

Kona Nightingale

The Newsletter for Rotary Club of Kona Mauka Chartered in 1967

October 2018

President's Message Adam Reugh

Aloha Rotarians,

October is here, and the Ironman competitors are filling the roads.

We made it through a busy September highlighted by Keiki Vision and a special visit from our beloved District Governor, Win Schoneman. Our Fall Training Seminars cultivated new ideas for membership growth and supporting the Rotary International Foundation.



<u>Speakers</u> Door Prize

October 2 Aesha Shapiro Surf for Special Needs Adam Reugh

October 9 Nikki Sanderlin Habitat &L Fish Monitoring Amy Decker

> October 16 Kahikina Ching Food Basket Annu Shionoya

October 23 Tom Leonard Neighbor Island Innovation Initiative Awapuhi Huihui-Graffe

October 30 Maile David County Council District 6 Bill Jones A special 'thank you' goes out to Linda Jane Kelley of the Kona Club for hosting a wonderful evening of friendship and collaboration at the September Multi-Club Social.

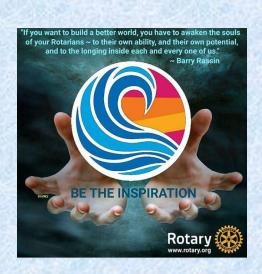
October ushers in a variety of opportunities to give back. Most notably, October 24th is International Polio Day. Rotarians around the world have been instrumental in vaccinating against Polio as we target 'zero'. We're this close! Keep up the good work, and gather your change to make a special effort this month towards eradicating the world of this disease once and for all.

Yours in Rotary,

Adam Reugh

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?



Kona Mauka Rotary Happenings

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Keiki Vision Screening & Dictionary Project

Several Kona Mauka Rotarians volunteered at our Keiki Vision Screening and Dictionary Project—which benefitted all 3rd grade students in



our district. What a wonderful and rewarding Community Service Project! We screened at Ke Kula o Ehunuikaimalino, Honaunau Elementary, Kona Pacific Public Charter School, Ho'okena Elementary and Konawaena Elementary. Of the 169 screened, 24 (14%) needed additional attention. That was average as it is usually between 15% and 20%.

A DICTIONAL

We also distributed dictionaries to these enthusiastic students, an event 3rd graders look forward to each year. Our volunteers experienced great pleasure in helping the children explore the

plethora of facts included in this book. Mahalo to Friend of Rotary, Karen Harrison, for continuing to distribute the books and helping to train newer members on the art of delivery! :)

It was wonderful having several of our newer members, along with members from Dr. Kale's team, take part in this wonderful community service project!



A note from Konawaena 3rd Grade Teacher: Patti Kunitomo:

We cannot even begin to express our gratitude for the service that the Kona Mauka Rotary club provides for our keiki. It may be the only time ever that they will get their vision checked. We appreciate all of you! Our children think the dictionary is the greatest thing ever. They all wanted to show their parents their new book. Thanks again and again...



















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Rotary and its partners worked to reach 430 million children in 39 countries during polio immunization campaigns in 2017.

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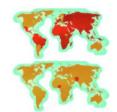
Polio is endemic to only three countries...Nigeria (last case in 2016), Pakistan and Afghanistan. If we stop now, within ten years, there would be an estimated 200,000 cases per year. We must cross the finish line.





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17.4 million people who are currently healthy would have been paralyzed by polio without our eradication efforts since 1988



In 30 years, we've gone from **125** polio-endemic countries to **3**



Member Profile

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Let's Get to Know Gabriella a Bit Better!

Name: Gabriella Cooper

Children: 4 (Christopher, Michael, Maggie and Jennifer)

Grandchildren: 6 (Sophia, Katie, Luke, Gavin, Andrew and Austin)

Siblings:

Where did you grow up: Chile

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Favorite thing to do: Travel

Favorite Movie: "The African Queen"... it's about Africa, adventure, overcoming challenges, being a strong woman... and I just love Katharine Hepburn.



Favorite Book: "Gone with the Wind"... not because it is the best book I've ever read, but because it was the first book I read in English and it was so rewarding to make it to the end! BTW... it took forever as I had to use a Spanish/English dictionary :-)

Occupation/Career: Started in the travel industry then got divorced and needed to pay bills, so I went into sales and management... it paid the bills and I was successful, but it wasn't nearly as much fun.

Why do you like being in Rotary?: Because it gives me an opportunity to help others while meeting wonderful and lifelong friends. Rotary also travels with me as I have attended meetings all over the world.

Who inspired you in your life: My grandfather. He taught me to always work hard, play hard, never quit, be generous and, above all, believe in myself.

Hobbies: Travel, yoga, gym, mahjong, reading.

Anything else you'd like to add about yourself?: 1) I don't do mornings 2) I meditate at least once a day to quiet my crazy mind and center myself.

Favorite quotes: I have several quotes I keep referring to for inspiration, but right now the most appropriate one seems to be: "You cannot start the next chapter of your life if you keep rereading the last one"*- Unknown*





Mark Your Calendar!

Looking for a way to support the Cancer Center expansion project at Kona Community Hospital? Come enjoy a dynamic evening of music with Grammy nominated Kahulanui 9 Piece Hawaiian Swing Band. What a treat!

Where: Who: When: Time: Tickets: Aloha Theatre Kahulanui Hawaiian Swing Band Saturday, November 17, 2018 7:00 - 9:00 pm Carol - Kona Hospital Foundation 322.4587





Rotary International Convention

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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 land-

scapes, 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 Am-

sterdam; 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 <u>riconvention.org</u>.

Hawaii District Governor's Message

Win Schoneman October

Aloha from our District Governor!

Aloha Fellow Rotarians,

There is cause for celebration as we begin the second quarter of this 2018-2019 Rotary Year! Several clubs are well on their way to achieving excellence in Service, Membership and/or Rotary Foundation giving. In Service, Lahaina Sunset has documented in Rotary Club Central the completion of several service projects. Big Island clubs seem to be excelling in Club Growth with both Hilo and Kona Rotary Clubs making substantive progress! And Our Rotary Foundation Annual Fund is benefiting greatly from the generosity of many Hawaii Rotarians; with members of the Rotary Clubs of Honolulu Sunset, Waikiki and Honolulu leading the way! Thank you!



I don't think it is any great revelation that businesses rely on excellence in products and service to attract and retain customers. Customers seek and demand value for their time and resources. Excellence is an attractive quality...Now that we have identified our community and youth service projects, our funding and have begun our planning processes. I challenge each of us to integrate excellence into the planning process for service (projects or fundraising)...

Excellence in service must include these three questions or strategies:

- How do we integrate our club AND community members into the project? (Remember our conversation during the DG visit about switching our mindset to "we do service WITH our community"?)
- How do we utilize our brand and public image team for short term and long term community awareness?
 Short term being immediate impact during and shortly after the project by using banners and shirts etc.
 Long term being telling our story on social media and in the news etc.
- How do we utilize The Rotary Foundation's power of savings and leverage to maximize the impact we have during any given project? How do we communicate that to our fellow Rotarians?

Excellence does not happen by accident. It requires a focus on being the best I can be. It takes investment of resources and planning. It takes action! It takes you!

Words to live by: Rotary changes the lives of those we serve...and like the ripple from a pebble tossed into a pond; we too are changed. "I believe we can change the world...one life at a time." -Paul Harris

Peace be with you... Be The Inspiration!

"Be the change you wish to see in the world." Mahatma Gandhi



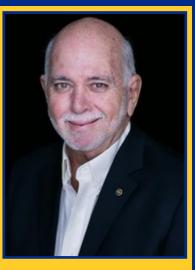
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Rotary International President's Message

October 2018

Every Thursday morning, I receive an email from the World Health Organization with an update on the status of polio eradication. It contains a wealth of information, country by country: where and how immunization campaigns are being conducted, how many millions of children are being vaccinated, and where environmental surveillance has found evidence of circulating virus. But every week, when that email appears in my inbox, my heart seems to stop for just a moment until I read the first few lines – and learn whether a child was paralyzed by wild poliovirus that week.

That, my friends, is where we are today in the work of polio eradication. The question on my mind as I open that message isn't how many thousands of cases we might see in a year, as we did not too long ago, or even how many hundreds. Instead, when that WHO email arrives every Thursday, the single, binary question it answers is: Was there a new case this week, or wasn't there?



Thirty years ago, 1,000 children were paralyzed by polio every single day. Since then, we've marked our progress, year by year, week by week. We've celebrated as country after country, region after region has been declared polio-free. As we've come closer and closer to our goal, and the number of cases has dropped further and further, the children those numbers reflect have become less and less of an abstraction. When I open that Thursday email, I don't wonder what number I'll see. I wonder, was a child paralyzed this week or not?

We are so close to eradication – but there is so much work left to do.

This month, I ask every Rotary club to help End Polio Now by marking World Polio Day on 24 October. Last year, thousands of Rotary clubs around the world held events to raise awareness and funds for polio eradication. This year, we want to see more World Polio Day events registered than ever. If you have an event planned, be sure to register and promote it at endpolio.org so that more people can take part. If you haven't planned one yet, it's not too late – visit endpolio.org to find ideas, information on this year's livestream, and resources to help your club organize a successful event.

World Polio Day is a tremendous opportunity for clubs to highlight Rotary, and our historic work to eradicate polio, in their own communities. It is also a great way to take advantage of the challenge from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation: For every dollar that Rotary raises for polio eradication, the Gates Foundation will give two more. Join me, and Rotarians everywhere, on 24 October for World Polio Day – and Be the Inspiration for a polio-free world.



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What's Happening in Rotary This Month?

October Economic & Community Development Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Gabriella Birthday	2 Aesha Shapiro Surf for Special Needs	3	4 John Smith Birthday	5	6
7	8	9 Nikki Sanderlin Habitat & Fish Monitoring	10 Valentine Planning Mtg @ Hiranaka's	11	12	13
14	15	16 Kahikina Ching Food Basket	17	18	19	20 Second
21	22	23 Tom Leonard Neighbor Island Innovation	24 ^(®)	25	26	27
28	29 Gary & Mary Kay joined Rotary 2013	30 Maile David County Council District 6	31 Halppy	Bill & Rowena Jones anniversary		

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: October 10:

> October 20: October 24: November 17:

Valentine Fundraiser Meeting 5:00 pm @ Hiranaka's Pig n Swig: Kona Sunrise fundraiser World Polio Day Kona Hospital Cancer Center Fundraiser:

Kahulanui Hawaiian Swing Band Benefit Concert

Rotary Club of Kona Mauka 2018-2019

President:	Adam Reugh	Membership & Retention:	Dave Hiranaka
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