





Council Chair J Yoshimoto addresses 1st RCHB 2014-15 meeting



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Presiding: Barbara A. Hastings

Led Pledge: Allen Novak

Inspiration: Rose Anne Navalta "People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing - that's why we recommend it daily." -Zig Ziglar, Author

4-Way Test: Alan Okinaka

Speaker:

Hawaii County Council Chair J Yoshimoto

Guests:

Rotarians: Arabel Camblor, Charlnene Iboshi, Cody Osborne, all from South Hilo Club Others: Dr. Nan Nuessle (Marie Bothof), Matt Luca & Steven Sylvestor (Art Taniguchi), Jon Miyata (former member), Kawena Kuamo` o-Mendiola (Cedric Mitsui).

Photos: Cedric Mitsui

Wedding Anniversaries: Steve & Jill Jacunski (1983)

Birthdays: None

Club Anniversaries: None

Mahalo for Gift: Rose Anne Navalta, wine gift basket Won by Carol Van Camp At the July 9 meeting, Hawaii County Council Chair J Yoshimoto, who has served on Council for eight years, said citizens



might be better served by four-year Council terms and by at-large voting for the Councilmembers.

Yoshimoto, who cannot run for reelection to the Council due to term limits, said when we talk to elected officials, we should take note of how well they listen. For him, that is a measure of effectiveness. Elected officials should "listen, listen" and "contemplate," he said.

He said his big dream for the County remains unrealized, but that he intends to continue to press for it. That is to replace the aged Civic Center with a larger venue that would better serve the community.

Yoshimoto was first elected to Council in 2006. He has practiced law since 1992, is married to Tracie Nakano-Yoshimoto, who operates The Most Irresistible Shop in Hilo. The couple has three children. Yoshimoto is home grown and educated: EB De Silva Elementary, Hilo Intermediate and Hilo High, bachelor's degree from UH-Manoa and law degree from the Richardson School of Law.

July 9 Meeting Highlights

Sharon Scheele Honored:

Immediate Past President **Cedric Mitsui** honored

Sharon Scheele with the Rotary

Announcements

The July issue of *Rotarian* magazine has an article on **"Rescue Tubes"**, life-saving equipment that Rotarians of the Hanalei Club helped spearhead and which are now in place on other islands, including ours. Rotary Club of South Hilo has placed 30 of them.



Happy Dollars!

Alan Okinaka

\$10 Feeling young again visiting all of his special island spots with his son and grand kids.

Karolyn Lundkvist
\$5 for new member John, original met him at her home at Nadia's wedding.
Lorraine Davis
\$5 for the YWCA/RCHB article in HTH about Weinberg project.
Pete Muller
\$5 to see founding member Pat Gorman.
Cedric Mitsui
\$3 wishing Barbara the best.
Marcia Sakai

\$5 to celebrate joining our club. **Yo Yok Pearring**

\$1 for sponsor of John Furstenwerth, new member.

Anita Cunningham \$1 for 40th class reunion.

Art Taniguchi \$5 thank you to Cedric support to you and happy that Marcia is in our club. Pete Muller \$5 World Cup his grandson is with Germany!

Upcoming Events

<u>Regular Meeting</u> Hilo Yacht Club *Jul 16, 2014*



International Avenues of Service Citation for her steadfast support for the RCHB. Sharon, current membership chair, is heavily involved in RYLA as well as other projects and programs, and is a past president of the Club.



New Members

John Furstenwerth was inducted as a new member. John is assistant state director for the Hawaii Small Business Development Center network and was sponsored by **Yu Yok Pearring.** John said he was attracted to the warmth and camaraderie of our Club. Welcome John!

We also officially welcomed **Marcia Sakai** (right photo) to our Club, Marcia transferred from the Rotary Club of Hilo. She is vice chancellor for administrative affairs at the University of Hawaii-Hilo. Her sponsors in our Club are **Sharon Scheele, Barry Taniguchi** and **Carol Van Camp**. Welcome Marcia!

Oktoberfest Sponsorships, Tickets Now Available!

6:45 AM - 8:00 AM

Regular Meeting 23rd Hilo Yacht Club Jul 23, 2014 6:45 AM – 8:00 AM

<u>Regular Meeting 30th</u> Hilo Yacht Club *Jul 30, 2014* 6:45 AM – 8:00 AM

Board Meeting with DG Laura Steelquist Aug 05, 2014 8:00 PM – 9:30 PM

DG Laura Steelquist at Weekly <u>Meeting</u> Hilo Yacht Club *Aug 06, 2014 6:45 AM – 8:00 AM*



Oktoberfest is officially launched for 2014!

Go to our new event website:

www.hilobayoktoberfest.com and check it out. Committee Chair James Leonard announced the change to a larger venue—Sangha Hall—which means more guests can be accommodated and more silent and live auction items will be needed. He asked all Club members to be ready to take a role in making our signature fundraiser a success. Sharon Scheele will be handling tickets, and members will be asked to sell a minimum of six (\$45 each). Reserved tables of ten are available at \$500.

Sponsorship Packages for Oktoberfest are being offered for the first time this year. Consider having your business sponsor. <u>Click here</u> for more information about cost and benefits. To become a sponsor, please contact Committee Chair **James Leonard** or **Barbara Hastings**.

Ticket sales have begun and individual tickets can be purchased online. <u>Click here</u> for information about Oktoberfest 2014 and to purchase tickets. Sharon will provide numbered tickets.

President's Corner Barbara Hastings 2014-15

Welcome to the first meeting (and Baywatch) of the 2014-15 Rotary year.

Baywatch: This is the first issue of Baywatch coming from our own website eBulletin services. We are still working out bugs but it offers many benefits.

Membership: We began the year with 48 members, and already have increased to 49 with the induction of **John Furstenwerth**.

Administration: Immediate past president, Cedric Mitsui was awarded his Past President badge, and I my President's badge. Cost of badges have gone up! \$15 now!

Fines/Acknowledgements: For dressing the part for the Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce's Summer of Love mystery dinearound, and appearing in an ad in the *Hawaii Tribune-Herald*, (HTH) **Richard Cunningham** paid a fine. So did I.

Community Service: Great coverage of our April Weinberg project in Tuesday's HTH. Cedric Mitsui was quoted and fined for the

exposure—\$5.

Oktoberfest: Check out our new Oktoberfest website at www.hilobayoktoberfest.com

Next Week's Speaker: We are waiting for confirmation on the speaker and will alert members by email when we know.

Words of Wisdom: "Live in such a way that you would not be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip." Will Rogers



Aloha. E komo mai.

We meet Wednesdays • 6:45 a.m. Hilo Yacht Club • 77 Laehala St. Hilo, HI 96720-4931

