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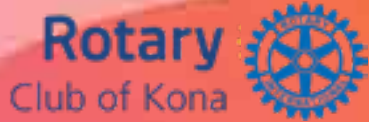
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Nalani Flinn is a retired credit union executive, who renewed her commitment to service above self in April 1996, when she joined the Waianae Coast Rotary Club. During a 40-year career in the credit union industry, she played an increasingly significant role in improving her community through helping families secure loans to buy cars, start businesses, improve homes and pay for their children's education.

Since her retirement in July 2007, she has been approaching with a sense of urgency a passion to promote the importance of literacy in her community as a volunteer with the nonprofit organization Reading is Fundamental, which enlisted her help to read regularly to elementary-school students in Waianae. In addition, she is a dedicated assistant pastor at the Gospel of Salvation Church, where she has a leadership role in efforts to strengthen families and deepen their spiritual faith.

As a member of the Waianae Coast Rotary Club, she served two, one-year terms as president in 1999 and again in 2003. She has also been an Assistant District Governor for five years, starting in 2004. Among key achievements for the district was her lead role in humanitarian efforts to help promote world peace in January 2013, when an estimated 900 people gathered in Honolulu to spread the global message of peace through service.

Her hobbies include reading, traveling, and early-morning walks with friends at KoOlina in West Oahu. Born and raised in Kalihi, she lives in Waianae.



## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2017*

"Aloha Rotarians, I am very excited to be the president of a vibrant, active and fun-loving club as ours. I encourage anyone who has ideas or suggestions for our club to talk to me and/or the committee chairs. Please share your great ideas for projects, speakers, and running our club.

I want to thank Renee Kraft, Alana Yamamoto, and Barbara Kossow for another great 4th of July parade. Having the community come together to celebrate our Country, our freedom, and our history is very inspiring. They put in so much work and time to make it happen. Renee, Alana, and Barbara would surely appreciate all the assistance they can get from our club. So, please consider offering your time for the upcoming parades.

As a reminder, I have tentatively set Saturday, July 30, as a community service day to go back to painting the remaining benches at the park. It was a lot of fun last time.

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## Ian H.S. Riseley Rotary International President 2017-18

Ian H.S. Riseley is a chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co., a firm he established in 1976. Prior to starting his own firm, he worked in the audit and management consulting divisions of large accounting firms and corporations. His firm specializes in income tax and management advice for individuals and small businesses. He has a master's degree in taxation law and graduate diplomas in accounting and income tax.

Riseley has been a member of the boards of both a private and a public school, a member of the Community Advisory Group for the City of Sandringham, and involved in Sea Scouts and sporting groups, as well as honorary auditor or adviser for a number of charitable organizations.

Riseley's honors include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award from the Australian government in recognition of his work in East Timor, the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World from The Rotary Foundation.



A Rotarian since 1978, Riseley has served as treasurer, director, Foundation trustee, and member and chair of numerous RI and Foundation committees.

He and his wife, Juliet, a past district governor, are Major Donors and Bequest Society members of The Rotary Foundation. They live on seven hectares at Moorooduc, where they practice their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. They have two children and four grandchildren.



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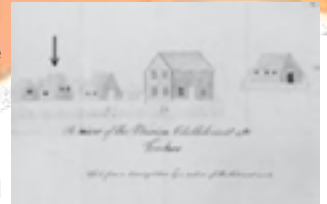
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**Images of Old Hawaii :** These posts are part of a personal learning experience; I have been searching to learn more about the place I and my family were born, raised, and live (and love) — then, share what I have learned.



Because of my Planning work across the Islands, as well as previously serving as Director of the State Department of Land and Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Officer and Deputy Managing Director for Hawai'i County, I have had the opportunity to see some places and deal with some issues that many others have not had, nor will have, the same opportunity.



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## District Governor, Nalani Flinn, 2017-2018

Through Rotary, making a difference has always been the desire and goal of men and women around the world. Rotary clubs in Hawai'i have been engaged in doing just that, Making a Difference in our Communities locally and globally through our multitude of service projects. We can feel proud of how we are making a difference by conducting Keiki Vision in schools across the State, providing life saving flotation devices on public beaches, stationing mobile medical services, protecting and nurturing our aina – our land and valuable natural resources - by cleaning and preserving ancient Hawaiian fishponds like the Waikalua Loko I'a, developing and maintaining urban gardens, preparing and serving meals to the homeless, filling backpacks with school supplies for our keiki, delivering clothing to needy families, donating gift cards so families who are otherwise unable, can enjoy Christmas. Globally, we have shared a passion for traveling abroad building water wells and schools, providing medical equipment and surgery to help people regain their eyesight or repair conditions resulting from birth defects like cleft lip and palate, supporting orphanages, and of course Rotary International's Signature Initiative, End Polio Now. I just returned from the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia and witnessed many countries step up to pledge millions of dollars and this was topped off with a crowning touch from the man himself, Bill Gates, who committed \$450 million to the cause. It was such a "chicken-skin" moment! We are so close to eradicating this crippling disease from the face of the earth.

This is what we do. Why? Because we are in the business of changing lives.... Go make a difference my fellow Rotarians, the world awaits you. Imua!

As we celebrate the homecoming of Hokule'a and her voyage spreading Peace & Aloha around the world, let us continue this journey as we begin our voyage this year Navigating Together to Change Lives...

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In addition our club provides a "super" dictionary to each third grader. These dictionaries are for them to keep. In many cases this is the first "book" that the students have for themselves.

Please, be sure to volunteer to help at one or more schools. This is a very

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## Lunch Price Increase

Our Board and President have been dealing for a while with the Courtyard King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel regarding our lunch prices.

Unfortunately, there will be a price increase **effective this week**. The meal price is going to rise to \$26. The meal will also not include a salad or rolls. The hotel is also going to charge \$2 for parking per car. **So, total for meal and parking will be \$28.**

The no-meal option will remain at \$10 (which includes parking).

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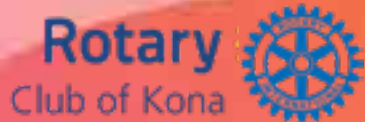
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## Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation and The Rotary Foundation

Join us today at our Club's Rotary Foundation Chair, Alan Clark and the President of our Rotary Club of Kona Community Foundation, Brian Asbjornson share with you the unique nature of each of these foundations and how you can be a part of the fulfillment of the mission of each foundation.

Many times new members (and sometimes the old timers) are confused by the role that each of the amazing organizations play in our community and our world. Alan will explain, Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY), Paul Harris awards, Polio Plus campaigns, international projects and more.

Brian will share how our community foundation works off of the interest earned our the foundation's investments. He'll share the source of our funds each year. Brian will tell us about our scholarship recipients and our funding of community projects.

Bring your questions and join the discussions.

## Lunch Price Increase

Our Board and President have been dealing for a while with the Courtyard King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel regarding our lunch prices.

Unfortunately, there will be a price increase. The meal price is going to rise to \$26. The meal will also not include a salad or rolls. The hotel is also going to charge \$2 for parking per car. **So, total for meal and parking will be \$28.**

The no-meal option will remain at \$10 (which includes parking).

Our Board and President are cognizant of the fact that a price increase will impact our members, especially a \$3 increase (for less meal). They took this issue very seriously. It seems prices are increasing everywhere, and we just were not able to curb the increase.

## President's Message

Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2017

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Old Airport Picnic Table Painting this last weekend. Thanks to Preston for organizing it. Thanks to Lori and Alan for the BBQ. Thank you for all the great painters in coming out and getting those benches painted! Many hands make light work!

We also added four more tables to the area by Pavilions 1 and 2. We painted those tables a beautiful Rotary blue.



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# The Rotary Foundation

1917

## Rotary President Arch Klumph proposes an endowment for doing good

Klumph's remarks at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, plant the seed for today's Foundation. The Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, makes the first donation, of \$26.50.

The Rotary Foundation is formally issued



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## Matched Districts program is established



Carl Meyer, 1902-04 9th president, believed that pairing clubs and...

## Matching Grants program is launched

For the first time, the Foundation has a regular program to fund club and district projects.



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## Rotary begins immunizing 6 million children in the Philippines against polio

Why polio?



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## The Foundation establishes the Endowment Fund

What's the Endowment Fund?



Members create 'The Rotary Foundation' Endowment Fund.

The Rotary Foundation



## Group Study Exchanges begins



1958-59 11th President, James L. Smith, began the Group Study Exchanges.

## The multi-year PolioPlus campaign raises about \$47 million

Spurred by Rotary's success, the World Health Assembly launches the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI).

## The Early Rotation, Every Year initiative is created



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## What is GPEI?

Arch Klumph's Society recognizes those who contribute \$250,000 or more.

## The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation issues \$100 million challenge



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## What is GPEI?

In this interview from 2011, Bill Gates discusses the significance of...



Women pump water in East Java, Indonesia. Through their collaboration.

## Rotary and USAID launch the International H2O Collaboration



Over 100,000 people are affected in northern Nigeria, 2002. Photo by...

Through decades of commitment and ceaseless work by Rotary and our partners, polio cases worldwide are down 99.9 percent since GPEI was launched in 1988.

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# DonkeyMill DMAC

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## Summer Break at the Mill

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July 15 - 29 in the Gallery during our open hours  
Wednesday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:30 pm



Join us for a youthful exhibit at the Mill celebrating the accomplishments of our 2017 Summer Art Experience students. Fifty kids and teens ages six to 17 will spend five full weeks at the Mill diving deep into the arts, and the program will culminate in a gallery exhibit presenting their work to the community. Selected works by our teen students will be available for purchase. We are so thrilled to share their beautiful work, and hope you will come by to support these talented young artists!

## Community Events This Week at the Mill

**Hawaii State Foundation for Culture and the Arts: Art Chat**  
Tomorrow, Wednesday, July 19, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Hawaii State Foundation for Culture and the Arts presents an engaging community presentation and discussion about successes and challenges in the art community, with a goal of collaborating, engaging, and building a stronger arts community.

**Donkey Mill Art Center Annual Member Meeting**  
This Saturday, July 22, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

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The list of services and opportunities provided are absolutely amazing considering we're here in Kona in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. Check them out on their website [www.honuastudios.com](http://www.honuastudios.com)

## Keiki Vision



Innovations — **August 30th** - at 8:00 am — we already have enough volunteers

Kahakai — **September 8th** — (time not yet determined — probably morning) — Need 18 volunteers

Kealakehe — **September 20th** - at 7:30 am — Need 18 volunteers



## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2017*

Aloha — be sure to take the time to say hello to our new members and to help them feel welcome and a valuable part of our club.

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## Ian H. S. Risley, President 2017-2018 Rotary International August 2017



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As an accountant, I like numbers. They work in every language, and often they communicate complex information much more effectively than words. That is why, in this Rotary year, I am asking each club to provide Rotary headquarters with two numbers: the amount of money, both in cash and in kind, spent on humanitarian service; and the number of hours of work performed in Rotary's name.

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# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BLITZ BUILT



## About This Campaign

Over ten days in September, the 13th to the 23rd, Habitat West Hawaii will be building ten homes for ten deserving West Hawaii families. On the same site as our first Blitz Build in 2012, the Kailua-Kona neighborhood of Lai'i 'Opua will see ten new houses added to its community.

We've partnered with the Department of Hawaiian Homelands to make this happen, but we're also going to need the support of everyone in our community. That means we need local businesses, corporations, and individuals to band together so that we can give ten more families a safe, decent, and affordable place to live.

It's time to begin signing up to Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity's September BLITZ BUILD!

All four Rotary Clubs in West Hawaii are coming together to help with the Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build where we will be building 10 homes in 10 days with volunteers from our community and all over the US.

This amazing event will take place September 13th to September 23rd. We will be helping Habitat build 10 homes for ten West Hawaii Families on the same site as our first Blitz Build in 2012-The Kailua Kona neighborhood of Lai'i 'Opua.

To sign up for our Rotary team, go to <https://www.giveeffect.com/teams/6023-west>

-hawaii-rotary-clubs.

Select: "Volunteer by joining this team"

Follow the prompts. We would like everyone to volunteer for as many days as possible. You will be able to choose which area, which days, and times.

We would like every Rotarian available to volunteer on Thursday the 21st. That will be "Rotary Day." This day we will host a BBQ style lunch in the Hospitality Tent for approximately 500 volunteers.



## West Hawaii Rotary Clubs

Join our Rotary Clubs of West Hawaii Team Ohana, and help us build a better Kona. Thursday the 21st will be our Rotary at Work day. In addition to helping with construction we will need volunteers to help putting together the BBQ Lunch that day. Please volunteer as many days as you are able, especially if you have previous construction skills. Service Above Self Mahalo



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# Coffee Blossom

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Friends of NELHA (FON), a nonprofit, conservation education organization, offers public tours with a focus on renewable energy, sustainability, sustainable aquaculture and the uniqueness of the Hawaii Ocean Science and Technology Park here at Keahole Point. Tours begin everyday at 10 am at the Gateway Visitor Center, a mesmerizing location where visitors are inspired by the technologies being developed on the Big Island. Tours are offered Monday through Friday (excluding holidays). You can find more information above by clicking the tab labeled "Tours".

See the future now with Friends of NELHA, and experience a fascinating visit to the Hawaii Ocean Science Technology Park on the Big Island near Kailua-Kona. Learn about how Hawaii is leading efforts to develop technology that can help preserve food security, and to preserve our natural resources. Friends of NELHA offers tours showcasing the creation of clean, renewable energy using seawater, in addition to the many other uses of this valuable resource.

NELHA — the Natural Energy Laboratory Hawaii Authority — is home to HOST (Hawaii Ocean Science & Technology Park) and serves as a business incubator, research facility, and economic development agency. It offers the opportunity for organizations using sea water, sunshine, and ingenuity to perform research, engage in conservation and education activities, and produce sustainable commercial products.

This is a one-of-kind science and technology site focused on ocean science and technology. It is an exciting learning experience, and a must-see stop on the Big Island



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## President's Message

Hermann Heimgartner, President  
2017-2017

*Join us at this week's  
meeting hear what Presi-  
dent Hermann has to  
share with us.*



## Rotary Prayer

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our lives clean our spirits humble and our thinking straight. Amen



## Ian H. S. Risley, President 2017-2018 Rotary International August 2017



When someone asks you, "What is Rotary?" what do you say? I think we've all had the experience of being asked that deceptively simple question and finding ourselves suddenly at a loss for words. Even the most articulate among us have a hard time capturing the essence of our organization in just a few sentences.

As an organization, Rotary has always had a difficult time conveying the scope of our work: not just what we do, but how we do it, and the value of what we contribute to the world.

As an accountant, I like numbers. They work in every language, and often they communicate complex information much more effectively than words. That is why, in this Rotary year, I am asking each club to provide Rotary headquarters with two numbers: the amount of money, both in cash and in kind, spent on humanitarian service; and the number of hours of work performed in Rotary's name.

If we want these numbers to be useful, they have to be accurate. That means beginning now to accurately track the hours and the money that our clubs spend on their service.

The simplest way for clubs to provide this information at the end of the year will be by entering it every month on Rotary Club Central – a tool that has been completely rebuilt and relaunched to be significantly more useful, and user-friendly, than it has been in the past. If for some reason (for example, limited internet access) your club is not able to connect to Rotary Club Central, please be in touch with your district governor, who will ensure that your information can be submitted through other means.

I cannot emphasize strongly enough that the goal of this effort is not getting the largest and most impressive numbers. There is not going to be any competition, recognition, or public use whatsoever of the numbers reported by any individual club. The goal is accurate and reliable numbers that we can present confidently in our public image work, in our membership materials, and to our partners – numbers backed by specific data, on the club level, that answer not only the question, "What is Rotary?" but the question, "What does Rotary do?"

I strongly believe that with these numbers, we will be better able to demonstrate the value of Rotary: Making a Difference – which in time will enable us to make more of a difference, for more people, in more ways, than ever.

## District Governor, Nalani Flinn, 2017-2018

Navigating my way around the District and enjoying my club visits has been a wonderful experience. I still have a month and half more to go and thank those I have encountered along the way. Each club is so unique and I commend you for the service projects you provide for your community. One of the highlights has been sharing my Priority One Message that is to encourage you to invite someone just like yourself to become a Rotarian. A fellow Rotarian told me about his friend who recently joined and was sponsored by another individual. And then he realized, "I'd spent all this time telling her all about Rotary and I didn't even think about asking her if she'd like to join." How appropriate I am reminded of this now, because August is Membership & Extension Month.

What does Rotary mean to you? Someone once told me, "Meanings are in people not in words." We all have our own story, so what's my story? Words that come to mind are service and fellowship. Rotary has provided me with opportunities to develop leadership skills, empowerment, higher goals, and making life time friendships. For me, the value of being a Rotarian is serving others with my talent, resources and time. I have been able to witness lives being transformed before my eyes and I can truly say after returning from an International project in Cambodia and visiting an orphanage there, Rotary has changed my life. The "chicken-skin" feeling as we say here.

Membership is the backbone of our clubs. Members provide financial support, manpower and friendship to conduct service projects locally and around the world. Without members, the club foundation becomes weak, meetings become sluggish and then regret sets in. To be a vibrant club, we need to strengthen and support each other to grow. I remember when I said my last goodbye to Kirk Matthews. He grabbed me by both shoulders, looked me straight in the eye and said "Imua Nalani, Imua." He was telling me to move forward, go get 'um, no stop, more hands, more help. So, I ask you, for my friend Kirk and myself, to bring one new member like you! Passionate, classy, funny & smart. Looking down the road, I would like to see 20,000 Rotarians in our state and we must be ready to greet them. Together, we can make that happen. Together let's Imua! Me Ke Aloha Ha'a Ha'a

Nalani



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## HELP WANTED

Your newsletter needs YOU! If you like taking photos, candid or posed, at our club's Rotary functions, then we NEED YOU!. Turn your passion and/or hobby into a way to share what our club does. Even though we only have 40+ members, our newsletter goes out to at least 84 people. Give Chrys Yamasaki a call or email, or just send the photos you take to her.



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The Department of Water Supply is a semi-autonomous agency of the County of Hawai'i of which operates by rules and regulations as adopted by the Water Board. As a semi-autonomous agency, the Department operates and maintains its water systems with revenues generated wholly through water sales. The primary function of the Department is to provide safe domestic water service through its 23 water systems and 74 sources scattered throughout the island. The individual water systems are not interconnected except in the more densely populated districts of South Hilo and Kona.



The Department continually strives to provide dependable, high quality, potable water at a reasonable cost. With the enactment of the Safe Drinking Water Act, certain standards were set for all water purveyors. The Department has also concentrated efforts and directed resources towards providing uninterrupted water service.

Keith Okamoto was selected as the Department's Manager-Chief Engineer by the Water Board, effective July 1, 2015. He had previously served as Deputy since March 2012.

Okamoto joined the Department of Water Supply in December 1996. During his career he has held several positions within the Engineering Division: engineer in the Water Resources and Planning Branch; supervisor of the Water Quality Assurance and Control Branch; and served as the assistant Engineering Division head.

As of September 1, 2017, The Emergency Water Restriction for North Kona remains in effect. ALL residents and customers in North Kona must continue to restrict water use to health and safety needs (drinking, cooking, and hygiene purposes). Due to a significant level of overall compliance, water levels in the tanks have remained stable. The Department appreciates the community's efforts to restrict water use during this time. Therefore, limited hand watering of precious plants, on occasion, is still acceptable using the following best practices:

- Water at night to reduce evaporation.
- Use of County's free mulch to preserve moisture around plants. Visit the County's website at: <http://www.hawaiiizerowaste.org/recycle/greenwaste/> for more information.
- Use of recycled water from downspouts, washing machines, washing dishes, and shower "warm up" water is also encouraged.
- Do not over-water plants.



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## President's Message

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*I am very excited about all of our projects coming up: Keiki Vision, Blitz Build BBQ, and Bus Pull. We have already a lot of sign-ups but a few more hands are needed. I know that the Keiki Vision and Blitz Build are on back-to-back days but if you can help out with at least one of those, then that would be great!*

*Ray and Jenaya are doing a great job at getting the Keiki Vision's organized. Alan and Tom B. are doing a great job in organizing the Blitz Build BBQ. I appreciate everyone's time, especially the board of directors and the chairs of the different committees.*

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One of the best parts of any Rotary convention is the sheer diversity of the people you see there. Whether you're heading into a breakout session, exploring the House of Friendship, or sitting down for a bite to eat, you'll meet people from every corner of the world, in all kinds of national attire, speaking just about every language. It's a lot of fun, and it's a big part of what makes Rotary great: that we can be so different and still find ourselves so at home together.

That spirit of warm community that is so central to Rotary also defines Toronto, our host city for the 2018 Rotary International Convention. Toronto is one of my favorite cities. It's a place where half the population is from another country, where over 140 languages are spoken by 2.8 million residents, and where no one ever seems to be too busy to be helpful. In addition to being clean, safe, and friendly, Toronto is a wonderful place to visit, with its attractive Lake Ontario waterfront, great restaurants, one-of-a-kind museums, and interesting neighborhoods to explore.

The 2018 convention already promises to be one of our best ever. Our Convention Committee and Host Organization Committee are hard at work lining up inspiring speakers, great entertainment, fascinating breakout sessions, and a wide variety of activities across the city. There will be something for everyone in Toronto, and Juliet and I encourage you to do what we'll be doing – bring your families along for the fun. If you plan early, your convention experience will be even more affordable: The deadline for discounted early registration (there is an additional discount for registering online) is 15 December.

As much as Toronto offers to Rotarians, the true draw is, of course, the convention itself. It's a once-a-year opportunity to recharge your Rotary batteries, to see what the rest of the Rotary world is up to, and to find inspiration for the year ahead. Find out more at [riconvention.org](http://riconvention.org) – and find Inspiration Around Every Corner at the 2018 Rotary Convention in Toronto.



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## Support HRYF (Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation) and Help Provide Scholarships to Hawaii Students



The BEST and EASIEST way to give to HRYF is at Foodland during the "Give Aloha" campaign September 1—30, 2017. Your gift will be matched so that a \$20 donation becomes approximately \$24, a \$40 gift would increase to around \$48. The match comes from Foodland (up to \$250,000) and Western Union (up to \$50,000). Based on past years, the matches have provided at least an additional 20%!

### How?

- 1) When you shop at Foodland show your Maika'i Card and make your tax deductible donation to HRYF (up to \$249 per person) at any Foodland, Sack N. Save or Foodland Farms checkout from September 1-30, 2017. Please check to make sure that the HRYF name appears on the receipt.
- 2) Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match all donations up to a total of at least \$300,000 for all organizations combined.
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### WHAT IS HRYF?

The Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation was founded by Maurice J. "Sully" Sullivan (founder of Foodland) during his year as Rotary's District Governor in Hawaii, 1976-1977. It was Sully's desire to assist Hawaii's high school graduates realize their potential by attending a college or university of their choice here in Hawaii or on the mainland United States.

### DID YOU KNOW??

HRYP gives a \$5,000 scholarship award to each of the 50 participating clubs!

### WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

HRYP programs are financed by contributions from Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, individuals and various foundations. Donations can be made through your Rotary Club representative or made directly to the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation.

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Kealakehe — **September 20th** - at 7:30 am — Need 8 more volunteers

## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2017*

*It's great that we had our second Keiki Vision completed by early September. It's a great effort on our club. **The Bus Pull is coming up on Saturday.** It's a fun event so if you can make it ...great !*

*Ray and Jenaya are doing a great job at getting the Keiki Vision's organized. Alan and Tom B. are doing a great job in organizing the Blitz Build BBQ. I appreciate everyone's time, especially the Board of Directors and the chairs of the different committees.*

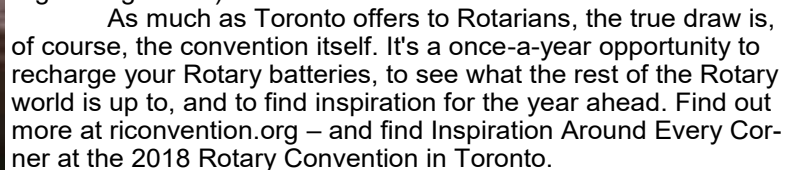
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## West Hawaii Rotary Clubs

66 All our Rotary Clubs of West Hawaii Open Offices and help us build a better Kona. Thursday the 21st will be our Rotare of Volunteer In addition to helping with

work factors we will need volunteers to help putting together the BRC's schedule day. Please volunteers in many ways as you are able. Especially if you have previous construction skills. Service Advisor  
Self-Motivated

## Support HRYF (Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation) and Help Provide Scholarships to Hawaii Students



The BEST and EASIEST way to give to HRYF is at Foodland during the "Give Aloha" campaign September 1—30, 2017. Your gift will be matched so that a \$20 donation becomes approximately \$24, a \$40 gift would increase to around \$48. The match comes from Foodland (up to \$250,000) and Western Union (up to \$50,000). Based on past years, the matches have provided at least an additional 20%!

### How?

- 1) When you shop at Foodland show your Maika'i Card and make your tax deductible donation to HRYF (up to \$249 per person) at any Foodland, Sack N. Save or Foodland Farms checkout from September 1-30, 2017. Please check to make sure that the HRYF name appears on the receipt.
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### WHAT IS HRYF?

The Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation was founded by Maurice J. "Sully" Sullivan (founder of Foodland) during his year as Rotary's District Governor in Hawaii, 1976-1977. It was Sully's desire to assist Hawaii's high school graduates realize their potential by attending a college or university of their choice here in Hawaii or on the mainland United States.

### DID YOU KNOW??

HRYP gives a \$5,000 scholarship award to each of the 50 participating clubs!

### WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

HRYP programs are financed by contributions from Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, individuals and various foundations. Donations can be made through your Rotary Club representative or made directly to the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation.

Give Aloha, Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program, was created in 1999 to honor Foodland's founder, Maurice J. "Sully" Sullivan, and continue his legacy of giving back to the community.

## HELP WANTED

Your newsletter needs YOU! If you like taking photos, candid or posed, at our club's Rotary functions, then we NEED YOU!. Turn your passion and/or hobby into a way to share what our club does. Even though we only have 40+ members, our newsletter goes out to at least 84 people. Give Chrys Yamasaki a call or email, or just send the photos you take to her.



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Be sure to Welcome new Rotarian  
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### ANDREA PRO—Connect and Thrive Discussing “Harmoniosity” in the Work Place



Ever since I can remember I've yearned to deepen my understanding about the meaning and purpose of being human. Eventually this evolved into a desire to contribute to creating a culture that supports all its members in



growing into the fullness of our potential, in alignment with our birthright.

In my journey I have earned a B.A. in Anthropology, lived with indigenous people, explored meditation, twelve-step work, therapy, and a variety of healing modalities. I married, and raised a son, now in his twenties. I have started and operated my own businesses for the past 25 years, first designing restaurants in Sacramento, California, and for 14 years, a coffee farm and thriving cafe in Kona. In my business and work with community organizations I have explored ways to share power and decision-making with others with whom I've worked. I've especially enjoyed creating teams based on a foundation of mutual understanding and support. This is not always easy, and yet is always rewarding.

I feel grateful to have found one of my life's passions in woodcut printmaking. Through this creative expression I experience great joy and peace. Exploring Hawaii's forests, tide pools, and lava fields is the primary inspiration for my art. I enjoy organizing art shows and creative collaboration with other artists. My work is represented in galleries and in private collections internationally.

In 2003 I began training in Nonviolent Communication and within three years began facilitating classes and groups. I am one of the founding members and a board member of Hawaii Nonviolent Communication, an organization that supports NVC education in Hawaii. Over the years my work with people has expanded to include components of my own healing practices including Nonviolent Communication, breath-work, Twelve-step, and qi gong.

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*And, of course, the MEC golf tourney is less than 4 months away and we have to get ready to help Kris, Larry, and the rest of the MEC team to make it a great success again!*

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- **Nov 9—Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation** —Hilo Rotarian Richard Cunningham, district Representative for the Big Island will share information on State wide Scholarships
- **Nov 16 — TBA**
- **Nov 23—DARK** —Thanksgiving Holiday
- **Nov 30—Kristin Kahaloa** Community Engagement Lead for West Hawaii **Blue Zones**.



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### 2nd Annual Pig N' Swig-Fundraiser for Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise

**October 21st - 5-9pm** Featuring a Bacon Cook-Off by local chefs, silent auction, door prizes and more! The ticket price is \$25 per person and includes pupus, one free drink, dinner and dessert. There is also a live auction, a silent auction and live entertainment by LT Smooth and others! Come join us!



**BUY TICKETS ONLINE!**

<http://www.konasunriserotary.org/>

## President's Message

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I'm looking forward to our meeting at Amicis this week. We will have a short presentation about the 2018 RYLA camp. It will be interesting to learn more about RYLA because I have heard about it but I don't know many details about it. I do know it is a great program that our club is proud to support.

I did not volunteer for the Ironman parade last year, but I'm doing so next week. All of the parades are great community events and have great positive energy. I really enjoy marshaling the parades and if you haven't done so yet, then I would encourage you to try it out. Marshaling mostly entails walking with the floats and making sure they don't get too close together.

I was also delighted to hear that Alan Clark will be Assistant Deputy Governor next year. Congratulations Alan!



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For much of the world, the story of polio is a simple one: After years of fear, a vaccine was developed and a disease was conquered. But for some of the world, the story was different. In so many countries, the vaccine wasn't available, mass vaccination was too expensive, or children simply couldn't be reached. While the rest of the world relegated polio to its museums, in these countries, the disease continued to rage – until Rotary stepped forward and said that all children, no matter where they lived or what their circumstances, deserved to live free of polio.

In the years since PolioPlus was launched, the combined efforts of Rotary, the governments of the world, and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative have brought the number of cases of polio down from an estimated 350,000 per year to just a few so far in 2017. But we must reach zero cases, and stay there, to achieve eradication. To do that, we need everyone's help.

On 24 October, we will mark World Polio Day. It is a day to celebrate how far we have come and an opportunity for all of us to raise awareness and funds to complete the work of eradication. I ask every Rotary club to participate in some way in World Polio Day activities, and I encourage you to visit [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org) for ideas and to register your event. Whether you host a silent auction, a virtual reality viewing, a fundraising walk, or a Purple Pinkie Day, your club can make a real difference.

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I hope everyone is having a great week, and I'm looking forward to this week's meeting (as always!)

## Polio Fundraiser

*Saturday, November 04*

The Rotary Club of Kona is having its Polio Plus fundraiser on November 4 by having a garage sale at the Great American Self Storage.

We still need to get more items to sell. Clothes. Tools. Household articles. Toys. Furniture.

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**December & July (2018)**

Christmas & 4th of July Parades

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Tournament Volunteers

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Ian H. S. Risley  
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In many ways, The Rotary Foundation is an invisible presence in our clubs. Most of what we do in our clubs and our districts, on a weekly basis, we do without the active involvement of the Foundation. But our Foundation is invisible in our clubs in the same way the foundation of a building is invisible when you're in it: Just because you don't see it doesn't mean it's not holding you up.

The Foundation that enabled Rotary to take on polio is, in many ways, the foundation upon which our Rotary service is built. For 100 years, since it came into existence with a first donation of \$26.50, the Foundation has supported and strengthened our service, enabled our ambitions, and allowed us to be the organization that we are. Because of the Foundation, Rotarians know that if we have the ambition and put in the work, very little is truly beyond us.

It is an incredibly effective model that we have here in Rotary, one that no other organization can match. We are completely local and completely global: We have local skills, connections, and knowledge in over 35,000 clubs, in nearly every country of the world. We have a deserved reputation for transparency, effectiveness, and good business practices, and because we are highly skilled professionals as well as volunteers, we achieve a level of efficiency that very few other organizations can approach.

To put it simply, a dollar given to The Rotary Foundation has a great deal more muscle than a dollar given to most charities. If you want to spend a dollar on Doing Good in the World, you can't do better than to spend it with the Foundation. That is not just me speaking out of pride; it is verifiably true and is reflected in our rankings by independent organizations.

In the Foundation's centennial year, Rotarians surpassed our goal of raising \$300 million. If you were part of that achievement, you have been part of something tremendous. Somewhere in the world, someplace you have probably never been, people you may never meet will lead better lives because of you. Ultimately, it is our Foundation that lets us make good on our core beliefs: that we can make a difference, that we have an obligation to do so, and that working together, as well and as efficiently as we can, is the only way to effect real and lasting change.

Nalani Flinn  
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Happy Thanksgiving everyone! I am so blessed to be a Rotarian and have many friends like you. As we enter into the holiday season, please be safe and share the opportunity of service through Rotary Give Thanks Day. Our Polio Plus "Ride So They Can Walk" Bike ride is ending November 18th and I know we can reach our goal. Many are looking to raise a \$100 and stop. I say, don't stop, continue and add another "0" zero at the end. Ask family and friends to join our team to End Polio Now.

I have been hearing about the many different activities clubs are working on to raise awareness of this disease. The Rotary Club of Poipu Beach held a Raise a Glass to End Polio event on October 18th where they donated 100% of the sales from two beer taps at Merriman's Kauai during the culinary market at the Shops at Kukui'ula to The Rotary Foundation Polio Plus fund. The Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunrise held a casual One Day, One Focus, Ending Polio evening under the stars at Bakery and Table for World Polio Day on October 24th. Palettes for Polio will be hosted by the Rotary Club of Kona Mauka at which 40 artists' palettes will be painted and offered at a silent auction at the Rumley Gallery at the King Kamehameha Hotel on November 18th. The Rotary Club of Downtown Honolulu held a Strike Out Polio bowling event, while another club is collecting Pennies for Polio. Share your story with our District Polio Plus Chair Charlene Meyers to post on the website. Let her know how you celebrated World Polio Day.

I received an email from my classmate DG Claudette McWilliams (District 5110) and I quote, "As long as we are bragging, my DRFCC tells me that with the second check for \$536,000 to TRF (the first was \$500K), District 5110 was Number One in the world for giving. Whether that lasted beyond the date that it was reported is unknown, but Number One in the world for even one day is something that I will gladly accept." She reminded me that November is Rotary Foundation Month. I thank the many Rotarians in District 5000 for stepping forward to share their resources in "Making a Difference." Without your generosity, the books we ship, the eye clinics we support, the clean water wells we build would not happen. This is my favorite quote when an individual is recognized for donating \$1,000 or more to Rotary Foundation:

You will build houses in which you will never live  
 You will feed hungry people of every race creed and political philosophy  
 You will make crawlers into walkers.  
 You will educate children you will never know  
 You will vaccinate children you will never meet  
 You will dig wells from which you will never drink  
 You will plant trees under which you will never sit  
 You will restore eyesight to those who will never see you.

When you donate to do these things, not only will you be in the Rotary Family, but you will have the Rotary Family in you.

## This Week's Speaker

*Kirstin Kahaloa*

*Community Engagement Lead for the West Hawaii  
Blue Zones Project*

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Kirstin Kahaloa's career has been defined by service to people – in higher education, in advocacy for economic growth, and now in helping people live healthier lives. Having grown up in a family where many kupuna passed away prematurely, and losing her own father at the age of 57 to health issues that could have been prevented, Kirstin took a special interest in this subject. With the Blue Zones Project in our community, she hopes to keep families together longer by keeping people healthier.

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*Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Keanohou Shopping Center Courtyard*

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Full Life Hawaii, Abled Hawai'i Artists (AHA) and Donkey Mill Art Center are pleased to announce the second annual Pua Na Pua Art Festival, empowering people of all abilities to explore self-employment through the arts. This art fair is the first of its kind in West Hawaii, and will inclusively celebrate the contributions of both developmentally-disabled (DD) and non-DD artists, with booths available to artists of all abilities. The event will feature arts, crafts, and artisanal items, live music, demos, a silent auction and more.

This year for the first time, we are proud to feature work made especially for the festival by Full Life and Abled Hawaii Artists (AHA) participants in workshops hosted by Donkey Mill Art Center. Participants explored three different media over the course of six days, including printmaking, ceramics and metals/enameling. Together, we created framed prints, cards, ornaments, pendants, earrings and key chains with a common "heart" theme, perfect for holiday giving! Be sure to look for these special items at the festival.

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Collectively, we seem further than ever from achieving the goals that were set with such ambition and optimism in 1945. Yet hope endures, as long as there are people willing to work for a more peaceful future – not only through their governments, but also beside them and beside each other. Today, Rotary is better placed than ever to have a real and lasting impact for peace: through our peace-focused programs, such as Rotary Peace Fellows, and through every area of our service. Water, sanitation, health, education, and economic development are all interrelated and part of the complex interactions that can lead to conflict – or avert it. To best leverage our service in all these areas, and to maximize their impact for peace, it is essential to understand these interactions and plan our service accordingly.

For these reasons, we have scheduled a series of six presidential peacebuilding conferences between February and June in Canada, Lebanon, the UK, Australia, Italy, and the United States. These conferences will focus not on peace but on peacebuilding: We will share ways that we can work to build peace through the service of our Rotary clubs and districts. Five of the one-day conferences will illuminate the connections between peace and another area of focus. The first conference, in Vancouver, B.C., will explore the link between peace and another sphere of great concern to us in Rotary: environmental sustainability. You can view the full schedule and register at [www.rotary.org/presidential-conferences](http://www.rotary.org/presidential-conferences).

The goals are simple: to help Rotarians find new ways to advance peace through their service, to learn from experts, and to strengthen our abilities to build peace. It is my hope and belief that these conferences will help us move closer to a more peaceful world, through Rotary: Making a Difference.

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Aloha My Fellow Rotarians,  
 We are six months into our Rotary year and so much has happened since our last visit. We are having our Polio Plus Fundraising project "Ride So They Can Walk." It's still ongoing and together, we can "Make that Difference." The fight against Polio lives on and we can reach our goal of raising \$300K through everyone's participation. Don't give up! I ask that you continue to raise the public's awareness of Polio, the good Rotary does in the world, and continue to Ride So They Can Walk.

Another project that is dear to my heart is the Holiday Homelessness Project at Kahauiki Village Transitional Housing on Oahu, where fellow Rotarians in collaboration with other organizations are donating their time, talent and resources by painting and cleaning these housing units. Our goal is to help homeless families get off the street and into a home by the end of the month. We sent a "wish list" via your club president asking for your assistance in supplying 30 of these housing units with needed household products and supplies. Please work with your Club President and/or AG in securing items on the list. This is a manageable act of giving that will make such a big difference for many families this holiday season.

We have so much to do and only 6+ months left to finish -- selecting your club officers for next year, hosting Foundation dinners on each island, updating your Rotary Club Central projects, supporting the Centennial Park project in Waikiki, planning our upcoming 2020 Rotary International Convention, awarding clubs with the RI President and the Governor Citations, hosting the Women in Rotary 30th Anniversary Tea celebration, engaging with our the Mauka to Makai - Malama the Land service projects and more. So much to do, so little time to finish...

As we navigate to the end of the year and approach the holiday season continuing to change lives together, may the Spirit of Christmas be never-ending, filling your home with the warmest greeting for this holiday season.

From my home to yours, a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday!

## What is Keiki Vision? How did it come to be?

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It used to be that all public school children's eyes were tested by the school nurse or someone with such skills who visited the schools on a regular basis. Then as it periodically does, the state ran into financial difficulties and simply stopped giving these examinations. Dr. Randall Sakamoto then stepped into the breach and created a simplified screening test for near vision, far vision, and stereo vision as well as a check list of readily observable eye conditions which he called "Keiki Vision". The screening is simple enough that volunteers can be trained to do it readily especially if they are paired with experienced volunteers.

There are several ways to do the screenings, with some clubs pairing the screenings with the Dictionary Project so that both are done the same morning, and other clubs focusing only on the Keiki Vision itself. If there aren't enough volunteers for a given school, other clubs can be involved such as in the above picture where the Rotary Clubs of Hilo and Hilo Bay worked together at E. B. De Silva Elementary School. Clubs also have involved spouses, Rotaractors and Lions Club members in these activities. A suggested order of operations is listed at the top of the Download section for your convenience.

The various downloads associated with this page both give examples of the types of screening forms as well as parental permission forms and forms to go home to the parents after the screening. We suggest that it is important to have the parental permission form request that the screening results be shared with the teachers and health aide. In this way, these two groups can combine the results with their own observations and possibly discuss the results during parent conferences.

Unlike the Dictionary Project, not all Rotary Clubs engage in Keiki Vision screening. To further complicate things, the Lions Clubs have come up with their own vision screening test which is somewhat more modern and which lends itself to statistical analysis. Dr. Cedric Mitsui of RC Hilo Bay has told us that since Rotarians generally screen only third grade students, that there is a general consensus that the Lions Clubs will screen first and fifth graders. If no Rotary Club is screening the third graders in a given school and does not intend to, then it is possible that the local Lions Clubs will step in to make sure that the children do get a screening regardless of who does it.

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## PGA Check Presentation

*December 14 Meeting*

Kelly Fleir of the PGA tournament will be presenting a check donation on our December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting for last year's contribution in the golf tournament. For all those able to attend, it would be great to see you there.

## Red Kettle Volunteer Help

*Throughout the Holiday Season*

The Salvation Army is in need of volunteers to ring the bell for their Red Kettle event happening throughout the holiday season. Contact Jose at (707)981-1601 or Raghel at (707)364-2903.

## Presidents Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017*

Aloha,  
 We have reached the half way point of my presidency. I greatly appreciate everyones support for all of the excellent work that we have done so far this year.

The parade was a great again. Our club had many volunteers helping with the parade. Unlike last year where it started to rain towards the end, we had excellent weather this year. The canoe float was very cool. Also, I noticed this year how many kids are in the parade. The schools and various groups/organizations with the schools including the ROTC, sports team, and the Polynesian club. Also, the boy scouts, youth challenge, etc. The parade gives these kids an opportunity to be part of something big in our community.

This week we will have a fun program. I am going to put together a power point presentation of all the photographs of us this year. I have to say that we are a very photogenic rotary club. Also, I have "Making A Difference" theme pins for all the members that can make the meeting this week. We will also have our Christmas party next Saturday and then we will be dark until 2018!

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Seventy-two years ago, the United Nations was founded "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war ... [and] to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors." Despite those worthy aspirations, and generations of investment in achieving them, the "scourge of war" is still with us: Last year, more than 102,000 people died in 49 armed conflicts around the world. Some of those conflicts were in their fifth decade or beyond. Terrorism, intolerance, and extremism; the refugee crisis; and environmental degradation are now global challenges.

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For these reasons, we have scheduled a series of six presidential peacebuilding conferences between February and June in Canada, Lebanon, the UK, Australia, Italy, and the United States. These conferences will focus not on peace but on peacebuilding: We will share ways that we can work to build peace through the service of our Rotary clubs and districts. Five of the one-day conferences will illuminate the connections between peace and another area of focus. The first conference, in Vancouver, B.C., will explore the link between peace and another sphere of great concern to us in Rotary: environmental sustainability. You can view the full schedule and register at [www.rotary.org/presidential-conferences](http://www.rotary.org/presidential-conferences).

The goals are simple: to help Rotarians find new ways to advance peace through their service, to learn from experts, and to strengthen our abilities to build peace. It is my hope and belief that these conferences will help us move closer to a more peaceful world, through Rotary: Making a Difference.

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Aloha My Fellow Rotarians,  
 We are six months into our Rotary year and so much has happened since our last visit. We are having our Polio Plus Fundraising project "Ride So They Can Walk." It's still ongoing and together, we can "Make that Difference." The fight against Polio lives on and we can reach our goal of raising \$300K through everyone's participation. Don't give up! I ask that you continue to raise the public's awareness of Polio, the good Rotary does in the world, and continue to Ride So They Can Walk.

Another project that is dear to my heart is the Holiday Homelessness Project at Kahauiki Village Transitional Housing on Oahu, where fellow Rotarians in collaboration with other organizations are donating their time, talent and resources by painting and cleaning these housing units. Our goal is to help homeless families get off the street and into a home by the end of the month. We sent a "wish list" via your club president asking for your assistance in supplying 30 of these housing units with needed household products and supplies. Please work with your Club President and/or AG in securing items on the list. This is a manageable act of giving that will make such a big difference for many families this holiday season.

We have so much to do and only 6+ months left to finish -- selecting your club officers for next year, hosting Foundation dinners on each island, updating your Rotary Club Central projects, supporting the Centennial Park project in Waikiki, planning our upcoming 2020 Rotary International Convention, awarding clubs with the RI President and the Governor Citations, hosting the Women in Rotary 30th Anniversary Tea celebration, engaging with our the Mauka to Makai - Malama the Land service projects and more. So much to do, so little time to finish...

As we navigate to the end of the year and approach the holiday season continuing to change lives together, may the Spirit of Christmas be never-ending, filling your home with the warmest greeting for this holiday season.

From my home to yours, a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday!





## Ride so they can Walk December 31, 2017

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Ride So They Can Walk – A Biking Event  
State Wide Rides – We're on a Roll! Keep going to Dec 31, 2017

### Help Rotary - End Polio Now

Rotarians, individual community members, biking groups and clubs riding bikes, motorcycles and those on stationary bikes in health clubs and gyms are all riding in the support of eradicating polio. This ride is different in that no roads need be closed as everyone will ride on their own schedule and desired distance. Each rider will pay a \$20.00 registration fee and have friends and family sponsor their ride with 100% of those donations going to Rotary's Polio Plus program and being matched 2 to 1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. When Rotary started the campaign to eradicate polio in 1988 there were 350,000 cases a year in the world. As of the date of this writing there are 13 cases worldwide – 8 in Afghanistan and 5 in Pakistan. This isn't good enough - Zero is the magic number.

Each rider will receive a commemorative cooling towel with the specially designed logo once they complete their ride and bring in a minimum of \$100.00 in sponsor donations. Do even more by challenging another rider to see how many sponsor dollars you can bring in.... Join in the fun by becoming a rider and/or sponsoring a rider to help Rotary End Polio Now. You do not have to wait till November 11 to ride – ride anytime from now till the 18th of November and it will count toward the polio ride. To register/donate go to Rotary D5000 website and click on Ride for Polio in the right hand column. It will take you to the necessary pages.

Yours in Rotary,  
Charlene M. Meyers, District 5000 Polio Plus Chair 2015 - 2018 Email: [Charlene.Rotary@gmail.com](mailto:Charlene.Rotary@gmail.com)  
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*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2018*

Aloha,

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If you can make the foundation event this Wednesday, then please come. There will be excellent speakers and lots of camaraderie. Join us in celebrating the Rotary International Foundation.

Hermann

## UNSUNG HEROS

*Big Mahalo to Larry Webb and Kris Hazard*

Thank you for all of the hours you spend throughout the year organizing volunteers for the golf tournament.

You both truly are examples of Service Above Self!

## Golf Tournament Mahalo Party

*Saturday, January 27*

Volunteers needed to help set up tables and chairs for Golf Tournament Mahalo Party!

Meet at 8 am Old Airport Pavilion

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6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Holualoa Elementary School, Mamalahoa Highway

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## TMT's THINK Fund

### *Helping Hawaii Island Students and Parents*

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The Hawaii Island New Knowledge (THINK) Fund was initiated in 2014 prior to the initial start of construction with a commitment of \$1 million per year for Hawaii Island STEM endeavors. The Hawaii Community Foundation (HCF) and the Pauahi Foundation administer the Fund with scholarship, classroom, student and STEM programming initiatives with Pauahi focusing on Native Hawaiians recipients.

In spite of many setbacks TMT has continued to its commitment to the THINK Fund. Within the next few weeks TMT will have funded \$4 million to the THINK Fund initiative for Hawaii Island students.

THINK Fund at Hawaii Community Foundation  
The THINK Fund at HCF has benefitted 26,000 students and 1,000 teachers on Hawai'i Island. Grants and scholarships seek to provide high-quality, career-connected STEM education and experiences to Hawai'i Island's most underserved youth.

College scholarships totaling over \$325,000 have been awarded to 54 Hawai'i Island students with financial need.

Scholarships support students pursuing careers in STEM and future STEM educators who intend to teach in Hawai'i Island schools.

THINK Fund at HCF provided more than \$685,000 in grants that leveraged an additional \$1.5 million from other funders to support innovative STEM programs and activities. \$300,000 is committed to the applications currently in process.

Programs receiving support must demonstrate success recruiting and addressing the needs of groups underrepresented in STEM fields, which includes students in rural communities, Native Hawaiians, and those disengaged in school.

\$250,000 has been committed to providing immediate funding for high-quality, ready-to-go STEM projects in Hawai'i Island classrooms.

39 out of 55 public and public charter schools on Hawai'i Island have received grants, schools with high

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need students receiving 78% of the funding.

Hawaii Community Foundation will solicit proposals to fund programs serving this target group for at least \$5,000 per year, beginning this year.

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The TMT THINK Fund at Pauahi has funded thirty-three college scholarships to date, with all students funded for their entire academic career. Total of \$568,000. Fifteen scholarships are planned for 2018.

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Hermann

## Karlyn Pipes

*World Class Swimmer / Inspirational Swimmer*

At the age of 53 I was blessed to be inducted into the International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF) joining all-time swimming greats such as Janet Evans, Mark Spitz and Johnny Weissmuller to name a few. Competition is stiff to be considered, let alone inducted, and since its inception in 1965 only 14 "Masters" swimmers have been honored.

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We will be acknowledging participant accomplishments with individual awards, and acknowledging our fantastic Direct Support Professionals, admin staff and Board of Directors. Entertainment includes a magic show by Bruce and Jennifer Meyers, Josie "The Jokester" and other surprises. Our Full Life entrepreneurs will have vendor tables to show and sell their arts and crafts. We will also have a photo booth like last year!

Please RSVP with Emily Twidwell at (808) 935-7699 or [Emily@fulllifehawaii.org](mailto:Emily@fulllifehawaii.org) by Friday, February 2, 2018.

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The meeting was held not in a hotel or a restaurant, but in a member's office; there were, so far as we know, no agendas or announcements, no committee reports, speakers, or nametags. The meeting would have failed today's usual standards for a productive Rotary meeting most resoundingly. It was, of course, the most productive Rotary meeting ever held.

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## Preserving & Protecting Cultural Resources

### *Mauna Kea Office of Management*

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"Maunakea is the astonishing mountain that stands in the calm" is an 'olele no'eau or wise saying that expresses the sentiment that Maunakea is a source of awe and inspiration. Maunakea is a recognized Hawaiian cultural site. It is a storied place of cultural, spiritual and archaeological significance where appropriate and respectful behavior are expected." (Maunakea Heritage and Natural Resources Guide).

Covered with physical expressions of its cultural significance be it shrines, ahu, or burials, protecting and preserving these sites are major components of the mission of the Office of Mauna Kea Management (OMKM). OMKM is tasked by the University with managing approximately 12,000 acres including the summit area, access road and mid-level parcel at Halepōhaku.

A total of 263 sites were identified in the survey. Most of the sites found were shrines. Experts speculate the adze quarry, located in the adjacent Maunakea Ice Age Natural Area Reserve, was in use about 500 to 700 years, and the complex of adze quarries and workshops comprised the next most common sites. The Mauna Kea Adze Quarry is a National Historic Landmark and is under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Land & Natural Resources (DLNR).

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Community Meeting Hale

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### CLASSES ARE FREE

When disaster strikes, will you know what to do?

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Well! The fifteenth annual Valentine's Wine Taste-ing is now behind us! Holualoa Inn Estates provided a beautiful backdrop for our signature event. A wonderful time was had by all. Many, many guests commented that this was the best event yet. The views are spectacular, the lawns are beautiful, the Holualoa Inn Pavilion is spacious and comfortable, Sam Choy's poke was delicious and Fish Hoppers dinner and desserts were divine.

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He actually comes to your home and prepares a full 3 course meal [with wine pairings] for a party of 10. Our silent auction had an incredible array of items to choose from. Whether you were in the market or high end art, weekend getaways, jewelry, golf or beautiful gift baskets there was something for

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everyone. Kona Mauka Rotarians make a dynamic team. Under the leadership of co-chairs Dave Hiranaka and Bob Schaible, the very strong support of Fish Hopper's Sam Johnson, all Rotary team members, and the many volunteers, we pulled off a spectacular event that was enjoyed by all.

Committee: Mark your calendar for the wrap up meeting (with food and wine, of course!) on Sunday, February 25 @ 4:30 pm at the home of Dave & Donna Hiranaka.

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## Steve Jobs, the CEO of Apple

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When a person goes into the operating room, he realizes that there is one book that he has yet to finish reading, "The Book of Healthy Life".

Whatever stage in life we are at currently, in time we all face that day when the curtain comes down.

Treasure love for your family, love for your spouse and love for your friends. Treat yourself well, and cherish others.

As we grow older, and hopefully wiser, we slowly realize that wearing a \$3,000.00 or a \$30.00 watch is not important. The time is the same. Whether we carry a \$300.00 or \$30.00 wallet/handbag, the contents are the same. Whether we drink a bottle of \$100 or \$10 wine, the hangover is the same. Whether the house we live in is 300 or 3,000 sq. ft., the loneliness is the same. Whether you fly first class or economy, if the plane goes down, you go down with it.

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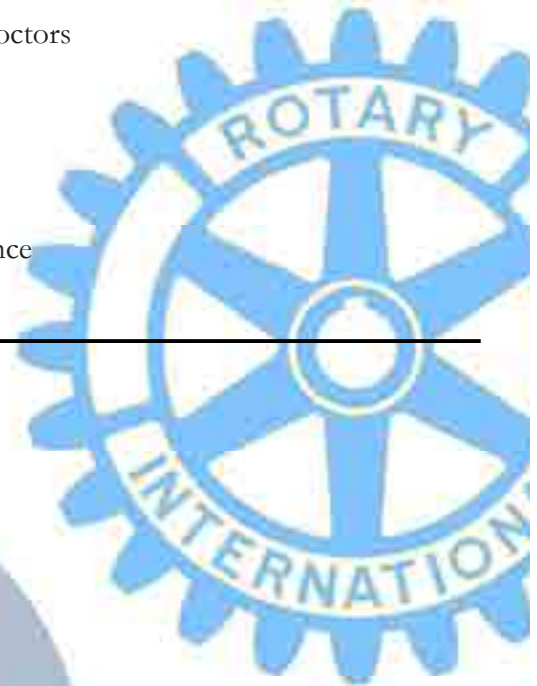
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1. Don't educate your children to be rich. Educate them to be happy, so when they grow up they will know the value of things, and not just their price.
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4. There is a big difference between a human being and being human.
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## The Six Best Doctors

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<b>16 YEARS</b>	Scott Unger	2002
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<b>MAY 17</b>	Cheryl Holdcorft	
<b>MAY 24</b>	Rome Ianniello	
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## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2018*

Aloha Everyone,

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We are very fortunate to be living in a country that doesn't regulate our daily routine by means of avoiding exposure to harmful bacteria, viruses and other dangerous elements.

Be thankful for all the things that we take for granted in this country, like a 1.5L bottle of water for just 0.99



## Salvation Army Community Services Weekly Events

Feed the Homeless  
 Every Thursday at 6:00 pm  
 Located at the Kailua Pier

If you would like to donate or help the Salvation Army in their efforts to feed the homeless or would like to inquire more information on upcoming activities;

Contact the Kona Salvation Army  
 (808)326-2330

## Articles for Submission

If you would like to submit an article for publication in next week's newsletter, contact:

Andrew DeVaney  
[andrew@devaney.io](mailto:andrew@devaney.io)

Articles for this publication must be Rotary related or Community event. Articles are subject to space available and should be turned in by no later than Sunday in order to catch the next release

*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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***Welina Mai!***

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One of 10 campuses in the University of Hawai'i system, Hawai'i CC offers 26 degree and certificate programs that prepare students to succeed in the workforce right after graduation or continue their studies at a four-year college or university.

***Kauhale***

Hawai'i Community College embraces the concept of Kauhale that traditionally means the Hawaiian village. Kauhale is an 'ohana of administrators, faculty, staff, students, their families, and the Hawai'i Island community that contributes measurably to the success of our college's mission and outcomes. Kauhale maximizes the "community" in our mission through dialogue, planning, innovation, and assessment across traditional college divisions and units. Kauhale enables all members of the college 'ohana to recognize and celebrate our own individual skills, knowledge, and experiences as well as the skills, knowledge, and experiences of others. Kauhale unites all components of Hawai'i Community College into an "academic village without walls" for the overall success of our learners, the learners' communities and their families, in the spirit of E 'Imi Pono (seeking excellence).

**Mission**

To promote lifelong learning, Hawai'i Community College will emphasize the knowledge and experience necessary for Kauhale members to pursue academic achievement and workforce readiness. Aligned with the mission of the UH Community Colleges, we are committed to serving all segments of our Hawai'i Island community.

***Vision***

Our Kauhale of lifelong learners will be productive and engaged citizens capable of meeting the complex challenges of our island and global communities.

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***A Rich Legacy***

Hawai'i Community College is celebrating its 75th anniversary during the 2015-2016 academic year. From its start in 1941 as the Hawai'i Vocational School, the college has provided access to higher education opportunities, trained a skilled workforce and supported the economic development of the County of Hawai'i. With the advancement in technology and expansion of educational opportunities into broader fields of technical training, the institution was renamed the Hawai'i Technical School in 1956.

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***Community Involvement***

Community partnerships and collaboration are central to the mission of the College. To keep curricula and requirements current and relevant, the College has invited community leaders in business, industry, and the professions to serve as advisers to provide guidance regarding course content, selection of training equipment, employment needs, and the effectiveness of different programs.

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<b>MAR 10</b>	Kris Hazard	7 Years
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<b>MAR 16</b>	Hobbs Lowson	2 Years
<b>MAR 19</b>	Angel Ontiveros	3 Years
<b>MAR 28</b>	Harry Hart	5 Years

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## Community Service

*Time – Treasure - Talent*

Community Service, along with Youth Service, is probably what most Rotarians have in mind when they join Rotary to be of service. Members, willing to donate their time, treasure and talents, are doing it for a reason. There must be a personal benefit else it would not be worth doing. Therefore it is important that we are selective in the projects that clubs undertake and make them meaningful, not only for the community served, but also for those that are serving, eg the Rotarian. Here are some keys to creating successful projects:

### 1) Find a need...then ask yourself

Is this worthy of the commitment of time, treasure and talent (more complex projects may equate to greater value)?

Does this meet the expectations of my fellow Rotarians?

Does this build my team?

Perhaps the best way to select a project is to engage club members in discussion...

### 2) Project Planning

Identify resources; human, physical and financial

Human resources may include club members, district members, those being served and Rotary Community Corps

### 3) Quality vs quantity...remember you will be known by the work you do.

### 4) Document, document, document.

Many projects can be replicated, documentation will help others be successful

Lessons learned are easier to identify when documented

Publicity is easier when the project has been documented (Who, what, when, where and how much)

A picture says a thousand words and video tells the tale...

### 5) Share the victory

All too often we do a project and then neglect or underplay the significance of the work done. After completing a project make it a club program. Share the results, the challenges and the lessons learned. By doing this we have the opportunity to be inclusive with members that, for whatever reason, were not a part of the project (next time around they will want to be there).

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# SELECTING A PROJECT

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Selecting a project can be a difficult decision. One project can't possibly address all the issues a community faces, and clubs must determine where their work will have the greatest impact. Some clubs use a consensus-building process to determine which projects to pursue, others debate and vote on issues, and still others allow their service committees to select appropriate projects. Regardless of how the decision is made, there are some common concerns clubs should consider before selecting a project.

## Disaster relief and recovery

Rotarians have a long history of aiding victims of natural disasters. Through local club and district efforts, Rotarians donate to relief funds; send shipments of food, clothing, and medicine; collaborate with local organizations that offer emergency relief; and provide ongoing assistance during long-term reconstruction projects.

To provide immediate disaster relief, clubs are encouraged to work with well-established international relief agencies that are equipped to quickly and effectively allocate aid.

## Consider Rotary's areas of focus

Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation have adopted six areas of focus as organizational priorities:

- ◊ Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- ◊ Disease prevention and treatment
- ◊ Water and sanitation
- ◊ Maternal and child health
- ◊ Basic education and literacy
- ◊ Economic and community development

There are countless ways that Rotary clubs can address these issues both locally and internationally. For ideas, consult the publication [\*Rotary's Areas of Focus\*](#) (1965).

## Sustainability

Sustainable projects build a community's capacity to address issues without relying on external support. When selecting a project, think carefully about both the short-term and long-term impact. For example, building a modern well and water pump for a neighborhood without access to clean drinking water might solve a community's immediate water problems. But if the community cannot maintain the well, the people's water problems will quickly return. The same might be said for a community beautification project. A club could build a park, clean up litter, or paint over graffiti in an impoverished neighborhood, but if people from the neighborhood aren't invested in the project, the graffiti and litter will almost certainly reappear. Sustainable projects take these issues into account and provide long-term solutions to chronic problems.

Effective goals are	Examples
<b>Shared</b> – representing the aspirations of all involved	Our club's plan to launch a community food bank resulted from a meeting of community stakeholders, which included representatives from local businesses, charities, civic agencies, and low-income families that will benefit from this service.
<b>Challenging</b> – ambitious and exceeding what clubs have achieved in the past	In the past, our club organized seasonal food drives during major holidays. We intend to scale up our efforts to make this food bank a permanent, year-round institution in the community.
<b>Achievable</b> – based on a realistic assessment of materials, resources, and time	We have secured the backing of project sponsors – local businesses that will help supply the food and warehouse space – and beneficiaries – local charities and outreach centers that will deliver the food to people who need it. Our members, working with our sponsored Interact club, Rotaract club, and Rotary Community Corps, will provide the volunteer hours.
<b>Measurable</b> – having a tangible, quantifiable point to pursue	Once operational, the food bank will provide 10 pounds of nonperishable food to 100 families weekly.
<b>Time specific</b> – having a specific deadline or time frame for completion	The food bank will be fully operational within 12 months, at which time we will turn over administration to a local charitable organization. Our members will continue to support the food bank indefinitely through advocacy, fundraising, and volunteering.

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*Chief Police Paul Ferreira*

Police Chief Paul Ferreira was named to the police chief's position by the Hawai'i County Police Commission on December 8, 2016, and assumed the role at the close of business on December 30, 2016.

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RCAA is part of Rotarian District 9212, which comprises Ethiopia, Kenya, Eritrea and South Sudan.

## President's Message

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This week our main program will go international. We will have Carol Kaemmerer talk about her recent trip to Ethiopia as part of a Rotary International Grant. It is amazing all the work that Rotary does internationally, and this program will hopefully inspire us to support Rotary's international efforts with more giving to the Rotary International Foundation.

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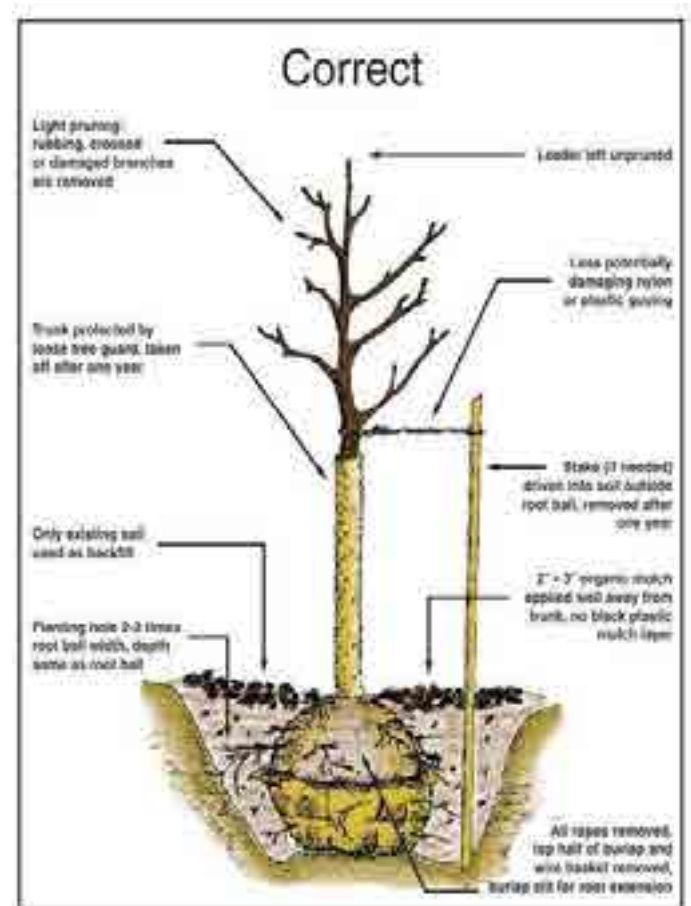
The tree planting does not have to be part of a specific event/program/service. If you plant a tree in your backyard, then we can get credit for it. If you plant two, even better.

This is your challenge (if you choose to accept it): Plant a tree, take a photo of it, and email or text it to me! My cell phone number is 756-7022 and my email is [hermann@heimgartnerlaw.com](mailto:hermann@heimgartnerlaw.com).

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Additionally, Steve Dyer, District Alumni Chair from the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor, is reaching out to all Rotary Alumni to meet on March 14th at the Pagoda Restaurant in Honolulu for dinner at 6pm. We need your assistance getting up-to-date email information and to get the word out. If you know an alumni, please contact [Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com](mailto:Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com). In case you are wondering, an alum is someone who has participated in any of the following programs: Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange, New Generations Service Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotary Peace Fellowships, Rotary Scholarships (funded by global grants or district grants), vocational training teams (members and leaders), Ambassadorial Scholarships, Grants for University Teachers, Group Study Exchange (members and leaders), and Rotary Volunteers. What a great way to keep these young people engaged with Rotary!

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## 22 Benefits from Trees

*Provided by TreePeople.org*

### 01. Trees combat climate change

Excess carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) is building up in our atmosphere, contributing to climate change. Trees absorb CO<sub>2</sub>, removing and storing the carbon while releasing oxygen back into the air. In one year, an acre of mature trees absorbs the same amount of CO<sub>2</sub> produced when you drive your car 26,000 miles.

### 02. Trees clean the air

Trees absorb odors and pollutant gases (nitrogen oxides, ammonia, sulfur dioxide and ozone) and filter particulates out of the air by trapping them on their leaves and bark.

### 03. Trees provide oxygen

In one year an acre of mature trees can provide enough oxygen for 18 people.

### 04. Trees cool the streets and the city

Average temperatures in Los Angeles have risen 6°F in the last 50 years as tree coverage has declined and the number of heat-absorbing roads and buildings has increased. Trees cool the city by up to 10°F, by shading our homes and streets, breaking up urban “heat islands” and releasing water vapor into the air through their leaves.

### 05. Trees conserve energy

Three trees placed strategically around a single-family home can cut summer air conditioning needs by up to 50 percent. By reducing the energy demand for cooling our houses, we reduce carbon dioxide and other pollution emissions from power plants.

### 06. Trees save water

Shade from trees slows water evaporation from thirsty lawns. Most newly planted trees need only fifteen gallons of water a week. As trees transpire, they increase atmospheric moisture.

### 07. Trees help prevent water pollution

Trees reduce runoff by breaking rainfall thus allowing the water to flow down the trunk and into the earth below the tree. This prevents storm water from carrying pollutants to the ocean. When mulched, trees act like a sponge that filters this water naturally and uses it to recharge groundwater supplies.

### 08. Trees help prevent soil erosion

On hillsides or stream slopes, trees slow runoff and hold soil in place.

### 09. Trees shield children from ultra-violet rays

Skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. Trees reduce UV-B exposure by about 50 percent, thus providing protection to children on school campuses and playgrounds - where children spend hours outdoors.

### 10. Trees provide food

An apple tree can yield up to 15-20 bushels of fruit per year and can be planted on the tiniest urban lot. Aside from fruit for humans, trees provide food for birds and wildlife.

### 11. Trees heal

Studies have shown that patients with views of trees out their windows heal faster and with less complications. Children with ADHD show fewer symptoms when they have access to nature. Exposure to trees and nature aids concentration by reducing mental fatigue.

### 12. Trees reduce violence

Neighborhoods and homes that are barren have shown to have a greater incidence of violence in and out of the home than their greener counterparts. Trees and landscaping help to reduce the level of fear.

### 13. Trees mark the seasons

Is it winter, spring, summer or fall? Look at the trees.

### 14. Trees create economic opportunities

Fruit harvested from community orchards can be sold, thus providing income. Small business opportunities in green waste management and landscaping arise when cities value mulching and its water-saving qualities. Vocational training for youth interested in green jobs is also a great way to develop economic opportunities from trees.

### 15. Trees are teachers and playmates

Whether as houses for children or creative and spiritual inspiration for adults, trees have provided the space for human retreat throughout the ages.

### 16. Trees bring diverse groups of people together

Tree plantings provide an opportunity for community involvement and empowerment that improves the quality of life in our neighborhoods. All cultures, ages, and genders have an important role to play at a tree planting or tree care event.

### 17. Trees add unity

Trees as landmarks can give a neighborhood a new identity and encourage civic pride.

### 18. Trees provide a canopy and habitat for wildlife

Sycamore and oak are among the many urban species that provide excellent urban homes for birds, bees, possums and squirrels.

### 19. Trees block things... You know, like your neighbors

Trees can mask concrete walls or parking lots, and unsightly views. They muffle sound from nearby streets and freeways, and create an eye-soothing canopy of green. Trees absorb dust and wind and reduce glare.

### 20. Trees provide wood

In suburban and rural areas, trees can be selectively harvested for fuel and craft wood.

### 21. Trees increase property values

The beauty of a well-planted property and its surrounding street and neighborhood can raise property values by as much as 15 percent.

### 22. Trees increase business traffic

Studies show that the more trees and landscaping a business district has, the more business will flow in. A tree-lined street will also slow traffic – enough to allow the drivers to look at the store fronts instead of whizzing by.

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*April 12, 2018*

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[www.rotaryclubofkona.com](http://www.rotaryclubofkona.com)  
12:00 Every Thursday  
Lava Java - Upstairs  
Coconut Grove Marketplace



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## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner; President 2017-2018*

Aloha,

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Please keep your calendar open for Rotary At Work day on April 28th. I apologize for not having something clearly lined up, but we will get a fun project done that day.

Mahalo,

Hermann

## District Conference at the Four Seasons *May 18-20*

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## Rotary Club of Ewa Beach is on its way! *Nalani Flinn*

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## Celebrating Women in Rotary *Nalani Flinn*

Last month I had the privilege of spending time on the different islands attending "High Tea" with fellow Rotarians. Surrounded by laughter, men and women looking so British with their cute hats sipping tea and enjoying their scones with lemon curd. As one gentleman said to me, "Hey, Nalani. I had to go so many times to make a whole sandwich." When I asked him why he didn't just grab 4 pieces, he said "the lady in front of me just grabbed one, so I only grabbed one." These gatherings are a very positive experience that certainly need to be repeated.

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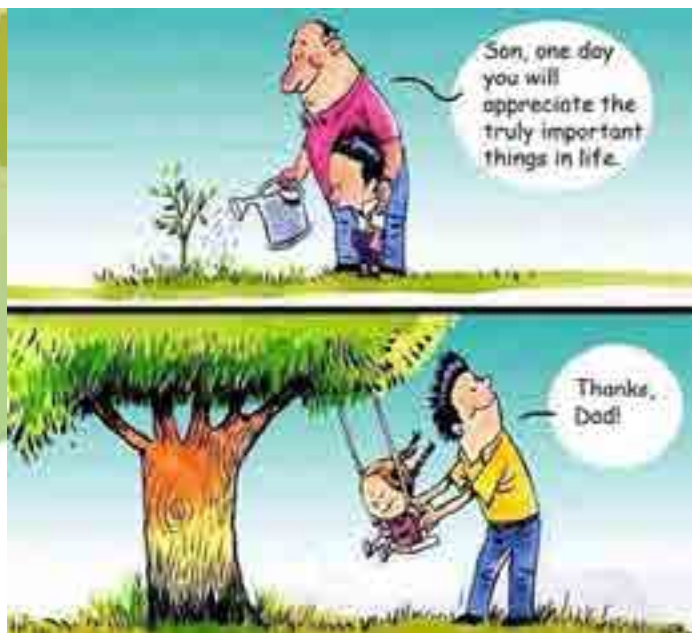
I want to start this month's message by introducing one of my speakers at the District Conference. His name is Mitty Chang. A Professional Motivational and Inspirational Speaker Specializing in How to Attract Millennials into Organizations. Mitty has delivered speeches to audiences in Canada, Thailand, Portugal, Brazil, Australia, and throughout the USA. He is one of the most sought after young speakers in the Rotary world. He is the Creative Director of Candeavor, a digital marketing & web design agency based in the Silicon Valley. According to Mitty, "I started my entrepreneurial roots when I built my first website in 1998. I was in the fourth grade at that time. By the time I was 13 years of age, I had already begun my freelance web design career. In my early high school years, I began my first part-time business--opening a web hosting business, which continues to run today. Over the past 16 years, I have designed powerful websites for a wide array of clientele." Mitty Chang will be speaking at our District Conference on Saturday morning May 19th and loves talking to Rotarians, especially young millennials. Sign up for the District Conference on [www.rotaryd5000.org](http://www.rotaryd5000.org). You will be glad you did!

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## Saving Mothers and Children

*Nalani Flinn*

An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation — all of which can be prevented. Rotary provides education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed, and how to protect themselves and their children from disease. You have the power to make the difference for children and mother's worldwide and that is just what you are doing with your Foundation giving.. Thank you for that effort.



## Salvation Army Community Services

### *Weekly Activities*

Feed the Homeless  
Every Thursday at 6:00 pm  
Located at the Kailua Pier

If you would like to donate or help the Salvation Army in their efforts to feed the homeless or would like to inquire more information on upcoming activities;

Contact the Kona Salvation Army  
(808)326-2330



## Articles for Submission

If you would like to submit an article for publication in next week's newsletter, contact:

Andrew DeVaney  
[andrew@devaney.io](mailto:andrew@devaney.io)

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# Coffee Blossom

April 26, 2018



## Upcoming Speakers

**May 3 Jay Kreuzer** – Regional Chief Executive Officer of Kona Community Hospital, and Judy Donovan. Community Update; West Hawaii Region.

**May 10: James O'Connor**  
Acting Police Chief for West Hawaii.

**May 17 Rachel Solesaa**  
Chancellor of Hawaii Community College(s) on the Big Island. "Hawai'i vision and plans in fulfilling the promise of student success in Hawaii and our contribution to a vibrant Hawaii."

**May 24: Rollie Frost**

**May 31 Peter Young**  
Hawaiian History #4



## THE 4 WAY TEST

*Of the things we think, say or do*

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## THIS WEEK AT THE ROTARY CLUB OF KONA Up Close and Personal

Join us this week for a short presentation from each of the following Rotarians: John Spicer, Hobbs Lowson III, Carol Ann Von Hake. We will learn a little about where they came from and how they got where they are today ... and anything else they want to share with us.

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Saturday, April 28th

8 am - 1 pm

No special skills required - just willing to work  
Continental breakfast will be available & lunch provided.  
Where: Hospice of Kona, 75-5925 Walua Road (across from upper entrance to Alii Cove)

In conjunction with the Hospice of Kona, we will be helping them clean, organize and help them get ready for their annual Camp Erin. Camp Erin is a weekend camping trip for keiki who have had the loss of a loved one. This camp helps the children deal better with the grieving process.

Sign up at this week's meeting or  
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*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2018*

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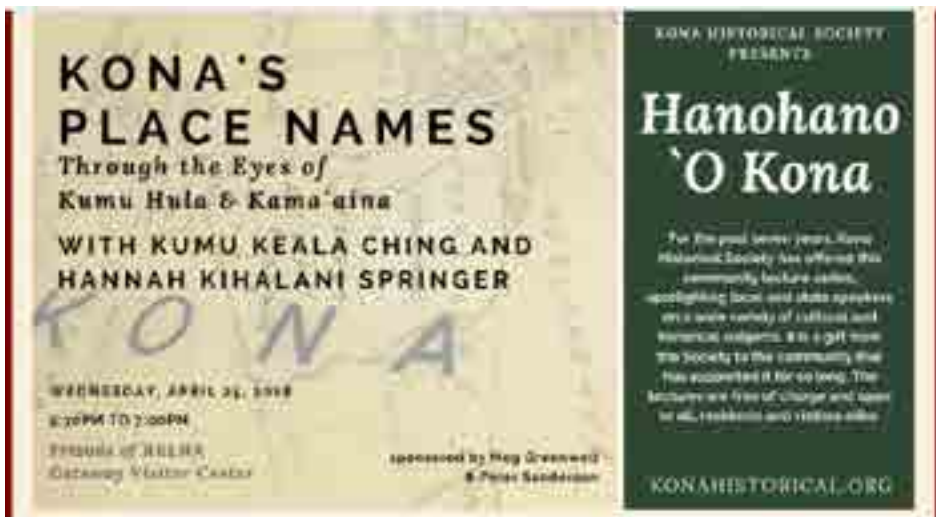
Our District conference is happening May 18th – 20th at the breathtaking 5-Star Four Seasons Hotel on Oahu. Register now on the District website! Come and represent your club and support your president. Let them know you appreciate the time, talent and resources they have given to lead your club this year. Additionally, Steve Dyer, District Alumni Chair from the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor, is reaching out to all Rotary Alumni to meet on March 14th at the Pagoda Restaurant in Honolulu for dinner at 6pm. We need your assistance getting up-to-date email information and to get the word out. If you know an alumni, please contact [Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com](mailto:Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com). In case you are wondering, an alum is someone who has participated in any of the following programs: Interact, Rotaract, Youth Exchange, New Generations Service Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA), Rotary Peace Fellowships, Rotary Scholarships (funded by global grants or district grants), vocational training teams (members and leaders), Ambassadorial Scholarships, Grants for University Teachers, Group Study Exchange (members and leaders), and Rotary Volunteers. What a great way to keep these young people engaged with Rotary





Inspiration around  
every corner

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On Wednesday, April 25, Kona Historical Society is honored to present for their Hanohano `O Kona lecture series Hannah Kihalani Springer and Kumu Keala Ching. They will be highlighting the importance of Kona's place names, their role in preserving history and the perpetuation of history through chant and song.

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Kumu Keala Ching is a Hawaiian cultural educator, composer, song writer, and spiritual advisor to many Hawaiian organizations. Kumu Keala lives and breathes aloha into his Hawaiian heritage with his strong presence and great heart. Hannah Kihalani Springer is a life-long student of the cultural and natural histories of Hawai'i. She lives with her family on their homestead, Kukui'ohiwai at Ka'upulehu, North Kona. Hannah enjoys the lava lands and remaining dryforest of the northwest flank of her Hualalai home.

This is the April portion of a community lecture series held every last Wednesday of the month from 5:30-7:00p.m., that spotlights local and state speakers on a wide variety of cultural and historical subjects. Presented by Kona Historical Society, in cooperation with the County of Hawai'i, this lecture series is a gift from the Society to the community that has supported it for so long. Free of charge, it is open to all, residents and visitors alike. For more information call 808-323-3222.

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On the last Saturday of the month (Saturday, April 28) the community is invited to gather at the Coconut Grove Marketplace on Ali Drive from 5:30 to 6:30 pm to celebrate Kona's spectacular sunset with live Hawaiian music and beautiful hula performed by Halau Ka'eaiKahelelani, under the direction of kumu hula Yuki Ka'ea Lyons and Lily Kahelelani Lyons Dudoit.

Bring a lawn chair or beach mat and enjoy the outdoor lawn setting as the sun begins its journey over the horizon. As Hawaiian Sunset Saturday comes to a close, attendees can extend the evening at one of many nearby restaurants. Lots of parking is available; coolers are not permitted.

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### Rotary Anniversaries

APR 01 Ken Kjer 45 Years  
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*La Ho'omana'o*  
 APR 11 Lisa & Hans Graf 37 Years

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**Acting Police Chief for West Hawaii**

On Friday, (February 16), Police Major James O'Connor was promoted to Assistant Police Chief and assigned to the Area II Operations Bureau.

Assistant Chief O'Connor began his career with the Hawai'i Police Department as a Police Recruit on (June 16, 1993).

He served as a Police Officer in the South Kohala, South Hilo, and Hamakua Patrol districts; as a Sergeant/Detective in the Kona and South Kohala Patrol districts, and Internal Affairs Unit; as a Lieutenant in the Records & Identification Section and Special Response Team; as a Captain in Ka'u Patrol and the Criminal Intelligence/Internal Affairs Unit; and as a Major in Area II Operations Bureau and Administrative Services Bureau/Technical Services Section.

When asked about his new position, Assistant Chief O'Connor responded, "I am excited about returning to Area II Operations and to have the opportunity to again work with a wonderful group of hardworking and dedicated professionals. I also look forward to connecting with the various community members from North Kohala to Ka'u to build a positive relationship that will allow us to work together to solve the problems that impact our communities."



## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2018*

I want to thank everyone that came out for our Rotary At Work day. It was a great event that was a lot of fun. My Rotary At Work t-shirt keeps getting more and more paint on it. We finally used up the Rotary purplish paint on the benches. In addition to organizing and cleaning out two 20 foot containers filled to the brim, we painted the benches and planted a tree in the honor of Dick Denison.

Helping the Hospice At Kona with their preparation and organization was very meaningful.

I also want to express my appreciation for our Foundation in conducting the scholarship interviews. I cannot wait to hear from Brian and the rest of the Foundation about their experience.

I wish everyone a great week."



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## ***Keep your community safe through Crime Stoppers***

Tipsters who prefer to remain anonymous may call the islandwide Crime Stoppers number at 961-8300 and may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00. Crime Stoppers is a volunteer program run by ordinary citizens who want to keep their community safe. Crime Stoppers does not record calls or subscribe to any Caller ID service. All Crime Stoppers information is kept confidential.



## **News from Rotary District 5000 DG Nalani Flinn**

**Rotary Club of Ewa Beach is on its way!** I signed the charter request form and as they say, "it's in the mail" We will be inducting 20 new Rotarians and we won't stop there. Please welcome the newest club into our Ohana by having your club donate \$1.00/member. Donations may be forwarded to my Chief of Staff, Yolette Nishimoto ([yolette@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:yolette@hawaii.rr.com)). You will all be invited to the Charter party as soon as the date is set.

### **Celebrating Women in Rotary**

Last month I had the privilege of spending time on the different islands attending "High Tea" with fellow Rotarians. Surrounded by laughter, men and women looking so British with their cute hats sipping tea and enjoying their scones with lemon curd. As one gentlemen said to me, "Hey, Nalani. I had to go so many times to make a whole sandwich." When I asked him why he didn't just grab 4 pieces, he said "the lady in front of me just grabbed one, so I only grabbed one. These gatherings are a very positive experience that certainly need to be repeated.

### **Saving Mothers and Children.**

An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation — all of which can be prevented. Rotary provides education, immunizations, birth kits, and mobile health clinics. Women are taught how to prevent mother-to-infant HIV transmission, how to breast-feed, and how to protect themselves and their children from disease. You have the power to make the difference for children and mother's worldwide and that is just what you are doing with your Foundation giving.. Thank you for that effort.

**D5000 RIF Alumni Pau Hana.** RIF Alumni Chair Steve Dyer of the RC of Pearl Harbor held our first Paul Hana Alumni gathering on March 14th at the Pagoda Restaurant on Oahu. Attendees included: a fellow Group Study Exchange (GSE) Leader and team members, former exchange student, Ambassadorial recipients and District leaders. This was a wonderful reunion of Foundation alumni and a great group of current and prospective Rotarians. I am looking forward to the next gathering and encourage you to join us if you are an alumnus and invite others you may know. Please contact [Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com](mailto:Stephen.dyer@hawadvocate.com) to update the list.



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## Pedestrian Safety

With increased visitors and kamaaina frequenting Historic Kailua Village, it's timely to remind everyone to be safe out there.

Here are a few helpful pedestrian safety tips. Cross only in marked crosswalks. Always look for turning cars before stepping off a curb to cross a street. Look left, right, left again and over your shoulder before you step into the street. Drivers don't always see you. Watch for vehicles and make eye contact to be sure drivers see you. Driving through the Village? Please slow down and watch for pedestrians.

Be Safe. Be Smart. Be Seen.  
**MAKE SURE DRIVERS  
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- Assures community involvement and program quality through the establishment of lay advisory bodies to critically review instructional programs, the continuance of a fund raising committee, and the establishment of other committees as needed.



Dr. Rachel Solesas was appointed chancellor of Hawai'i Community College in 2016. She previously served as the Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services at Truckee Meadows Community College in Nevada. Prior to that appointment, she was Vice President for Administrative Services at Bellevue College and Vice President for Finance and Operations at Edmonds Community College, both in Washington.

Dr. Solesas earned a doctorate of education in higher education with an emphasis on community college leadership from Washington State University and a master's in public administration from the University of Washington. She earned a bachelor of science in accounting from De La Salle University in Manila.

Presently, Dr. Solesas is Past President of the National Asian Pacific Islander Council, an affiliate council of the American Association of Community Colleges.

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On Saturday morning, the conference started at 9 AM. Beforehand, however, a number of Rotarians took part in a walk at 5:30 in the morning. Jim and Jan did this walk, and they told me they had fun. The presentations during this day included a navigator on the Hokulea, a young Rotarian who is working to implement changes in Rotary so that Rotary will be around for another hundred year (i.e. become more digital and engaging millennials to join rotary), the Rotary International Presidents Representative from Romania, and various leaders from the 2017-18 District 5000 leadership team. We celebrated all of the things that the Rotary clubs in Hawaii accomplished.

On Sunday, the awards were presented. We won the award for membership growth! Not to spoil any surprises, but I will have a recognition moment for Tom and David at this weeks meeting for their effort and success.

I met many of the current President Elects for 2018-19, and Tom Bierlien will have a many great presidents to work with to accomplish great things in 2018-19. It is very energetic to be in a crowd of so many dynamic, intelligent, innovative, and strong men and women. Being together with 200 business and community leaders for two and a half-day is very inspirational, and I am honored to be part of this team.



As our island is battling the natural disaster in Puna, we can rely upon our fellow Rotary members in District 5000 for help, and we can also count on Rotarians all around the world to assist us. Disaster relief for Kauai and Puna were major topics of discussion this weekend. In addition to the physical disaster in Puna, I am worried this will spill over to have a substantial negative impact on the entire Big Island, including Kona. We will have the backing of Rotary to help our island deal with this problem.

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## Pedestrian Safety

With increased visitors and kamaaina frequenting Historic Kailua Village, it's timely to remind everyone to be safe out there.

Here are a few helpful pedestrian safety tips. Cross only in marked crosswalks. Always look for turning cars before stepping off a curb to cross a street. Look left, right, left again and over your shoulder before you step into the street. Drivers don't always see you. Watch for vehicles and make eye contact to be sure drivers see you. Driving through the Village? Please slow down and watch for pedestrians.



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www.RotaryClubOfKona.com  
12:00 —Lava Java Restaurant  
Coconut Grove Market Place  
On Alii Drive (upstairs)

# Coffee Blossom

May 31, 2018



## Upcoming Speakers

June 7—TBA

June 14—TBA

**June 21 President Elect Tom Bierlein** on plans and goals for upcoming Rotary Year.

**June 28—DARK AT NOON 5:00 PM INSTALLATION BANQUET.**

## ROTARY CLUB OF KONA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 2018 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



## THE 4 WAY TEST

*Of the things we think, say or do*

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and  
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## THIS WEEK AT THE ROTARY CLUB OF KONA Peter T. Young Hawaiian History (Continued)

### INSTALLATION AND AWARDS BANQUET

Mark your calendar! Thursday, June 28 will be the Induction Ceremony for the 2018-2019 officers. We will be dark that day for the regular club meeting. Dinner will be catered at Kona Vistas Pavilion around 5 pm-ish.

More details to come later but for now pen in the date and location, pencil in the time. But it will be evening/pau hana time.

We will collect solid RSVPs once the time and ticket price has been determined. Great time to invite friends, family and potential Rotarians!



## Kailua-Kona Community Independence Day Parade Wednesday July 4th, 2018

www.ParadesinKona.com

Theme: Parade of Stars Start time 10:00am

Begins at Kekuao'kalani Gym ends at Coconut Grove Marketplace

Volunteers in a variety of areas can sign up via the parade website: [www.paradesinkona.com/volunteer](http://www.paradesinkona.com/volunteer)



## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2018*

I would like to encourage all of our club members to think about taking a leadership role in our club. There is a position for everyone. As Tom Bierlien's year is soon going to begin, it is best to talk to him about what kind of position or role you'd like to have in his year. It isn't just the board positions that are listed in the Coffee Blossom. All of our events (Parades; Keiki Vision; Golf Tournament) needs a team of volunteers. Tom or myself can get you connected with the right person to talk to. There are also other events that need help. In November, we should do a fundraiser for Polio and, if you have an idea for a fundraiser, then you should consider it. Also, all of our different board chairs (foundation; community service; public relations; etc.) appreciate help with their job, and it is actually a good idea to have a team or committee to help with those specific roles.



## 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*

## Ian H. S. Risley, President 2017-2018

### Rotary International

May 2018



Rotary is a massive, and massively complex, organization. As this issue of The Rotarian goes to press, we have 1.2 million members in 35,633 clubs in nearly every country of the world. Hundreds of thousands of participants are involved in Rotary programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotary Community Corps, Rotary Peace Centers, and a host of local and Foundation-supported projects and programs at the national, district, and local levels. The name of Rotary is attached to countless projects every year, from blood banks to food banks, school sanitation to polio eradication. One hundred thirteen years after the first Rotary club was founded, Rotary service reaches literally around the globe.

What that service looks like on a daily and weekly basis can vary enormously by region, country, and club. Each club has its own history, priorities, and identity. It follows that the identity of Rotarians, and the purpose each Rotarian sees in his or her service, similarly has a great deal of variation. There's nothing wrong with that, as Rotary is by design a decentralized organization, intended to enable each Rotarian and each Rotary club to serve in the ways that suit them best.

Yet the diversity that makes us so strong can also pose challenges to our identity as an organization. It is no surprise that many people who have heard of Rotary still have little idea of what Rotary does, how we are organized, or why we exist at all. Even within Rotary, many members have an incomplete understanding of our larger organization, our goals, or the scope and breadth of our programs. These challenges have significant implications, not only for our ability to serve most effectively, but also for the public image that is so essential to our ability to build our membership, partnerships, and service.

Several years ago, Rotary launched a serious effort across the organization to address these issues, developing tools to strengthen our visual and brand identity. Today, we are using those tools to develop our People of Action public image campaign, which showcases the ability that Rotary grants each of us to make a difference in our communities and beyond. Last June, your Rotary International Board of Directors voted to adopt a new vision statement, reflecting our identity and the single purpose that unites the diversity of our work.

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.



Wherever we live, whatever language we speak, whatever work our clubs are involved in, our vision is the same. We all see a world that could be better and that we can help to make better. We are here because Rotary gives us the opportunity to build the world we want to see – to unite and take action through Rotary: Making a Difference.

## District Governor, Nalani Flinn, 2017-2018

Happy May Day to you and hope you are wearing that special lei that binds us as a community and that wreath of love. Speaking of love, I'd like to thank those who have donated to the Disaster Fund through our District website; and if you haven't made your donation, please kokua your neighbor on the island of Kauai. They are still struggling with the aftermath of mud and debris caused by the heavy rain. Show that aloha to those around you.

Speaking about Aloha, in 17 days we will be celebrating all the accomplishments our clubs have completed throughout the year at the beautiful five-star Four Seasons Resort at Ko?olina. And being that May is Youth Service Month, we are reaching out to Rotaractors and Interactors to attend Saturday's plenary session for the cost of lunch at \$65.00. It's surprising how many future leaders of tomorrow don't know who we are nor what we do. We want to close that gap in Hawai'i. We'd love to see you consider sponsoring a student or your family member. Your conference planning committee is working extremely hard to create an exciting conference for you!

In closing, I would like to quote from RI President Ian Riseley's remarks in The Rotarian magazine that's worth repeating. "Last June, your Rotary International Board of Directors voted to adopt a new vision statement, reflecting our identity and the single purpose that unites the diversity of our work.

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## President's Message

*Hermann Heimgartner, President 2017-2018*

Aloha,

The District 5000 Conference was a great experience this past weekend on Oahu. I arrived on Friday, May 18th for the reception. Jim and Jan from our club joined me there. I had a lot of fun getting to know them and other Rotarians from Hawaii. I have never met a Rotarian that doesn't have an amazing background story to share. It is also so rewarding to get to know all these Rotarians from all walks of lives that all have a goal of service about self. From retired teachers to business owners to downtown Honolulu lawyers, these Rotarians share the same goal of making a difference and improving our community and the world in which we live. And, each Rotary club does it their own way: some focus on international grants; some focus on vocational service; some focus on projects to help the homeless; some focus on youth and scholarships; etc.

On Saturday morning, the conference started at 9 AM. Beforehand, however, a number of Rotarians took part in a walk at 5:30 in the morning. Jim and Jan did this walk, and they told me they had fun. The presentations during this day included a navigator on the Hokulea, a young Rotarian who is working to implement changes in Rotary so that Rotary will be around for another hundred year (i.e. become more digital and engaging millennials to join rotary), the Rotary International Presidents Representative from Romania, and various leaders from the 2017-18 District 5000 leadership team. We celebrated all of the things that the Rotary clubs in Hawaii accomplished.

On Sunday, the awards were presented. We won the award for membership growth! Not to spoil any surprises, but I will have a recognition moment for Tom and David at this weeks meeting for their effort and success.

I met many of the current President Elects for 2018-19, and Tom Bierlien will have a many great presidents to work with to accomplish great things in 2018-19. It is very energetic to be in a crowd of so many dynamic, intelligent, innovative, and strong men and women. Being together with 200 business and community leaders for two and a half-day is very inspirational, and I am honored to be part of this team.

As our island is battling the natural disaster in Puna, we can rely upon our fellow Rotary members in District 5000 for help, and we can also count on Rotarians all around the world to assist us. Disaster relief for Kauai and Puna were major topics of discussion this weekend. In addition to the physical disaster in Puna, I am worried this will spill over to have a substantial negative impact on the entire Big Island, including Kona. We will have the backing of Rotary to help our island deal with this problem.

Next year, the District Conference will be at the Waikiki Convention Center, and I would encourage everyone to see if they can go. I know it is not cheap, and we are all pressed on time. But, these conventions are such a motivator, a learning experience, and so much fun.



### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES FOR PUBLICATION

Please submit articles for publication **by the Sunday prior to each issue**. These can be Rotary events (all clubs in Hawaii) and community events.. Publication is subject to space constraints. Submittals by email should be sent to [chrys@wtahawaii.com](mailto:chrys@wtahawaii.com) or just hand them to Chrys at the regular Thursday meetings.  
Mahalo, Chrys Yamasaki, Temporary Coffee Blossom Editor 2017-2018



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## ...a Message from Rotarian Darlene Daboling

*They found a good donor match for my stem cell transplant. Things happened fast - I'm at Stanford Cancer Hospital in Palo Alto, CA receiving more chemo in preparation for the stem cell transport on May 30th, then 2-3 months recuperating while the stem cells are accepted by my body.*

*Right now if I do nothing, there is a 70% chance the leukemia coming back in two to five years. Once the stem cell transplant is successful - I will be declared cured according to doctor. (I'm already healed - but if things line up, which they are I will go thru.) I actually had 5 donor matches, 3 looked good. Doc chose one that matched best and also has my blood type.*

*I expect to be back home to Hawaii end of July or mid-August.*

*Sorry I was not there for door prize. I'll bring a door prize when I return*

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