



Kona Nightingale

The Newsletter for Rotary Club of Kona Mauka
Chartered in 1967

January 2019

President's Message

Adam Reugh

Aloha Rotarians,

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed the Holidays with family and friends.

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Rotary International has been leading the fight against human trafficking and slavery for several years and has established a Rotarian Action Group against Slavery. More information can be found by searching the subject on Rotary.org.

District 5000 Governor Win Schoneman is very passionate about the issue and has encouraged Clubs to create greater awareness of this unfortunate reality which exists in our own community. As we think about ways to increase our impact and serve the greater good in 2019, please keep this in mind. There are at least two groups in Kona combating Trafficking and I'm sure they could use our help.

In the next few weeks, we'll be scheduling a board meeting to discuss upcoming and potential projects, goals, and additional opportunities to make a difference.

I wish you all the best in 2019 and thank you again for all you do.

Sincerely,

Adam



Speakers Door Prize



January 1
Happy New Year!
No Meeting

January 8
Charlie Brown
Elderly Recreation Services
Gabriella Cooper

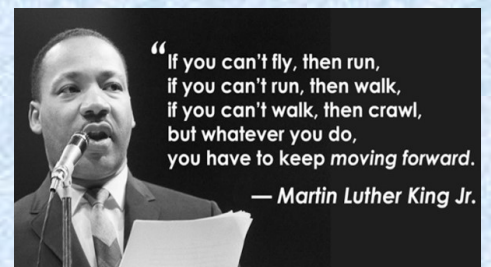
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Darren Rosario
Fire Chief
Gary Rovelstad

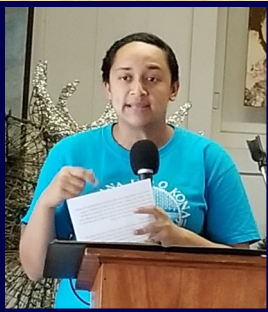
January 22
Randal Avolio
SEE International
Karen Wilson

January 29
County of Hawaii
Dept. of Parks & Recreation
Ken Obenski

Rotary's 4 Way Test Of the Things We *Think, Say and Do*

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?





Na'ai Colburn, Executive Director of Punano Leo o Kona Hawaiian language preschool

Kona Mauka Rotary donated \$500 to Punana Leo o Kona Hawaiian language preschool. These adorable students joined us for lunch and their head teacher thanked us for our donation and told us more about their program and what the monies will be used for. These children aged 3-5, then ended the presentation with several delightful songs.



Pūnana Leo means language nest, and just as young fledglings are fed directly from the mouths of their mothers, Hawaiian language is fed into the ears of these 3- and 4-year old students from the mouths of the Hawaiian language speakers around them.



Kampachi Farms, LLC Lisa Vollbrecht, Research Manager



Kampachi Farms is a Hawaii-based mariculture company focused on expanding the environmentally sound production of the ocean's finest fish.

Through innovative research and application of the best available science, Kampachi Farms works to remain on the cutting edge of healthy, environmentally responsible seafood. Lisa co-ordinates research efforts, manages the team, and works closely with their public and private partners.

Adopted Several Families at the Holidays



We worked with the Walmart Foundation and helped to fulfill the wish list items for several families in our community who were struggling this holiday season.



Ringling In a New Year & Reflecting on Our First 6 Months



- Donated \$500 to the United Way School Supply Drive
- Presented \$3,000 in scholarships to Palamanui-Hawaii Community College students
- We started our Rotary year with our Installation Dinner, a wonderful way to celebrate the start of a new Rotary year as we installed our new President Adam Reugh and his board of officers. Fun and fellowship and delicious food can't be beat.
- Participated in Konawaena High School's Scholarship Night: Informational Meeting for parents & students
- Continued to water the trees on a monthly basis that were planted for our Centennial Project
- Internationally, we participated in a WASH (clean water) project in Nepal and are committed to participation in a school equipment project in Bolivia.
- Conducted vision screening to third graders in 5 of our elementary schools
- Kona Mauka has an exciting new project this year! In order to help pro-mote literacy, we will be placing portable lending libraries around our community.
- Provided dictionaries to each of the 3rd grade students in our mauka schools. Included a presentation on how to utilize the many functions of the dictionary. This is a project students look forward to each year.
- Caught up with 2 former Rotary Exchange Students from 2002. Otto, our incoming student from Sweden did a presentation to the club. Our outgoing student from that same year, Justin Wiley, also took part in the club meeting.
- Adopted several families at the holidays and provided items from their wish list
- Donated \$500 to the Punana Leo o Kona Hawaiian language preschool.
- Donated money to the Hawaii Island Food Basket to help keep their shelves stocked through the holidays.
- Pau Hana: Fellowship fun at the Fish Hopper!
- We donated \$750 to the *Kako'o I Na Keiki* project, which helps to feed children who are food insecure over the Christmas holidays. Many children are fed their breakfast and lunch at school and families struggle during school breaks. This is a partner project with KAPA radio and the Hawaii Island Food Basket.
- Donated \$500.00 to the Elderly Recreation Program for the annual Ground Golf Tournament.
- Christmas Party: An excellent time had by all!

You're Invited to an Unforgettable Evening!
Kona Mauka Rotary's
Valentine
Wine Tasting

Saturday, February 9, 2019

4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Beautiful Holualoa Inn

Featuring -

- ***fine wines***
- ***delicious food***
- ***music & dancing***
- ***mouthwatering desserts***
- ***magnificent views***
- ***exclusive live & silent auctions***

Proceeds to go toward scholarships for
local students and other community projects

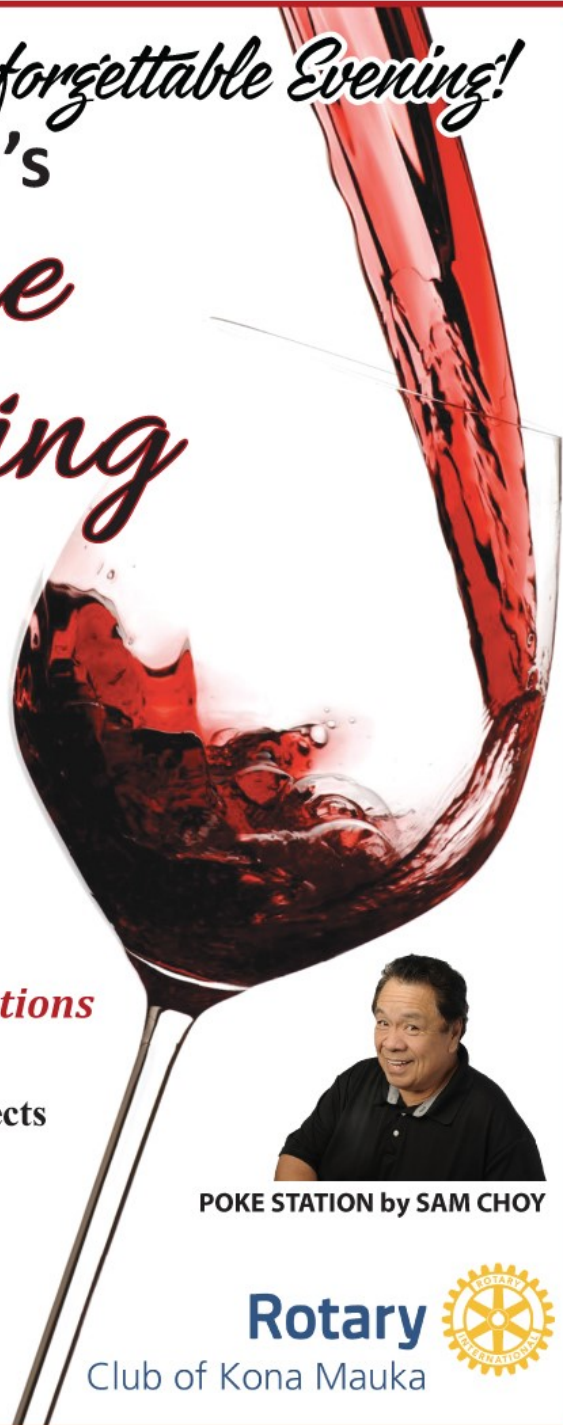
To reserve tickets, contact

Carol @ 808.896.2397

rotaryvalentines@gmail.com

Open Seating \$100 pp

Reserved tables for 10 - \$125pp



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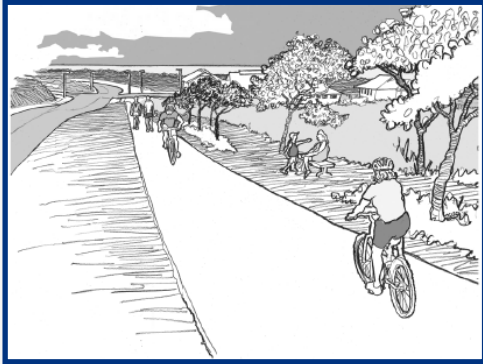


BMW OF HAWAII

David K. Hiranaka M.D., D.M.D.
Maxillofacial, Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery

Chris Leinenweber | Eric Curtis and Mary Metteer | Gabriella Cooper
Gary and Mary Rovelstad | Tony and Susan Mangubat
Erin Henschel | Pacific Island Waste | Smiles for Keiki

Mahalo to our Tree Watering Warriors!



Kudos to **Bill and Rowena Jones** and **Gary and Mary Kay Rovelstad** for continuing to water the trees that Kona Mauka Rotary adopted along the Queens' Lei multi-use path.

The two sets of couples have each helped to maintain the trees by keeping them watered and maintaining the surrounding area.

As you may remember, the trees were suffering from a bug infestation this past year and have been recovering nicely from the professional treatments and Rotary TLC.



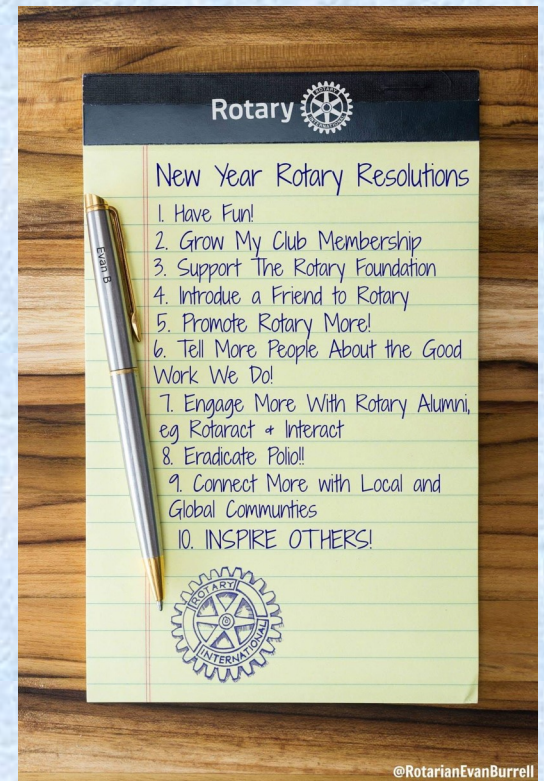


January's Rotary Theme: Vocational Service Month

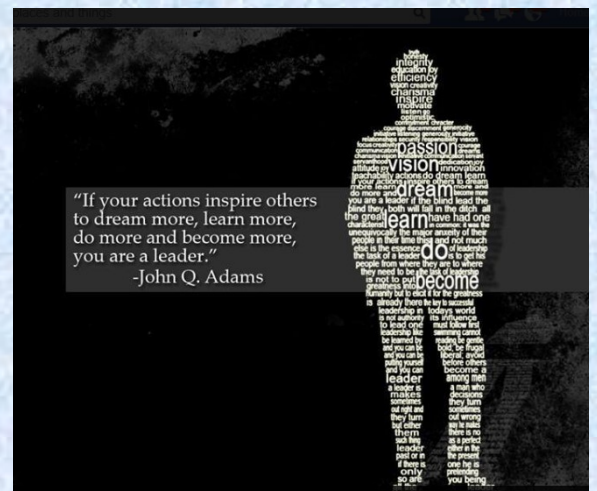
Paul Harris founded Rotary as a business networking club that emphasizes ethical standards and trustworthy business practices. Today Vocational Service is just one of Rotary's Avenues of Service. Vocational Service calls every Rotarian to:

- Aspire to high ethical standards in their occupation;
- Recognize the worthiness of all useful occupations, and;
- Contribute their vocational talents to the problems and needs of society.
- Rotarians, clubs, and districts should implement the following strategies in their support of Vocational Service:
- Strengthen the emphasis on vocation and classification in new member recruitment and induction.
- Identify means of emphasizing vocation in club activities.
- Create a stronger emphasis on business networking with integrity in Rotary at the club and district level.
- Focus more attention on business networking with integrity as a means of attracting and mentoring the new generation.
- Emphasize the connection between the Four Way Test and the Rotary Code of Conduct (formerly called: Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions) and their importance to the values of Rotary.
- When professionals join a Rotary club, they do so as a representative of their classification – their particular business or profession.

Rotarians have the dual responsibility of representing their vocation within the club and exemplifying the ideals of Rotary within the workplace.



@RotarianEvanBurrell





Convention countdown

THE GERMANY YOU DON'T KNOW

When people think about traveling to Germany, certain images may spring to mind: Oktoberfest in Munich, dramatic Alpine landscapes, the Romantic Road with its medieval towns. But as those who attend the 2019 Rotary International Convention in Hamburg from 1 to 5 June will discover, there's another side to Germany that is equally captivating.

Home to Europe's second-largest port, Hamburg is known for its cosmopolitan outlook. The city offers enough canals and bridges to rival Amsterdam; two inviting lakes in the heart of the city; and easy access to nearby North Sea and Baltic beaches that stretch for miles.



You're not likely to run into any lederhosen-clad polka dancers in Hamburg, but you can visit a world-class concert hall; you might not find Wiener schnitzel on the menu, but the seafood is fresh and abundant; and any thoughts of castles on the Rhine will be forgotten when you catch sight of the huge ships plying the Elbe.

Of course, some stereotypes of Germany do hold true, even in Hamburg: The public transportation system, for instance, is efficient, clean, and easy to navigate. Convention goers will find it even easier to use, thanks to an all-access transit pass that will be included with registration.

Register for the 2019 Rotary Convention in Hamburg at riconvention.org.

Win Schoneman

January 2019

Happy New Year!

Time flies when we're having fun. The 2018-2019 Rotary year is half way over and there is so much to do . . . Right? Right around the corner we have our annual Rotary Foundation events with The Rotary Foundation Vice-Chair Brenda Cressey. Rotarians at Work Day (April 27) and our District Conference (May 17-19) with Past Rotary International Vice President Jennifer Jones and her husband, doctor and Rotarian, Nick Krayacich. We have RYLA camps across the state and HRYF scholarships to give . . . So much to do, so little time. Complete calendar is at www.rotaryd5000.org.



So let's recap some of our successes and challenges for the first six months. Our service to both local and global communities continues to be outstanding. Peace Poles in Kona, rebuilding a charter school in Hilo, a new Rotaract Club on Maui, AED's across Kauai, Rotary Gives Thanks—Kupuna Koa, school dictionaries . . . To name a few. In international service we span the globe making a difference in the lives of some of the most needy. Today's contributions to The Rotary Foundation will provide needed capital for the future. Thank you. The area where improvement is needed is in club growth. We brought in lots of new members but we lost more. Membership affects everything we do from budgeting to service to fellowship. The answer lies in each and every one of our clubs . . . In each and every one of . . . The theme for February will be: "Share the Heart Rotary!" :) Start now by sharing your ideas on our District Website!

January is also National Human Trafficking Awareness month. Rotarians Lyla Berg and Mark Merriam have done an outstanding job improving our knowledge across our state. We see progress on the Serenity Garden on Oahu. Kauai Rotarians are actively seeking to create greater awareness. Thank you!

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

Our new vision statement . . . What does it mean? How am I participating? How am I planning for our Rotary future? I ask each of us to consider these questions and then take action. I know that I am not the same person I was six months ago . . . This journey has been life changing. I thank you for joining with . . .

Peace be with you and Be The Inspiration!

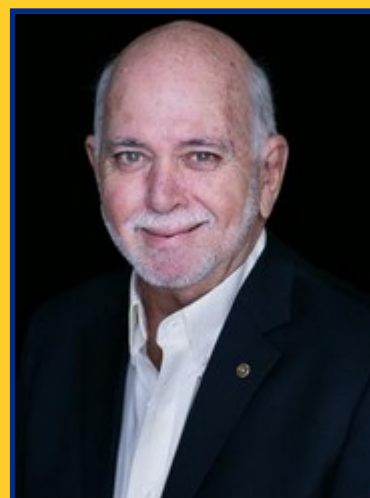
Win

Barry Rassin

January 2019

Vocational service can be hard to define, but it is easy to describe: It is simply the point where our Rotary lives and our professional lives intersect. When we put our Rotary ideals to work through our work, that is vocational service.

When I returned to the Bahamas after many years working in health care administration abroad, I realized that my country badly needed a modern health care facility. The resources we had at the time were out of date and inadequate, and people who were unable to travel abroad for care often did not receive the care they needed. Without the experience I had gained in the United States, I could have done nothing to change the status quo. But since I did have that experience, I was in a unique position to have an impact. I knew I could turn my professional path to good and make a career out of improving Bahamian health care.



As Rotary became part of my journey, I discovered that the words of Paul Harris that became the basis of Rotary — that shared effort knows no limitations — were also true for my vocation. I could not bring modern health care to the Bahamas alone. But through partnership, both with the doctors who eventually became my partners in Doctors Hospital and with all the dedicated staff members who worked in the hospital over the years, we could change everything. My goal became a shared goal — and then it became reality.

Rotary emphasizes the dignity of every vocation and the worth of every calling. Remember that the four founding members included no doctors or peacemakers — just an attorney, a mining engineer, a coal dealer, and a printer. From the beginning, the diversity of those vocations gave Rotary a special strength. And that diversity is reflected in our classification system, which aims to ensure that each club represents the full range of businesses and professions that serve each community.

Paul Harris put it this way: "Each Rotarian is the connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and his trade or profession." It was true when he said it and should be equally true now. We only spend an hour or two a week at our Rotary meetings, but most of us spend most of our waking time at work. Through Rotary, those hours are also an opportunity for service: a chance to Be the Inspiration to those we work with, those who work for us, and the communities we serve.





BE THE INSPIRATION

What's Happening in Rotary This Month?

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January

Vocational Service Month

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----|
| | Joined Rotary: Kent Nakamaru 1968 Eric Curtis 1981 Richard Harrison 1985 | 1  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 Charlie Brown County Elderly Recreation | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 Ken Obenski birthday | 14 | 15 Darren Rosario Fire Chief Valentine Planning Mtg | 16 | 17 Greg Stille birthday | 18 | 19 |
| 20 Bob Schaible joined Rotary 2015 | 21  | 22 Randal Avolio SEE International | 23 | 24 | 25 Bob Schaible birthday | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Multi-Club Foundation Social | 29 Parks & Recreation | 30 | 31 | | |

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- January 15:** Valentine Planning Meeting-5:30 pm @ Susan Mangubat's
January 28: Multi-Club Social for Rotary Foundation @ Linda Jane Kelley's home
February 9: Valentine Wine Tasting Fundraiser!!

Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 2018-2019

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| President: | Adam Reugh | Membership & Retention: | Dave Hiranaka |
| Treasurer: | Eric Curtis | | Carol Gigliotti |
| Assistant Treasurer: | Carol Gigliotti | Sergeant At Arms: | Ken Obenski |
| Secretary: | Lisa Folden | Community Service: | Bob Schaible |
| Newsletter: | Donna Hiranaka | | Amy Decker |
| Club Service: | Sam Johnson | | Awa HuiHui-'Graffe |
| Programs: | Ken Obenski | Public Relations: | Donna Hiranaka |
| Youth Services: | Karen Wilson / Gary Rovelstad / Carol Gigliotti | International Service: | Lisa Folden |
| Fundraiser: | Dave Hiranaka / Bob Schaible | | Gabriella Cooper |
| RI Foundation: | Eric Curtis | KMR Foundation President: | Kent Nakamaru |
| | Gary Rovelstad | Past President: | TBA |
| | | | Laura Kniffin |