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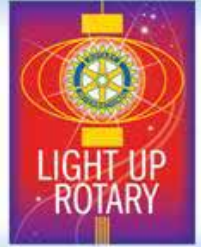
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This year, five minutes prior to the start of the parade, we will have the inaugural LAVA Kids Liberty Fun Run, a one mile race for older kids, and a half mile for the younger ones, with participants patriotically dressed.

Also, this is the first parade that will have lighted up entries, as we are starting now at 6PM, with the **fireworks going off 10-15 minutes after the conclusion of the parade, at 8PM.**

Alii Drive will remain closed through the conclusion of the fireworks.

You can contact Darlene Dabbling the parade committee's Judge's Chair, Alana Yamamoto the Announcer's Chair and Cliff Kopp the Volunteer's Chair.

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See Club Treasurer
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I am inspired by the light that is the Rotary Club of Kona. I ask the new leadership team to spark the flames of your fellow Rotarians, because the real impact comes when the flame ignites in each of you, and we shine with the power of Rotary. **LET'S SET KONA ABLAZE.**

Our first opportunity is the **Habitat for Humanity Pancake Breakfast July 12.** Please make sure you sign up with Preston to volunteer.

Thanks to all of you for being a part of the installation dinner and special thanks to **Dani, Brian, Preston, Lori ad my Erin** for making it such a wonderful event. This is the beginning of what I hope will be a great year for the Rotary Club of Kona. Let's have fun.

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followed by

Habitat's 8th Annual Build-A-Thon

For more details and to pre-register for this event
call the Habitat office at (808) 331-8010



The Build-A-Thon will take place
Laiopua cul-de-sac (site of the
Blitz Build).

Message from President Liz:

Aloha All,

The fun begins. We are getting organized for the pancake breakfast we are doing to support the Habitat for Humanity Build-a-thon. All 4 clubs have agreed to participate. Preston has a really great plan and we need as many of you as possible to help.

We need about 10 volunteers for each crew.

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Club Events



Past President Tom and President Liz presenting President Elect James with Rotarian of the Year Award



Awards presented right to left
President Tom Daniel,
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Nellie Medeiros, West Hawaii Health Center
and Robyn Grace



President Liz being "crowned"
by daughter Erin at Installation
Dinner



2014-2015 Club Presidents of West Hawaii
With Assist. District Governor Donna Hiranaka

HUMOR (for some)

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USER: "boiled cabbage"

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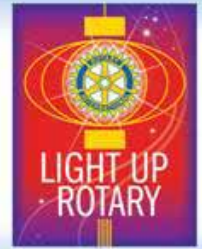
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I want to congratulate the Kailua Kona Parade Committee for a fabulous 4th of July event. That may well have been the largest turn-out ever. This year I walked in the parade, and really got to enjoy all the excitement bubbling through the crowd.

Thanks too for the world-class fireworks display. Who would expect a presentation of that caliber in Kona, paid for almost completely by sponsors. I have to be honest that I had lost interest in supporting the parade in the last few years, but being in the middle of it, and seeing just how many people enjoyed it, I'm glad we support the parade.

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Things to talk about:

- ◆ Community Service- Pancake Breakfast, Project Compassion, Keiki Vision, Rotary at Work Day Project and more ideas.
- ◆ Club Service - Keeping Rotary Fun, Meetings, Program Ideas, Club Socials
- ◆ MEC Golf - Getting everyone involved.
- ◆ Vocational Service - Vocational Site Visits, Vocational Awards, Vocational Talks, Business Speakers
- ◆ PR - Ideas for getting more press. How everyone can help
- ◆ International Service - update
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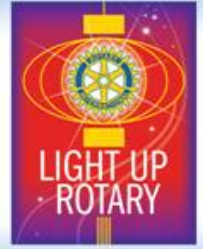
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This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona

Kona Resident Richie Glaser

Long time Kona resident: Richie Glaser talks about the life of drugs, dealing & addiction that sent him to Federal Prison for 7 years and how he found his way back.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CLUB DUES ARE DUE

Please pay ASAP

You may pay 1/2 now and 1/2 in January 2015
See Club Treasurer Lori Burgoon

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DR. LARRY DERBES' SLIDE PRESENTATION MADE AVAILABLE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,



As we go through the Rotary Year, we always have at least one project in progress. Right now we are getting ready to put in our request for the district grant. It looks like we will be requesting funds for the Menehune Food Drive. If that doesn't work out, we will use the funds for literacy. Our literacy program includes Keiki Vision and Dictionaries for the 3rd graders, and books for Kealakehe High School. We are about to order dictionaries.

And, about the 3rd week in August will begin scheduling our Keiki Vision Screenings. We should begin the screenings some time in September, and hopefully finish in late October. We will keep you posted.

On a personal note, the best part of Rotary for me is knowing that my fellow Rotarians

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Did We Miss YOUR Birthday or Anniversary?



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Now, if you don't want to be recognized, or have us try to sing for your birthday (or anniversary), you can just put some extra cash in the "coffee pot" for happy dollars (be sure to tell President Liz so she knows to waive" the singing.

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Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



July 2014

In English, you say, "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness."

I think that one line sums up the way we in Rotary approach the problems of the world. There is so much difficulty. There are so many people who need help. Many people look at this and say, "There is nothing I can do." So they do nothing - and nothing changes.

But this is not the Rotary way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one candle, you light one candle - and so do 1.2 million other Rotarians. Together, we can do so much more than we could ever do alone. Together, we can light up the world.

In 2014-15, I am asking each of you to light your own Rotary candle - and Light Up Rotary together.

There are so many ways to Light Up Rotary. I hope many of you will choose to host a Rotary Day, to show your community what Rotary is and what we do. I hope you will involve your Rotaract and Interact clubs in your service, to bring the new generation of the Rotary family closer to Rotary membership. And I hope you will keep Rotary strong by inviting new members into Rotary - including your own spouses and family.

Perhaps the most important thing we can do to Light Up Rotary together is to finish the job we've been working on for more than a quarter of a century: the eradication of polio. We are so close to our goal. But we will get there only if we keep up the fight, keep up the momentum, and close the funding gap for the polio endgame plan.

Light Up Rotary together is our theme for this year, but it is more than just a theme. It is how we in Rotary see the world and our role in it. We believe that no one should sit alone in the darkness. Instead, we can come together, all 1.2 million of us, to Light Up Rotary. This is our goal - and my challenge to you.

GARY C.K. HUANG

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2014-15

July 2014

Aloha Wonderful Rotarians of District 5000

It's an exciting time for Rotary in Hawaii as we begin this new year of opportunity for fellowship and service. There is so much excitement and enthusiasm and energy radiating through the clubs - you can almost feel the buzz. RI President Gary Huang from Taiwan has challenged us all to LIGHT UP ROTARY this year by

1. Increasing our membership - wouldn't it be nice to say 1.3 million Rotarians worldwide?

2. Involving our families - invite your spouse and children and parents and cousins and Rotary alumni and beneficiaries to participate in projects and to join Rotary!

3. Telling the Story of Rotary - let's tell people WHY we're Rotarians, HOW we change lives, and WHAT an impact Rotary can have on their lives, too. Every Rotarian has a Story!

4. And, of course, completing our number one initiative - the Eradication of Polio! We're so close - we want to have no new cases by the end of 2015 - now that would be a reason to celebrate!

We will be visiting all of your clubs in the next two months or so. My Sweetie John will be with me right up until the start of classes at Chaminade. We're both excited about renewing old friendships and beginning new ones. And speaking of clubs - our newest Rotary e-club of District 5000 (We Rotary) is meeting online on Tuesday afternoons. Check them out! And we have a new club on Maui and a new club on Lanai that are forming and growing and will be chartered much sooner than either one expected! That's the way to LIGHT UP ROTARY! Keep looking for new opportunities for expansion - there are still plenty of qualified individuals in Hawaii who haven't been given the opportunity to join our amazing organization - remember to ASK - you might just change their lives!

Congratulations to PDG Phil and his Energizers for a year full of friendship and Service Above Self. You're a hard act to follow, but you've made it so easy for all of us to hit the ground running. Thank you for sharing your aloha! And we'd like to give a special recognition to the Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay - the winner this year of Rotary International's Significant Achievement Award - for a third year! Look for their story and see what an impact a dedicated group of individuals can make on a community. Another Rotary story! Let's all find our stories and share our stories - and together we will

LIGHT UP ROTARY! With much Aloha,

DG Laura 2014-2015



In Our Community

The Kona Historical Society Presents
The Next Hanohano 'O Kona Lecture:

Hawaii Scenic Byways: Mamalahoa Kona Heritage Corridor and Royal Footsteps Along the Kona Coast

Wednesday, August 27, 5:30-7:00pm
West Hawaii Civic Center

Tomoe Nimori and Debbie Baker will be exploring Kona along Alii Drive and the Mamalahoa Highway, now both designated as Scenic Byways. To the unsuspecting motorist, travel along these routes is a very pleasant drive filled with scenic vistas, natural features and cultural and recreational opportunities. But look a little closer and discover that these several miles of roadway hold centuries of Hawaiian history and culture revealed in the archaeological sites that have sur-

Please join us for: Caregiving for Vets

Laura Guluzzy shares tips and discussion during a 1-Hour interactive talk on challenges & issues of caring for a Veteran. FREE Caregiver Binders for first 10 attendees

Tuesday, August 5th
10:00-11:00am

Kona Vet Center, Hale Ku'i Plaza, Suite 207
73-4976 Kamanu Street (above Home Depot)

Please RSVP to:

Dave Willard at: 329-0574 (Vet Center) or
Laura Guluzzy at: 326-2100
writerlsg@gmail.com

Also, join Laura for the Senior Roundtable Hui on the first Tuesday each month to discuss aging issues at the Pink Mocha Café, Hale Ku'i Plaza, 1:30-3:00pm.
August Topic: Intergenerational Communication & Aging

"Image and Reality in Polynesian Voyaging"

Pu'uhonua o Hōnaunau National Historical Park is hosting an evening program in the park amphitheatre on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, from 5:30 – 6:30 PM. We welcome Mimi George, PH.D in cultural anthropology, focusing on voyaging cultures around the Pacific; and Heu'ionalanai M. Wyeth, president of Ka'Imi Na'auao O Hawai'i Nei Institute, and they will be doing a presentation called "Image and Reality in Polynesian Voyaging." They will talk about how the Polynesian voyagers of Taumako in the southeast Solomon Islands, build, and sail voyaging canoes using only ancient materials, methods, tools and design.

For more information, please contact:
Ranger Charles T. Hua, at 808-328-2326 Ext 1241

55th Annual Hawaiian International Billfish Tournament Starts Fishing! July 28 through August 1, 2014!

This Prestigious big game fishing tournament built on prestige and strict International Game Fish Association (IGFA) rules for world records starts fishing Monday, July 28 and continues through Friday August 2nd. 35 teams are headed to Kona to fish and field of anglers is looking very International with multiple teams from Australia, China, Japan, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa, Papua New Guinea Vanuatu and from the good

ole' USA.

Monday through Friday, July 28-August 1

Starting at 7:30 am, boats line up across Historic Kailua Bay, returning to the pier at 4:30 in the afternoon where spectators will see plenty of scoreboard action as teams weigh in at the end of the day, putting valuable points on the scoreboard.

HIBT event headquarters, retail and tournament control will once again be anchored at Courtyard Marriott King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel, located adjacent to Kailua Pier.

The Hawaiian International Billfish Tournament is underwritten by the generosity of the County of Hawaii Department of Research and Development and numerous corporate and community donors.





Rotary Events

D5000 HAWAII
PRLS
 Potential Rotary Leaders Seminars
Now available in District 5000!

Want to enhance your leadership skills?

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Aloha!

As many of you already know, we have replaced the former D5000 Leadership Academy with a new program called Potential Rotary Leadership Seminars (PRLS). It has been the goal of your D5000 Leadership team to bring you new and exciting options - and ultimately provide a new level of training for our potential and current D5000 and Club leaders. Want to enhance your leadership skills?

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The Basic PRLS program is a 5-part curriculum including the following topics:

1. Basic Leadership Principles
2. The "DNA" of a Growing Club - Membership
3. Leading a Meeting Effectively
4. Rotary, Your Club & YOU - Rotary Basics
5. Electronic & Conventional Communication Strategies
6. Basic Public Speaking
7. Giving & Qualification - Foundation

Once you have completed the basic program, you will be eligible for an advanced PRLS (called Master PRLS) that will be announced later in the year.

The Fall 2014 Training Schedule is as follows:

Oahu: September 27th from 8-5

Maui: October 11th from 8-5

Kauai: October 18th from 8-5

West Hawaii: October 25th from 8-5

East Hawaii: November 1st from 8-5

These sessions broadly cover the desired skills our leaders should have to effectively plan, organize, manage, promote, present orally, and lead in any setting. Our classes are expected to sell out with a waiting list. Don't miss this opportunity! Class size is limited to 50.

COST: PRLS day of instruction is \$40 per person in advance or \$60 at the door. The cost includes supplies, continental breakfast and lunch! Class runs from 8am-5pm. You may pay by check, cash or credit card. Interactors may attend at no cost. (To pay by cash or check, you will need to contact me directly at:

RotaryDGClint@gmail.com Register Here: <http://bit.ly/WHBy9G>

Thank you - and we look forward to seeing you in the PRLS program.

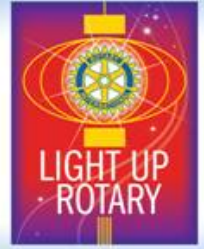
Aloha, DGN Clint Schroeder

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IGNITE Literacy Tutoring Program

Nara Sandberg & Amanda Talarico

AmeriCorps VISTAs

Nara and Amanda, two AmeriCorps VISTA volunteers, are working at Holualoa Elementary School to improve literacy rates among students in grades K-3. They are creating a comprehensive program called IGNITE which involves a tutoring program, events centered around literacy, and reading incentive programs for students and families. The goal of the program is to use alternative methods of teaching, such as art, acting, and creative writing to make reading more fun and interactive for students. Once the program is established and proven successful, it will be expanded to the rest of Holualoa School, and eventually all of West Hawaii.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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has moved to the 2nd Thursday of each month, Except this month (August) where the meeting will be at 10:00 am Thursday, August 21 for a planning session with DG Steelquist
- ◆ **ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS-Big Island.**
Humpy's is hosting the event on Thursday August 21. This is a networking event and potential Rotarians are welcome.
- ◆ **KEIKI VISION/Dictionary Project**
leadership team meeting Thursday 1:00pm.
Interested in being part of the team?

You're invited to attend.

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◆ EAST HAWAII HURRICANE RELIEF

We are working with County Civil Defense and United Way to see how Rotary Clubs across the state can support the post hurricane relief efforts. As soon as we know what we can do, we will let you know.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

Today, I am counting my blessings. Getting through Hurricane Iselle and Julio without damage is truly a miracle. Unfortunately, not everyone was as lucky as we. As you know Puna and Paho were hard hit. 20,000 people were without power during the storm. I am not sure how many still are. HELCO and county workers are still clearing trees, and fixing downed power lines. Authorities are still assessing damage. Many isolated homes, have debris on the roads blocking access to help.

Hawaii Civil Defense is working with United Way and the Red Cross to deliver necessary relief. Rotarians across the state are asking how they can help.

As soon as United Way provides us with instructions, I am hoping that we can mobilize to provide assistance in this relief effort. We should be prepared to roll up our sleeves and pitch in. I should know more on Thursday. COSTCO is collecting donations of water and dry goods for hurricane victims.

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Ignite the Flame of Membership

Marco Schlessler Membership Chair 2012-2015 District 5000

Hope all is well and you enjoy your summer – our year is in full swing – and hearing from DG Laura, the clubs are inducting many new members, very exciting to hear. We have our first Premier Club in the District – The mighty Rotary Club of Upcountry Maui – surprise – it was not a West Hawaii Club – are we in for an upstage this year? Remember, Hawaii Island had 100% Premier Status and Net Growth 2 years in a row – just saying!

As previously announced, Rotary International is now asking for applicants to participate in the Young Professional Campaign. Click here for details : <http://ow.ly/zjJd2> . As was to be expected, the deadline has been kept very short so time is of essence. Starting the application is a bit tricky – at the bottom of the document it says "Click the >> button to proceed to the application". You actually will have to scroll down a bit further, then look for a tiny ">>" button in the right corner ! Let's get our District represented so we have a voice and are able to get many great ideas out of it.

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AUGUST 2014

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Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



August 2014

In Rotary, we mark August as Membership and Extension Month. There is a good reason why we remind ourselves of the importance of membership early in every Rotary year: because the job of growing our membership is one that we can never begin too soon. It is also a job that we can never stop working on. In order to keep serving, Rotary always needs to be growing!

We have talked for many years about the importance of the family of Rotary. In this Rotary year, I want to make not just the family of Rotary, but our own Rotary families, a priority in our membership. After 37 years of following me in Rotary, my wife, Corinna, finally became a Rotarian last year. We attended the chartering of a new club in Taiwan together, and she said, "It's time for me to become a Rotarian too!" So she joined that club. And soon, so did a lot of other people. Now that club has 102 members, and it's the second-largest club in Taiwan.

Inviting our spouses into Rotary isn't just about getting our numbers up. It addresses the reality that Rotary still has far more men as members than it does women, and that is something we need to work on. When we bring more women into Rotary, our clubs become more appealing to prospective female members – and become more productive as well.

This year we are going to have something new in Rotary: a membership support team pin. This means that if you invite a new member into Rotary, you get a special pin to wear with your Rotary gearwheel. But we all know that the job of growing membership doesn't end when a new member joins. It ends only when a new member is enjoying being a Rotarian and never wants to leave! And making sure that our clubs are enjoyable places to be is a key part of growing membership.

People come into Rotary for all kinds of reasons, but they stay because Rotary is fun to be a part of. So I want to remind all of you to have fun in your clubs and your districts. Rotary is based on the idea that our service is more effective when we serve together with our friends. So let's enjoy our Rotary service, share it with others, and Light Up Rotary together!

**GARY C.K. HUANG,
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2014-15**

August 2014

Aloha, Wonderful D5000 Rotarians!

August is Membership Month in Rotary, when we focus even more attention than usual on this critical aspect of Rotary - how do we get and keep more members in a time when so many other offerings are vying for scarce resources of time and treasure? We provide value for the time and money we ask our members to spend. We offer opportunities to give back to the community that they wouldn't have without Rotary. We offer fellowship with like-minded individuals who become our life-long friends.

Success breeds success. I've seen examples of this as I've visited the first 25 clubs for our official District Governor visits. I've inducted four members at a club with enormous success in community service projects and community recognition - and three more visitors to the meeting expressed interest in joining Rotary that day. And three of those four new members were invited to join by members who had been Rotarians for less than a year. New members bring in new members. So the small club who brings in one new member has just expanded their circle of potential members enormously!

I LOVE to induct new members - and I have inducted several over the past four weeks. And I'm even more excited because Presidents are emailing to let me know they would like for me to induct a new member (ok - there's another club with four new members ready) when I come to their clubs in August. What a great way to celebrate Membership Month! Change someone's life - invite them to join Rotary!

**With much Aloha,
DG Laura 2014-2015**



In Our Community

New Year, New Push for Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)

By Teree Bergman, ARRFC, Zone 26

It's a new Rotary year, and that means it's time to begin a new effort to have our members participate in Rotary's work by donating to the Annual Fund. Rotary's Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) program is designed to empower every Rotary Club member to be part of the humanitarian accomplishments of The Rotary Foundation. In Zone 26 for the year that ended June 30, only 44 of the 666 clubs earned banners for achieving 100% EREY. That's a whopping 6%! (Zegar's note: District 5000 did better than average but only 14 of 49 Clubs achieved EREY)

It's hard to understand why so few clubs earn these banners. What Rotarian doesn't want to be able to say, "I helped improve health, alleviate poverty, and enhance education"? Why would a member attend a meeting every week and never give anything to the Annual Fund? It's sort of like going to church every Sunday and never putting a dollar into the collection basket. Surely, we can do better. I do not know the reason that we have such a low percentage of donors, but I would guess that part of it is, we fail to ask.

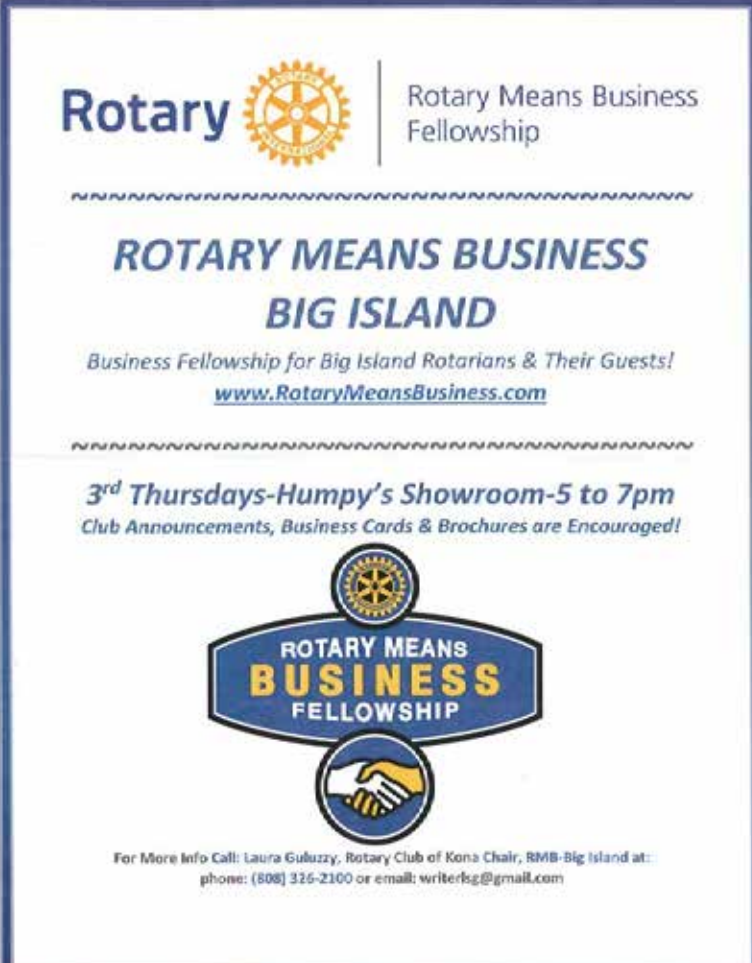
The most common reason people give for joining Rotary is that someone they respected ASKED. It's the same for the Foundation: if you want people to give, you have to ASK.


A quick review of Rotary Club web sites reveals a lot of misinformation about EREY. There is much confusion between EREY and sustaining membership. Many clubs have the idea that EREY means \$100 from every Rotarian. EREY means that every club member gave SOMETHING (even \$1 will do), and the club has an average contribution of \$100. For most Rotarians, a \$100 gift should not be difficult. It's only about \$2 week. Who doesn't spend \$2 a week on things they can't even remember. It's about half the cost of a tall latte.

And what can The Rotary Foundation do with that \$2 per week? Provide 3 cataract surgeries in India. Buy 15 packets of teaching materials for a school in Costa Rica. Feed a family in India or Pakistan for 6 months. Bring clean water to 600 school kids in Africa.

Not only do small contributions help do big things, but we, as Rotarians, have control over how the money is spent. Annual Fund contributions are divided between the World Fund and the District Designated Fund (DDF). Each district gets to decide how to use its DDF to participate in Foundation grants and activities it chooses.

Surely we can find a way to get every Rotarian to be a part of the Foundation's wonderful work by giving SOMETHING. Let's get more of those banners for Rotary year 2014-15.



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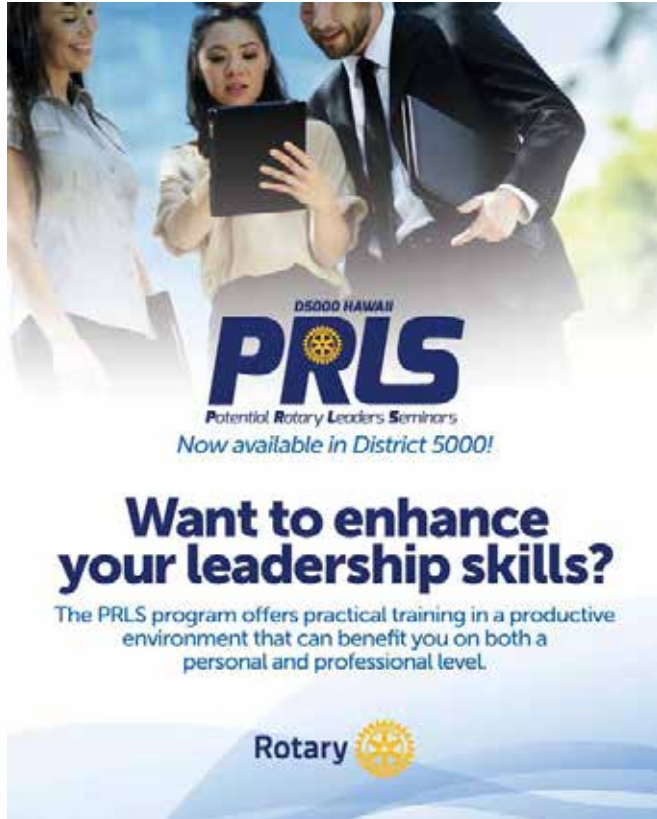
3rd Thursdays-Humpy's Showroom-5 to 7pm
Club Announcements, Business Cards & Brochures are Encouraged!



For More Info Call: Laura Guluzzy, Rotary Club of Kona Chair, RMB-Big Island at:
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Rotary Events



Aloha!

As many of you already know, we have replaced the former D5000 Leadership Academy with a new program called Potential Rotary Leadership Seminars (PRLS). It has been the goal of your D5000 Leadership team to bring you new and exciting options - and ultimately provide a new level of training for our potential and current D5000 and Club leaders. Want to enhance your leadership skills?

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The Basic PRLS program is a 5-part curriculum including the following topics:

1. Basic Leadership Principles
2. The "DNA" of a Growing Club - Membership
3. Leading a Meeting Effectively
4. Rotary, Your Club & YOU - Rotary Basics
5. Electronic & Conventional Communication Strategies
6. Basic Public Speaking
7. Giving & Qualification - Foundation

Once you have completed the basic program, you will be eligible for an advanced PRLS (called Master PRLS) that will be announced later in the year.

The Fall 2014 Training Schedule is as follows:

Oahu: September 27th from 8-5

Maui: October 11th from 8-5

Kauai: October 18th from 8-5

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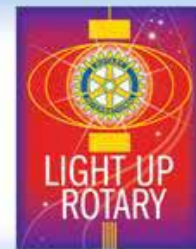
Thank you - and we look forward to seeing you in the PRLS program.

Aloha, DGN Clint Schroeder



Kona Coffee Blossom

The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



October 2, 2014

Upcoming Speakers

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona Vocational Site Visit, Chef "Ippy" Aiona Three Fat Pigs, Waikoloa King's Shops Meeting at Noon—Upstairs



Welcome to the Three Fat Pigs & The Thirsty Wolf, A Restaurant & Gastropub by Chef Ippy Aiona. The Restaurant and Gastropub is located the Kings' Shops Shopping Center in Waikoloa in the big Island of Hawaii. Kings' Shops is Hawaii Island's premiere shopping and dining destination; located 20-minutes north of Kona International Airport within the Waikoloa Beach Resort. The center is convenient to all Kailua-Kona and Kohala Coast hotels and resorts. This jewel of the Kohala coast offers an exquisite collection of luxury brand stores such as Louis Vuitton, Tiffany & Co. and Coach along with high-end boutique stores and fine art galleries. Kings' Shops provides excellent dining options from fine dining

to casual eateries.

Kings' Shops offers convenient, fast and friendly shuttle service between Kings' Shops, Mauna Kea Beach Hotel and Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel.

Meet Philip "Ippy" Aiona, a finalist on Food Network Star Season 8. Chef Ippy will talk about his upbringing in Hawaii, how he started cooking when he was 11 years old, and how he combines his Italian and Hawaiian background into his own particular style of cuisine. The former Food Network Star has graduated from running his family's Italian restaurant in Hawaii (he's executive chef) and has opened two new restaurants in Waikoloa on the Big Island of Hawaii: a gastropub and the Three Fat Pigs Restaurant and a small Hawaiian plate lunch restaurant that serves Hawaiian comfort food.

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Bring Newspapers on October 23, 2014 Meeting

◆ Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY)

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ROTARY SPONSORED BIKE AID STATION

Could you please help me spread the word that I am leading a **Rotary Club Bike Aid Station in Hawi on Saturday, October 11 for the Ironman** and we could use help. I know a lot of people volunteer in Kona, but if anyone would like to do the special needs station in Hawi from 8:30am-2:30pm to let me know.

Mahalo, Keith Marrack kmarrack@gmail.com

Keiki Vision Volunteers

Call Larry Webb
808-989-6336

The Four-Way Test

Is it the truth?
'Oia 'i' o i keia o' lelo

Is it fair to all
concerned?
Kupono ia ka kau

Will it build good will
and better friendship?
Kukulu lokomaika'i a
me pialoha maika'i a'e

Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?
Pono ia ka kou

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

I have had a busy few weeks, traveling, but managed to squeeze in a Rotary meeting in Reno. I got to see some old friends and meet some new ones. They were really excited about our volcano mugs and want to buy some to support our Polio Plus fund raiser. How exciting.

While I was gone, your Keiki Vision Team has been working hard. Can't wait to get an update on the Waikoloa School visit.

I am not sure if I will be back in time for the meeting on Thursday, but if you haven't signed up for lunch at Three Fat Pigs. See you soon.

Yours in Rotary

Liz Heiman, President 2014-2015



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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 Oct 9 Tom Daniel
 Oct 16 Holly DeGeal
 Oct 23 Kimber DeVerse
 Oct 30 Tom Fine
 Nov 6 Tani Golden

Mahalo


from Holualoa Elementary School

Dear Rotary Club of Kona,

Thank you so much for the donation of: Various comic books to Holualoa Elementary School. Your donation is greatly appreciated by our Holualoa School Ohana. We value your commitment to public education and your genuine concern for our students. Without your support we would be limited in the opportunities we are able to provide.

Please note: No consideration or promise for future consideration has been made or given in Exchange for or in contemplation of the above donation.

Mahalo,


 Mr. Glenn Gray
 Principal

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Project Compassion At Denny's Kona



MAHALO to DENNY'S for allowing Non-Profit organizations in our community to continue hosting these events!

Ajay, Ali & Abdul & Denny's Staff...Thank you! You are ALL truly amazing! If anyone knows of a Non-Profit who may be interested in hosting an event, please let **Holly DeGeal know at 443-5423 or email: holly.degeal@proservice.com**. The forms are available on our club website: www.rotaryclubofkona.com

Mark your Calendars:

* Oct 19, 2014

* Nov 9, 2014

* December

VASH Hawaii Island

Polio Plus-4 Rotary Club's Fundraiser

No Event in December

Newsletter Articles for Publication

Submit articles for publication by Sunday. These can be Rotary events (all three clubs) and community events.

Publication is subject to space constraints. Submittals by email should go to chrys@wtahawaii.com or just hand them to me at the regular Thursday meetings. Chrys Yamasaki, Coffee Blossom Editor

ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2014-2015


left to right:



Elizabeth Heiman
 President Rotary Club of Kona
Donna Hiranaka
 Assistant District Governor
 West Hawaii
Laura Steelquist
 District Governor, District 5000
Gary C.K. Huang
 President, Rotary International





Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
28	29 KEIKI VISION WAIKOLOA ELEM 7:30 AM	30 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka— Meet at Te- shima's 12:00pm	OCT 1 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Humpy's 6:45am North Hawaii Noon—Anna Ranch	2 VOCATIONAL SITE VISIT THREE FAT PIGS King's Shops Upstairs Noon 	3	4
OCT 5	6	7 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka— Meet at Te- shima's 12:00pm Jen McGeehan Yurt Project	8 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Humpy's 6:45am North Hawaii Noon—Anna Ranch	9 Vocational Site Visit Palamanui Campus (Big White Tent) Rotary Club of Kona Board Meeting	10	11 IRONMAN Aid Station with Interact Club
12	13 Columbus Day	14 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka— Meet at Te- shima's 12:00pm Riley Smith Keauhou Aquifer	15 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Humpy's 6:45am North Hawaii Noon—Anna Ranch	16 CLUB ASSEMBLY ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS— Humpy's Showroom 5-7 pm	17	18 Oktoberfest North Ha- waii Rotary Club (see pg 6)
19 PROJECT COMPASSION DENNY'S VASH Hawaii KOKUA KAILUA VILLAGE STROLL 1-6 pm	20	21 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka— Meet at Te- shima's 12:00pm Carrie Kuwada Phipps HCC	22 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Humpy's 6:45am North Hawaii Noon—Anna Ranch	23 Speaker: Dr. Derbes, Cardiologist	24 KONA KINE OKTOBERFEST (Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Big Game Fishing Club Honokohau Harbor (see Pg 6)	25 PRLS Training
26	27	28 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka— Meet at Te- shima's 12:00pm Stone Wolfsong Full Life	29 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise— Humpy's 6:45am North Hawaii Noon—Anna Ranch	30 4 Rotarians, Up Close and Personal	31 Halloween	NOV 1

Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



October 2014

In October 1914, Jonas Salk was born – a man who would change world history by inventing the first effective vaccine against polio. When the vaccine was introduced in the United States in the 1950s, polls indicated that polio was one of the nation's two greatest fears, second only to the fear of atomic war. And with good reason: In the 1952 U.S. polio epidemic, 58,000 cases were reported, with 3,145 deaths and 21,269 instances of permanent, disabling paralysis. Globally, polio paralyzed or killed up to half a million people every year.

Soon after the Salk vaccine was created, Albert Sabin developed an oral version, allowing tremendous numbers of children to be immunized quickly, safely, and inexpensively. In 1985, Rotary's PolioPlus program was born, with a simple goal: to immunize every child under age five against this crippling disease.

Thanks in large part to the initial success of PolioPlus, in 1988 the 166 member states of the World Health Assembly unanimously set the goal of global polio eradication.

At the time, the idea was breathtakingly ambitious, and many called it impossible. Today, we are closer to this goal than ever before, with only a few hundred cases of polio reported per year, and just three remaining endemic countries. We are on track to achieve full eradication by 2018 – if we can keep up the momentum that has brought us this far. And this month, we will mark World Polio Day on 24 October, and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Dr. Salk's birth.

I ask you all to Light Up Rotary this month by doing whatever you can to shine a spotlight on our efforts to eradicate polio. Call your government officials and let them know that polio eradication matters to you. Go to endpolionow.org for inspiring stories about Rotary's work, and share them on social media. And make the best investment you'll ever make, by donating to polio eradication right on the endpolionow.org website and earning a two-to-one match on your contribution from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

When we eradicate polio – and we will – we'll have brought the world into a better future, and Rotary into a better future as well. We will have proved ourselves, as an organization, capable of great things. And we will have given our children and grandchildren a gift that will endure forever: a polio-free world.

GARY C.K. HUANG, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2014-15

October 2014

Aloha, Wonderful D5000 Rotarians!

October is Vocational Service Month! This is the month when Rotary "returns to its roots" and recognizes the strength of our organization because of all the diverse vocations in which our members are leaders. In 1905, Paul Harris invited three Chicago businessmen to a meeting: Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer; Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer; and Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor.

Harry Ruggles, a printer, joined the next day. (Yes, he was the one who decided singing would add to the fun of a meeting!) Ruggles brought in Will Jensen, a real estate dealer. See, new members bring in new members! The idea was that these men would form a group of businessmen who would incorporate the friendliness and cooperative spirit of a small town into life in the city of Chicago. And by having different businesses represented, they would all benefit and help each other prosper.

So, if you look at it that way, Vocational Service was actually the First Avenue of Service!



**With much Aloha,
DG Laura 2014-2015**

GOOD BYE POLIO

Enjoy your cup of morning brew knowing that you are supporting Rotary's program to eradicate polio worldwide.

- All profits from each purchase, \$10, is contributed to the Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus program.
- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation matches your purchase with an additional \$20.
- That's a total of \$30 to help eliminate this debilitating disease.

Mahalo!



In Our Rotary Community

Follow-up comments Regarding Peter Young's Presentation

Scientists Say There Is No Impact To Resources Due To Water Well Pumping

A simple and consistent message has been made from a variety of scientists, including the National Park's hydrologist: there is "no evidence" of impact to groundwater and coastal resources due to pumping water from high-level wells:

Paula Cutillo, Ph.D., Hydrologist for the National Park Service

"The water resources in the Park include the coral reefs, two fish ponds and a fish trap, over 185 anchialine pools and wetlands. ... These resources are relatively healthy; we have no evidence that existing pumping has adversely affected these resources."

Summary of Scientific Research on the Northern Section of the Keauhou Aquifer System

"The findings of these studies come to a consistent conclusion: no evidence collected to date indicates that withdrawals of groundwater resources from the high-level and basal aquifers in the northern section of the Keauhou Aquifer System have negatively impacted basal groundwater, the ponds, and the nearshore marine waters."

Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority

"32 Years of Monitoring Results: NELHA's monitoring program has found no evidence of harmful change to its benthic, fish biota, and anchialine pond communities"

Tom Nance, PE, Hydrologist/Water Resource Engineer

"High level pumpage began in 1994 and is now at about 4.0 to 4.5 MGD ... The TNWRE monitoring data (of continuous water level recording in the Kamakana well and time series salinity profiles in three others in the immediate vicinity of the National Park) establish that no impact to basal groundwater as a result of high level groundwater pumpage has been identified to date."

Steve Bowles, Groundwater Geologist

"Cumulative hydro-geologic data and field observations of the Keauhou Aquifer System obtained during the past half century support the conclusion that declaration of the Keauhou Aquifer System is not necessary at this time."

Steve Dollar Ph.D., UH Research Faculty, Coastal Zone & Coral Reef Specialist

"More recent studies in 2012 reveal consistent input of groundwater along the landward shoreline of the pond, resulting in steep gradients of salinity and inorganic nutrients found in groundwater. These results suggest that there has not been a detectable decrease in basal groundwater to the ponds; in fact the opposite appears to be the case".

Dr Richard Brock, Ph.D., Researcher at UH, Anchialine Pond Specialist

"(T)he Kohanaiki development ... requirement for a water quality monitoring program to insure that the quality of the ground and nearshore marine waters ... is the most stringent of all such non-potable monitoring programs in West Hawai'i (i.e., frequency of sampling, numbers of samples). ... Despite the fluctuations in concentrations of some nutrients in anchialine pools, there is no evidence of decline to pond biota connected to changes in water quality."

Dr Donald Thomas, Ph.D., UH Research Faculty

"The National Park is using the modeling done by Oki et al., 1999 to base their allegation that substantial impacts will occur. However, the numerical modeling of the Keauhou aquifer by Oki et al. was done prior to the general recognition of the significance of the deep aquifers ... hence, the true effect of withdrawal of some fraction of the mauka high level water is likely to be substantially less than the Oki et al. model predicts and could, in fact, be negligible."

Rotary Events

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Register Here: <http://bit.ly/WHBy9G>

A Benefit for Rotary Grants & Scholarships

13th annual

Oktoberfest



beer SILENT buffet
music auction games costume
contest

Friday, October 18th • 5-8pm
Pukalani Stables - Behind Parker Ranch Center

TICKETS AT:

<http://www.oktoberfesthawaii.com> or from any North Hawaii Rotary member.

GENERAL: \$60

(Includes all access to food stations, 2 drink tickets and 2 game tickets)

V.I.P: \$100

(Includes all access to food and drink stations, your own beer stein, VIP drinks line, 4 game tickets)



Silent Auction to benefit Waimea Country School

Questions/Tickets: Call Alethea @ 989-7861

YOU'RE INVITED TO A
KONA KINE OKTOBERFEST
LIVE AUCTION & SILENT AUCTION
GRAND DOOR PRIZE!

Friday, October 24th
5:00 - 8:00 pm

Entertainment by
Jack and the Rippers

Hawaii Big Game Fishing Club
Honokohau Harbor

West Hawaii Today

Tickets \$30.00

Includes pupus, dinner, first drink, dessert, coffee & door prize ticket.

Tickets available at: Kona Wine Market, Kailua Candy Co. or by phone 937-3579

All proceeds from this event will be used by the Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise to support scholarships in the Arts and Sciences, as well as support community and youth services in West Hawaii

CLUB PRESENTS CHECK TO ROTARY CLUB OF KONA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

On Thursday, September 11, 2014 the Rotary Club of Kona presented a \$25,000 check to the Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation. The funds will be added to the investment funds of the foundation with the interest and dividends used to fund our club's annual scholarships. Each year we present \$14,000 in scholarships. In 2014 we added 8 additional scholarships. All scholarships are presented to students attending schools in West Hawaii who are continuing their education at the community college, college and university level.

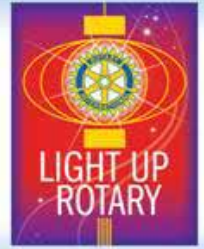
Acting President of Rotary Club of Kona, Alan Clark
presenting the check to Rotary Club of Kona Community
Foundation President Ken Kjer





Kona Coffee Blossom

The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



October 9, 2014

Upcoming Speakers

Oct 16
Club Assembly

Oct 23
Dr. Derbes,
Cardiologist

Oct 30
4 Rotarians—Up
Close and Personal

Nov 6
En Young, Executive
Director
The Food Basket

If you have suggestions
for speakers email
Harold Meltzer at
Happyhal@kona.net

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona Vocational Site Visit, PALAMANUI CAMPUS

When: Noon to 1pm, Thursday, October 9, 2014

Where: White tent viewing area as shown on the map sketch attached. Google Maps or Google World will almost get you there, but not quite.

What: Talk story about progress with Director Marty Fetcher and Construction Superintendent Rick Case.

Enjoy a picnic lunch and beverages provided by Buns in the Sun. Before noon, Tuesday, Oct 7, **please let me know your choice of beef, chicken, or veggie sandwiches, if you didn't at the Ippy's meeting last week.**

Possible walk around campus depending on level of construction activity, so **wear closed-toe shoes.** View the Palamanui Campus progress from white tent area.

Bring beach chairs if you need the comfort. I'll bring a few white folding tables.

Port-a-potty is near tent.

Please let me know what questions you have by calling my cell 938-3242 or email: lightner@hawaii.rr.com. Thank you for your long time efforts to build the educational opportunities in our community.



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President Elect James Resor has the mugs.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

A family emergency has taken me to NY. I don't know when I will be back, but it may be two more weeks.

Keiki vision is such a powerful project. We impact lives, but don't get to hear about it. With young Jade Ho, we got to hear that we made a difference. Knowing that her family was struggling with the costs of Jade's eye surgeries, the board decided to send \$500. The family wrote back and let us know that Jade's grandfather or great grandfather helped start Rotary Club of Kona. He could never have known the life he would touch would be his own granddaughters. Jeff and Stephen are going to need all of your help with Keiki Vision. Please support them.

Kimber is going to need help with the upcoming project compassion fund raiser. Please volunteer with Kimber to help her find sponsors and spread the word.

Yours in Rotary

Liz Heiman, President 2014-2015

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An Email from Olivia Maigret—Jim & Sis Bedingfield Scholarship Recipient

Hello!

I recently joined the UC Berkeley Rotaract Club and I'm so glad to be involved in the rotary organization especially seeing as they helped me get here.

Classes are going great and I am so happy here, the whole thing just makes me even more grateful for your help! Just thought I'd send an email checking in, thought you might want to hear about it.

Hope you're doing well!

Best wishes,

Olivia Maigret

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Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



October 2014

In October 1914, Jonas Salk was born – a man who would change world history by inventing the first effective vaccine against polio. When the vaccine was introduced in the United States in the 1950s, polls indicated that polio was one of the nation's two greatest fears, second only to the fear of atomic war. And with good reason: In the 1952 U.S. polio epidemic, 58,000 cases were reported, with 3,145 deaths and 21,269 instances of permanent, disabling paralysis. Globally, polio paralyzed or killed up to half a million people every year.

Soon after the Salk vaccine was created, Albert Sabin developed an oral version, allowing tremendous numbers of children to be immunized quickly, safely, and inexpensively. In 1985, Rotary's PolioPlus program was born, with a simple goal: to immunize every child under age five against this crippling disease.

Thanks in large part to the initial success of PolioPlus, in 1988 the 166 member states of the World Health Assembly unanimously set the goal of global polio eradication.

At the time, the idea was breathtakingly ambitious, and many called it impossible. Today, we are closer to this goal than ever before, with only a few hundred cases of polio reported per year, and just three remaining endemic countries. We are on track to achieve full eradication by 2018 – if we can keep up the momentum that has brought us this far. And this month, we will mark World Polio Day on 24 October, and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Dr. Salk's birth.

I ask you all to Light Up Rotary this month by doing whatever you can to shine a spotlight on our efforts to eradicate polio. Call your government officials and let them know that polio eradication matters to you. Go to endpolionow.org for inspiring stories about Rotary's work, and share them on social media. And make the best investment you'll ever make, by donating to polio eradication right on the endpolionow.org website and earning a two-to-one match on your contribution from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

When we eradicate polio – and we will – we'll have brought the world into a better future, and Rotary into a better future as well. We will have proved ourselves, as an organization, capable of great things. And we will have given our children and grandchildren a gift that will endure forever: a polio-free world.

GARY C.K. HUANG, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2014-15

October 2014

Aloha, Wonderful D5000 Rotarians!

October is Vocational Service Month! This is the month when Rotary "returns to its roots" and recognizes the strength of our organization because of all the diverse vocations in which our members are leaders. In 1905, Paul Harris invited three Chicago businessmen to a meeting: Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer; Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer; and Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor.

Harry Ruggles, a printer, joined the next day. (Yes, he was the one who decided singing would add to the fun of a meeting!) Ruggles brought in Will Jensen, a real estate dealer. See, new members bring in new members! The idea was that these men would form a group of businessmen who would incorporate the friendliness and cooperative spirit of a small town into life in the city of Chicago. And by having different businesses represented, they would all benefit and help each other prosper.

So, if you look at it that way, Vocational Service was actually the First Avenue of Service!



**With much Aloha,
DG Laura 2014-2015**

GOOD BYE POLIO

Enjoy your cup of morning brew knowing that you are supporting Rotary's program to eradicate polio worldwide.

- All profits from each purchase, \$10, is contributed to the Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus program.
- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation matches your purchase with an additional \$20.
- That's a total of \$30 to help eliminate this debilitating disease.

Mahalo!



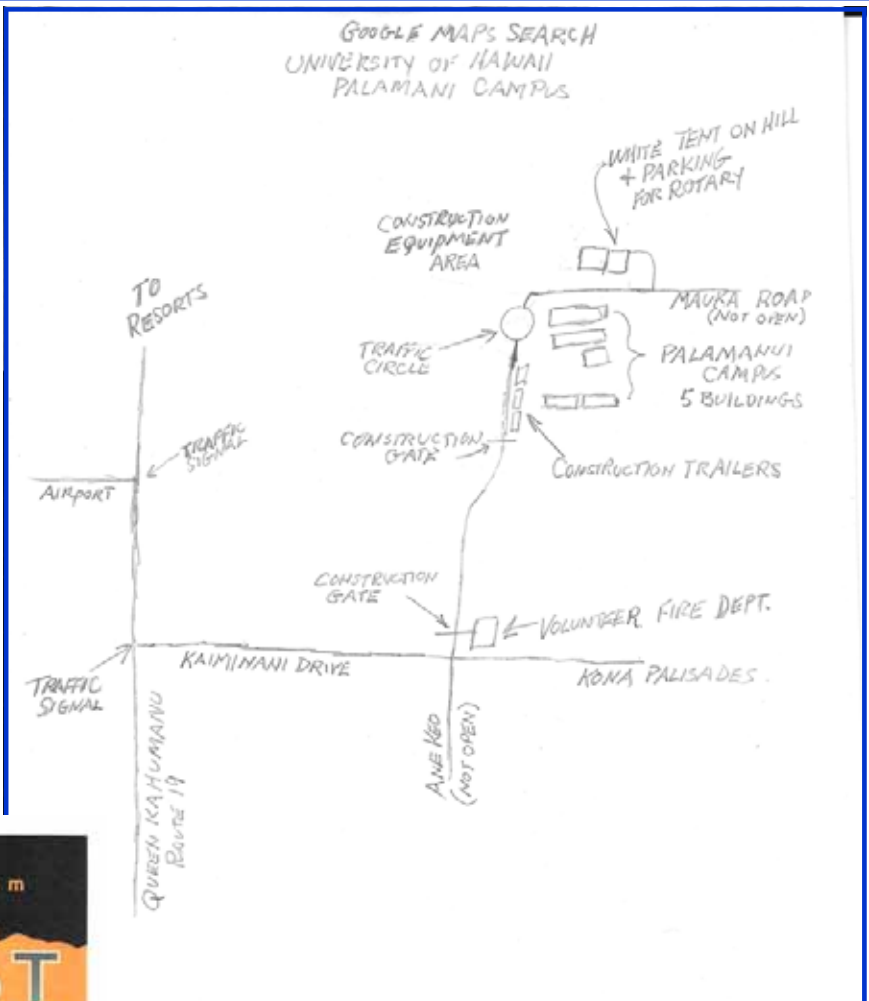
In Our Rotary Community



Aloha Lari
and Rotary Club
of Kona,
We are truly grateful
and so thankful for
your Kō Kua.

Mahalo Nui from
our ohana,
Jack,
Hulani,
Jade,
Jonah

We found out that Jade's
great-great grandfather started the Rotary club of Kona!



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12 6-10pm

FEAST
on the
BEACH
2nd ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

WAIKOLUA

Anaeho'omalu Bay

LAVALAVA
BEACH CLUB

\$100 PER PERSON **\$1000** RESERVED TABLE FOR 8 **50% DONATED TO CHARITIES**

SOUNDS:
LT SMOOTH
HENRY KAPONO & BAND

SID:
BEER & WINE STATIONS

INVO:
FOOD STATIONS

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Charities supported:
Hawaii Island Business Society
Hospice of Kona
Kohala Theatre
Kona Community Hospital Foundation
Kona School Chapter of Commerce
Lava Kids
Malama Garden of Grief & Middle School
Rotary of Kona
Rotary of South Kona

Our club has purchased 8 tickets for a reserved table--\$125/ticket. We also have 42 tickets @ \$100 available for sale-no reserved seating. The club receives 50% of all purchased tickets allocated to our club.

Rotary Events

PRLS TRAINING PROGRAM

The PRLS program offers practical training in a productive environment that can benefit you on both a personal and professional level. The PRLS program will be rolled out in the fall of 2014. District Governor Laura has graciously agreed to allow the roll-out to coincide with the traditional Foundation and Membership seminars that occur each year in September, October and November. Each participant that finishes the program will receive a certificate of completion and a special D5000 PRLS lapel pin.

West Hawaii: October 25th from 8-5

East Hawaii: November 1st from 8-5

These sessions broadly cover the desired skills our

leaders should have to effectively plan, organize, manage, promote, present orally, and lead in any setting. Our classes are expected to sell out with a waiting list. Don't miss this opportunity! Class size is limited to 50.

COST: PRLS day of instruction is \$40 per person in advance or \$60 at the door. The cost includes supplies, continental breakfast and lunch! Class runs from 8am-5pm. You may pay by check, cash or credit card. Interactors may attend at no cost. (To pay by cash or check, you will need to contact me directly at:

RotaryDGClint@gmail.com

Register Here: <http://bit.ly/WHBy9G>

YOU'RE INVITED TO A
KONA KINE OKTOBERFEST
 LIVE AUCTION & SILENT AUCTION
 GRAND DOOR PRIZE!
Friday, October 24th
5:00 - 8:00 pm
 Entertainment by **Jack and the Rippers**
Hawaii Big Game Fishing Club
Honokohau Harbor
Tickets \$30.00
 Includes pupus, dinner, first drink, dessert, coffee & door prize ticket.
Tickets available at: Kona Wine Market, Kalua Candy Co. or by phone 937-3579

A Benefit for Rotary Grants & Scholarships
13th annual Oktoberfest
beer SILENT buffet
music games costume
contest
Friday, October 18th • 5-8pm
Pukalani Stables - Behind Parker Ranch Center
TICKETS AT:
<http://www.oktoberfesthawaii.com> or from any North Hawaii Rotary member.
GENERAL: \$60 (includes all events to food stations, 2 drink tickets and 2 game tickets)
V.I.P: \$100 (includes all events to food and drink stations, year's best shirt, VIP drinks list, 5 game tickets)
Silent Auction to benefit Waimea Country School
Questions/Tickets: Call Athena @ 949-7665

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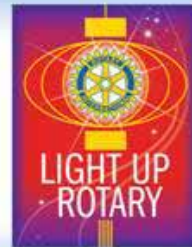
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Rotary



Kona Coffee Blossom

The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



December 25, 2014

Upcoming Speakers

December 31 — DARK
New Year's Eve
Holiday

Jan 8
Anais Gude, Hawaii
Island Manager—for
Teach Hawaii Program

Jan 15
David Hiranaka, West
Hawaii District
Membership Chairman

Jan 22—DARK
Golf Tournament
Fundraiser

Jan 29
Wil Murakami,
Principal
Kealahou High School

If you have suggestions
for speakers email
Harold Meltzer at
Happyhal@kona.net

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

**This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona
Christmas Day — WE ARE DARK**



MEC GOLF TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP See article on Page 6



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Aloha Rotarians,

Christmas is one of those times our Rotary really shines. It was so great to be there to see the kids from the Salvation Army sing and dance for us. They were wide-eyed to discover Santa there with gifts for them and their teachers. This is one of my favorite Rotary Club of Kona Traditions. I hope we never forget that the best part of Christmas is the kids. The food drive was a great success. Almost \$25,000. Something to be proud of. For all of you who were there, thank you for participating. For those of you who missed it. Next year, we hope you will join us. People are glad for the opportunity to give, and glad to tell us they gave somewhere else this holiday. It's a good feeling. I didn't get to hear how much we raised the day we rang the bell for the Salvation Army. One year we raised over \$2,000.

I had so much fun announcing the Holiday Parade. It is probably the first time I've watched the parade in years. I love the decorated trucks. OK, I am a kid at heart. If you have never helped with the parade, it is great fun.

Happy Holidays to you and your families, and thank you for all you do.

Yours in Rotary



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and better friendship?
Kukulu lokomaika'i a
me pilialoha maika'i a'e

Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?
Pono ia ka kou

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.

Birthdays**Hau'oli La Hanau:**

Dec 1 Larry Webb
Dec 5 Todd Holdcroft
Dec 10 Michael Stack

Anniversaries:**Hau'oli La Ho'omana'o**

Dec 16 Frank & Clyda Toscano
Dec 31 Dave & Tema Buehler

Special Dates**Rotary Anniversaries:**

Dec 01 David Rees-Thomas (35 yrs)
Dec 16 Loi Chang-Stroman (4 yrs)

Greeters:

Dec 4 Scott Unger
Dec 11 Frank Toscano
Dec 16 Rachael Thorngist
Dec 25 DARK
Jan 1 DARK
Jan 8 Michael Stack

Door Prize:

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December 2014

December is Family Month

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
NOVEMBER 30	1	2 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12:00 Teshima's Speaker—Peter Van Dyke Amy Greenwell Botanical Garden	3 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am at Humpy's Show-room Kona Historical Society	4 Speaker: Past President Jim Lightner	5	6
7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8	9 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12:00 Teshima's Speaker—Capt Kazuo Todd—Fire Prevention Bureau	10 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am at Humpy's Show-room Kona Krush Soccer Academy	11 Club Assembly And Special Presentation	12 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka Christmas Party	13
14	15  Hanukah	16 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12:00 Teshima's Speaker—Stan Sitko—Real Property Tax Office	17 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am at Humpy's Show-room Club Christmas Social	18 Club Assembly Children's Christmas Program ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS 5-7pm At Humpy's Showroom	19	20
21  First Day of Winter	22 Rotary Club of Kona HOLIDAY PARTY 5:30 to 8:30 Linda Jane's House 	23 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka DARK	24 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise DARK	25 WE ARE DARK  Christmas Day	26  Kwanzaa Begins	27
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In Our Rotary Community

3rd Annual Menehune Holiday Food Drive

The money raised is reported as follows:

On the Parade Route	\$ 295.88
North Hawaii	\$ 523.52
Kona Mauka	\$ 915.70
Kona	\$ 955.06
Kona Sunrise	\$1,228.04

Total of cash raised on December 13 = \$3,918.20

Added to about \$20,000.00 + will equal approx. \$24K of monetary support plus a lot of food. This photo illustrates just some of the take, loaded on the Royal Hawaiian Movers truck, being dropped off to The Food Basket right now.

A lot of hands and a lot of heart make a lot of difference to a lot of people in need. Mahalo! Cliff



Do you Recognize Mrs. Claus ? (Hint: Our own Darlene)



30th Annual Kailua-Kona Christmas Parade and Rotary's Menehune Holiday Food Drive

Mahalo to the Community for your terrific support of the 2014 parade,
to all the great Volunteers and all our wonderful Entrants.

This year we had 81 Entrants and over 2200 Participants!

Mahalo To Our Parade Sponsors

- Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation • Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise • Farnham & Associates
- Kona Trans • Soundwave Music • Island Lava Java • Rotary Club of Kona Mauka
- Farnham & Associates • Kealahou High School • Courtyard King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel
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- West Hawaii Electronics • County of Hawaii, Mayor's Office and Departments

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You can watch the entire parade on Nā Leo O Hawaii Channel 53:

→ Wed., 12/17 @ 7pm → Fri., 12/19 @ 7pm → Sat., 12/20 @ 7pm
→ Sun., 12/21 @ 6pm → Tues., 12/23 @ 7pm → Wed., 12/24 @ 6pm → Thurs., 12/25 @ 11am

www.ParadesInKona.com



Rotary Events

Fundraiser Tickets On Sale Now

It's time to get your tickets to our 12th Annual Valentine's Wine Tasting Celebration.

This is Mauka Rotary's annual fundraiser and is being held on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at the fabulous Hokuano Bay House, at the water's edge on Keauhou Bay.

Tickets are \$100 each, with a limited number of Luxury VIP Packages for Two at \$500.

We hope all Rotary members will make plans to attend. We also encourage you to invite your friends and colleagues to join us for this fun-filled event.

Please contact Sandee Crisp for tickets soon. Be a part of the only fundraiser we hold that allows us to provide scholarships to West Hawaii students and make a difference in the lives of so many people in our community.



BOOTS, JEANS AND COWBOY HATS
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR



2015 ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER

OAHU COUNTRY CLUB
150 Country Club Road, Honolulu

JANUARY 31, 2015

5:30 PM-9:30 PM

\$60.00 p/p

Giddy on up to the party!

Reserve your seats today!

RSVP: Yvette Nishimoto (credit cards, checks, cash accepted)

Tel: 808- 292-0867 Fax: 808-597-8474

Email: yvette@hawaii.rr.com

Address: 99-685 Hoio St. Aiea, HI 96701

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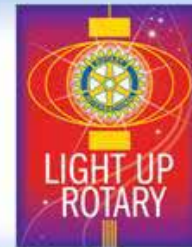
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Kona Coffee Blossom

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January 15, 2015

Upcoming Speakers

Jan 22—DARK
Golf Tournament
Fundraiser

Jan 29
Wil Murakami, Principal
Kealahou High School

Feb 5
Gideon Ramos
Director Hope Svcs

Feb 12
Jonathan Scheuer
Nat'l Park Service
Aquifer Viewpoint

Feb 19
Judge Ronald Ibarra
A look at our Courts

Feb 26:
Club Rotarians
Up Close and Personal

If you have suggestions
for speakers email Harold
Meltzer at
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This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona

Dave Hiranaka, Hawaii District Membership Chairman

This week fellow Rotarian Dave Hiranaka (Kona Mauka Club), Hawaii District Membership chairman will be going over the current status of our club in the Ignite program.



MEC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Aloha Volunteers,

Please check the Bulletin Board forums:

- We have posted new updates to the Volunteer Assignment Information.

<http://hualalaivolunteers.org/bb/viewforum.php?f=17>

Many assignments have been made, but the process is still on-going. Review & ensure that you

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

New Ideas: The more I go to Rotary Meetings at other clubs, the more I learn about Rotary. Because we do things a certain way, we assume that other clubs do the same. We couldn't be more wrong. This morning I went to the Fisherman's Warf Rotary Club. 35-member club. They meet at the Franciscan with an absolutely amazing view of the bay. They start the meeting by doing some calisthenics. Doc is hoping to spread that tradition. They meet the first three weeks of the month there and then have a social the 4th Thursday evening. Next week they are sticking stickers on Dictionaries then going to dinner.

Last night, I went to the SF Evening Club. Also referred to as the Night Club. Not too far off as they meet in a bar on Broadway. It's a 2-year old club with 50 members. The average age of the club members -35. They meet 3 Wednesday nights a week then have a social on the weekend. This month they are going to a trampoline room. How fun is that? Their RYLA Scholarships Fundraiser was a Thriller Video in Golden Gate Park. They dressed like zombies, got professional make-up artists, went to the park and made a video while groups all over the world did the same in an attempt a world record. People at the park gave them money when they heard what they were doing. Next on their list is a Kentucky Derby trip. When asked how to get younger members, they said, "Be flexible."

My two takeaways for Rotary this week - do calisthenics and be flexible.

Yours in Rotary, Liz Heiman, President 2014-2015



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No January Anniversaries

Rotary Anniversaries:

Jan 1 Jim Lightner (23 yrs)
Jan 10 Cheryl Holdcroft (12 yrs)
Jan 10 Greg Ogin (32 yrs)

Greeters:

Jan 1 DARK
Jan 8 Michael Stack
Jan 15 Steve Schwartz
Jan 22 Peter Schonberg
Jan 29 Jeff Rich
Feb 5 James Resor

Door Prize:

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Jan 8 Dani Knapp
Jan 15 Jim Lightner
Jan 22 Erin Matsuyama
Jan 29 Harold Meltzer
Feb 5 Melissa Mizuno

JANUARY "ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS"

Rotary Means Business-Big Island is inviting all visiting Rotarians on-island for volunteering at the Mitsubishi Golf tournament to join our January 15th meeting! Rotary Means Business-Big Island is offered for all Big Island Rotarians and their guests monthly, to get together for fellowship, and to network and share about their clubs and businesses with one another. Club announcement flyers, company brochures and business cards are encouraged. Big Island Rotarians and guests will meet **Thursday, January 15th from 5:00 to 7:00pm** and continues on the 3rd Thursday each month. The meetings take place at Humpy's Showroom upstairs (over the Humpy's bridge) at Humpy's in the Coconut Marketplace facing out on Ali'i Drive in Kona. Rotary was originally founded by Paul Harris to understand about and do business with his friends while completing philanthropic endeavors. For more information, please contact Rotary Means Business-Big Island Chair and Rotary Club of Kona Member, Laura Guluzzy at: or her office phone at: (808) 326-2100.

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JANUARY 2015

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
28	29	30 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka DARK	31 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise DARK 	JAN 1 WE ARE DARK 	2	3
4	5	6 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest. Mayor Billy Kenoi	7 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	8	9	10
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18	19	20 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest. Rich Bailey	21 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	22 DARK Golf Tournament Fundraiser	23	24
MEC GOLF TOURNAMENT AT HUALALAI—FUNDRAISER						
25 	26	27 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest. Rachel Allen of One Holistic Place	28 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	29 Wil Murakami, Prin- cipal Kealakehe High School	30	31

Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



JANUARY 2015

At the beginning of this Rotary year, I asked Rotarians everywhere to Light Up Rotary by holding a Rotary Day. How you do this is something I'm leaving up to you: It can be a full day or just a few hours. It can be organized by your club, by your district, or even across your entire country. It can be a service project, a festival, or any kind of event you want. As long as it's open to the community, embraces the whole family of Rotary, and is fun, it's a Rotary Day.

The goal of a Rotary Day is to shine a light on Rotary. For many years, we in Rotary felt that it wasn't appropriate to boast about our good work. We felt it was best to serve quietly and let our work speak for itself. But today, in many communities, people aren't even aware that they have a local Rotary club. Not because the clubs aren't strong, or because they aren't serving well. They are. But if Rotarians don't talk about their work, people will never know about it.

It is time for us to Light Up Rotary and let people know what we are doing. In the first half of this Rotary year, I've been thrilled to see how many Rotarians have taken up my Rotary Day challenge. I've attended Rotary Days in so many places, including the Philippines, Korea, China, the United States, Turkey, India, Taiwan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh. Every one has been different, and every one has met the challenge to Light Up Rotary in its own way.

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And if you haven't planned a Rotary Day yet, why not? It's a great way to share your love for Rotary with your community. When we tell others about Rotary and let them know how membership can enrich their lives, we share a gift that was given to us when we were invited to join our clubs. By passing that gift on, we help ensure that Rotary, and its service, will endure for generations to come.

GARY C.K. HUANG Rotary International PRESIDENT 2014-15

January 2015

What a joyous time of year – a time to look back at what we've accomplished and look forward to adventures still to come. It's particularly fitting that January is Rotary Awareness Month. At the beginning of this year RI President Gary Huang asked us all to Light Up Rotary by holding Rotary Days – making our communities aware of the good that Rotary does in the neighborhood by inviting non-Rotarians to participate with us in a fun activity.

President Gary reminds us of this commitment in his message in the Rotarian Magazine this month – and invites us all to share our Rotary Days stories with Rotarians around the world. Email details and photos of your event to rotarian@rotary.org with "Rotary Day" as your subject line. He promises to do his best to feature as many Rotary Days as possible in the coming months. What a great opportunity to show the world the good Rotarians are doing in Hawaii. So send in your stories and your pictures, starting with Hawaii Kai's July 4th community event that garnered so much goodwill in that neighborhood. Showcase the amazing work that Pahoehoe Sunset is doing to help the Puna community – with partnerships from the Maui Chefs! And West Hawaii's incredible efforts for the Hawaii Food Basket - with a parade no less! And how about the Waianae Coast Christmas Parade? Or Lights on Rice Street? Share your stories! Share your pictures! Send them in to the Rotarian magazine but also send them in to us. We'll put together a special District Newsletter featuring all the Rotary Days events we receive. Now's the time! Let's start the New Year off right! Let's



DG Laura

Light Up Rotary!

With much Aloha,
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Pick your favorite, or for this price - choose one of each!

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- Full button front shirt
- Short sleeve shirt
- New Rotary Logo on the Right Sleeve
- Size: M&W XS-3XL - X Small and X-XXX Large Sizes are limited!

Normal retail price for this shirt is \$89.00

Price:

Men's XS - XL (standard cut collar): \$55 (2XL-3XL = \$60)

Women's XS - XL (mandarin cut collar): \$55 (2XL-3XL = \$60)

Delivery:

You will be notified when shirts are ready for pick up on Oahu at Hagadone Printing:
274 Puuhale Road, Honolulu, HI 96819

-OR-

Need us to ship your D5000 Shirt to you? No problem! We use Standard USPS to ship across the state of Hawaii and within the continental USA. Shipping and handling is only \$9.00. Please indicate in the **Order Details** section if you would like your Official D5000 Shirt sent to you.

Men's shirts have a standard-style collar. Women's shirts have a mandarin-style collar (not pictured - but diagram is below).

Style 4456



Style 4472



CLICK HERE TO ORDER TODAY:

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BOOTS, JEANS AND COWBOY HATS
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR



2015 ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER

OAHU COUNTRY CLUB
150 Country Club Road, Honolulu

JANUARY 31, 2015

5:30 PM-9:30 PM

\$60.00 p/p

Giddy on up to the party!

Reserve your seats today!

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**Check Presentation
for last year's work
on the
MEC Golf
Tournament.**



(Continued from page 1) MEC Golf Tournament

are available for your scheduled times.

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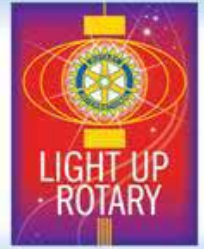
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Mahalo, Kris Hazard and Larry Webb, Volunteer Co-Chairs



Kona Coffee Blossom

The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



February 5, 2015

Upcoming Speakers

Feb 12
Jonathan Scheuer
Nat'l Park Service
Aquifer Viewpoint

Feb 19
Judge Ronald Ibarra
A look at our Courts

Feb 26:
Club Rotarians
Up Close and
Personal

If you have suggestions
for speakers email
Harold Meltzer at
Happyhal@kona.net

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona

Gideon Ramos, Director of Hope Services

MEET IN BALLROOM #1

(instead of Paddler's Restaurant)

HOPE Services Hawaii Inc. is a statewide non-profit that provides an array of services to the homeless of Hawaii. These services include emergency and transitional housing 365 days a year, in addition to core services such as homeless outreach and supportive housing. In 2010, there was increased focus on homeless prevention and rapid re-housing due to a three year grant received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

ROTARY AT WORK—PART 1

This year's Rotary at Work project will be a facelift for the **Kona Adult Day Center** building on Haleki'i Street, just opposite the Kealahou Post Office. This **Saturday, February 7th**, the first phase of the project will include cleaning up the overgrown landscaping, painting the façade of the building and general exterior clean-up.

We are fortunate to have a number of members from the Mormon Church help us with "man-power", but we will need a lot of Rotarian participation to complete the work. **We will begin at 8:30 am. Bring gloves, hats, sunscreen and gardening tools. Park at the Community College Campus. Lunch will be provided.**



Mahalo to All the Volunteers

We just wanted to thank everyone again for such a successful and enjoyable year!

It takes a large and dedicated group to pull off such a great event and the pride everyone takes in their involvement is a blessing.

To each member of our management staff and every volunteer, we want to express how important your time and effort are to us, the Rotary Club of Kona, and this community.

The Mahalo Party was a great time and we need to thank Dani Knapp, her staff, and Ron Butler - for the never ending list of prizes provided.

We also want to thank our staff photographers - Kenny Wright & David Rees-Thomas - for their work. Everyone can view the pictures at the Gallery link on our website or here -

<https://2015tournamentphotosmec.shutterfly.com/>

Everyone is on our list to be invited back next year and we hope you all can make it!

Mahalo, Kris Hazard & Larry Webb, Volunteer Co-Chairs



The Four-Way Test

Is it the truth?
'Oia 'i' o i keia o' lelo

Is it fair to all
concerned?
Kupono ia ka kau

Will it build good will
and better friendship?
Kukulu lokomaika'i a
me pilialoha maika'i a'e

Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?
Pono ia ka kou

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

Just wanted to let you know that Alan has had a schedule change and won't be here on Thursday's to run the meetings, so you will have the opportunity to get to know several of our past presidents. Thanks to all the past Presidents for stepping in until James goes through his President Elect Training in March. Thanks to everyone for your patience and understanding.

Yours in Rotary, Liz Heiman, President 2014-2015



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.

Special Dates

Birthdays

Hau'oli La Hanau:

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Feb 27 Rachael Thornquist



Anniversaries:

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Feb 19 Katherine Rauch
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Mar 5 Marian Ahmed

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KEALAKEHE INTERACT CARWASH

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We hope to see some Rotarians there to support the kids and our fundraising efforts

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FEBRUARY 2015

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25 JANUARY	26	27 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	28 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	29 (PP David Rees- Thomas) Wil Murakami, Principal Kealakehe High	30	31
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15 Kokua Kailua Village Stroll 1pm—6 pm	16	17 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	18 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	19 (PP Harold Meltzer) Speaker: Judge Ronald Ibarra A look at our Courts	20	21
22	23	24 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	25 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	26 (PP Dave Buehler) Speakers: Club Rotarians—Up Close and Personal	27 RYLA CAMP	28 RYLA CAMP
1 MARCH	2	3	4	5 (PP Tom Fine)	6	7

Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



FEBRUARY 2015

As president of Rotary, it's my job to encourage and inspire Rotarians wherever I meet them. It's also my job to listen to what they have to say. Whether it's a successful project or a challenge to overcome, a great Rotary Day or a new idea, I want to hear what Rotarians are thinking, doing, and planning. So whenever I travel, I ask my hosts to talk to me about their clubs. What's going well, where do they see a need to improve, and what can we at RI headquarters do to help?

The answers are always interesting and often surprising. Sometimes I have a suggestion or an idea to contribute; sometimes I am able to make a connection that will move a project forward. Often, I go back to Evanston with ideas and insights that help guide us in our decisions. But what I value most about these conversations are the stories I hear – the stories that, taken together, tell the story of Rotary.

In Atlanta, I attended a Rotary event honoring teachers and heard story after story about the gift of literacy and how it transforms lives. In Istanbul, I attended a wheelchair race and learned how Turkish Rotarians are working to improve the lives of people with disabilities. In Lima, Peru, I talked to a former Rotaractor who waited nearly 20 years to be invited to join a Rotary club, and heard about how returning to Rotary has transformed her life.

I've heard stories that have made me laugh, and stories that have moved me to tears. I've heard stories of how our service changes the lives of others, and how it changes us as Rotarians. When I hear these stories, I can't help but wonder: How many other lives could we change for the better by bringing more people into Rotary? And how many more people could we bring into Rotary simply by sharing our own Rotary stories?

In this Rotary year, I ask all of you to do just that: Share your Rotary stories. Tell them to your friends, on social media, and through Rotary.org. Our Rotary stories are what inspire us, and what encourage others to join us; they help light up our service, as we work to Light Up Rotary.

GARY C.K. HUANG Rotary International PRESIDENT 2014-15

February is World Understanding Month!

How are you as a Rotarian helping to promote world understanding? These next three months we have Rotarians from District 5000 going on National Immunization Days to India, participating in Friendship Exchanges in Taiwan and Japan, supporting projects in Cambodia, Thailand, and Romania, attending District Conferences in Japan, attending and leading a peace symposium – and inviting many, many sister clubs to visit Hawaii. Do these activities promote world understanding? Of course they do!

How are you helping to promote world understanding? Let us know what your club is doing. Let us know what you as Rotarians are doing. We'd like to have a record of all the current sister club relationships – when you went there last and when they're coming here. We'd like to know how many of your club members are visiting international projects. Let us know how many short-term exchanges are going on with sister clubs. Tell your story so we can share it with the world. We need to let people see what Rotary is doing to promote world understanding and peace.

Another story I might not have already shared with you: John and I were participating in our first National Immunization Day in Mumbai, India – I think it was 2003 – with a group of Rotarians from District 5000. I remember I was thrilled that the President of the Rotary Club of Mumbai that year was a woman – a woman highly respected by her club members and community. We were in a small fishing village section of Mumbai – a floating small city surrounded by the teeming masses of people that make up Mumbai. We administered the drops – and yes, you do really feel like you've done something very, very special. But the highlight of that trip which has stayed with me to this day is that the group from Hawaii wasn't the only team working with the Indian Rotarians and public health workers that day. When we had a chance to pause and meet the other group we were astonished to discover that they were from Pakistan – at that time India and Pakistan were engaged in open hostilities. Two countries at war, but Rotarians from each working side by side to save the children of Mumbai, India. At that moment I suddenly realized as never before that there is hope for peace and understanding in the world – through Rotary.

So – it's FEBRUARY! February 23rd is the 110th anniversary of Rotary International. Find a way to promote world understanding – or community understanding – or family understanding – and share that story with friends and potential Rotarians. We have Five more months this Rotary year to make a difference in someone's life! Five more months to change your own life! Five more months to LIGHT UP ROTARY!

**With much Aloha,
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**JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED WEEKEND OF
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ON THE STUNNING KONA COAST!**

You don't want to miss this extraordinary opportunity to *"Talk Story"*
with Rotarians from all over Hawaii's District 5000!

Bring the whole Family!

This year, our conference is over **Memorial Day Weekend, May 22-24**

May 22, 2015	
8:00 am - 11:00 am	GOLF Tournament
12:00 pm—4:00 pm	Registration Opens
1:00 pm—4:00 pm	Plenary I, Introduction
5:00 pm—6:00pm	Presidents Reception
6:00 pm—8:00 pm	Reception
May 23, 2015	
8:00 am—5:00 pm	House of Friendship
10:00 am—11:00 am	Ask the Experts
11:00 am—12:00 pm	Ice Cream and Coffee Bar Kick-off
4:30pm—5:30 pm	Presidents Elect Reception
5:30—pm—6:30 pm	White Hat / Major Donors Reception
5:30 pm—6:30 pm	General Reception
6:30 pm—10:00 pm	Plenary II—Gala Dinner—Paniolo Night
May 24, 2015	
7:00 am—10:00 am	Registration Desk open
7:00 am—7:30 am	Inter-faith service
7:30 am—8:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am—1:15 pm	House of Friendship
8:30 am—12:00 pm	Plenary III—Celebration & Awards
12:00 pm—1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm—4:00 pm	Plenary IV—Awards & Induction

You can stay at the beautiful Hilton Waikoloa Village for only \$139 per night!! The rate is good for 3 days before, and 3 days after the conference. Come for the conference, stay for a little vacation time in one of Hawaii's most incredible resort properties.

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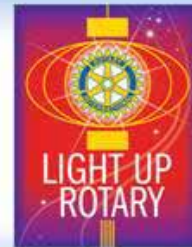
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The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



February 5, 2015

Upcoming Speakers

Feb 19
Judge Ronald Ibarra
A look at our Courts

Feb 26:
Club Rotarians Up Close and Personal

If you have suggestions for speakers email Harold Meltzer at Happyhal@kona.net

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This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer,

Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer works as a consultant helping clients manage environmental conflicts involving cultural, economic, and conservation stakeholders. Born and raised on O`ahu, he holds a B.A. and Ph.D. in Environmental Studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and a M.E.S. from Yale University, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies. He has worked on land conservation, real estate, and water management for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Kamehameha Schools, the National Park Service, and others. He has served on the board of the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust since its founding. He has previously served on the boards M?lama M?noa and the O`ahu Land Trust and as a Kona Moku representative and the Vice Chair of the O`ahu Island Burial Council.

ROTARY AT WORK—PART 1

This year's Rotary at Work project will be a facelift for the **Kona Adult Day Center** building on Haleki'i Street, just opposite the Kealakekua Post Office. On **Saturday, February 7th**, the first phase of the project was completed. Many thanks to those Rotarians who found the time to help out, whether it was a couple of hours or 10 hours, it truly made a difference. We were fortunate to have a group from the Mormon Church help out. The results are truly amazing. The gardens with 5-ft tall grass and weeds is now a relaxing place to sit or stroll. The front of the building had some minor repairs, the broken awing was removed, the rusted lights are gone, the metal beams by the office door were cleaned and painted and the wood trim on all those windows were primed and had two coats of paint.



Our Condolences to Rotarian Frank Toscano on the passing of his wife Clyda. They were married 58 years.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Aloha Rotarians,

A special thanks to the Rotarians who helped on Saturday at our community service project. Every year we try to pick a project that makes an important impact on the community. Last year, we helped the Humane Society with a clean up that will help them make progress on their dog park, and the move into the new facility. The year before that, we partnered with the other Rotary Clubs and paid for and helped build one of the 5 Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build Houses. We put a family in a home, and helped promote the good work that Habitat for Humanity does. In past years we have done all kinds of projects including playground for the Holualoa Head Start Program, fixing Higashihara park, paint and clean up at Kahalu'u Beach Park built and maintained the Makao Walking trail at Old A. Our Rotary at Work Project is one of the 3 or four things a year that really are part of the DNA of the club. (Keiki Vision, the MEC golf tournament and our Rotary at Work project).

Rotary at Work Day is a project that the club chooses based on a need in the community that speaks to the members. This year, the project was brought to us by Ken Kjer and really spoke to me and other members of the board. There are two adult day care programs in West Hawaii. One in Kealakekua and one in Waimea. These programs support families who choose to keep their family members at home, but who need to work during the day and cannot afford a home health attendant at \$50 an hour. Rowena, the ED of the program works hard to keep the facility open and the prices low enough for people to afford it. She does an amazing job. It also means there is no extra time or money. When we can step in and have an impact on an organization like this, it makes a difference in the lives of all the people involved. We have another work day soon to put the finishing touches on the project. Please try to be there to help.

Yours in Rotary, Liz Heiman, President 2014-2015



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Feb 6 Peter Schonberg (1yr)

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Feb 5 Lynn Jenks

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Feb 19 Katherine Rauch

Feb 26 Katherine Rauch

Mar 5 Marian Ahmed

Door Prize:

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Mahalo to All the Volunteers

We just wanted to thank everyone again for such a successful and enjoyable year!

It takes a large and dedicated group to pull off such a great event and the pride everyone takes in their involvement is a blessing.

To each member of our management staff and every volunteer, we want to express how important your time and effort are to us, the Rotary Club of Kona, and this community.

The Mahalo Party was a great time and we need to thank Dani Knapp, her staff, and Ron Butler - for the never ending list of prizes provided.

We also want to thank our staff photographers - Kenny Wright & David Rees-Thomas - for their work. Everyone can view the pictures at the Gallery link on our website or here -

<https://2015tournamentphotosmec.shutterfly.com/>

Everyone is on our list to be invited back next year and we hope you all can make it!

Mahalo, Kris Hazard & Larry Webb, Volunteer Co-Chairs



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FEBRUARY 2015

February is World Understanding Month

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
25 JANUARY	26	27 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	28 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	29 (PP David Rees- Thomas) Wil Murakami, Principal Kealakehe High	30	31
1 FEBRUARY	2	3 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	4 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's Showroom	5 (PP Tom Daniel) Speaker: Gideon Ramos, Director Hope Services	6	7 Part 1 ROTARY at WORK and Kealakehe Interact Carwash
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15 Kokua Kailua Village Stroll 1pm—6 pm	16	17 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 12 noon Teshima's Rest.	18 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise 6:45 am Humpy's County of Hawaii —Wally Lau	19 (PP Harold Meltzer) Speaker: Judge Ronald Ibarra A look at our Courts ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS 5-7pm Humpy's Showroom	20	21
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1 MARCH	2	3	4	5 (PP Tom Fine)	6	7

Messages from Rotary International and District 5000



FEBRUARY 2015

As president of Rotary, it's my job to encourage and inspire Rotarians wherever I meet them. It's also my job to listen to what they have to say. Whether it's a successful project or a challenge to overcome, a great Rotary Day or a new idea, I want to hear what Rotarians are thinking, doing, and planning. So whenever I travel, I ask my hosts to talk to me about their clubs. What's going well, where do they see a need to improve, and what can we at RI headquarters do to help?

The answers are always interesting and often surprising. Sometimes I have a suggestion or an idea to contribute; sometimes I am able to make a connection that will move a project forward. Often, I go back to Evanston with ideas and insights that help guide us in our decisions. But what I value most about these conversations are the stories I hear – the stories that, taken together, tell the story of Rotary.

In Atlanta, I attended a Rotary event honoring teachers and heard story after story about the gift of literacy and how it transforms lives. In Istanbul, I attended a wheelchair race and learned how Turkish Rotarians are working to improve the lives of people with disabilities. In Lima, Peru, I talked to a former Rotaractor who waited nearly 20 years to be invited to join a Rotary club, and heard about how returning to Rotary has transformed her life.

I've heard stories that have made me laugh, and stories that have moved me to tears. I've heard stories of how our service changes the lives of others, and how it changes us as Rotarians. When I hear these stories, I can't help but wonder: How many other lives could we change for the better by bringing more people into Rotary? And how many more people could we bring into Rotary simply by sharing our own Rotary stories?

In this Rotary year, I ask all of you to do just that: Share your Rotary stories. Tell them to your friends, on social media, and through Rotary.org. Our Rotary stories are what inspire us, and what encourage others to join us; they help light up our service, as we work to Light Up Rotary.

GARY C.K. HUANG Rotary International PRESIDENT 2014-15

February is World Understanding Month!

How are you as a Rotarian helping to promote world understanding? These next three months we have Rotarians from District 5000 going on National Immunization Days to India, participating in Friendship Exchanges in Taiwan and Japan, supporting projects in Cambodia, Thailand, and Romania, attending District Conferences in Japan, attending and leading a peace symposium – and inviting many, many sister clubs to visit Hawaii. Do these activities promote world understanding? Of course they do!

How are you helping to promote world understanding? Let us know what your club is doing. Let us know what you as Rotarians are doing. We'd like to have a record of all the current sister club relationships – when you went there last and when they're coming here. We'd like to know how many of your club members are visiting international projects. Let us know how many short-term exchanges are going on with sister clubs. Tell your story so we can share it with the world. We need to let people see what Rotary is doing to promote world understanding and peace.

Another story I might not have already shared with you: John and I were participating in our first National Immunization Day in Mumbai, India – I think it was 2003 – with a group of Rotarians from District 5000. I remember I was thrilled that the President of the Rotary Club of Mumbai that year was a woman – a woman highly respected by her club members and community. We were in a small fishing village section of Mumbai – a floating small city surrounded by the teeming masses of people that make up Mumbai. We administered the drops – and yes, you do really feel like you've done something very, very special. But the highlight of that trip which has stayed with me to this day is that the group from Hawaii wasn't the only team working with the Indian Rotarians and public health workers that day. When we had a chance to pause and meet the other group we were astonished to discover that they were from Pakistan – at that time India and Pakistan were engaged in open hostilities. Two countries at war, but Rotarians from each working side by side to save the children of Mumbai, India. At that moment I suddenly realized as never before that there is hope for peace and understanding in the world – through Rotary.

So – it's FEBRUARY! February 23rd is the 110th anniversary of Rotary International. Find a way to promote world understanding – or community understanding – or family understanding – and share that story with friends and potential Rotarians. We have Five more months this Rotary year to make a difference in someone's life! Five more months to change your own life! Five more months to LIGHT UP ROTARY!

**With much Aloha,
DG Laura 2014-2015**



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Enjoy your cup of morning brew knowing that you are supporting Rotary's program to eradicate polio worldwide.

- All profits from each purchase, \$10, is contributed to the Rotary Foundation's Polio Plus program.
- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation matches your purchase with an additional \$20.
- That's a total of \$30 to help eliminate this debilitating disease.

Mahalo!



In Our Rotary Community

It's time to register for the 2014-15 HAWAII DISTRICT 5000 CONFERENCE

JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED WEEKEND OF FRIENDSHIP, NETWORKING, AND TRAINING ON THE STUNNING KONA COAST!

You don't want to miss this extraordinary opportunity to *"Talk Story"*
with Rotarians from all over Hawaii's District 5000!

Bring the whole Family!

This year, our conference is over **Memorial Day Weekend, May 22-24**

May 22, 2015	
8:00 am - 11:00 am	GOLF Tournament
12:00 pm—4:00 pm	Registration Opens
1:00 pm—4:00 pm	Plenary I, Introduction
5:00 pm—6:00pm	Presidents Reception
6:00 pm—8:00 pm	Reception
May 23, 2015	
8:00 am—5:00 pm	House of Friendship
10:00 am—11:00 am	Ask the Experts
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May 24, 2015	
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Rotary Events

Fundraiser Tickets On Sale Now

It's time to get your tickets to our 12th Annual Valentine's Wine Tasting Celebration.

This is Mauka Rotary's annual fundraiser and is being held on Saturday, February 14, 2015 at the fabulous Hokuano Bay House, at the water's edge on Keauhou Bay.

Tickets are \$100 each, with a limited number of Luxury VIP Packages for Two at \$500.

We hope all Rotary members will make plans to attend. We also encourage you to invite your friends and colleagues to join us for this fun-filled event.

Please contact Sandee Crisp for tickets soon. Be a part of the only fundraiser we hold that allows us to provide scholarships to West Hawaii students and make a difference in the lives of so many people in our community.

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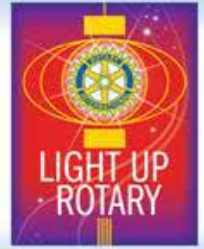
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Be a part of finishing off the 2014-2015 year and help in planning the 2015-2016 year. We need the input from all of our members so that we can set our goals.

We actually review our goals for the past year and those of our 3 year plan.



PROJECT COMPASSION

As reported by Holly DeGeal



Aloha Everyone,

I am happy to report March's "Project Compassion" event results benefiting Therapeutic Horsemanship of Hawaii. **Total funds raised were \$9,521.96;** of which \$466.07 was 20% of net sales, \$2,275.89 was cash, check and credit card tips and remaining \$6,780 was from sponsors and t-shirt sales. **The largest amount raised at any single Project Compassion Event yet!!!**

The next event is scheduled for April 19th for the benefit of "HAWAII WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION". We'll look forward to seeing you all there!

Mahalo to the Volunteers, Denny's and Rotarians for all your support & hard work!

Message from President-Elect James Resor

Aloha Rotarians!

Big Mahalo to all Rotarians who participated in the recent Rotary activities. Lots going on with District Assembly, Lavaman Triathlon and Project Compassion. Your service was felt island wide. Keep up the great work!

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Pres-Elect James with
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So grab your Rotarian Magazine and enjoy each article. And contribute your own articles and pictures on your Rotary Days activities – or any other story of significance that you think your fellow Rotarians will find interesting. And when you've finished reading your magazine, pass it on!

I know PDG Linda Coble has a great many stories prepared for the Honolulu Club Centennial coming up in July 2015. Maybe if you attend the events scheduled with RI President for 2015-2016 Ravi Ravindran on July 7th and July 8th you'll find yourself in The Rotarian yourself!

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DG Laura Steelquist 2014-2015





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Earth Day

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Diversify Your Income with AgriTourism, Seal of Quality & More

Hilo - Thursday April 9 - 8:30am to Noon

Komohana Research Center - 875 Komohana Street, Hilo, HI 96720

Kona - Friday April 10 - 8:30am to Noon

West Hawaii Civic Center, Kona Council Chambers
74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Hwy, Kailua, HI 96740

Oahu - Thursday April 16 - 8:30am to Noon

HDOA Plant Quarantine Conference Room, 1849 Auiki Street, Hon. HI 96819

Maui - Friday April 24 - 8:30am to Noon

MEDB - Malcolm Center Theatre, 1305 N. Holocono St, Kihei, HI 96753



Is AgriTourism Right for Your Farm?

Presented by Lani & Pomai Weigert - Hawaii AgriTourism Association (HATA)

Introduction of Market Development Branch

Hideki Yamane, Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA)

Hawaii Seal of Quality Program

Yukashi Smith, Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA)

"Merging NASS, HDOA and YOUR DATA:

The First Step in Growing Your Business"

Steven Wong, Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA)

Introduction to Funding Sources: RFP to Writing a Proposal

Sharon Hurd, Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA)



**RSVP no later than 48 hours
prior to event date: hdoa.md@hawaii.gov
No fee but registration is required**

We will provide reasonable accommodations to people with disabilities.
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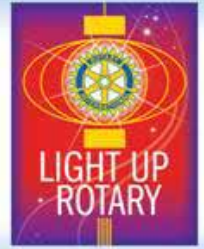
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Kona Coffee Blossom

The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



April 16, 2015

Upcoming Speakers

Apr 23
Carla Steverson
Kona Toastmasters

Apr 30
Tracey Fasso
Publisher, West Hawaii Today

May 7
Up Close & Personal Rotarians

May 14 — TBA

May 21 — TBA

May 28 — TBA

June 4
Diane Bertch
Ironman World Championship

If you have suggestions for speakers email Harold Meltzer at Happyhal@kona.net

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona Vocational Awards Presentation

Join us this week at Rotary, as the club presents awards and recognition to some special people in our community.

Come support Hawaii Wildfire for a night of fun and wildfire preparedness!

Sunday, April 19th

4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Denny's Restaurant, Kailua-Kona



Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization

Learn how you can help make your home and the places you love safe from wildfire by joining us for an eventful night that the whole ohana can enjoy.

With your generous support, you can help make a difference! 20% of every dinner and 100% of the tips that night will go towards making Hawaii a safer place to live.

Activities include:
- Firefighter meet-and-greet - Kaleo the Pucio giveaways
- "Goat dozer" petting zoo - Silent auction

We couldn't make this night possible without the help of our generous sponsors!



Find out more about the event, what we do, and how you can contribute:



phone: (808) 885-0900
e-mail: admin@hawaiiwildfire.org
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Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to protecting communities and natural resources from wildfires.



PROJECT COMPASSION

As reported by Holly DeGeal

Sunday, April 19, 2015

is for the benefit of

"HAWAII

WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION".

We'll look forward to seeing you all there!

Mahalo to the Volunteers, Denny's and Rotarians for all your support & hard work!

The Four-Way Test

Is it the truth?
'Oia 'i' o i keia o' lelo

Is it fair to all concerned?
Kupono ia ka kau

Will it build good will and better friendship?
Kukulu lokomaika'i a me pilialoha maika'i a'e

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
Pono ia ka kou

Message from President-Elect James Resor

Aloha Rotarians!

"Personality has the power to uplift, power to depress, power to curse and power to bless" ~Paul Harris

Yours in Rotary
James Resor, President Elect 2014-2015



Pres-Elect James with RI President Elect Ravi Ravindran, Rotary Club of Colombo, Sir Lanka

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.

Special Dates

Birthdays

Hau'oli La Hanau:

Apr 2 Stephen Hicks
Apr 2 Meilissa Takaki
Apr 2 Frank Toscano
Apr 12 Linda Jane Kelley



Anniversaries:

Hau'oli La Ho'omana'o

No April Anniversaries

Rotary Anniversaries:

Apr 1 Ken Kjer (42 yrs)
Apr 26 Dick Yeung (8 yrs)

Greeters:

April 2 Erin Matsuyama
April 9 Angel Eyestone
April 16 Angel Eyestone
April 23 Eric Noyes
April 30 Eric Noyes
May 7 Paul Sullivan
May 14 Paul Sullivan

Door Prize:

April 2 Melissa Takaki
April 9 None
April 16 Frank Toscano
April 23 Scott Unger
April 30 Gretchen Watson-Kabei
May 7 Larry Webb

"April Rotary Means Business-Big Island"

Big Island Rotarians and their guests will meet for Rotary Means Business-Big Island on Thursday, April 16th for fellowship, upstairs at Humpy's Showroom from 5:00 to 7:00pm.

Rotary Means Business-Big Island is a member under the Rotary Means Business Fellowship founded for Rotary International and is always held on the 3rd Thursday each month for all Big Island Rotarians and their guests. The Fellowship was formed to get together for fellowship, to network, and share about their clubs and businesses. Club announcement flyers, company brochures and business cards are encouraged.



2014-2015 Rotary Club of Kona Board

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Project Compassion At Denny's Kona



MAHALO to DENNY'S for allowing Non-Profit organizations in our community to continue hosting these events! Ajay, Ali & Abdul & Denny's Staff...Thank you! You are ALL truly amazing! If anyone knows of a Non-Profit who may be interested in hosting an event, please let **Holly DeGeal** know at 443-5423 or email: holly.degeal@proservice.com. The forms are available on our club website: www.rotaryclubofkona.com

Mark your Calendars:

* **April 19, 2015**

Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization

Newsletter Articles for Publication

Submit articles for publication by Sunday. These can be Rotary events (all three clubs) and community events.

Publication is subject to space constraints. Submittals by email should go to chrys@wtahawaii.com or just hand them to me at the regular Thursday meetings. Chrys Yamasaki, Coffee Blossom Editor

ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2014-2015

left to right:



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On March 16th \$10,000 worth of tents, equipment and tools were stolen from the West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery. The equipment that was stolen is used for important events such as Veterans Day services, Memorial Day services, digging of burial sites and other veteran activities including grounds keeping.

With Memorial Day approaching fast, the WHVCDEA will be hosting this West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery Benefit with the goal to raise \$10,000 to purchase the equipment that was stolen. If you purchase a ticket to this event, it will cost **\$50.00** per ticket and \$40 is tax deductible. Space is limited to 200. If you are unable to attend the fund raiser but wish to donate, you can give your ticket(s) to anyone or we will give it (them) to a veteran who might not otherwise financially afford a ticket.

The association can accept donations or payment for ticket via the Association's web-site using PayPal. The website is : ArlingtonofthePacific.org. Click on donate. When complete, print a receipt for your records. WHVCDEA is a 501(c)(3) organization so any donations are deductible.

100% of any contribution will go to support veterans activities at West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery. If you have any questions or wish to mail a payment or donation, contact details are, as follows:

John Grogan
76-992 S Pueo Pl
Kailua Kona, HI 96740
808-326-2309
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The Friends of the Children
of West Hawai'i
invite you to our...

Benefit Brunch at Huggo's



\$35.00
Per person



Sunday April 26, 2015
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A Benefit Brunch to help support the healing process for children who have been victimized by child abuse, neglect, or domestic violence.

For further information, or to purchase tickets, please contact the Friends at 808.331.2425 or by email friendscsbh@gmail.com.

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Activities Include:

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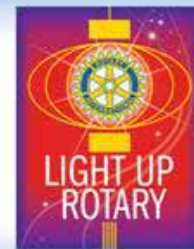


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Pono ia ka kou

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The Rotarian is one of the oldest continuously published magazines in the world, with an unbroken publication history dating back to its first issue, featuring Paul Harris as a contributor, in 1911. Back then, the magazine was printed in black and white, and was only a few pages. The type was small, the pictures were few, and the advertisements were for piano dealers, haberdashers, and a hotel fully equipped with hot and cold running water!

Now, you can read The Rotarian on your phone or tablet, and regional magazines are published in 24 languages. Seventeen Nobel Prize winners and 19 Pulitzer Prize winners have written for the magazine, including Mahatma Gandhi, Desmond Tutu, George Bernard Shaw, and Nicholas Murray Butler. Every month, The Rotarian brings us a snapshot of the best of the Rotary world: It engages, entertains, enlightens, and inspires.

In an age of constant communication, with so many ways to find new information, do we still need a Rotary magazine? Absolutely. Because the magazine is now, as it has always been, one of the best ways to spread the word about Rotary. It has allowed me to share the fun and excitement of Rotary Days, it showcases the good work of Rotarians around the world, and it puts a spotlight on important issues affecting us all. The Rotarian isn't just enjoyable for Rotarians – it's a great way to boost Rotary's public image, and show the world the work that Rotarians do.

So when you're done reading this issue, pass it along. Ask yourself who might be particularly interested in this month's articles. Give the issue to a friend, a co-worker, or a colleague. Share it with someone you've invited to a Rotary club meeting. Visit www.therotarianmagazine.com to share stories on social media, or send links through email. Use it to Light Up Rotary – just as Rotarians have been doing for more than 100 years.

GARY C.K. HUANG Rotary International PRESIDENT 2014-15

Fundraiser for West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery



Past President David Rees-Thomas receiving award of appreciation for the music donation from the Rotary Club of Kona. Award being presented by Michael & Jessica Stack

On **Sunday, April 26, 2015 from 11:00am – 1:00pm** at the Kona Elks Club, the West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery Development & Expansion Association (WHVCDEA), a 501 (c)3 is sponsoring a West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery Benefit. Lunch will be served. A short program will start at noon.

On March 16th \$10,000 worth of tents, equipment and tools were stolen from the West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery. The equipment that was stolen is used for important events such as Veterans Day services, Memorial Day services, digging of burial sites and other veteran activities including grounds keeping.

With Memorial Day approaching fast, the WHVCDEA will be hosting this West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery Benefit with the goal to raise \$10,000 to purchase the equipment that was stolen. If you purchase a ticket to this event, it will cost **\$50.00** per ticket and \$40 is tax deductible. Space is limited to 200. If you are unable to attend the fund raiser but wish to donate, you can give your ticket(s) to anyone or we will give it (them) to a veteran who might not otherwise financially afford a ticket.

The association can accept donations or payment for ticket via the Association's web-site using PayPal. The website is : ArlingtonofthePacific.org. Click on donate. When complete, print a receipt for your records. WHVCDEA is a 501(c)(3) organization so any donations are deductible.

100% of any contribution will go to support veterans activities at West Hawaii Veterans Cemetery. If you have any questions or wish to mail a payment or donation, contact details are, as follows:

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The Friends of the Children
of West Hawai'i
invite you to our...

Benefit Brunch at Huggo's



\$35.00
Per person



Sunday April 26, 2015
10:00 am to 1:00 pm

A Benefit Brunch to help support the healing process for children who have been victimized by child abuse, neglect, or domestic violence.

For further information, or to purchase tickets, please contact the Friends at 808.331.2425 or by email friendscwh@gmail.com.

After ticket purchase, reservations for a seating time must be made with Huggo's directly at 329-1493



Mahalo to our sponsors!

Preventing disease around the globe

Observe World Immunization Week, 24-30

April

During World Immunization Week, we're celebrating our efforts to help curb the spread of preventable diseases.

Through polio immunizations, awareness campaigns, vocational training, and health services, the Rotary family is involved in dis-



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- ◆ Rotarian Action Groups — autonomous, Rotarian-run groups composed of members passionate about a particular field — help clubs and districts plan and implement high-impact projects. Membership is open to Rotarians, their family members, and all Rotary program participants and alumni. Learn about the three newest groups:
- ◆ The Disaster Network of Assistance Rotarian Action Group mentors clubs and districts in disaster preparedness, and plans to develop a communication and recovery network to enhance Rotary's response to disasters.
- ◆ The Rotarian Action Group for Endangered Species raises awareness about preserving and protecting endangered species and the communities that depend on them. The group assists Rotary and Rotaract clubs with service initiatives related to protecting these vulnerable populations.
- ◆ The Rotarian Action Group Healthy Pregnancies / Healthy Children focuses on reducing maternal and child mortality by working with clubs and districts to address common health risks for parents and babies.





Rotary Events

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1:00 pm—4:00 pm	Plenary I, Introduction
5:00 pm—6:00pm	Presidents Reception
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May 23, 2015	
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Recognition – Trip to District Convention in 2016 (hotel room/full conference registration and meal package and airfare [if inter-island travel required], for
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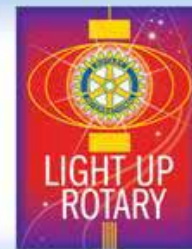


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The group meets monthly to discuss an aging topic on the first Tuesday of every month. The format for the first hour is on the monthly topic with the last half hour dedicated to Q & A that may also cover other aging issues. The Senior Roundtable Hui will be held on Tuesday, May 5th at the Pink Mocha Café from 1:30-3:00pm (just above Home Depot). There is no charge for the meeting other than if purchasing a coffee or tea. Parking is easy access and free. Mahalo to the Pink Mocha Café for the meeting space. Please call Laura Guluzzy, M.A. Gerontologist for more information at: (808) 326-2100. All are welcome!

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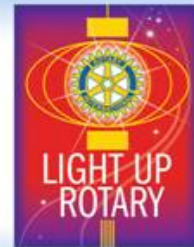
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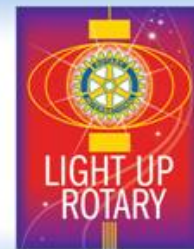
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Star-Crossed on a Hawaiian Mountaintop

By THE EDITORIAL BOARD
May 2, 2015

Sometime in the 2020s, when an international consortium completes the Thirty Meter Telescope, the most powerful telescope on the planet, astronomers will gaze from the 14,000-foot summit of Mauna Kea volcano, on the Big Island of Hawaii, out to the edge of the observable universe.

Or maybe they won't. With a militant advocacy not often seen in the Aloha State, a small group of Native Hawaiians and their sympathizers have managed to stall the \$1.4 billion project, which was to begin construction in April. They stood in front of trucks on the road to the summit and declared the telescope an abomination - to the Hawaiian people and their ancient religion, to the environment and to the mountain, revered in Hawaiian tradition as the piko, the navel, the island's sacred center.

Several were arrested last month. On Thursday the trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, a state agency charged with improving the well-being of Native Hawaiians, voted to rescind their 2009 vote of support for the telescope. Now they are officially noncommittal.

The political eruption has left the telescope operators - the California Institute of Technology; the University of California; and research institutions in Canada, China, India and Japan - stranded. When they agreed this month to halt construction, Gov. David Ige thanked them for being "respectful and sensitive" to native beliefs and culture.

It is not clear when the project will resume.

The protesters don't speak for all Hawaii residents, or even all Native Hawaiians, many of whom embrace the telescope. But it is easy to understand why they may feel fed up. Mauna Kea is a site of wonderment even before night falls and the stars come out by the billions. It is a habitat for threatened insects and birds, and rich in precious archaeological sites. It also has been stressed for decades.

The University of Hawaii, which has managed the mountaintop since 1968 under a lease from the state, has at times been a sloppy steward. An embarrassing state audit in 1998 cited its failures to protect the summit's fragile ecology and cultural resources as it oversaw the development of a sprawling complex of more than a dozen observatories there. Over the decades it has collected little to no rent from its many scientific tenants. (The Thirty Meter Telescope is to be the rare exception, paying up to \$1 million a year.)

It's hard to know if the anti-telescope furor has crested yet. The telescope builders have a strong claim to legitimacy, and they are being blamed for things they had nothing to do with - like the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian kingdom, the loss of native lands, the state's many social ills and degraded environment. This is an unfair burden for a group that has spent years cultivating local support, navigating the approval process and successfully - so far - fending off lawsuits. It insists its paperwork is in order. It also points to plans to donate about \$2 million a year to local causes like business incubation; job training; and scholarships in science, technology, engineering and math.

Mr. Ige, who has been far too withdrawn in this confrontation, needs to step up. If he thinks the telescope is an important asset that promises great benefits to Hawaii's residents and economy, not to mention to science and humanity at large, he should say so. If he thinks more needs to be done to protect the environment and native interests, he should say what that is and make it happen. His mild news releases urging more dialogue are not enough.

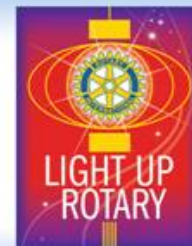
Coexistence may never satisfy the core group of protesters who have been demanding the total erasure of technology from Mauna Kea's peak. What is tragic is the missed opportunity for shared understanding, given that many of these protesters are themselves descendants of some of history's greatest astronomers, Polynesian wayfinders who set out across the Pacific a millennium ago, guided by the stars and currents, to find Mauna Kea in the first place.

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The Rotary Club of Kona Newsletter



June 11, 2015

Upcoming Speakers

June 18
DARK

June 19
Installation Cruise
See inside for details

June 25
Caleb Milliken
Boys to Men Mentoring
Hawaii

July 2
Jon Lomborg
Carl Sagan's Artist for
The Cosmos Series
"One Earth, New
Horizons"

July 9
Diane Bertsch
Ironman

July 16
Carrie Kuwada Phipps
Palama Nui Academic
Programs

July 23
Peter Young
History and Images of
Old Kona

If you have suggestions
for speakers email
Harold Meltzer at
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The Four-Way Test

Is it the truth?
'Oia 'i' o i keia o' lelo

Is it fair to all
concerned?
Kupono ia ka kau

Will it build good will
and better friendship?
Kukulu lokomaika'i a
me pilialoha maika'i a'e

Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?
Pono ia ka kou

For more info about our club visit www.RotaryClubofKona.com

This Week At the Rotary Club of Kona Sandra Dawson, Thirty Meter Telescope Update

SCIENCE AND THE 30 METER TELESCOPE: The 30-meter aperture permits the telescope to focus more sharply than smaller telescopes by using the power of diffraction of light. The large aperture also collects more light than smaller scopes, allowing images of fainter objects. TMT will therefore reach further and see more clearly than previous telescopes by a factor of 10 to 100 depending on the observation.

In addition to providing nine times the collecting area of the current largest optical/infrared telescopes (the 10-meter Keck Telescopes), TMT will be used with adaptive optics systems to allow diffraction-limited performance, i.e., the best that the optics of the system can theoretically provide. This will provide unparalleled high-sensitivity spatial resolution more than 12 times sharper than what is achieved by the Hubble Space Telescope. For many applications, diffraction-limited observations give gains in sensitivity that scale like the diameter of the mirror to the fourth power, so this increase in size has major implications.



TMT will provide new observational opportunities in essentially every field of astronomy and astrophysics. Because of the decades-long lifetime of TMT and the often-rapid advancement of astronomy into new areas, broadly useful capabilities have been emphasized, while maintaining specific capabilities needed to address key programs that are known now. FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO www.tmt.org

ROTARY CLUB OF KONA MAUKA & ROTARY CLUB OF KONA 2015 INSTALLATION DINNER CRUISE (PARTY)

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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.

Special Dates

Birthdays

Hau'oli La Hanau:

June 5 Eric Noyes
June 12 Angel Eyestone
June 16 Lynn Jenks
June 25 Gretchen Watson-Kabei

Anniversaries:

Hau'oli La Ho'omana'o

June 1 Tom & Stacey Bierlein
June 18 Stephen & Pamela Hicks
June 26 Steve & Cathy Schwartz
June 28 Gretchen & Dale Kabei

Rotary Anniversaries:

June 12 Stephen Hicks (1 yr)
June 30 Preston Crowl (18 yrs)
June 30 Chrys Yamasaki (17 yrs)

Greeters:

June 4 Dani Knapp
June 11 Ken Kjer
June 18 DARK
June 25 Linda Jane Kelley
July 2 Lynn Jenks

Door Prize:

June 4 Dick Yeung
June 11 Brian Asbjornson
June 18 DARK
June 25 Tom Bierlein
July 2 Dave Buehler



From the D5000 Conference



Left to right: Kona Rotary Club of Kona Rotarian David Rees-Thomas, Master of Ceremonies, Laura Steelquist, District Governor and Sylvia Whitlock, the first woman in the **world** to lead a Rotary Club, she is a past President and a past District Governor.

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Project Compassion At Denny's Kona



MAHALO to DENNY'S for allowing Non-Profit organizations in our community to continue hosting these events! Ajay, Ali & Abdul & Denny's Staff...Thank you! You are ALL truly amazing! If anyone knows of a Non-Profit who may be interested in hosting an event, please let **Holly DeGeal** know at **443-5423** or email: holly.degeal@proservice.com. The forms are available on our club website: www.rotaryclubofkona.com

Mark your Calendars:

July, 19, 2015 Salvation Army

Newsletter Articles for Publication

Submit articles for publication by Sunday. These can be Rotary events (all three clubs) and community events.

Publication is subject to space constraints. Submittals by email should go to chrys@wtahawaii.com or just hand them to me at the regular Thursday meetings. Chrys Yamasaki, Coffee Blossom Editor

ROTARY LEADERSHIP 2014-2015

left to right:

Elizabeth Heiman
President Rotary Club of Kona
Donna Hiranaka
Assistant District Governor
West Hawaii
Laura Steelquist
District Governor, District 5000
Gary C.K. Huang
President, Rotary International



JUNE 2015

June is Rotary Fellowships Month & Rotary International Convention

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
May 31	June 1	2 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka-Teshima's at Noon— Georgianna DeCosta— Hawaii Meth Project	3 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise-Humpy's Show-room 6:45 am Program :VFW	4 Speaker: Scholarship Award Recipients	5 First Friday ART AFTER DARK - Holualoa	6
7	8	9 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka-Teshima's at Noon—	10 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise-Humpy's Show-room 6:45 am Program: HART Charter School	11 Speaker Sandra Dawson Thirty Meter Telescope RCof Kona Board Meeting	12	13
14 KOKUA KAILUA VILLAGE STROLL FLAG DAY	15	16 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka-Teshima's at Noon—	17 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise-Humpy's Show-room 6:45 am Program: Matson Davis—Kona Brewery Update	18 WE ARE DARK Rotary Means Business 5-7pm Humpy's Showroom	19 INSTALLATION DINNER CRUISE 	20
21  Summer Begins	22	23 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka-Teshima's at Noon—	24 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise-Humpy's Show-room 6:45 am Program: Community Policing	25 Speaker Caleb Milliken Boys to Men Mentoring Hawaii	26 	27 Kona Sunrise Club End of Year Party
28	29	30 Rotary Club of Kona Mauka-Teshima's at Noon—	JULY 1 Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise-Humpy's Show-room 6:45 am	2 Speaker Jon Lomberg Carl Sagan's Artist for The Cosmos Series "One Earth, New Horizons"	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY Concert at Coconut Grove Mkt FIREWORKS 	



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GARY C.K. HUANG
PRESIDENT 2014-15

JUNE 2015

When I began this Rotary year as your president, I wanted us, above all, to Light Up Rotary. I wanted us to share with the world how many wonderful friendships and experiences we have found in Rotary, and how Rotary has transformed and enriched our lives. I knew that by telling others about Rotary, we would increase membership, build stronger clubs, and improve our ability to help people in need.

As we end this 2014-15 Rotary year, I am honored by your response and will always be grateful for how you have risen to this challenge. You have answered my call to Light Up Rotary by holding many successful Rotary Day celebrations in your communities; you have outdone yourselves in your contributions to our Rotary Foundation; and you have moved all of Rotary forward with new members and new clubs.

When I chose my theme for my year as president, I was inspired by the words of Confucius, who said, "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness."

This year, more than 1.2 million Rotarians, along with Interactors, Rotaractors, Rotary Youth Exchange participants, and Rotary Peace Fellows, have lit their own candles in tens of thousands of communities. Together, the lights we have kindled have created a great light that shines for all the world to see.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your president this year, and for the hard work and dedication of our volunteer leadership and our staff members. I came to them with high expectations – and they delivered.

I also am grateful for the many friends I have made during this Rotary year, and for the wonderful visits I've had to so many places. I will always remember, with great fondness, riding on the Rotary float in the Rose Parade, watching children enjoy the Japanese drummers at the Rotary Day open house at RI headquarters in Evanston, and bicycling through the night in Colombo during the Ride to Light Up Rotary event, celebrating a polio-free Sri Lanka.

I have seen a new energy in Rotary this year, and felt a new excitement. We've seen more and more women and young people join Rotary as well – including my wife, Corinna, and our three children.

I hope that in the year to come, you will continue your wonderful work to Light Up Rotary – and to help it Be a Gift to the World.

District Governor's Message

Mahalo!

When I asked each President to pick out one highlight from his/her year to share at the District Conference, I knew how difficult it would be – because no club has done only ONE significant project. And the stories that were shared amazed the listeners – and me!

I decided it was only fair for me to ask myself to do the same thing – pick the one defining thing I will take with me from my year as District Governor. The answer? It's the people! I have been truly blessed this year to have one of the best leadership teams ever – Presidents and Assistant Governors and District Leaders - men and women who are always willing to say yes – even when it's a request I know they're not crazy about – or one that I know they want to gently let me know they think is truly "crazy!"

All of the Rotarians of District 5000 have risen above my expectations to help fulfill my dreams for the year. We've impacted homelessness – and I know we will continue this battle until the issue is solved. We've increased our membership – and have a huge momentum established to continue increasing our membership until we're far beyond that 2,000 number from our not too distant past!

We'll continue to make a difference in our communities – locally and globally – as only Rotarians can. We'll continue to

Light Up Rotary!

And we'll truly discover that we can Be A Gift to the World.

To the best year of our lives – so far! DG Laura Steelquist



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“May Rotary Means Business-Big Island”

Big Island Rotarians and their guests will meet for Rotary Means Business-Big Island on Thursday, June 18th for fellowship, upstairs at Humpy's Showroom from 5:00 to 7:00pm. Early arrival statewide district conference attendees are also welcome.

Rotary Means Business-Big Island is a member under the Rotary Means Business Fellowship founded for Rotary International and is always held on the 3rd Thursday each month for all Big Island Rotarians and their guests. The Fellowship was formed to get together for fellowship, to network, and share about their clubs and businesses. Club announcement flyers, company brochures and business cards are encouraged.

Rotary was originally founded by Paul Harris to understand about and do business with friends while completing philanthropic endeavors.

For more information, please contact Rotary Means Business-Big Island Chair and Rotary Club of Kona Member, Laura Guluzzy at: writerlsg@gmail.com or her office phone at: (808) 326-2100. You may also go to: www.RotaryMeansBusiness.com for additional information.

Celebrate 100 years of Service with Aloha

Luau with 2015-2016 RI President "Ravi" Ravindran.

July 8, 2015, Wednesday, 5:30-9:00pm.

Location: Lanikuhonua, 92-1101 Aliinui Dr, Kapolei, Oahu

Tickets - \$100. RSVP by June 1, 2015.

Sign up for a seat on the free shuttle if you need a ride to Kapolei. Pick up locations are the Airport, Kahala Mall and Pearlridge Shopping Center. We will notify you on the details on the exact pick up location and time, which is dependent on number of riders and vans.

Register Here <http://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=28ce273d-c40d-494d-b56d-9ac4d8ceeaac>

Contact person is Sandy Matsui 808-741-9202



An Obituary: printed in the London TimesAbsolutely Dead Brilliant!!

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain;
- Why the early bird gets the worm;
- Life isn't always fair;
- And maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well-intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death,

- by his parents, Truth and Trust,
- by his wife, Discretion,
- by his daughter, Responsibility,
- and by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 5 stepbrothers;

- I Know My Rights
- I Want It Now
- Someone Else Is To Blame
- I'm A Victim
- Pay me for Doing Nothing

Not many attended his funeral because so few realized he was gone.

