

NICK ABBOTT
PRESIDENT

## SPEAKER SCHEDULE 10/16

Clint Schroeder President of the Metro club To give us a presentation on Vocations.

## 10/23

Christopher Kanemura

Made in Hope organization.

## 10/30

Club Assembly

Next board meeting at Outback Steak House on Wednesday the 19th at 5:30 PM.

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Officers, Directors & Committee Chairs

President Nick Abbott, Immediate Past Pres. Judy "J" Jakobovits, Secretary John Spangler,

## Directors Janneth Black, Oran Spotts, William Martin, Henry deButts,



We had a very informative meeting with all five members present which included DG Chet. Hopefully every one has done a make up.

We began with the usual opening ceremonies followed by a Foundation report The goal this year is \$125 donation from each member. It was also pointed out that there is an arrangement for an automatic deduction from a credit

card.

Our speaker was Merel Okino O'Neill, Executive Director of Youth Services of Hawaii. Her motto is "Learning to serve, Serving to Learn"

Merel informed us that every 26 seconds a student drops out of school Nation Wide. Every day 7000 students quit school and every year the total is 1,200,000 students drop out of school. In Hawaii 5,700 students a year drop out of school Service Learning is very visible. 75% of those incarcerated in State prison are high school drop outs. Nationally, each year's class of dropouts will cost the country over \$200 Billion dollars during their lifetimes in lost earnings and unrealized tax revenue. When asked why they drop out in such large numbers 81% of the students would have stayed if they felt the curriculum was more relevant to life. The graduation rate for all students is from 65% to 73%.

With Service Learning there are four types of learning. Nurturing and tutoring, Service Learning, after school programs and Alternative schools.

With Core concept students learn to apply what they have learned and create a bigger sense of their place in the community.

Service learning is a well researched way of teaching that takes concepts being taught as the catalyst to research areas related to the teaching and translates that research into service activity to be performed by the students.

It was pointed out that teachers can identify students who will most likely dropout of school by the fourth grade.

Youth Services Hawaii, a non-profit organization, has been training educators to incorporate and implement the service learning method to deliver relevant and meaningful learning experiences.

Their mission is to engage youth to be active and compassionate citizens through learning and service.

For more information go to admin@youthservicehawaii.org



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- Next Board meeting, October 24th at Outback Steakhouse. All members are welcome to attend.
- We are in need of a President Elect for next year.
   Someone needs to step up soon.
- Be sure to attend the October 30th meeting as we will be holding and Assembly.

We will be having our next outreach meeting at the Moana Café, between Zippy's and Bubbies in Coco Marina Center on November 13th at 5:30 PM.