

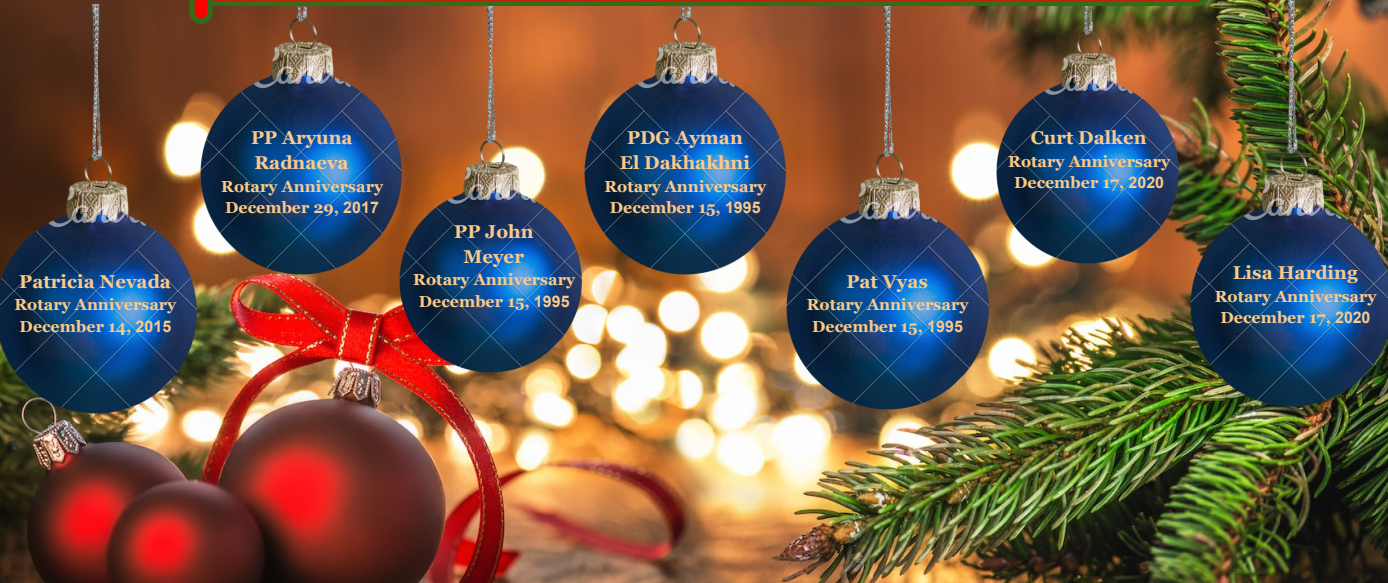


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December 2021



Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset
Member Celebrations



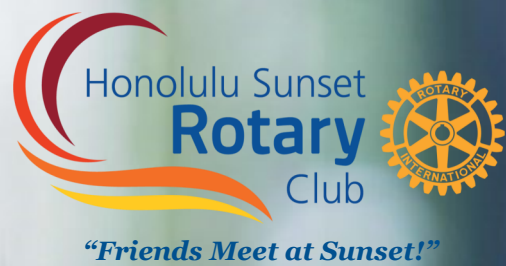
Aloha Fellow Rotarians and Friends,



The year 2021 is nearly gone, and we have reached the midpoint of this Rotary year. It is time to take stock of the goals we have set for ourselves, and the progress we have made toward them. Are we on track to achieve what we set out to accomplish? You will hear more about it from your board on Dec 9 during our Annual Meeting.

As we transition from Foundation month (November) to Disease Prevention and Treatment month (December), it is time to remember that Fighting diseases are one of Rotary’s primary missions. Rotary’s top priority is the Eradication of Polio, but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. I know that many Rotary Clubs around the world have been doing many projects to prevent diseases and provide treatments. Our Club, Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset, just completed a project in Nepal that provided ventilators and life-saving equipment to Dhading Hospital that serves over 250K people from the region. The hospital didn’t have any ventilators when the government listed it as a COVID-19 management center more than a year ago. Thanks to Rotary, and the help of our Club and other D5000 Clubs, the hospital now has ventilators as well as many other life-saving equipment. This year, our club is working on two global grants related to disease prevention and treatment, one in Papua Nu Guinea (led by James Ham) and another in Palau (led by Paul Moroz). Similarly, at home, our H.O.M.E Van Project serves many Hawaii residents and (continued on next page)

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provides healthcare needs. I congratulate all who work on the Disease Prevention and Treatment area of focus and we should all be proud of the support and contributions we have given to our local and global communities in this area of focus.

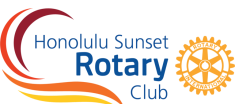
In November, we did several community service projects too. We did two Rotary gives thanks, Shopping with Families Aloha to Healthcare workers at Straub Hospital. Similarly, we visited ROTC at Farington Highschool. This year, we have already volunteered more than 300 volunteer hours. I would like to thank all those who have volunteered and also those who have donated to the Rotary Foundation during our Foundation month.

Rotary offers endless opportunities. Please visit our website www.honolulusunsetrotary.org/ to find our activities and opportunities to participate. I hope you are finding our meetings, socials, and service events to be fun and a respite from the stress and anxiety many of us have/are experiencing in life right now. Therefore, please come join us and encourage others to join Rotary. Our Annual fundraiser is on 12/1/2021 and we need each of your help, big help. I hope all of you who are on the island can attend the event in person.

Time flies and it's already December! I would like to thank you all for your support for this year 2021. I look forward to a wonderful year next year.

Best wishes for Christmas and a very Happy New Year 2022.

Arjun Aryal



HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU SUNSET! A BRIEF HISTORY

Win Schoneman with acknowledgment of PP Samir El-Swaify

The Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset was formed by several Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Waikiki, December 15, 1995. Our sponsoring club was the Rotary Club of Honolulu. The idea was to form the first Rotary Club in Hawaii to meet in the evenings after work for fellowship and fun. The Ainahau Show Room at the Princess Ka'iulani Hotel was a buzz on that incredible evening. Future Rotary District Governor Linda Coble, presided over the charter celebration while prominent in the proceedings were District Governor Pete Mueller, future District Governor (2008-2009) Ayman El-Dakhakhni, Charter President and International Fellowship of Yachting Rotarians Commodore Joe Phillips and his wife Rotarian Marda Phillips; Rotarian Harold Estes (instrumental in recruiting many of the charter members), MC Linda and "first dude Kirk", the Rotarian husband-wife team of David and Karyl Choate and the good natured professor of everything animal, Charlie Weems. The idea turned out to be a wonderful success with the Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset being recognized for sustained superior service to our local and global communities...while having fun.



The HULA LADY is our club logo and was initially designed and used by artists in recognition of a State of Hawaii centennial, with owner rights to former club member Dan Foxman. He later yielded it to PP/PDG Ayman El-Dakhakhni, for a price, so technically speaking, Ayman still "owns" the copyright to this logo which has been most popular for use on the club's work and designer shirts. Next came the "swoosh", still popular with many today, as our club bulletin standard. With the emphasis on Rotary International brand compliance, we have, recently added a bug suitable for use on promotional material affectionately given the moniker "the wave". Notable milestones for the club have been the selection of two district governors, the first vocational training team in D5000 (continues to this day), 100% Paul Harris Fellows 2000-2001, highest per capita giving in our district to Rotary Foundation Programs that fund service (for many years), Rotary International recognition for the personal contributions to enhancing "World Understanding, Peace and Goodwill" by any number of our members (please forgive me if I miss someone) including Ayman, James Ham, Paul Moroz. We have also played a significant role in Rotary International programs including the International Peace Forum, Hawaii and the planned Rotary International Convention 2020. We have a lot to be proud of... and we will continue to grow the legacy of the Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset.



Empathy... thoughts for the holidays.



Empathy is central to who we are as human beings. I talk about it as the centripetal force of storytelling. It's also the centripetal force of community: It's what holds us together; it's what binds us. It's part of what we are as humans, but it takes some effort. It's not as if we're naturally inclined to think of ourselves as somebody else. It takes a leap of imagination.

ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU December Rotarian Magazine

This Holiday Season, share the gift of Rotary Membership



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Why I'm Grateful...

A Message from Rotary International Director Vicki Puliz

We are reaching the half way mark of this Rotary year, when many of us take time to assess accomplishments and progress to goals we have set, as well as to reflect on the value we receive from our participation in Rotary. Personally, I am so grateful for the opportunity to be part of this incredible organization—a local and global movement of likeminded people who are creating positive and lasting change.

- * I am grateful for the friendships and connections I have through Rotary. They enrich my life and inspire me. They expose me to diverse perspectives with people I admire and respect.
- * I am grateful to have the opportunity to leverage my contributions - time, money, and energy - to make the most positive difference possible.
- * I am grateful to serve side by side with each of you.

As we look to the future and grow Rotary, we are creating a culture of abundance; the belief and reality that there is more than enough.

- * *More than enough room in our clubs, and enough room for new clubs, to welcome new and different people.*
- * *More than enough people who will want to be part of Rotary when they know more about us.*
- * *More than enough space in our busy lives for more purpose, meaning, and friendships.*
- * *More than enough commitment and resources to create lasting change.*

A culture of abundance starts with practicing gratitude, and the mindset where we are engaged and empowered. And then taking action to make our goals and our dreams reality.

You are people of purpose, people of influence, people of action, and together we will create lasting change.

Tis the Season!

Nothing brings greater joy than being able to give. In addition to cash gifts, here are two other ways to give to The Rotary Foundation that also provide tax savings!

* **Gifts of stock (especially appreciated stock).**

To qualify for a 2021 tax receipt, stock gifts must be received by TRF no later than 31 December, mutual fund gifts no later than 15 December. It is best to initiate the transfers as early as possible. Complete the Publicly Traded Securities Form US or Publicly Traded Securities Form Canada. For assistance with details or gift designations, please contact E/MGAs Tom or Wyn or Win Schoneman, your Major Gifts Officer.

* **Gifts from your Individual Retirement Account - US only.**

Rotarians 70 ½ and older may make IRA transfers that reduce future tax burden, count toward required minimum distribution for 2021 and support the Foundation work closest to your heart. Simply complete the IRA Rollover Form.

Note on cash gifts: The U.S. CARES Act allows charitable deductions for cash contributions up to 100% of Adjusted Gross Income for donors who itemize; this provision expires 31 December.

For all tax advice, please consult your own financial advisor.



More than half of the world's population still lack access to affordable healthcare. Take a moment to let that sink in. Chilling, isn't it?

ROTARY RESOURCES FOR BETTER HEALTH...

Global Nurses and Midwives Rotary Club—<https://gnmrotaryclub.com/>

Rotary Health Care Professionals—<https://rotary-site.org/health-professionals>

Rotarian Doctors—<https://rotariandoctors.org/>

International Fellowship of Rotarian Doctors—<https://my.rotary.org/en/exchange-ideas/groups/international-fellowship-rotarian-doctors>

Mental Health—<https://ragonmentalhealth.org/>

Rotarians Fighting Malaria—<https://www.malariapartnersinternational.org/new-name-same-fight/>


Rotary Service Blog—<https://rotaryserviceblog.org/2021/02/02/rotary-family-health-days-update-word/>

DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT

Global Nurses
& Midwives
Rotary
Club



*Nurses and Midwives
Lighting the Way*



DISEASE PREVENTION AND
TREATMENT

DISEASE PREVENTION

1 billion people
suffer from neglected tropical
diseases such as dengue fever
and leprosy each year.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

**Support health
education
programs** that
explain how diseases
are spread, and promote
ways to reduce the risk
of transmission.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

**Help
immunize
people** against
infectious
diseases.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- 1 Consult with Rotarians who have medical or public health expertise.
- 2 Reach out to local and regional hospitals, clinics, universities, and ministries of health to avoid duplicating efforts and to take advantage of local resources.
- 3 Enlist community workers and health and medical volunteers to perform immunizations.
- 4 To ensure that your projects are as effective as possible, design programs that are evidence based, age appropriate, and medically accurate.

WANT A GLOBAL GRANT?

TARGET ONE OF THESE GOALS

- ☐ Improve the capacity of local health care professionals.
- ☐ Enhance local communities' health infrastructure.
- ☐ Prevent physical disability resulting from disease or injury.

SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE!

THE ROTARY JOURNEY OF THOMAS JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

By Glen Bailey
Community Service Chair
Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset



Rotary Clubs around the world have community service projects with schools. 25 years ago the Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset selected Thomas Jefferson Elementary School located in Honolulu Hawaii its adopted school. We have proven how a long term Rotary relationships can make a difference in our community and for the students. Rotary members have met with both teachers and their principal to develop projects that would enhance learning and quality of life at the school.

Annual projects include presentation of Dictionaries to all 3rd graders and presenting over 45 library books a year. The library books selected by the school librarian were signed weekly by our guest speakers, and then presented to the school. Our first on hand project was to build a vegetable garden that was used for several years to teach children how to grow things. In early 2000 we upgraded the school computer lab by donating new head sets and keyboards as well as reference materials to the staff for use in upgrading their knowledge on computers.

Rotary initiatives provided "Read to Me" sessions with students, visits by authors, and field trips to local hotels

to give the students insight of how hotels operate. In 2006 we provided \$2,000 of playground equipment as our members played soccer with the students. In 2012 we painted games on sidewalks and upgraded a PE Director's office. In 2010 – 2013 our club provided hundreds of backpacks filled with school supplies to the school for students from low income families.



In 2014 under STEM teaching concept we donated 15 hydroponic systems.



This was a ground floor initiative as the school boasted the first student teaching program in the state to utilize hydroponic systems to grow plants they choose. In 2015 we expanded STEM learning opportunities by donating an aquaponic system to the school. Twice a year the students harvest over 200 pounds of Tilapia fish.

In 2016 - 2020 we donated 3-D Printers for students to creating items using 3-D technology, provided funds for a classroom upgrade initiative that created 3 Makerspace classrooms, a poster maker machine, a 36

inch printer, and 20 laptop computers for home teaching sessions. When COVID started these machines printed hundreds of plastic face shields for every student and staff member as well as providing some to their sister schools. This year as we provide laptop Chromebooks computers for the students to directly connect to the 3-D Printers.



Adopting a school is a natural fit for Rotary Clubs. Success of the partnership lies with the Rotary Club President, Community Service Chair, and Rotary Members being pro-active with the school principal and teachers. Our unified goal is to provide improvement projects as we assist in their school vision statement that states that students "Constructively Participate in the Society of Their Time".

US VETS—HOMELESS OUTREACH



FARRINGTON H.S. JROTC
ROBOTICS DONATION



DONATIONS



HUGS—HELP,
UNDERSTANDING &
GROUP SUPPORT FOR
FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN
THAT HAVE LIFE
THREATENING ILLNESS

ALOHA MEN'S SHED



IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

JEFFERSON ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL



WOMEN IN NEED—TRANSITIONAL
SUPPORT FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

WOMEN IN NEED HYGIENE



H.O.M.E VAN—HEALTHCARE
OUTREACH FOR HOMELESS



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Houston, Texas, USA
4-8 June 2022



HOUSTON
2022



Early Registration
ends December 15,
2021!
Join us in Houston!



The Rotary Club of Honolulu Sunset
invites you to celebrate with us!
THE GIFTS OF THE MAGI
WAIKIKI YACHT CLUB
SATURDAY DECEMBER 11, 2021
6 PM

Join your fellow Rotarians
for holiday fellowship, fun
and fundraising. This is an
important event to sup-
port our club projects and
we still need silent auction
items (contact Win). For
tickets and additional in-
formation see Maria Mel-
rose or Beth Hoban.

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