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### Monday 12 noon Meeting: Waialae Country Club



President **Anne Komatsu** 

#### SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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July 28, 2014 **Randy Wong** Honolulu Youth Symphony \*\*\*\*\*

#### **Club Duties for July 28**

Greeter: Lucky Pledge: Oran Inspiration: Jack 4 Way Test: Caroline

"Goals and Focus" The Rotary theme for the month of July is "Club's goals and Year's Focus" and We have set our calendar for the year and set our goals to ensure that we will be a successful club

this year. We have started out with our membership goals with the "Ignite" program and Ask your support in achieving them. You can see how we're doing every week By checking our "Ignite" board when you come to our meetings.

The first meeting in August we will present our Foundation goals for the club And we will work towards really making a difference in our community as well as Internationally. This year's focus is to "Light up Rotary" in our community and let them know who we are, what we do, work with our youth and address areas of homelessness . We can only do this if we all see the same goals and focus on them together.

Thank you for your time and talents that you share which makes you a treasure to our club And to the community you serve.

"Together We Make A Difference" to "LIGHT UP ROTARY"

Aloha ! Anne



Laura Steelquist D5000 Governor

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**Coming Events** \*\*\*\*\*

August 20, 2014

Membership Night Waialae Country Club Bring potential members Pupu and No Host Bar \*\*\*\*\*

Attend the district membership seminar-September 27 \*\*\*\*\*

May 23, 2015

Memorial Day Weekend District Conference Waikoloa Hawaii

**Bulletin prepared by: PP** Oran Spotts & Donna Prather

# "Egypt and Where Now?"



On Monday, Past District Governor, Ayman El-Dakhakhni, spoke to our club about the current situation in the Middle East and in Egypt in particular. The title of his talk was "Egypt and Where Now?"

PDG El-Dakhakhni, a graduate in engineering, is formerly of Alexandria, Egypt but came to the U.S. to seek a better life. He returns to his native country three times a year and offered the observation that what happens in Egypt is an indicator of what will happen throughout the Arab world.

Rather than making a formal presentation, P El-Dakhakhni solicited questions from club members and provided re-

sponses on the topics of politics, the economy, role of women, and the situation in the region as a whole – including the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

When young Egyptians toppled the regime of Hosni Mubarak, they were not prepared to replace it. They have now recognized, says El-Dakhakhni, that they must build democratic governing groups. This, however, may take as long as 10 years. As for the economy, tourism is "at zero." Seventy-five percent of the economy goes to service the national debt and subsidize food and gas for the population. This leaves little for education and medical care. Although women in isolated, rural areas have less opportunity, women in urban areas are more active. El-Dakhakhni mentioned that a number of women serve as officers in Rotary Clubs in Egypt.

Finally, he cautioned, if Egypt falls, the Middle East and its oil supply could come under the rule of Al Qaeda.

## Inspiration for today:



The first to apologize is the bravest The first to forgive is the strongest The first to forget is the happiest

Pat Yee