



SPEAKER OF THE WEEK
David Heenan
Hidden Heroes

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



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SPEAKERS

January 18, 2017
Steve Sue
Lemonade Alley

January 25, 2017
David Bagley
Heide & Cook



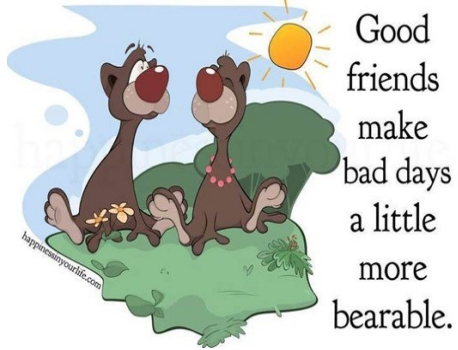
President Joe Gedeon thanked PP Dick Matti for his amusing presentation on his time as a pilot for Cathay Pacific Airways in the period 1956-1963, flying piston engine DC3's and DC4's. He recounted the difficulties in landing at Hong Kong's Kai Tak Airport which was the Airport at that time and some anecdotes on his experiences in flight.



After being serenaded by our musical PDG Phil Sammer, President Elect Steve Koyama welcome visiting Rotarians both local and out of State. They are Sidney Lewis from the Rotary Club of Lake Arrowhead, CA, Tom Plum from the RC of North Hawaii, Big Island and Jini Huisinga from the RC of Lahaina



We were once again in the Grand Ballroom of the Pacific beach Hotel, due to the renovations. The venue is great but it takes a long time to get the only elevator working. President Joe wished all a Happy New Year and told us about his trip to Japan to visit our sister clubs. He informed us that 3 of our sister clubs are having Anniversaries in 2017



The meeting was called to order by **President Joe Gedeon**. He started with a welcoming “Aloha!” He said he was glad to be back to Hawaii, from a wonderful visit with our sister clubs. **Ikko Tomita** hurt her ankle so she held his arm during the entire trip. At one time, he sat next to the Mayor and was told he would talk after the Mayor was finished. **President Joe** thanked **Ikko** for her help with that. He encouraged everyone to make visits to our Sister Clubs. Two more of them will be having anniversary parties this year!

PP Tony Gedeon shared an inspiration with the Club. He told us all “Happy New Year” and said that he was all ready to go to Rotary last week when his wife reminded him he did not have a meeting! **President Tony** gave thanks for Rotary and our food.

The pledge was led by **PP Dave Livingston**.

Nick Buechel introduced our guests. **PP Gene Grounds** introduced **Jini Huisinga**, a Rotarian from Maui who has moved here and put in an application with our Club. **Katherine Henski** introduced her daughter Robin who got straight A’s on her last grade report. She has chosen classes that will allow her to attend Rotary meetings! **Past District Governors Phil Sammer** and **Roy King** were introduced as were all **Past Presidents**.

PDG Phil Sammer welcomed our special shell leigh guests and began our special song. **President Elect Steve Koyama** gave a personal greeting to our guests: Rotarian from Lake Arrowhead, California whose Club began in 1949; **Tom Plum** from North Hawaii on the Big Island; **Jini Huisinga**, a Rotarian from Maui.

Announcements:

President Elect Nominee Steve Morgan shared that he was passing around a sign-up sheet for dictionary giveaways for the next three weeks. He encouraged everyone to sign up!

President Elect Nominee Steve Morgan shared the bucket with the Club. **PP Dick Matti** gave \$5 on behalf of **PP Carol Riley** serving as scribe for the meeting. **PP Tony Gedeon** gave money in honor of our speaker. **PP Sally Blanchard** donated money because our Club is a wonderful Club. **PP Chuck Braden** shared that we got a nice thank you card from the Hawaii Food Bank for the food we donated. **Cindy Lewellen-Tagavilla** gave \$40 for the 40 days she has been gone for her non-profit. **Patti Look** donated for a good 2017. She talked about her nephew and what a wonderful person he has become. **President Elect Steve Koyama** told us all “Happy New Year” and mentioned that he will be in a kabuki play on Friday night. There may be some seats left. **PP David Hamil** congratulated **President Elect Steve** for filling in for **President Joe** at our regular meeting and the Board Meeting. He also recognized his classmate **Sid** from Lake Arrowhead.

Nick Buechel gave a vocational talk about his work with **PP Dave Livingston** at Ameriprise. He is currently a financial advisor. He had worked in insurance before. Now he is focusing on investments and equities. He said that there have been many changes in financial advising and answered a question explaining that annuities protect you if you live too long and insurance protects you if you die early. Long term health care costs are going up because people are living longer.

Our guest speaker did not need an introduction: **PP Dick Matti!** **PP Dick** started by telling us that his father and grandfather were in the hotel business and he wanted to be a doctor or a pilot. He made it into medical school, where he learnt to fly and got his private pilot’s license. However he flunked out of Medical school, and after attending Hotel School in Switzerland, he decided he still wanted to fly. Visiting his mother in Long Beach CA in 1950, he enlisted as an Army pilot and after attending flight school at Fort Sil, Oklahoma as an observer and spotter for artillery in a L4 Grasshopper plane he was sent to Korea where he was attached to a New Zealand artillery battalion.

After the war he joined CAT (Civil Air Transport) an airline formed by Gen. Chenault of the Flying Tiger fame in Taiwan, flying C46 passenger planes between Taiwan and Hong Kong. Actually CAT was owned by the CIA and they were flying covert flights over Communist China and supporting the remainder of the Kuomintang troops holed up on the Burmese border. As he did not want to get involved in this side of CAT, he then joined Cathay Pacific Airways in Hong Kong and was certified to fly PBY’s, DC3’s and DC4’s.

In the 50’s and 60’s Hong Kong Airport at Kai Tak was one of the most difficult airports to fly into in that part of the world, as you could not rely on your instruments but had to use VFR (Visual Flight Rules) to line up to the runway 13. Cathay pilots were used to it as Hong Kong was their home base, but other airlines had to have special pilots trained for the Hong Kong approach to fly in.

In those days Cathay was a small airline and only flew to places that larger airlines did not fly to. These included Osaka, Taipei, Manila, Jakarta, Jesselton, Kuching, Sarawak, Brunei, Borneo, Rangoon, Burma, Calcutta, India, Katmandu Nepal to name a few.

They did however have a weekly flight from Hong Kong to Sydney Australia, which took five days, stopping in Manila, Mindanao, Port Moresby, Darwin, Alice Springs and then Sydney.

It was an interesting time and as they only flew from dawn to dusk, they overnighted in many exotic place.

He related some of his adventures flying during this period that were sometimes comical. Among the more memorable occasions was a fat lady stuck on the DC3 toilet, a Pakistan seaman who decide to cook his meal on a charcoal stove in the aisles of a DC4 in flight, hairy landings on the grass strip on Katmandu and hiring the Customs Inspector's daughter in Calcutta India.

Unfortunately his flying days came to an end in 1963, when he did not pass his medical due to his eyes. That is when he finally decided to follow his family and go into the hotel business.

In our 50/50 drawing, **PDG Roy King** won and was awarded 50% of the taking.

President Joe lead the Club in the Four Way Test and thanked **President Elect Steve Koyama PP Carol Riley, PP Dick Matti,** and **Nick Buechel** for being Sargent of Arms.

Respectfully Submitted, **Past President Carol Riley**

ROTARY ON THE ROAD.

On January 25 there will be no meeting at the Pacific Beach Hotel, but instead we will all meet at the Diamond Head Mortuary, courtesy of Bill Amigone, where you will get a tour of the facilities and have a fine lunch in their meeting hall.

Cost of the meal will be \$20.00

Meet at the office building at 11:45.

Contact Linda Collard if you plan to attend and also to pay for your meal

JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

Nick Buechel	1/20		
Nora Chen	1/28	Justin Alexander	1/27/16
Gene Grounds	1/19		
Kathryn Henski	1/21	Robby Ostrem	1/21/08
Patti Look	1/24		
Bob Tellander	1/07	Carol Riley	1/31/07
Denny Meyer	1/27		
Noboru Yamaguchi	1/20		

WORLDS OUTSTANDING FOUNDATION AWARD



The Association of Fundraising Professionals has recognized **The Rotary Foundation** with its annual Award for Outstanding Foundation.

The award honors organizations that show philanthropic commitment and leadership through financial support, innovation, encouragement of others, and involvement in public affairs. Some of the boldest names in American giving — Kellogg, Komen, and MacArthur, among others — are past honorees.

“We are honored to receive this recognition from the AFP, which gives us even more reason to celebrate during our Foundation’s centennial year,” says Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Kalyan Banerjee. “The continued strong support of Rotary members will help us keep our promise of a polio-free world for all children and enable the Foundation to carry out its mission of advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace. We look forward to another 100 years of Rotary members taking action to make communities better around the world.”

The announcement came on 15 November, known to industry professionals since the 1980s as National Philanthropy Day. The award will be presented in early 2017 at the AFP’s annual conference in San Francisco.

Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair-elect Paul Netzel is set to accept the award on Rotary’s behalf, and Eric Schmelling, director of fund development at Rotary, will speak at the conference. The event is expected to draw more than 3,400 senior-level fundraising professionals from 33 countries.

“While almost everyone is familiar with Rotary, not everyone may realize just how much of an impact Rotary and The Rotary Foundation have had on countless people and communities across the globe,” says Jason Lee, AFP president and CEO. “On behalf of the entire charitable sector and people around the world, all of us at AFP are honored to be able to recognize The Rotary Foundation as our 2016 Outstanding Foundation.”

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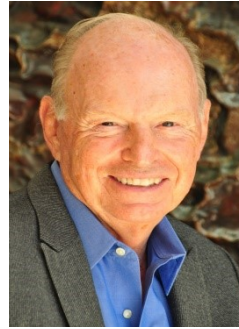
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TODAYS SPEAKER: DAVID HEENAN



We live in a starstruck society. We love our heroes, be they athletes, astronauts or chief executives—men and women who can overcome huge obstacles. But to see how the real work gets done, you must look beyond the superstar. That work is done instead by hidden heroes, exceptional subordinates who often fly under the radar. At our next meeting, well-known author, business executive and educator David Heenan tells why it's important to give these stalwarts the credit they so richly deserve. In doing so, he shows us how America can benefit from a more inclusive, less celebrity-oriented view of leadership.

Heenan is a trustee of the Estate of James Campbell and a visiting professor at Georgetown University. Formerly, he served as chairman and CEO of Theo. H. Davies & Co, the North American holding company for the Hong Kong-based multinational Jardine Matheson. He has also been on the board of eight publicly traded companies. Earlier, he was vice president for academic affairs at the University of Hawai'i and, before that, dean of its business school. In addition, he is a former Marine Corps pilot.

Educated at the College of William and Mary, Columbia and the University of Pennsylvania, Heenan has served on the faculties of the Wharton School, Columbia Business School and Georgetown. His articles have appeared in such leading publications as the *Harvard Business Review* (eight times), the *Sloan Management Review*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, and *The Christian Science Monitor*. He is author of nine other books, including *Leaving On Top*, *Bright Triumphs From Dark Hours*, *Flight Capital*, *Double Lives* and *Co-Leaders*. His latest, *Hidden Heroes*, was released in November.

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