



# Kona Nightingale

*The Newsletter for Rotary Club of Kona Mauka*  
Chartered in 1967

November 2016

## President's Message

Sharon Taylor

NOVEMBER IS FOUNDATION MONTH



In the Rotary calendar November is Foundation Month. It is also the month that Americans give thanks during one of the most popular holiday celebrations of the year.

What better way to give thanks than to make a donation to the Rotary Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation was established 100 years ago in Atlanta, Georgia. Since that time Rotarians like you and me have donated more than \$3,000,000,000.00 to carry out good works throughout the world. Projects are planned, coordinated, vetted and funded by the Foundation. Check out Charity Navigator to see how the RI Foundation stacks up to other charities. You will be amazed at our great standing.

Members of our club, through their dues, donate to the Foundation every year. That is, all but those who hold a spousal membership. The reduction in dues for a spousal membership does not include a donation to the Foundation. I plan to make my donation. Please, other spousal members join me. Your donation is 100% tax deductible.

Our Foundation co-chairs, Eric Curtis and Gary Rovelstad are not available this month. However, when Eric returns from his Antarctic adventure he will give a presentation to the club on the Foundation, Paul Harris points, and how to transfer your points. I am sure that you will want to make a donation, and or check the status of your points at that time.

I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy your celebration with family and friends.

### Speakers

*Door Prize*

**November 1**

**Tammy MacAller**

**Nutrition & Healthy Eating**

*Larry Kniffin*

**November 8**

**RI Foundation**

**Paul Harris: You May Be Eligible**

*Laura Kniffin*

**November 15**

**Jazzmin Cabanilla**

**Teach For America Hawaii**

*Joe Krawczak*

**November 22**

**DARK: Happy Thanksgiving**

**November 29**

**TBA**

*Chris Leinenweber*

### 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?*

*(AND... Is it Fun??)*

*Volunteering is the ultimate  
exercise in democracy.  
You vote in elections once a year,  
but when you volunteer, you vote  
every day about the kind of  
community you want to live in.*

## Senior Ground Golf



Don Taylor keeping score at the annual Senior Ground Golf Tournament. Kona Mauka sponsors this highly anticipated yearly event.



Congratulations  
Joe Krawczak

President  
Sharon  
presented Joe  
with his first  
Paul Harris  
award

Kona Mauka recently donated a Shelter Box to help with the relief efforts in Haiti.

**shelter BOX** **DISASTER RELIEF**  
[www.shelterbox.org](http://www.shelterbox.org)

Shelter Box (a partner project of Rotary) was invented in the garage of Tom Henderson in 1999.



Pictured: Shelter Box Inventor, Tom Henderson, and Dr Ali Bairos (Don Taylor's brother) in Haiti



Melissa Geiger, Aloha Theatre Operations Director, receives \$1,000 grant from Kona Mauka Community Service chairs Bob Schaible & Awa Huihui-Graffe

## Halloween fun at the Elks!





## *What in your life are you most thankful for?*

### Happy Thanksgiving

I am forever thankful for our children, family, friends, and the joy of having found the love of my life.

Donna Hiranaka  
Joined Rotary April 25, 2006

I'm thankful that the election will be over soon.

Chris Leinenweber  
Joined Rotary July 1, 2014



I am most thankful for my wonderful family, my Rotary Ohana, friends, good health and the privilege of living in Paradise.

Sharon Taylor  
Joined Rotary October 23, 2012

Another year with family and friends, but most of all the health and well being of all our children.

Laura Kniffin  
Charter member in the 90s  
Joined Mauka Rotary Dec 4, 2012

I am thankful for being born in America and having parents who pushed me to do my best.

Dave Hiranaka  
Joined Rotary January 15, 2002



With my busy life, I forget to think about all the things that I am thankful for. I am most thankful for having a loving mom and dad and loving grandparents throughout my life. Far from a perfect life. Many ups and downs, but lots of experiences and memories. Also, the many friends and neighbors that we have. Last but not least, I am thankful for growing up an American. When America was America. In God we trust. (wait a minute! I have not grown up yet. I always said that when I grow up I am not watering plants with a water hose. Guess what? I have not grown up yet). Ha Ha

Aloha, Trudy Teshima-Gramlich

My family, friends and the wonderful Rotarians that I serve with everyday... and of course, the work that Rotary International does to change the world for all of us!

Clint Schroeder  
Rotary D5000 District Governor

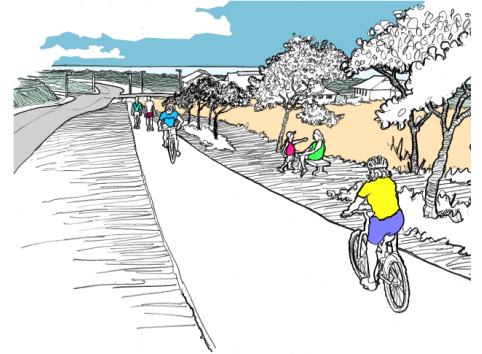
I'm most Thankful for my family.

Greg Stille  
Joined Mauka Rotary Jan 26, 2016  
Previous Rotarian in CA & Maui

Family.

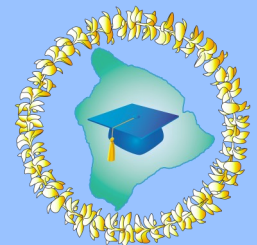
Larry Kniffin  
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## Queens' Lei Project November Watering Crew



## Remembering Cliff Kopp

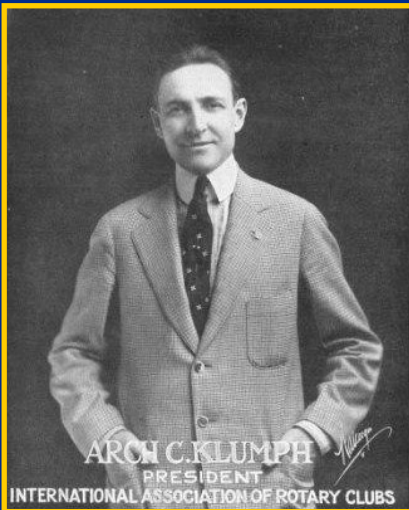
Husband, Father, Rotarian,  
Community Activist, Friend



Hawaii Island Growing Our Own  
Teachers



## November's Rotary Theme: Foundation



We all know that this year marks the 100th anniversary of Rotary Foundation, but what do we know about its founder, Arch Klumph? We keep hearing his name in relation to this momentous milestone in Rotary. It all seems so long ago, but then looking at his photo you can't help but be reminded that this was a young business person not unlike many of us in Rotary today. Yet his vision literally helped changed the world for the better.

I found it interesting to learn that he joined the Rotary Club of Cleveland in 1911 and was the Rotary International President by 1916! No more complaints about being elected to the club presidency too soon! :)

According to the September 1916 issue of The Rotarian, Arch Klumph was a self made, self educated man. When a lad of twelve he had to leave school to work and add to the family income. A few years later he sought to make up for this loss by attending the night school at a social settlement in Cleveland, walking four miles after a hard day of work in order to save on carfare.

As a young man of 18 he entered upon his business career when he became office boy with the Cuyahoga Lumber Company. At the time of his RI Presidency he was President, General Manager and owner of that same company.

The Rotarian goes on to say, "One always experiences surprise in first meeting Arch C Klumph. One naturally comes to associate that name, which appears so prominently in such a varied array of industrial, civic, social and political activities, with a man of mature years. And yet after the first wave of surprise to find that the young man before is not his son, you intuitively sense the latent power or personality that places him in the foreground of so much public life."

### Rotary President Arch Klumph proposes an endowment for doing good

Klumph's remarks at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, plant the seed for today's Foundation. The Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA, makes the first donation, of \$26.50.





## A Little History of Rotary Club of Kona Mauka

In the 1968-1969 year, Henry Greenwell was elected president, James Ushiroda was elected Vice President, Ed Hedemann-Secretary, and Masami Yamamoto—Treasurer. Projects of note during the year involved building up Rotary Foundation and the idea of Rotary among the members. Any member who didn't know the 4-Way Test by memory was fined \$5.00.

The 1969-1970 year was headed up by President James Ushiroda. The Vice President was Edwin Hedemann, Hisashi Kimura—Secretary and Shizuo Uchimura-Treasurer. Past year's projects were continued and a push for new membership was made and the club membership increased dramatically. In this year, too, the Wayne Hedemann Scholarship for a deserving Konawaena High School graduate was begun as an annual activity as a memorial to Ed's son who was killed May 13, 1970 in Vietnam. The scholarship began with a \$4,000 contribution from the Hedemann family in Wayne's memory.

## Mark Your Calendar for the Polio Plus Rotary Party on Saturday, November 12 at Daylight Mind



**No child anywhere should have to suffer from this vaccine-preventable disease. Help us make an impact on World Polio Day.**



#endpolio | [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org)

***Kona Oceanfront dining, breathtaking views, beautiful sunsets . . .***

What a fun way for Hawaii West clubs to work together to **raise funds (and awareness) for Rotary's polio eradication efforts.**

Bring your friends and enjoy a fun evening with fellow Rotarians, friends and family.

*Hope to See You All There!*

## Golden Jubilee Celebration Dinner



Saturday, May 6, 2017  
Sheraton Keauhou Resort & Spa

*Doing Good Locally and Globally since 1967*



MAY 2017 Hawaii Rotary D5000 Conference  
**19** May 19-21, 2017 | Sheraton Ka'anapali, Maui

### Rotary D5000 District Conference!

Lasting friendships grow  
from the fellowship hours  
at the District Conference.

Inspiring speakers, great  
social activities, beautiful  
locale.

Early registration fees  
expire **November 30!**



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



**Come Celebrate  
June 10-14, 2017**

**Experience  
Passion  
Celebration**

John Germ

November

Looking back at the momentous 1917 Rotary Convention in Atlanta, it is difficult to see what could have been contentious about the words of then-President Arch C. Klumph: "It seems eminently proper that we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world." Yet, at the time, support for the idea was far from unanimous. Some thought an endowment fund would create more trouble than it was worth. But Klumph's idea received the support it most needed in the form of an initial donation of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri.



Nearly 100 years later, we recognize Klumph's idea as not only visionary, but revolutionary: It set in place the mechanism that allowed Rotary to become the vast force for "doing good in the world" that it is today.

In many ways, our Rotary Foundation is the foundation of Rotary as we know it. It has created a mechanism for cooperation and partnership among clubs and between Rotary and other organizations; it has enabled us to be ever more ambitious in our work and to reach for goals of historic proportions, such as the eradication of polio. It is impossible to quantify the good that has been done over the last century as a result of The Rotary Foundation. All we can know for sure is that Arch Klumph, if he could see it, would be proud.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our international convention in Atlanta: the city where our Foundation was born. I hope a record number of Rotarians will be there to celebrate the centennial of our Foundation. In the meantime, there are plenty of other ways to celebrate! I encourage you to read more about the Foundation centennial at [centennial.rotary.org](http://centennial.rotary.org). There, you'll learn about the history of our Foundation and find ideas for events and projects in your clubs and your community.

One of the most important ways we are celebrating the Foundation centennial is with a fundraising goal of \$300 million. Your gift to your Foundation is the best way of ensuring a strong second century for Rotarians Doing Good in the World and for Rotary Serving Humanity.

## Our Leadership Team



Rotary International  
President  
John Germ



District 5000  
District Governor  
Clint Schroeder



D5000 Hawaii West  
Assistant Governor  
Donna Hiranaka



Rotary Club of Kona  
Mauka President  
Sharon Taylor

Clint Schroeder

November

November is the time of year when we celebrate the outstanding work of the Rotary International Foundation. As we celebrate the RI Foundation's 100th Anniversary, honestly think about the difference that our Foundation has made in the world – it's astonishing!

Over the last 100 years, Rotarians just like you and me have donated more than \$3,000,000,000 to support Rotary's good work all over the world. That good work is planned, coordinated, vetted, and funded by our Foundation.

Have you ever wondered how our Foundation stacks up to other major charities and Foundations? Take a look at the most recent rating from Charity Navigator:



	Score (out of 100)	Rating
<b>Overall Score &amp; Rating</b>	97.87	★★★★
Financial	97.00	★★★★
Accountability & Transparency	100.00	★★★★

Giving to our charity is incredibly easy. Did you know you can direct your gift to a particular cause? Did you know you can defer your giving by including it in your Estate Plan? Did you know you can automatically give a pre-set amount each month? Please go to [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) and check it out—and give!

## D5000 Polio Champion Challenge Update:

Make this year  
the last year.

[D5000champion.org](http://D5000champion.org)



2016-17 is a special year for all of us. Not only are we celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we are working incredibly hard to finish the job of eradicating Polio!

I have more exciting news about the D5000 Polio Champion Challenge! As of November 1<sup>st</sup>, we have had **246** District

5000 Rotarians commit to the Champion Challenge; a commitment of over \$89,500! **WAY TO GO!**

To date, we have **177 Bronze** level donors, **38 Silver** level Donors, and **31 Gold/Gold+** level donors! What an outstanding show of support as we raise the final funds necessary to eradicate Polio ONCE AND FOR ALL! I am so proud of the Rotarians and Clubs that have stepped up to the challenge to "Make this year the LAST year. **Our D5000 giving is already 66% to our total goal of \$135,000 to the Polio Plus Fund.**

Now, let me brag about some of our clubs! We have **44** clubs "on the board" that have already started giving AND we already have **12 clubs** that have exceeded their club goal of \$2,650 – Well done!

## What's Happening in Rotary This Month?

November

Rotary Foundation Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Karen & Peter anniversary	1 Tammy MacAller Nutrition	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 RI Foundation & Paul Harris	9	10	11 	12 Rotary Party for Polio Eradication
13	14	15 Jazzmin Cabanilla Teach For America Hawaii	16 Valentine Fund-raiser Mtg @ Holualoa Inn 4pm	17 Feed the Homeless for Thanksgiving	18	19
20 Larry & Laura anniversary	21	22 DARK Thanksgiving	23	24 	25	26
27	28	29 TBA	30 Last day early registration District Conf			

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

November 12:

November 16:

November 30:

December 2:

Polio Plus Fundraising Dinner: Daylight Mind Restaurant  
 Valentine Fundraiser Meeting @ Holualoa Inn - 4:00 pm  
 Last day for District Conference early registration fee  
 Christmas Party

## Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 2016-2017

President: Sharon Taylor  
 Treasurer: Eric Curtis  
 Secretary: Carol Gigliotti  
 Vocational: Donna Hiranaka  
 Club Service: Laura Kniffin  
 Programs: Ken Obenski  
 Newsletter: Donna Hiranaka  
 Youth Services: Chris Leinenweber  
 Sergeant At Arms: Ken Obenski  
 RI Foundation: Gary Rovelstad  
 Eric Curtis

Membership & Retention: Dave Hiranaka  
 Carol Gigliotti  
 Steve Pine  
 Community Service: Awa HuiHui-Graffe  
 Bob Schaible  
 Tom Sorensen  
 Public Relations: Dan Montgomery  
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 KMR Foundation President: Don Taylor