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**Rotary**  
Club of Hilo Bay



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**November 12, 2014**

Presiding: **Barbara A. Hastings**

Inspiration: **Dale Tokuuke**

"People who want to share their religious views with you almost never want you to share yours with them."

—Dave Barry

"When told the reason for daylight savings time the old Indian said, "Only the government would believe that you could cut a foot off the top of the blanket, sew it to the bottom, and have a longer blanket."

Happy Dollar Recorder: **Sharon Scheele**

4 Way Test: **Steve Jacunski**

Speaker:  
**Kristen McCoy, M.D.**

Guests:  
**Rotarians: Mitch Roth**, RC of Hilo  
**Others: Rose Bautista** (S Bader),  
**DayDay Hopkins** (K Hopkins), **Walt Thistlewaite** (prospective member).

Photos: **Cedric Mitsui**

Birthdays: **Sandra Wagner-Wright** (11/8), **Richard Cunningham** (11/11), **John Furstenwerth** (11/11)

Mahalo for Gift:  
**Dale Tokuuke** for double gift.

## President's Pulpit

**Operation Christmas Child:** Please bring toiletries, school supplies and small toys to Wednesday's meeting.

**Board Meeting:** Tuesday, 5 p.m. at Palms

**Community Service:** Need a few more volunteers for Keiki Dictionary and Keiki Vision. See Cedric.

**International Service:** Need volunteers to talk story with international students; looking for folks willing to invite an international student for Thanksgiving dinner.

**Words of Wisdom:** "Gratitude is riches, Complaint is poverty." —  
*Doris Day*

## Stories

### **Speaker: Dr. McCoy, Residency Chief**

*Posted on Nov 12, 2014*

For a pretty long time, akamai folks on Hawaii Island were warning about a looming doctor shortage and how a residency program might entice primary care physicians here. This year, the first docs have begun the Hawaii Island Family Medicine Residency (HIFMR). Dr. Kristine McCoy, a Stanford trained physician, has gotten it off the ground and moving forward.

Most our island's primary care providers will be retiring at the end of this decade, she said, "some want to retire now, but can't."

"It's great to come to come and be a doctor in Hawaii," she said, but the reality is that it's not as easy to be a business person here. With a single insurance provider holding a huge percentage of the market, physicians aren't paid very well. Medicare is cutting payments by one-fifth.





## Happy Dollars!

(Note: Mitch Roth, county prosecutor and Hilo Club was at the meeting; he'd just appeared on Wheel of Fortune (aired Monday) and was the subject of much comment.)

### Sandra Wagner-Wright

\$3 - Happy to have reached the age she is, she is also happy it is Foundation Month and all Happy Dollars go there. She's also finished her book!

### Richard Cunningham

\$5 - Just returned from a trip that started in September—his daughter got married in Italy and he traveled in the country for 3 weeks aside from the wedding; then, to Phoenix where he acquitted himself well in the Tennis Nationals. To say nothing of now being Medicare eligible. And, he's happy to see Mitch Roth, the authority figure!

### Chester Cabral

\$8 - Attended the Kona Coffee Festival. On his way through Waimea he noticed Rotary there is having an Oktoberfest, 14th annual.

### Julie Hugo

\$1 - A Wheel of Fortune fan, was at the recording in Kona and stood on the spot on the floor where the winners stand!

### Mitch Roth

\$10 - Big week for the Roth family. Daughter Alexandra was crowned Miss Kahala and will compete in the Miss Hawaii competition. Son Aaron is in Japan with Waiakea Robotics- 2 first place awards; and of course, Mitch was on Wheel of Fortune.

## Upcoming Events

Keiki Dictionary Hilo Union  
506 Waianuenue Ave

Families are challenged—often the physicians have highly educated spouses who need work, but if they are not astronomers, finding work can be hard.

"We try to recruit people who know already," about Hawaii, its challenges and benefits, she said.

McCoy talked about HIFMR—"our clinic is a school that treats patients. It's the first place outside Honolulu where you can train doctors."

She said with two silver tsunamis—older patients and retiring doctors—nurse practitioners are critical to solving the problem. She said HIBMR is working with UHH Nursing program and the College of Pharmacy for interdisciplinary training.

And, on Sunday mornings, you are welcome to join the "Walk with a Doc" group at the park.

For more info on the residency program:  
<http://www.hifmr.org/>

## Images of the Week



Member Veterans on hand Wednesday were acknowledged for their service.

Richard Cunningham is back from his travels and tennis tournaments.

Lance Forsythe suggests we bring toothbrushes as part of our collection for Operation Christmas Child. Lance and Deborah Beaver are chairing the collection of toiletries, small toys and school supplies.

Deborah Beaver gets acquainted with potential new member,

*Nov 18, 2014  
8:45 AM – 10:00 AM*

RCHB Board Meeting  
Palms

*Nov 18, 2014  
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM*

Regular Meeting 11-19-14 (pre-pay)

*Nov 19, 2014  
6:45 AM – 8:00 AM*

Keiki Vision Hilo Union\*\*

*Nov 20, 2014  
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM*

Regular Meeting 11-26-14 (pre-pay)

*Nov 26, 2014  
6:45 AM – 8:00 AM*

Club Meeting: Los Altos Rotary  
AIDS Project

Hilo Yacht Club  
*Dec 10, 2014  
6:45 AM – 8:00 AM*

Waiakea Elementary Keiki  
Vision

*Dec 11, 2014  
8:15 AM – 9:45 AM*



Walt Thistlewaite.

Chester Cabral receives pin shield denoting is bring in a new member, Mike Carroll.

Happy Birthdays! Bettye Williams leads members in singing to



the triplets—Richard Cunningham, Sandra Wagner-Wright, John Furstenwerth.



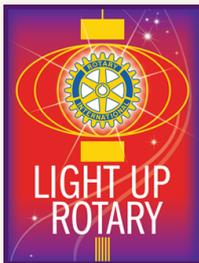
Julie Hugo talks about the "Wheel of Fortune" winners' spot.



Tim Hansen and Mitch Roth.



Steve Bader and spouse, Rose Bautista.



***Aloha. E komo mai.***

***We meet Wednesdays • 6:45 a.m.  
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