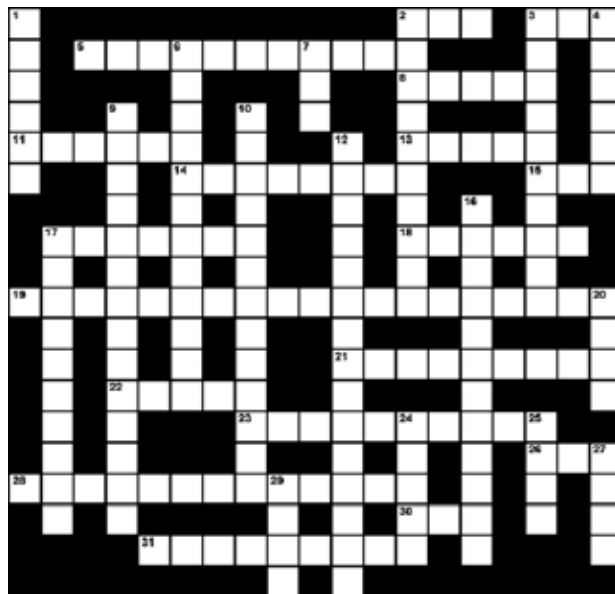
Currently, I am seeking employment, possibly back in radio, if an opening comes. Later this month I will begin a fully accredited B.A. distance 2 year degree program at Northwestern College in Roseville, Minnesota in Inter-cultural Ministry. I continue on in my 6th year as D5000 YE chair and was recently elected V.P. of the West Hawaii Crimestoppers' BOD. Serving at Mokuiaikaua Church also is a priority. We are condo owners here and am a member of the Keauhou Outreach group, supported by KIC. Being there for my children is the best thing I do.

Just for Fun - Food Crossword

This puzzle will run for 2 weeks. Complete the puzzle correctly and be eligible to win a prize.

Across

2. Most highly proteinaceous vegetable crop known
3. 303 is a popular one
5. Bergamot flavored beverage
8. California steam beer.
11. Collect or look around for (food)
13. Unleavened Passover bread
14. Cake named for 1001 Nights character
15. An old name for a strong ale
17. Eurasian seashore plant related to cabbage
18. (French) Flavored with hot spices
19. Pungent sauce of soy and vinegar and spices
21. Piscatorial platter
22. Dish made with batter poured sparingly into a frying pan
23. Small black or red ones are used to make wine
26. A slippery or viscous liquid or liquefiable substance not miscible with water
28. Vinaigrette
30. All European and American ones lay their eggs in the Sargasso Sea.
31. Used to mix partner of 28 across



Down

1. A method of preparing rice which originated in the East.
2. A cooking device with an overhead heat source like a broiler.
3. Blue ribbon
4. Mace covers it
6. Livenwurst
7. Sex hormone 'estrogen' was first made from a compound in this tuber.
9. (French) Croissant dough rolled around dark chocolate.
10. Swiss cheese with nutty flavor often used in cooking
12. Hindquarter of deer.
16. 'Good guy' drink of early American western movies
17. Butter-rich Scottish cookie
20. An open vessel with a handle and a spout for pouring
24. Boil and bake roll
25. Nutritive material of an ovum
27. To insert long, thin strips of fat into meat
29. Pop

Rotary Calendar

Sep 25, 2003, Thu, 11:30A
 KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON
 Speaker: Evan Dobelle, University
 of Hawaii President
 Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
 Cost: TBA
 Contact: Kathy Damon, 322-4850

Community Calendar

Insertions for Community Calendar are \$5 per insertion payable a week in advance to the Rotary Club of Kona. All insertions are subject to approval of the Board and on a space available basis. Submit insertions to Crystal Yamasaki at: chrys@wtahawaii.com fax: 329-5334 Include Your Name, Phone Number, Dates to Run, Event Name, Event Location, Event Date, Event Sponsor, Event Cost, Event Description. To simplify submission, forms are available at all Rotary meetings.

Let's Keep in Mind

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Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
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Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

On the Road

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Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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At the Podium - Diana Bertsch, Iron Man Events Director

This week's speaker is Diana Bertsch who serves as the Events Director for the Iron Man Triathlon.

She will provide us an update on this year's Iron Man Race which celebrates the 25th Anniversary of the event. Approximately 1700 athletes have registered to participate in this international event here in Kona, Hawaii.

The event has pledged a million dollars to the YMCA Capital Building Fund Campaign to be paid within the next two years. The Y is planning a brand new facility for Kona to house existing programs and many new programs being developed especially for the new complex.

Profiles - Cathie Amelotte



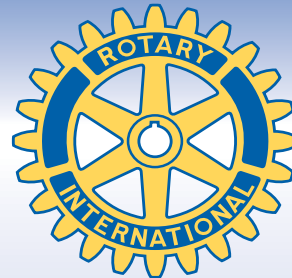
At the age of 14, my family moved to Kaneohe, Oahu from Minnetonka, Minnesota. My parents simply came home from their vacation and stated "As soon as the snow melts, we're selling the house and moving to Hawaii!" To this day, I thank God for their decision. I must admit I was a little skeptical when I heard there was such a thing as "Kill Haole Day" at Castle High School. None the less, I survived and graduated with honors one year early to attend Honolulu Community College where I received my training and obtained my Hawaii State License as a Cosmetologist.

I was fortunate enough to train with such masters in the field as the late Paul Mitchell, award-winning Francis Loo of Honolulu, and

Elizabeth Hartly of the Vidal Sassoon Hong Kong Academy. I moved to Kona in 1978 and worked in various salons. In 1983 I built and operated Prime Cut, a hair salon in Hualalai Center. As my career progressed I became a trainer in advanced styling for the Techno Fashion Team with L'Anza International and acquired a private label cosmetic line. Through the passion of my profession and the desire to promote "healthy hair", my husband Peter and I started a wholesale business called Innovative Distributors where we provided professional hair products to salons.

After many years of long hours and physical abuse to my body, I was forced to retire from my profession and undergo surgery that would keep me from ever working again in a job that required prolonged standing. When it became apparent that I could no longer work in the career that I dearly loved, I made a choice to seek employment in an area where I could contribute to the betterment of the community I had come to love. Volunteerism had caught hold of me at this point and I went on to volunteer and work for various non-profit organizations. I have again found my passion at Hawaii Island United Way, Inc., where I am the Director of Campaign and Fund Distribution.

My current volunteer opportunities outside of Rotary include being a lifetime member of the Girl Scout Council of Hawaii, Past President of Kealahou Elementary School PTSA, Hospice of Kona volunteer, and being of service in my spiritual fellowship. My greatest joy in life is spending time with my family. My hobbies include writing, bead artwork, and reading. I enjoy meeting people from all walks of life, and my personal motto is "live and let live". I am honored to be a member of the Rotary Club of Kona and try my best to lend a hand.



Service Above Self

This Week

Sep 18, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: Diana Bertsch
Iron Man Update

Greeter: Pedro Yanez

Door Prize: George
Solandros

Coming Up

Greeters:
Robert Yong 10/02
Mike Zola 10/09

Door Prize:
DeWayne Sluss 10/02
Ron Scott 10/09

Birthdays:
Dick Hershberger 09/26
Kathy Damon 09/30

Anniversaries:
Kathy Damon (Gus) 09/11
Rich Merschdorf (Trish) 09/24

Programs:
Dark, KKCC Luncheon 09/25
UH/Hilu Hilu Partnership 10/02

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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

Kona Coffee Blossom

Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter

President's Position



As we all know, the Centennial of Rotary will be celebrated in the year 2005. Every club has been asked to do a special project in their community to recognize the value of Rotary and to celebrate this milestone.

The project chosen by our club, after much consideration, is the Makaeo Walking/Jogging Path at the Old Airport.

On Tuesday, there was another planning meeting held with the interested groups, and the response by Rotarians was wonderful. There were also representatives there from Kona Outdoor Circle and Friend's for Fitness and it is clearly now developing into a workable project.

Did you ever stop to think what the community would be like if there wasn't a Rotary Club? What would happen if none of us became Rotarians because we were too busy to be involved? When I stop to think about it, I realize what an incredible contribution we have made to this community because we believe in the Rotary motto - Service Above Self. Without Rotary, there would be no read to me program; no lithotripter at the hospital; a soccer field that no one could play on; no scholarships for local youth; no Interact Club...the list is endless. And on an international level - there would still be a huge fight against Polio. As long as there are needs in this community and the world that are not being met, there is a need for Rotary to be involved.

The next time you are asked to take part in a Rotary Project - keep in mind where the world would be without us offering our time and talents to get the job done.

At the Club - Food Bank Drive a Big Success

Last week was our annual "Food Bank Donation Day," and we can be proud of our efforts. According to Ken Clewitt the total collection of food and cash amounted to 569 pounds of food and \$430 in money. The breakdown between the two teams (women's and men's) and announcement of the winning team will be made by President Fraser at this Thursday's meeting. A huge mahalo to all who participated. For those who didn't participate, cash donations will still be accepted and passed along.

At RI - Nominating Committee Names Choice for Next RI President



Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar, of the Rotary Club of Göteborg, Sweden, is the choice of the RI Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2005-06, which met on 8 September. He will become the official nominee on 1 December if there are no challenging candidates.

Stenhammar, a marketing manager for international food products, is the former owner of Gust. F. Bratt AB. In addition, he has been a member of the boards of several companies and served as chairman of the board of a local private school.

A Rotarian since 1974, Stenhammar served on the RI Board of Directors in 1996-98. He has also served RI as district governor, committee member and chairman, and task force general coordinator.

Currently, Stenhammar chairs the Permanent Fund Committee for Europe and RIBI and is general coordinator of the Literacy and Education Task Force. He is a member of the Polio Eradication Advocacy Task Force, a PolioPlus National Advocacy Advisor, and was chairman of the Presidential Celebration Committee-Peace and Tolerance, which was held in Sweden in August 2003.

The Nominating Committee members are Gustaaf A. Annokkee, The Netherlands; Lennart Arfwidsson, Sweden; Jacques Berthet, France; Robert O. Brickman, USA; William B.P. Cadwallader, Jr., USA; Francisco Creo, Mexico; Gerson Gonçalves, Brazil; Lynn A. Hammond, USA; W. John Hockin, England; Brian H. Knowles, Australia; Ryuichi Kotani, Japan; Denny J. Purkey, USA; David M. Michaux III, USA; Carl S. Rosenbaum, USA; In Sang Song, Korea; Ryoichi Takeyama, Japan; and O.P. Vaish, India.

Just for Fun -

A woman accompanied her husband to the doctor's office.

After his checkup, the doctor called the wife into his office alone. He said, "Your husband is suffering from a very severe stress disorder. If you don't do the following, your husband will surely die."

"Each morning, fix him a healthy breakfast. Be pleasant at all times. For lunch make him a nutritious meal. For dinner prepare an especially nice meal for him. Don't burden him with chores."

"Don't discuss your problems with him, it will only make his stress worse. No nagging. And most importantly, make love with your husband several times a week. If you can do this for the next 10 months to a year, I think your husband will regain his health completely." On the way home, the husband asked his wife. "What did the doctor say?"

"He said you're going to die."

You Can Say That Again
"In youth we learn, in old age we understand."
Marie von Ebner-Eschen Bach

*Rotary
Calendar*

Sep 25, 2003, Thu, 11:30A
KKCC FOCUS LUNCHEON
 Speaker: Evan Dobelle, University
 of Hawaii President
 Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
 Cost: TBA
 Contact: Kathy Damon, 322-4850

*Community
Calendar*

Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce's

Focus Luncheon with University of Hawaii President Evan Dobelle

**Thursday, September 25, 2003, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
 King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel, Kailua-Kona**

Cost is \$30.00 members; \$35.00 non-members

Reservations for tables of eight are being accepted

"UH... Changed and Ready for the Next Level," will be the focus of President Evan Dobelle's remarks. Dr. Dobelle will share the vision for the University – specifically where it is today and how it will compete in the arena of global higher education while simultaneously providing innovative educational opportunities for the West Hawaii community.

**Reservations required by Tuesday, September 23, 2003. Please call 329-1758.
 No refunds or cancellations after Tuesday, September 23, 2003.**



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Business Name: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

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Luncheon: \$30.00 members; \$35.00 non-members. Tables of 8 may be reserved.

Payment method:

Charge Card: AE, MC or VISA _____

Expiration Date: _____

Check enclosed: \$ _____

Mail checks to:

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Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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Lend a Hand

Island Clubs

Hilo Bay, Wed, 6:45A
Nani Loa Hotel

Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
Nani Loa Hotel

Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

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Four-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOOD WILL and better friendship? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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At the Podium - Guido Giacometti, Roger Harris, Kathy Damon Hiluhuli/UH Development Project

Representatives from Hiluhulu Development will provide a brief overview of the project and site for the proposed "University Village" concept. The concept encompasses a public/private joint venture with the University of Hawaii. Speakers will be Guido Giacometti and Roger Harris joined by Kathy Damon.

"The Hiluhulu Development, proposes to develop a 725 acre vacant parcel in North Kona with residential units, mixed uses, an 18 hole golf course, and a university village center.....and are engaged in joint planning with the University of Hawai'i to provide supporting infrastructure located on the Hiluhulu parcel for the proposed West Hawai'i Campus on adjacent State land."

Profiles - Chrystal Thomas Yamasaki



I was born in Kodiak, Alaska of parents that were both in the Navy. My early childhood was spent traveling around southern California until I was in the third grade. We then got orders to move to Hawaii. The year was 1956 and we were going to Hawaii. We had to get all our shots for the "foreign port" even though it was a territory. After hearing about the grass shacks and hula girls I was in tears as our military transport ship arrived in Pearl Harbor...no sand, no grass houses and no hula girls with leis.

Our family, now Mom, Step-Dad and two half-sisters, resided in base housing and I actually got to go to the same school for three consecutive years. We used to ride the HRT bus to the library, next to 'Iolani Palace and we'd sneak away to swing in the banyan trees...those were such innocent times, no street people, no drugs, no murders. When my step dad got transferred back to the mainland, he went to look for housing for us and we would follow in a month. Well, as things work out, he didn't want us and we were left on our own in Hawaii. Mom said, well if we're going to be abandoned, Hawaii is a pretty nice place to be. So Mom worked 2 and 3 jobs and raised her 3 girls.

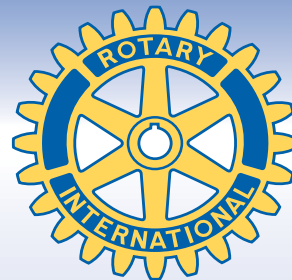
I finished four years at Aiea High School in the top 10% of my class and went on to attend the UH at Manoa. I worked part time to pay tuition, books, gas, etc.. but the money just ran out and no one told me I could qualify for a scholarship. I tried to get a job with my drafting skills. But after numerous rejections, I was finally told that I was young, single, female and haole and that I would be too disruptive in the drafting room with the young fellows working there.

I finally got a job working with the Army Map Service in the "security tunnels" of Ft. Shafter as a civilian. After a year I found out that I was working too hard and making the old timers look bad and that unless someone retired or left us I wouldn't get promoted. Now with experience under my belt, I went to a local engineering and surveying firm to work in their Photogrammetry department making maps from aerial photography. As luck would have it, there was a reduction in staff and even though I had seniority I was female and therefore not suitable for the supervisory job that was left. But, they wanted to keep me and someone saw that sparkle of energy in me and asked if I'd like to work in the Survey Department.

They trained me for the office calculations and drafting, but only once was I allowed to go in the field with the crews, and that was to take notes.....again I was female. We didn't have affirmative action in those days.

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Oct 2, 2003

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Roger Harris, Kathy Damon
Hiluhulu/UH Development

Greeter: Robert Yong

Door Prize: DeWayne Sluss

Coming Up

Greeters:
Mike Zola 10/09
Cathie Amelott 10/16

Door Prize:
Ron Scott 10/09
David Schaeffer 10/16

Birthdays:
Jim Bedingfield 10/10
Rick Asbach 10/11

Anniversaries:
Pat Berry (Ray) 10/03
Janet Lum Won (Calvin) 10/07

Programs:
Our Exchange Students 10/09
TBA 10/16

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President's Position



For most of us, having an internet connection is our connection to the world. Through the web we can research anything at anytime. It's a great tool to have available - I am on line daily, whether just to check my email, or to read the daily paper. I am constantly amazed at the information that we can now have in less than a minute - information that used to take days or even weeks to receive. Certainly within our own club, having the Coffee Blossom on-line is a great tool and money saver. Having all Rotary information on line has certainly been of great benefit to me.

Of course, with most everything, there is a dark side. I am constantly bombarded with email messages trying to sell me something that I don't need, or to give me information that I really don't need to know. And while scams on the web are common place, it is unusual for a scam to surface through Rotary.

Recently, all of the Rotary Club Presidents were advised of a scam through the web from the Rotary Club Poznan Starowka (of course it doesn't actually exist). The club was asking for financial support to build a new hospital pavilion for pediatric cardiothoracic surgery in Poznan, Poland. The letter went on to describe the deaths of children with heart disease which could have been prevented. In truth, the letter seemed to be quite realistic and it was only through the sharp eye of a Rotarian who questioned the letter that other clubs were informed that it was truly a scam. Had the email come directly to me, it is quite likely that I would have brought it to the board for discussion.

We all know not to believe everything you read, and until now thought that anything to do with Rotary was legitimate business. I now know this is not the case, and will certainly be more diligent about examining messages more clearly.

Profiles - Chrystal Thomas Yamasaki (cont)

In mid 1975, a fellow worker and mentor asked if I'd join him in starting anew surveying firm. I was honored and excited. Wes Thomas Associates was formed. We were small and on a tight budget. I answered phones, wrote up the work orders, did the bookkeeping, did the office calculations, drafting and got the packages ready for delivery. As we grew we added staff. Wes and a wonderful gentleman at the State Survey Office kept telling me to apply to take the Land Surveying Exam. I went to night school, studied my brains out, and was allowed to take the exam in 1977, the first woman to do so. With the encouragement of my mentors, I accomplished the un-precedented. I not only passed the 12 hour exam on the first try, but I was the first female licensed land surveyor in the State of Hawaii.

I spent my spare hours raising my Irish setter and afghan hound. I had been thru a couple of failed marriages and my dogs were my substitute children. When Wes asked me to come to Kona to manage the office, I rolled my eyes back and moaned about being in the sticks. But I was always game for another adventure. I came to Kona, found it to be peaceful and beautiful and told Wes I'd be happy to move. I've been here ever since and I've never regretted. I think there was really a small town girl locked inside of me. It was always fun at the survey office. In the beginning the clients wanted to speak to the surveyor, you know the man. But over the years I have won the support of the community and last week a client commented that he wouldn't think of taking his work anywhere else. He said there is "cheaper" out there but you can't beat the quality services we provide. It was wonderful to have confirmation of what I always strived for.

We always try to give back to our community, sometimes we measure courses for canoe or swim races, help with work at the Kona Hospital, the West Hawaii Tennis Patrons, and numerous other community based projects. We prefer to give of our services rather than money. When my employees (and we have 20 of them now) have the chance to be a part of the giving it means so much more.

Somewhere along the way, an old friend from Oahu (who was actually my instructor in my surveying night classes and was a Big Island boy) and I, got together and formed a partnership and bought the farm. Here we formed a life long bond, raised our children and became even more involved in the farming community. My husband Howard and I have been married 23+ years, have two adult children, both of who will graduate from college this spring.

I refer to Nicolas (age 23) and Kimberly (age 21) as my retirement plan here at Wes Thomas Associates. Nick is majoring in Land Surveying and Civil Engineering at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, New Mexico and Kim is majoring in Business Management and Accounting at Chaminade in Honolulu. Both have plans to come back to Kona and begin their careers. They have actually been working at the company ever since they could walk. We feel blessed that there will be a gentle 10 year transition and I hope to be that highly paid consultant with the health insurance while becoming grandma and chief babysitter, no rush on the latter. Howard has retired from the surveying business and has become a full-time self employed farmer.

The other great event in my life was when long time friend and client Dick Denison, casually took me to lunch a number of years ago. Here he introduced me to a group of individuals that had the same caring and giving to the community as I have always felt in my heart and whose philosophy was similar to mine, both at home and at work. I was please to be invited to join Rotary. Sometimes I don't have enough hours in the day to accomplish all that needs to be done, but I never complain, I just dig in and get it done.

Besides Rotary, I am involved as the treasurer for Na Keiki Kenika, a non-profit youth group for the promotion of tennis, the treasurer for the Kona Kohala Chapter of the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers, and the treasurer for the Hawaii Racing Association, the grass roots organization trying to build a motosports park (really small scale) to help get our kids off the streets and into a safe environment.

You Can Say That Again

"Cherish your visions and your dreams as they are the children of your soul, the blueprints of your ultimate achievements." *Napoleon Hill*

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Kona Coffee Blossom

At the Club - KKCC/Rotary Focus Luncheon Well Attended

Last week the Rotary Club of Kona was dark and many Rotary members attended the joint meeting/focus luncheon with the Kona Kohala Chamber of Commerce. The program featured Evan Dobelle, University of Hawaii President, and included a frank discussion about what the University has accomplished in the last few years with Dobelle at the helm. Dobelle's prepared talk was very informative and he gladly fielded several questions from the audience at the end of the presentation.

Interact Club, Relay for Life - Our Interact kids will need help from Rotarians at this event in several areas and I hope our club can begin to plan now to be there for the kids. One team of Rotarians will be welcomed to help with set up during the afternoon of the 8th. Helping even for a few hours will be very welcomed! A second team of energetic and fun adults are needed to join the event and stay all night. There may be teams without adult chaperones that will be disqualified if no adult or not enough adults are present. That means a group of kids who went out and got sponsors then showed up ready to walk will be sent away if they don't have an adult. We really can't have this happen to our kids right? The last group of Rotarians really needed will arrive and help out on Sunday early to take down the event facility and pack it away. Any and all hands will be sorely needed from 6:30 onward.

The kids can also use items as door prizes to be given throughout the night as team incentives or motivating items to help make the event stay fun during the wee hours of the night. Any ideas anybody? These would not be items auctioned off but gifts for the kids. Clipboards will go around the beginning of October for sign up. Ask your spouse, ask a neighbor, maybe that neighbor might be one to ask to a Rotary meeting as well.

At D5000 - GSE Team Leader Selected

D5000 had two great candidates who applied for the position as GSE Team Leader to Brazil. Both were highly qualified and it was not an easy decision for the committee to select one over the other. However, there can be only one leader and this made it necessary to make a decision. Therefore, it is a pleasure to announce that the GSE Team Leader Selection Committee has chosen Rotarian Janet Snyder of the Rotary Club of Hilo to be the GSE Team Leader for our team that will travel to Brazil April-May 2004. Congratulations Janet! Laura Schoenrock of the Rotary Club of Diamond Head was selected as the alternate team leader. She will participate in all our planning and preparation activities and be available to travel if the need arises. Congratulations Laura!

We want to thank all who participated in this effort. Now that we have a team leader in place it is necessary to move to the next stage of identifying potential team members. We need to complete this process by mid-December. So, please get the word out to your members and send in your applications. We will choose the best four applicants. Potential applicants should contact PDG Bob Pennington with questions or for more information.

Just for Fun - How We Read

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Trluy amzanig huh?

*Rotary
Calendar*

Oct 17, 2003, Fri, 5:30P
ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH
HAWAII OKTOBERFEST
Event: Fundraiser for Centennial
Project
Place: Kahilu Town Hall, Waimea
Cost: TBA
Includes: Food by Daniel
Thiebauts, German beer, live
Oompah Band, lots of fun
Contact: Wallace Wong

Oct 25, 2003, Sat
ROTARY CLUB OF KONA
MAUKA GOLF TOURNAMENT
Event: Fundraiser for Kona Mauka
Club Projects
Place: Kona Country Club, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: Golf, prizes, lots of fun
Contact: Barbara Bush

Nov 8, 2003, Fri, Sat, Sun
INTERACT CLUB
RELAY FOR LIFE
Event: Fundraiser
Place: Kealahou High, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: All night relay event with
sponsored kids participating
Contact: Ann Goody

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At the Podium - Meet our Exchange Students and Interactors

This week's program will feature the high school kids that Rotary Club of Kona sponsors. Cheryl Holdcroft will introduce our two exchange students who will each give a short presentation. Also our Interact Club advisors and officers will be attending to give a presentation on the upcoming "Relay for Life" event.

Kathy Amelot will have about 10 books for our guests to sign as part of our "Read to Me" book donation program.

Profiles - JIM & SIS BEDINGFIELD



Jim Bedingfield was born and raised on the southern Oregon coast, where, as a kid, he had fun fishing, hunting, playing high school football, and excelling on debate teams. A veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps in both World War II and the Korean War ("once a Marine, always a Marine"), he was educated at the University of Oregon, the University of Southern California, the College of William and Mary, and Willamette University College of Law, where he made Dean's List.

Meanwhile, Jim's wife-to-be, Sis, was learning about life as an Army brat in places like: Oahu's Schofield Barracks; Dust-Bowl-era Fort Riley, Kansas; and San Francisco's Presidio, which she especially enjoyed. College enrollment as a science major moved her to the University of Oregon, where she met Jim. Eventually she changed her major to food technology at Oregon State. Marriage to Jim and the arrival of their four children thrust her into Mom activities such as Campfire, Cub Scouts, 4H, PTA, and Sunday school.

Jim became a partner in the law firm of Bedingfield, Joelson, Gould, Wilgers, and Dorsey, P.C., from 1952 to 1987. As an attorney he represented clients such as Evans Products, Cape Arago Lumber Co., Weyerhaeuser, Coos Bay Lumber Co., Georgia Pacific, and Menasha Timber for more than 30 years. Public schools, community colleges, and city governments were also among his clients, as well as retailers, distributors, and insurance companies.

In addition, for four years he was elected to the Oregon state legislature, in which he helped create the state's first Workman's Compensation law and was appointed to the Ways and Means Committee. During 1979-1980 he served as Director of the Executive Department of the State of Oregon. In this capacity he supervised all: state agencies, except Higher Education and Transportation; labor negotiations (36,000 employees); state accounting, including budget preparations (\$13,000,000,000) and enforcement; personnel matters; computer purchases and operations; bidding procedures; and special program bond issues.



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This Week

Oct 9, 2003

Royal Kona Resort
(In the Dining Room)

Program: Cheryl Holdcroft
Exchange Students
& Interact Club

Greeter: Mike Zola
Door Prize: Ron Scott

Coming Up

Greeters:
Cathie Amelott 10/16
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Birthdays:
Jim Bedingfield 10/10
Rick Asbach 10/11

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President's Position



Our club is a great mix of recent and long-standing members, men and women, and varying age groups. We strive towards making our club

representative of our community, and in making our club as effective as possible in what we do. We celebrate new members with a time honored induction ceremony, and welcome them with great anticipation of their involvement. Many of our members have invited others to join our group to help it grow and develop.

On the other side of the coin are the members that leave our club. During my five years in this club, I have seen many members come and go for a variety of reasons. It is always sad to have a member leave us for any reason.

This week we will be recognizing one of our "older" members (not necessarily in age, but in years of being a Rotarian) who is leaving the Island to move back to the mainland to be closer to his family. This particular Rotarian has been a great influence on me and it is through his leadership that I have learned the importance of being involved and to try to do my best at all I do. He has shown me what it takes to be a true Rotarian rather than just a member of Rotary. Not only has he been actively involved with the club for years, but his wife has also been an integral part of the club by making sure we all receive those wonderful birthday and anniversary cards each year.

To Jim and Sis - the Rotary Club of Kona is forever grateful for the contributions you have made to our club over the years. We all wish you the very best in your new adventure and will miss you terribly!

Profiles - JIM & SIS BEDINGFIELD (continued)

Simultaneously, Sis was a community leader on kindergarten boards, hospital auxiliaries, Oregon Hospital Auxiliary State Board, the Governor's State Advisory Committee, and the State Liquor Commission. She also volunteered at the Chamber of Commerce, assisting tourists and travel writers.

Sis says Jim is a farmer at heart. Evidence of that is his raising Herefords ("for relaxation") on a 40-acre farm during his final 15 years as a lawyer, followed by owning and operating Hokulani Christmas Tree Farm and Store with Sis in Kaloko Mauka for 12 years in semi-retirement. "We didn't want to be beached whales," Sis comments. Home is now an acre in Napoopoo.

Involved in church and civic activities almost all of his adult life, Jim was President of Coos Bay-North Bend Rotary in 1954. His membership in Kona Rotary began in 1987, and he's currently on the Board of Directors. He and Sis sent cards to fellow Rotarians and their families for five years as the Sunshine Committee.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT GETTING UNDERWAY

Rotarians have the opportunity to join with our partners in this community beautification project on two upcoming work days. Tuesday, October 14th at 4 p.m. and Tuesday, October 28th at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, October 14th at 4 p.m. is the regular monthly work day for the Friends for Fitness group. Each month this group goes out to the path and does some work such as, weeding, clipping, planting, etc.

Tuesday, October 28 at 4 p.m. Kona Outdoor Circle will be hosting a pruning workshop. We have lots of existing trees and shrubs needing to be maintained, so come out and learn how to prune, and help the project along.

Fellow Rotarian Cindy Hope has redrawn our site map to incorporate various ideas shared at our planning meetings, and has given us a needs list for both plants and irrigation supplies. If you can't make either of these work days, but want to be involved, please give PP Barbara a call at 960-8292. Your participation is greatly needed and there are many ways you may be able to be involved.

At DS000 - ROTARY SEEKS APPLICANTS FOR STUDY TOUR TO BRAZIL

The Rotary Clubs of Hawai'i (District 5000) are seeking applicants to a Group Study Exchange team that will travel to Sao Paulo, Brazil from mid-April to mid-May 2004. Applicants must be non-Rotarian young professionals age 25-40 and must not be related to a Rotarian. Applicants must be Hawai'i residents who are U.S. citizens.

Successful applicants will be personable, articulate, cooperative, exemplary in their work and enthusiastic about their vocations. They must be willing to undertake language training and

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other preparation for the month-long mission. Rotary Group Study Exchanges are a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to gain new perspectives and an enlarged world vision, as well as an understanding of a nation's culture, commerce and government. The four team members, accompanied by a Rotarian team leader, act as ambassadors to the host country.

Rotary International and the host district pay for all airfare, lodging, food and local transportation. For application forms, email Bob Pennington at or fax: (808) 484-9439 or (808) 535-6199. Mailing address: 98-1135 Malualua Street, Aiea, HI 96701. Deadline for applications is December 15, 2003.

Just for Fun - INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIFE IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM FROM THE DALAI LAMA:

1. Take into account that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
2. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
3. Follow the three R's: Respect for self, respect for others and responsibility for all your actions.
4. Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.
5. Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.
6. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.
7. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
8. Spend some time alone every day.
9. Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.
10. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
11. Live a good, honorable life. Then when you get older and think back, you'll be able to enjoy it a second time.
12. A loving atmosphere in your home is the foundation for your life.
13. In disagreements with loved ones, deal only with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
14. Share your knowledge. It's a way to achieve immortality.
15. Be gentle with the earth.
16. Once a year, go some place you've never been before.
17. Remember that the best relationship is one in which your love for each other exceeds your need for each other.
18. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.
19. Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.

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 Contact: Kate Braden, 808-265-6803
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 Event: Fundraiser
 Place: Kealahoe High, Kona
 Cost: TBA
 Includes: All night relay event with sponsored kids participating
 Contact: Ann Goody

Community Calendar

Oct 11, 2003, Sat, 11:00A - 2:00P
 KONA FAMILY YMCA CAPITAL
 CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF EVENT
 Event: Fundraiser Kick-off for New Home for the Kona Y
 Place: Model Home, La'aloa St, Alii Heights, Kona
 Cost: Free
 Includes: Food, Prizes, Fun!
 Contact: Glennon Gingo

Oct 17, 2003, Fri, 4:00P - 7:00P
 REGENCY AT HUALALAI, 2
 YEAR ANNIVERSARY PARTY
 Event: Anniversary Celebration
 Place: Regency at Hualalai, Hualalai Rd, Kona
 Cost: Free
 Includes: Open House
 Contact: Laura Guluzzy, 329-7878

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Teshima's Restaurant

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Oct 16, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: The Mexican
Community in Kona
Sotero Agoot, Cesar
Gonzales

Greeter: Cathie Amelotte

Door Prize: David Schaeffer

Coming Up

Greeters:

Jerry Anderson	10/23
Rick Asbach	10/30

Door Prize:

Norman Sakata	10/23
Bill Rogers	10/30

Birthdays:

Crystal Yamasaki	10/23
Barbara Bush	10/23
Thomas Daniel	10/24

Anniversaries:

Michael Moore (Rhonda)	10/16
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Kailua Kona Improvement Plan	
Eric Von Platen Luder	10/23

Womens' Cancer Month

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At the Podium - THE MEXICAN COMMUNITY IN KONA

What do you know about the Mexican community here in Kona? Are they all coffee pickers? What else do they do? How many are there? How long have they been here? Do they mostly want to return to Mexico, or do most want to stay here and seek US citizenship?

The Rotary Club of Kona International Service Committee wanted answers to these questions and thought the answers would also be of interest to the rest of the club. This week, Sotero Agoot, who, as Director of the Kona Coffee Farmers' Cooperative, has been instrumental in bringing many Mexican workers to Kona, and Cesar Gonzales, who came here as a coffee worker and now works as a gardener, will tell us about the nature of our local Mexican community.

Come learn about this recent, vibrant and growing segment of our community!

Profiles - PAT BERRY



Pat Berry came to Kona in 1990 from Amarillo, Texas, where she and her husband, Ray, owned an independent insurance agency. Pat worked in Kona for Prudential Financial Services for 10 years and is now a financial services consultant and investment executive at First Hawaiian Bank. She holds two financial services designations: Chartered Life Underwriter and Chartered Financial Consultant. She also has a Bachelors Degree in Accounting and a Masters in Political Science from West Texas State University.

Pat is past president of the West Hawaii Chapter of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors. She has served as Moderator of Life Underwriters Training Council courses. She has been a member of various Kona organizations including the Rotary Club of Kona, Kai Opua Canoe Club, Toastmasters International, Kona Aquatics Club, Kona Outdoor Circle and Mokuaukua Church. She has been a participant for several years in the annual King's Swim and Cinco De Mayo Swim.

Pat's hobbies include swimming, kayaking, sewing, singing and reading. She and Ray have been married for 45 years and they have three children who live in Texas. Her youngest son was a United Airlines pilot on 9/11/01 and since has been furloughed. He is currently serving in the Texas Air National Guard as a C-130 pilot in Qatar. Ray is retired but works part time for Avis car rental.

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President's Position



There has been a lot of attention being paid of late to the "Ice" problem that we have here in Hawaii. Just about every day there is either a meeting being held

by a community group, or an article written in the paper about the drug problem, and how the community is coming together to try and deal with it in an effective way. Many of our own members have participated in meetings or forums and are working toward reducing the usage of this dangerous drug. Even one of our former members has admitted to being a user, and what it cost her in terms of not just money but her way of life.

This past weekend, I had the opportunity to listen to Lt. Governor Duke Aiona address the President's of the various Rotary Clubs in the State. He spoke of how he is energized by the community involvement, and how that community involvement needs to be maintained in order to be effective. He spoke of his personal commitment to help solve the problem, and how the State can become more effective with their funding. It was encouraging to hear some of the things that the government is working towards, but at the same time we all know that funding for such things is extremely limited. There is no easy answer, and everyone needs to work together to reduce, if not eliminate, ice usage. If you don't think the ice problem relates to you - think again. You may not have personal knowledge of the problem, but I guarantee you that someone you know will have had - perhaps their house was broken into so drugs could be bought. Or their car stolen. Or their credit cards stolen and used. The drug problem effects all of us - we all need to be aware of how serious the situation really is.

If you haven't already, I encourage you to become involved in some way. If enough people work together we can indeed "Kick Ice".

At the Club - GOODBY JIM AND SIS

Last week our club had the happy and sad occasion to honor and say "goodby" to Jim and Sis Bedingfield. The Bedingfields are heading to the mainland to be close to family and Rotarians from around the island will miss them terribly. As a long time Board Member and head of the Rotary Foundation for our Club, we can never adequately repay Jim for his many hours of outstanding service. And Sis, as our one-person Sunshine Committee, has done our remembering and congratulating for us for many years.

Good luck Jim and Sis in your new home. We wish you the very best. A heart felt aloha and mahalo from all of us at the Rotary Club of Kona.

Also last week we had the opportunity to meet one of our exchange students and several members of our Interact Cub. It was great to hear all about what's happening with our future Rotarians. The big event for Interact this year is their Relay for Life Fundraiser on November 8. Rotarians are needed to help out before, during and after the event and funds are needed to cover expenses.

Please contact the Ann Goody or an Interact advisor if you can donate time or money to this excellent cause.

At RI - "SENIOR ACTIVE" IS HISTORY

No longer "Senior Active"!

According to Jim Damato, Supervisor Club and District Administration, Central Pan America, the 2001 Council on Legislation passed legislation to change the types of membership and eliminated "Past Service" and "Senior Active", leaving only 2 types of membership: "Active" and "Honorary".

There is still the "Rule of 85". The section of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution with that provision, Article 8, Section 2, was changed to eliminate the term senior active. Now it states (not verbatim) that a club member whose years of service and age when combined equals 85 years, can apply to the club's board to be exempt from the attendance policy. A member who is granted this exception would still retain all there rights as a Rotarian (vote in club elections, hold office) and would still have to meet their financial obligations to the club and RI. An Honorary member only has the right to attend meetings. Honorary membership is conveyed by a clubs board on persons who have distinguished themselves by meritorious service in the furtherance of Rotary ideals may be elected to honorary membership in this club.

The request to change the records should be sent to the following e-mail address: data@rotaryintl.org.

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Just for Fun - ACTUAL CHURCH NEW CLIPPINGS

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person(s) you want remembered.

Attend this meeting and you will hear an excellent speaker and have a healthy lunch.

The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hostility.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 P.M.-prayer and medication to follow.

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 AM. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 8 PM. Please use the back door.

The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's "Hamlet" in the Church basement on Friday at 7 PM. The Congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use the large double door at the side entrance.

Mrs. Johnson will be entering the hospital this week for testes.

The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Now Up Yours."

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Peanuts

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Nov 1, 2003, Sat, 12:00N - 5:00P
 NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE
 OF KONA
 Event: 1st Annual BBQ Cookout
 Place: Keauhou Beach Resort
 Alii Dr, Kona
 Cost: TBA
 Includes: Food and fun
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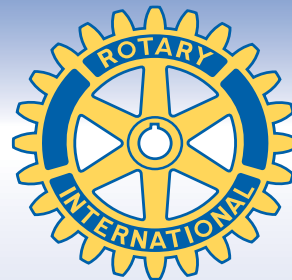
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This Week

Oct 23, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: The Kona Village Improvement District,
Eric Von Platen Luder,
President, KKCC

Greeter: Jerry Anderson

Door Prize: Norman Sakata

Coming Up

Greeters:
Rick Asbach 10/30
Katherine Augustine 11/06

Door Prize:
Bill Rogers 10/30
David Rees-Thomas 11/06

Birthdays:
Crystal Yamasaki 10/23
Barbara Bush 10/23
Thomas Daniel 10/24

Anniversaries:
Michael Moore (Rhonda) 10/16

Programs:
Womens' Cancer Month
Dr Trauth 10/30
Rotary International Foundation
Curt Nakayama, plus
The Tongan Community in Kona
Thom Daniel
Speaker TBA 11/06

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At the Podium - KAILUA KONA VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



Eric von Platen Luder, President of the Kona Kohala Chamber of Commerce and owner of Huggo's Restaurant, will speak about a "Village Improvement District" as a way to revitalize Kailua Village.

Village Improvement Districts, such as the one in Waikiki are non-profit, quasi-governmental entities funded by special tax assessments within the entity, to maintain and improve the district. The goal for Kailua Kona would be to establish a revitalized downtown that is safe, clean, attractive and a "showplace destination" for locals and visitors alike.

Profiles - ANN GOODY



Writing about yourself is a bit awkward; kind of like trying to pet a zebra. It should be easy, but when you get right down to it, there is something tricky about where to get started. There are also some areas you just should stay away from!

I was raised in Southern California by two loving parents who still cannot quite figure out where I came from. While my older brother was stunning the teachers with his GPA and prowess on the track team and my younger sister was the beauty queen, I was off disguising myself as a boy so I could ride a Brahma bull in a rodeo. I did manage to hang on to the whistle, but my dismount was onto a fence rail. While the clown ran the bull back into the pen, the cowboys came to see if I was OK. When my hat was pulled off, "It's a girl!" was about the only thing anyone could say. My Dad just laughed as he drove me to the local ER-

where I was already known by my first name.

For many years, I only wanted to become a veterinarian. Animals were the creatures I spent most of my time caring for and learning about. I worked every spare minute for a local vet, cleaning cages and caring for wildlife. While most teenage girls spent time in malls, I was working or studying animals. How this vet had the patience for me and why he spent the time I never knew, but I do know that he was a Rotarian. He had many Rotary awards on his walls. He must have known that for me he was my lifeline. Thank you Dr Schramm.

I finished High School a few years early and was taking several prerequisite classes while waiting to start at UC Davis. A friend was in a nursing program where someone dropped out, creating an opening. I took an aptitude test and started the next week. Before I was 18, I was a nurse. I loved it. Taking care of people and seeing what could be done when my hands went to work in the ER was wonderful. I turned down the UC Davis program and continued my schooling, bit by bit, while working as an ER nurse over the next 20 years. (Although, I hope my son doesn't take 20 years to complete his education!) Today, I have a PhD in Healthcare Administration, but the best time working I ever had was as an ER nurse.

Soon after becoming a nurse, my first husband and I moved to the ski resort community of Big Bear Lake, CA. Living where you could work during the night, ski a few hours, sleep for six, then get up and ride your horse, shower and start over was a great way to spend time. Big Bear was very much like Kona. A good community of caring people with strong local ties. The snow was a bit much and after 13 years and a divorce, it was time to try something different. I had entered an essay contest on a form I picked up at my son's birthday party, "Why you deserve a break today". You guessed it, from Mc Donald's. I won the trip to Hawaii so off we went. I decided that Kona was just the place to start over.

Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



One of the wonderful things about being a Rotarian is the opportunity to make up meetings when travelling. I know many

people in the club have great stories about Rotary Clubs they have visited, and we have certainly had many visitors to our club over the years. And you never know who you will meet, perhaps you'll make a new friendship that will last a lifetime.

Last Saturday, I attended the North Hawaii Rotary Club Oktoberfest held in Waimea. It was a chance to renew acquaintances, and to enjoy a wonderful evening of entertainment and fellowship. One of the couples at our table were visiting Rotarians from Ontario, CA who were here on vacation. As the evening progressed I learned that he was a high school classmate of Randy Echito's, and that Randy's Dad is still a member of the same club. What a small world we live in!

If you ever have the opportunity, I suggest that you take the time to attend another Rotary Club meeting, even if it's just a visit to Kona Mauka or North Hawaii. Take the time to see what other Rotary Clubs in the world are doing, and how together we all make a huge contribution to making the world a better place for everyone.

Profiles - ANN GOODY (cont)

Raising an adopted son meant that I needed to switch from working nights, to days, and after nearly a year in Kona, the ER career came to an end. I switched to an administration position with a Home Health Care company early in 1995.

Since being in Kona, I have had the very dubious experience of becoming a human lightning rod, hip-checked by a tiger shark and, last year, had a much too close call with cancer. This has given me a great excuse for not always attending the Rotary meetings! But seriously, other than the time off for the cancer treatment, I have been trying to learn by the examples set by the members of this club. It is such a great honor to be a part of this organization. Time and time again, I see the way the members give and give of themselves and only wish I will be able to do the same.

I have been happily married to Norm Goody, MD for the past six-plus years. He must have been crazy to have proposed! Our life here in Kona is busier than ever. Once the Three Ring Ranch Exotic Animal Sanctuary (a 501C(3) non-profit) grew to its present population, I became a full time Curator and animal rehabilitator. Most of my time is spent caring for the animals, but a large portion is spent educating children in a series of classes about the environment and how we fit into this very fragile island niche. Through classes and outreach programs I have taught over 1500 people this year. I have released several pueo, i'o, nene and endangered seabirds this Spring/Summer as well. Norm runs the web site and is the ranch "techie" as well as the resident computer geek. Very handy since if it has electricity running through it I can make it quit in no time flat.

This year I am the New Generations Chair and I really do enjoy getting to work with the future of our community. These kids are the ones we need to embrace and assist as they find themselves in a path littered with obstacles and risk. Many of these kids will do just fine, but others really do need us and we may be the only thing keeping them from taking the wrong path. When I ask for help this year, please remember that these are "our children". As a community, we share in the hopes and dreams for them, along with the responsibility for them as well as the blame if they fail.

Thanks again for making me feel so welcome to the club, and caring when I was out sick.

At the Club - RELAY FOR LIFE UPDATE

3 teams of Rotarians have signed up so far:

The First Team will help with set up on the Saturday afternoon the 8th (12ish to 5ish): Mike Gardner, Tina Clothier, Scott Unger so far.

The Second Team will help take the event down on Sunday the 9th (6am to 9am): Tina Clothier Tom Daniel so far.

The Third Team to be up as Chaperones in shifts during the night (6pm to 6am): Ann & Norm Goody, Tina Clothier, Bob Weiss, Laura Guluzzy so far.

We sure can use some more Rotarians! This is an event that the Interact kids are really trying to pull together and they can use our help. Even if you can only come down for a few hours to set up, take down or chaperone we do need you! They still can use the loan of any tents available and they do need a few gifts to give out to students to use as prizes for "best group" etc. Please think about these dates and when the sign up sheets make the rounds again add your name to the list. Thanks.

NEWS FROM OUR OWN CELEBRITY ACTOR - DICK HERSHBERGER

Aloha everyone!!!! I am pleased to announce that 'The Symposium' has been selected for a public screening at The Doris Duke Theater at The Honolulu Academy of Art as a part of the Hawaii International Film Festival. The event will be at 3:30 PM on Wednesday November 5. Many of the cast and production crew will be on hand to discuss the film after the screening. If you are on Oahu or plan to be, you're invited. I'm also hoping to get a screening in Kona sometime in November, as Michael Wurth, the writer/director/producer/editor will be in Hawaii already.

You Can Say That Again

"The greatest obstacle to discovery is not ignorance - it is the illusion of knowledge." Daniel J. Boorstin

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Just for Fun - A.A.A.D.D.

Do you have A.A.A.D.D. ? - Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder. This is how it manifests:

I decided to wash my car. As I start toward the garage, I notice that there is mail on the hall table. I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car. I lay my car keys down on the table, put the junk mail in the trash can under the table, and notice that the trash can is full.

So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the trash first. But then I think, since I'm going to be near the mailbox when I take out the trash anyway, I may as well pay the bills first.

I take my checkbook off the table, and see that there is only one check left. My extra checks are in my desk in the study, so I go to my desk where I find the can of Coke that I had been drinking. I'm going to look for my checks, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over. I see that the Coke is getting warm, and I decide I should put it in the refrigerator to keep it cold.

As I head toward the kitchen with the coke a vase of flowers on the counter catches my eye- they need to be watered. I set the Coke down on the counter, and I discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning.

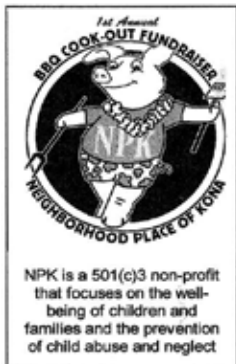
I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers. I set the glasses back down on the counter, fill a container with water and suddenly I spot the TV remote. Someone left it on the kitchen table. I realize that tonight when we go to watch TV, we will be looking for the remote, but nobody will remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs,

But first I'll water the flowers. I splash some water on the flowers, but most of it spills on the floor. So, I set the remote back down on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill. Then I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day: The car isn't washed, the bills aren't paid, there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the counter, the flowers aren't watered, there is still only one check in my checkbook, I can't find the remote, I can't find my glasses, and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day long, and I'm really tired.

This doesn't apply to you? Don't laugh, your day is coming.



**Watch BBQ teams compete for over \$2,500 in CASH PRIZES!
Sample the teams' BBQ!**

Entertainment featuring John Keawe -- Merrie Monarch
Nape'a -- Hualalai -- Na Pua Ha'aheo O Kona

Saturday, November 1st -- 12 to 5 p.m.
Ohana Keauhou Beach Resort

\$25 advance ticket (\$30 at the door) includes NY Steak meal, no-host bar, silent auction and door prizes. Call **Neighborhood Place of Kona** for information and tickets: **331-8777**. Credit cards accepted. Tickets also available at ForDuns in Keauhou Shopping Center.

*Scrip will be sold -- \$1 for each sample.

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Rotary Calendar

Oct 25, 2003, Sat
**ROTARY CLUB OF KONA
MAUKA GOLF TOURNAMENT**
Event: Fundraiser for Kona Mauka Club Projects
Place: Kona Country Club, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: Golf, prizes, lots of fun
Contact: Barbara Bush

Oct 25, 2003, Sat
**ROTARY CLUB OF WINDWARD
OAHU 50TH ANNIVERSARY**
Event: Polio Plus Fundraiser
Place: Mid Pacific Country Club
Cost: TBA
Includes: Food, wine tasting, silent auction.
Contact: Kate Braden, 808-265-6803
www.kipoodesign.com/pg1winebroch.htm

Nov 8, 2003, Fri, Sat, Sun
**INTERACT CLUB
RELAY FOR LIFE**
Event: Fundraiser
Place: Kealahou High, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: All night relay event with sponsored kids participating
Contact: Ann Goody

Community Calendar

Nov 1, 2003, Sat, 12:00N - 5:00P
**NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE
OF KONA**
Event: 1st Annual BBQ Cookout
Place: Keauhou Beach Resort
Alii Dr, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: Food and fun
Contact: NPOK, 331-8777

Nov 5, 2003, Wed, 3:30P
"THE SYMPOSIUM"
Event: Public Screening of Local Film with Dick Hershberger
Place: Doris Duke Theater, Honolulu Academy of Art, Honolulu, HI
Contact: Dick Hershberger

Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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Island Clubs

Hilo Bay, Wed, 6:45A
Nani Loa Hotel

Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
Nani Loa Hotel

Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

On the Road

Whether you're traveling to another island, another state or another country, you can still attend a Rotary Meeting at one of the thousands of Rotary Clubs worldwide. To find a meeting wherever you're bound, log on to: <http://www.rotary.org/services/clubs/index.html> Meeting information is updated weekly.

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Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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At the Podium - PLANNED MEDICAL COMMUNITY 21ST CENTURY (PMC 21) - PLANNING COMMITTEE



This weeks speaker is Ira (Lynn) Walton. Lynn is CEO of Kona Community Hospital and the Chairman of the Planning Committee for PMC21. Lynn is replacing Dr Trauth, who was going to speak on Women's Cancer Month. Unfortunately, she had to cancel at the last minute. A summary of PMC21 follows:

PURPOSE: The objective of the planning committee is to provide an efficient plan to provide tertiary medical service for West Hawaii.

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Bill Mielcke (HHSC Board Vice Chair), Dr Deen Wong, Dr. Daryl Kurozawa, Stan Berry (CEO NHCH), Sally Kimura (NHCH Board), Jim Higgins & Phil Reilly, (Kona Hospital Foundation Board), Dr. Frank Sayre, DDS (MAC Member), Tyler Smith (local businessman), Dr. Sam Gingrich (NHCH) and Lynn Walton (CEO Kona Community Hospital and Chair).

BASIC ASSUMPTIONS: North Hawaii Community Hospital (HCH) will remain a full service community hospital for the population in North and South Kohala. Kona Community Hospital (KCH) will evolve into a LTC/SKN and Psychiatric facility providing urgent care and diagnostic services to the population of South Kona located within 20 minutes travel time of KCH. Sufficient clinical staff will be obtained to provided medical center level services. The facility will operate without any construction debt load.

The planning committee commissioned an economic analysis on the concept of creating a Medical Center in West HI with a target opening date of 2010 based on these assumptions.

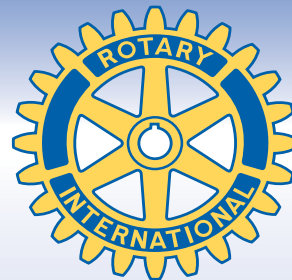
STUDY CONCLUSION: The West HI community will support a medical center in five year increments of 2008-113 beds, 2013-128 beds and 2018-142 beds. The recommendation is that we target construction between 2008 and 2013 at the 2018 capacity level of 142 beds.

The forecasted financial data has 85% level of confidence for the period between 2008-2013. The target date for opening is 2010 was validated.

The estimated cost of the proposed 225,000 sq. foot facility and 33,000 sq. foot energy plant, including equipment and furnishings, is \$156 million. Within 3 years of opening the medical center will generate a profit if the proposed clinical services are available and the facility is not responsible for the building debt.

The planning committee is in pursuit of a site located between Palani Street and the airport. When a site is obtained a Certificate of Need will be sought and the planning phases for completion of the project will be finalized.

PMC 21 FOUNDATION: The Foundation's mission is to fund the planning effort and it has received a \$75k donation from the West Hawaii Healthcare Council. The officers of the 8 member 501c3 foundation are Chairman Bill Mielcke, Vice Chairman Joe Spencer, Treasurer Pat Ryan and Lynn Walton is the Secretary.



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This Week

Oct 30, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: PMC21

Ira (Lynn) Walton, CEO
Kona Community Hospital

Greeter: Rick Asbach

Door Prize: Bill Rogers

Coming Up

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Steve Barnes	11/06
Donald Bebee	11/13

Door Prize:

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Alan Pratt	11/13

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Michael Moore (Rhonda)	10/16
Jerry Coiner (Eloise)	11/04

Programs:

RI FOUNDATION	
Curt Nakayama	
TONGAN COMMUNITY	
Speaker TBA	11/06

ADVANCED DIRECTIVES IN SOCIAL WORK

Debra Barra, Chief of Social Work Services	11/13
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President's Position



I've had the opportunity recently to attend a couple of fundraising events recently - both the Oktoberfest for the North Hawaii Rotary

Club and the Golf Tournament for Kona Mauka. In talking with those involved it is clear that there is quite a bit of time and energy put into making the events a success. That is true of any fund raising activity, be it for Rotary or any other organization.

Some members in our club will remember that amount of effort that went into making our own golf tournament work. We haven't held the event for a couple of years now, partly because it was so much work for a relatively small profit. And also because it seemed like everyone else was doing their own tournament, so participation was a challenge.

Our club is so fortunate! Outside of the Mastercard Tournament, we do not have any other fund raising activities. Have you ever thought about how our club would survive without the \$25,000 plus that we receive each year for our work? How many activities would we have to plan throughout the year to come even close to that amount of money? It would certainly be a huge challenge for our club. Without the Mastercard money we would not have a scholarship program. We would not have the money to do as many community service projects that we do now. And we certainly would not have the money to do the large projects that we have done in the past such as the refurbishing of the soccer fields, or the donation to the lithotripter machine at the hospital.

There is no doubt that the Mastercard Tournament is why we are able to do so much. Please keep this in mind when Ron or Kathy Hawkes ask you for help with this year's tournament. No matter how little or how much time you can give - the help will be more than welcome. I don't see any reason why we can't have 100% club participation - just think about what the alternatives would be if we didn't have this event.

At the Club - RELAY FOR LIFE UPDATE

Ann Goody is looking for gifts for the kids at the event. Gifts need to go in envelopes and be fun stuff appropriate for the kids. These are direct gifts, not auction items. Anyone having a gift should contact Ann Goody.

INTERACT HIGH WAY CLEAN UP



On Saturday October 25, 2003 several Rotarians showed up bright and early to help the Kealahou Interact Club with their quarterly highway clean-up. Thanks to Ken Clewett, Ron Scott, Barbara Bush, Cindy Hope, Curt Nakayama, Mike Fraser and Kolbe (my apologies if I missed anyone).

Wearing gloves and carrying the bright yellow trash bags, Rotarians and Interactors joined together to rid the Kealahou Parkway of unsightly trash that has been accumulating. The group worked for several hours in the early morning sun and managed to collect several bags of trash before 10 am. The Interact Club had hoped to also clean the Kealahou pathway, but unfortunately there were not enough volunteers. The group hopes to be able to do this area at a later date, perhaps one that doesn't conflict with other High school and community events.



If you happen to be one of the many who travel the Kealahou Parkway each day, just take a quick look and notice that there is far less trash, and thank the Interact Club and Rotarians for doing their part in Make A Difference Day.

At DS000 - REPORT FROM CLAUDE THOMPSON (DG NEXT YEAR) WHO IS ON THE ROTOPLAST TRIP TO CEBU CITY.

So far the experience has been great. the people of Cebu city are terrific and the Rotarians unbelievable in their support of our team and of Rotaplast. We are fed well and will all begin our diets upon returning home. Accomadations are very nice but that is not what it is all about. We conducted a pre-op clinic on Friday, Oct 17th, where we saw 115 patients. The clinic consisted of registering, photographing, examining, and interviewing each patient to obtain current and vital information. Local Rotarians and Rotaracters assisted us in the process. We are now in our fourth day of surgery and are averaging 15 surgeries per day. There are an average of 11 lip and 4 palate surgeries. Our nights will continue to be short and our days long as we focus on providing services to all patients who were accepted.

There were three interviewed patients who were rejected due to their medical conditions. We were also seeing some patients who were here last year and are back for additional surgery. Many patients have both lip and cleft deformities and will require more than one surgery. The cleft lip is the first procedure. The cleft palate can be done at a later date. While the lip repair produces a more visible and dramatic result, the palate repair is essential for speech.

The Rotarians of Cebu Port Center and Metro Cebu are very actively working on their government to provide financial support for such projects as Rotaplast. This would be a big shot in the arm for providing these services to the people of Cebu province. This afternoon we went to see the governor of Cebu Province and the mayor. The meetings were very successful and showed promise of financial support. The business center I am using is closing so I must sign off for now. Will report more details later.

You Can Say That Again

"The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for circumstances they want, and, if they can't find them, make them." George Bernard Shaw

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Just for Fun - DILBERT'S RULES OF LIFE

I can only please one person per day. Today is not your day. Tomorrow is not looking good either.

I love deadlines. I especially like the whooshing sound they make as they go flying by.

Tell me what you need and I'll tell you how to get along without it.

Accept that some days you are the pigeon and some days you are the statue.

Needing someone is like needing a parachute. If they aren't there the first time, chances are you won't be needing them again.

I don't have an attitude problem, you have a perception problem.

Last night I lay in bed looking up at the stars in the sky, and thought to myself, where the heck is the ceiling.

My reality check bounced.

On the keyboard of life, always keep one finger on the escape key.

I don't suffer from stress, I am a carrier.

You are slower than a herd of turtles stampeding through peanut butter.

Do not meddle in the affairs of dragons, because you are crunchy and taste good with ketchup.

Everybody is someone else's weirdo.

Never argue with an idiot. They drag you down to their level, then beat you with experience.

A pat on the back is only a few centimeters from a kick in the butt.

Don't be irreplaceable - if you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.

After any salary raise, you will have less money at the end of the month than you did before.

The more crap you put up with, the more crap you are going to get.

You can go anywhere you want if you look serious and carry a clipboard.

Eat one live toad the first thing in the morning and nothing worse will happen to you for the rest of the day.

People who go to the conferences are the ones who shouldn't.

If it wasn't for the last minute, nothing would get done.

When you don't know what to do, walk fast and look worried.

Following the rules will not get the job done.

Rotary Calendar

Nov 8, 2003, Fri, Sat, Sun
INTERACT CLUB
RELAY FOR LIFE
Event: Fundraiser
Place: Kealahou High, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: All night relay event with
sponsored kids participating
Contact: Ann Goody

Community Calendar

Nov 1, 2003, Sat, 12:00N - 5:00P
NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE
OF KONA
Event: 1st Annual BBQ Cookout
Place: Keauhou Beach Resort
Alii Dr, Kona
Cost: TBA
Includes: Food and fun
Contact: NPOK, 331-8777

Nov 5, 2003, Wed, 3:30P
"THE SYMPOSIUM"
Event: Public Screening of Local
Film with Dick Hershberger
Place: Doris Duke Theater,
Honolulu Academy of Art,
Honolulu, HI
Contact: Dick Hershberger

Nov 8, 2003, Sat
HOKU CONCERT SERIES
Place: Private Estate
Contact: Frank Meyer, 331-0482

The Rotary Club of Hualalai Bay
presents
An Affair to Remember...



Black & White Ball
Saturday December 6, 2003
6:00pm to 11:00pm
Pineville Hotel Ballroom

Bring into the holiday season with a twist an extravaganza that will not soon be forgotten.




*Champagne and Wine Tasting
Fine Foods and Ballroom Dancing
Live Music provided by Swinglift*

*Proceeds of event will go toward the good works of
The Rotary Club of Hualalai Bay here in our community
and around the world*

*Ticket Price is \$125
Tables of Ten Available for Reservation - Book early to
reserve your table!*

*Island Journal - Black Tie Optional
For tickets and more information
Call 828-1092 or email - rotary@hualalai.com*



**1st Annual
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NEIGHBORHOOD PLACE OF KONA

NPK is a 501(c)(3) non-profit
that focuses on the well-
being of children and
families and the prevention
of child abuse and neglect

Watch BBQ teams compete for over \$2,500 in CASH PRIZES!
Sample the teams' BBQ!

Entertainment featuring John Keawe -- Merrie Monarch
Nape'a -- Hualalai -- Na Pua Ha'aheo O Kona

Saturday, November 1st -- 12 to 5 p.m.
Ohana Keauhou Beach Resort

\$25 advance ticket (\$30 at the door) includes NY Steak meal, no-host bar, silent auction and door prizes. Call Neighborhood Place of Kona for information and tickets: 331-8777.
Credit cards accepted. Tickets also available at ForDuns in Keauhou Shopping Center.
*Scrip will be sold -- \$1 for each sample.

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Nani Loa Hotel

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Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

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At the Podium - ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION Curt Nakayama



FOR SUPPORT TODAY & TO SECURE TOMORROW

Rotarians around the world give generously to their Foundation to accomplish a wide range of educational, cultural, and humanitarian programs. These gifts ensure that dreams of a better life become reality for thousands of deserving people throughout the world. The cornerstone of The Rotary Foundation is the Annual Programs Fund. The continuing annual commitments from Rotarians insure that there would be Ambassadorial Scholars, Group Study Exchanges, Matching Grants, and Health Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The Annual Programs Fund allows the Foundation to support a predictable level of recurring programming.

ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND

- FORMERLY GENERAL OR UNRESTRICTED GIVING
- SEEKS ANNUAL GIFTS FROM ALL ROTARIANS
- FUNDING FOUNDATION PROGRAMS SINCE 1957
- 60% OF GIFTS RETURNED TO DISTRICTS TO SUPPORT FOUNDATION PROGRAMS
- 40% OF GIFTS SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS AND PROVIDE A GSE PROGRAM FOR EVERY DISTRICT, EVERY YEAR
- 100% OF CONTRIBUTIONS SPENT ON FOUNDATION PROGRAMS
- INCLUDES PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS
- GIFTS FROM DISCRETIONARY INCOME AND CAPITAL ASSETS
- FROM \$3.5M IN 1971-72 TO \$56.5M IN UNRESTRICTED GIVING IN 1998-99
- KEY TO FOUNDATION'S ROLE TODAY

To ensure the Foundation's strong future, the Trustees have authorized a new initiative to build the Permanent Fund. This endowed fund, to which Rotarians already have contributed over US\$60M, is invested in perpetuity. A portion of the funds is allocated to benefit Foundation programs. The earnings will provide an extra stream of income to meet the increasingly expensive delivery of international humanitarian, cultural, and educational activities and to ensure the Foundation's ability to meet urgent human needs into the future. A target of US\$1 billion by 2025 has been established.

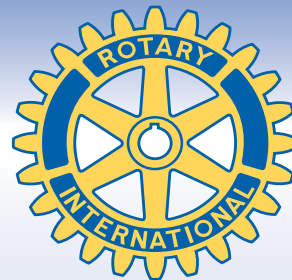
PERMANENT FUND

- ROTARY'S RESPONSE TO GROWING NUMBERS OF WORTHY PROJECTS
- ENDOWED FUND INVESTED PERMANENTLY
- EARNINGS BENEFIT FOUNDATION PROGRAMS
- SUPPLEMENTS ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND NOW
- BUILDS LONG-TERM STABILITY FOR FOUNDATION'S FUTURE
- PERMANENT FUND DONORS ARE RECOGNIZED AS BENEFACTORS
- GIFTS TYPICALLY MADE FROM CAPITAL ASSETS AND BEQUESTS
- MORE THAN US\$60M CURRENTLY CONTRIBUTED
- KEY TO FOUNDATION'S ROLE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The Annual Programs Fund and the Permanent Fund are equally deserving of support; they complement each other. The Annual Programs Fund supports the Foundation's programs today; the Permanent Fund is designed to secure the programs for tomorrow.

Our goal this year is \$150 per member and your contribution toward the Polio Eradication Fund of \$175 over 3 years. Thank you to those of you who have completed your commitment.

Please make contributions to the Rotary Foundation (not the Rotary Club of Kona). For any questions please contact Curt Nakayama 327-0550(w)/325-9672(h).



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This Week

Nov 6, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: RI FOUNDATION

Curt Nakayama

Greeter: Steve Barnes

Door Prize: Alan Pratt

Coming Up

Greeters:

Donald Bebee	11/13
Bary Berning	11/20

Door Prize:

Alan Pratt	11/13
Michael Pouliot	11/20

Birthdays:

George Solandros	11/01
William Kimi	11/06
Barbara Kossow	11/08

Anniversaries:

Jerry Coiner (Eloise)	11/04
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Programs:

ADVANCED DIRECTIVES
IN SOCIAL WORK
Debra Barra, Chief of
Social Work Services 11/13
TBA 11/20

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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



November is Rotary Foundation Month - the month where we concentrate our efforts on raising funds for the Rotary Foundation from our

members. Each of you has already received your invoice indicating what the goal of our club is per member. For those of you have already submitted your donation, I personally thank you for doing so.

Some Rotary Clubs in the District make the annual donation to the Rotary Foundation mandatory - it is included with their annual dues. While this may work well for those clubs, our Club has always billed the Foundation donation as an "option" although it really shouldn't be so. It is our obligation as Rotarians to support the Rotary Foundation so that we may continue to do all that we do in the world.

As business people, we are approached almost daily to support one organization or another - either by a cash donation or by providing products or services. Many of us do so willingly. It seems at least every other month or so we attend a fund raising dinner or golf tournament for other groups such as the Hawaii Island United Way, The Cancer Society, The Heart Association and others. All of these organizations are in need of our dollar, and supporting them is the right thing to do. Supporting the Rotary Foundation is the right thing to do to also. My personal opinion is that we while we should all do what we can to enhance the quality of life in our community for everyone, the Rotary Foundation should be at the very top of the list when it comes to making your donations.

Please give generously to the Rotary Foundation so that we may continue to work on the eradication of Polio, the Group Study Exchange Programs, The Health Hunger and Humanity Grants, The Ambassadorial scholarship and all that the Foundation does for the betterment of our world. Without your donation, none of it would be possible.

Profiles - BARRY BERNING



I was born and raised in Ann Arbor Michigan, which is the home of the University of Michigan. We lived only a mile or so from the U. of M. Stadium, where I parked cars (\$1 each) for people attending the games. I was in cub scouts and boy scouts. For extra money I had a paper route and two paper stands, selling the Detroit Times, News & Free Press for 20 cents, making a nickel on each one. I would sell between 600 - 700 papers a week. That was a lot of money for a twelve year old, back then. When I was fourteen I went to work at The Food & Drug Mart in Ann Arbor as a bag boy for 70 cents an hour and by the time I left high school I was up to \$1.30 per hour. Ann Arbor High School was the 3rd highest rated high school in the nation academically. We had special classes in accelerated english, math and science courses taught by grad students from the U of M. These classes gave me a jump start for college. Our high school had it's own planetarium, computer (punch card type), and TV station.

My parents were middle class and of German and Scandinavian descent. My father was the Boss, what he said went. He owned two appliance stores and sold kitchen cabinets. We moved every few years in Ann Arbor, every move was to a bigger home. I used to delight when we went to Florida for the holidays and I could come home to Michigan and show off my tan (sun burn). I have a younger brother and older sister. My brother will be with us in Hawaii for Christmas - he is 1/4 inch shy of 7 feet (he says he is only 6 foot ten inches, because he doesn't like to be taken for a giant). My sister won't come to Hawaii until they build a bridge from the mainland to Hawaii.

After graduation from high school I went to college, but found that I wasn't mature enough for college. I entered the Navy and was taught electronics. I helped put into commission the USS Arlington AGR-3 a communications ship. The government at the time of my service was having a war in Vietnam. If you ask me I will tell you about a time when I laughed so much that I doubled over with laughter and my stomach hurt because I was laughing so long and hard. During my stint in the Navy my wife finished her schooling at The University of Michigan in teaching. She has over thirty years as a teacher. I forgot to mention that I met my wife while I was attending Northern Michigan University (burr, very very cold up there). If it hit 10 below zero we thought we very having a heat wave.

After 4 years in the Navy I decided that I was ready for college. I spent my time in college at California State University at Hayward studying business administration with a minor in Asian religions. I ended up spending almost six years total for what most people spend four to accomplish. It seems that my hobby. Photography allowed me to get some easy A's and I was asked to do some weddings, etc. I also took some wonder pictures of the Berkeley college riots, complete with tear gas and army national guard units roving among the students. Tear gas sucks! By the time I left college I owned three photography studios and 1/2 of a color lab. When I left college I went to work for my father selling kitchen cabinets in the Bay Area of San Francisco. While I was working for him my children were growing up - one girl, two boys. I was a cub master and assistant scout leader and in scouting as an adult leader for almost fourteen years. My eldest son made Eagle Scout and Order of the Arrow.

We spent 27 years in the S.F. area. When we moved into the hills we were above the fog line, when we left we were above the smog line. I started my own cabinet business when my father retired. I would do hundreds of kitchens on various projects in northern California every year until I bought a motorcycle (thinking I was fourteen again and on my Cushmen Eagle). It only took me three month to smash my leg up in more places than I care to count. It took me 2 years to recover and I decided I needed a change and so I moved to Hawaii and set up Builders Exchange Hawaii where I help the construction industry by providing information on government and private projects.

You Can Say That Again

"After all, what is a pedestrian? He is a man who has two cars - one being driven by his wife, the other by one of his children." Robert Bradbury

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Just for Fun - 2002 STELLA AWARDS (Named after Stella Liebeck who successfully sued MacDonalds after spilling hot coffee on herself.)

7th Place - Kathleen Roberts was awarded \$780,000 after breaking her ankle tripping over a toddler who was running inside a furniture store. The owners of the store were understandably surprised at the verdict, considering the misbehaving toddler was Ms. Robertson's son.

6th Place - A 19 year old Carl Truman won \$74,000 and medical expenses when his neighbor ran over his hand with his Honda Accord. Mr. Truman apparently didn't notice there was someone at the wheel of the car when he was trying to steal his neighbor's hubcaps.

5th Place - Terrence Dickson was leaving a house he had just finished robbing by way of the garage. He was not able to get the garage door open since the automatic door opener was malfunctioning. He couldn't reenter the house because the door connecting to the garage locked when he closed it. The family was on vacation, and Mr. Dickson found himself locked in the garage for eight days. He subsisted on a case of Pepsi and dry dog food. He sued the homeowners, claiming the situation caused him mental anguish. The jury agreed to the tune of \$500,000.

4th Place - Jerry Williams was awarded \$14,500 and medical expenses after being bitten on the butt by his neighbor's beagle. The dog was on a chain in its own fenced yard. The award was less than sought because the jury felt the dog might have been provoked at the time by Mr. Williams who was shooting it repeatedly with a pellet gun.

3rd Place - A restaurant was ordered to pay Amber Carson \$113,500 after she slipped on a soft drink and broke her tailbone. The soda was on the floor because Ms. Carson had just thrown it at her boyfriend during an argument.

2nd Place - Kara Walton successfully sued the owner of a nightclub when she fell from the bathroom window and knocked out her two front teeth. This occurred while Ms. Walton was trying to sneak through the window to avoid paying the \$3.50 cover charge. She was awarded \$12,000 and dental expenses.

1st Place - Mr. Grazinski purchased a brand new Winnebago motor home. On his first trip home from a football game he set the cruise control at 70mph and left the driver's seat to get some coffee from the kitchen. The RV left the freeway, crashed and overturned. Mr. Grazinski sued Winnebago for not advising him in the owner's manual that he couldn't actually do this. The jury awarded him \$1,750,000 plus a new motorhome. The company actually changed their manuals, just in case there were any other morons buying their vehicles.



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NATURAL ENERGY LAB
Event: New Waves at NELHA Seafood Extravaganza
Place: NELHA Offices
Cost: \$55
Includes: Sumptuous Lunch, Tour of Several Farms
Contact: NELHA, 934-9044

Nov 8, 2003, Fri & Sat, 5P - 9P
EASTWEST FINE ARTS GALLERY
Event: Fine Art & Fine Wine
Place: Alii Sunset Plaza, Alii Dr
Cost: FREE
Includes: Wine Tasting and Art Exhibit
Contact: Gallery, 329-0606

Nov 8, 2003, Sat
HOKU CONCERT SERIES
Place: Private Estate
Contact: Frank Meyer, 331-0482

Nov 13, 2003, Thur, 11:30A - 1:30P
KONA KOHALA CHAMBER
Event: Focus Luncheon on Legislative Planning for West Hawaii
Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
Cost: \$35
Includes: Lunch and Panel Discussion with Paul Whalen, Cindy Evans, Bob Herkes, Mark Jernigan
Contact: Chamber, 329-1758

Nov 22, 2003, Sat, 8:00A - 3:00P
KONA KRAFTS
Event: Annual Bazaar
Place: Their Location above Kona High School
Cost: Varies
Includes: Food and fun
Contact: Gretchen or Sandra, 323-2626 for info or to volunteer.

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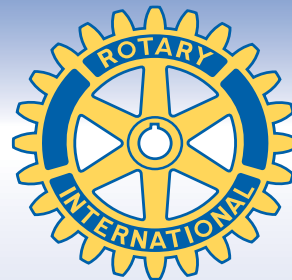
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This Week

Nov 13, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: **ADVANCED
DIRECTIVES IN
SOCIAL WORK**

Debra Barra, Chief of
Social Work Services

Greeter: Donald Beebe

Door Prize: Alan Pratt

Coming Up

Greeters:
Barry Berning 11/20
Pat Berry 11/27

Door Prize:
Larry Peckham 11/20
Greg Ogin 11/27

Birthdays:
Barbara Kossow 11/08
Steve Barnes 11/16

Anniversaries:
Jerry Coiner (Eloise) 11/04

Programs:
TBA 11/20
DARK (Thanksgiving) 11/27
STATE LEGISLATOR
Cindy Evans 12/04

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At the Podium - DEBRA A. BARRA, MSW, Director of Social Services, Kona Community Hospital

Debra has been with Kona Community Hospital for the past three years. She holds a Master's Degree from New York University where she received her degree in Psychiatric Social Work. Debra brings to the hospital and community over 20 years of experience in the mental health and social service field. Debra has worked extensively in the field of treating childhood mental disorders and has a great deal of experience in the field of crisis management and assessment. Currently, Debra provides clinical services to the Emergency Department and the Behavioral Health Unit. She also supervises social service staff on the other units of the hospital and is responsible for policies and procedures of the department hospital wide.

Debra comes to us today to discuss the importance of Advance Directives and the benefits a properly executed document can bring not only to the patient, but to the family of the patient, as well. Debra will share her most current work on the topic and present examples of drafts from the most simplistic to the most elaborate. Join us is learning how you can take control of your medical preferences for the future and rest assured that your wishes will be honored.

At the Club - FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

As editor of your newsletter for a few months now, I am finding the job taxing but rewarding. It is certainly a challenge to gather and compile each weeks information and I certainly make my share of mistakes. Hopefully my latest member list is accurate and I won't schedule any more non-members as greeters or door prize providers.

My job would be much easier if contributors to the newsletter would be sure and get me material no later than Tuesday of the week the material is to run. Also remember to provide material in digital format as I am a poor and very slow typist. From now on I will acknowledge all emails with a confirmation reply that it was received. If you don't get a confirmation, assume I didn't get your email.

Mahalo for all your help and the many compliments I have received on my efforts so far. I am looking forward to several more months of timely and interesting bulletins and am glad to be able to do my part for this great Rotary club.



Let's Interact - RELAY FOR LIFE A HUGE SUCCESS

Last weekend's Relay for Life raised almost \$22,000 for the Cancer Society. This amount was more than twice the \$10,000 goal set by the Rotary Club of Kona Interactors, who organized and ran the very successful event. Laura Ward of the Cancer Society announced at a local Kona Executives Association meeting that this was the first time an event of this magnitude was organized by teens and they were very pleased and impressed with the outcome.

Mahalo to the Rotarians who showed up before during and after the event to help out. The Rotary Club of Kona can be very proud of their Kealahou Interact Club.

Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure,
our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



Congratulations to the Kealahou Interact Club for putting together the "Relay for Life" this past weekend at the High School - it was a huge success. Of

course it could not have happened without all the students who participated and those in the community who came forward to help. Of special note is the members of our Rotary Club who showed up to help with the all parts of the event - right from the set up to take down. A HUGE thanks to Ann Goody for working with the students to make sure the event was a success. I don't know the names of the Rotarians who helped or I would personally thank you in this article, however I am told that there were many of you and I deeply appreciate you responding to the call for assistance.

It is so great to see students taking on a project for the benefit of someone else - this weekend's event was a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. The Interact Club has been very active in many things for the benefit of others, for example their support of the two orphanages in India, and their involvement with seniors. The unfortunate part is that they don't receive the recognition that they deserve. It's true that in Rotary we recognize their contributions - but what about outside of Rotary - in the general community? It seems all we hear and read about is the kids who are in trouble - not those who freely give of their time and energy for the benefit of someone in need. It seems that society would rather focus on the bad than the good.

On the positive side, many of the members of the Interact Club will someday be Rotarians and it is good to know that the future of Rotary is in good hands!

Profiles - ALAN C. CLARK



One of the early baby boomers, I was born March 24th 1948 in Louisville Kentucky, the second of eight children. My Irish Catholic parents had four boys and four girls sharing a small two-bedroom house with an occasional pet. On October 31st 1954, my father came to my school to pick me up and take me to the hospital. Apparently I had some rare kidney disease that remained undiagnosed until the week after Christmas that year. I mention this for the following reason. The doctor who finally diagnosed me with Acute Pnephritis, was an intern by the name of Dr. Richard Greathouse. Dr. Greathouse went on to become a very renowned Pediatric Cardiologist and later became the County Coronor for Jefferson Co. Kentucky.

It was in this last capacity that he was commissioned by congress to exhume the body of the late President Zachary Taylor and perform an autopsy to determine if the ex-president had been poisoned! Turns out he wasn't. After being in the hospital from Nov until March I started my first grade for the second time the following September.

My Mother always wanted us to stay busy. With eight of us it wasn't very practical to cart us all around to little league or soccer (which hadn't yet become so popular). I guess that is why we were all assigned cleaning jobs around the house. She would keep us quite busy, because upon inspection, the job was never completed. There was always something we missed. We were not allowed to leave for school until our chores were completed to her satisfaction. This made for many anxious mornings. It wasn't long before I figured out I was better off working for others by cutting grass and gardening. When I was ten years old I opened a soda stand across the street from our house at the little league baseball diamond. It was quite successful. So much so, that the following year the dept. of parks and rec opened their own concession and I was back to cutting grass. By the time I was twelve, I had begun getting up at 5 in the morning and helping my neighbor Tom Hampton deliver newspapers. At the end of the route, he would pay me a quarter and we would finish at Wholeb's Bakery. Mr. Wholeb would let us have as many doughnuts and pastries as we could eat. At thirteen, I wanted my own paper route but I was too young. You had to be fourteen. To solve this dilemma, I had my older brother Tommy apply for one with the agreement that I would do the work. This worked out great until I won an award for having zero complaints in 6 months. There were about a dozen paper carriers who won. We were all invited to a big dinner downtown at the Brown Hotel. We were awarded a CJT (Courier Journal & Times) Letter Sweater and had our picture on the front page of the paper! What an honor. The only problem arose years later when my mom made a collage and used the picture. You see I was listed as Tommy Clark in the caption! That's okay, the next year I got my own route adjacent to Tommy's. I did both and won three contests that year for selling new subscriptions. The big prize was a trip to Yellowstone National Park and Seattle Worlds' Fair on a Pullman Train! The two other contests awarded train trips to Washington DC and Miami Beach.

After attending Catholic grade school through the eighth grade, I chose to enter the Carmelite Seminary in Niagara Falls Ontario. My Junior and Senior years in the Seminary were in Hamilton Mass. I felt like I was already in heaven! I had my own bed. I could make my own decisions. I played JV and Varsity Basketball! As a Junior, we even had the privilege of playing in the revered Boston Gardens in the State Basketball Championships. I decided not to pursue the seminary life after High School. Instead I thought I would attend the University of Kentucky. Things didn't quite materialize the way I had hoped. Money was always a factor. After attending Bellerme College for one semester, it became very clear that I would be drafted for Vietnam. Instead, I elected to join the Navy and pursue some schooling in electronics, which had been one of my hobbies. After two years of electronics school, I was assigned to the newest Sonar system in the Navy. The ANSQS26CX Sonar system was so big, they had to build the Knox Class Destroyer Escort around it. Today that technology could probably fit in a laptop! What I discovered was that I didn't like working on computers and such as a profession.

While in the Navy I married my first wife, Susan and had two lovely children, Eddie and Connie. Eddie and his wife Angela have two lovely daughters Erin and Alex. Connie and her Husband Chris have two handsome young sons Patrick and Adam. They all still live in Louisville. Upon leaving the military, I found employment selling insurance and real estate for Midwest Mortgage Co. When the primary mortgage broker moved to Miami, I began to learn the mortgage business and before long I was managing the Louisville office. Unfortunately, I went through a divorce and the company closed its Louisville office about the same time in 1974.

You Can Say That Again

"A man's accomplishments in life are the cumulative effect of his attention to detail." John Foster Dulles

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I took the next couple of years and decided it was my turn to be irresponsible. After traveling though the South trying to make a living playing country music, it finally dawned on me I wasn't very good at it. Like our ancestors I decided to seek my fortunes out west. I moved to San Francisco on June 14th 1977. I have to agree with Marc Twain when he said "the coldest winter I ever spent was a summer in San Francisco". This was starting over from the bottom and requires a novel to express. Suffice to say, this is when I began my career in the car business. Any job that offered a free demonstrator sounded good to me. After two years in the business I was General Sales Manager for Toyota Center in San Mateo California. It was during this time that I met my current wife Wendy. We were married behind the Awahane Hotel in Yosemite National Park on Kentucky Derby weekend in 1980. All our friends and family came to celebrate beginning with the Derby Party in the Campground on Saturday and the wedding Sunday Morning in the meadow. In 1984, we gave birth to our first (my third) child, Jodie Elizabeth. We were a bit scared when complications arose and she was born weighing only 3lbs 9oz. She began her college career this past September at Bates College in Maine. In 1986, our second daughter Aimee Lianne was born. At six weeks of age, a seagull tried to pick her up off a picnic table at the San Francisco Zoo. She was fine but ended up on the front page of the San Francisco Chronicle. We spent her second birthday April 28, 1988 waiting anxiously in our room at the Sheriton Waikaloan to hear from some of our friends who had gone to Kauai that day for golf. You see, that was the day one of Aloha Airlines airplanes went topless! None of this had any negative affect on her though. Aimee is a straight "A" student at HPA and has her eyes set on either Stanford or Cornell for College next year.

After 14 years in the automotive business in the Bay Area; working ten to twelve hours a day, six days a week, Wendy and I decided to move to Hawaii. The civilized work schedule alone made it worthwhile. We kept our home in the Oakland hills in case we got here and it didn't work out. In October we volunteered the first time for Ironman. The following day after church, we arrived back at our condo to a message from our tenants that the whole street was on fire; they were being evacuated and our house was most likely going to burn down! Well, it didn't, but every other house on the street did!

In 1993, I had the good fortune of joining Rotary. Richard Ishida, who passed away suddenly later that year was my sponsor. My first position in Rotory was as bulletin editor, which lasted two years. I was later treasurer for two plus years. After working for Hawaii Motors and Richard Henderson for ten years, the opportunity presented itself and I was able to purchase the GM franchises of Chevrolet, Buick, Cadillac, Pontiac and GMC from Hawaii Motors. We are truly blessed and have much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving.

Just for Fun - DILBERT'S SALARY THEOREM

Dilbert's Theorem on Salary states that Engineers, Teachers, Programmers and Scientists can never earn as much salary as business executives and sales people. This theorem can now be supported by a mathematical equation based on the following three postulates:

Postulate 1: Knowledge is Power (Knowledge = Power)

Postulate 2: Time is Money (Time = Money)

Postulate 3 (as every Physics student knows): Power = Work / Time

It therefore follows:

Knowledge = Work/Time and since Time = Money, we have: Knowledge = Work/Money
Solving for Money we get: Money = Work / Knowledge

Thus, as Knowledge approaches zero, Money approaches infinity, regardless of the amount of Work done.

Conclusion: THE LESS YOU KNOW, THE MORE YOU MAKE

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Four-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOOD WILL and better friendship? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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At the Podium - THE TONGAN COMMUNITY IN KONA



Past president Thom Daniel asks, "How much do you know about the community within our community that comes from the Friendly Isles of Tonga? How many are there? How long have they been here? What is unique about their culture? What kinds of work do they do here and before they came? What problems do they have - unique to their community and common to many of us? How long do most intend to stay here? Are they, or do they want to become, U.S. citizens? Are there ways that our club might work with them or help them?"

We are honored that Pastor Tevita Maile, from the local Tongan church (which meets at the Methodist Church without walls on Palani Road) and one of his parishioners, Uluaki "Vake" Tapa`atoutai, have offered to tell us something about their community. Come to Thursday's meeting and learn about this wonderful group of our neighbors."

Profiles - CYNTHIA HOPE



Born April 3rd 1951, third generation Long Beach, I was fortunate to be raised on the shoreline of Southern California. I attended Wilson High School and USC with Lou Henley...well maybe with a thirty-year difference. Lou was actually a high school classmate and fellow Rotarian of my father who is a former district governor and has had 35 odd years perfect attendance. It was Lou's suggestion to my father that I might benefit from Rotary and so it came to be.

After studying architecture at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, I joined a team from Arizona State University on a grant, which involved extensive travel in Central and South America studying the Urbanization Patterns of Mesoamerican Cultures. Eventually I received a Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Evergreen State College in Olympia Washington. We were the second graduating class of that rather innovative school, some of my more illustrious classmates being Matt Groening the creator of the "Simpsons" and Michael Richards, Kramer of "Seinfeld".

My first husband and I co-produced a film production taking us to New York, Italy Australia and France. Returning to Long Beach, I was a structural draftsman for an engineering firm then established my own design firm.

Wanting to complete my architectural training I returning to USC for a full Bachelors of Architecture rather than a Masters. I participated in a NEA research grant, a joint effort between the Department of Gerontology and Architecture at USC, which won a research award from the American Society of Landscape Architects. I also received a design award from the American Society of Architects for a design competition for the redesign of Pershing Square in Los Angeles.

After graduation I specialized in resort hotel design and was fortunate to working with Killingsworth, Stricker, Lindgren and Wilson, AIA Long Beach, California and Whimberly, Allison, Tong & Goo, AIA, Newport Beach, California, two pioneering South Pacific resort architects. Around this time I received my architectural license. I also became very involved in sailing, our boat winning the Southern California Championship in our class twice.

This Week

Nov 20, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: OUR TONGAN COMMUNITY

Introduction by Thom Daniel

Greeter: Barry Berning

Door Prize: Larry Peckham

Coming Up

Greeters:

Pat Berry	12/04
Vern Berry	12/11

Door Prize:

Greg Ogin	12/04
Curtis Nakayama	12/11

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Programs:

DARK (Thanksgiving)	11/27
STATE LEGISLATOR	
Cindy Evans	12/04
CLUB ASSEMBLY	12/11

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Thanksgiving will soon be here, and since we won't be having our regular meeting that day, I want to personally wish

each of you a very Happy Thanksgiving. May you all be blessed with great food, along with family and friends to share the celebration.

It's truly amazing to think about all that we have to be thankful for. For the past several years I have been keeping a gratitude journal, and each day I try to write down at least three or four things that I am thankful for that day. I try not to be repetitive, but rather to find something unique in each day that is a blessing. Rather than complain about all that I didn't accomplish, or all the things that went wrong, I focus on those blessings and it puts everything in a different perspective.

I am trying to do the same thing with Rotary. While there are many challenges that being President involves, there are just as many blessings. Rotary has given me the chance to improve my leadership skills; the opportunity to make a difference in this community and the world; it has provided me with what I know to be lifelong friendships; and it has given me a greater understanding of the human spirit. What more could I be thankful for?

Most of all, I want to thank all Rotarians for giving me the opportunity to be your leader this year, and for Lending a Hand to make The Rotary Club of Kona incredible!

Profiles - CYNTHIA HOPE (Cont)

I was subsequently hired by Knott's Berry Farm in the Design and Planning Department. It was there that I was able to segue into Show Production and Show Design. I then contracted with Disney Imagineering as a Landscape Designer and then later was hired as a Show Designer

Here I was fortunate to meet and work with Bill Evans, the landscaper of the original Disneyland and all the other parks. He sponsored me for membership in the American Society of Landscape Architects of which I am still a member. His insight and ability to create magical environments will always be an inspiration to me in my work. My father-in-law also worked with Walt Disney on the New York World's Fair and the original Main Street at Disneyland and Walt DisneyWorld.

Some great stories of the old days of Disney were shared with his buddies during some rather lively lunches.

Later I was hired by Universal Studios as a Show Producer and Art Director as well as a landscape designer. My 15-year involvement in themed entertainment primarily involved the Japanese parks and projects. Some of those included Sanrio Puroland (Hello Kitty), Tokyo, Splash Mountain, Tokyo and Waterworld, Jurassic Park and JAWS. Osaka.

Traveling has always been an obsession. I visited all Disney parks, Los Angeles, Florida, France and Tokyo within a month. I completed a solo, three week, around the world trip during the Persian Gulf War. The U.S. embassy said I was on my own if war broke out. It did. I was told I had to return home but they didn't say which direction so I continued through Egypt, Africa, India, Indonesia, and Japan. I never realized how Islamic the world really was until then.

Upon completion of the Universal Studios Japan in Osaka Japan, I moved to Kona. When asked why I chose Hawaii I have to say that anyplace that can produce something as phenomenal as Akibono and Musashimaru is my kind of place. Here, I have become involved in architectural and landscape design on a much smaller scale.

I have two great stepchildren from my second marriage, Emily and Daniel both pushing 30 living in the South Bay in California.

At the Club - BARRA SPEAKS AT CLUB



Debra A. Barra, MSW, Director of Social Services of Kona Community Hospital discussed the importance of Advance Directives and the benefits a properly executed document can bring not only to the patient, but to the family of the patient, as well. Debra shared her most current work on the topic and presented examples of drafts from the most simplistic to the most elaborate. Rotary members were urged to take the time to execute an Advanced Directive and advised us that the Social Services Department of the hospital would be happy to keep a copy of the Directive on file.

At DS000 - ROTARY GIVES THANKS

"Rotary Gives Thanks" began in our own District 5000 in 1994 by then Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu President Hal Darcey. His thought was to (each year on the Saturday before Thanksgiving) have all clubs tackle a project in our communities as a way of giving thanks. This idea has gained momentum and Rotary Clubs outside of District 5000 are joining in and celebrating giving thanks at this special time of the year."

For the past few years, one of the ways our club has participated in "Rotary Gives Thanks" is by volunteering to help Kona KRAFTS with their annual Bazaar. They have again asked for our

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"In the business world, everyone is paid in two coins: cash and experience. Take the experience first, the cash will come later." *Harold S. Geneen*

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help this year to ensure that they have a successful event. They need some people to help early in the morning to blow up balloons and then put them up along the road. They also need help during the day with a variety of jobs. Even if you can help for an hour or two at anytime during the day, they would certainly appreciate it.

The event will take place at Kona Krafts (above Konawaena High School in Kealahou) on Saturday November 22 from 9:am to 3:00 pm. It will feature performances by Ken Herkes, Velocity, The Great Arneleo, Mahina's Hula Halau and The Voggy Mountain Ramblers. There will be plenty of family fun for everyone including craft booths, a silent auction and great food! Come out and help the Rotary Club of Kona "Give Thanks" to Kona Krafts!

At DS000 - NID IN INDIA

"You've donated your dollars to eradicate Polio ... now help save lives by immunizing children from this dreaded disease ... join other Rotarians for a trip of a lifetime ... to India! A group of about 30 District 5000 Rotarians will visit India in February on a 15 day trip leaving February 10, 2004. They will tour Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udupur and Mumbai (formerly called Bombay).

Join us to immunize children on February 22nd in Mumbai India. The total cost is about \$2,500 which includes international air travel. If you are interested, PLEASE CONTACT PDG Hal Darcey at 808-864-5683 or email him at haldarcey@aol.com. It is urgent you call today!

Thanks in advance for your support ... we have heard that many of our District Rotarians have not heard about this wonderful opportunity.

MAHALO, Aloha, Hal

Just for Fun - SAY AGAIN?

An elderly gentleman of 85 feared his wife was getting hard of hearing, so one day he called her doctor to make an appointment to have her hearing checked. The doctor made an appointment for a hearing test in two weeks, and meanwhile gave him a simple informal test he could do to give the doctor some idea of the state of her problem.

"Here's what you do," said the doctor. "Start out about 40 feet away from her, and in a normal conversational speaking tone see if she hears you. If not, go to 30 feet, then 20 feet, and so on until you get a response."

That evening when his wife was in the kitchen cooking dinner and he was in the living room, he said to himself, "I'm about 40 feet away, let's see what happens."

Then in a normal tone he asked, "Honey, what's for supper?" He got no response.

So he moved to the other end of the room, about 30 feet from his wife and repeated, "Honey, what's for supper?" Still he got no response.

Next he moved into the dining room where he was about 20 feet from his wife and asked, "Honey, what's for supper?" Again he got no response.

So he walked up to the kitchen door, only 10 feet away. "Honey, what's for supper?" Again there was no response.

So he walked right up behind her. "Honey, what's for supper?"

"Damn it Earl, for the FIFTH TIME - CHICKEN!"

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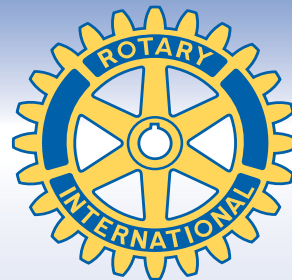
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Service Above Self

At the Podium - COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, Barbara Bush



THE ROTARY CLUB OF KONA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION was initially created in July 1989 when the club did a fundraiser selling Big Island coffee table picture books during Past President Rick Asbach's year. Although not officially holding a "tax exempt" status until 1997, the first scholarship was awarded in 1990.

The primary purpose of the RCK Community Foundation is to provide a tax-deductible tool for soliciting funds as donations AND to give funds for:

- #1) college or trade school scholarships
- #2) community needs

The Board of Directors consists of seven directors, divided into two classes:

First Class: Consisting of the immediate Past President, current President, and President-elect of the Rotary Club of Kona, and

Second Class: Any four members of the Rotary Club of Kona that are in good standing. Each director serves a 3-year term and may be re-elected for an additional 3-year term. After serving six consecutive years, the director must leave the board for a minimum of one year before being elected to serve again on the Foundation board.

Currently the officers are:

Acting President: Barbara Bush

Vice President: vacant

Secretary: Tina Clothier

Treasurer: Bev Fraser

The Directors are:

Alan Clark, Bill Rogers, Mike Zola, and Tom Daniel.

Funding of the RCK Community Foundation comes from various sources including: fundraising efforts of the club, donor designated contributions and investment earnings. We currently have over \$200,000 in the Foundation of which approximately \$122,664. is in the permanent endowment for scholarship purposes. The balance of the funds are restricted for the Centennial Project \$41,500, the Bike Patrol project \$1,316. and the remainder is set aside for funding the scholarships already granted. Besides the four \$4,000 scholarships (\$1,000 given each year over four years) currently outstanding, we also have three one time \$10,000 "Wodehouse" scholarships (\$2,500 given each year over four years).

The RCK Community Foundation needs YOU! With your participation in the Rotary Club of Kona fundraising efforts this year, we will continue to be the recipient of the MC PGA Champions Tournament volunteer coordination donation. This donation was \$27,500 last year!

In addition, you can make a tax-deductible donation or become a benefactor to the Community Foundation yourself. Let others know of this vehicle for making donations to a worthy community cause. By giving to the Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation your charitable contribution(s) will have a positive impact in our community for years to come!

This Week

Dec 04, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: BARBARA BUSH

Community Foundation

Introduction by Bev Fraser

Greeter: Pat Berry

Door Prize: Greg Ogini

Coming Up

Greeters:

Vern Berry 12/11

Stephen Bobko-Hillenaar 12/18

Door Prize:

Curtis Nakayama 12/11

Sandy Morton 12/18

Birthdays:

Ron Scott 12/04

DeWayne Sluss 12/05

Jim Lightner 12/06

Carla Thompson 12/07

Anniversaries:

Programs:

CLUB ASSEMBLY 12/11

HOLIDAY

CELEBRATION 12/18

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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



Last month was Rotary International Foundation month, and each of us was asked to donate \$150.00 to the annual giving fund in order to meet

both our club and district goal. To those of you who generously donated I would like to thank you for doing so.

This week's presentation is on the Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation. It is clear that our own Foundation is there for the direct benefit of our community for things such as scholarships. It is another aspect of Rotary which we should financially support if our club is going to continue with it's awarding of scholarships to local youth who are the future of both our community and of Rotary.

Additionally, there is the issue of dues that allow our club to operate. There are still some of you who have not paid your dues from July and it will soon be time for the second portion of the dues billing which will happen in January. If you are one of those who have not paid, kindly do so as soon as possible.

Yes there are times when it seems like all we do is ask our members for money. There is no getting around the fact that money is required for both our club to operate and for Rotary International to do so as well. It is our responsibility as Rotarians to meet our financial obligations in Rotary just as we do in our own businesses. Without money given by Rotarians, there would not be Rotary at all.

It is, after all, the business of Rotary that allows us to do the great things we do in this community and in the world.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT WORKDAY THIS SATURDAY!

Come join in the fun this Saturday, December 6th, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Old Airport State Park Makae'o Walking Jogging Path! We'll have pastries and coffee to start the day, plenty of water to keep you refreshed while working, and a BBQ afterward!

PLEASE make participation in our Centennial Project a priority! We have a little more than a year to complete this project, and we are just beginning. We've met several times to plan the project, had a pruning workshop with the Kona Outdoor Circle and a couple of smaller work sessions. Now is the time for the rest of us to get into the swing of the project!

Cindy Hope has taken our ideas and done a lot of work in creating and designing a site map for the project as well as to make sure we'll have the materials on site to enhance the irrigation system. We'll have several work areas underway, so you can pick an area to work in that suits you best. We'll be extending the irrigations system, pruning the existing plants on site we want to keep, weeding, spraying, removing rock and rubble from earmarked crevices, creating future lawn areas, etc.

It's important that we have a healthy showing of Rotary volunteers on Saturday, as volunteers will join us from our project partners, Friends for Fitness, Peoples Advocacy for Trails Hawaii, and the Kona Outdoor Circle.

We will also have a follow up workday on Tuesday, December 9th from 3:30 p.m. to dark.

SIGN UP TODAY!

And bring your (well marked) equipment!

(If you don't participate, who do you think will help accomplish our Centennial project?????)

At the Club - LETTER FROM A SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

This is Miles Leicher writing from Chapman University in Orange, CA. My first college semester here is wrapping up and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you and the Rotary club for helping me to get here. I've been having lots of fun with your money (all of it educational, of course) and the experiences I've had in these few short months will have a lasting impact on my life. I've been very busy, especially now in the last week of classes, with film studies, music, and other exciting courses. A few things that I've learned along the way:

1. In high school, an "all-nighter" means studying until about 2 A.M. In college, an "all-nighter" means you don't sleep for either 36 hours, or you take a nap and wake up to find out that you've missed the class and quiz that you've been awake all night studying for.
2. Top Ramen really isn't so bad.
3. Hawaii may be a rock in the middle of the Pacific, but it's a really, really nice rock in the middle of the Pacific.

Again, thanks for your help and support getting me here, and even though college has been a great experience thus far, I can't wait to get back to Kona!

Mahalos,

Miles Leicher

You Can Say That Again

"A diplomat is a person who can tell you to go to hell in such a way that you actually look forward to the trip." *Caskie Stinnett*

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Around Town - GINGERBREAD TREE AT VIDEO SHOWPLACE

Video Showplace is once again doing the Gingerbread Tree to provide a Christmas Meal to families in need. Bev is contributing \$25.00 to the club for advertising it in the Coffee Blossom:

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- * Makes a great gift for clients or staff
- * Meals are provided by KTA to clients of Family Support Services of West Hawaii.
- * Can be purchased at Video Showplace, or by phone (329-4599) or on the web (videoshowplace.com)

Just for Fun - LIAR, LIAR

An older lady gets pulled over for speeding...

Older Woman: Is there a problem, Officer?

Officer: Ma'am, you were speeding.

Older Woman: Oh, I see.

Officer: Can I see your license please?

Older Woman: I'd give it to you but I don't have one.

Officer: Don't have one?

Older Woman: Lost it, 4 years ago for drunk driving.

Officer: I see...Can I see your vehicle registration papers please.

Older Woman: I can't do that.

Officer: Why not?

Older Woman: I stole this car.

Officer: Stole it?

Older Woman: Yes, and I killed and hacked up the owner.

Officer: You what?

Older Woman: His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk if you want to see. The Officer looks at the woman and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes 5 police cars circle the car. A senior officer slowly approaches the car, his gun half drawn.

Officer 2: Ma'am, could you step out of your vehicle! The woman steps out of her vehicle.

Older Woman: Is there a problem sir?

Officer 2: One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner.

Older Woman: Murdered the owner?

Officer 2: Yes, could you please open the trunk of your car, please. The woman opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.

Officer 2: Is this your car, ma'am?

Older Woman: Yes, here are the registration papers. The officer is quite stunned.

Officer 2: One of my officers claims that you do not have a driving license. The woman digs into her handbag and pulls out a clutch purse and hands it to the officer. The officer examines the license.

He looks quite puzzled.

Officer 2: Thank you ma'am, one of my officers told me you didn't have a license, that you stole this car, and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.

Older Woman: I bet the liar told you I was speeding, too.

Rotary Calendar

Dec 6, 2003, Sat, 7:00A-11:00P
WALKING/JOGGING PATH
Event: Centennial project workday.
Place: Old Airport
Includes: Coffee, pastries, work.
Contact: Bev @ 936-9965

Dec 6, 2003, Sat
AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER
BLACK & WHITE BALL
Event: Rotary Club of Hanalei fundraiser.
Place: Princeville Hotel Ballroom, Princeville, Kauai
Cost: \$125
Includes: Champagne, wine tasting, fine foods, ballroom dancing, live music.
Contact: Club @ 808-828-1092 or rotary@aloha.net

Dec 9, 2003, Tue, 3:30P-6:30P
WALKING/JOGGING PATH
Event: Centennial project workday.
Place: Old Airport
Includes: Beverages, work.
Contact: Bev @ 936-9965

Dec 28, 2003, Sun, 4:00P-9:00P
CHRISTMAS SOCIAL
Event: Open house club social.
Place: Bev Fraser's, Old Government Rd off Kaloko Dr.
Includes: Beer, wine, pupus.
Contact: Bev @ 936-9965
All Rotarians and spouses are invited.

Community Calendar

Now till Christmas
GINGERBREAD TREE
Event: Video Showplace Fundraiser
Place: Video Showplace, North Kona Shopping Center
Cost: \$35.00 buys one meal for a family in need.
Includes: Food and fun
Contact: Video Showplace 329-4599

Insertions for Community Calendar are \$5 per insertion payable a week in advance to the Rotary Club of Kona. All insertions are subject to approval of the Board and on a space available basis. Submit insertions to Crystal Yamasaki at: chrys@wtahawaii.com fax: 329-5334 Include Your Name, Phone Number, Dates to Run, Event Name, Event Location, Event Date, Event Sponsor, Event Cost, Event Description. To simplify submission, forms are available at all Rotary meetings.

Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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Lend a Hand

Island Clubs

Hilo Bay, Wed, 6:45A
Nani Loa Hotel

Hilo, Fri, 12:00N
Nani Loa Hotel

Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

On the Road

Whether you're traveling to another island, another state or another country, you can still attend a Rotary Meeting at one of the thousands of Rotary Clubs worldwide. To find a meeting wherever you're bound, log on to: <http://www.rotary.org/services/clubs/index.html> Meeting information is updated weekly.

Submissions

Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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At the Podium - CLUB ASSEMBLY, President Bev Fraser

This week's meeting will be the second Club Assembly of the year. As in previous assembly's, each of the Avenue of Service Chairs will report on their progress to date on the projects they are working on. Of particular note will be the Centennial Project, which is the focus of our club this year. As we work towards our goals for the year, there are a few issues that need to be discussed with the club. The first is the financial commitment to the Rotary Foundation of \$150.00 per member. We are way behind in the collection of the money needed to meet our goal. The second is the Centennial Project and the need for more involvement from the club in many areas. Also for discussion is the Mastercard Tournament of Champions and the need for volunteers to make the incredible job that Ron and Kathy Hawkes do much easier for them. All members should plan on attending this week's assembly to become aware of all it is that we are doing this year.

Profiles - TINA CLOTHIER



I appreciate the opportunity to acquaint and reacquaint myself with the Kona club members new and old. Perhaps this will explain a little bit about that crazy lady that insists on singing "Happy Birthday" at each meeting.

My father was in the US Air Force, met and married my British mother while he was stationed at Burtonwood AFB outside of Warrington, England. I came along about 11 months later as my father was being shipped back to the east coast from Korea. My mother and I traveled by ship to New York when I was 6 weeks old and I've been a traveler ever since.

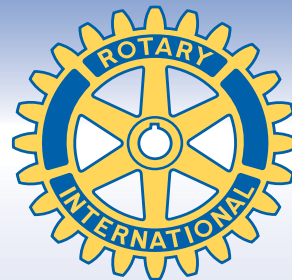
My parents, being good Catholics, had four more children over the next 10 years and moved the family often. We've lived together abroad, on the East Coast and in Las Vegas. Most of my sibs and their families still live within 5 minutes of my parents on Oahu.

I met my first husband, Jack Clothier, when I enrolled in his scuba diving class in 1971. We traveled to the Big Island in 1972 for diving and I immediately felt that I was "home". I knew that someday we would live in Kona. Seven years later in 1979, we moved to Kona so that Jack could begin his recovery from a skydiving accident. We opened Jack's Diving Locker in August of '81 and in March of '82, Jack died of a gastric hemorrhage. I was widowed at age 29, 8 months after started the business. While flying by the seat of my pants with no business training (but with lots of community support) I was able to build the dive shop into a successful enterprise, with a substantial clientele base. This was no small accomplishment in a male dominated industry! I sold the business to Jeff and Terri Leicher in 1989.

In 1990, I met my second, and last, husband Terry Cisco and his 7-year-old son Carlos. This was also the year that I was invited to join Rotary. Please note that the Rotary Clubs in the United States had just begun to allow women members the year before. My sponsor, Bev Marrick, and I were two of four women in the club that year. At that time I was under contract with a non-profit, Recycle Hawaii and wasn't sure that my work made me the right candidate for membership. I was also very intimidated by being in the same company as the "grown up" business people of the community. However, it didn't take me long to realize that the members of the club were some of the most friendly, warm & kind hearted people that I had ever met (and most of them weren't as "grown up" as I thought). I count many of the Kona club members among my most cherished friends.

I have held various positions over my 13 Rotary years, including Community Service Chair & Kid's Voting chair, and during the 50th year since the establishment of the Rotary Club of Kona, I was privileged to serve as Club President. This was also the year that we reintroduced singing to the club meetings (much to everyone's chagrin). That still remains my most memorable year and I am grateful to have been trusted with the position. I hope to be a Rotarian until I die. Rotary is a wonderful organization, made up of wonderful people. Thank you all for everything that you bring to our club and for joining in when we sing the birthday song!

P.S. Terry and I were married in 1996 and he was the architect for the new Jack's Diving Locker building in Coconut Grove.



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This Week

Dec 11, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: BEV FRASER
Club Assembly

Greeter: Vern Berry

Door Prize: Curt Nakayama

Coming Up

Greeters:
Stephen Bobko-Hillenaar 12/18
Roger Brasel 01/08

Door Prize:
Sandy Morton 12/18
Reg Morimoto 01/08

Birthdays:
Mike Zola 12/15

Anniversaries:
Carla Thompson (Rick) 12/30
Thom Daniel (Alice) 12/31
Richard Farnham (Nancy) 12/31

Programs:
XMAS CELEBRATION 12/18
Dark 12/25
Dark 01/01
RON LAUB
Keck Observatory 01/08

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President's Position



The Holiday Season is here - and the stress that comes along with it. Why is it that we allow ourselves to be overcome with the pressure of finding

the perfect gift for everyone on our list; overindulging in food and drink at parties; spending more money than we can afford to - and whatever else it is that takes the joy out of the season.

While it is easy to get caught up in it all, I can't help but wonder about those whose pressures are come from not having those stresses above. How do I buy gifts for my family with no money? Where will I be able to get a decent Christmas meal? How can I put joy back into my Christmas season?

As Rotarians, Christmas is the perfect time for "service above self". While our friends and families are enjoying all the blessings provided for us, it is an opportune time to share those blessing with others. There are countless ways that we can be of service to others - as unlimited as your imagination. Perhaps you know a senior who has no transportation and would love a ride to the stores. Or a single parent who would love the opportunity for a few hours of free time from their responsibilities. There are always "angel trees" in the stores, where you can purchase a Christmas gift for a child in need. Or help to serve a meal to the homeless. As a club we will be hosting children from the Salvation Army for a visit with Santa and presents for each child. It is one of my favorite meetings of the year, where we can see the children's happy faces and know that we have made a difference.

May your holiday season be filled with joy and immense blessings to share with others.

At the Club - MAKAEO WALKING JOGGING PATH WORK DAY MAHALOS!

We've had three very successful work parties at the Makaeo Walking Jogging Path since we met last week! On Saturday, December 6th we had about 33 people from our community come out to get the project off to a great start! Among the 33 were 15 Rotarians, 13 volunteers from Friends for Fitness, 1 volunteer from PATH, and some folks from the community. On Sunday we had 5 folks show up to finish the mulching job. WOW, that took another 4.5 hours! On Tuesday afternoon we had 13 folks show up (of which 5 were Rotarians) to continue some pruning and clearing of the area. Great Job!

A very special THANK YOU goes out to Cindy Hope who helped coordinate the work parties efforts and got the chipper there Saturday and Sunday, and to Alan Clark and Rick Merschdorf who coordinated the BBQ on Saturday! Additional thanks go out to Ken Clewett, Ron Hawkes, Terry & Tina Cisco, Dave Schaeffer, Jerry Coiner, Bev Fraser, Rich McDowell, Mikey Zola, Ann Goody, Bill Cliff, Diane Ilstrup, Bill Rogers, and Curt Nakayama for working so hard! Additional Mahalos to all others that participated, especially Heidi Stromberg and all the volunteers from Friends for Fitness!

Our next workdays are going to be Saturday, January 10th 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and Tuesday, January 13th from 3:30 to dark. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Note: Sometime during the day Barbara's 2 megapixel Kodak Digital Camera disappeared. If anyone knows to where it may have wandered, please contact Barbara.

At the Club - ROTARY FOUNDATION UPDATE

Not yet impressive, the figures for the foundation are slowly growing. Here is the latest report from Kurt. Remember our goal for this year is \$12,000 so get your donations in soon.

PolioPlus Total	\$ 747.00
APF - Share Total	\$1,150.00
Total Contributions	\$1,897.00



Lets Interact - KEALAKEHE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Kealakehe High School Interact Club members will be at today's meeting to sell tickets and discount cards to the January Shanghai Circus program at their school. A portion of the sale of each ticket or card will go to the school's ongoing SCBM Scholarship Fund. The fund provides financial support for post-high school training for four seniors each year. This is another chance for Rotarians to make an investment in education of local students while obtaining a personal benefit.



You Can Say That Again

"I think and think for months and years. Ninety nine times, the conclusion is false. The hundredth time I am right." *Albert Einstein*

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Just for Fun - CURT SPENCER PHILOSOPHY OF WORKING OUT

Q: I've heard that cardiovascular exercise can prolong life. Is this true?

A: Your heart is only good for so many beats, and that's it...don't waste them on exercise. Everything wears out eventually. Speeding up your heart will not make you live longer; that's like saying you can extend the life of your car by driving it faster. Want to live longer? Take a nap.

Q: Should I cut down on meat and eat more fruits and vegetables?

A: You must grasp logistical efficiencies. What does a cow eat? Hay and corn. And what are these? Vegetables. So a steak is nothing more than an efficient mechanism of delivering vegetables to your system. Need grain? Eat chicken. Beef is also a good source of field grass (green leafy vegetable). And a pork chop can give you 100% of your recommended daily allowance of vegetable products.

Q: How can I calculate my body/fat ratio?

A: Well, if you have a body, and you have body fat, your ratio is one to one. If you have two bodies, your ratio is two to one, etc.

Q: What are some of the advantages of participating a regular exercise program?

A: Can't think of a single one, sorry. My philosophy is: No Pain...Good.

Q: Aren't fried foods bad for you?

A: You're not listening. Foods are fried these days in vegetable oil. In fact, they're permeated in it. How could getting more vegetables be bad for you?

Q: What's the secret to healthy eating?

A: Thicker gravy.

Q: Will sit-ups help prevent me from getting a little soft around the middle?

A: Definitely not! When you exercise a muscle, it gets bigger. You should only be doing sit-ups if you want a bigger stomach.

Q: Is chocolate bad for me?

A: Are you crazy? HELLOCocoabeans another vegetable!!! It's the best feel good food around!

Well, I hope this has cleared up any misconceptions you may have had about food and diets. Now go have a cookie...flour is a veggie!

If swimming is good for your figure, explain whales to me.

Community Calendar

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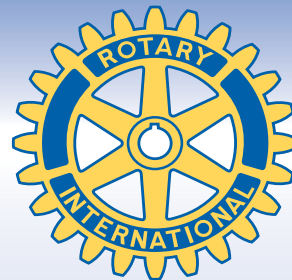
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At the Podium - HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

This week we are celebrating the holidays. As we did last year, we will be giving gifts to about 20 children selected by the Salvation Army. Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute the gifts and it should be a fun time for all. Be sure and join the party and be prepared to celebrate.

Remember the Club will be dark on Christmas and New Years, December 25 and January 1. We'll see you all on January 8. Meanwhile have a great holiday season.



Service Above Self

This Week

Dec 18, 2003

Royal Kona Resort

Program: KEN KJER
Holiday Celebration

Greeter: Stephen
Bobko-Hillenaar

Door Prize: Sandy Morton

Coming Up

Greeters:
Roger Brasel 01/08
Barbara Bush 01/15

Door Prize:
Reg Morimoto 01/08
Michael Moore 01/15

Birthdays:
Mike Zola 12/15

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Carla Thompson (Rick) 12/30
Thom Daniel (Alice) 12/31
Richard Farnham (Nancy) 12/31

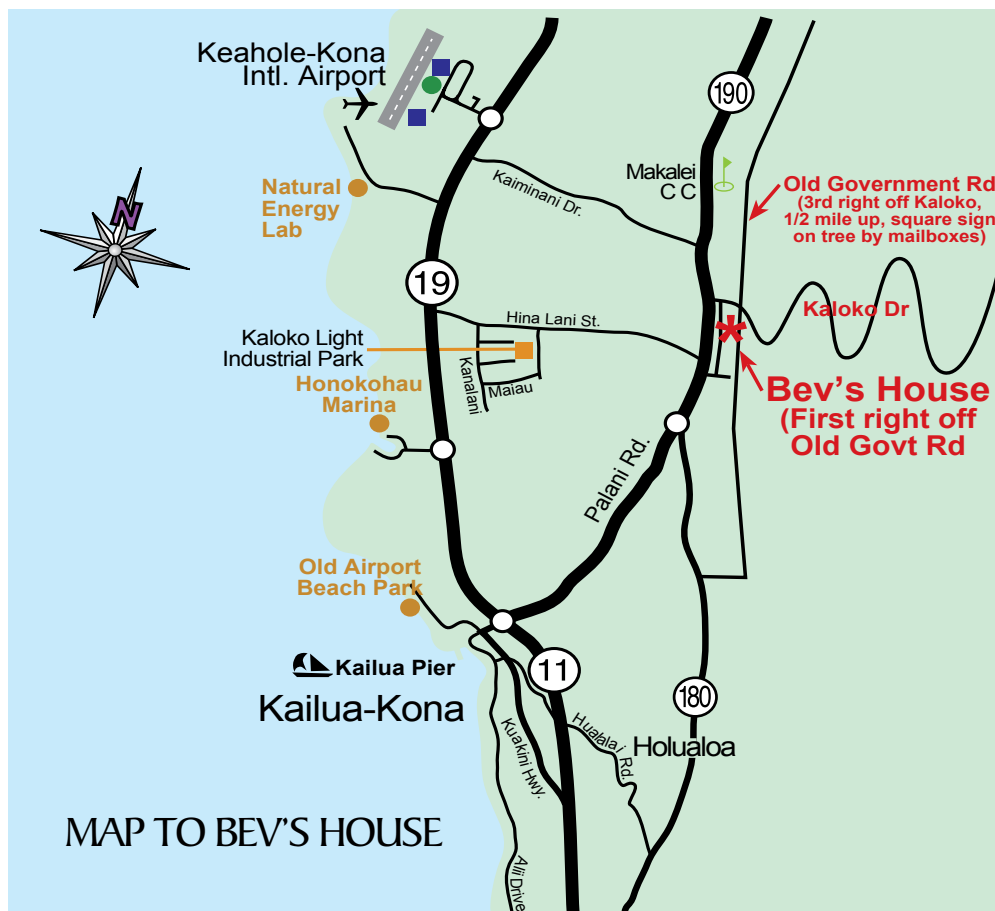
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Dark 12/25
Dark 01/01
RON LAUB
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At the Club - YEAR END PARTY AT PRESIDENT BEV'S

On Sunday, December 28, Bev and Mike Fraser are hosting a end of year holiday party at their house on Old Government Road. All Rotarians and their families are invited to come reminisce, reflect and celebrate the season.



MAP TO BEV'S HOUSE

Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



I would like to take this time to wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

It's hard to believe that another year has flown by. I think we all can agree that the older we get the faster the time goes. It seems that just a few days ago we were welcoming in a New Year, and here we are already at it's end. Even harder to believe is that my term as your President is half over.

Despite our busy lives, my wish is that each of us take time to slow down and enjoy the little things in life that are so important. It's easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of the season and forget what it is all about. Take time to relax and spend time with family and friends; stop and enjoy the sounds of Christmas music; and enjoy the Christmas Spirit and all that it means.

Oh – and don't forget to stop by on December 28th to the Open House at Mike's and my home.

Have a wonderful holiday season, and may it be filled with plenty of friendship, laughter and joy.

Az RI - ROTARY RUNS IN THE FAMILY!

With the holiday spirit in the air, December — Family Month on the Rotary calendar — is a good time for the Rotary world to focus on the "Family of Rotary" initiative launched at the start of 2003-04. Aimed at encouraging clubs and districts to provide more opportunities for family members to participate in service and fellowship, the initiative also spotlights the many individual families that boast several generations of Rotarians.

A good example is the Seegers family of Louisiana, USA, now in its fourth generation of Rotary service. "That's fifth generation, if you count my daughter Lauren, who was an Interactor when she was in high school," says Douglas A. Seegers, president of the 230-member Rotary Club of Monroe.

Douglas Seegers joined the Monroe club in 1991, the same year his father, Sidney A. Seegers, was club president. Sidney Seegers, who joined in 1958 at the age of 29, says his own father, for whom he was named, was also a Rotarian, but that it was his grandfather, Wardwell C. Flanders, a member of several Louisiana clubs during his lifetime, who was his primary Rotarian role model.

"He was the ultimate gentleman and very concerned about others," recalls Sidney Seegers, a past governor of District 6190. "In general, our family has always embraced the concept of community and international service."

An avid participant in Rotary's international programs, such as Youth Exchange, Group Study Exchange (GSE), and Friendship Exchange, Sidney Seegers has always made sure his children, and now his grandchildren, were exposed to different cultures. "I wanted them to understand that Rotary is also an arm of peace and understanding in the world because the boundaries of race and culture disappear when people share their homes and get to know one another," he explains.

Son Douglas says the highlight of his Rotary experience so far was leading a GSE team to District 1040 (England) in 1999. "I loved it with a passion," he says, adding that he has since become fast friends with the leader of the British team from the same exchange, Ken Robertshaw, the current president of the Rotary Club of Halifax.

Douglas Seeger's brother-in-law, Robert W. Rash, is also a Monroe Rotarian, and even those in the extended Seegers clan who aren't members can claim recognition as Paul Harris Fellows. They include Douglas Seegers' sister, Emily Seegers Rash; his mother, Carolyn L. Seegers; and daughter Lauren Seegers, now a student at Birmingham Southern College in Alabama. Of course, the family's Rotarians are all Paul Harris Fellows as well.

Douglas Seegers looks forward to passing on the torch. "Knowing that my father, grandfather, and great-grandfather also enjoyed Rotary makes my membership even more special," he says. "And knowing that my daughter enjoyed her service through Interact makes me hope that someday she, too, will be a Rotarian, carrying our tradition on to the fifth generation."

You Can Say That Again

"There may be more poetry than justice in poetic justice." George F. Will

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Video Showplace is once again doing the Gingerbread Tree to provide a Christmas Meal to families in need. Bev is contributing \$25.00 to the club for advertising it in the Coffee Blossom:

- * Gingerbread can be purchased for a cost of \$35.00 which provides a meal for a family of 4 - 6
- * Makes a great gift for clients or staff
- * Meals are provided by KTA to clients of Family Support Services of West Hawaii.
- * Can be purchased at Video Showplace, or by phone (329-4599) or on the web (videoshowplace.com)

Rotary Calendar

Dec 28, 2003, Sun, 4:00P-9:00P
CHRISTMAS SOCIAL
 Event: Open house club social.
 Place: Bev Fraser's, Old
 Government Rd off Kaloko Dr.
 Includes: Beer, wine, pupus.
 Contact: Bev @ 936-9965
 All Rotarians and spouses are invited.

Just for Fun - AND YOU THOUGHT BLONDES WERE DUMB!

A blonde and a lawyer are seated next to each other on a flight from LA to NY. The lawyer asks if she would like to play a fun game. The blonde, tired, just wants to take a nap, politely declines and rolls over to the window to catch a few winks.

The lawyer persists and explains that the game is easy and a lot of fun. He explains, "I ask you a question, and if you don't know the answer, you pay me \$5.00, and vise versa." Again, she declines and tries to get some sleep.

The lawyer, now agitated, says, "Okay, if you don't know the answer you pay me \$5.00, and if I don't know the answer, I will pay you \$500.00." This catches the blonde's attention and, figuring there will be no end to this torment unless she plays, agrees to the game.

The lawyer asks the first question. "What's the distance from the earth to the moon?" The blonde doesn't say a word, reaches into her purse, pulls out a \$5.00 bill and hands it to the lawyer.

"Okay" says the lawyer, "Your turn." She asks the lawyer, "What goes up a hill with three legs and comes down with four legs?" The lawyer, puzzled, takes out his laptop computer and searches all his references, no answer. He taps into the air phone with his modem and searches the net and the library of congress, no answer. Frustrated, he sends e-mails to all his friends and coworker, to no avail.

After an hour, he wakes the blonde, and hands her \$500. The blonde says, "Thank you", and turns back to get some more sleep.

The lawyer, who is more than a little miffed, wakes the blonde and asks, "Well, what's the answer?" Without a word, the blonde reaches into her purse, hands the lawyer \$5.00, and goes back to sleep.

And you thought blondes were dumb!

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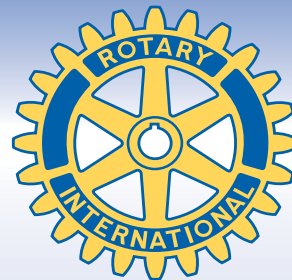
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Greeter: Roger Brasel

Door Prize: Reg Morimoto

Coming Up

Greeters:

Barbara Bush	01/15
Chuck Cartwright	02/05

Door Prize:

Michael Moore	01/15
Rick Merschdorf	02/05

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Curt Nakayama (Suzanne)	01/20
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Programs:

RON LAUB	
Keck Observatory	01/15
Dark	01/22
Dark	01/29
Joint meeting with Chamber	

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At the Podium - MARY ELLEN SMITH, V.A.S.H.

VASH West Hawai'i is a non-profit organization that helps visitors touched by crime, accidents, death and other misfortune while vacationing on Hawaii Island. Although we can't prevent crime or accidents from occurring, VASH, West Hawai'i provides a means for our community to show compassion and Aloha to those in need of assistance. VASH receives most of its referrals from the police, and the remainder from hospitals, hotels and other non profit agencies.

VASH is an acronym for the Visitor Aloha Society of Hawaii, an organization that was started by the Rotary Club of Honolulu in 1996. Although the VASH West Hawai'i program is now a separate non profit, it too has looked to the Rotary Clubs on Hawaii Island to provide assistance. Rotary members Scotty Bell and Larry Peckham serve as president and vice president of the VASH Board. Jim & Carolyn Stroup, David Rees-Thomas, Gretchen Watson-Kabei, Larry & Peggy Peckham, and Joanna Bobko-Hillenaar are on the list of volunteers. Rotarian Richard Farnham and his wife donate meal certificates to the program. In addition, the Rotary Club of Kona has provided a grant for direct victim assistance that helps with visitor financial emergencies. VASH West Hawai'i is very appreciative to the Rotary Club of Kona and its members for assisting our efforts to show Aloha to Hawaii Island visitor victims.

At the Club - JOIN IN THE FUN AT THE MAKAE'O WALKING JOGGING PATH THIS SATURDAY



This Saturday, January 10th, will be another fine opportunity to join in the Centennial Project efforts, beautification of the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path. Come on down tot he Old Airport State Park, we'll be there from 7 to 11 a.m. and promise you a BBQ/pot luck afterward.



Tools needed for the day are: pruning tools, chain saws, wheel barrows, shovels, hard tooth racks, picks, etc., and YOU! Be sure and wear long pants and good, comfortable shoes.

PLEASE, sign up today! (We need a head count for food.)

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President's Position



Happy New Year to all! Now that the holidays are over, it's time to start thinking about the year ahead and what we hope to accomplish both in our personal lives and in Rotary.

A New Year usually comes with making resolutions - and for those of you who made personal resolutions I congratulate you on doing so and wish you every success. I personally have not made any New Year's resolutions for the past several years - mostly because they seem to fail within the first few days. I'm sure many of you have done the same. This year, for a change, I decided that I would make two New Year's resolution. My personal resolution I choose not to share with you, but I will share my Rotary Resolution.

In the remainder of my term as President, my resolution is to be more sensitive to the needs of our members and to recognize that each one of you are a part of the wheel that makes up the Rotary logo and makes our club strong. I need to recognize that not every member of our club can give 100% to club activities. While I don't want to lower my expectations of what our club is capable of doing this year, I do resolve to be more positive and encouraging rather than negative and discouraging.

May all of your New Year's resolutions be kept and may this be the best year for all of us.

At the Club - MASTERCARD TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS TOUR JANUARY 2004

It's that time of year again when the Rotary Club of Kona, through the incredible hard work of Ron and Kathy Hawkes prepare to organize all of the volunteers for this annual tournament. As most of you know, this is our one BIG fundraiser of the year - our club receives approximately \$25,000 for our services at the tournament - an amount that helps to fund our scholarship program as well as our community service programs and the centennial project. Your involvement this year, as always, is the key to making the tournament a huge success.

There are some very specific areas where volunteers are needed. They include PARKING and MARSHALLS. Because of the new set up for parking, additional volunteers will be needed early in the morning (at 6:00 am) with flashlights to guide the other volunteers where to park. There will not be the same amount of parking this year, so some vehicles will have to be parked on the road, which means additional people are needed. Ron Scott is the person in charge of parking, so please contact him if you are able to help. This is one of the easy jobs as you can be done by 9:00 and get on with your day, and is particularly good for those who are not golfers. Parking help is also needed in the spectator area and even if you can give just one day the help would be appreciated. MARSHALL needs are as follows:

Wednesday January 21 - 6 people
Thursday January 22 - 3 people
Saturday January 24 - 4 people
Sunday January 25 - 6 people

If you are able to be a marshall please contact Kathy Hawkes at 328-0592.

Shirt sales are this Saturday at the West Hawaii Today office from 9:am to 3:00 pm. The price for a shirt is \$25.00 or for \$30.00 you can get a shirt and a visor or hat. If you volunteered last year you can use the same shirt. If you are available to help with shirt sales on Saturday please let Kathy Hawkes know.

Let's all work together and volunteer to make this event a huge success and to contribute to our only fundraising event!

Just for Fun - WATCH WHAT YOU EAT!

A big law firm recently hired several cannibals. "You are all part of our team now", said the HR rep during the welcoming briefing. "You get all the usual benefits and you can go to the cafeteria for something to eat, but please don't eat any of the other employees". The cannibals promised they would not.

Four weeks later their boss remarked, "You're all working very hard, and I'm satisfied with you. However, one of our secretaries has disappeared. Do any of you know what happened to her?" The cannibals all shook their heads no. After the boss had left, the leader of the cannibals said to the others, "Which one of you idiots ate the secretary?" A hand raised hesitantly, to which the leader of the cannibals continued, "You fool!!! For four weeks we've been eating attorneys and no one noticed anything, but noooooo, you had to go and eat someone important!"

You Can Say That Again

"A man only becomes wise when he begins to calculate the approximate depth of his ignorance." *Gian Carlo Menotti*

*Rotary
Calendar*

Jan 29, 2004, Thur, 11:30A-1:30P
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*Community
Calendar*

Jan 28, 2004, Wed, 12:00N
 DESTINATION KONA COAST
 Event: General Meeting.
 Place: Royal Kona Resort.
 Speaker: Anne Peterson,
 Kona Historical Society.
 Cost: \$10 members,
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 Public is invited.

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**Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce's
 Focus Luncheon with
 Mayor Harry Kim and his Cabinet**
 Cosponsored by Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union

Thursday, January 29, 2004, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel
 Cost: \$30 per member; \$35 per non-member, \$30 for Rotary
 Reservations for tables of eight are being accepted.



Mayor Harry Kim and select members of his Cabinet will give a "State of the County" update to the business community. Police Chief Larry Mahuna, Planning Director Chris Yuen, Public Works Director Bruce McClure and Finance Director Bill Takaba will report on issues relating to their areas of responsibility.

Reservations required by Monday, January 26, 2004.

Call the Chamber at 329-1758.

No refunds or cancellations after Monday, January 26, 2004.



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Business Name: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

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Luncheon: \$30.00 members; \$35.00 non-members. Tables of 8 may be reserved.

Payment method:

Charge Card: AE, MC or VISA

Expiration Date: _____

Check enclosed: \$ _____

Mail checks to:

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Kona Mauka, Tue, 12:00N
Teshima's Restaurant

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At the Podium – RONALD L. LAUB, Facility Manager, W.M. Keck Observatory

Safeguarding the Night Sky By Ron Laub

The night sky is a beautiful sight to behold in much of Hawaii. If one gets far enough away from city and streetlights there's a stunning sky for all of us to enjoy. Here on the big island we're fortunate to have a lighting ordinance that encourages good lighting fixtures and light sources, but enforcement and a lack of staffing is of a concern.

There are many ways lighting affects the environment and people. The sky glow from lights and the inefficient type of light source interferes with our ability to see in shadows and share the night sky with our children. The migration of animals and insects is confused by the collection of lights in the larger towns and cities. In Hawaii, for instance, the migration of turtles and shore birds such as the Hawaiian Petrel have been reported in locations where they had never been seen before. Many people also experience sleep disorders due to improper lighting. Medical scientists report that too much white light during a person's sleep cycle deprives them of the deep sleep they need to stay healthy, resulting in anxiety, mood swings and difficulty in concentrating. Cheap light fixtures may cost homeowners several hundred dollars each year in wasted energy, and "flood lights" can cause eyestrain and glare, while also creating dark shadows around property edges and corners.

Only one organization, the International Dark-Sky Association, is working with federal, state and local legislatures, business and community groups to educate people about the increasing threat to our nighttime skies. As a lifetime member of the International Dark-Sky Association, the W.M. Keck Observatory has been a world leader in the effort to preserve the night environment. With other International Dark-Sky members, the observatory meets the following goals of this organization:

To preserve and protect the nighttime environment and our heritage of dark skies through quality outdoor lighting. Educate everyone, everywhere about the value of dark skies and quality nighttime lighting.

Can dark skies be preserved? Can you and I make a difference? Yes. We can be smart about the type of light fixtures we choose to install at our houses. We can encourage the organizations we work for to also choose good light fixtures. So what are the basics for good lighting? They are:

- Ask if light is really needed and for what purpose
- Only use as much as you need
- Work with the surrounding environment
- Don't let light leak into the environment
- Use rational lighting levels.

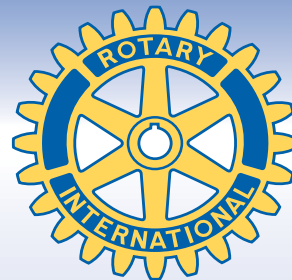
People are generally very careful about their indoor lighting. For example, we don't usually read next to a lamp without a lampshade. We try to keep the glare from shining into our eyes. Why not do this for our outdoor lights as well? There are several types of light fixtures that we find in our communities here in Hawaii. Most of the streetlights are partial cut-off light fixtures. Those are the type that the lamp source and lense hang below the metal hardware that supports it. The light from this fixture has a large light "spread". Unfortunately, a good share of that light shines upward creating sky glow and the exposed lamp creates glare for drivers on the streets. The Hawaii county lighting ordinance requires full cut-off light fixtures, but you will only find them in store parking lots, federal and other off street installations, and private developments. Unlike the partial cut-off light fixture, the full cut-off fixture totally encases the lamp source and its lense. A good example is the typical "shoe box" fixture only the bottom of the fixture is open, reducing sky glow and glare.

The most damaging of all light sources is the inexpensive mercury vapor lamp still sold in some stores. Again, the Hawaii county lighting ordinance forbids the use of this type of lighting, but it doesn't restrict the sale of them! Even though mercury vapor lights are inexpensive to purchase, you should know they are 30 to 50 percent more expensive to operate! The best light source is called "Low-Pressure Sodium" or "LPS". This type of light fixture and lamp might cost more in the beginning, but it's so inexpensive to operate that you'll save money in the long run. Look for the yellow-colored lamp source used along our roadways. Visually, full or balanced spectrum lighting is easiest on our eyes because both blue and green colors are emitted; therefore it's a good selection for indoor lighting and also residential outdoor lighting if properly shielded.

Currently, the Hilo Downtown Improvement Association is replacing the lighting in the downtown area to create the old-fashioned ambience of that part of the town. However, there's a concern for safety and security, so they have adopted an innovative two-tiered system that uses a low wattage light fixture about fourteen feet above the walkway and a low pressure sodium light fixture about twenty five feet above that same walkway. This will provide everyone the best of both worlds.

You can also help by learning more about how to safeguard the night sky. Contact the IDA at www.darksky.org or through e-mail at ida@darksky.org. I will leave you with the following thought:

The current generations are the first in history to grow up without the awe inspiring splendor of a truly dark sky above their heads. Over the millennia, this view inspired art, poetry, folklore, science, technology, and so much of our culture. The grandeur of the stars challenges us to explore and invites us to ponder our place in the universe. It is our heritage.



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This Week

Jan 15, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: RONALD L. LAUB
W.M. Keck Observatory

Greeter: Barbara Bush

Door Prize: Michael Moore

Coming Up

Greeters:

Chuck Cartwright	02/05
Alan Clark	02/12

Door Prize:

Rick Merschdorf	02/05
Mark McGuffie	02/12

Birthdays:

Bill Cliff	01/26
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Anniversaries:

Curt Nakayama (Suzanne)	01/20
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Programs:

Dark	01/22
Dark	01/29
Joint Meeting with Chamber	
TBA	02/05

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President's Position



Perhaps one of the biggest challenges facing Rotary today, aside from the completion of Polio Eradication, is the status of the Rotary Foundation Annual

Giving Fund. Last year, with the focus on the last "push" for Polio Eradication Funds, donations to the Annual Giving Fund were less than anticipated. As you may know, the dollars that are put into the Annual Giving Fund each year become available to the District three years later. The Annual Giving Fund is really the heart of Rotary, as without it many projects would simply die.

District 5000 has set a goal of \$150.00 per member for the Annual Giving Fund. Some of the clubs within the District have already achieved that goal. To those of you who have already submitted your donation - Mahalo! To those who have yet to give, your donation is gratefully received at any time, and even more so if it is given within the next month. To those members who use their credit cards for air miles, the forms for credit card submissions are available at the meeting each week or by contacting our Foundation Chair, Curt Nakayama.

Another thing to consider is to become a Benefactor. With the completion of a very simple form (which can be revoked at any time) you agree to donate at least \$1,000 to Rotary as part of your will. Since you can't take it with you (although some may have tried to) - what better way to show your that Rotary really was an important part of your life - and continues to be after you are gone.

Please consider your donations to Rotary so that we may continue to do the incredible work we do in both the community and the world - without your money projects just don't get done.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT WORKDAY A SUCCESS!!!

On Saturday, January 10th several Rotarians along with Kostya, and volunteers from Friends for Fitness, PATH, and the community at-large came out to partake in the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path Beautification Project. THANK YOU one and all!

Our next workdays are scheduled for Saturday, February 7th from 7 to 11 a.m. (tentatively - depending on the rest of the Rotary schedule as we are also planning a tri-club social in February) and Tuesday, February 10th from 3:30 to dusk.

Thanks to Chrys for lending her surveying to the project, we are now ready of some big equipment to be brought in to form the lawn areas and clear space for plantings. If you have any connections with big equipment companies or independent operators we would love to talk with them about our project and how they might be involved.

We are also ready for some soil and gravel. Again, if you have a connection to a source in the community, please let Barbara Bush (960-8292 or email: bbush56@hotmail.com) know. Please come out and partake in the project, we can always use your help!

At the Club - A BELATED NOTE FROM RON LUIZZI

Please pass the word that my spine fusion and re-construction surgery of last Thursday 12/11 went extremely well!!! I am now at home "mending", and want to wish ALL my fellow Kona Rotarians a Very Happy Holiday Season, and let them know I'm thinking of ALL of you, and looking forward to the day I can begin attending meetings again.

Just for Fun - NAME THAT VOLUNTEER!

The following pictures were taken Saturday, January 10 at the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path Beautification Project. The Rotarian who can correctly identify the most people in the pictures will win:

\$100 in Gift Certificates to the Kona Brew Pub.

Submit your list at the February 5 meeting to Bev. The prize will be awarded at the February 12 meeting.



You Can Say That Again

"We have always found the Irish a bit odd. They refuse to be British." Winston Churchill

*Rotary
Calendar*

Jan 29, 2004, Thur, 11:30A-1:30P
KONA KOHALA CHAMBER
 Event: Focus Luncheon with
 Mayor Harry Kim and Cabinet.
 Place: King Kamehameha Hotel
 Cost: \$30 members,
 \$35 Non-members.
 Includes: Lunch.
 Contact: Chamber @ 329-1758

Feb 21, 2004, Sat, 9:30A
ROTARY CLUB OF VOLCANO
 Event: Founders' Day Benefit Golf
 Tournament.
 Place: Volcano Golf Club
 Cost: \$99, Banquet Only: \$25
 Includes: Greens fees, cart,
 continental breakfast, on-course
 refreshments, awards banquet,
 gifts and great prizes.
 Contact: Albert Jeyte @ 967-7366
 or www.volcanorotary.org
 Sponsorships available.

*Community
Calendar*

Jan 28, 2004, Wed, 12:00N
DESTINATION KONA COAST
 Event: General Meeting.
 Place: Royal Kona Resort.
 Speaker: Anne Peterson,
 Kona Historical Society.
 Cost: \$10 members,
 \$15 Non-members.
 Includes: Lunch.
 Contact: Jenica @ 328-0614
 Public is invited.

Insertions for Community Calendar are \$5 per insertion payable a week in advance to the Rotary Club of Kona. All insertions are subject to approval of the Board and on a space available basis. Submit insertions to Crystal Yamasaki at: chrys@wtahawaii.com fax: 329-5334 Include Your Name, Phone Number, Dates to Run, Event Name, Event Location, Event Date, Event Sponsor, nt Cost, Event Description. To simplify submission, forms are available at all Rotary meetings.

**Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce's
 Focus Luncheon with
 Mayor Harry Kim and his Cabinet**
Cosponsored by Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union

Thursday, January 29, 2004, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel
 Cost: \$30 per member; \$35 per non-member, \$30 for Rotary
 Reservations for tables of eight are being accepted.



Mayor Harry Kim and select members of his Cabinet will give a "State of the County" update to the business community. Police Chief Larry Mahuna, Planning Director Chris Yuen, Public Works Director Bruce McClure and Finance Director Bill Takaba will report on issues relating to their areas of responsibility.

Reservations required by Monday, January 26, 2004.

Call the Chamber at 329-1758.

No refunds or cancellations after Monday, January 26, 2004.



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Business Name: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

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Luncheon: \$30.00 members; \$35.00 non-members. Tables of 8 may be reserved.

Payment method:

Charge Card: AE, MC or VISA

Expiration Date: _____

Check enclosed: \$ _____

Mail checks to:

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Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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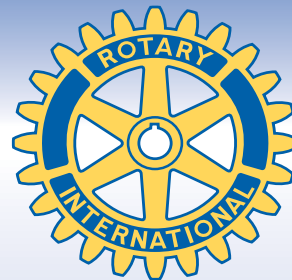
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Feb 5, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: SHARRON ACKLES
Governor's Liaison
for West Hawaii

Greeter: Chuck Cartwright

Door Prize: Rick Merschdorf

At the Podium - SHARRON ACKLES, Governor's Liaison for West Hawaii

In March of 2003, Sharron Ackles was appointed as the Governor's Liaison for West Hawaii.

Her background includes extensive Community Service and she has served on the Board of Directors for the Kona Kohala Chamber of Commerce, the Kona Family YMCA, and several other service organizations. Locally she is perhaps best known for the excellent job she did as Race Director for the Ironman Triathlon 1992 - 2002.

With husband Joe, daughter Shelly, and son Brandon, Sharron moved to the islands in 1987. Her professional training and experience is in accounting, human resources and business management.

The topics Sharron will be discussing at Thursday's meeting include:

1. Services of the West Hawaii Liaison Office
2. Governor's initiatives for the Legislature
3. Education Reform Ballot Question in November

At the Club - NOTES FROM PRESIDENT BEV

The next work party at the Makaeo Walking/Jogging Path is set for this Saturday, February 7, 2004. Start time is 7:00 am and there will be a delicious barbecue at around 11 for all workers. If you have any equipment that we can use such as chain saws and wheel barrows please let PP Barbara Bush know @ 960-8292.

Member needs assistance - PP Ron Luizi is looking for a fellow Rotarian to provide him with a ride back and forth to meetings for the next few months. As we know, Ron recently had back surgery and is at home recovering, but not yet able to drive. Anyone who can help please call Ron @ 329-2083.

A special thanks to everyone who volunteered at the Mastercard Tournament!! It was a great success for everyone and the club is especially grateful to Ron and Kathy Hawkes for another great year!

If you haven't already received a letter requesting a donation for the Mastercard Mahalo Party scheduled for February 15, 2004, please consider making a donation to the party. Our volunteers worked long and hard and we want to provide them the best party ever. Any donations for prizes are welcome - please let Cheryl Holdcroft know if you can help.

President Bev will be "on leave" until February 22, 2004. Filling in will be PP Barbara Bush and President Elect Alan Clark. Any emails to president Bev will be responded to during that time period.

Coming Up

Greeters:

Alan Clark	02/12
Ken Clewett	02/19

Door Prize:

Mark McGuffie	02/12
Richard McDowell	02/19

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Programs:

SARA PECK	02/12
UH Sea Grant Extension Service	

TOM BROWN	02/19
Transit Operation Administrator for County of Hawaii	

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President's Position



How many different clubs or organizations to you belong to where fundraising is a huge part of what is required of your time? Judging by the amount of requests that we receive as business owners for donations, I think it would be safe to say that every organization on this Island has at one time or another put on an event to raise funds. Many of those groups do two or more events per year requiring hundreds of volunteer hours.

We are so blessed in our club to have the affiliation with the MasterCard Tournament of Champions that provides our club with in excess of \$25,000 per year. Through the incredible efforts of over 400 people, many of them Rotarians, our club is in the position of not having to do any additional fundraising activities. Not only does this tournament benefit the community financially through our club, but it also means we have more time to do other worthwhile projects.

For those of you who volunteered at this year's event - many thanks for your time. I hope that the experience was an enjoyable one and that you will join us again next year. To recognize everyone who helped this year, the Mahalo Party will be held on February 15, 2004 at the Old Airport Pavillion. Please come and join us for a great afternoon of fun, food, prizes and entertainment - our way of thanking you for Lending A Hand with Rotary this year.

At the Club - ROTARIAN DICK HERSHBERGER TO STAR IN "ANNIE."

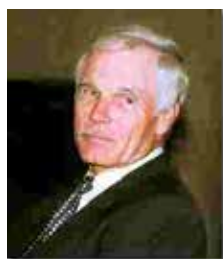
"ANNIE" is coming to the Kona coast.

Dick and his daughter Eden will both be a part of the cast of this warm and fuzzy musical that is being presented by The Aloha Performing Arts Company. Eden is Pepper, the sassy orphan always ready for a scrap and Dick has shaved his head to present that loveable old softy, millionaire, no make that billionaire Oliver Warbucks.

Dick says, "We hope that you'll put us on your schedule early as tickets will sell out for this, the only musical presentation for this year. I know that you'll enjoy it. Please tell your friends about our show. See you at the Aloha Theatre."

At RI - TED TURNER TALKS ABOUT ROTARY

"I would be proud and enthusiastic to be associated with Rotary in any way." TED TURNER



The son of a Rotarian and as a young man and a member himself, Turner says he still believes in Rotarian standards and values. "I've never heard of anything that Rotary has ever done that wasn't well-intended and well-thought out to make a significant improvement in the human condition," he says.

These days, improving life on the planet is Turner's main concern too. In 1994, he gave \$200 million to charities. Since 1996, when his pioneer media flagship, Turner Broadcasting System, merged with Time-Warner Inc. (he stepped down as vice chairman in 2003), Turner has evolved from business mogul into visionary humanitarian, donating much of his time and half his personal fortune to organizations devoted to health issues, environmental and wildlife preservation, human rights, and problems associated with unchecked population growth. In 2000, as chairman of the nonprofit Turner Foundation, he and his family authorized \$44 million for 574 grants to environmental and population control groups. Last year, the Turner Foundation, which he established in 1990, donated \$49 million to organizations involved in a variety of issues, including nuclear arms control, prevention of teen pregnancy, protecting the endangered whooping crane, and environmental cleanups in Russia.

But Turner's overriding concern today, he says, remains "the issue of global survival," by which he principally means the threat of nuclear annihilation. In 2000, after consultations with security experts worldwide and a personal meeting with Russia's President Vladimir Putin in Moscow, Turner pledged \$250 million to create the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI), a charitable fund aimed at reducing the threat posed by all weapons of mass destruction. Just two years later, NTI committed \$5 million to a project to remove a cache of uranium — the equivalent of two and a half nuclear bombs — from a reactor in Belgrade, Serbia and Montenegro. And, he says, that's just the start.

Simply put, Ted Turner wants to save the world. He believes that while "intelligent philanthropy is hard work," it is an effective tool for mobilizing good people to do good things. He once said: "Humanitarianism gives a purpose to my life, and it makes me feel good to know that I'm at least trying to help out, that my money is a positive force in the world."

Today, he adds fervently: "Look, I'd like to see a world where we see the nobility in people. A world without land mines — with kids outside playing. I'd like to see us all acting like



You Can Say That Again

"How you lose or keep your hair depends on how wisely you choose your parents." Edward R. Nida

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Just for Fun - "AND I'M NOT MAKING THIS UP!"

Recently, when I went to McDonald's I saw on the menu that you could have an order of 6, 9 or 12 Chicken McNuggets. I asked for a half dozen nuggets. "We don't have half dozen nuggets," said the teenager at the counter. "You don't?" I replied. "We only have six, nine, or twelve," was the reply. "So I can't order a half dozen nuggets, but I can order six?" "That's right." So I shook my head and ordered six McNuggets.

The paragraph above doesn't amaze me because of what happened a couple of months ago. I was checking out at the local Foodland with just a few items and the lady behind me put her things on the belt close to mine, picked up one of those "Dividers" that they keep by the cash register and placed it between our things so they wouldn't get mixed. After the girl had scanned all of my items, she picked up the "Divider" looking it all over for the bar code so she could scan it. Not finding the bar code she said to me, "Do you know how much this is?" I said to her "I've changed my mind, I don't think I'll buy that today." She said "OK" and I paid her for the things and left. She had no clue to what had just happened.

A lady at work was seen putting a credit card into her floppy drive and pulling it out very quickly. When inquired as to what she was doing, she said she was shopping on the Internet and they kept asking for a credit card number, so she was using the ATM "thingy."

I recently saw a distraught young lady weeping beside her car. "Do you need some help?" I asked. She replied, "I knew I should have replaced the battery to this remote door unlocker. Now I can't get into my car. Do you think they (pointing to a distant convenient store) would have a battery to fit this?" "Hmmm, I dunno. Do you have an alarm too?" I asked. "No, just this remote thingy," she answered, handing it and the car keys to me. As I took the key and manually unlocked the door, I replied, "Why don't you drive over there and check about the batteries. It's a long walk."

I was in a car dealership a while ago, when a large motor home was towed into the garage. The front of the vehicle was in dire need of repair and the whole thing generally looked like an extra in Twister." I asked the manager what had happened. He told me that the female driver had set the "cruise control" and then went in the back to make a sandwich.

Several years ago, we had an Intern who was none too swift. One day she was typing and turned to a secretary and said, "I'm almost out of typing paper. What do I do?" "Just use copier machine paper," the secretary told her. With that, the intern took her last remaining blank piece of paper, put it on the photocopier and proceeded to make five "blank" copies.

My neighbor works in the operations department in the central office of a large bank. Employees in the field call him when they have problems with their computers. One night he got a call from a woman in one of the branch banks who had this question: "I've got smoke coming from the back of my terminal. Do you guys have a fire downtown?"

Police in Radnor, Pennsylvania, interrogated a suspect by placing a metal colander on his head and connecting it with wires to a photocopy machine. The message "He's lying" was placed in the copier, and police pressed the copy button each time they thought the suspect wasn't telling the truth. Believing the "lie detector" was working, the suspect confessed.

"Life is tough. It's tougher if you're intellectually challenged."

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ROTARY & INTERACT CLUBS
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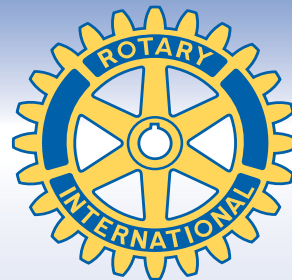
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At the Podium - NORMAN BERG, International Va'a Federation

Norman Berg will be joining us as the speaker on Thursday to talk about the IVF2004...International Va'a Federation Hilo World Sprints to be held on August 2004.

The challenge for the event planners sponsoring and funding this project is to have twenty six-men canoes and twenty one-man canoes built in time for the event. The one-man canoes have been already contracted to Tiger Canoes here locally in Kona!

Norman and John Kekua have been visiting local Rotary clubs across the island presenting not only the economic importance of this event to the county but also seeking the clubs' Kokua in supporting the event to make it a hallmark one for the year 2004. In terms of sports tourism and participation, canoe racing is a growing activity here on the Island of Hawai'i.

At the Club - RYLA CAMP TO BE HELD AT VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK

We have 4 students all enrolled for the first Big Island Ryla Camp to be held at Volcanoes National Park on Feb 20 & 21. RYLA stands for Rotary Youth Leadership Awareness. This is a wonderful opportunity for adult Rotarians as well to experience a weekend of communication and skill building with our youth. The program begins early, 7:30 on Saturday and runs until 4:00 pm Sunday.

The Kona Mauka club is sending 5 adults to become Rotarians. Do we have any takers from our club? While I realize it is short notice and we were all occupied with MasterCard, I hope someone would like to attend. Our club and the district pay for your expenses and you help drive students to and from the event. Call Ann Goody (331-8777 or 331-8778) if you are interested. ASAP please.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT MAHALOS!

A huge MAHALO goes out to all of you that were able to show up on Saturday, February 7th or Tuesday, February 10th for our Centennial Project workdays at the Makao Walking Jogging Path. Along with our partners, Friends for Fitness and PATH volunteers, we made some wonderful progress on pulling irrigation line, digging up fountain grass, planting some Kukui nut trees, and creating seedlings for our nursery! Thanks to Preston Crawl and his dump truck for TWO loads of soil, to Cindy Hope for obtaining all the irrigation materials and showing us what to do with them, to Larry Peckham for using his truck to haul Kiwi branches, to Rick Merschdorf for being our Chef, and to everyone else for your hard work: Tom Fine, Jr., Dave Schaeffer, Curt Nakayama, Bev & Mike Fraser, Barry Berning, Jill & Tom Tossberg, Ann Goodie, Emilie and Kostya, Fedro and Barbara Yanez, Barbara Kossow, and Diane Ilstrup (and to anyone I may have inadvertently omitted here).

THANK YOU!

Our next workdays are scheduled for Saturday, March 6th from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and Tuesday, March 9th from 4:00 p.m. to 6 p.m. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Rotary Prayer

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Happy Valentines Day! In two days each of us will have the opportunity to tell someone we love how much we

appreciate them in our lives. As a "chocoholic", Valentines Day is my favorite day of the year! Since the first week of the year I have been walking past all the Valentines candy and chocolates - such temptation!

This weekend is the Mastercard Mahalo Party to be held at the Old Airport Pavillion. If you were one of the many Rotarians that volunteered for this years event, please make sure you join us for a great day filled with plenty of food (thanks to Outback Steakhouse), lots of great entertainment and plenty of door prizes. It's an opportunity for us as Rotarians to share with all of the other volunteers what Rotary is all about and what we do in the community with the funds raised by this event. We are expecting almost 400 people this year, so come early and stay for a wonderful afternoon of fun.

A special thanks to Ron and Kathy Hawkes for the incredible job they did this year for us (as always). There were many new volunteers this year, along with many who have done the event for years, and the club is grateful for their time and effort. A special thanks to the Rotarians who gave of their time - many for the first time!

Thanks to everyone involved for Lending A Hand and making the event a success all around.

At the Club - MASTER CARD MAHALO PARTY

This Sunday, February 15th, we will host a Mahalo Party for the 450+ volunteers we coordinated for the M/C PGA Champions Tournament in January. Outback Steak House is catering the main course, and we are adding a delicious salad, sodas and beer, as well as desserts. WE NEED HELP getting all the stuff there, including a ton of give-a-ways. Plus we will need help in setting up and taking down the tables and chairs already at the pavilion.

We will be start setting up at 9:30 a.m. and finish around 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. PLEASE, COME JOIN IN THE FUN! If you can help pick up soda, beer or stuff from Costco, see Ron Hawkes.

HERE'S AN IDEA! Pick up a gift certificate to your favorite restaurant to be given away as a door prize. You may even win it for yourself.

At the Club - CLUB ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD AT MAKEO JOGGING PATH.

On Thursday, February 26, 2004 we will hold our meeting at the Rotary Centennial Project. We thought it would be a great way to get the whole club out to see what we are doing and have some fun in the process. Please join us!

NO, we will not be doing any project work that day, so no need to bring your work gloves and equipment! However, we will need some help with set up and take down.

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Please see or call Tom Fine, Sr. if you can help.

At the Club - DISTRICT ASSEMBLY COMING UP!

Mark you calendar to attend the Big Island District Assembly coming up on Saturday, March 27, 2004. We will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Waimea Elementary & Intermediate School. Carpooling will be available, see President Elect Alan Clark if you can attend.

This is a great opportunity for Rotarians "young and old" to learn more about Rotary. It's also a huge opportunity for the incoming Officers, directors, coordinators, etc... to become familiar with District Governor Elect Claude's initiatives for the 2004-05 Rotary year.

You Can Say That Again

"Every stress leaves an indelible scar and the organism pays for its survival after a stressful situation by becoming a little older." Dr. Hans Selye

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In the Community - "ICE" FORUM COMING UP THIS MONTH

The Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce announces an upcoming Ice Forum Workshop to be held at the Marriott Waikoloa Beach Hotel on Friday, Feb. 27th from 9am to 1:30 pm. This is co-sponsored by the N.Hawaii Drug Free Coalition and is entitled "Drug Prevention In The Workforce: Solutions For Small and Large Businesses". Billy Kenoi, Exec. Assistant to the Mayor is the keynote speaker and workshops will be on Signs & Symptoms of Drug Usage, Drug Testing, Proactive Employer Friendly Policy/Procedure, Employee Assistance Programs and different Intervention Strategies. In addition, a luncheon panel will share information about resources in the area and how the workforce can become more involved in community response to Ice activities. There will be resource tables and lots of information that will be handed out.

Registration opens at 8:30am and the fee is \$40.00 per person which includes lunch, workshop materials resources, etc. Reservations must be received by Wed. Feb. 25th. For more information and/or to register, contact the Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce at 329-1758, fax-329-8564 or email info@kona-kohala.com

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ENERGETIC SELF-STARTER: You'll be working on commission.

ENTRY LEVEL POSITION: We will pay you the lowest wages allowed by law.

EXPERIENCE REQUIRED: We do not know the first thing about any of this.

FAST LEARNER: You will get no training from us.

FLEXIBLE WORK HOURS: You will frequently work long overtime hours.

GOOD ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS: You'll be handling the filing.

MAKE AN INVESTMENT IN YOU FUTURE: This is a franchise or a pyramid scheme.

MANAGEMENT TRAINING POSITION: You'll be a salesperson with a wide territory.

MUCH CLIENT CONTACT: You handle the phone or make "cold calls" on clients.

MUST HAVE RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION: You will be required to break speed limits.

MUST BE ABLE TO LIFT 50 POUNDS: We offer no health insurance or chiropractors.

OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME: You will not find a lower salary for so much work.

PLANNING AND COORDINATION: You book the bosses travel arrangements.

QUICK PROBLEM SOLVER: You will work on projects months behind schedule already.

STRONG COMMUNICATION SKILLS: You will write tons of documentation and letters.

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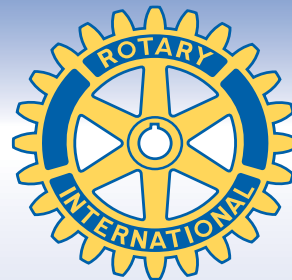
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At the Podium - TOM BROWN, Transit Administrator, County of Hawaii

Tom Brown is the Transit Administrator for the County of Hawaii. He has held that position since October, 2000. Community organizations that he participates in include the Rotary Club of Hilo (he is a Past President and Assistant Governor for East Hawaii), Hilo Downtown Improvement Association (currently Vice President), West Hawaii and East Hawaii Partnerships in Community Living, and North Hawaii Outcomes Project.

He will speak about current services, and future transportation programs planned for the island.

At the Club - HELP NEEDED FOR MEETING ON THE 26TH

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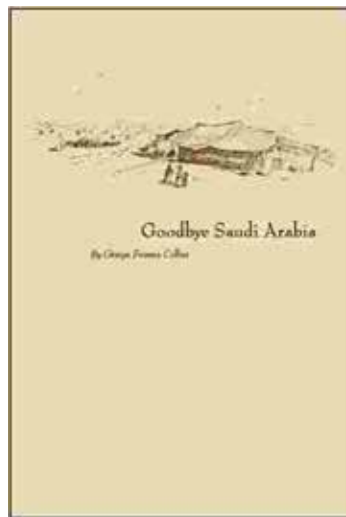
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If you can help please contact Tom Fine Sr at 325-1649. Mahalo.

At the Club - PAST KONA ROTARIAN PREMIERS FIRST BOOK



Long time Rotary Club of Kona member and local personality, George Collins has published his first book, the first of several George tells us. Chronicaling his and wife Nancy's years in Saudi Arabia and titled "Goodbye Saudi Arabia," the book is a wonderful collection of anecdotes and insight into a world very different from ours.



A book signing and discussion is scheduled for Saturday, February 28, at the Kona Outdoor Circle from 3:00 to 6:00 PM. The public is invited to join George and Nancy to "talk story" about this very interesting and exciting chapter in their lives.

Copies of the book will be available at the signing and can also be purchased on-line at www.trafford.com.

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President's Position



It's that time of year again! (No it's not Christmas yet!!)

Every year in February, students in the local school begin putting in their applications for

scholarships with various groups. It has been a privilege for our Rotary Club to offer a \$4,000 scholarship to a student in Kona and area for the past several years. Our club, through funds received from the MasterCard Champions Tour, will again be offering our scholarship (now called the Jim and Sis Beddingfield Scholarship) to a student this year. The Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation, which monitors the scholarships, is hopeful to add an additional scholarship this year - possibly an Adult Learning Scholarship. I have had the opportunity to be on the interview panel for both the HRYF and our club scholarship, and it is one of the most difficult jobs to have to choose only one student from those that apply - all of them are so deserving.

The Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation is currently obligated to three scholarships: Mason Donald (2001) \$1,000; Aaron Madriaga (2002) \$2,000; Rebecca Petrowich (2003) \$3,000. Without a doubt, investing in these students through the scholarship program is truly worthwhile.

In addition to our local scholarship, The Rotary organization has several types of scholarships for our youth. There is the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation scholarship, the Ambassadorial Scholarship, and Rotary Peace Scholarships. For more information on any of the Rotary Scholarships, visit the rotary web site at rotary.org.

If you know someone who you think would make an excellent candidate for any of the Rotary Scholarships, please contact Curt Nakayama, our scholarship chair, or Ann Goody, Youth Services Chair.

At the Club - VOLUNTEER MAHALO PARTY A SMASHING SUCCESS!



Last Sunday many of you participated in the M/C PGA Tournament of Champions Volunteer Mahalo Party sponsored by the club. Special thanks go to all those folks that helped put the party on for the volunteers: Ron & Kathy Hawkes, Bev Fraser, Cheryl Holdcroft, Cathie Amelotte, Barbara Kossow, Kalei, and Sally, Barbara Bush, Diane Ilstrup, Don Johnson, Dick Buffington, Ken Kjer, Wendy Clark, Bob Weiss, Chris Hazard, Bill and Cindy Armer, Charlie, Dwight, and Dustyn Kaiawe, Becky and Ron Goostree, Al Droscofi and to all the others that pitched in and made the event a success.



Without the 450+ volunteers from our community and club, the tournament would not have been the success it was, nor would our Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation receive the generous donation of some \$27,500+ from the PGA!

Special thanks goes to the Outback Steak House for providing the meat and rice for our event this year.

Congratulations to all for a JOB WELL DONE!

At RI - "CELEBRATE ROTARY," PRESIDENT-ELECT ESTESS NEW THEME

RI President-elect Glenn Estess Sr. unveiled the 2004-05 theme "Celebrate Rotary" at the International Assembly in Anaheim, California, USA, on 16 February. He explained to 529 incoming district governors gathered at this important training meeting that the new theme was inspired by the desire to celebrate in the Centennial year the ideals that Rotary's founders stood for and that have influenced generations of Rotarians to do good throughout the world.

"We are now approaching the 100th anniversary of their action — a simple meeting between four businessmen," the RI president-elect remarked in the 20-minute address announcing the centennial year theme and program. "And when we celebrate all of the wonderful things that have happened as a result of that action, I will be asking all Rotarians to join me as we embrace our theme in 2004-05 and Celebrate Rotary."

"I am asking each of you to be an instrument for peace and take the Every Rotarian, Every Year message to your heart and to your Rotary clubs," said the president-elect. "Every Rotarian, Every Year is based on the idea of taking a positive action."



You Can Say That Again

"Dreaming permits each and every one of us to be quietly and safely insane every night of our lives." Dr. William C. Dement

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Just for Fun - YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING!

WILL THE REAL DUMMY PLEASE STAND UP?

AT&T fired President John Walter after nine months, saying he lacked intellectual leadership. He received a \$26 million severance package. Perhaps it's not Walter who's lacking intelligence.

WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS.

Police in Oakland, California spent two hours attempting to subdue a gunman who had barricaded himself inside his home. After firing ten tear gas canisters, officers discovered that the man was standing beside them in the police line, shouting, "Please come out and give yourself up."

WHAT WAS PLAN B?

An Illinois man, pretending to have a gun, kidnapped a motorist and forced him to drive to two different automated teller machines, wherein the kidnapper proceeded to withdraw money from his own bank accounts.

THE GETAWAY!

A man walked into a Topeka, Kansas Kwik Stop, and asked for all the money in the cash drawer. Apparently, the take was too small, so he tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself for three hours until police showed up and grabbed him.

DID I SAY THAT?

Police in Los Angeles had good luck with a robbery suspect who just couldn't control himself during a lineup. When detectives asked each man in the lineup to repeat the words, "Give me all your money or I'll shoot, the man shouted, "That's not what I said!"

ARE WE COMMUNICATING?

A man spoke frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!" "Is this her first child?" the doctor asked. "No!" the man shouted, "This is her husband!"

NOT THE SHARPEST TOOL IN THE SHED.


In Modesto, California, Steven Richard King was arrested for trying to hold up a Bank of America branch without a weapon. King used a thumb and a finger to simulate a gun, but unfortunately, he failed to keep his hand in his pocket. (hello)

THE GRAND FINALE:


Last summer, down on Lake Isabella, located in the high desert, an hour east of Bakersfield, California, some folks, new to boating, were having a problem. No matter how hard they tried, they couldn't get their brand new 22 ft going. It was very sluggish in almost every maneuver, no matter how much power was applied.

After about an hour of trying to make it go, they putted to a nearby marina, thinking someone there could tell them what was wrong. A thorough topside check revealed everything in perfect working condition. The engine ran fine, the out drive went up and down, and the prop was the correct size and pitch. So, one of the marina guys jumped in the water to check underneath, he came up choking on water, he was laughing so hard. NOW REMEMBER ...THIS IS TRUE... Under the boat, still strapped securely in place, was the trailer!

Reach for Your Dreams



Herman Frazier
UH Manoa Director of Athletics & Olympic Gold Medalist
Frazier took charge as the new athletics director for the University of Hawaii Manoa's 19-sports, \$16 million athletics program on August 1st 2003.



Free Public Lecture
Tuesday, February 24th
6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Four Seasons Hualalai
(Seating limited to 150)

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The Visiting University of Hawaii Professors, Deans, and Directors Lecture Series are free public lectures offered by Hawaii Community College and UH Center, West Hawaii in partnership with University of Hawaii Manoa.

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ROTARY CLUB OF KONA
Event: Master Card Mahalo Party.
Place: Old Airport Pavilion
Cost: FREE
Includes: Lots of fun, food and prizes.
Contact: Ron Hawkes

Feb 21, 2004, Sat, 9:30A
ROTARY CLUB OF VOLCANO
Event: Founders' Day Benefit Golf Tournament.
Place: Volcano Golf Club
Cost: \$99, Banquet Only: \$25
Includes: Greens fees, cart, continental breakfast, on-course refreshments, awards banquet, gifts and great prizes.
Contact: Albert Jeyte @ 967-7366 or www.volcanorotary.org
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At the Podium - CLUB ASSEMBLY



This week we are meeting at the Makaeo Walking/Jogging Path at the Old Airport. As we all know, work on the path is our Club's Centennial Project. This will be a great opportunity for the many Kona Rotary volunteers to show off their hard work, and the many who haven't yet volunteered to see what is being done and get excited about the project.

Plan to come early and help set up and/or stay late and help take down. Don't miss this very important meeting and chance to learn more about your Centennial Project.

At the Club - RYLA OUTING REPORT FROM ANN GOODY

Our 4 great RYLA kids from Kealahou High School made it to the KMC camp at Volcanoes thanks to two amazing Rotarians who stepped forward to take them! From the 5:30 am pick up on Saturday in the Wal Mart parking lot to the return late Sunday, Jerry Coiner with wife Aloise and Dick Denison were Rylarians for this wonderful weekend event.

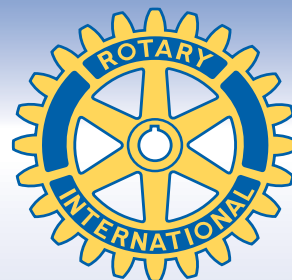
The word back from the kids is that they all had a terrific time and their arms are sore from all the team building activities. Something we'll get to hear more about when they come and tell us what the weekend was about.

At the Club - DISTRICT ASSEMBLY COMING UP IN MARCH

Just a reminder that the District Assembly is coming up in March. The Assembly will be held in Waimea on Saturday, March 27, at the Waimea Elementary/Intermediate School, from 8:30AM to about 2:30 PM.

All Rotary members in the District are urged to attend and the gathering promises to provide an opportunity to learn a great deal about the workings and organization of your District.

The Assembly is of particular importance for all incoming Board and Committee members. See President Elect Alan Clark for more information.



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This Week

Feb 26, 2004

Old Airport Makaeo
Walking/Jogging Path

Program: CLUB ASSEMBLY

Greeter: Bill Cliff

Door Prize: Dick Lundholm

Coming Up

Greeters:

Tina Clothier	03/04
Jerry Coiner	03/11

Door Prize:

Janet Lum Won	03/04
Ron Luizzi	03/11

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Programs:

TBA	03/04
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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



Lucky we live Hawaii! We often hear people say that, but don't really give it a second thought.

After being on the mainland for two weeks I really do feel lucky - or rather blessed - to be living in Hawaii.

During the two weeks in Canada, I had plenty of time to reflect on how rich my life is. Friendships that have passed the test of time and distance; family that have survived many challenges of life; and the knowledge that no matter where I live family and friends will always be the center of it all.

While being away had it's joys and moments of sadness, I am happy to be back. I missed the routine of life, even though I enjoyed the break from it. I certainly missed the regular meetings of our club, while at the same time enjoyed meetings of other Rotary Clubs. I'm looking forward to the next four months as President of the club and am doing so with a renewed sense of energy and faith (that is as soon as I warm up and get rid of my cold!)

A special thanks to Past President Barbara Bush and President Elect Alan Clark for running the meetings, and to all of you for Lending a Hand during my absence.

At the Hilo Bay Club - HAWAII ISLAND TEEN PARENT TO BE AWARDED \$1000.00 SCHOLARSHIP

The Rotary Club of Hilo Bay is currently accepting applications for its "Teen Parent Scholarship." The scholarship awards a Hawaii Island teen parent with up to \$1000.00 to be used to continue his or her adult education. The simple two-page application is available at the Hawaii Community College and the University of Hawaii at Hilo, Prince Kuhio Plaza customer service counter as well as at the Community Technology Center Hawaii at 200 Kanoelehua Avenue Suite 105. Completed applications are due no later than May 31, 2004.

"We are extremely pleased to once again be able to award a deserving teen parent with this scholarship," said Nate Chang, President of the Rotary Club of Hilo Bay. "Faced with the additional responsibility of raising a child of their own, it is often difficult for teen parents to continue their adult education. "We hope that by assisting financially, the Rotary Club of Hilo Bay can encourage teen parents to pursue a college degree," continued Chang.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Were 19 years old or younger at the time they first became a parent
- Are currently a parent and primary caregiver of at least one living child under 18 years old
- Are a current resident of the Big Island of Hawaii
- Will have received a high school diploma or equivalent by September 1, 2004
- Are currently attending or planning on attending an accredited institution of learning including but not limited to Hawaii Community College or the University of Hawaii at Hilo.

Applicants can be either male or female. Applicants do not need to have just recently graduated from high school; parents who have stayed home to care for their child and now want to return to school are eligible. For more information please call Barbara Radford, Scholarship Committee Chair. Phone: 1-808-934-7748; email: babsradford@verizon.net

At RI - ROTARIANS ADVISED TO DELETE SCAM E-MAILS

The Internet abounds with useful information, but it also can be riddled with fraudulent offers and schemes. The Rotary world is not immune to e-mail scams, which come in many guises but have the common goal of bilking money from Rotarians worldwide.

Offers to transfer money into a special account are among the most typical cases. One recent e-mail scam mentioned Rotary several times and was circulated among Rotary club members around the world. The fraudulent message even uses Rotary's current theme, Lend a Hand, as a plea for personal gain via "investment opportunities" that the sender asks the recipient to consider.

Rotarians who have received this and similar messages are advised to delete them immediately. Club members should also take precautions when including e-mail addresses on Web pages and online forums, where privacy is compromised. By sharing e-mail addresses in messages that are posted on Rotary club or district Web sites that are not secure, Rotarians may unknowingly make themselves and their clubs vulnerable to scams.

Rotarians are also advised to exercise caution with organizational publications, such as the Official Directory, which is published for Rotarians and is not to be distributed to non-Rotarians. The directory includes e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, and other sensitive data, and cannot be used as a commercial mailing list. The Official Directory is not for sale on the Internet; it is distributed to club secretaries and can be purchased in quantity by clubs.

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ONLY IN AMERICA.....do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do we use the word 'politics' to describe the process so well: 'Poli' in Latin meaning 'many' and 'tics' meaning 'bloodsucking creatures'.

ONLY IN AMERICA.....do they have drive-up ATM machines with Braille lettering.

Just for Fun - EVER WONDER?

Why the sun lightens our hair, but darkens our skin?

Why women can't put on mascara with their mouth closed?

Why don't you ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"? !

Why is "abbreviated" such a long word?

Why is it that doctors call what they do "practice"?

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor, and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?

Why is the man who invests all your money called a broker?

Why is the time of day with the slowest traffic called rush hour?

Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?

Why do they sterilize the needle for lethal injections?

You know that indestructible black box that is used on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?!

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

If con is the opposite of pro, is Congress the opposite of progress?

If flying is so safe, why do they call the airport the terminal?

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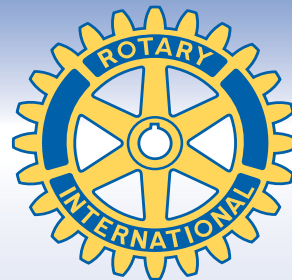
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Our program this week will have two topics.

The first presentation will be about the Rotary Youth Leadership Awareness program, with an introduction by Dr. Erin Goody.

Four students participated in the recent weekend long program along with Jerry Coiner and Dick Dennison. The students will share with us briefly their experiences. Jerry and Dick will also share their experiences and feelings about the weekend.

Sandra Taosaka, a School Renewal Specialist from the Department of Education, whose current assignment is to the Konawaena Complex, will speak briefly about the invitation to the Rotary Club of Kona Rotarians to visit the local schools.

She will be providing information about the process of visiting the local schools and the proper format for signing up to visit the school, etc. There will be a handout provided.

Standards in Action Schools.....

As you have read in the local West Hawaii'i newspapers, the issue of school performance, informed parents, and an informed community are all issues of importance in the support of public education in West Hawaii and in this state.

Current requirements imposed by No Child Left Behind, the resulting test scores in the preliminary work done under this requirement, and data collected by the Price Waterhouse survey all combine to make it even more important that an informed and supportive public understand the needs of local schools, teachers, and students.

As Alvin Rho, our local DOE Complex Area Superintendent has shared with us, it is very important to have community members visit and observe the classrooms and schools and also have a chance to personally meet our local teachers and students and hear from them about the changes taking place in our schools.

We're invited to participate and visit our local schools during the month of March.

At the Club - CLUB ASSEMBLY HELD AT MAKAEAO WALKING/JOGGING PATH

Last weeks meeting was at the Makaeo Walking/Jogging Path at the Old Airport. As we all know, work on the path is our Club's Centennial Project. Several members showed up to enjoy a delicious mix-plate lunch, up-date in several avenues of service and a lively discussion about feral cats at the path. Tom Daniel shared the message of a bumper sticker he spotted recently in town, "So many cats, so few recipes."

Members also learned about the exciting new sport for seniors known as "Gate Ball." The game is similar to croquet but with more rules and much more skill required. The club is putting together a team for an upcoming event here in Kona. Contact Dick Herschberger if you are interested in being on the team.

Coming Up

Greeters:	
Jerry Coiner	03/11
Preston Crowl	03/18

Door Prize:	
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Programs:	
TBA	03/11
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President's Position



Of all the programs that our club has been or is involved with, the one at or near the top of my list is the Youth Exchange

Program. Our club, in part due to the incredible hard work and dedication of Mike Gardner, has always had a strong Youth Exchange program. We have over the years, hosted many students from different corners of the world and have sent students to far away places as well. If you have ever hosted one of these students, you will have seen the remarkable difference in the student from the time they arrive until the time they leave. Many of us still keep in touch with the students we have hosted, and consider them part of the family.

Although the program itself is excellent, it really depends on the student who is chosen as to how well it will work. When mixed with cultural differences and different host families, sometimes the student simply doesn't grasp the ideals of what Rotary Youth Exchange is all about. When this happens, it is easy to lay blame wherever possible. All kinds of questions are asked (as they should be) and when all avenues have been explored to retain the student, sometimes the decision to send the student back home is the only answer. It is truly unfortunate when this happens, but I am confident that in this case all avenues were explored and I commend all those involved for making the ultimate and correct decision.

Youth Exchange will always be an important aspect of Rotary, and should be fully supported with the knowledge that when it works it is an incredible experience. Let's not let this one experience negate the value of what the Youth Exchange experience can provide to both students and host families.

Az RI - A MESSAGE FROM RI PRESIDENT JONATHAN MAJIYAGBE

Dear fellow Rotarians,

March is the month in which Rotarians and their partners in service celebrate Rotaract, and this year we observe the 36th anniversary of this vital, Rotary-sponsored service club program for young men and women ages 18 to 30. With clubs in more than 150 countries, Rotaract is preparing some 170,000 young leaders to better serve their communities.



This month, I'm wearing a shirt style first popularized in northern and northeastern Thailand, a country that is home to 54 Rotaract clubs. Such shirts, called sua parajathan, are designed for mobility and comfort. The formal, white version that I'm wearing was traditionally reserved for temple, but more recently, it has also been worn for local festivals and celebrations. Casual variations are seen today throughout Southeast Asia. More than 125 years old, the functional sua parajathan has adapted over time to remain an essential aspect of Thai culture.

As Rotarians, we are always looking for ways we can ensure the continued relevance of our organization. One of the most effective ways to keep in step with the times and prepare for the future is supporting RI's programs for youths and young adults. Through programs such as Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Youth Exchange, and Rotaract, we have a unique opportunity to ready tomorrow's leaders and expand our efforts to promote goodwill on a global level.

Rotarians play an important role in the Rotaract program, serving as leaders and mentors for an enthusiastic group of young men and women. In turn, Rotarians reap rewards from their participation. Rotaract members share their youthful energy and enthusiasm with their sponsoring clubs, provide valuable support for existing projects, and contribute fresh ideas for service. Equipped with the skills and inspiration necessary to become leaders in their communities, some Rotaractors become Rotarians. Others go on to lead and contribute to their communities in different ways. Whatever their futures hold, the experiences these young adults derive as members of local Rotaract clubs prepare them to carry on our tradition of service.

In addition to celebrating World Rotaract Week, districts everywhere will be holding presidents-elect training seminars (PETS) this month. These training sessions, whether single-district or multidistrict events, are designed to prepare club presidents for the coming Rotary year and are critical to the ongoing success of clubs and districts.

Strong leaders possess a natural ability to set goals, strategize, and communicate. But even the most dynamic natural leaders can falter if they are not prepared for the task at hand. When we support training opportunities like PETS and youth programs such as Rotaract, we help guarantee a steady flow of confident, educated, and prepared Rotary leaders.

It has often been said that preparation is half the battle. This month and every month, I encourage you to prepare for the future by supporting RI's up-and-coming leaders, so that we can continue to Lend a Hand in service for years to come. Supporting and caring for youth is Rotary's investment in the future.

You Can Say That Again

"When you look at a city, it's like reading the hopes, aspirations and pride of everyone who built it." *Hugh Newell Jacobsen*

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Just for Fun - GETTING BETTER NOT OLDER - OR NOT

A man was telling his neighbor, "I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me four thousand dollars, but it's state of the art. It's perfect."

"Really," answered the neighbor. "What kind is it?" "Twelve thirty."

Morris, an 82 year-old man went to the Doctor to get a physical. A few days later the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young lady on his arm.

A couple of days later the doctor spoke to the man and said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?" Morris replied, "Just doing what you said, Doctor: 'Get a hot mamma and be cheerful.' "

The Doctor said, "I didn't say that. I said you got a heart murmur. Be careful."

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on 280 Interstate. Please be careful!"

"It's not just one car," said Herman. "It's hundreds of them!"

An elderly gent was invited to his old friends' home for dinner one evening. He was impressed by the way his buddy preceded every request to his wife with endearing terms-- Honey, My Love, Darling, Sweetheart, Pumpkin etc. The couple had been married almost 70 years and, clearly, they were still very much in love.

While the wife was in the kitchen, the man leaned over and said to his host, "I think it's wonderful that, after all these years, you still call your wife those loving pet names."

The old man hung his head. "I have to tell you the truth," he said, "I forgot her name about 10 years ago."

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"ANNIE" THE MUSICAL
Event: Aloha Performing Arts Presentaion.
Place: Aloha Theatre, Kainaliu.
Times: Thur - Sat, 7:30P
Sun 2:30P.
Cost: \$15 General Admission, \$10 Students/Seniors.
Contact: Tickets at Borders, Mele Kai Music, Aloha Angel Cafe or 322-2122

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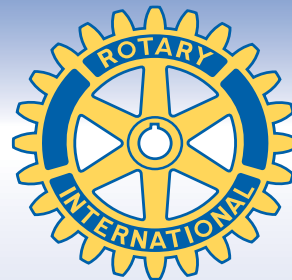
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Jeff Smith, NELHA 03/25

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At the Podium - UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SEA GRANT, Sara Peck

Sara Peck, Education Specialist West Hawaii is currently with the UH Sea Grant Extension Service, School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology, SOEST located at the Natural Energy Lab. She has worked here in West Hawai'i for approximately nine years.

Well known in the community for her events and activities related to SOEST, Sara previously was the UH Sea Grant Education Director of the Waikiki Aquarium, and a teacher of marine science and related topics in formal and informal settings in Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Belize, Cayman Island and Turks and Caicos Islands.

Popular activities such as the well attended Reef Talks, her work with the West Hawaii Fisheries Council and the Reef Teacher programs all help inform and involve local residents, students, and a concerned public in marine science topics and environmental issues.

Her topic for the Rotary Club meeting is: University of Hawaii SEA GRANT in West Hawai'i. She will highlight the multi faceted approach to education and outreach here in our community to raise awareness and understanding of our marine and costal resources. The goal is to have Rotary members be able to know what Sea Grant is doing and to encourage community members to join volunteer programs that protect and preserve our unique habitat.

She will be giving a power point presentation.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT WORK DAY THIS SATURDAY

PLEASE come out to the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path this Saturday, March 13th to help with our Centennial Project. This is also our Malama Aina Day project. We've invited the Interact Club to join us (although the Senior Ball is Saturday evening...) We'll do have some clean up to do as some damage was done a couple of weeks ago from all the rain and wind. We also have 30 holes to dig for trees to be planted, and trees to plant. It's always a fun and exhilarating morning topped off with a great BBQ and potluck. Come out and Join in the Fun! We'll start at 7A and be done by 11:30A.



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If I were to ask you who the most influential person in your life was - who would that be? Perhaps the person would be

a teacher, a coach, or someone that you didn't know personally but effected your life in immeasurable ways. In any event, we all have had at least one person who helped shape our lives.

For me, that person was Winifred Weir. I met Winn when I first moved to the Columbia Valley in 1978 and was immediately impressed by her. During the many years that followed, I had the pleasure of working with her in many volunteer capacities. I almost think that if you looked up the word "volunteer" or "community leader" in the dictionary, that her picture would be here. During her lifetime she worked diligently at causes she believed in, and was often rewarded for her efforts. She was honored many times by the community in which she lived, as well as by the provincial and federal governments for her tireless efforts. Her recent passing was noted on the front page of the local newspaper, and the article outlining her achievements took up the full page.

I know that none of you knew her personally. I also know that each of you have a person in your life that was as influential as Winn was for me. Let's take what these people have taught us about being a mentor and pass it on to the next generation.

And yes - Winn was a Rotarian who truly believed in Service Above Self.

At the Club - TRI CLUB SOCIAL - A WHALE OF A GOOD TIME

On Sunday March 7, 2004 members of the Rotary Club of Kona, Rotary Club of Kona Mauka and North Hawaii Rotary Clubs joined together for a memorable tri club social - a whale watching cruise aboard the Fairwinds.

It was a picture perfect day to watch whales - and to just relax and visit with fellow Rotarians. After a short trip from Kealahou Bay north, we came upon a mama whale and her baby, along with her escort. Everyone waited patiently, scanning the waters and soon they each appeared taking turns showing off. It was quite a spectacular display enjoyed by everyone.

A special thanks to Heidi Stromberg for arranging the trip - and for providing the munchies and the trivia prizes. To everyone who came and enjoyed the afternoon - I hope you had as much fun as I did and I look forward to the next special social event.



Lyn & Sue Walton



Tom Fine on the Lookout



Whales Ahoy

At the Club - HELP NEEDED FOR GATE BALL TOURNAMENT

5-6 volunteers are needed to assist in the Gateball Tournament on Monday, March 15, 2003. We need folks from 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. A sign up sheet will be circulated at Thursdays meeting. Cathie Amelotte will give a brief presentation.

At District 5000 - THIRD AND FINAL ROTOPLAST MISSION

The third and final Rotaplast mission to Cebu, Philippines on October 19 to 31, 2004 has spaces for five (6) D5000 medical Rotarians. Please inform any of your members who may have interest that we still need a facial plastic surgeon, an anesthesiologist, a dentist and a speech pathologist. All expenses are paid for medical volunteers. D5000 medical Rotarians have first chance at the slots. After that they will be offered to Hawaii medical volunteers.

In the Community - MALAMA AINA COMMUNITY CLEANUP DAY

Malama Aina Community Cleanup Day is Saturday, March 13, 2004. Kona Outdoor Circle is coordinating the efforts of many groups Island wide to make our island home more clean, green, and beautiful. Please contact one of the following area coordinators to participate. Trash bags will be provided and can be picked up from the coordinators: Kona Outdoor Circle, Joan Lamont @ 329-7286; Waikoloa Outdoor Circle, Colette Cobb @ 883-8009; Malama 'O Puna, Rene Siracusa @ 965-9254; Ocean View Chamber, Bob Zeller @ 939-9282; or Hilo Downtown Improvement Association @ 935-8850. You can also visit the Kona Outdoor circle website for details and a participation form at www.konaoutdoorcircle.org.

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"Our consciences are littered like an old attic with the junk of sheer conviction." Wilford O. Cross

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In the Community - A HEADS-UP ON NEW CAR JACKING SCHEME

You walk across the parking lot, unlock your car and get inside. Then you lock all your doors, start the engine and shift into REVERSE. Habit! You look into the rear-view window to back out of your parking space and you notice a piece of paper, some sort of advertisement stuck to your rear window.

So, you shift it into PARK, unlock your doors and jump out of your vehicle to remove that paper (or whatever it is) that is obstructing your view... when you reach the back of your car, that is when the car-jackers jump out of no where ... jump into your car and take off..... your engine was running, your purse is in the car, and they practically mow you down as they speed off in your car.

BE AWARE OF THIS NEW SCHEME! Just drive away and remove the paper that is stuck to your window later ... and be thankful that got this heads-up. Courtesy of Dick and Arlene. Thanks for the tip.

In the Community - CRUISE SHIP FORUM

A public forum "Cruise Ships in Hawaii Let's Do it Right" will take place Thursday March 11 at the Kona Outdoor Circle from 6-8pm. The forum is co-sponsored by Clean Cruising Coalition and the Hawaii County Department of Research and Development. For more information call 329-1568. A cruise ship forum is also being held in Kea'au on Friday March 12 from 6:30-8:30 at Kea'au Community Center. For information call 968-8965.

These forums follow a two-day Cruise Ship Task Force Meeting requested by the Mayor, organized by Shana Ross of the Mayor's Office, moderated by Jane Testa, Dept of Research and Development Director and facilitated by Tim O'Connell of the USDA. The mandate of the Task Force was to identify the issues and propose solutions to deal with the increasing cruise ship traffic on the Big Island.

The meeting was attended by about 40 individuals from government, business and the private sector with knowledge, experience or concerns about the issues.

Just for Fun - CROSSING THE RIVER

One day, three men were hiking and unexpectedly came upon a large raging, violent river. They needed to get to the other side, but had no idea of how to do so. The first man prayed to God, saying, "Please, God, give me the strength to cross this river."

Poof! God gave him big arms and strong legs, and he was able to swim across the river in about two hours, after almost drowning a couple of times.

Seeing this, the second man prayed to God, saying, "Please, God, give me the strength. And the tools to cross this river."

Poof! God gave him a rowboat and he was able to row across the river in about an hour, after almost capsizing the boat a couple of times.

The third man had seen how this worked out for the other two, so he also prayed to God saying "Please, God, give me the strength and the tools - and the intelligence - to cross this river."

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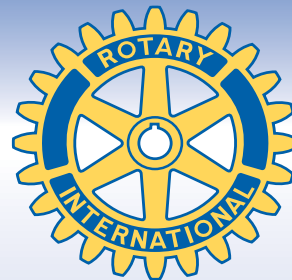
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Representative from Kohala



PERSONAL

Born July 26, 1952, Urbana, Illinois, Married, Democrat

EDUCATION

B.A. Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington

PROFESSIONAL

American Telephone and Telegraph, 1968 - 1981, Customer Service
Representative, Union Steward, AFL-CIO

Washington State Government, 1982 - 1995, Natural Resources Manager, Real
Estate Agent, Facility Manager

Columbia Pacific Healthcare Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia, 1996 - 1998, Development
Executive

Waikoloa Village Outdoor Circle, 2000 - 2002, President

COMMUNITY

Hawaii Association of Career and Technical Education, Board Member

Family Support Services West Hawaii, Board Member

League of Women Voters, member

Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce, member

Waikoloa Village Outdoor Circle, member

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Education (Vice-Chair)

Energy and Environmental Protection

Higher Education

Water, Land Use and Hawaiian Affairs

Coming Up

Greeters:

Kathy Damon	03/25
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Door Prize:

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Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure,
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President's Position



As business people we all know the value of marketing and advertising our company.

Promotion of our business is how we let our customers in the community know who we are and what we do. Without advertising - how would the public know you exist?

The same can be said for Rotary. Although we don't have a product or service to sell, it is still important that we let the community know we exist. We can do this in a number of ways that are both effective and low cost.

We can involve the newspaper by letting them know of our events and our projects. An even better way is to keep Rotary at the top of people's minds on a constant and daily basis. Most people recognize the Rotary logo - we should be displaying it proudly wherever possible such as decals at your place of business or on your rear window or bumper. Display the Ethics of Business in full view of your customers - along with the four-way test. Wear your Rotary member pin on a daily basis - not just on Thursday's.

With a little imagination we can let this community know that Rotary is alive and well and is truly helping to make a difference both here and around the world.

At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT MAHALO

A huge mahalo goes out to all those involved in the Malama'aina Day Centennial Project workday last Saturday at the Old Airport State Park. We cleared a ton of storm damage while cleaning up at the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path, filling the green waste container to the brim with three kiawe trees that had been downed as well as the huge pile of debris we had previously gathered. In addition, through the expert help of Preston Crawl and Dave Schaeffer, we saved a Monkey Pod tree that had been uprooted.

Preston Crawl brought in his tractor and he and Dave Schaeffer along with their chain saws pruned the tree and then got it upright. Preston ran off and picked up 3 yards of soil donated by Soils Plus for the project and now, hopefully the tree will live!

In addition, we did some weed eating, tried to mow the lawn on the north side (but the lawn mowers weren't cooperative), as well as had people painting the picnic tables on the beach side, and a group cleaning up at the small park on the south side of the pavilion. Joining us for Malama'aina day were volunteers from Friends for Fitness, Solid Rock Ministries, PATH, Kona Outdoor Circle, the Elks Club, and the Kealahake Interact Club. Mahalo to all for your hard work and perseverance.

For those of you unable to make these wonderfully fun and fruitful workdays, please consider making a monetary donation to the Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation for the Centennial Project. We welcome your support in any fashion you are willing to give it!



You Can Say That Again

"Our consciences are littered like an old attic with the junk of sheer conviction." Wilford O. Cross

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At the Club - CENTURY BUILDERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Alan Clark, President Elect, reminds incoming board members, committee chairs and other interested Rotarians that the first board meeting for the incoming board will be held tonight, March 18, at 5:00pm at the West Hawaii Today Board Room.

*Let's Interact* - INTERACT CARWASH THIS WEEKEND

The annual Interact Car Wash is scheduled for this Saturday from 9am-3pm at Lanihau Shopping Center (near Bank of Hawaii). As is Interact tradition, they wash cars for free and have the students get pledges for each car washed. They'd love to have Rotarians come by and have the Interactors wash their cars...and if any Rotarians want to help out, that'd be great too.

This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the Interact Orphan Sponsorship Program. All Rotarians are urged to support this event through a pledge or outright donation.

Just for Fun - THANKS FOR THE CHAIN LETTERS

To all my friends, thanks to you for sending me chain letters in 2003:

- * I stopped drinking Coca Cola after I found out that it's good for removing toilet stains.
- * I stopped going to the movies for fear of sitting on a needle infected with AIDS.
- * I smell like a dog since I stopped using deodorants because they cause cancer.
- * I don't leave my car in the parking lot or any place and sometimes I even have to walk about 7 blocks for fear that someone will drug me with a perfume sample and try to rob me.
- * I also stopped answering the phone for fear that they ask me to dial a number and then I get an outrageous phone bill with calls to Uganda, Singapore and Tokyo.
- * I stopped consuming several foods fearing that estrogens they contain may turn me gay.
- * I also stopped eating chicken and hamburgers because they are made of nothing other than horrible mutant freaks with no eyes or feathers that are bred in a lab.
- * I also stopped drinking anything out of a can for fear that I will get sick from the rat feces and urine.
- * I think I'm turning gay because when I go to parties, I don't look at a girl no matter how pretty she is, for fear that she will take my kidneys and leave me sleeping in a bathtub of ice.
- * I also donated all my savings to the Amy Bruce account. A sick girl that was about to die in the hospital about 7,000 times. Funny that girl, she's been 7 since 1993...
- * I went bankrupt from bounced checks that I made expecting the \$15,000 that Microsoft and AOL were supposed to send me when I participated in their special e-mail program.
- * My Ericsson phone never arrived and neither did the passes for a paid vacation to Disneyland.
- * But I am positive that all this is the cause of a chain that I broke or forgot to follow and I got a curse from the devil.

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Mar 18, 2004, Thur, 5:00P-6:00P
CENTURY BUILDERS
Event: Board of Directors meeting.
Place: West Hawaii Today conference room.
Contact: Alan Clark.

Mar 20, 2004, Sat, 9:00A-3:00P
INTERACT CAR WASH
Event: Annual Car Wash to support the orphanages in India.
Place: Lanihau Shopping Center.
Includes: Clean Cars.
Contact: Yanna Lewis

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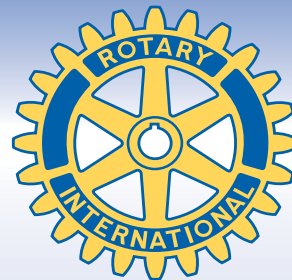
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Mar 25, 2004

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Greeter: Kathy Damon

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At the Podium - WHAT'S NEW AT NELHA, Jeff Smith, Executive Director

Jeff Smith has been the Executive Director of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, Authority since December 2000.

Jeff Smith retired from the U. S. Marine Corps in 1991 after 23 years of service. Since military retirement in Hawaii he has worked in the tourist industry and subsequently the service industry. In 1994 Jeff went to work for Browning-Ferris Industries (BFI) as the Hawaii Island Facility Manager and in 1996 purchased the Company from BFI and renamed the company "Pacific Waste". Mr. Smith served as President of Pacific Waste for two years before leaving the company. During a brief departure from Hawaii, Mr. Smith worked as the Facility Manager for a medical waste destruction company, Stericycle, Inc., in Salt Lake City, Utah until returning to Hawaii and accepting the job of Executive Director of NELHA.

At the Club - NEW GENERATIONS UPDATE

Here is a quick bit of current news ON New Generations activities :

The Interact Conference is on again and set for April 17 & 18 in Oahu. The Kona officers (7), Yanna Lewis and our exchange student Emilie, are all set to attend. Our budget was only for 5 kids plus one advisor so the kids are working on fundraising and pitching in to help make up some of the difference.

Yanna felt that with this years exceptional group of officers it was too difficult to select the ones to go and the ones to leave behind. Better that they all go and they help pay for the extra cost. When the kids heard this proposal they all agreed and are actively working on making it a reality. The extra cost for the 3 students comes to about \$750. The kids themselves are going to each pay \$50 (all 8 of them) and then do some type of fundraising for the rest rather than leave some officers behind.

The conference is a major expense for our club and a very big part of the New Generations annual budget. With airfare (if I can get the best rates for interisland fares) the clubs costs will be as follows:

Roundtrip airfare for 5 students and one adult @ \$59 each plus taxes	\$750
Conference fees for students x 5	\$625
Conference fee for Yanna	\$200
Total estimated cost for 2004 conference	\$1600 +/-

Regards, Ann

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President's Position



Although it is only March, and my year as President is three quarters of the way through, it is already time to start planning for the next year. President Elect Alan Clark has already attended PETS, and recently held his first planning meeting with his new Board. The District Assembly is going to be held this weekend, which is an excellent training opportunity for those who will be your leaders next year.

It seems that this is a good time to look back at what goals were set at the beginning of this year by your current board, and to review where we are and what remains to be done. Certainly we have achieved many of those goals, while others will be by the end of the year. There are others that have fallen by the wayside, perhaps because of too much ambition on my part.

To achieve the remaining goals will be the challenge for the remaining three months, and will require the help of all of the members of this incredible club. To see how you can help, please ask any one of the Avenue of Service Chairs what remains to be done and what you do to help make it happen.

Az RI - TRUSTEES APPROVE ROLLOUT OF CHILDREN'S FUND

At the February 2004 International Assembly in Anaheim, Foundation Trustee Chairman James Lacy announced that the Trustees had approved the creation of a new Children's Fund within The Rotary Foundation's Permanent Fund.

The Trustee Chairman reported that the Children's Fund "will be used to support projects that benefit children and offer them hope for a brighter future." Also, he expressed the hope that this fund would encourage Rotarians to expand their help to children through the Foundation's humanitarian programs.

The guidelines outlined by the Trustees include the following: The Children's Fund shall be established as a pooled sub-account of the Permanent Fund, with the spending portion available to the World Fund for humanitarian projects that address the needs of children. The spending rate of the Children's Fund will be determined by the spending rate of the Permanent Fund. In the future, Rotary clubs and districts may apply for support from the Children's Fund only through the current Foundation program structure, such as Individual Grants and Matching Grants. Approved projects can be diverse in nature and scope, as long as they meet established Foundation program policies and assist children.

Effective immediately, the Foundation is accepting outright contributions of US\$ 10,000 or more and Bequest Society commitments to the Children's Fund. For more details or further information on contributing to The Rotary Foundation's Children's Fund, contact Eric Schmelling by e-mail or mail: The Rotary Foundation, One Rotary Center, 1560 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201 USA.

In the Community - PRIVATEER LYNX COMING TO KONA

The square top-sail schooner LYNX is coming to Kona in July. The LYNX was designed and built to interpret a privateer or naval schooner from the War of 1812. The original LYNX was built at Fell's Point, Maryland and commissioned during the opening days of the war, making her among the first ships to defend American freedom.

LYNX sails as a living history museum. She is fitted with period ordinance and flies flags from the 1812 era. To compliment the historic character of the privateer schooner, members of the LYNX crew wear period uniforms and operate the ship in keeping with the maritime traditions of early 19th Century America.

Tours and sails can be booked starting July 3rd. The ship will be here from the 3rd to the 24th for tours and sails and will depart for Lahaina on the 27th.

For more information, contact Rotarian Kathy Damon, owner Woodson Woods at whiskeykng@aol.com, or visit the web site at www.privateerlynx.org.



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"A committee is a group that keeps minutes and loses hours." *Milton Berle*

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Just for Fun - A LETTER FROM CAMP

Dear Mom & Dad,

Our Scoutmaster told us to write to our parents in case you saw the flood on TV and are worried. We are okay. Only one of our tents and 2 Sleeping bags got washed away. Luckily, none of us got drowned because we were all up on the mountain looking for Chad when it happened. Oh yes, please call Chad's mother and tell her he is okay. He can't write because of the cast. I got to ride in one of the search and rescue jeeps. It was neat.

We never would have found Chad in the dark if it hadn't been for the lightning. Scoutmaster Don got mad at Chad for going on a hike alone without telling anyone. Chad said he did tell him, but it was during the fire so he probably didn't hear him.

Did you know that if you put gas on a fire, the gas will blow up? The wet wood didn't burn, but one of the tents did and also some of our clothes..... David is going to look weird until his hair grows back. We will be home on Saturday if Scoutmaster Don gets the car fixed. It wasn't his fault about the wreck. The brakes worked okay when we left. Scoutmaster Don said that with a car that old you have to expect something to break down; that's probably why he can't get insurance. We think it's a neat car.

He doesn't care if we get it dirty, and if it's hot, sometimes he lets us ride on the fenders. It gets pretty hot with 10 people in a car. He let us take turns riding in the trailer until the highway patrol man stopped and talked to us. Scoutmaster Don is a neat guy. Don't worry, he is a good driver. In fact, he is teaching Terry how to drive on the mountain roads where there isn't any traffic. All we ever see up there are logging trucks.

This morning all of the guys were diving off the rocks and swimming out in the lake. Scoutmaster Don wouldn't let me because I can't swim, and Chad was afraid he would sink because of his cast, so he let us take the canoe across the lake. It was great. You can still see some of the trees under the water from the flood.

Scoutmaster Don isn't crabby like some Scoutmasters. He didn't even get mad about the life jackets. He has to spend a lot of time working on the car so we are trying not to cause him any trouble.

Guess what? We have all passed our first aid merit badges. When Dave dived into the lake and cut his arm, we got to see how a Tourniquet works. Wade and I threw up, but Scoutmaster Don said it probably was just food poisoning from the leftover chicken. He said they got sick that way with food they ate in prison. I'm so glad he got out and became our scoutmaster. He said he sure figured out how to get things done better while he was doing his time. By the way, what is a pedal-file? I have to go now. We are going to town to mail our letters and buy some more beer. Don't worry about anything, we are fine.

Love, Timmy

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Apr 28, 2004, Wed, 6:00P-7:30P
ACHIEVING RESPONSIBLE
TOURISM
Event: Public Lecture with Walter
Jamieson, Dean, School of Travel
Industry Mgmt., UH
Cost: FREE
Place: Waikoloa Beach Marriott
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Angel Flight West provides free transportation to medical treatment for people who cannot afford public transportation, or who cannot tolerate it for health reasons. Angel Flight also flies missions in response to other compelling needs. Angel Flight West accepts requests from individuals or health care professionals such as social workers and physicians. Angel Flight combines one's love for flying with a great way to help the community.

Angel Flight West currently has about 1,300 active members. About half are pilots, and the rest participate as mission assistants, as mission coordinators, helping with outreach activities, or simply as supporters of the organization. Of the pilots, some own their own airplanes and some are renters. Most fly 4-seaters and have only their private or instrument tickets. Our members come from different walks of life, but are united by a desire to combine their interest in aviation with a unique way of helping people. Angel Flight flies more than 2,600 missions each year. They vary in distance, time of day, day of week, and so forth.

Since getting his private pilot's license in October of 2001, Steve Bobko-Hillenaar has accumulated over 850 hours and has his glider, instrument, and multi engine licenses. Steve and Joanna Bobko-Hillenaar decided to share their good fortune of being able to fly with those that can benefit from the service that Angel Flight offers. Come hear about Angel Flight West - Hawaii Wing and some of the stories that Steve and Joanna would like to share regarding their latest endeavor into aviation.

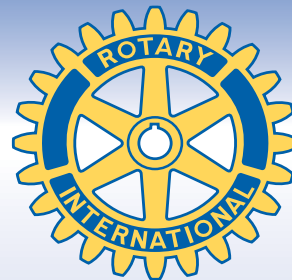
At the Club - MAKAE'O WORK DAY COMING UP



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At the Club - JEANNETTE EVANS JOINS CLUB

Jeannette Evans, our newest Rotary Club of Kona member was born and raised in Colorado. She had a trans-American college education - attending Vassar College in New York State for two years, then transferring to UCLA to complete her Bachelor of Science degree in Geology. She attended the Colorado School of Mines where she obtained her Masters degree in Mineral Economics. Jeannette worked in the mining industry for 25 years. During economic downturns in the industry, she opened and operated a restaurant, worked as a Senior Cost Accountant in computer manufacturing, and at one time oversaw inventory in three states for the pharmaceutical industry, before returning to the mining industry. Jeannette, her husband, and three children moved to Kona last year after the sale of their family owned mining operation. Jeannette, along with her brother and fellow Rotarian, Kurt Nielson, bought a mortgage brokerage firm (Island Home Capital) here in Kona where they offer financial services to residential and commercial markets. Please, welcome Jeannette into our club!



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This Week

Apr 1, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: STEVE BOBKO-
HILLENNAR
Angel Flight West

Greeter: Tom Daniel

Door Prize: Barb Kossow

Coming Up

Greeters:

Dick Dennison	04/08
Frank DeWolf	04/15

Door Prize:

Clifford Kopp	04/08
Allen Kona	04/15

Birthdays:

Cynthia Hope	04/03
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Anniversaries:

Frank DeWolf (Gloria)	03/31
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Programs:

Riley Smith, Sandwich Isle Communication	04/08
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Franco Acquaro, West Hawaii Mediation Center	04/15
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President's Position



This past Saturday, I had the opportunity to attend the District Assembly held in Waimea. The assembly, which is

held each year, is an opportunity to learn more about Rotary, and to brainstorm with other Rotarians on what to expect in the coming year.

I have been involved in many organizations throughout the years, and I can't think of one of them that compares in any way to Rotary in terms of the training and leadership opportunities. Perhaps the closest would be Toastmasters, which offered leadership training but no training for the Board of Directors. How many of you have been coerced into taking on a position with a volunteer organization - and then left with no training? It's happened to me more often than not.

Rotary International, through the District, provides an incredible amount of resources and training opportunities. If you haven't taken the opportunity to avail yourself of these opportunities, I encourage you to do so. Everyone benefits from the wealth of knowledge available both on-line and through the District.

Your knowledge of Rotary and its incredible programs will be helpful to both you and any new members you will be asking to join us. Take advantage of it!!

Az RI - U.S. PEDIATRICS ASSOCIATION APPLAUDS ROTARY'S POLIO EFFORTS

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) presented its Excellence in Public Service Award (EPSA) to Rotary International for its work to eradicate polio worldwide on 21 February. Each year, the AAP honors national officials and organizations for distinguished service on behalf of children and adolescents and their health care.

"With this award, the academy's 57,000 pediatricians not only applaud your leadership and commitment to children...but also convey to the public our sincere appreciation for all that you have accomplished. Your work both in communities and around the world is well known," said AAP Immediate Past President E. Stephen Edwards, who presented the award during the closing plenary session and farewell dinner for district governors-elect at the International Assembly in Anaheim, California, USA. "You have led the charge for funding this critical [polio eradication] initiative and your army of volunteers has literally put lives on the line to deliver vaccines in regions of conflict. Indeed, your 1.2 million members personify and live each day the 'excellence' in public service."

"I am honored to accept this award on behalf of Rotary members worldwide who have volunteered their time and personal resources toward a polio-free world," said RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe. "Though almost forgotten in the United States, polio is still crippling and killing children in six countries in Africa and Southeast Asia. As Rotary was the first to have the vision of a polio-free world, we are more committed than ever to ensuring that every child is safe from this age-old scourge."

In Our State - CONGRESSMAN ED CASE ON EDUCATION



My current perspective has only strengthened my conviction that Hawai'i's education governance structure, the only one of its kind in our country, is our main state/local obstacle to sustainable quality education. That model (not statewide funding, which works, but statewide BOE/DOE control), if it ever really did work, does not work today, and cannot be made to work even with the most adroit legislative massaging.

It is inescapable that local school districts by and large are doing better because they facilitate the community involvement our current governance discourages, just as is the fact that not one of my Congressional colleagues, from the most liberal Democrat to the most conservative Republican, wants to change local education governance to our statewide model. Voters are owed a basic decision this November on local school boards.

Today's perfect microcosm of all that is right and wrong with Hawai'i public education is our embattled charter schools. Last year I took Dr. Susan Scalfani, Counselor to the U.S. Secretary of Education, to see an amazing school: the Big Island's Kanu o ka 'Aina. This fledgling Native Hawaiian charter, led by its irrepressible principal, Dr. Ku Kahakulau, suffers from federal inflexibility and underfunding, and remote, impassive and underfunded state governance (not to mention lack of facilities, supplies and other basics.) It succeeds despite adversity because it has achieved the sine qua non: total community involvement.

But we had to wonder: what if Kanu functioned under realistic federal and state expectations, with appropriate flexibility and funding? What if most decisions affecting it were made in its backyard, with its community? What if all our schools got all of the above? That's the breadth of change worth fighting for.

You Can Say That Again

"This summer I tried to take up golf, after many years of avoiding that particular temptation to blasphemy." *Paul Moore*

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Just for Fun - BAFFLE THEM WITH BS

A wealthy old lady decides to go on a photo safari in Africa. She takes her faithful pet dachshund along for company.

One day, the dachshund starts chasing butterflies and before long he discovers he is lost. So, wandering about, he notices a leopard heading rapidly in his direction with the obvious intention of having lunch.

The dachshund thinks, "OK, I'm in deep trouble now! Then he notices some bones on the ground close by, and immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat.

Just as the leopard is about to leap, the dachshund exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious leopard. I wonder if there are any more around here."

Hearing this, the leopard halts his attack in mid-stride, a look of terror comes over him, and he slinks away into the trees.

"Whew," says the leopard. "That was close. That dachshund nearly had me. "Meanwhile, a monkey who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the leopard. So, off he goes. But the dachshund sees him heading after the leopard with great speed, and figures that something must be up.

The monkey soon catches up with the leopard, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the leopard. The leopard is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here monkey, hop on my back and see what's going to happen to that conniving canine."

Now the dachshund sees the leopard coming with the monkey on his back, and thinks, "What am I going to do now? " But instead of running, the he sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet....and just when they get close enough to hear, the he says...."Where's that damn monkey? I sent him off half an hour ago to bring me another leopard!"

MORAL: IF YOU CAN'T DAZZLE THEM WITH BRILLIANCE, BAFFLE THEM WITH BS

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Community Calendar


Apr 28, 2004, Wed, 6:00P-7:30P
ACHIEVING RESPONSIBLE
TOURISM
Event: Public Lecture with Walter
Jamieson, Dean, School of Travel
Industry Mgmt., UH
Cost: FREE
Place: Waikoloa Beach Marriott
Contact: Hawaii Com College.

Visiting University of Hawaii Professors, Deans & Directors Lecture Series

Free Public Lecture

Walter Jamieson
Dean, School of Travel Industry Management
University of Hawaii at Manoa

Wednesday, April 28, 2004
6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Waikoloa Beach Marriott, an Outrigger Resort



Achieving Responsible Tourism:
Moving from Rhetoric to Implementation

Over the last 10 years there has been a great deal of discussion on sustainable tourism. From this discussion it is now evident that in order to achieve environmental, social, cultural and economic goals we must look towards a more realistic approach that stresses the responsibility of each of the stakeholders in the tourism development process. This presentation will look at the challenges facing the tourism industry and all Hawaii's citizens and will suggest practical means for ensuring that tourism in Hawaii is seen as an important development tool that meets the needs of the community as well as the visitor. Issues that are of particular interest to those on the Big Island will be identified and discussed.

Please join us for the 2nd of a free public lecture four-part series offered by Hawaii Community College and UH Center, West Hawaii in partnership with University of Hawaii Manoa.

Insertions for Community Calendar are \$5 per insertion payable a week in advance to the Rotary Club of Kona. All insertions are subject to approval of the Board and on a space available basis. Submit insertions to Crystal Yamasaki at: chrys@wtahawaii.com fax: 329-5334 Include Your Name, Phone Number, Dates to Run, Event Name, Event Location, Event Date, Event Sponsor, nt Cost, Event Description. To simplify submission, forms are available at all Rotary meetings.

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Teshima's Restaurant

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Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

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Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

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Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOOD WILL and better friendship? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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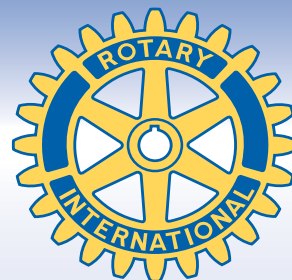
At the Podium - CLUB ASSEMBLY

Because we will not be meeting in our usual room this week, our scheduled speaker has been postponed until a later date. Fortunately this gives us the opportunity for an unscheduled Club Assembly and the chance to learn more about what happening in our different Avenues of Service. Also we will have the opportunity for an extended "happy dollar" session, so bring you announcements, tidbits to share, celebrations and lots of MONEY.

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At the Club - WORKDAY PICTURE PORTFOLIO



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Apr 8, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: CLUB ASSEMBLY

Greeter: Dick Dennison

Door Prize: Cliff Kopp

Coming Up

Greeters:

Frank DeWolf	04/15
Richard Farnham	04/22

Door Prize:

Allen Kona	04/15
Ken Kjer	04/22

Birthdays:

Anniversaries:

Programs:

Franco Acquaro, West Hawaii	
Mediation Center	04/15
TBA	04/22

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President's Position



April is Magazine month on the Rotary Calendar, and as such I wonder how many of us read the Rotarian on a regular basis, and how much information contained

in the publication is of use to us. Do you read it cover to cover? Skim over it for anything of interest? Read none of it?

The Rotarian magazine has improved immensely over the years. I recall when my Dad was in Rotary that the magazine really didn't have anything interesting or particularly useful in it, although that might be attributed to my interests at the time. If the magazine was left on the table, I would flip through it just because it was reading material, not because it really meant much. I wasn't a Rotarian at the time, but was curious about why it meant so much to my father.

Now, I look forward to reading the magazine when it arrives. I usually skip over it first, and then a few days later will go back and read the feature articles, many of which I have found to be timely and interesting. Granted sometimes the articles don't particularly interest me, but may be of interest to someone else. I like the diversity of the magazine, and the information it contains.

I also think that the Rotarian magazine should be available to non-Rotarians as well. What a great way to promote the world of Rotary! Why not recycle your issue in places such as your doctor's or dentist's office (where often the magazines are a couple of years old) or any other place where there is a waiting area? We should be proud of the magazine and make the effort to share it with others.

Better yet – perhaps someone in our club should submit an article for consideration. Like many magazines, I'm sure they are always looking for interesting and information material to publish for the benefit of their readers. I'd love to see Hawaii recognized for all that we do.

Az RI - NIGERIAN PRESIDENT LAUNCHES NATIONWIDE IMMUNIZATION



Ade Adefeso (left), chair of the National PolioPlus Committee in Nigeria, immunizes a child during a Nigerian NID campaign in October 2003.

Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo launched a round of National Immunization Days (NIDs) in Africa's most populous nation following the rescinding of a suspension on eradication activities by several of the country's northern states.

The effort is part of a regional campaign to immunize at least 63 million children across west and central Africa to counter the spread of polio from northern Nigeria after an outbreak in October 2003 to other parts of Nigeria and into neighboring countries. Rumors that the oral polio vaccine contains harmful substances interrupted immunization activities and the resulting outbreak paralyzed nearly a dozen children in Burkina Faso, Ghana, Niger, and Togo, putting 15 million children in those countries at risk.

"Since the controversy over the polio vaccine started, thousands of children in this state have been denied the opportunity to be immunized against the devastating disease, and that has not augured well," said Obasanjo at the official launch ceremony in Gusau, capital of the northern state of Zamfara, on 22 March.

To kick off the event, the Nigerian president administered oral polio vaccine to five children. Reiterating his personal commitment to polio eradication, Obasanjo called on all political, religious, and traditional leaders in the country to support the global initiative, which hinges on the success of polio-endemic countries like Nigeria in eradicating the disease.

The president's participation in the launch signals the end of a six-month controversy about the safety of the oral polio vaccine that hampered the efforts of the federal government and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in achieving nationwide coverage in previous rounds of NIDs.

Dr. Muhamamadu Maccido, president general of Jama'atu Nasril Islam and Nigerian Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs, who also holds the eminent position of ruler or Sultan of Sokoto, joined Obasanjo in calling for an end to the boycott of polio immunization and offered unequivocal support for the goals of polio eradication.

"On this historical day, as we jointly flag off the second round of the 2004 National Immunization Days, I wish to inform our people that we have received and accepted the final report of the joint Federal Government/Jama'atu Nasril Islam All-Inclusive Verification Committee on the safety of the oral polio vaccine," said Nigeria's most senior traditional Muslim ruler. "I hereby assure our people of the safety of the oral polio vaccine and thus call on all Nigerians to bring out their children to be immunized during this and all other subsequent polio campaigns."

The sultan also said, "We believe in the cost effectiveness of routine and supplemental immunization as a strategy to reducing disease burden and therefore urge all parents, caregivers, traditional and religious leaders, communities, NGOs, and the media to promote immunization as a child's right."

Nigerian Health Minister Eytayo Lambo said that a lot of ground had been lost to the virus as a result of the inadequate and poor quality of immunization in several core states. "Let me state however, that our presence here today signifies a new dawn for polio eradication in this country," he said. "To meet our goal, a lot of work remains to be done in the intervening months before December. But the challenges are not insurmountable."

The decision by authorities in Zamfara to allow the NIDs to proceed leaves Kano, epicenter of the worst polio outbreak in recent memory, as the only one of Nigeria's 37 states still holding out on suspension of the immunizations that are crucial to eradicating the crippling disease worldwide.

Ade Adefeso, chair of the National PolioPlus Committee in Nigeria said, "I have no doubt in my mind that with the political commitment by the government of Nigeria as evidenced not only in words but also in deeds by President Obasanjo, the continuous support of the partner agencies and the commitment of the National Programme on Immunization, Nigeria will achieve the goal of polio eradication."

You Can Say That Again

"Ah, good taste! What a dreadful thing! Taste is the enemy of creativeness ." Pablo Picasso

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Just for Fun - FACTS OF LIFE

1. NAMES

If Laurie, Linda, Elizabeth and Barbara go out for lunch, they will call each other Laurie, Linda, Elizabeth and Barbara. If Mark, Chris, Eric and Tom go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Godzilla, Peanut-Head and Scrappy.

2. EATING OUT

When the bill arrives, Mark, Chris, Eric and Tom will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back. When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

3. MONEY

A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs. A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

4. BATHROOMS

A man has five items in his bathroom: a toothbrush, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel from the Marriott. The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify most of these items.

5. ARGUMENTS

A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

6. CATS

Women love cats. Men say they love cats, but when women aren't looking, men kick cats.

7. FUTURE

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

8. SUCCESS

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend. A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

9. MARRIAGE

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't. A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change and she does.

10. DRESSING UP

A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

11. NATURAL

Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

12. OFFSPRING

Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams.

A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

13. THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Any married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

14. FINALLY

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position. As they passed a barnyard of mules, jack asses, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?" "Yep," the wife replied, "in-laws".

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Apr 24, 2004, Sat, 7:00A-2:00P
ROTARY CLUB OF VOLCANO
Event: Portuguese Bean Soup
Contest.
Place: Kilauea Lodge Front Lawn.
Includes: Food and fun.
Contact: Mike Nelson @ 985-8758
Cost: \$30 per team (2-5 people).

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Place: Hyatt Regency, Maui
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Community Calendar

Apr 25, 2004, Sun
CORAL AWARENESS DAY
Event: Family environmental
awareness event.
Includes: Games, prizes, fun.
Place: Kahalu'u Bay
Contact: Rosanne Shark,
322-2786.
Note: People and groups needed
to help out and/or set up displays.

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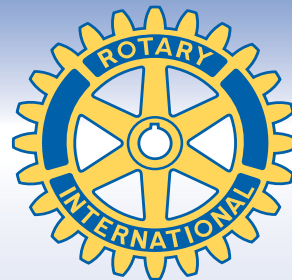
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Apr 15, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

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S. CLARK,
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Greeter: Frank DeWolf

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Richard Farnham 04/22
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At the Podium - LTC FREDERICK S. CLARKE, Pohakuloa Training Area Update



LTC Frederick S. Clarke entered the Army in 1985 after graduating Who's Who in American Colleges and Distinguished Military Graduate from The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina.

He received a Regular Army Commission and reported to Fort Bliss, Texas to attend the Officers Basic Course and Short Range Air Defense Officers Course. He is a graduate of the Air Defense Advance Course, Hawk Missile Systems Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Automation Systems Course, Command and General Staff College and the Joint Staff College.

Upon graduation LTC Clarke was assigned to 5th Battalion, 52nd ADA, 24th Infantry Division, Rapid Deployment Force, Fort Stewart, Georgia. His assignments included; Chaparral Platoon Leader, Vulcan Executive Officer and Aide to the Assistant Division Commander. He returned to Fort Bliss, Texas and joined Special Operations, Security Assistance Team serving as a Hawk Mobile Training Team Chief in the Middle East. He deployed with an all Arab force, on 2 August 1990 to defend National Critical Assets in the United Arab Emirates, Persian Gulf. He returned to Fort Bliss and Commanded Bravo Battery, 3rd Battalion (Patriot), 6th ADA Brigade. LTC Clarke served in his functional specialty as the Automation Systems Officer in Charge of the Regional Communications Service Center in The Netherlands. He served as the Brigade Logistics Officer of the 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, V Corps, Giebelstadt, Germany. LTC Clarke also served as the Battalion Executive and Operations officer in 5-7 ADA, 69th ADA BDE, Hanau, Germany.

LTC Clarke returned from Ankara, Turkey serving as EUCOM-FWD Missile Defense Operations Officer in support of OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. He served as the Joint Missile Defense Branch Chief, (Israel/NATO) European Command, Stuttgart, Germany. He is currently the Commander of Pohakuloa Training Area, Big Island of Hawaii. He is married to Veronique and has a 3 year old daughter named Savannah. His Awards and Decorations include:

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It's a known fact that membership in many service clubs has been steadily decreasing over the past several years. The reasons vary in each organization,

but it is probably safe to say that people just don't seem to have as much available time as they used to. For many people, especially in Hawaii, two jobs are needed just to be able to make ends meet.

Rotary is no exception to the drop in membership, although perhaps as dramatic as seen in other groups. Part of the reason is the emphasis that has been put on membership in the last few years. There are really two ways that Rotary can expand its membership — one is through gaining additional members in existing clubs and the other is to start a new club.

Our club had been pursuing the possibility of sponsoring a new club in the Waikoloa area, however after going through the initial process, it does not seem that there is sufficient interest at this time to proceed further. Now a new idea has emerged — the possibility of sponsoring a breakfast club in Kona.

While it's true that initially the new club might result in a decline in membership in our club, I believe that will only be short term. It has been proven in other areas, that when a new club is started that the net membership numbers actually improve. I believe that a breakfast club would be a great asset to Rotary, and that we might be able to meet the needs of prospective members for whom a lunchtime meeting is impossible.

More will be brought forward on the possibility of the new club in the weeks to come, however in the meantime if you have any comments or suggestions on the idea — please let me know.

Az RI - GSE TEAM SPREADING GOODWILL



District 2450 Group Study Exchange team is spreading goodwill and understanding between the U.S. and Middle East.

A Group Study Exchange (GSE) team from Jordan and Lebanon couldn't escape the visible reminders of their mission as goodwill ambassadors as they took photographs in the lobby of RI World Headquarters building in Evanston, Illinois, USA, with a forest of national flags representing some 166 Rotary countries in the background.

"This program has permitted us to see that people of goodwill are the same everywhere regardless of nationality," says Daniele R. Yacoub, a 32-year-old lawyer from Lebanon, after a tour of the building.

Yacoub and her four companions from District 2450 have been in the United States since 24 March. The overall impression they have gained of the country from touring different parts of host District 6560, Indiana — visiting homes, museums, shopping malls, workplaces, zoos, and other destinations of interest — is that people in the U.S. share a lot in common with those in the Middle East.

"We have noticed many similarities — such as a strong sense of faith and strong family bonds," says Nour Y. Shahzada, a 25-year-old trade and investment specialist from Jordan. "I'll be taking back in my mind the beautiful diverse scenes I've seen here."

For Samir El-Hoss, a 30-year-old telecommunications expert from Lebanon, "The experience of meeting new people from a different background is culturally enriching. We have made many new friends and acquaintances."

Team leader Usama Kakish, member of the Rotary Club of Amman, Jordan, explains that a GSE is beneficial for both visitors and their hosts. The fact that his team consists of members from two nations and two religions (Christians and Muslims) is a lesson in peaceful co-existence, he says.

"Having such well-informed youngsters taking exchange trips helps in reflecting the good image of Rotary," says Kakish. "The GSE has helped us to show the Rotary clubs and communities we have visited that most Middle Easterners are ordinary human beings and not terrorists. There are a lot of [us] who are eager for peace."

The team will attend the District 6560 Conference in Muncie, Indiana, on 16-18 April before flying home the following day.

Az RI - THE CENTENNIAL BELL

Similar to the traveling Olympic torch, five Rotary Centennial bells will be circulated to clubs in every Rotary country, starting at the RI Convention in Brisbane, Australia, in June 2003. The bells' journeys will symbolize the internationality of Rotary as they crisscross the globe.

One bell will travel to the first 100 clubs to join Rotary International, while the others will travel to the first Rotary club formed in each country of four regions, according to RI archives: Asia and the Pacific; Latin American and the Caribbean; Africa; and Europe. Due to differences in shipping systems between countries in Africa, individual bells will be delivered by the district governors to the first clubs chartered in each country.

The bells' journeys will end in Chicago in June 2005 when they ring in the start of the centennial RI Convention.

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Just for Fun - TOP 13 THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

13. Never take life seriously. Nobody gets out alive anyway.
12. Life is sexually transmitted.
11. Health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.
10. Men have two emotions: Hungry and Horny. If you see him without an erection, make him a sandwich.
9. Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day; teach a person to use the Internet and they won't bother you for weeks.
8. Some people are like Slinkies . . . not really good for anything, but you still can't help but smile when you see one tumble down the stairs.
7. Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in hospitals dying of nothing.
6. Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again.
5. All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.
4. Why does a slight tax increase cost you two hundred dollars and a substantial tax cut saves you thirty cents?
3. In the 60's people took acid to make the world weird. Now the world is weird and people take Prozac to make it normal.
2. Politics is supposed to be the second oldest profession. I have come to realize that it bears a very close resemblance to the First.

AND THE # 1 THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: You read about all these Terrorists.

Most of them came here legally, but they hung around on these expired visas, some for as long as 10-15 years. Now, compare that to Blockbuster; you are two days late with a video and those people are all over you. I think we should put Blockbuster in charge of Immigration & Homeland Security.

Visiting University of Hawaii Professors, Deans & Directors Lecture Series

Free Public Lecture

Walter Jamieson

Dean, School of Travel Industry Management
University of Hawaii at Manoa

Wednesday, April 28, 2004**6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.****Waikoloa Beach Marriott, an Outrigger Resort*****Achieving Responsible Tourism:******Moving from Rhetoric to Implementation***

Over the last 10 years there has been a great deal of discussion on sustainable tourism. From this discussion it is now evident that in order to achieve environmental, social, cultural and economic goals we must look towards a more realistic approach that stresses the responsibility of each of the stakeholders in the tourism development process. This presentation will look at the challenges facing the tourism industry and all Hawaii's citizens and will suggest practical means for ensuring that tourism in Hawaii is seen as an important development tool that meets the needs of the community as well as the visitor. Issues that are of particular interest to those on the Big Island will be identified and discussed.

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At the Podium - RILEY W. SMITH, Sandwich Isles Communication

Riley W. Smith has been with Sandwich Isles Communications since August 2002. He is responsible for the oversight of the engineering design of the fiber optic network throughout the State of Hawaii. His responsibilities include overseeing the design of the underground telecommunications infrastructure. Smith is a registered professional engineer in the State of Hawaii, Civil Branch.

Prior to joining Sandwich Isles Communications, Smith served as Vice President Project Management for Parker Ranch, Deputy Chief Engineer for the County of Hawaii, Department of Public Works; was a Project Manager for PBR Hawaii and Bedford Properties, the Associate Managing Engineer for East Honolulu Community Services, and Project Engineer for Kaiser Development. Smith began his career as a Design Engineer for Akinaka & Associates.

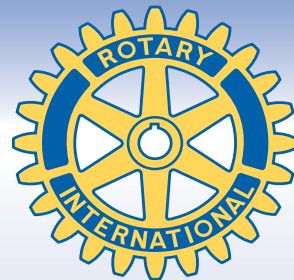
Smith has served as the President of the Rotary Club of North Hawaii, the Hawaiian Business/Professional Association and the Halona Point Bodysurfing Association and as the Treasurer of the Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce, Hawaii Island Chapter. He is Chair of the County's Environmental Management Commission and is also on the Board of Directors for the Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce. His professional affiliations include the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers (President Elect, 2004), the American Water Works Association, the American Public Works Association, and the Water Environment Federation. Smith is a member of Waimea Preservation Association, Waimea Outdoor Circle, the South Kohala Traffic Safety Committee and the Waimea Community Association.

Smith is a graduate (with honors) of the University of Southern California where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Civil Engineering and the University of Hawaii earning a Masters of Business Administration. He was born and raised on Oahu and graduated with honors from Kamehameha Schools.

He and his wife Melanie have one daughter, Kaliko (age 7).

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President's Position



As a Rotarian, it is our responsibility to attend the regular luncheon meetings of our club. However, there are many other opportunities for fellowship and learning that Rotary has to offer, one of which is the upcoming District Convention.

I have had the privilege to attend a several District Conventions as a Rotarian. Each one of them created the opportunity to meet with fellow Rotarians and learn about what other clubs in the District have accomplished. Each year has also featured incredible guest speakers, and this year will be no exception. Past Rotary International Presidents, Rick King and Cliff Docterman are featured speakers this year and are sure to delight and entertain the audience.

It's not just about awards – it's about celebrating Rotary and what we do to make a difference in the world. If you haven't registered for the conference yet, it is not too late. District Governor Gary Siracusa and his team have put a lot of effort into ensuring that this conference will be the best yet – so let's show our support by taking part in this opportunity for fellowship and learning.

At the Club - FAB FOOD AT UH ON THE 29TH

Next week (April 29) we have a very special meeting planned. Instead of our usual venue at the Royal Kona Resort, the meeting will be hosted by the UH, West Hawaii Food Service Program, located at their Kealahou location. Meet in the courtyard at the school, which is located makai of MacDonalds, next to the HFSFCU offices.

The lunch menu will include:

Salads - Campfire potato, paniolo mac, spinach, coleslaw.

Fruits - Fruit display.

Canapes - Shrimp & pineapple skewers, mini pork quesadillas.

Vegetables - Corn on the cob.

Starches - Garlic mashed potatoes, beans, dinner rolls, corn bread.

Entrees - Old fashioned fried chicken, BBQ baby back ribs.

Desserts - Petite fours, fruit cobbler, brownies, banana cream pie.

Our speaker for the meeting will be Shirley Daniel, Interim Chancellor for UH, West Hawaii. Shirley's topic will be: "Highlights about Hawaii Community College and its UH Center, West Hawaii"



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

WHERE: THE HYATT REGENCY RESORT, LAHAINA MAUI

WHEN: MAY 7TH THROUGH 9TH, 2004

WHY: FELLOWSHIP, INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS (INCLUDING PAST RI PRESIDENTS CLIFF DOCHTERMAN AND RICK KING), MORE MEANINGFUL MEMBERSHIP, GREAT FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, WONDERFUL RESORT FOR R&R, FUN!!!!!!

Dear Rotarian,

Did you know that most Rotarians have never attended a district conference? So why is this important? Our annual gathering is one of the most enjoyable experiences of our year together – new experiences, friendships, an opportunity to share and learn about matters important to you as a member of our Rotary Family. Don't miss out on a truly special gathering; Lend A Hand and put Life into Rotary this year YOUR LIFE! See you on Maui!

DG Gary

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"It is only in appearance that time is a river. It is rather a vast landscape and it is the eye of the beholder that moves." *Thornton Wilder*

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Just for Fun - WHERE DO YOU COME FROM?

YOU LIVE IN CALIFORNIA WHEN...

- You make over \$250,000 and you still can't afford to buy a house.
- The high school quarterback calls a time-out to answer his cell phone.
- The fastest part of your commute is going down your driveway.
- You know how to eat an artichoke.
- You drive your rented Mercedes to your neighborhood block party.

YOU LIVE IN NEW YORK CITY WHEN...

- You say "the city" and expect everyone to know you mean Manhattan.
- You have never been to the Statue of Liberty or the Empire State Building.
- You think Central Park is "nature."
- You believe that being able to swear at people in their own language makes you multi-lingual.
- You've worn out a car horn.
- You think eye contact is an act of aggression.

YOU LIVE IN MAINE WHEN...

- You only have four spices: salt, pepper, ketchup and Tabasco.
- Halloween costumes fit over parkas.
- You have more than one recipe for moose.
- Sexy lingerie is anything flannel with less than eight buttons.
- The four seasons are: winter, still winter, almost winter, and construction.

YOU LIVE IN THE ALABAMA WHEN...

- You can rent a movie and buy bait in the same store.
- "Ya'll" is singular and "all ya'll" is plural.
- After five years you still hear, "You ain't from 'round here, are ya?"
- "He needed killin'" is a valid defense.
- Everyone has 2 first names: Billy Bob, Jimmy Bob, Mary Sue, Betty Jean, etc.

YOU LIVE IN COLORADO WHEN...

- You carry your \$3,000 mountain bike atop your \$500 car.
- You tell your husband to pick up Granola on his way home and he stops at the day care.
- A pass does not involve a football or dating.
- The top of your head is bald, but you still have a pony tail.

YOU LIVE IN THE IOWA WHEN...

- You've never met any celebrities, but the mayor knows your name.
- Your idea of a traffic jam is ten cars waiting to pass a tractor.
- You have had to switch from "heat" to "A/C" on the same day.
- You end sentences with a preposition: "Where's my coat at?"
- When asked how your trip was to any exotic place, you say, "It was different!"

YOU LIVE IN FLORIDA WHEN...

- You eat dinner at 3:15 in the afternoon.
- All purchases include a coupon of some kind - even houses and cars.
- Everyone can recommend an excellent dermatologist.
- Road construction never ends anywhere in the state.
- Cars in front of you are often driven by headless people.

YOU LIVE IN HAWAII WHEN...

- When someone on the street asks, "Do you take American money here?"
- When everything on the restaurant menu comes with "two scoops rice."
- If you know what "da kine" means.
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At the Podium - SHIRLEY DANIEL, Interim Chancellor, UH, West Hawaii
"Hawaii Community College and its UH Center, West Hawaii"



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Director of Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER); Director of Pacific Asian Management Institute (PAMI); Previously Acting Director of the School of Accountancy (SOA)

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Ph.D., Oklahoma State, 1985; M.S., Oklahoma State, 1976
CPA, Oklahoma 1976; B.S., Oklahoma State, 1975; Taught at the University of Hawaii since 1986

COURSES TAUGHT

ACC 418 - Auditing; ACC 620 - (International); BUS 614 (Managerial); BUS 660 (Business Policy and Strategy); MGT 670 (Japanese Management Systems)

TEACHING AWARDS

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WORK EXPERIENCE

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At the Club - MAKAE'O MAHALO

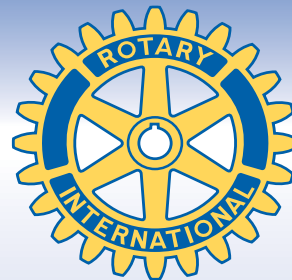
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No, not you Richard, you do enough already.



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UH, WEST HAWAII

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Greeter: Tom Fine

Door Prize: Suzette Kale

Coming Up

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Birthdays:

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Programs:

TBA	05/06
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Do you know the saying "you don't know what you've got 'til it's gone"?

This particular quote has never been more appropriate this

week in my life. No - I'm not necessarily referring to Mike being away (although the quote would also apply to that) but more to the loss of my computer both at work and at home.

It's truly incredible how much we have come to rely on computers in our day to day lives. My home computer, which contains my entire rotary "life", was in the hospital for just over a week - and it truly disrupted my routine. I'm truly glad to have it back so that I can once again be in touch with the world. On the business front, we recently converted our store from our old point of sale system to a new one - only to discover that all of our customer information did not transfer over. So the fact that all employees have to learn a new point of sale system is compounded by the necessity to start a new membership for all of our previous customers. This week has truly been the week of the love/hate relationship with computers. I know that in the long term both of these events will be positive changes it's just that getting to that point will certainly have it's challenges.

Also on the subject of computers - have you visited the Rotary International Website rotary.org lately? If you haven't it's well worth taking a look at, as there is always a wealth of information there for your perusal. Also - now is a perfect time to check out the District Website (rotaryD5000.org) as all of the information you need about the upcoming District Conference is there at the click of your mouse.

Computers. Love them or hate them we definitely can't live without them!

At the Club - SANDWICH ISLES HOOKING UP



Riley Smith from Sandwich Isles Communications was our speaker on the 22nd and gave an interesting talk on the progress of SIC's project to connect all the Hawaii Home Lands property throughout the state with fiber optic cable for telephone service.

The 500 million project is being funded through loans from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, other agencies and private investors. With main offices in Waimea, the project will connect all the islands with underground and undersea cables.

SIC has the exclusive right to provide phone service to all new and many existing HHL properties. Although service fees will probably not cover installation and maintenance costs of the project, especially in the early phases, subsidies are available to repay loans and maintain service according to Smith.

Samples of cable, conduit and drill bits were passed around the room and Smith answered several questions posed by Rotarians. Many questions revolved around the topic of viability for such an expensive project serving so few customers. According to Smith, the business model was not about profitability.

Interesting concept Riley. Mahalo for your talk.

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"In the childhood memories of every good cook, there's a large kitchen, a warm stove, a simmering pot and a mom." *Barbara Costikyan*

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Just for Fun - EVER WONDER?

1. Who was the first person to look at a cow and say, "I think I'll squeeze these dangly things here, and drink whatever comes out?"
2. Who was the first person to say, "See that chicken there? I'm gonna eat the next thing that comes outta its butt."
3. Why is there a light in the fridge and not in the freezer?
4. If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a song about him?
5. Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?
6. Why do people point to their wrist when asking for the time, but don't point to their crotch when they ask where the bathroom is?
7. Why does your OB-GYN leave the room when you get undressed if they are going to look up there anyway?
8. Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!
9. If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that Acme crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?
10. If quizzes are quizzical, what are tests?
11. If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, then what is baby oil made from?
12. If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?
13. Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?
14. Stop singing and read on.....
15. Do illiterate people get the full effect of Alphabet Soup?
16. Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him on a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
17. Does pushing the elevator button more than once make it arrive faster?
18. Do you ever wonder why frankfurters come in packs of 10 and buns in packs of eight?
19. A mongoose isn't a goose, or even a bird.
20. Why it's called a funny bone. You don't laugh if you bump it.
21. Why Madonna has the same number of hit movies as you or me.
22. We doubt UFO's but believe in politicians.

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At the Club -

INTERACT CLUB, Introduction by Anne Goody

The Interact Club Officers will join us for lunch and tell us all about the weekend conference in Oahu where they again were awarded Interact Club of the Year!!! They will also talk about some of the other Interact activities from the past year to fill us all in on what they have been up to.

At the Club -

UH WEST HAWAII HOSTS CLUB



Last week the club had the privilege of meeting and dining at the UH Community College in Kealahou. Lunch was provided by the students in the Food and Beverage Program at the College. The food was excellent and setting and service were great. Mahalo to Jim Lightner and the students for a delightful meeting.

Our speaker was Shirley Daniel, Interim Director, who gave us an update on things at the University. Foremost on the West Hawaii agenda is the search for a new chancellor and several other key leaders. The school is hoping to fill all the key positions by July.

Among the programs being offered at West Hawaii are trade and engineering programs, nursing, business, resort management and services and business services. Daniel stressed, however, that students can enroll in any UH program through the West Hawaii Campus.



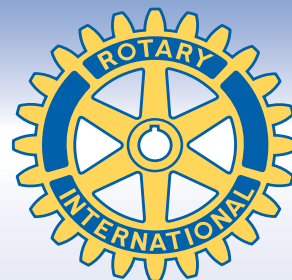
Uh is looking forward to building a new campus in West Hawaii in partnership with a mainland developer. If all goes well the new facility could be accepting students in 3 to 5 years. The new facility would have expanded course opportunities and be able to offer 4 year degrees, unlike the present campus which is limited to 2 year Associate Degrees.

The emphasis at UH West Hawaii is in partnering with the community and other institutions to effect positive change in people's lives and in the community as a whole, while seeking to preserve and enhance the island's ecology and culture.

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Royal Kona Resort

Program: INTERACT CLUB,
Introduction by Anne Goody

Greeter: Glennon Gingo

Door Prize: Nate Jones

Coming Up

Greeters:

Ann Goody	05/13
Laura Guluzzy	05/20

Door Prize:

Cynthia Hope	05/13
Cheryl Holdcroft	05/20

Birthdays:

Reg Morimoto	05/08
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Anniversaries:

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Programs:

Centennial Project	
Update	05/13
Franco Acquaro, West Hawaii	
Mediation Center	05/20

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President's Position



You might recall that at the beginning of the Rotary year, I asked everyone who thought we should support our

interact club to stand up, and 100% of those present did so. Our club is extremely proud of the time and effort that our interact clubs members put towards improving both the local community as well as around the world.

There is no doubt that the Interact Club we sponsor is exceptional – they have won the Best Interact Club of the year several times. The club has become so big that they can no longer meet in a classroom, but must meet in the library. To list all the projects that they have done over the past while would take longer than this column will allow; suffice to say there are plenty.

Strong clubs come from strong leadership, and we are so fortunate to have two wonderful advisors at Kealahou High School. Yanna Lewis and David Huitt have shown their commitment to the next generation through the Interact Club, and we are most grateful for that.

Being involved and supporting our Interact Club really means supporting the future of Rotary. It is very probable that when these young adults finish their education and begin their careers that they will certainly be considering joining a Rotary Club.

Our club is very fortunate to have such a strong and active group and I'm looking forward to hearing them share with us what they have accomplished this year.

At District 5000 - MORE DIRECTORY ADS NEEDED

Aloha District 5000 Rotarians,

We are making one final request for district directory Ads. As you recall your ADG's stuck their necks out knowing they could count on you for support by agreeing to gather 15 ads per club. Well, we need at least 3 more ads per club to insure that we have a special first class directory for every Rotarian in the Centennial year.

Let's talk it up and get those ads committed and paid. DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 12, 2004.

SEND \$35.00 for each business card size ad and include a business card with the check.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: Rotary District 5000

MAIL TO: Claude Thompson
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Just for Fun - THE 10 BEST CADDIE REPLIES

- 10 - Golfer: "Think I'm going to drown myself in the lake."
Caddy: "Think you can keep your head down that long?"
- 9 - Golfer: "I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course."
Caddy: "Try heaven, you've already moved most of the earth"
- 8 - Golfer: "Do you think my game is improving?"
Caddy: "Yes sir, you miss the ball much closer now."
- 7 - Golfer: "Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?"
Caddy: "Eventually."
- 6 - Golfer: "You've got to be the worst caddy in the world."
Caddy: "I don't think so sir. That would be too much of a coincidence."
- 5 - Golfer: "Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction."
Caddy: "It's not a watch - it's a compass."
- 4 - Golfer: "How do you like my game?"
Caddy: "Very good sir, but personally, I prefer golf."
- 3 - Golfer: "Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?"
Caddy: "The way you play, sir, it's a sin on any day."
- 2 - Golfer: "This is the worst course I've ever played on."
Caddy: "This isn't the golf course. We left that an hour ago."
- 1 - And the Best Caddy Comment
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At the Podium - CLUB UPDATES

This week's meeting will feature Barb Bush with an update on our Centennial Project and Curt Nakayama with a presentation and update on the Rotary Foundation.

At the Club - KONA INTERACT CLUB IS DISTRICT "CLUB OF THE YEAR."

Last week's meeting saw the induction of our 80th member, Linda Lanning. Her category is Nursing Home Administration. Welcome Linda..



Our program for the week welcomed several members of our Interact Club who gave an update on several of the projects undertaken by the Club this year. Ann Goody, New Generations chair, introduced the Interact group and noted that for the 3rd year in a row they were the District Interact Club of the Year. Interact projects included the Relay for Life event that raised over \$20,000 for the American Cancer Society and other fundraisers to benefit the 2 orphanages they sponsor in India.

Nate Jones announced that Walmart is giving a \$500 grant to the Interact Club to be used by the Interactors for our Club's Centennial Project. Kona Rotarians and the Interactors have together adopted Kealakee Parkway from the highway to the high school and we were all reminded that the next cleanup day is May 15 in the morning. Let's have a good turnout.

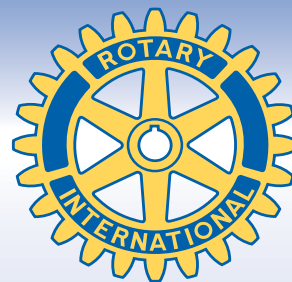
At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT GOING STRONG!

Thanks so very much to those fellow rotarians that came out on Saturday, May 8th to participate in our Centennial Project work day. A lot was accomplished, including another green waste container filled to the brim from all the debris and clippings. Several people (Preston Crowl, Ron Hawkes, Scott Unger and Rick Merschdorf) are



talking with large equipment operators about getting something like a D5 Cat out to the project to get the big stuff in the middle prepared for creation of grass areas and tree plantings. If possible, we'd like the labor and machinery donated and to pay for transportation in/out and fuel only, for the equipment. We'll take bids as well, discounted or not. (Quite frankly, we may need to pay for this work.)

We are simultaneously working on obtaining a grubbing permit and special management area permit with the County. These can take several weeks/months. If you have any connections that could help with phase of our project, PLEASE let Barbara Bush know. We're looking for donated plants that will do well close to the ocean and with salt water spray. Cindy Hope has started a nursery on the backside of the track, so we can take donations at any time. Our next scheduled work day will be June 12th. BE THERE! This project needs your kokua, so mark your calendar today. MAHALO TO ALL!



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This Week

May 13, 2004
Royal Kona Resort

Program: CENTENNIAL
PROJECT UPDATE,
Barbara Bush
&
RI FOUNDATION UPDATE
Curt Nakayama

Greeter: Ann Goody

Door Prize: Cynthia Hope

Coming Up

Greeters:
Laura Guluzzy 05/20
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Ron Luizzi (Kim) 05/14

Programs:
Franco Acquaro, West Hawaii
Mediation Center 05/20
Club Assembly 05/27

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Wow! What an incredible District Conference held this past weekend. It seems that each year I attend these conferences, they

just get better and better. For those of you who have never attended a District Conference, you truly do not know what you are missing.

It's relatively easy to be involved in our own club activities and to think of the club as one in itself. However, there is huge world of Rotary outside of our own community and attending Rotary Conferences is a great way to realize that we are just a small cog in the large wheel of Rotary. Past Rotary International President Cliff Dochterman referred to Rotary being "The Big Tent" in a circus, and most of us only enjoying the "Cotton Candy" on the outside and never bothering to enter the Big Tent.

Not only was the weekend inspirational in the content, but it was a chance to renew friendships with fellow Rotarians that I don't see on a regular basis. It was also an opportunity to make new friends in Rotary and to share our commitment to the greatest organization in the world.

A very special thanks to DG Gary and his associates for putting on the conference, and the all of the Maui Clubs for coming together to make it a truly memorable experience.

Next years conference will be held at the Turtle Bay Resort on the North Shore of Oahu on the Memorial Day Weekend. Mark your calendars now, as I'm sure it will be another conference not to be missed.

At RI - ROTARY FOUNDATION/ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND

Every year Rotarians around the world give generously to their Foundation to accomplish a wide range of educational, cultural, and humanitarian programs. These gifts ensure that dreams of a better life become reality for thousands of deserving people throughout the world.

The cornerstone of The Rotary Foundation is the Annual Programs Fund. The continuing annual commitments from Every Rotarian, insure that there would be Ambassadorial Scholars, Group Study Exchanges, Matching Grants, and Health Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The Annual Programs Fund allows the Foundation to support a predictable level of recurring programming.

ANNUAL PROGRAMS FUND

- Σ Unrestricted annual giving from all Rotarians
- Σ Gifts are typically from discretionary income such as cash, stocks and capital assets
- Σ 60 % of the gifts are returned to Districts (DDF) through the SHARE program
- Σ 40% of the gifts go toward supporting the World Fund to Humanitarian and GSE programs every year

To ensure the Foundation's strong future, the Trustees have authorized a new initiative to build the Permanent Fund. This endowed fund, to which Rotarians already have contributed over US\$60M, is invested in perpetuity. A portion of the funds is allocated to benefit Foundation programs. The earnings will provide an extra stream of income to meet the increasingly expensive delivery of international humanitarian, cultural, and educational activities and to ensure the Foundation's ability to meet urgent human needs into the future. A target of US\$1 billion by 2025 has been established.

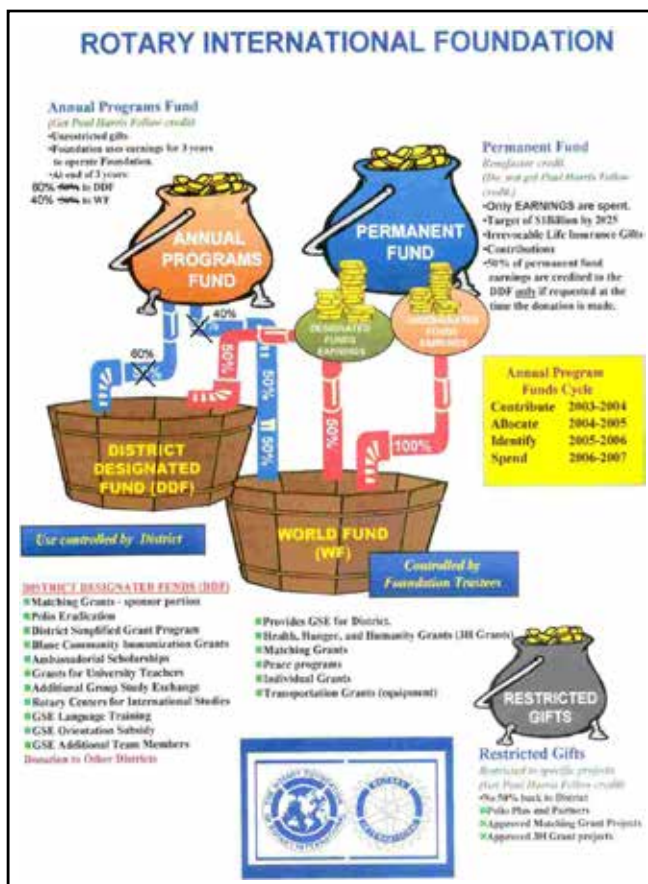
PERMANENT FUND

- Σ Endowment fund invested permanently to support programs into the future
- Σ Gifts are typically made from capital assets and bequests
- Σ Donors are recognized as Benefactors

The Annual Programs Fund and the Permanent Fund are equally deserving of support; they complement each other. The Annual Programs Fund supports the Foundation's programs today; the Permanent Fund is designed to secure the programs for tomorrow.

Our annual giving goal this year has been \$150 per member and your contribution toward the Polio Eradication Fund of \$175 over 3 years. Thank you to those of you who have completed your commitment. In the next few weeks our district team will be meeting to establish our goals for 2004-2005 year.

Please make contributions to the Rotary Foundation (not the Rotary Club of Kona). For any questions please contact Curt Nakayama: 0550(w)/325-9672(h).



You Can Say That Again

"Unpinned even by rudimentary notions of time and space, dreams float or flash by, leaving in their wake trails of unease, hopes, fears and anxiety." *Stephen Brook*

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Just for Fun - PEOPLE OVER 40 SHOULD BE DEAD OR CRAZY, HERE'S WHY

According to today's regulators and bureaucrats, those of us who were kids in the 40's, 50's or 60's probably shouldn't have survived this long, or at least shouldn't be sane.

Our baby cribs were covered with bright colored lead-based paint. We had no child-proof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cabinets and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets. As children, we would ride in cars with no seatbelts or air bags. Riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat. We drank water from the garden hose but never from a bottle. Horrors!!

We ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank soda pop with sugar in it but we were seldom overweight because we were always outside playing. We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle and no one actually died from this. We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps and then ride them down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned to solve the problem. We could leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights came on. No one was able to reach us all day long. No cell phones!!! Unthinkable!

We did not have Playstations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, no video games at all. No 99 channels on cable, videotape movies, DVD's, surround sound, personal cell phones, personal computers, or Internet chat rooms. We had friends. We went outside and found them. We played dodge ball, and sometimes, the ball would really hurt. We fell out of trees, got cut and broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. Remember accidents?

We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it. We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and ate worms, and although we were repeatedly told it would happen, we did not put out many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever. We rode our bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rang the bell or just walked in and talked to them. Little League had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. Some students weren't as smart as others, so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the same grade. Tests were not adjusted for any reason. Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke a law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law. Imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers and problem solvers and inventors ever. The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all and thrive. Amazing!

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Teshima's Restaurant

North Hawaii, Wed, 11:45A
Daniel Thiebaut's Restaurant

South Hilo, Tue, 12:00N
Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

Volcano, Thu, 6:45A
Kilauea Lodge

On the Road

Whether you're traveling to another island, another state or another country, you can still attend a Rotary Meeting at one of the thousands of Rotary Clubs worldwide. To find a meeting wherever you're bound, log on to: <http://www.rotary.org/services/clubs/index.html> Meeting information is updated weekly.

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Submit articles, meeting notices, pictures, suggestions and other information to Richard by Tuesday, 12:00N. All material must be in digital format, NO EXCEPTIONS.

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At the Podium - FRANCO ACQUARO, West Hawaii Mediation Center



Founded in 1988, WHMC has strived to provide an array of high quality conflict resolution services to community members and organizations throughout West Hawaii. These services have been made available through the consistent and dedicated efforts of trained volunteers. These volunteer efforts, combined with on-going public/private funding partnerships, have allowed services to be provided in an affordable manner. WHMC is a member of a statewide organization, Mediation Centers of Hawaii. This organization is made up of six independent, non-profit mediation centers which are each partially funded by the State Judiciary via the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution. WHMC belongs to the Association for Conflict Resolution and National Association for Community Mediation. On the local front, WHMC participates in a human services provider network group called Hui Laulima, as well as, the Restorative Justice Consortium.

Our Mission: WHMC exists to improve the way people deal with conflict by providing mediation, facilitation, education and training services.

At the Club - WALLY LAU SPEAKS AT CLUB

As a surprise to everyone including your bulletin editor, last weeks speakers were not as announced. Hopefully we'll be hearing from Barb and Curt in the near future.



We were privileged to have as our speaker Wally Lau. Wally is the executive director of the Neighborhood Place of Kona, a nonprofit agency that focuses on the well-being of Kona's children and families. Their outreach services are nonjudgmental and culturally sensitive, and assist families who are especially at risk for child abuse and neglect. Through their commitment to the well-being of families, referrals, education and constructive activities, the agency's goal is to prevent families from being formally involved with Child Protective Service. Wally has been active in community services for 25 years and, under his guidance and leadership, Neighborhood Place of Kona continues to assist approximately 250 families each year.

The NPK was founded in 1998 by a group of committed community stakeholders. It is a 501 (c) 3 organization that services families through partnerships with public and private agencies and groups. The focus is on the well-being of families and the prevention of child abuse and neglect in the Kona community.

Associated with NPK, Hui Laulima (groups working together) is a consortium of West Hawaii's major health and human service providers. A faith based community association of business, government and concerned individuals, it was formed in 1999 to encourage collaboration, particularly around matters affecting youth.

At the Club - MAKAE'O WORK DAY COMING UP

MAHALO TO ALL of you that showed up for our last Centennial Project work party at the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path! You did a GREAT job! THANK YOU. Our next opportunity to participate on this project will be on Saturday, June 12th, 7am to 11:30am with a BBQ/potluck afterward. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR! LET'S SEE SOME NEW FACES OUT THERE! YES, THAT MEANS YOU!



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This Week

May 20, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: FRANCO
ACQUARO,
West Hawaii Mediation Center

Greeter: Laura Galuzzi

Door Prize: Cheryl Holdcroft

Coming Up

Greeters:
Ron Hawkes 05/27
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Birthdays:

Anniversaries:
Ron Luizzi (Kim) 05/14
James Stanley (Stephanie) 05/26

Programs:
Club Assembly 05/27
Lyla Berg, District Coordinator
for Youth Services 06/03

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President's Position



One of the most familiar things to Rotarians is the Four Way Test, which we all know by heart and recite at the end of each

of our weekly meetings. It is, or should be, how we conduct ourselves in both our business and personal lives.

There is another test of being a Rotarian in business called the Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions. This was brought to my mind recently after purchasing an item for a substantial amount of money, only to find out it was close to being worthless. Obviously this particular business owner is not a Rotarian, and should never be. Unfortunately, in today's world there are many unethical business owners, and incidents like mine are more common than they should be.

For those of us who are ethical business and professional people we should prominently display the Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions at our place of work. This is an excellent way of showing our customers and fellow associates that we proud to be ethical business and professional individuals.

At RI - DECLARATION OF ROTARIANS IN BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS

The Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions was adopted by the Rotary International Council on Legislation in 1989 to provide more specific guidelines for the high ethical standards called for in the Object of Rotary:

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession, I am expected to:

- Consider my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
- Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of my community;
- Do all in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
- Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public, and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
- Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
- Offer my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people, to work for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
- Adhere to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
- Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Rotary International is to support its member clubs in fulfilling the Object of Rotary by:

- Fostering unity among member clubs;
- Strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world;
- Communicating worldwide the work of Rotary; and
- Providing a system of international administration.

OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

STRATEGIC PLAN

In 2001-02, Rotary International launched the development of a strategic plan to guide our association as it prepares to enter its second century of service. Working with the consulting firm, Interactive Business Systems, a Strategic Planning Committee appointed by the RI President outlined seven major goals for Rotary. These goals were developed after careful consideration of data collected at the leadership, staff and grassroots levels of the organization as to the important issues and challenges that Rotary faces in the coming decade. Following is a list of the goals:

- Eradicate polio
- Sharpen program focus
- Select new corporate program focus
- Refine governance/leadership structure
- Improve training and education at all levels
- Expand and integrate membership globally
- Enhance public image

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Just for Fun - A WOMAN SCORNE

After 17 years of marriage, a man dumped his wife for a younger woman.

He wanted to continue living in their downtown luxury apartment with his new lover so he asked his wife to move out and get another place. His wife agreed to this, provided that he would give her 3 days alone at the apartment to pack up her things. She spent the first day packing her belongings into boxes, crates and suitcases.

On the second day, she had the movers come and collect her things. On the third day, she sat down for the last time at their beautiful dining table by candlelight, put on some soft background music, and feasted on a pound of shrimp and a bottle of Chardonnay.

When she had finished, she went into each room and deposited a few of the half-eaten shrimp shells into the hollow of the curtain rods. She then cleaned up the kitchen and left. When the husband returned with his new girlfriend, all was bliss for the first few days.

Then slowly the apartment began to smell. They tried everything; cleaning & mopping and airing the place out. Vents were checked for dead rodents, carpets were steam cleaned. Air fresheners were hung everywhere.

Exterminators were brought in to set off gas canisters, during which they had to move out for a few days, and in the end they even paid to replace the expensive carpet.

Finally, they could not take it any longer and decided to move. They could not find a buyer for their stinky apartment so they had to borrow a huge sum of money from the bank to purchase a new place. The moving company arrived and did a very professional packing job, taking everything to their new home ... including the curtain rods.

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At the Podium - ANN PETERSON, Kona Traffic Safety Committee

MISSION:

To promote a safe environment for all modes of land transportation in the districts of North and South Kona.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Promote and recommend roadway signage, placement, beautification and design improvements that maximize safety for vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
2. Facilitate traffic movement and maintain the livability of Kona's neighborhoods.
3. Facilitate and maintain meaningful communication with government, businesses, individuals, and groups toward a safer traffic environment.

BACKGROUND-HISTORY:

The Kona Traffic Safety Committee (KTSC) is one of five district safety committees that formed in 1970 and became active in the 1990s to provide the Hawai'i County Mayor feedback on public traffic concerns. The current active Traffic Safety Councils on Hawai'i Island include: Hamakua, Kohala, Puna, and Kona, each of which has representation on the Mayor's Traffic Safety Council, which in turn has representation on the Governor's Traffic Safety Council.

The committee is comprised of community members who attend the monthly meetings, and representatives from the County Department of Public Works, Police Department, and Mayor's Office, and the State Department of Transportation. The meetings are scheduled through 2003 for the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM in the conference room at the Kealahou Police Station. Everyone is invited to attend and encouraged to become a member and get involved toward increasing traffic safety.

Ann C. Peterson has a Masters degree from Michigan State University - While at the university she was the council of graduate student's rep on the "All University Traffic Council" -- (at 45,000, the population of MSU is larger than Kona the districts.) While on council the university did a two-years comprehensive traffic study, where I had the opportunity to learn much of the philosophy I use today. Served as a Traffic Commissioner for the city of East Lansing, and was on the Linear Park steering committee in my home town of Battle Creek.

I moved to Kona in 1994 from Takasaki, Japan where I was the "sister city liaison" for three years. I joined KTSC 8 years ago, and was elected chair 5 (or 6??) years ago. I'm the Educational Programs & Development Director at the Kona Historical Society, and serve as the VP for Public Relations for Kona Outdoor Circle and the Secretary for PATH. I'm also a special events coordinator for Ironman, and help with the Daniel Sayre Memorial Fundraiser which raises funds to purchase much needed rescue equipment for the County's Fire Department.

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James Stanley (Stephanie) 05/26
Lynn Walton (Susan) 05/29

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Lyla Berg, District Coordinator
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President's Position



Why did you become a Rotarian? We each have our own answers to that very simple question. I think

that for most of us, the answer is because we wanted to make a difference in our community, our nation, and the world.

Making a difference doesn't always have to be a big undertaking involving planning, meetings, discussions, feedback, more meetings, more discussions etc etc. Although those things are required in order for us to be effective with our projects, there is still a simple thing we can do each day to make a positive influence.

The other day at my favorite coffee spot, when I went to pay for my daily fix, I was pleasantly surprised to be told that someone had already paid for it! It wasn't anyone I knew, just a random act of kindness. We've likely all heard of these random acts of kindness; now that I've been the recipient of one I know that it really did make a difference in the rest of my day.

If you want to make a difference in our community - commit a random act of kindness. It's so easy to do, and you never know if it will come back to you on a day when you need it the most.

At the Club - CONFLICT IS INEVITABLE, BUT COMBAT IS OPTIONAL



These words scroll across the web site for the West Hawaii Mediation Center and perhaps best sum up what the Center is all about. Last week's speaker, Deborah Chai gave us some wonderful insight into the goals and services of the Center and answered several questions posed by Rotarians in attendance. She elaborated on one particular program she feels is increasingly valuable in the community, specifically a classroom program to teach children how to resolve conflicts without violence. Deborah is presently the Case Manager for the Center but will soon be promoted to Executive Director as Franco Acquaro will be leaving to continue his education.

Founded in 1988, WHMC provides an array of high quality conflict resolution services to community members and organizations throughout West Hawaii. Services are provided by trained volunteers, under the supervision of professional staff. WHMC is a member of the Mediation Centers of Hawaii, an organization made up of six independent, non-profit community mediation centers working under the auspices of the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution. WHMC is partially funded by the State of Hawaii Judiciary, the County of Hawaii, and the Hawaii Justice Foundation. Additional funding comes from private donations, grants and service fees.

Food for Thought - THE PARADOXICAL COMMANDMENTS, Dr. David M. Keith

People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered.

Love them anyway.

If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives.

Do good anyway.

If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies.

Succeed anyway.

The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow.

Do good anyway.

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable.

Be honest and frank anyway.

The biggest men and women with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest men and women with the smallest minds.

Think big anyway.

People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs.

Fight for a few underdogs anyway.

What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight.

Build anyway.

People really need help but may attack you if you do help them.

Help people anyway.

Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth.

Give the world the best you have anyway.

You Can Say That Again

"Teaching is an instinctual art, mindful of potential, craving of realization, a pausing, shamless process." A. Bartlett Giamatti

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Just for Fun - THE MAYONNAISE JAR AND THE COFFEE

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

So the professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "yes."

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

"Now," said the professor, as the laughter subsided, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things -- your God, family, your children, your health, your friends, and your favorite passions--things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house, and your car. The sand is everything else -- the small stuff.

"If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your partner out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal." Take care of the golf balls first, the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand."

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. "I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend."

Visiting University of Hawai'i Professors, Deans and Directors Lecture Series

Stephen Meder

Director, School of Architecture,
Environmental Systems Laboratory
University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Gordon Grau

Director, Sea Grant
University of Hawai'i at Manoa



Thursday, May 27, 2004

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Waikoloa Beach Marriott, an Outrigger Resort

**Smart Community & Building Design:
New Directions in Hawaii**

*Rotary
Calendar*

June 12, 2004, Sat, 7:00A-11:30P
WALKING/JOGGING PATH
Event: Centennial project workday/
Malama Aina Cleanup Day.
Place: Old Airport
Includes: Coffee, pastries, work.
Contact: Barb @ 960-8292
Note: Chain saws, wheelbarrows, other
landscaping tools needed.

*Community
Calendar*

May 27, 2004, Thur, 6:00P-7:30P
SMART COMMUNITY &
BUILDING DESIGN
Event: Public Lecture with Stephen
Meder, Director, School of
Architecture, UH Manoa &
Gordon Grau, Director, Sea
Grant, UH Manoa
Cost: FREE
Place: Waikoloa Beach Marriott
Contact: Hawaii Com College.

May 28-30, 2004, 7:30P Fr&Sa
3:00P Su
ON BROADWAY NOW
Event: Spring Concert, Waimea
Community Chorus
Cost: \$8 adlt, \$7 senr/studt,
\$6 chld
Place: Parker School Theater,
Waimea
Contact: Diane Hammond,
883-2526

May 29, 2004, 7:30P
HOLOPAPA KE ALOHA,
Love Is In The Air.
A celebration of love songs from
the Met to Broadway.
Event: Hoku Concert Series.
Cost: \$25 GA, \$35 Reserved,
\$15 Student.
Place: Hoku Amphitheatre, Four
Seasons Resort Hualalai.
Contact: Kona Hosp Foundation,
322-4587.

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Let's Keep in Mind

LEND A HAND to alleviate abject poverty, LEND A HAND to educate the illiterate, LEND A HAND to relieve the scourge of disease, LEND A HAND of fellowship to all members of the Rotary family.



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Dr. Berg is the President/CEO of KIDS VOTING HAWAII, a not-for-profit, nonpartisan grassroots organization dedicated to strengthening the citizenship of individuals, schools, and communities. Currently working collaboratively with the Center for Civic Education, Lyla serves as the State Coordinator for "We the People" Programs. In addition, Lyla is the Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Civic Forum on Public Schools. Throughout all her activities runs the theme of leadership through service, effective communication, and interpersonal relationship skills.

Dr. Berg served for over 15 years with the State of Hawaii Department of Education as a classroom teacher, student activities coordinator, vice-principal, and middle school principal before becoming an instructor of pre-service teachers in the Department of Curriculum & Instruction of the College of Education at the University of Hawaii-Manoa. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. Her Master's of Education Degrees in Curriculum & Instruction and Educational Administration are from the University of Hawaii-Manoa in Honolulu, Hawaii and The American University in Washington, D.C., respectively. She earned her Ph.D. in Education from the Union Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dr. Berg is the moderator for "211," a talk show sponsored by Aloha United Way which airs weekly on Oceanic Channel 16. The focus of each program addresses issues of concern in the community. Topics such as domestic violence, sexual abuse, teen pregnancy, the prison experience, and gangs are examples of the diversity of subjects which the program covers.

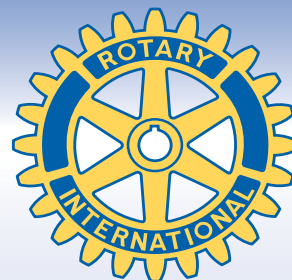
In addition, Lyla is the host of the weekly DOE teleschool program, "Voices & Wings," which airs live on KHET Public Television, Channel 10, and is rebroadcast on 'Olelo Channel 56. "Voices and Wings" is an interactive program for children which develops the concepts and actions of citizenship in a global community. It engages teachers and students in the viewing audience in critical reflection, democratic processes, and civic participation.

Dr. Berg is the owner of Lyla Berg & Associates, an organization which provides consulting and training services on leadership development, communication skills, and citizenship in the workplace. Her clients include financial and education institutions, retail businesses, non-profit organizations, state agencies, and companies engaged in the visitor industry.

Dr. Berg currently participates as the Past Chair of the Board for the Civic Forum on Public Schools, as a member of the Rotary Club of Honolulu, and as a contributing member of Phi Delta Kappa, Delta Kappa Gamma Women's Educational Sorority, the Institute of Noetic Sciences, the Hawaii Association for Arts in Education, and the Hawaii Opera Theater. She served as President of the Hawaii Association of Secondary School Principals during her tenure with the Department of Education.

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We all have days throughout the year that are special to us. There are the common ones such as birthdays

and anniversary's which we celebrate with friends and family. There are uncommon ones too - some people may celebrate the day they bought their first car; the first time they flew on an airplane; the day they shot a hole in one - the list is endless.

June 3 is one of those special days for me. It was the day that I was inducted into the Rotary Club of Kona. Becoming a Rotarian certainly changed my life in ways that I could not have imagined. Not only have I learned the value of true fellowship, Rotary has given me incredible opportunities that exist only within this incredible organization. I've met extraordinary people from all over the world; participated in projects that changed people's lives both in this community and on the other side of the world; learned leadership skills; and am constantly learning what Rotary is truly about.

Thank you, Sandy Morton, for sponsoring me into this club. By introducing me to Rotary you gave me opportunities that I thought didn't exist and opened up a whole new world of possibilities in my life. I will always be grateful to you for making it all possible.

At RI - OSAKA CONVENTION MAKES HISTORY, USHERS IN CENTENNIAL FERVOR

The 95th Rotary International Convention in Osaka, Japan, not only went down in the books for its record-breaking attendance figures, but it is also notable for doing so just one year before Rotary's highly anticipated 2005 Centennial Convention in Chicago is expected to do the same. With 45,595 paid registrants from 112 countries, the Osaka gathering easily toppled the record that was last set in 1978, again in Japan, where the Tokyo convention drew 39,834 faithful.



Dr. Gensitsu Sen, chair of the 2004 Osaka Convention Committee, officially opened the festivities in the Osaka Dome arena by praising RI President Jonathan B. Majiyagbe's Lend a Hand theme as a means of fostering peace on Earth. "There is a tremendous spirit and fellowship in Rotary today. Rotarians have the heart, the hands, and the body to cure many of the world's ills," he said. President Majiyagbe likened Rotary service to the four seasons, which he used as his convention background theme. "Every new season brings a new challenge, a new set of goals, a new inspiration to cast off the old and begin

afresh.... In the mirror of the seasons we see reflected some the great lessons and challenges of Rotary, and those challenges will never become less." The convention gave Majiyagbe the ideal opportunity to thank the Rotary family not only for his year in office, but for the outpouring of support he received following the death of his wife, Ade, in June 2003. He also expressed gratitude for contributions to Ade's Hope Fund for the Education of Women and Children, totaling approximately US\$370,000. "I have seen that the Rotary family is one filled with so much love, it can gather the entire world in its embrace," Majiyagbe said.

As if the warm, exotic hospitality of the Japanese people wasn't enough to captivate Rotarians in Osaka, the excitement generated for the upcoming centennial year, made this convention even more special. President-elect Glenn E. Estess Sr. fueled that excitement with his theme at the 26 May plenary session. "I am honored to be a part of this historic transition that awaits us. As we complete our first century of service, the worldwide family of Rotary will Lend a Hand to Celebrate Rotary in the most meaningful ways."

Two days earlier, past presidents Clifford L. Dochterman and Charles C. Keller stirred enthusiasm in their own spirited manner. Dochterman motivated the crowd with 10 ways to participate in the 100th anniversary, while Keller presented the Rotary Centennial book, *A Century of Service: The Story of Rotary International*. The book also received plenty of attention at the Osaka International Convention Center, where 10 past presidents joined Majiyagbe and Estess to autograph 400 copies purchased by Rotarians waiting several hours in line. "It was worth it to be patient and meet all the big men," said a jubilant Freddo Bbosa of the Rotary Club of Makindye, Uganda.

Looking beyond the centennial year, President-nominee Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar of the Rotary Club of Göteborg, Sweden, formally accepted his nomination to the 2005-06 term. "You have elected me, and I'm overwhelmed and thrilled. It's going to be fun to be president of this organization," he said.

You Can Say That Again

"I take a simple view of living. It is keep your eyes open and get on with it." Laurence Olivier

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In the Community

- ALOHA PATROL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED,
A Message from "Uncle" Dick Dresie.

Aloha Rotarians,



As you may already know, I'm the Co-Ordinator for Kona's ALOHA PATROL. We are a group of 'locals' who Patrol Alii Drive, Downtown Kona, (from Video Showplace – now called the "Movie Gallery" in the North Kona Shopping Center (next door to Firestone Tires) – down Palani Road to Alii Drive then to Huggo's On the Rocks, and back) once or twice a month, from 6:00 PM 'til 7:30 PM (Early Shift) or from 7:30 PM 'til 9:00 PM (Late Shift). Our nights are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday – but we are leaning toward Wednesdays, too, if we can get some more volunteers.

We help serve as the eyes and ears for our under-staffed Kona Police Department. Our gaudy T-Shirts (navy blue with gold lettering that says "Kona ALOHA PATROL" on the front and back(!)) make us ultra-visible. We report in on our Cell-Phones when we see something happening downtown that shouldn't be happening... usually vagrants sleeping on the street, hookers plying their trade, drug dealings, or drunken tourists. The merchants downtown tell us our presence has reduced the crime-rate downtown considerably – and they appreciate our efforts. We don't arrest or hassle anybody, ever. But, more often, we answer questions from tourists, like: "Where's the nearest Rest Room?" or "Is that some big lake out there, or is it really an ocean?" Meeting and Greeting people is the fun part of the tour as we go walking along Alii Drive and checking out the Pier. It's really fun greeting people you don't know with a smile and a friendly "Aloha". They can't imagine what we are up to, so they'll stop and chat – and get to know you (and you get to know them).

It's a fun volunteer venture – and doing it only once or twice a month isn't a big 'take away' of your time. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS. Couples is the best way, but we will take singles, too, and match you up with someone. We never Patrol alone – always in pairs, triplets, or quads. "The more eyes the better", as Officer Mike Silva always says.

Gimme a call: 329-5801 and I'll sign you up.

Aloha,

UNCLE
DICK

Dick Dresie



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This week the club will hear from and honor long time Interact advisors David Huitt and Yanna Lewis. Our Interact Club has been honored and won several awards over the years thanks in large part to the excellent leadership of these devoted teachers. It is only fitting that we take the time to thank them for their incredible efforts on behalf of Kona youth.

Yanna reports to us that at the District 5000 Interact convention, our club won:

- Club of the Year
- Most Outstanding International Project (for all our work with the orphans...we support over 500 orphans in two orphanages...made yarn leis for all the orphans and hundreds of greeting cards this year...sending \$4000 or more)
- Most artistic scrapbook
- District citation (for meeting a list of criteria set by the district)
- Faculty Advisor of the Year

Altogether, Interact put in over 800 hours of service this year, not including things like making yarn leis or cards.

Also at the podium will be our exchange student, Emelie, who will give us an update on her year in Kona and make a power point presentation. We look forward to hearing about her experiences thus far and always appreciate the perspective of someone whose home and culture is very different from our own.

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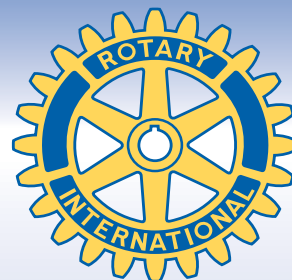
Looking forward to seeing you there!

At the Club - MEMBER NOTES

Congratulations to the Ogins on the graduation of number one son.

Congratulations to Ron Scott on his marriage April 25. Invite your lovely new wife to meetings regularly Ron so we can get to know her better.

Word is that Donna Asbach is no longer in remission with her cancer. Let's keep Donna in our thoughts and prayers and be every ready to "Lend a Hand" and support to Rick.



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June 10, 2004

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It seems to me that quite a bit of media attention has been paid recently to the growing "epidemic" of

obesity in the US population. Each night last week, the news had a segment on the problems and cost associated with being overweight. It seems that almost everyone I know is trying to lose weight - some successfully and others not. I seem to recall reading somewhere that almost 45% of the population in the US is on the Atkins diet. Almost every magazine you pick up has an article on weight loss - and every television channel has an advertisement promoting the newest way to loose those excess pounds.

What does this have to do with Rotary? I would have said "nothing" until I received this months issue of the Rotarian Magazine. Almost the entire issue is dedicated to advice on fitness and weight loss - stories of Rotarians who have dealt with the health problems related to weight and how they overcame them. Each article contained information to help with the battle of the bulge, some of which tied in their weight loss with contributions to the Polio Plus Campaign. Each article focused on a Rotarian and their advise for others, most of which was quite inspirational. They all tied into the importance of eating healthy and exercising regularly.

The best advise though, came from John Capps of Morehead City, NC who said "SAVE YOUR HEART FOR ROTARY"

At the Club - Lyla B. Berg, Ph.D. Speaks on Kids Voting Hawaii



Chairperson for Youth Services, Rotary District 5000, Dr. Berg gave a lively talk about the Kids Voting Hawaii program and the recent RYLA Camp on the Big Island where she learned a great deal about the needs and desires of young people today.

Kids Voting remains a very popular and positive program for youth awareness of our political system. This year the program will be managed completely on-line and kids will have the opportunity to vote up to two weeks before election day. One reason for the change to on-line voting is to allow for nearly instantaneous posting of the voting results. This year Kona Rotarians are asked to volunteer for the Kealahou polling station.

From her RYLA camp experience, Berg presents the following list of what youth of today are looking for at this stage of their lives:

- A place to belong or at least a sense of belonging.
- Independence or the feeling of independence within that sense of belonging.
- To have their opinions heard and valued and the opportunity to participate in decisions, especially about their own lives.
- The ability to avoid peer pressure, particularly negative peer pressure.
- A sense of self and to be valued for who they are now, not just who they can or will be.

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At the Club - SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED



Alan and Asako Pratt, Club liaison to our sister club in Japan, the Kawasaki Chuo Rotary Club, and Co-Chairs of the Kawasaki-Chuo and Kona Rotary Clubs Friendship Scholarship, have announced the recipient of the 2004 scholarship. Christopher Kutsunai the son of Clyde and Jeannie Kutsunai of Kailua-Kona who graduated from Kealakehe High School will attend Chaminade University and major in forensics. He is a member of the National Honors Society, and the Interact Club where he served as Recording Secretary. Christopher is the 16th recipient of the friendship scholarship funded by our Japanese sister club.

Just for Fun - THE DONKEY AND THE DIRT



One day a farmer's donkey fell down into a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure out what to do. Finally, he decided the animal was old, and the well needed to be covered up anyway; it just wasn't worth it to retrieve the donkey.

He invited all his neighbors to come over and help him. They all grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well. At first, the donkey realized what was happening and cried horribly. Then, to everyone's amazement he quieted down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer finally looked down the well. He was astonished at what he saw. With each

shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and take a step up.

As the farmer's neighbors continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up. Pretty soon, everyone was amazed as the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and happily trotted off!

Life is going to shovel dirt on you, all kinds of dirt. The trick to getting out of the well is to shake it off and take a step up. Each of our troubles is a steppingstone. We can get out of the deepest wells just by not stopping, never giving up! Shake it off and take a step up.

Remember the five simple rules to be happy:

1. Free your heart from hatred - forgive.
2. Free your mind from worries - most never happen.
3. Live simply and appreciate what you have.
4. Give more.
5. Expect less.

But that's not the end of the story. The donkey later came back and bit the farmer who had tried to bury him. The gash from the bite got infected, and the farmer eventually died in agony from septic shock.

The real moral of the story is:

WHEN YOU DO SOMETHING WRONG AND TRY TO COVER YOUR ASS, IT WILL EVENTUALLY COME BACK TO BITE YOU.



Rotary Calendar

June 20, 2004, Sun, 5:30P
RECOGNITION DINNER
 Event: Annual club recognition dinner and installation of new officers.
 Place: Kona Vista Restaurant, Kona Country Club
 Includes: Cocktails, dinner, awards
 Contact: Bev @ Club meeting.
 Note: Sign-up required.

July 10, 2004, Sat, 7:00A-11:30P
WALKING/JOGGING PATH
 Event: Centennial project workday/ Malama Aina Cleanup Day.
 Place: Old Airport
 Includes: Coffee, pastries, work.
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Queen Liliuokalani Trust



Thomas Ka'auwai Kaulukukui Jr., Chairman, Board of Trustees
Queen Liliuokalani Trust

Thomas Ka'auwai Kaulukukui, Jr. was appointed trustee in 1998. Today, he serves as the chair of the Board of Trustees. In addition to his trusteeship with QLT, Judge Kaulukukui is a member of the Bar of the State of Hawai'i, the United States District Court for the District of Hawai'i, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. He served the

legal profession as a member of the young Lawyers Board of Directors of the Hawai'i State Bar Association. He was appointed by the Hawaii Supreme Court to serve on the Board of Bar Examiners.

In 1995, he was appointed by Governor Benjamin Cayetano to be an O`ahu Commissioner of the Hawaiian Homes Commission, a position he held for nearly four years. Trustee Kaulukukui also served as a board member of the March of Dimes, Pacific Islanders in Communication, Family Treatment Center, Winners at Work, congressional Advisory Committee for Minority Veterans.



Robert H. Ozaki, President and Chief Operating Officer
Queen Liliuokalani Trust

Bob joined the trust in April of 2002. Prior to that, he was executive vice president, chief operating officer and chief investment officer for The Queen's Health Systems.

His board memberships and affiliations include the Hawaii International Film Festival, Hawaii Leeward Planning Conference, Honolulu Waldorf School, Institutional Limited Partners Association, Manoa Valley Theater, Nature

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At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT UPDATE

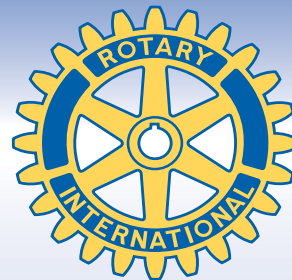
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your term ends?" The truth is, I hadn't really given it much thought until this week, when it hit me that just two meetings remain in this Rotary year.

Where did the time go? It seems like only a month or so ago that I went to the PETS conference yet it has been more than a year. Wasn't it only last week when I chaired the meeting for the first time? It can't possibly be that a year has gone by - and yet here I am preparing for the annual recognition dinner that signals the end of this Rotary year and the start of a new one.

It has been an incredible experience; one that has shaped my life in ways that I can't explain. Although I didn't accomplish all of the goals that I set, I am convinced that we remain a strong and vibrant club ready to face the challenges in the next year. To each and every one of you I'd like to express my deepest gratitude for giving me this incredible opportunity and for showing your support in many different ways. Let's all join together and continue that support for the next leadership team that will lead us through the centennial year of this wonderful organization.

Mahalo everyone for Lending a Hand this year - and lets go forward and Celebrate Rotary!!

Duly Noted - MEMBER NOTES

After recurring struggles with cancer, Donna Asbach (wife of long time Rotarian Rick Asbach) has passed away. We express our sincerest sympathies to Rick and know how great a loss Donna will be to her family and friends, to Rotary and to our community.

Donna Keiko Asbach, 53, of Kalaoa, Kona, died June 9 at her residence. Born Jan. 26, 1951 in Honokaa, she was a self-employed seamstress, owner of decorator sewing business, "Sew Me The Way" and wife of West Hawaii Today publisher Richard Asbach. She is survived by husband, Richard Asbach of Kalaoa, Kona; parents, Kenn (Anna) Shigematsu of Honokaa; brother, Robert (Charlene) Shigematsu of Clovis, Calif.; sisters, Janie (Allan) Karimoto of Maui, Maurie (Stanley) Inouye of Mililani; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles; numerous cousins.

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At RI - LEST WE FORGET

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Rotary's flagship program is its effort to protect children against the polio, with the goal of ending the disease throughout the world.

You Can Say That Again

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Just for Fun - REVISED BUSINESS TRAVEL POLICY GUIDELINES

Due to fiscal constraints, the following corporate policies are announced regarding Seminar Leaders on travel for official business. The purpose of these policies is to save money, thereby decreasing overhead.

TRANSPORTATION

If commercial transportation must be utilized, the lowest cost tickets will be purchased. Airline tickets will only be authorized for purchase in extreme circumstances and, the lowest fares will be used. If, for example, a seminar is scheduled in Seattle, but a lower fare can be obtained by traveling to Detroit, then travel to Detroit will be substituted for travel to Seattle. Bus transportation will be utilized whenever possible. Hitchhiking in lieu of commercial transport is strictly encouraged. Luminescent safety vests will be issued to all Seminar Leaders prior to their departure on company business trips.

LODGING

All Seminar Leaders are encouraged to stay with relatives or friends while conducting seminars. If this is not possible, then cost-effective alternatives should be exploited. Public areas such as parks and parking lots can be used during periods of good weather. In inclement weather, bridges may provide temporary shelter.

MEALS

Expenditures for meals will be limited to the absolute minimum. It should be noted that certain grocery chains, such as "General Nutrition Centers," and "Piggly Wiggly" stores often provide free samples of promotional items. Entire meals can often be obtained in this manner. Leaders should also become familiar with, and exploit the use of indigenous roots, berries and any other protein sources available at their destination(s). If restaurants must be utilized, Leaders should seek establishments offering "all you can eat" salad bars. This will be especially valuable to Seminar Leaders during group lunches, as a single plate can be used to feed one clever group. Seminar Leaders are also encouraged to bring their own food while on the road conducting seminars. Cans of tuna fish, Spam and Beef-a-Roni can be conveniently consumed at your leisure, without the unnecessary bother of heating or other costly preparation.

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment while on the road is discouraged. If such extravagances are required for business reasons, the customer should be encouraged to "pick up the tab." Such actions will save the company money and also convince the customer that we are concerned about "spending his money on providing a good product for him," not on useless overhead frivolities which can drive up our prices. Hospitality provided to our customers at our facility shall be tasteful, yet cost-effective. In lieu of frivolous dinners, a picnic bench will be placed in the parking lot complete with garden hose for liquid refreshments.

MISCELLANEOUS

All Seminar Leaders are encouraged to employ innovative techniques in our common effort to save corporate dollars. One enterprising individual has already suggested that money could be raised during airport "layover" periods which could be used to defray travel costs. In support of this idea, red caps will be issued to all Seminar Leaders prior to departure so that they may earn tips for helping other travellers with their luggage during such periods. Small plastic roses will also be made available to Seminar Leaders so that sales may be made as time permits

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Place: Kona Vista Restuarnt, Kona Country Club
Includes: Cocktails, dinner, awards
Contact: Bev @ Club meeting.
Note: Sign-up required.

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At the Podium - STEVE WALKER, Department of State, Hometown Diplomats

Steven Walker is a Foreign Service Officer with the Department of State currently assigned as a Political Officer to the US Embassy in Damascus, Syria. He was born and raised in Kona and his father, David Walker, was a member of the Rotary Club until his death in 1981..

Steven is returning to Kona for three weeks in June and is participating in the Secretary of State's "Hometown Diplomats" program under which Foreign Service Officers on home leave speak at or meet with local organizations in their community with the objective of expanding local understanding of what the Foreign Service is and does.

Given his Father's long time association with the Rotary Club, he is more than happy to join us here "at home" in Kona to talk about his current assignment at this time in the world's history and leave time for your questions as well.

At the Club - MAHALO TO OUTGOING PRESIDENT BEV



It is with great appreciation and not a little sadness that we say aloha to this past year's president, Bev Fraser. Bev, we will sorely miss your smiling face peeking above the dais. But while you may be short in stature, your heart and soul are towering.

Mahalo Ms. Fraser for a job very well done. Your boundless energy, relentless good nature and genuine caring have made this past year a successful and memorable one for your friends and the Rotary Club of Kona.

On a personal note, your bulletin editor would like to say it has been a pleasure working with you this year. I will miss our regular Wednesday morning chats. Mahalo and aloha to a good friend and kindred spirit.

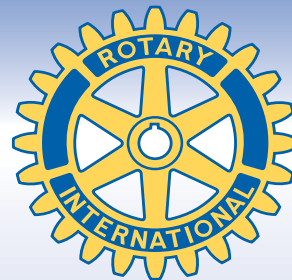
At the Club - CENTENNIAL PROJECT UPDATE

The next work day for the Centennial Project at the Makae'o Walking Jogging Path is deferred until Saturday, JULY 10th 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with a scrumptious BBQ/potluck afterward!

We are just in the process of submitting to the county the required paperwork for permits and felt that we'd like to have the large equipment work done prior to our next work day. Yes, we could ALWAYS do green waste clean up.... but we're taking the day (June 12th) off from this project!



So, mark your calendars for SATURDAY, JULY 10th and let's see a whole lot of new faces (and old ones) out there helping to spread soil, install irrigation, plant trees, etc. We will also, of course, have the usually opportunities for pruning and collecting green waste. A bit of something for everyone!



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This Week

June 24, 2004

Royal Kona Resort

Program: STEVE WALKER,
Department of State, Hometown
Diplomats

Greeter: Nate Jones

Door Prize: Glennon Gingo

Coming Up

Greeters:
Suzette Kale 07/01
Ken Kjer 07/08

Door Prize:
Tom Fine 07/01
Richard Farnham 07/08

Birthdays:
Gretchen Watson-Kabei 06/25
Janet Lum Won 06/28
Francis Kuailani 06/28

Anniversaries:
Allen Konno (Mikiyo) 06/23
Gretchen Watson-Kabei
(Dale) 06/28

Programs:
ALAN CLARK, President Elect
History of Rotary 07/01

New District Governor 07/08

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Rotary Prayer

Almighty God, bind us together in the true spirit of Rotary, keeping our hearts pure, our lives clean, our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen.

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President's Position



When I was growing up, any time I was faced with something difficult, my mom would always say "Count your Blessings". I used to hate that saying - I suppose because I never really understood what it meant.

My life is truly blessed - if I were to "count my blessings" now it would take more than just a few pages. It would be even more difficult to put them in any kind of order, as each one is just as important as another.

This past year, however, is currently at or near the top of the list. It has been an incredible experience and one that I will always treasure. I truly appreciate all of the hard work and dedication that each and every Rotarian put forth this year to ensure our clubs continued success. I'd like to thank each of you for your support and encouragement and for the opportunity that you gave me to add another blessing to my ever growing list. It's been an incredible year filled with joys and challenges that helped me to understand even more what it means to be a Rotarian.

Thank you everyone for Lending a Hand. Let's now give Alan Clark and his Board of Directors our continued support as we move forward and "Celebrate Rotary".

At the Club - INTIMATE DINNER RECOGNIZES PAST YEAR'S BOARD

The Vistas Restaurant provided our club's recognition dinner with a beautifully splendid sunset. It was just the right touch to mark the sunset of President Bev's year. Despite being on Father's day and sandwiched between two very interesting regular meetings, about 40 people were able to attend. Past-President Tina Clothier was present to sing her version of Happy Birthday to soon-to-be Past-President Bev. Special recognition was given to the outgoing board and Avenues of Service Chairs for all their diligent hard work and effort this past year. Those unable to attend, will be recognized at future meetings. A very special recognition was



given to Ron and Kathy Hawkes for all their work on the Mastercard fundraiser. A \$500 scholarship was established in their honor by Bev Fraser and the 2003/2004 Board of Directors. It was a wonderful evening of delicious food and good fellowship. We all left with a renewed enthusiasm for the new Rotary Year. Its time to CELEBRATE ROTARY!



At the Club - COMMUNITY SERVICES PROJECT MEET AND EAT

During the summer months the Rotary Club of Kona takes over the duties of the Interact Club and provides meals for the Meet and Eat project. The club provides the main dish and Rotarians are needed to serve the food. We will need 5-6 people to serve on the following date:
Wednesday, July 28, 2004

If you are interested in participating, please sign up on the sheet at meetings and be at Kealahou Intermediate Cafeteria by 5:30 p.m. Questions? Please contact Cathie Amelotte at 326-7400. Mahalo!

At the Club - TIME TO APPLY FOR PARADE PARTICIPATION

Applications now are being accepted for expected entries in Kailua-Kona's Ninth Annual Independence Day Parade. The event will be held on this year's "observed holiday" (Monday, July 5), beginning at 9:30 am, on the usual Kekuaokalani Gym to Coconut Grove Marketplace route (via Kuakini Highway, Palani Road and Alii Drive). As usual, the Parade will have helpful financial support and good Parade Committee representation from this Club. Applications for entrants in the four categories of floats, keiki, marching, and most patriotic are available from any of the 15 members of the Parade Committee, which includes Rotarians Barbara Kossow, Cliff Kopp, Rene'e Kraft, Francis Kuailani, Linda Lanning, Sandy Morton, Greg Ogin and Ken Clewett. There is no fee for non-profits and only a \$20 charge for commercial entries.

You Can Say That Again

"There can be no true response without responsibility; there can be no responsibility without response." Arthur Vogel

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Just for Fun - BEER FACTS

It was the accepted practice in Babylonia 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer, and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the "honey month" or what we know today as the "honeymoon".

Before thermometers were invented, brewers would dip a thumb or finger into the mix to find the right temperature for adding yeast. Too cold, and the yeast wouldn't grow. Too hot, and the yeast would die. This thumb in the beer is where we get the phrase "rule of thumb".

In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts. so in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them to mind their own pints and quarts and settle down. It's where we get the phrase "mind your P's and Q's".

Beer was the reason the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock. It's clear from the Mayflower's log that the crew didn't want to waste beer looking for a better site. The log goes on to state that the passengers "were hastened ashore and made to drink water that the seamen might have the more beer".

After consuming a bucket or two of vibrant brew they called aul, or ale, the Vikings would head fearlessly into battle often without armor or even shirts. In fact, the term "berserk" means "bare shirt" in Norse, and eventually took on the meaning of their wild battles.

In 1740 Admiral Vernon of the British fleet decided to water down the navy's rum. Needless to say, the sailors weren't too pleased and called Admiral Vernon, Old Grog, after the stiff wool program coats he wore. The term "grog" soon began to mean the watered down drink itself. When you were drunk on this grog, you were "groggy", a word still in use today.

Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim or handle of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. "Wet your whistle", is the phrase inspired.

Just for Fun - THE BEER CONFERENCE

There's a big conference of beer producers in the most beautiful town in the world: Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

At the end of the day, all of the presidents of all beer companies decide to have a drink in a bar. The president of 'Budweiser' orders a Bud, the president of 'Carlsberg' orders a Carlsberg, and the list goes on...

Then the waitress asks Freddie Heineken what he wants to drink, and much to everybody's amazement, Mr. Heineken orders a Coke!

"Why don't you order a Heineken?" his colleagues ask...

"Naah. If you guys won't drink beer, then neither will I."

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