





Volume 09: 2014-15 September 3, 2014

Presiding: Barbara A. Hastings

Led Pledge: Marie Bothof

Inspiration: James Tyrin

"Happiness does not come from doing easy work but from the afterglow of satisfaction that comes after the achievement of a difficult task that demanded our best." Theodore Isaac Rubin, Author

Happy Dollar Recorder: Alan Okinaka 9/3; Carol VanCamp 8/27

4-Way Test: Deborah Beaver

Speaker: Richard Ha, Hamakua Springs

Guests:

Rotarians: Dr. Craig Shikuma, RC of Hilo Code Osborne- RC S Hilo Others: Dr. Nan Nuessle (guest of M Bothof) Lance Forsythe Daughter of Steve Bader

Photos: Cedric Mitsui

Stories

Oktoberfest Alert!

Oktoberfest Clean Up Crew Lost in Space ;-)

The clean up crew for our fundraising event should have at least 10 people on it, but I just viewed the sign up sheet and there are two lone (and relatively new) members on it. Here is your chance to roll up your sleeves and make quick, short work of the cleanup.

A dedicated core of members have been working for more than three months on planning and logistics. It's time for all members to add their weight and talents.

Oktoberfest Tickets & Auction Items

Thank you to the two members who've brought in a sponsorship level—Big Island Toyota and Hastings & Pleadwell have committed to a Rubin level. Sponsorships are still available. So are reserved tables of 10.

Please get to Sharon with your ticket purchases. Each member was asked to be responsible for buying or selling at least six.

Carol needs more (a lot more) auction items. Put your creative hats on.



Costume Contest!

Speaking of creative hats, again this year, we will acknowledge the Bavarian costumes folks creatively sport. Please join in!

<u>Speaker: Ha of Hamakua Springs</u> Posted on Sep 03, 2014 **Wedding Anniversaries:** Kris & Paulla Speegle, 9/2/07

Birthdays: Steve Bader, 8/30

Club Anniversaries: Kris Speegle, 8/29/12, Preston Barnes .sponsor

Mahalo for Gift:

James Tyrin for \$50 gift certificate to KTA SuperStores. Won by the very welcomed back, and very lucky Bettye Williams

Announcements

Dictionary and Keiki Vision projects have been rescheduled to allow members to concentrate on Oktoberfest. Cedric Mitsui announced new dates:

Oct 14, Tues Keiki Dictionary at Ka'Umeke Ka'eo PCS 8:30 am. Oct 30 Thur, Keiki Vision, Ka'Umeke Ke'eo PCS 8:30 am. Nov 18 Tues, Keiki Dictionary, Hilo Union Elem 8:30 am Nov 20 Thurs , Keiki Vision, Hilo Union Elem 9:39 am Waiakeawaena Elem KD Tba Waiakea Elem KD Tba Waiakea Elem KV Tba

Lorraine Davis said the YWCA "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes", Oct. 25, is shaping up as a challenge, with folks, such as Cedric Mitsui, agreeing to be challenged by walking in high heels. You can sign up to walk at next meeting, or visit the website.

The YW has a number of things going on that we should know about. As a runup to "Walk", there will be a documentary screening of *Brave Miss World*, about a young woman who was raped weeks before she won the Miss World title. Sept. 8, 5:30 p.m. UHH UCB 100.

And, the YW is also launching a Financial Prosperity workshop. Talk to Lorraine for more details. Recorder didn't get it all!

Richard Ha on food security

Farmers are pro science, Richard Ha told Club members at Wednesday's meeting. 'Whichever way science says, farmers will

go." He and other crop producers, who represent 90 percent of the farm value on Hawaii Island, have filed suit against the County. "It's not about GMO; it's about food security," he said. In June, farmers, cattlemen and flower growers filed a suit to oppose the County's ban on genetically modified crops.

Ha said such a suit was a difficult decision. These groups took a big risk against concerns that people might boycott them, or take other actions.



"The group is saying, 'don't take away our options;' I don't use GMOs, but don't take away my options."

He was heartened by the recent federal court decision that Kauai's new law is preempted by state and federal measures.

Only 10 percent of what we eat here is produced here, he said. Organics have a particularly hard time against Mainland organics. Because cold winters and chilly springs allow harvest before the critters come, the industrial agriculture organics from the Mainland will win out.

He added that cost of energy drives up Hawaii food cultivation as well. Ha said we must leave options open for farmers to farm.

Ha is a former US Army Captain who served in Viet Nam. Hamakua Springs Country Farms is a 600 acre fee simple diversified ag farm with 70 workers. He sits on Board of Agriculture and on boards of HIEDB and Kohala Center. He is founding member Hawaii Farmers and Ranchers United, whose members produce more than 90% of the farm value on the Big Island.

Memorize these #s for HRYF

R Cunningham uses props & people for HRYF



Happy Dollars!

Two Weeks Worth: This week's (Thank you, Alan)...

Marie Bothof

\$5 For Sept. 14 event at Volcano Winery to raise money for the Volcano Arts & Science School.

Kevin Hopkins

\$5 Wife DayDay has gone back to work for county. He is experience relief effect.

Allen Novak

\$2 It was time. After decades of enjoying motorcycling, he sold his bike.

Miyuki Lee

\$5 Just back from Japan with students; was in Fukushima and Tokyo and made Rotarian friends.

Karolyn Lundkvist

\$5 While her home appears safe, she has friends in the path of the lava flow.

Sharon Scheele

\$5 She's entered semi-retirement with spouse, Al Inoue.

Richard Cunningham

\$10 for the great visit to his shop by fellow Rotarians at the vocational event Allen Novak organized.

Paula Uuistalo

\$5 for the successful car wash fundraiser for HIAC.

Alan Okinaka

\$5 Just returned from Canadian trip. Great fresh fruit.

Steve Jacunski

\$5 for Alan's Canadian visit.

Last week's (Thank you, Carol)... **Marie Bothof**

\$10 For Sept. 14 Harvest Festival at Volcano Winery to raise money for the Volcano Arts & Science School. Volcano House & Lava Rock Cafe are sponsors along with other restaurants. \$40 each. **Steve Jacunski**

\$10 -- \$5 For thank you to Volcano Winery for hospitality, food and wine after the Rainforest Run. \$5 Because he was in Waimea Hospital last week with a kidney stone last week while family was living it up at the Hilton.

Steve Bader

\$5 Took son, Sam, to Lawrence College in



Richard Cunningham, chair of Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation, once again finds an unusual way to get his message across. Members Barnes, Uusitalo, Davis, Mitsui and Rodrigues display the numbers we need to know when shopping at Foodland, or Sack N Save through the month of September. **77199**

That's the number to use when showing your Makai card to the cashier when you make a tax deducible donation to HRYF. Your donation will be added to your grocery purchase and show on your receipt. Email that a receipt to hryf@hawaii.rr.com for credit to your HRYF account.

Remember HRYF gave 47 scholarships last year, totaling \$245,000, nine went to Big Island students, for a total of \$45,000. Go **77199** !

President's Corner Barbara Hastings 2014-15

RCHB has received a very nice letter from Hawaii Island Adult Care thanking us for the \$150 donation. We made the donation because Nako'olani Warrington, who made the fine puakenikeni and ti leaf lei for our annual dinner, but would not accept payment. The letter is signed by Jeanne Beers, Board president, and our own **Paula Uusitalo**, executive director.

Rotary Park: Representatives of several East Hawaii Rotary Clubs meet with Mayor Kenoi Wednesday and got county commitment for help with getting benches and picnic tables for the park. A cleanup day, to clear brush, is set for Oct. 18.

Membership: Sharon reports that we have two people, Lance Forsythe and Nan Nuessle, who are up for member consideration.

Administration: Alan Okinaka is working on streamlining our members list. It would help him a lot if each of you went online (hilobayrotary.com), signed in to member area, and updated your info. if not, we'll have to key it in, and that doesn't seem "fair to all concerned!"

Fines/Acknowledgements: We have been missing **Mike Gleason**. Perhaps he knows I have a fine prepared for him for recent media coverage.

Next Week's Speaker: Mike Robinson, update on Rotary Centennial Park.

Wisconsin, on a full ride scholarship. Went to a Steely Dan concert there!!

Anita Cunningham

\$10 -- \$5 Because Steely Dan is one of her favorite bands. \$7 for seven years of marriage.

Paula Uusitalo

\$5 HIAC was chosen by Minuit Stop as non-profit of the quarter. It will get a % of the sales & area to do fundraising car washes

Barbara Hastings

\$10 On East Coast last week for family wedding and had fabulous weather. With older siblings for a great time.

Carol VanCamp

\$5 Two week trip to Europe, included Rhine River cruise and 4 days in Amsterdam, 2 in Switzerland. Cruise passengers were 25% family members.

Upcoming Events

<u>Oktoberfest Committee</u> <u>Meeting (after GM)</u>

Sep 10, 2014

<u>Club Meeting: Mike Robinson -</u> <u>Rotary Park Update</u>

Sep 10, 2014 6:45 AM – 8:00 AM

<u>Regular Meeting 9-10-14 (prepay)</u> Sep 10, 2014 6:45 AM

<u>Oktoberfest Committee</u> <u>Meeting (after GM)</u> *Sep 17, 2014*

<u>Regular Meeting 9-17-14 (prepay)</u> Sep 17, 2014 6:45 AM

<u>Oktoberfest Committee</u> <u>Meeting (after GM)</u> *Sep 24, 2014*

<u>Club Meeting: M. Oshiro,</u> <u>Living Treasure</u> Sep 24, 2014 6:45 AM – 8:00 AM

<u>Dark Day</u> Oct 01, 2014 **Words of Wisdom:** "But to practice leadership, you need to accept that you are in the business of genreating chaos, confusion, and conflict...." —author, Ronald Heifetz

Bettye's Back!!



Bettye Williams, whose been on leave for a few weeks, is back in full swing. Above, she's getting to know Lance Forsythe, propossed new member, and Mike Carroll recently inducted new member. Below, she was called on to lead "Happy Birthday" to Kim Auberson. And then, to get right back to the swing of things, she once again won the raffle prize!



Allen Novak shared a 'coming of age' story. He's given up (and sold) his motorcycle, a sport he's enjoyed for decades.

6:45 AM - 8:00 AM

<u>15th Annual Oktoberfest!</u> Sangha Hall *Oct 03, 2014 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM*

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Interact Day at Volcano Kilauea Military Camp *Oct 09, 2014 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM*

<u>Keiki Dictionary Ka'Umeke</u> <u>Ka'eo</u> 222 Desha Ave *Oct 14, 2014 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM*

<u>Work Day: Centennial Park --</u> <u>Clik for note*</u> Kuhio Kalanianole Park *Oct 18, 2014 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM*

<u>YWCA Walk A Mile in Her</u> <u>Shoes</u> YWCA Ululani Campus *Oct 25, 2014 7:30 AM*

<u>Keiki Vision Ka'Umeke Ka'eo</u> *Oct 30, 2014 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM*

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Alan Okinaka had happy dollars for his trip to Canada, reminding us of our late member, Richard Crowe who convinced him to experience the beauty of the place.



Aloha. E komo mai.

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