

ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU
ZOOM MEETING MINUTES
DATE: JUNE 30, 2020
PRESIDING: **PRESIDENT PAUL SAITO**

President Paul Saito called the June 30, 2020, ZOOM meeting of the Rotary Club of Honolulu to order at 12:00 PM. "Welcome everybody . . . I still have the honor of being the President of our Rotary Club of Honolulu." He announced the names of everyone assisting with today's openings and assistance with the technical mechanics of Zoom from **Brian Dunkel**.

Nancy Pace inspired us by sharing about the author and information from *The Scarlet Letter* stating that some of the greatest have followed words of encouragement. Nathaniel Hawthorne's wife surprised him with a cry of joy after he came home downhearted from losing his job, exclaiming, to his surprise, he could now write his book. He asked how they would live, and she again surprised him by showing him the money she had saved just for this. **Nancy** invited us to plant seeds of encouragement with someone we know!

Scotty Anderson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by **Kent Reinker** who led us in *America the Beautiful*, which was accompanied by a beautiful slide show.

Visitors today were **Amanda Kelly, Lucci Pinoliad, and Dave Benson**. Welcome!

Birthdays: **Kevin Hall**, July 5th

Anniversaries: **Patty Lyons**, 32 years, sponsored by Chev Chevlín

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & AWARDS

President Paul shares his gratitude for the club, and to the club's Board of Directors – **Rich Proctor, Bub Wo, Karin Holma, Kevin Hall, Stephen Nikkola, Sally Mist, Gwen Yamamoto-Lau, Ann Stamp-Miller, Diana Sakurai, James Pierce, and Lyla Berg** - stating:

"These are the people who work behind the scenes to plan all of our activities, our meetings, our services projects, so please give them a round of applause." He further called to recognition the following:

ROTARIAN SPIRIT AWARD to **Brian Dunkel**

Brian epitomizes the spirit of the Rotarian, going out of the way to help with anything asked of him. He doesn't know how to say no and works behind the scene without fanfare, including helping with Facebook and Zoom meetings.

SILENT ROTARIANS AWARD to **Rick Towill** and **Mitch D'Olier**

They work behind the scenes, don't ask for fanfare, and do incredible work! We had many Rotarians who stepped up and did amazing work, but these two are recognized for theirs! **Rick** went over and beyond for the Centennial Park, meeting with Mayor and departments, behind the scenes to get the park constructed, dug up the old foundations, donated rocks, and top soil. **Mitch** also worked on Centennial work, met with Mayor, worked with all the donors, and went out to raise funds for the park. These two have given much, worked hard, and done so with humility.

ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR is **Rob Hale**

Rob had countless number of meetings with the city, historians, and cultural advisors. He picked up from Dave Benson and carried the park to where we are today.

Rob chimes in to recognize an incredible committee and great people for all the hard work, acknowledging he didn't do it alone and appreciates everyone!

Paul shared that ground cover should be going in in about a month for Centennial Park!

CHANGE OF COMMAND

President Paul gave instruction and the Induction Ceremony for our incoming President elect: **Rich Proctor**, please raise your right hand and repeat: "I, **Rich Proctor**, solemnly pledge that I will faithfully execute the office of the President of the Rotary Club of Honolulu and that I will to the best of my abilities support the District Governor and Rotary International, and that I will uphold the constitution and the bylaws of the Rotary Club of Honolulu." We were all witness to this Change of Command!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RCOH NEW PRESIDENT – RICH PROCTOR! President **Rich** now turned to the meeting over to our Program Emcee, **Linda Coble**!

CHANGE OF COMMAND PROGRAM

MC, Linda Coble:

Aloha, Rotary family and friends. We are here today to congratulate, frustrate, berate, deflate, prostrate, irritate, castigate, castrate (no, no, no!) But ultimately celebrate our dearly beloved **Paul**, "**The Ultimate Optimist**" **Saito**.

Paul's year will be forever remembered as how he successfully met the challenges of "2019 2020. Oh, that part of our lives, we will never forget.

Paul has led us down some paths we didn't perceive and has made our journeys down those paths fun, and fulfilling. For years, he was a vital member of the Honolulu host committee arranging our local features of 2020 international convention in Waikiki scheduled for this June. More than 25 thousand Rotarians from around the world were expected to experience Waikiki.

And then...out of nowhere...okay, China, came the novel coronavirus, and Paul had presidential challenges never imagined. Rotary international cancelled the annual tradition. Ouch !!!! Thanks **Paul** for all the work!

Who knew you could attend a Rotary meeting in your pajamas?

Who knew that your own leftovers in the refrigerator would somehow look as inviting as some of the monarch room's leftovers?

Who knew you could wallpaper one room of your house simply by changing the zoom background scenery?

Who knew you'd actually have to eat your own cooking for Rotary lunch?

In our usual irreverent change of command way, we are going to report our accomplishments and our absolute wonder at our calm, collected **President Paul**.

He's our forever Mr. Cool under fire. How'd you like to be in court against this lawyer??!!

Just know that all our testimonies
Are in good fun and done with deepest
Aloha. **Paul**, for real you da guy!

Our first person to recall **Paul's** year: Past President **Dave Shanahan**, all the way from the east coast.

Dave, go for it, sir:

Dave Shanahan:

International Service Projects have been a feature of our clubs strength for many years and have borne the marks of the great Rotarians who have served as the catalytic forces in developing our program. Most notable among them have been Rotary Club of Honolulu Treasures **Don Anderson, Paddy Griggs** and **Nancy Pace**. Their inspiration and hard work charted processes that continue to allow our Club to enjoy the fruits international service projects yield for, both, their beneficiaries and our participant members. **Paul's** year included two such projects, one in Thailand and the other in the Philippines -the latter which had to be cancelled due to COVID concerns. Although he could not personally participate in our Thailand Project, **Paul** was kind to allow his immediate **past Present Bub** and **President Elect Rich** to represent him. We hope over the coming years that **Paul's** schedule will allow him to participate

We laud **President Paul's** service with the following Limerick

*To **President Paul***

There once was a lawyer named **Paul**
Who our Club, he this year had enthrall
The whirlwind his energy wrought
Has to his legion admirers taught
Lessons of selfless service we will, all, long recall

Now being our Prez is not an honor casually conveyed
And each of its recipients' merits have been carefully weighed
None have been found more worthy of the title
Nor done more to make our Club so vital
As the epitome of Rotarian Spirit -our **Paul**- has portrayed

A true gentleman to all, **Paul** is known
And whether in person, in writing, or on the phone
He treats each with respect and dignity unsurpassed
And he holds no grudges for transgressions past
And we're all well to mimic the example he's shown

Paul did it all without begrudge or complaint
And to each task he gave his all without restraint
In addition he brought to his role a cheer
That was genuine, infectious and without peer
And the best light to all circumstances he'd paint

In Lamphun Thailand we did a project of note
To which our sweat and effort we could willingly devote
The local Y's outdoor area was a mess
And we turned it into program space sure to impress
And their noble mission we, thus, helped to promote

Poorer youth were the beneficiaries of our work
And no task did our Rotary participants shirk
From chair building, English classes, to putting in paving and flooring
Our stalwart crew found the varied work anything but boring
And for our International Rotarian projects that is a common perk

In Dumaguete Philippines this March we had long planned
To lead a large Rotary/YMCA group to give a hand
In a project for youth beneficiaries in need
We were all packed and ready to proceed
When COVID restrictions forced our travel to be canned

The Corona Virus has led each of us inside to find
Coping resources to which we might have been blind
And **Paul** has been always awake
To the steps we could take
To keep our Rotary spirit un-quarantined

So it's Mahalo and Aloha Nui Oe
To our favorite kama'aina lawyer boy
His mark on our club is indelibly impressed
As his leadership has been put to the test
And its memories and **Paul's** friendship we're long to enjoy

Thank you so much, Paul! God Bless!

MC: "Next we have the ever-smiling, ever- hard-working Empress of Club Service weekly operations, **Sally Mist**. Come on out and sing "*Misty*" for us, **Sally:**"

Sally Mist sings to the tune of *Frere Jacques*:

Operations, man your stations, every week, every week
Who knew what that stands for, a little or a big chore
Let me speak, let me speak

Validations, badge rotations shouldn't be, shouldn't be
Visitors to give our hearts to, where'd that badge depart to
Keep that smile, all the while

Visitors from many nations grace our shores,
We're ambassadors,
We greet 'em like our brothers
Give 'em leis like no place other
That's what we're for, that's what we're for

Change for a hundred dollars, no, we do not holler
Sweet, sweet smile, all the while
Scribes and details at the door
Greeters, guests and foreigners
We welcome you. Like few people do
With a sweet, sweet smile, all the while

Paul, this is for you with much love and many blessings, and also for Martha!

MC: "As **Sally** would say, I'm small but I'm mighty."

"Next testimony comes from our Saturday Morning Sunshine Lady. **Diana Sakurai** and her band of mighty readers descend on Kuhio Park Terrace and Mayor Wright Housing to read to resident children there, as well as lead them in various table games and food preparation.

"**Diana's** clever selection and preparation of the programs insures that the activities delight the children of all ages.

"**Diana**, take it away:"

[**Diana Sakura**, wearing her Rotary shirt and a ball cap set on her head like a rapper gave us this performance]

Come listen, my friends, I want to chat
Because in Rotary I wear two different hats.

My literacy hat is a barrel of fun
We have storytime activities—a number one!

Kuhio Park Terrace and Mayor Wright,
Youngsters love our reading, and the cookies—their delight!

They're learning love of reading in an atmosphere of fun
And we feel fulfilled when our morning's work is done.

Come join us for reading on a Saturday morning
One time and you're hooked—it's a fair warning!

My other hat's vocational—to learn lots of stuff
About our town's history—some lovely and some rough.

We've toured coffee houses and tasted good wine
At the latter our own **President Paul** did shine.

He brought the best wine and knew all about it
Our quiz was a breeze for **Paul**—let's all shout it!

Come join us next year help literacy achieve,
You'll have fun and learn lots; you'll never want to leave.

[**Diana** ended her rap with a “peace out” hand gesture.]

MC: “Some of the hardest working, but under-appreciated workhorses in our club are the members of the RAT Pack who get down and really dirty as they construct, reconstruct, paint, repaint, repair, return to life all sorts of buildings and “things”, and delight many a non-profit organization with their skills, generosity and expertise.

“Termite damage? No problem. Total replacement of broken shelves, lockers and tables...wounded Rotarians... you name it. No problem!

“Please welcome two of those great rats, **Past President Ron Tsukamaki** and **Reese Liggett**.”

[Now picture this ... Past President **Ron Tsukamaki** holding up a garden trowel and RATPack cochair, **Reese Liggett** holding up an old wide paintbrush, singing to the tune of *Working on the Railroad*]

We've been working' with the RATPack
All of Saito's year
Paul never misses a Rat Pack
With Sybil and Robert right near.

At Kahi Mohala
Hamakua and the blessing of the park
Finally led us at Paolo
Those kids really hit our mark.

Now he's going to retirement
Diamond pin and all.
Paul will always be the Rat Pack
He'll always heed our call.

MC: “Adding a lot of local flavor to our event are our **Lyla Berg** and President-Elect **Gwen Yamamoto Lau**. You two great Rotarians, take it away!”

Lyla Berg: In addition to the **Diana’s** Literacy Project and **Reese/Ron’s** RAT-Pack projects, **Lyla** announced some of the other community projects like:

- Sponsoring the “Creating Peace” category in the ‘Olelo Youth Xchange Video Contest
- An “angel-making” craft activity in the ‘Ohana Center at Shriner’s Children’s Hospital — a partnership with the ladies at Fernhurst Residence
- Providing meals to homeless through the IHS meals program
- Starting the Kokua Kupuna Committee to support senior citizen needs in our community
- Providing hearing aids and testing through our “Can You Hear Me Now?” program

[**Lyla Berg**, our Community Service Chair, and **Gwen Yamamoto Lau**, our President Elect, while wearing festive leis, sang to the tune *Little Brown Gal*]

[**Lyla**]

It's not the islands fair that are calling to me
It's not the balmy air nor the tropical sea
It's the Rotary Bell in Waikiki
And President **Paul** at the Royal.

[**Gwen**]

We were humming along until Covid one nine
Came into our lives, and made us zooooom on-line
But **Paul** handled it like the Rotarian he is
And helped us pivot to become tech -whizzes.

Through this year of Rotary
It's broken all the members' hearts
That we can only hug virtually
But Paul kept saying we're ONLY physically apart.

We'll be meeting soon and reconnecting with friends
Don't know in which room, we'll see what Rich recommends
But if not for President **Paul's** techy skills
We would not be meeting at all!

[Now **Lyla** and **Gwen** sing to the tune of *Little Grass Shack*]

We wanna go back to the way that it was
And start the year all over
We want to be with all the kanes and wahines that we used to know
So long ago....

We can hear the voices singing
On the beach at Waikiki
We can hear **Paul's** voice ringing

It's time for fellowship – Hurray! Yay! WHOOPEEE!

It won't be long till we're meet-ing once again in person
A grand old time is sure to be had by all
I'm just Community Services Chair -- and I'm just President-Elect
But what we have in common with you is our Rotary connect

Thank you **Paul**

Thank you **Paul**

Thank you Paul -- for your perseverance....

Now "Hawaii Aloha" rings here truer than ever before

We will always remember you for giving us more!

ALOHA! MAHALO **PAUL** !

MC: "Ann Stamp Miller has been in charge of our international service trips under **Paul's** leadership. **Ann** will explain."

[**Ann Stamp Miller:** Wearing a Flight Captain's uniform]

Saluting you today **Pres. Paul!** [salutes]

Ann Stamp Miller's my name
International stuff is my game

Last July **Paul** promised us flexibility and fun
Fun we got and flexibility by the ton

As **Don** will tell you, the Philippines trip we had to scratch
When Covid 19 bugs began to hatch

Aloha to our August trip to Bali
But we will do that one later by golly

The sister club trip to Japan did occur
But the Rotary International sister event
(planned by **Pace, Dewitz** and **Lambert** is still a blur)

Hosting Rotary International golf, Centennial Park Party was our goal
Covid 19 go back to your hole

So **Pres. Paul**, flexibility is still our full intent
But fun and service were Excellent!

Mahalo **Pres. Paul**

Over and Out!

MC: “Another aspect of our club’s International Service is our close association with our three Sister Clubs, nurtured by **Hai Cha Lambert, Hiroko Dewitz, and Past President Nancy Pace.**

“And with President **Paul’s** support, what have they been up to this year?
To tell us: **Nancy, Hiroko and Hai Cha**”

[**Nancy, Hiroko, and Hai Cha:** All three wearing beautiful Japanese attire, with beautiful backgrounds, and a slide show, shared about travels and local endeavors and events under Paul.]

Sister Club Poem

[**Nancy**]

Sister Clubs, Friendship clubs, special are they,
We knew we would visit them again someday.

That day came again, in September last year,
With 13 from Honolulu we had nothing to fear.

Off to Kyoto at first we would go,
We’d visit our friends, and Centennial Park we would show.

The dinner and meetings just put us all in great moods,
Not to mention the extraordinary and amazing foods.

Then off to Osaka, we would go by the train
Which really wasn’t at all such a pain

[**Hiroko**]

Sightseeing, attending a meeting and seeing Noh Theater was a treat.
And new friends and Rotarians we happily did meet.

Once again we shared the plans for Centennial Park,
And they were happy to be included...and not kept in the dark.

Sightseeing stops along the way,
Hiroshima, Miyajima, and Kurashiki-certainly made our day.

Then off to Fukuoka we did go, where again the park we ultimately did show.
A grand dinner, a samurai demo, delicious food and wow...the sake did flow,

President **Paul** and wife Sybil did kindly perform,
While new friendships we all did ultimately form.

[**Hai Cha**]

Then it was off to Tokyo where we did go,

Just missing the typhoon...where the winds did blow.

Meetings, tours, and shopping with many dear friends,
And when hearing about the park, donations they promised to send.

Whew, we made it through Rotary meetings, park presentations, sightseeing and
dinners galore,
Those Japanese Rotarians we certainly adore.

To our sister clubs, both new and old,
We happily have you within our fold.

Your friendship and your generous donations of \$20k to Centennial Park,
Will certainly leave us, and Honolulu with an indelible mark.

MC: “Our club has given birth to several non-profits around town; one of them, the Visitor Aloha Society of Hawaii. It was fashioned after the old traveler’s aid, but then went way beyond that organization’s scope. Here’s **Jessica Lani Rich** to share the progress. “

Jessica Lani Rich: VASH was begun by the Rotary Club over 23 years ago and is the only non-profit in State of Hawaii that takes care of our visitors in crisis! The VASH mission is to take a negative situation, like a theft on the beach, which is our most common, and turn the negative into a positive. “I’ve been the (VASH) President and CEO for the past 16 years and I want to thank our outgoing **President Paul** who is always being so calm, professional, respectful and so supportive.” Thanks everyone for all they have done who have supported and attended our events over the past 23 years! There are literally hundreds of stories, but to wrap up she shared the story of a Rotary member from Australia, who ended up sick and going into the hospital. He called VASH and was taken care of. Many years later he reached out to share that they went from feeling totally lost to feeling loved and cared for. That really is what our mission is about in Rotary, Service Above Self. VASH has been in Time Magazine, Washington Post, and NY Times. Thanks Rotary for all the support! VASH is the child of Rotary! Thanks Paul and all members!

Paul thanks **Jessica** for the interviews and promoting Rotary!

MC: “Here to tell us, well, whatever she’s going to tell us.... **Alice Tucker!**”

[**Alice Tucker**, singing to the tune of “*Oklahoma*” from the Broadway musical “*Oklahoma*”]

Covid-19, it changed **Paul’s** year as our president
(but) **Paul** came out just fine
With some drinks of wine
Panic he? He didn’t give a hint.

Covid 19, our locale and lunches changed for sure
R.I. Meeting?—skipped
No Philippine trip
Paul said, “Just another small detour”.

We know he had planned a year grand
Plans included Waikiki park land

So now we say, **Paul**, hip hip hooray!, but
You're not our friend, Covid 19,
Covid 19, go away!

MC: "What has been the project that is driving us all to drink (lemonade, that is.....)??
What project sucked all the air out of the room and all the spare cash out of the till??
Our hardworking and totally martyred Past President, **Rob Hale**, can explain more graphically
than anyone."

[**Rob Hale**, while wearing bright green protective goggles, explains about the park and tells us,
"it's not easy being green" – and give apologies to Sesame Street with his Kermit
impersonation! He states he is doing this for **Paul** and that **Alice** has assured him with her
technical wizardry, she will erase it all immediately after! What a funny guy!]

Being Green

It's not that easy getting green
Getting to see the color of the leaves
When I think I used to be gray and brown
The color of dirt and trash on the ground

It's not that easy getting green
Getting done in three years seem a sure thing
But permits and people get in the way
Think six to eight and celebrate that thanks to you **Paul**
We are well on our way

It isn't easy getting green
Thanks to past presidents **Rick, Terry. and Bub**
Thanks to contributions of money and goods
Thanks to all of you for your help and support
Thanks to a committee of twenty five

But **Paul**, just a note
Seven of those members are past presidents like you
Service above self does not end July one

There is a lot more green to be
Rich will have a chance and perhaps **Gwen** will too
Green is the color of the money we need (credit cards also accepted)
Green is beautiful and it's just what I want to be."

[Our wonderful MC **Linda** thanked everyone for all the hard work and support for the Centennial Park project.]

MC: "I am so proud of all the work of everyone on that wonderful park. It will be a lasting tribute to Rotary and Waikiki. Our beloved Rotary Treasure, **Don Anderson** has a few words of wisdom, sympathy, hilarity, (no vulgarity!), jocularly (no irregularity!).

Don, take it away!!"

[**Don Anderson:** Speaking on behalf of the foundation]

Paul, Paul you faced it all

Right from the opening bell you were handed the year from hell

We offered the City a park and our labor but they were damn hard folks to accept the favor

Beautiful convention aloha shirts designed to make us proud but alas RI said selling them would not be allowed

Plans were made to be a great Convention host and even those efforts turned to toast

Covid-19 kept us from the Monarch Room and now we are all adept at ZOOM.

Through it all you kept our Club on track and the Club Foundation had your back

Projects in Thailand and the Philippines were funded with love. That they were all completed is a blessing from above

To the young children we often read and hungry homeless people were also fed.

Women in the transitional shelter know that we care plus students now know that peacemaking is an important affair

Rotaract, Interact, and RYLA helped young people grow and miracle of miracles the park is soon to be on show

With the Henderson Scholarship the Trustees felt some dismay but your legal counsel showed us the way.

Foundation Trustees tip their hat to you Paul for leading the Club through it all.

MC: "Last year's President, **Bub Wo**, sailed through his year with nary a virus on the radar. Here he is serenading his successor:"

Bub Wo, our immediate Past President, famous for his Chinese proverbs shared: "*An Army of 1000 is easy to find, but, AH, how difficult to find one good General!*" For this past year we have been fortunate to have General **Paul Saito** lead our Club. You have already heard the great things we have accomplished under his leadership." **Bub** sings to the tune of *We Love You Conrad* from the musical *Bye Bye Birdie*]

I love Rotarians....oh yes I do!
Especially Honolulu...cuz you're ALL so cool.
Serving others ... with pure hearts so true
Fellow Rotarians....I Love You!

With Honolulu Rotary... it's quite a scene
At the lovely Royal... so pristine!
Tuesdays are special ... you know what I mean!
Hawaii's First and Oldest ...since 1915.

Our Board of Directors... are not just talk
They get things done...they walk the walk.
Their devotion and discipline...knocks off my socks!
Thank you, Board.....you rock!

At our Foundation...we are so blessed.
True examples ...of our Four Way Test.
Anderson and **Biederman** - so full of zest.
Oh, Foundation Trustees....You 'Da Best!

Got a question... who do you call?
Just get **Martha**.. she's on the ball!
Always helpful... no task too small,
Martha makes us proud...**Martha** does it all!

President Paul – has been on the go, go, go.
Running our club....like a skilled Maestro.
Centennial Park and our weekly Zoom Show...
President **Paul**....you rock and roll!

Yes, we're on a roll ... our work's not done,
With **Proctor** and **Yamamoto-Lau**... we've just begun.
Our leadership talent... is second to none.
The very best ...is yet to come!

President **Paul**....we thank you so....
For a wonderful year... filled with memories aglow!
It's been a blast... but it's time to go...
We just want to say...MAHALO!

MC: “Thanks past President Bub! And now, dear friends, as your okoles have fallen asleep at your computers, it’s time for a nap.

But first, I want to introduce the guy who really needs no introduction, so we won’t give him one. Nah, nah, nah.

A guy whose brain said, “no, no, no” while his lips said, “yes, yes, yes” to being our 20-21 Honolulu Club President.

The ever-cheerful, the ever-musical Guy who’s bound to bring a whole new meaning to the term “Covid-19”, our **President-Elect, Rich Proctor**. Please welcome, **Rich!**

Rich Proctor: “Thank you, **Linda**, and thank you **Paul** for a very interesting and inspiring year. Your persistence and dedication to the club is really inspiring to me and I hope I can carry on the tradition because there are huge shoes to fill here, and I am feeling awed by all of that. You kept me in the loop and kept me going, so I created a song, not as long as Bub’s, but here it is” – [to the tune of *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*]

It was sometime late December when the virus came to be
Then in March it hit Hawaii with the governor’s decree
Our meetings then were cancelled, what an awful thing to see
Our club keeps marching on

Paul’s been here to keep things moving
Our gatherings in Zoom they are improving
Lyla’s voice it is so soothing
Our club keeps marching on

We had a party scheduled at the park in early June
They cancelled the convention and from that point we were doomed
The park is moving forward but expenses have ballooned
Our club keeps marching on

Now **Paul’s** term is surely ending
Our good thoughts to him we’re sending
So I’m sure he’ll need some mending
Our club keeps marching on

Rich: “**Paul**, you know this was all done in good fun, and a lot of people said a lot of nice things about you. Boy! You must be so nice! I hope at the end of the year they’ll say nice things to say about me too! I would ask at this point in time, do you have something to share with us today?”

Paul: “All I would like to say is thank you very much, because it’s what **Rob** and **Mitch**, and everyone echoed. Everybody did so much to make this year as special as it was. We faced a lot of difficulty but we pulled through. I think **Rich** and **Gwen** will do a wonderful job! I forgot one thing! I wanted to especially thank **Martha!** And **Martha**, the check is in the mail! We have a

gift for you and will get that to you somehow. So **Martha**, an incredible year and we couldn't have done it without you! As I told **Rich**, you really are our MVP. Thank you very much!"

Rich: "**Paul**, before you go, I have something for you that money can't buy, but we did anyway!" **Rich** held up a Past President's pin and stated he will be taking it to **Paul's** office. He then holds up a wonderful wooden plaque for Paul that says, "The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails" followed by an envelope stating that gift is for Paul and Sybil, as she deserves a gift too! "So without further ado...all join with the singing."

Closing song *Hawaii Aloha* with video by **Bub Wo**.

Rich closed the meeting thanking everyone and invited us to join him next week. **Rich** rings his bells at 1:02 pm!

Thank you now Past President **Paul Saito** for a wonderful year of leadership 2019-2020. Welcome to our new President **Rich Proctor**. We look forward to seeing what your leadership in 2020-2021 brings!

Lee LaBrash, Scribe