

**ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU**  
**ROYAL HAWAIIAN HOTEL MONARCH ROOM**  
**DATE: JULY 2, 2019**  
**PRESIDING: PRESIDENT BUB WO**

**President Bub** brought the meeting to order and **Rick Towill** gave the inspiration. **Rick** talked about the past presidents and how they have been remembered and how they served the club. He shared that an old bottle from the 1930s has been found in the rubble of Centennial Park. Rick reminded us that the bottle has been waiting to be unearthed just like all of the good that our club does throughout the year. He reminded us that when a new president takes over for the year, the new president must be thinking: What did I get myself into? He challenged us all to remember four things:

1. A new president needs to have a library voice.
2. Master the art and science of listening.
3. When tasked to do something, do it well.
4. All of us should invite four friends to Rotary next year.

**Tom Matthews** led the Pledge of Allegiance. **Beth-Ann Kozlovich** led us in the singing of America the Beautiful, accompanied by **Carol Sakata**. **Dawn Marie** introduced and welcomed all of the many visitors to the Rotary Club of Honolulu. Rotarians from several other clubs were present as we said goodbye and thank you to **Bub Wo** and hello to the new president, **Paul Saito**. **President Bub** also announced the Rotarian birthdays and anniversaries.

**President Bub** recognized the volunteers from the Rat Pack at Centennial Park this past weekend, **Reese Liggett** for organizing the workday and the committee members of Centennial Park. He also thanked **Rob Hale**, the Chair of the Committee, for all of his contributions.

In addition, he acknowledged the volunteers at Hawaii Literacy Bookmobile, Malama Maunaloa, and Dinner at the Men's Shelter.

Folks are encouraged to sign up for the Paul Harris events for July 23.

**Past President Linda Coble** served as the emcee for today's events. **Linda's** wonderful sense of humor, superb choice of words and big smile set the stage for a fun time. **Bub** was called up on stage as they poked fun, in an endearing way, kidding him about his use of puakenikeni flowers and Chinese proverbs throughout the year.

**Bub** was entertained by board members and past and future presidents in the line up. Each member greeted **Bub** with a stick of puakenikeni flowers and some folks even made up their own rendition of Chinese proverbs! **Sally Mist** sang her account of how she carries out registration, attendance, scribing and parking for the club. **Karin Holma** and **Scotty Anderson** reconstructed how **Bub** (most likely) creates the cups of

puakenikeni. She demonstrated this for us in Chinese and English! **Carolann Biederman** sang a song outlining the fundraising endeavors that had **Bub's** blessing. **Alice Tucker** created several verses that epitomized the club year reminding us about the student videos, speeches, scholarships, international work trips, and the new park. **Hai Cha Lambert**, who oversaw international relations, had **Judy Lind** and **Sid Snyder** share their experiences in Nepal and how meaningful it was to attend one of the international trips. At the same time, **Hiroko Dewitz** did a lovely dance. **Liz Howard**, in charge of community service, remembered the kindness of Paulette with her endless snacks and teaching the kids in Nepal to make leis and **Bub** playing ukulele and singing. **Diana Sakurai** read a few Chinese proverbs. She also shared how caring and kind **Bub** was when he read to the children in the projects and how supportive he was of this and all projects. Over 500 children participated this year and 2,766 books were read. **Reese Liggett** gave an update of all the projects and their successes describing them in the form of Chinese proverbs. Not to be outdone by all the singing, **Steve Nikkola** also sang a fine song of praise to **Bub** detailing the year's activities.

And lastly, **PP Terry George**, **PP Rick Towill**, **PE Rich Proctor** and **Paul Saito** serenaded **Bub** with a song of tribute for the year's accomplishments. All were dressed in appropriate Chinese hats of some sort.

At the end of the meeting, **Bub** donned a straw hat, (also known as a boater hat) and sang and strummed his ukulele to an original heartfelt song to all of his Rotary friends. He gave **Paul Saito**, the incoming president, the gavel and pin. **Paul** gave **Bub** his past president's pin and a beautiful plaque which says "Spiritual leader." **Rick Towill** presented **Bub** with a nice size puakenikeni tree that has a bigger blossom than the ones **Bub** uses. He was excited about that! A big Mahalo to **Past President Bub** and his wonderful year of service to our club!

**President Paul** adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting in the Regency Room Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully,  
**Ann Stamp Miller**, Scribe