

February 7, 2014

94 Years of Service

Reporter: bigal5



With the ringing of the bell the regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Hilo was called to order by President Kerry Glass. He welcomed members,

many wearing red to focus on Women's Heart Health, and then following club-meeting procedures

called upon Treena Breyfogle to lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the USA.

Glen Harris, a busy man with many things on his mind forgot that he had agreed to give the inspirational address but being a man ready for anything spoke about his personal goals. He said in his day-to-day dealings with others he makes a special effort to add value to his

experience. His wish for the day was, when those



present leave the meeting and meet with others members should think about what we could do to add value to the experience.

Prez Kerry thanked greeters Connie Kurohara and Mitch Dodo. Mitch announced that there we no



visitors from other clubs so went on to having member Helene Tajiri introduce her guest, Lara Gomez and member Rand Mundo introduced his guests, UHH students Andrew,



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Serena, and Tiana (last names were not provided). Jean Sugiyama and Bob Hanley were thanked for being the Lava Flow reporter and photographer, respectively.

On to the Review of Events:

February Read-a-Loud: Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus. Readers made comment on the selection of that book, whence Glen



Harris with great enthusiasm and emotion gave an abbreviated reading of the book and challenged reader to do the same.

Feb. 8: Rotary Rice Rally, (9am-2pm)

Feb. 15: Interact Club Garage sale. (7am-

12noon) Yoko announced that members could bring items for the sale to the next meeting or to her home and leave it in the garage. She also circulated a sign up sheet for help on Friday afternoon (to mark prices) and Saturday Morning (to help with the sale).



Feb. 15 & 16: Panaewa Rodeo (Noon on Sat. & 11:00am on Sun.) Nancy Cabral encouraged all to attend, take part in the Bull Event, (could win \$500) and gave out one ticket to each person present



encouraging all to bring a friend.

Feb. 28 – Mar. 2: RYLA Camp, KMC. Gail Takaki asked for help to provide transportation to the event and back. Leave Hilo, 3:30 pm Fri. and return to Hilo from KMC on Sun. 2:00pm.

Mar. 15: Hilo Heart Walk. Wally Wong encouraged participation;



funds will go to education and research. Heart attacks are a silent killer of women. The walk will also remind women to exercise. Wally is already circulating a sign up sheet for the event.

Mar. 15: East Hawaii District Assembly. Richard hoped that all



members of the new Board would attend. He said that the Assembly would be exciting and have a thrill a minute, and FREE food. (Wally then added that the Heart Walk will also have free food, and it will be Healthy food.)

Apr. 24-26: Aussie RFE visit. All Clubs Steak Fry social.

Apr. 26: Merri Monarch Parade. All clubs will participate, Connie Kurohara is having the Tee Shirts made and they will cost \$10.00. May 2-4: District Conference - Turtle Bay. Prez Kerry said that it would be nice to have members of our club attend the Conference. Fiji Literacy Project Report: \$646 from the jars and \$854 from the Hilo Rotary Club Foundation brings the total for the program to \$1500. Steve Hanley thanked the members and said that the funds will be used to buy books for the school in Fiji.

No Birthdays this last week,

Wedding Anniversary: Feb. 4, Biff and Anna Kennedy (48 yrs.); Feb. 6, Alberta Dobbe (60 yrs),

Club Anniversaries: Toshi Aoki, Feb. 1, 2002 (12 yrs) and Chuck Porter, Feb. 4, 1994 (20 yrs.). Congratulations to all. The meeting continued with *Happy Dollar Time*:

To begin this period John McVickar announced that he would



give \$200 for the Read-a-Loud Program if he had a match. Not able to match the \$200, Alberta Dobbe gave \$60 in remembrance of her wedding date 60 years ago. Nancy Cabral then matched Alberta's \$60, because Alberta was one of her best tenants over the

years, and then the following eruption of generosity took place: Bobby Stivers- Apiki \$50, Mitch Dodo \$200, Newton Chu, \$200 happy because his son was accepted for a PHD program in astronomy, Helene Tajiri \$100, Mike Robinson \$130, Mitchell Roth \$50 and Naomi Menor \$100, Connie Kurohara \$100, all together raising \$1,250 for the Read-a-Loud Program. The program is now only \$800 short for funding for this year and next year. Glen Harris was mighty happy.

Helen Hemmes February 8 James Yagi February 18 Lorraine Shin February 20 Wayne Atebara February23 Naomi Menor February 23 Jim Cheney February 28

Club Anniversary:

Toshi Aoki February 1, 2001 (12) Chuck Porter February 4, 1994 (20) Bobby Stivers-Apiki February 9, 2007 (7) Helen Hemmes February 13, 1988 (26) Dirk Yoshina February 14, 1992 (22) Robert Fox February 24, 1984 (30) Eddie Hara February 27, 1987 (27)

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Biff & Anna Kennedy February 4 Lorraine & Vernon Inouye February 21

Announcements:

- -Fri. Feb. 14 Kerry Pitcher Yukio Okutsu Veterans Home Sat. Feb. 15 - Interact Garage Sale -Fri. Feb. 21 - Brenda Ho Hopice of Hilo
- -Fri. Feb. 28 Anna Marie Dietrichson "Deep and Beyond"

President	
President Elect	Richard Johnson
Immediate Past President	Alan Kusunoki
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Club Administration	Tom Brown
Service Projects	Mitchell Dodo
Rotary Foundations	Alan Kusunoki
Club Service	Tim Beatty
International Service	Jenny Johnson
Community Service	Wallace Wong
Youth Service	Glenn Harris
Vocational Service	Bobby Stivers-Apik
Hilo Rotary Club Foundation	John McVickar
Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation	Mitchell Dodo
The Rotary Foundation	Alan Kusunoki
Attendance	Judy Gibson
Greeters	Helene Tajiri
Programs	
Lava Flow Editor	Tammy Silva

Rand Mundo was then given the floor to

introduce Andrew Yoshimoto, member of the Rotaract Club at UHH. As a service project the Rotaract Club is supporting "Break Thru

Adventures". Andrew introduced Tiana and Serena who then

> talked about the Break Thru Adventures

> program. It is an

organization that sends

students to Kauai, Maui, Lanai, and Molokai

where they work with the residents doing

restoration and conservation projects. The

students explained how thru their work they gain

respect, appreciation, and knowledge about the Hawaiian Culture by doing hands on projects. One

of the problems they address is the guava plant, an invasive species. The guava drops to the

ground, the boars hunt for guava and tear up the

ground around the guava trees. Both students describe the program in one word, AWESOME. lan Hatch, Brewfest 2014 Chair, and



Mike Robinson was called upon to lead members in the 4 Way Test. The meeting was then adjourned with the ringing of the bell.





ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES



Committee Chairs presented the plans for the 2014 Hilo

Club Rotary Brewfest. The committee has been hard at work and most of the decisions have been made. The proceeds will be distributed as follows: 30% for the Hilo Medical Foundation, 30% for the Friends of the Children's Justice Center and 40% for the Hilo Rotary Club Foundation. The date has been set, June 14, and

the entrance fee, \$80 for VIP Early Admission, \$50, Regular Admission. Corporations will be asked to be sponsors at different levels. All members were asked take part in this project and forms were distributed where members could request where they would prefer to be assigned. There are many positions available so each member can do what they can to participate. There was some questions asked of the committee, and ticket sales were discussed. lan said more information on the distribution of tickets would be forthcoming. The presentation gave the members information on the progress of our big fundraiser. We owe a big Mahalo to the Committee members for all the time and effort they put into planning this event, now let's all do our part.

Photos by **Bob Hanley**