

# Rotary



## NEWSLETTER

### Rotary Club East Honolulu



#### President

**Anne Komatsu**

#### SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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#### January 12, 2015

Meeting at

Tsukiji's Fish Market  
Ala Moana Center  
Matt Johnson from "Aloha  
Fresh" Talk about Local Ag  
Products

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#### January 19, 2015

#### MLK Holiday (Dark)

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#### January 26, 2015

Amanda Chou  
Branch Director YMCA

Bulletin prepared by:  
*Oran Spotts & Donna Prather*

#### Officers & Directors

President: Anne Komatsu

Secretary: Lori Ann Hamano Nishimura - Treasurer: Jim Morris

Community Service: Lauren Okinishi - Membership: Jamie Apuna

International: Miki May - At Large: Bob Yee - Club Service: Lucky Cara

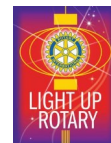
Sergeant At Arms: Tony Cara - Foundation: Rory Lee



#### Laura Steelquist

D5000 Governor

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#### Coming Events

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#### January 28, 2015

Membership Meeting for  
prospective new members  
Waialae CC

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#### January 24, 2015

Reservations Due  
D5000 Rotary  
Foundation Dinner  
January 31 @ Oahu  
Country Club

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#### January 29, 2015

Ronald McDonald House  
service project. Light  
cleaning 3-5 pm. Dinner  
with guests.

#### "NEWS FLASH"

Monday 1-12-2015 MEETING

will be at Tsukiji's Fish Market at Ala Moana Center



Les Goto, a volunteer with the Japanese Cultural Center with a special interest in the internment of Japanese Americans in Hawaii in World War II, shared photographs and stories of that time with the Rotary Club of East Honolulu on Monday. For many of us, not a lot is known about the Honouliuli internment camp near Royal Kunia on Oahu. The camp buildings were leveled after the war; however, archaeologists working with the US Park Service managed to recover and reclaim the site. Efforts are underway to preserve it and open it for visits, particularly for the education of future generations. Monsanto currently owns the property but is willing to turn it over to the Parks Service, and Goto passed around a petition for signatures to request that the Department of the Interior take on the project. Honouliuli was opened in 1943 after a camp at Sand island was closed. It housed POWs as well as local Nisei. Most especially, Japanese-American community leaders were singled out for internment. Also at issue at the time was the fact that, pre-war, Japanese-American families in Hawaii often sent their children back to Japan for schooling. Although the children returned around the age of 14, once the war broke out there was suspicion about their loyalty. In spite of the fact that they were American citizens, they were interned for most of the war. Many of those who suffered the ordeal did not talk about it for the rest of their lives.

### **"MEMBERSHIP MATTERS"**

Share your passion for Rotary, invite potential new members to our East Honolulu "Membership Matters" event. Enjoy pupus and fellowship. Hear District Governor Nominee Clint Schroeder President of Hagadone Printing and fellow East Honolulu Rotarians speak about their passion for Rotary.

**Don't miss this event and don't miss your opportunity to be the change in someone's life.**

Wednesday, January 28, 2015 5:30 to 7:30 pm Waialae Country Club

\$20 RCEH members, \$15 guests Pupus and no host bar

Please RSVP to Jamie Apuna at 222-6393

or jamiea@marcusrealty.com

no later than January 18

With your guest name(s) occupation and company name

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### **District 5000 Rotary Foundation Dinner**

deadline for reservations is January 24, 2015.

**OAHU COUNTRY CLUB**

150 Country Club Road, Honolulu

**JANUARY 31, 2015 5:30 PM—9:30 PM \$60.00 p/p**

The Fellowship will be Amazing, the Program Spectacular and the Food Delicious!!!!

"Get out your boots and 10 gallon hats and giddy on up to the party!"

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John Strandberg announced our next major fundraiser to be held on March 28th at the Hawaiian Prince Hotel. It will be called "Rotary Rocks for Scholarships". There will be Valet parking with men on motorcycles greeting attendees. Microsoft will be presenting Guitar Hero, we will have a dance band, a dance floor with many silent auction items of great value. Food provided by the Hotel and the entire night for \$99.00 per person before February 15, 2015, after that it will be \$125.00, only 320 people will be admitted. There will also be tables especially decorated for corporate sponsorships. Needed are major donations for the Silent Auction items such as airline tickets, Hotel weekends, etc. If you know of anyone in these or other businesses please contact them for a donation. They will write it off on their annual taxes. Contact Oran Spotts for a donation letter that they will require.

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### **Inspirational Moment by Lucky Cara**

"The single greatest thing you can do to change your life today would be to start being grateful for what you have right now. And the more grateful you are, the more you get."

Oprah Winfrey

*Terri Madden, Founder and CEO of **PlayBuilders of Hawaii Theatre Company**,  
invites East Honolulu Rotarians to  
A Festival of Plays  
Local Playwrights, Local Stories*

*Friday, January 9, 16, and 23 at 8:00pm  
Lab Theatre, Leeward Community College*

*\*for more information and to purchase tickets online, please visit <[playbuilders.org](http://playbuilders.org)>  
Tickets will also be available at the door*

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Elsie Choy our former club member who spoke at last week's meeting has a request. She is involved with 2 orphanages in Thailand. They have received DVD players and she would like to know if any of our club members would like to help by contributing any used Disney or Disney type DVDs for her to take back to Thailand. If you have any to donate please bring them to the next meeting on January 5.

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January 29 is Ronald McDonald House School light Cleanup day across from Punahou School. We will be serving Spaghetti dinner from 3-5 PM. Wear a creative apron (no trash bags with cut out holes). Prizes for the most creative will be awarded.

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### **Rotary Foundation**



Rory Lee the Rotary Foundation Chairman announced that we have 26 of our 47 members who have made donations to the club. We have collected \$2,956.00 of our minimum goal of \$4,700.00. If you have not donated as yet please do and if you have already donated consider making an additional donation to help meet our goal.

Lets try to meet our ERAY Goal (Every Rotarian Every Year).

Jamie Apuna has announced that we are close to Double Premier on our Ignite program. Currently we have 925 points of our 940 points needed. Bring prospective members to a meeting on membership night and propose a new member.