

# Rotary



## NEWSLETTER

### Rotary Club East Honolulu



#### President

Anne Komatsu

#### SPEAKER SCHEDULE

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**May 18, 2015**

**Patty Silva**

Manawalea Riding Center

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**May 25, 2015**

**DARK**

District Conference

#### Officers & Directors

President: Anne Komatsu

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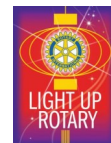


#### Laura Steelquist

#### D5000 Governor

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#### Coming Events

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**May 22-24, 2015**

D5000 District Conference—  
Waikoloa Hawaii

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**June 14, 2015**

The International Jazz 'n'  
Youth Exchange  
Need home stay volunteers for students



#### Habitat for Humanity; Building Houses, Building Hope

Our Guest last week was Jim Murphy, Executive Director for the Honolulu Habitat for Humanity affiliate (HHFH).

#### About Honolulu Habitat for Humanity:

Habitat for Humanity International is a nonprofit, non-denominational Christian housing ministry. Habitat welcomes all people—regardless of race, religion, ethnicity or any other difference—to build simple, decent, affordable houses with those who lack adequate shelter.

The mission statement of Habitat for Humanity is "Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope". Each homeowner family is required to invest 500 "sweat equity" hours into the construction of their home and other families' homes.

For more information, please visit their website: <http://www.honoluluhabitat.org/>

*"I see life as both a gift and a responsibility. My responsibility is to use what God has given me to help his people in need."*

—Millard Fuller, Founder, Habitat for Humanity International

**\*\* 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.**

**Aloha, Wonderful Oahu Rotarians!**

The International Jazz 'n' Youth Exchange, in conjunction with Rotary International, will be coming to Honolulu, Hawaii on June 14th. Students from Germany, Texas, and Hawaii will take part in a two-week event that will include jazz workshops and clinics, rehearsals, and concert performances. Jazz 'n' Youth exchanges promote cultural sharing, foster international friendships, and provide learning and performing opportunities through jazz music.

The students, ages 14 - 21, will be under the direction of prominent jazz musicians and educators from the US Mainland. Iolani School will host several rehearsals and workshops, and a culminating concert at Seto Hall on Saturday, June 27th.

**We are looking for home-stay volunteers to house the visiting students and staff during the second week of the exchange from June 20th through June 27th (8 nights).** The Germans are able to communicate and converse in English. In addition to nightly bedding, we are asking that every home-stay volunteer provide a daily basic breakfast and morning drop-off / late afternoon pick-up at 'Iolani School.

All students will be responsible for purchasing lunch and dinner during home stay, which we will provide time for them to do daily. The one exception will be on the free day (Sun 6/21) Hosts have the option of providing meals for that day, but the students will be told beforehand that they should be responsible to pay for their meals if they need to.

Please contact me if you are willing and interested to volunteer as a home-stay host, and if you would like to find out more about this special project. Your participation will be greatly appreciated! This is a program sponsored by the Rotary Club of Honolulu but you may contact Curtis Abe of Iolani School directly if you'd be interested in helping in any way.

Information about Jazz n' Youth / Rotary Jazz can be found at:

<http://jazznyouth.org/?lang=en>

<http://www.rotaryjazz.com/about-rotaryjazz/>

Mahalo,

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**Inspirational Moment**

Pat Yee

The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past; you can't go forward in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches

Aloha, Wonderful Rotarians of District 5000!

Our District Conference is getting REALLY close! Check out the count down clock on the 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!!!!

Aloha, DG Laura

Rory Lee, Chairman of the Rotary Foundation, indicated that of 48 club members only 35 have so far participated in the Foundation giving, putting a great strain on our club meeting our goal.