



# Rotary News *lava* FLOW

December 5, 2014

94 Years of Service

Reporter: "Biff"

The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo

**Richard Johnson** opened the meeting at 12:00 and noted that this club has been in existence since 1920.

**Alan Kusunoki** led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and was followed by a word or two of inspiration by **Russ Oda**.



**Richard** gave thanks to lava flow reporter **Newton Chu** and photographer **Bob Hanley**, as well as the Lava Flow Coordinator, **Tammy Silva**, and Lava Flow publisher, **Ed Hara**.

The greeters were **Nancy Cabral** and **Kathleen McGilvray**. The guest list was given by **Nancy Cabral** and included **Peter Kubota**, **Christine Makaieo** (who probably spells her name differently), **Rick Newkold** – a former member - and **Tina**



**Jimenez**.

**Tina** was introduced to the club by **Richard Johnson** and inducted as our newest member. Welcome, **Tina!**



**Alan Kusunoki** briefly spoke about the **Rotary Foundation** and gave a pitch for everyone to become a member of **ERAY** (Every Rotarian

Every Year). He also mentioned that a significant portion of our donations comes back to District 5000.

### Celebrations include:

**Birthdays** – **Kerry Glass** and **Rick Newkold**

**Wedding Anniversaries** – **Susan Munro** and **Kerry Glass** (29 years, together)

**Club Anniversaries** - **Russ Oda** 48 years in Rotary as of December 2



### Nominations for Club Officers and Directors for 2015-16:

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| President -                | <b>Wally Wong</b>                             |
| President-Elect -          | <b>Glenn Harris</b>                           |
| Immediate Past President - | <b>Richard Johnson</b>                        |
| Vice President -           | <b>Mitchell Dodo</b>                          |
| Secretary -                | <b>Susan Munro</b>                            |
| Treasurer -                | <b>Gail Takaki</b> and <b>John McVikar</b>    |
| Sergeant at Arms -         | <b>Kathleen McGilvray</b>                     |
| Membership -               | <b>Cindy Boots</b> and <b>Connie Kurohara</b> |
| Pubic Relations -          | <b>Alan Kusunoki</b>                          |
| Club Service -             | <b>Tom Brown</b>                              |
| International Service -    | <b>Stew Hussey</b> and <b>Jenny Johnson</b>   |
| Community Service -        | <b>Misti Tyrin</b>                            |
| Youth Service -            | <b>Tammy Silva</b>                            |
| Vocational Service -       | <b>Biff Kennedy</b>                           |

Nominations from the floor are open until the election. The election will be held at the December 12th meeting.

### Announcements:

+November is **Family Month**: Bring your family members to Rotary. We have 70 members. Our goal for the year is 77. It's everyone's job.

+Beginning in January, each member who does not buy a meal will pay a \$5 use fee to the hotel and may order coffee or iced tea.

+**Natalie Flynn** of Rotary Club of Waianae Coast was selected as the District Governor for 2017-18

+The "early bird" reduced fee for the District Conference expires on Dec. 31

+The Merrie Monarch parade will be on April 11, and East Hawaii Rotary clubs will march again.

+**Glenn Harris** read aloud a book that has been given to 288 kindergarten children in this area and encouraged Rotarians to read the book aloud to kindergarten kids at local schools.



Birthdays:

Kui Costa December 12  
Eddie Hara December 24  
Gay Porter December 31

Club Anniversary:

Russ Oda December 2, 1966 (48)  
Jim Cheney December 8, 1988 (26)  
Steve Handy December 19, 2003 (11)

Wedding Anniversary:

Russ & Aki Oda Dec. 14 (62)  
Ron & Glynnis Dolan Dec. 22 (41)  
Wally & Malia Wong Dec. 22 (21)  
Robert Fox & Nina Buchanan Dec. 27 (6)

Announcements:

Fri. December 12 -Ms Springer Kaye  
Invasive species affecting Hawaii  
Fri. December 19 - Cindy Boots  
Holiday Cheer!!  
Fri. December 26 - No Meeting  
Fri. January 2 - No Meeting  
Fri. January 9 - Kaohinani Miyashiro  
Hope Services Hawaii  
Fri. January 16 - Club Administrative Day

President ..... Richard Johnson  
President Elect ..... Wally Wong  
Immediate Past President ..... Kerry Glass  
Vice President ..... Mitchell Dodo  
Secretary ..... Susan Munro  
Treasurer ..... Corey Kawamoto  
Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Cindy Boots  
Membership ..... Christina Dhillon  
Public Relations ..... Alberta Dobbe  
Rotary Foundations ..... Alan Kusunoki  
Club Service ..... Tom Brown  
International Service ..... Jenny Johnson  
Community Service ..... Misti Tyrin  
Youth Service ..... Glenn Harris  
Vocational Service ..... Biff Kennedy

Happy Dollars

**Marcia Prose** described some of the programs being put on at the Palace Theatre and told that the Palace Theatre has been in business for 90 years.



**Mike Robinson** and **Joe Hanley** both made significant remarks.



**Rick Newkold**, **Nancy Cabral**, and **Corey Kawamoto** made contributions to the **Rotary Foundation**.



**Bob Fox** thanked people who had helped him store household articles when his own home was threatened by lava flow.



THE SPEAKER was **Peter Kubota**, talking about trails being developed on the Hilo Bay Front.



Their mission statement is: *"The Mission of Hilo Bayfront Trails, Inc. is to promote construction of a multi-use trail around the Bayfront area, for the enjoyment of scenic and historic resources and to promote the health and well-being of its people and visitors, now and into the future."*

**Peter Kubota** showed a map and discussed the details as well as emphasizing the real funding possibilities that are available. The project will benefit many of the business people in Hilo as well as those of us who like to walk along the beautiful seashore in Hilo. It was an interesting talk and was followed by a brief discussion led by **Christine Makaireo**.

