



Kona Nightingale

The Newsletter for Rotary Club of Kona Mauka
Chartered in 1967

September 2016

President's Message

Sharon Taylor

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH



Speakers

Door Prize

September 6

Gary Michell

Homelessness in Kona

Eric Curtis

September 13

Pat Pastor

Elks Commander

Carol Gigliotti

September 20

Laura Mallory-Sayre

Daniel Sayre Memorial Foundation

Richard Harrison

September 27

DARK

October 1 (Saturday)

Potential Rotary Leadership

Seminar

(PRLS)

WH Civic Center @ 8:00

Under the direction of Chairman Chris Leinenweber and member Greg Stille, the New Generations committee has many important functions. Very shortly they will be coordinating the **Keiki Vision** and **Dictionary Project**. Club members will be visiting the elementary schools in our area to conduct a vision screening for grade 3 students. These students will be also be given a dictionary at this time.

In February the club will participate in RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards), a leadership program for high school students who show the leadership potential in their community. It will be held at the Kilauea Military Camp during a week-end in February.

In January (HRYF), then again in May, this committee will conduct interviews for scholarships. Also, for the first time in many years our club, in cooperation with the Kona Club, is hosting a Rotary exchange student, Tanguy, who is from France.

You can see that this is a very active committee. Please lend your support. Speak to Chris about becoming a member of the committee.

I read an article in the Sept. 2 issue of West Hawaii today about James Resor, past president of the Rotary Club of Kona. James has a full time job, is training to participate in the Ironman Kona on Oct. 8, is an active Rotarian, and volunteers with youth in both Kealahou and Kona High Schools. I found it very inspiring.

Let's all do a little more to support the youth in our community. They are after all our future.

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??)

LEADERS DON'T
CREATE FOLLOWERS.
THEY CREATE
MORE LEADERS



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**Welcome New Member
Lisa Folden!**

**Vocation:
Realtor**

**Sponsor:
Donna Hiranaka**



Member Gary Michell and his colleague Don, both with Mental Health Kokua, gave a moving presentation on Mental Health and homelessness in our community



D5000 Polio Champion Challenge Update:

The Polio Champion Challenge is going GREAT! To date, we have raised more than \$66,000 from 151 Rotarians around the state. We are 49% of the way to our 2016/17 D5000 Goal... but we won't make it without your help and support.

Each club has a \$2,650 goal which can be raised through individual donations (Champion levels are \$100, \$500, \$1,000), club donations OR a combination of the two. **Why \$2650?** In 1917 Rotary President Arch Klumph proposed an endowment for doing good. Klumph's remarks at the Rotary Convention in Atlanta, Georgia planted the seed for today's Foundation. The Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri made the first donation of \$26.50.

Rotary Club of Kona Mauka donated a total of \$2,000 towards it \$2650 goal



International Chair Kent Nakamaru and President Sharon Taylor present DG Clint with \$1,000 donation from the Rotary Club of Kona Mauka, reaching the Gold Level



Dave and Donna Hiranaka each donated \$500 to Polio Plus and received a certificate of recognition along with a silver level medal from District Governor Clint



Potential Rotary Leaders Seminars (PRLS)

Coming to Kona Saturday, October 1 at the West Hawaii Civic Center!



Want to enhance your leadership skills?

The PRLS program offers practical training in a productive environment that can benefit you on both a personal and professional level.

The Basic PRLS program consists of 6 exciting sessions:

- Leadership Principles
- Leading Membership
- Foundation Motivation
- Leading Volunteers
- Rotary Smarts
- Public Speaking 101



These sessions broadly cover the desired skills Rotarians should have to effectively plan, organize, manage, promote, present orally, and lead in any setting. All Rotarians are encouraged to attend.

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity!

COST: PRLS day of instruction is \$35 per person. **The cost includes supplies, continental breakfast and lunch!** Class runs from 8:00 am—3:30 pm. Register online at <http://rotaryd5000.org> and click on 'send check'. The club will pay your fees.

Or contact: Yolette@hawaii.rr.com



September's Rotary Theme:

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We know that basic education and literacy are essential for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace. Consider these facts:

- ➡ If all women completed primary education, there would be 66% fewer maternal deaths.
- ➡ A child born to a mother who can read is 50% more likely to survive past the age of five.
- ➡ If all students in low-income countries left school with basic reading skills, 171 million people could be lifted out of poverty, which would be equivalent to a 12% cut in world poverty.

The world is making good progress in this area. According to a 2014 United Nations Millennium Development Goals progress report, literacy rates among adults and youths are on the rise and the gender gap in literacy is narrowing. But pressing global needs remain:

- ➡ 58 million children worldwide are out of school.
- ➡ Even after four years of primary schooling, as many as 250 million children cannot read and write.
- ➡ 781 million adults are illiterate.

What is Kona Mauka Rotary doing to address these needs? This year President Sharon Taylor wrote a grant to help fund the Kona Literacy Council. This is a local agency with trained volunteer tutors who provide free, one-to-one, small group, basic literacy and ESL services to adults at the Kailua Learning Center.

Each year we provide dictionaries to all 3rd grade students in our school district.

We have long been known for our support of education through our scholarship programs, which averages \$15,000 in awards each year.

Do you have ideas for additional ways we can help our community in this area of focus? Talk with President Sharon.

Read Sharon's post on page one to learn more about our current projects.



A Little History of Rotary Club of Kona Mauka

We all know how lucky we are to have our delicious lunch at Teshima's these past 50 years. What did our menu look like at our first meeting back in 1967?

Our charter members were treated with assorted relishes, radishes, namasu, olives, sashimi, miso soup, homemade Parker House rolls, fresh local broiled mahimahi, buttered fresh Kona green beans, mashed potato, steamed rice, fresh Kona vegetable combination salad with Teshima's special dressing, apple pie ala mode, Roquefort cheese with crackers, Kona coffee, iced tea or pot of tea.

DG Clint's Polio Champion Challenge Update

To date, we have 103 Bronze level donors, 20 Silver level Donors, and 26 Gold/Gold+ level donors! What an outstanding show of support as we raise the final funds necessary to eradicate Polio ONCE AND FOR ALL! 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 48% to our total goal of \$135,000 to the Polio Plus Fund.



Now, let me brag about some of our clubs! We have 30 clubs "on the board" that have already started giving, AND we already have 8 clubs that have exceeded their club goal of \$2,650 – Well done Waikiki, Honolulu Downtown, Honolulu Sunrise, South Hilo, Kapolei Sunset, Honolulu, Volcano, and Waianae Coast! Your generosity and Aloha Spirit never cease to amaze me.

Remember, every dollar you give is matched 2-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

\$100: certificate and bronze medal [**\$300 when matched**]

\$500: certificate and silver medal [**\$1500 when matched**]

\$1000: certificate and gold medal [**\$3000 when matched**]



Helping to eliminate the threat of Polio once and for all = Priceless!

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Golden Jubilee Celebration Dinner



Golden Jubilee

Rotary Club of Kona Mauka

Saturday, May 6, 2017

Sheraton Keauhou Resort & Spa

Doing Good Locally and Globally since 1967



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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.

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Let's go to our first **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION** together!



June 10-14, 2017

Not your first? Let's still go!

We can meet Rotary friends from across the globe, discover potential partners for service, and experience Rotary's internationality!

Clint Schroeder

September is Basic Education & Literacy Month!

Wow, it is so hard to believe that September is here already! The 2016-17 Rotary Year is in full swing – and there are tons of exciting things happening all over the district. I have been so honored to have visited 35 clubs so far – only 15 left to go! During those visits, I have learned so many incredible things about the projects we tackle every year and the talented people all over D5000 that make it all happen. I am also pleased to announce that we are making real progress on our membership goals as well. Since July 1, we have inducted almost 60 new members across the District! Keep up the GREAT work!



Included in those projects are some Basic Education and Literacy initiatives that are showcasing Rotary's goal or bringing reading and writing to all.

Why is literacy so important?

Today, many children are classified as 'digital natives' – just as comfortable online as they are offline. The internet enables endless educational possibilities, with constantly evolving information streams, however, the vastness of the web can be a hindrance to those children who cannot adequately sift through and interpret the material presented. Strong literacy skills are a critical tool used when children discern and understand information, enabling them to utilize the internet to its full potential and making sure that the inevitable 'digital footprint' that children will leave is one that is safe, appropriate, and reflective of their true self.

Ways to support a child's literacy development

Studies have shown that children's motivation and achievement improve when adult mentors and parents are involved in their education. There are many everyday things you can do to encourage literacy learning. This includes:

- Sharing your knowledge and explaining how you use literacy in your daily life
- Encouraging children to read and view a variety of texts such as newspapers, novels, comics, magazines, websites, email and timetables
- Encouraging children to write and design for a variety of purposes using different mediums
- Discussing how texts look different depending on the purpose and audience — for example, text messaging uses different spelling from school projects
- Talking about things that you have read or viewed that were amusing, interesting or useful
- Discussing favorite authors, producers, directors or illustrators and what you like about them
- Presenting new and unusual words or phrases and exploring these through print and electronic dictionaries – Just like the ones we give every year!
- Playing games that develop knowledge and enjoyment of words
- Making use of community resources for information, local and school libraries

Over the next couple of weeks, we will be providing you with information regarding Rotary Reads Week which will be a private/public partnership with the State of Hawaii Governor's Office, and the Department of Education. We will be working alongside the DOE and Mrs. Dawn Ige to bring first graders in Hawaii a week filled with stories and new books for their classrooms. The event will be scheduled for the first week of March 2017. Details will be provided as soon as we have them – I look forward to reading beside you!

John Germ

September

In the summer of 1917, only a few months after the United States entered the first world war, Rotary held its eighth annual convention in Atlanta. Although many Rotarians at the time thought the convention should be canceled, the Board of Directors ultimately agreed with Paul Harris that it should continue as planned. In the midst of such uncertainty and fear, Harris penned, as part of his convention greeting, some of the most-quoted words in Rotary:

Individual effort when well directed can accomplish much, but the greatest good must necessarily come from the combined efforts of many men. Individual effort may be turned to individual needs but combined effort should be dedicated to the service of mankind. The power of combined effort knows no limitation.



Fittingly, it was at this convention that then-President Arch C. Klumph proposed a Rotary endowment fund "for the purpose of doing good in the world." The power of combined effort was joined by a new power: that of combined resources. It was a combination that has proved unstoppable and has been behind so much of Rotary's work for the last 100 years. Today, it is difficult to imagine Rotary without its Foundation. It was the Foundation that turned Rotary from an organization of local clubs into an international force for good with the power to change the world.

In this Rotary year, we are marking the centennial of our Rotary Foundation in the city where it all began: Atlanta. Our 108th Rotary International Convention promises to be one of the most exciting yet, with inspiring speakers, great entertainment, and a wide array of breakout sessions to help you move your Rotary service forward. And of course, we'll be celebrating the Foundation's centennial in style.

Whether you're a regular convention goer, haven't been to one in a few years, or haven't yet attended your first, the 2017 convention will be the one you won't want to miss. Atlanta is a great destination in its own right, with great food, friendly people, and many local attractions to enjoy. But the real reason to come to the convention is always the convention itself, and the people, ideas, inspiration, and friendship you'll find there. To learn more, and save money on registration, visit www.riconvention.org. See you in Atlanta!

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

To Rotarians & Friends

Contribute to:

Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation

Organization Code: 77199

From September 1-30, 2016



In 2016, HRYF gave 48 scholarships totaling \$50,000 including 2 \$10,000 scholarships to high school seniors who will be attending colleges and universities: Oahu-\$120,000 to 24 students; Big Island-\$45,000 to 9 students; Kauai-\$30,000 to 5 students; and Maui/Lanai-\$55,000 for 10 students.

Show your Foodland Maka'i card to the cashier at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms and make your tax deductible donation to our organization up to a cumulative total of \$249 per person. Your donation will be added to your grocery purchase total and the name of our organization will appear on your receipt. Email a copy of your receipt to hryf@hawaii.rr.com for credit to your HRYF account.

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Visit
the
Kona Coffee
Living History
Farm
for

**Hands on
History!**

Join us for these hands on, traditional coffee farm activities every Wednesday & Friday at 11 a.m. Free with farm admission.

- 9/2 - Beans in the Skillet: Coffee Roasting at Home
- 9/7 - Home Grown Remedies: Kona's Traditions of Medicinal Gardening
- 9/9 - Art & Language: Learning Japanese with Calligraphy
- 9/14 - A Balanced Bento: Pickles as a Mainstay of the Japanese Table
- 9/16 - Beans in the Skillet: Coffee Roasting at Home
- 9/21 - Backyard Groceries: Sustainability in the Kitchen Garden
- 9/23 - Weaving Tools & Treasures: Lenzala on a Kona Coffee Farm
- 9/28 - Fresh Off the Press: Making Tofu in the Family Kitchen
- 9/30 - Beans in the Skillet: Coffee Roasting at Home

Kona Historical Society

Open M-F, 10am-2pm in Captain Cook
WWW.KONAHISTORICAL.ORG

Sponsored by the County of Hawai'i Research & Development Dept. and the Hawai'i Tourism Authority with support from West Hawai'i Today



Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise PRESENTS

SILENT AUCTION & DOOR PRIZES

TICKETS \$25.00 OR 4 FOR \$100.00

THE 1ST ANNUAL PIG N' SWIG

FEATURING A BACON COOK-OFF BY LOCAL CHEFS

Saturday, Oct. 22nd 5:00 - 9:00 pm

LOCAL ISLAND ENTERTAINMENT ONO GRINDZ, PUPUS AND DESSERT

Hale Halawai on Alii Drive

KONA BREWING CO. **Big Island food** **BMW of Hawaii Kailua-Kona** **HAGADONE HAWAII** **David K. Hiranaka, M.D., D.M.D.** **HAWAIIAN HOP**

Tickets available at:

- ▶ Queen K Tesoro
- ▶ Kailua Candy Co.
- ▶ Westside Wines
- ▶ or Call KC Mahoney 808-769-8148

All proceeds from this event will be used by the Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise to support scholarships in the Arts and Sciences, as well as support community and youth services in West Hawaii.

2016-17 Rotary International Foundation & D5000 Polio Champion Program Celebration Dinner

January 28, 2017

Pomokai Ballrooms,
Dole Cannery, Oahu
6:00 PM

Early Registration (Before 9/1/2016)

\$155 per person

For more details and to Register Today:

<http://D5000Champion.org>

What's Happening in Rotary This Month?

September

Basic Education & Literacy Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Bill Jones Birthday	2 Gary R. Birthday	3
4	5	6 Gary Michell Homelessness in Kona	7	8	9 Don & Sharon anniversary	10
11	12	13 Pat Pastor Elks Commander	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Laura Mallery- Sayre Sayre Foundation	21	22	23	24
25	26 Elly Birthday	27 DARK: See you at PRLS on Sat!	28	29	30	October 1: PRLS! WHCC @ 8:00am

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

September 27:

October 1:

October 21:

October 22:

DARK - Members encouraged to attend PRLS on Saturday PRLS

North Hawaii Rotary Oktoberfest

Kona Sunrise Rotary 'Pig and Swig' fundraiser

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
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