

# Rotary



## NEWSLETTER

### Rotary Club East Honolulu



#### President

**Anne Komatsu**

#### SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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**May 4, 2015**

**Jeff Mikulina**

CEO of Blue Planet Foundation

Transformation to 100% clean,  
energy

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**May 11, 2015**

**Jim Murphy**

Habitat for Humanity

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**May 18, 2015**

**Patty Silva**

Manawalea Riding Center

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**May 25, 2015**

**DARK**

District Conference

Bulletin prepared by:  
*Oran Spotts & Tito Castillo*

#### 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 - Youth Services

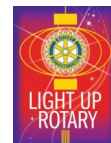
Director: Kathleen Shiramizu



**Laura Steelquist**

D5000 Governor

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#### Coming Events

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**May 2, 2015**

District Conference

Windward Community  
College

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**May 22-24, 2015**

D5000 District Conference—  
Waikoloa Hawaii

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**May 16, 2015**

Walk for Island Charities

Last week was the Club Fellowship Day meeting for April. We had the pleasure of getting to know one another a little better. For those who could not make the meeting, here are a few anecdotes:

Tony and Lucky Cara shared their past as high tech workers in the electronics and semi-conductor fields. After moving to Hawaii, Tony achieved his Master's Degree in Counseling psychology.

Lisa Foster has a passion for children and her background is in early childhood education. She has been an educator for 35 years .

Jack Hinton was in the US Navy for 20 years and retired as a Chief Petty Officer with a background in aviation. now continues to do volunteer work with our Rotary Club assisting our Secretary.

Katherine Takara retired as a Professor at UH; she is an educator, a poet and a writer. She is originally from the deep south; Tuskegee, Alabama.

Iris Takata is a retired gemstone wholesaler and is still doing work with Nordstrom's.

Miki May is originally from Japan and came over to Hawaii by boat after her family convinced her it was much safer to float than to fly. She became an interpreter for the Victim Witness Program and also obtained her real estate license in 1978.

Mae Mendleson is in the field of inter-generational equality. She is excited to be in Rotary providing direct service to the community.

Lauren Okinishi - Has been with Shirokiya for 31 years in operations, events and promotions.

It was a real treat to hear the diversity of our Rotarians. It comes as no big surprise to see why the club is so effective and fun!

**\*\* Members of East Honolulu Rotary Club have been invited to help celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Yao Rotary Club in Yao, Osaka, Japan on March 23, 2016. Please let the Board know if you are interested in coming. We will start planning together how we can contribute to their celebration.**

Our newest Rotarian was installed last week. Mark Gilden of the Salvation Army, a member of 17 years and a 5th generation Rotarian. He has four children with the oldest 28 and youngest 4 years old. Busy man seeing how he travels quite a bit in his job.



Lauren and Jodi reporting on a Community Service project Bingo at the Palolo Chinese Home.

Aloha, Wonderful Rotarians of District 5000!

Our District Conference is getting REALLY close! Check out the count down clock on the [d5000conference.org](http://d5000conference.org) website! The hotel has been extremely generous and has let us know that they will continue to honor the \$139 rate for Rotarians until the rooms are sold out!

So in that same spirit, the Conference Committee has elected to delay the May 1st final registration/meal package price increase until May 15th!

So you have a small window of opportunity to get these really good deals now. Don't wait - we want you to be with us in Waikoloa! Check out the website for activities that are being offered before and after the conference as well.

You can also make a reservation for the Rotary Shuttle service to and from the airport/hotel. If you don't find a shuttle that matches your airline arrival or departure, please send that information to PDG Phil Sammer and/or District Secretary Naomi Masuno. We want to provide the best possible service for you!

The GOLF Registration is also available on the website - we have the entire course reserved for a 10:30 am start time on Friday. Alan Clark would love to see many more people joining in the fun!

Mary Begier is collecting fantastic silent auction items. If any club or organization wants to display or sell items in the House of Friendship, contact Kimber DeVerse.

If you have any questions about the District Conference at all, contact District Conference chairs Beth and Jim Hoban - or of course your District Governor. We want to provide a weekend that meets your needs and expectations.

Let's get ready to have some FUN! Let's LIGHT UP ROTARY!!!!

### **Inspirational Moment**

Pat Yee

**MAY YOU HAVE ENOUGH HAPPINESS TO MAKE YOU SWEET, ENOUGH TRIALS TO MAKE YOU STRONG, ENOUGH SORROW TO KEEP YOU HUMAN, AND ENOUGH HOPE TO MAKE YOU HAPPY**