

ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU
ROYAL HAWAIIAN HOTEL MONARCH ROOM
DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2019
PRESIDING: PRESIDENT ELECT RICH PROCTOR

President Elect Rich Proctor called the meeting of the Rotary Club of Honolulu to order at noon. He welcomed the members and visitors and announced the meeting participants. **Michael Marsh** inspired the group with a mousetrap parable that underscored the fact that we all need to support one another in a time of need. **Craig Robinson** led the Pledge of Allegiance and accompanied the singing of "America the Beautiful" which was led by **Lyla Berg**. **Beth-Ann Kozlovich** welcomed the visitors, who included Past District Governor Del Green and a Rotarian from Osaka among others. **PE Proctor** announced the birthdays of the week and the club anniversaries and the Pop-Up meeting on September 24 at the Hawaii State Art Museum. **Glenda Anderson** asked members to contact schools with whom they had connections to encourage candidates for the 4-way Test speech contest. The contest is earlier this year (November) to avoid the holiday season. **Samantha Haas** asked members to considering hosting for the next Paul Harris Day in October. The announcements were followed by a generous time of Fellowship.

PE Proctor introduced the meeting's presenters, **Dave Shanahan**, who, as a long time club member really needed no introduction, and his wife Sue. Having just celebrated their 40th anniversary and Dave's retirement from 43 years of government service, the couple decided to take the *Santiago de Compostela* Pilgrimage. Their power point presentation was entitled "The Way of St. James Camino; A Physical, Mental, Spiritual, and Marital Journey". The pilgrimage is celebrated by all the major world religions. St. James, fisherman son of Zebedee, went to Spain to preach Christianity and was beheaded at the behest of Herod Agrippa. His bones were later found in 820 AD and authenticated. The pilgrimages to this site began in the Middle Ages. **Dave** described and showed on maps the various historical and current routes of the camino. In 2018 327,378 pilgrims from 115 countries visited the cathedral. The Shanahans walked the 479 miles in 37 days, with total travel time to and from Honolulu 44 days. The power point presentation included pictures of cathedrals, town churches, varied flora and fauna, new friends, and food. The lessons they learned from this experience were:

- go slow, allow it to unfold
- lighten your rucksack
- embrace a simple ritual
- hold yourself open and vulnerable to others
- create/maintain your own pace

A Q&A followed.

PE Rich thanked the speakers and asked them to sign the book *Come with Me*, which will go to Palolo Elementary School. He reminded members that next week's meeting will be in

the Regency Room and the speaker will be Perry Martin, President of Maryknoll School. After the singing of "Hawaii Aloha", the meeting was adjourned.

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