

Rotary Club of Honolulu
Date March 15, 2022
Presiding: Gwen Yamamoto Lau

President GWEN YAMAMOTO LAU called our meeting to order. **Michael Marsh** gave the inspiration with the wonderful story of the trapped whale which was freed and made friends with his rescuers. **Glenda Anderson** led us in the pledge. **Kent Reinker** led us in the Hawaiian Lullaby and Happy Birthday to Lyla. **Gwen Yamamoto Lau** introduced our guests.

March Club Anniversaries

Madeline Gardener	1 year	3/16/21
Rick Blangiardi	1 year	3/19/21
Len Rossoff	1 year	3/23/21
Jesse Lopez	2 years	3/10/21
Ben Eger	10 years	3/27/12
Eileen Hilton	10 years	3/27/12
Judy Lind	16 years	3/28/06
TC Gray	21 years	3/20/01
Susan Robinson	25 years	3/11/97
Sarah Richards	32 years	3/6/90
Mitch D'Olier	37 years	3/12/85
Ron Tsukamaki	37 years	3/19/85
Sid Snyder	52 years	3/10/70

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jenn Oyer introduced the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation scholarship winner Shaley Yoshizu and her parents Sharon and Brad Yoshizu.

Bob Sumpf announced the March 29 Spring Pau Hana at the Hawaii Brau Room at Aloha Beer Co. at 5-7 PM.

Peg Jackson announced the Earth Day Waikiki Clean-up event and Centennial Park weeding on Saturday April 23 from 8:30-10:00 AM.

Gwen announced the Beer Fest on June 25 at Bishop Museum and asked for 25 volunteers who can contact **Tom Coyne** to volunteer.

Gwen announced and made a very special presentation to **Linda Coble** for all that she has done for Rotary and past Presidents and District governors made beautiful speeches about Linda and her long loyalty and service to Rotary.

Don Anderson introduced **Greg Waibel**, President and CEO of YMCA of Honolulu who presented the goals of the Y which are to identify the needs of the community. He explained the many projects and programs the Y brings to its 90 locations:

- Focus on youth including early learning. Every \$1 spent brings \$13 in returns for society.
- They have 500 pre-school seats but 60,000 are needed and they hope to add 500 seats.
- Out of school programs
- Social and emotional programs to help with pandemic issues
- Social determinants of health programs including digital
- Wellness programs covering the 8 dimensions of wellness. Suicide ER visits by teenage girls have increased 50% during the pandemic
- Collaboration with private sector companies and other charitable organizations

Next week's meeting will be on Zoom with guest speaker **Delia Ulima**, State Initiative Coordinator for Epic `Ohana which provides resources for youth in the foster care system..

MEETING IS ADJOURNED

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