



The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo



Another great "Aloha Friday" Rotary Meeting started off with hearty welcomes and big smiles at the door from greeters **Russ Oda** and **Kui Costa**.

President **Richard Johnson** gonged the gong on the second meeting of his presidency and asked **Jim Cheney** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.



Kui Costa stepped forward with words of inspiration and a "behind-the-scenes" story of why she was there. Earlier in the week, **Mitch Dodo** saw that **Kui** was a scheduled greeter. He called and forewarned her that he was also going to call on her to give the words of inspiration. But **Mitch** told her not to worry because he would have a book of quotes for her. Being the industrious lady that she is, **Kui**, instead, went to the handy dandy internet and found a wealth of inspirational quotes which she shared:

"I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work."

Thomas A. Edison

"A successful man is one who can lay a firm foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him." **David Brinkley**

"Here's to the crazy ones. The misfits. The rebels. The troublemakers. The round pegs in the square holes. The ones who see things differently. They're not fond of rules. And they have no respect for the status quo. You can quote them, disagree with them, glorify or vilify them. About the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things. They push the human race forward. And while some may see them as crazy ones, we see genius. Because the people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do." **Steve Jobs**

"Really it comes down to your philosophy. Do you want to play it safe and be good or do you want to take a chance and be great?" **Jimmy J**

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever." **Mahatma Gandhi**

"Don't let the fear of losing be greater than the excitement of winning." **Robert Kiyosaki**

Kui then introduced guests attending the meeting: Visiting Rotarians included **Phoebe Lambeth**, South Hilo; **Paul Field** and **Lindsay Barclay**, Volcano; **Louise Ponciana** and **Deborah Nichols**, Pahoa Sunset. Guests of Rotarians included **Eric Cohen**, guest of **Richard Johnson**; **Tom Nelson**, guest speaker and guest of **Cindy Boots**; **Marcia Prose**, guest of **Nancy Cabral**.

President **Richard** thanked **Newton "The Don" Chu** and **Mitchell "The Mort" Dodo** for being our ace reporter and photographer for the July 11th Lava Flow.

Mark Your Calendars for These Upcoming Events!

August 1st..... Club Assembly

August 16th.....No Meeting due to Hawaii Statehood Day

September 1 (Labor Day).... Lobsterfest Fundraiser in Volcano (Volcano RC)

October 3.....Oktoberfest at Sangha Hall, Tickets \$45 (Hilo Bay RC)

October 13..... Club Board Meeting, 5:00-6:30pm at Hilo Rice Noodle Restaurant

Recognition of Members in the News, Birthdays & Anniversaries!

President **Richard** recognized **Jimmy Yagi** for providing Summer Hoops Camp for kids for 37 years running! And still going!

Birthdays: **Jim Kennedy**,.... July 17

Wedding Anniversaries:

Stew & Alessandra Hussey....July 12...28 years

Randy & Lydia Hart.....July 17....21 years

Club Anniversaries:

Connie Kurohara.....July 12..... 1 year

Jean Sugiyama.....July 12..... 1 year

Lorraine Shin.....July 17..... 5 years

Announcements!

- Dues were due July 1st
- Bring your family members into Rotary
- Hilo Rice Noodle Restaurant – a good friend of our club
- International Service Committee meets July 18th following the meeting
- PRISM: PISCES Robotic International Space Mining contest...
Public exhibition At Hilo Bayfront Park, 10am-2pm, Mon., 7/14
- Untrainable?? Prove **PP Kerry** wrong. Learn the Happy Clap!
President **Richard** proceeded to lead us all in learning the Happy Clap. Give yourselves a hand!

Happy Dollars!

Randy Hart was \$30 happy in honor of his wedding anniversary; **Jeanne Sugiyama** celebrated her first year club anniversary with a \$50 donation to Rotary International; **Connie Kurohara** celebrated her first year club anniversary with a \$20 donation to the general fund; **Paul Field** was \$5 happy to promote the Volcano Club's Lobsterfest on Sept. 1st from 11am-3pm (serving 11a-1p). \$50 per ticket will get you a lobster tail and all the shrimp you can eat plus beer, wine and desserts. \$30 per ticket if you just want shrimp; **Ron Dolan** was \$5 happy to the **Hilo Rotary Foundation**;

Birthdays:

Lisa Rantz July 3
Jim Kennedy July 17
Gene Tao July 20
Cowboy Kaneshiro July 24
Mitch Roth July 28
Treena Breyfogle July 30
Susan Munro July 30

Club Anniversary:

Alberta Dobbe July 11, 2008 (6)
Connie Kurohara July 12, 2013 (1)
Jean Sugiyama July 12, 2013 (1)
Lorraine Shin July 17, 2009 (5)
Mitch Roth July 19, 2013 (1)
Christina Dhillon July 23, 2010 (4)
Misti Tyrin July 23, 2010 (4)
Jim Kennedy July 23, 2008 (16)
Lisa Rantz July 26, 2013 (1)
Sally O'Brien July 27, 2010 (2)

Wedding Anniversary:

Eddie & Portia Hara July 1 (36)
Stew & Alessandra Hussey July 12 (28)
Randy & Lydia Hart July 17 (21)
Tom & Delia Brown July 29 (33)

Announcements:

Fri. July 25 - Jennifer Ah Chong
Family Programs Hawaii
Fri. August 1 - Club Assembly
Fri. August 8 - Laura Steelquist
District 5000 Governor

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

Newton Chu apologized for his oversight in not including **Chris Tamm** in last week's Lava Flow under 'Happy Dollars'. **Newt** was happy to give \$10 in order to include the following: "**Chris 'not Barbara' Tamm** was happy and sad. Sad that his wife, **Barbara**, had a stroke, but happy that it occurred in Ohio and not in Hilo. She received prompt and effective medical attention and is doing much better now. Also, **Bob 'not Redd' Fox** was happy that he was defecting to Russia and may not



return;" **Tammy Silva** was happy for her team of Lava Flow reporters and photographers to the tune of \$20 to **RYLA**; guest **Louise Ponciano** was \$3 happy to be at the meeting and **Deborah Nichols** was \$4 happy to be in a room full of service-minded individuals.

President Richard thanked all of those who braved the rain and came out to help with the aid station at the first annual Hilo Triathlon! What's a little rain! It's Hilo!

Cindy Boots introduced our guest speaker, **Tom Nelson**, President of Kamali'i Flowers, Inc., dba PKF Document Shredding Services, dba Employment Network Hawaii. **Tom** and his wife, **Vicki**, have been married for 30 years and have seven children and 12 grandchildren. One of their children is 35 years old and has developmental disabilities.



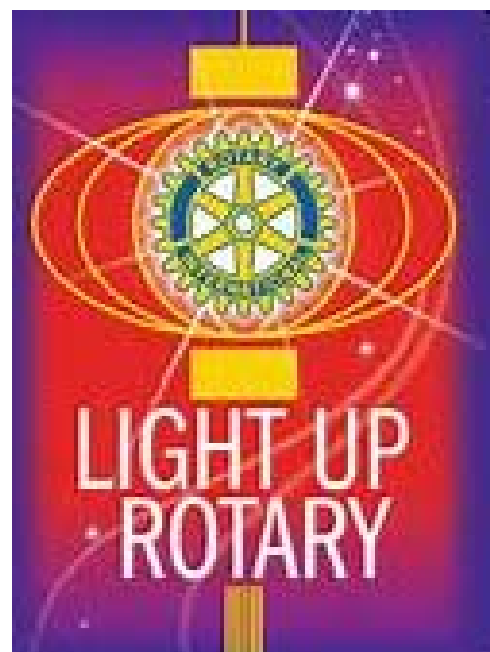
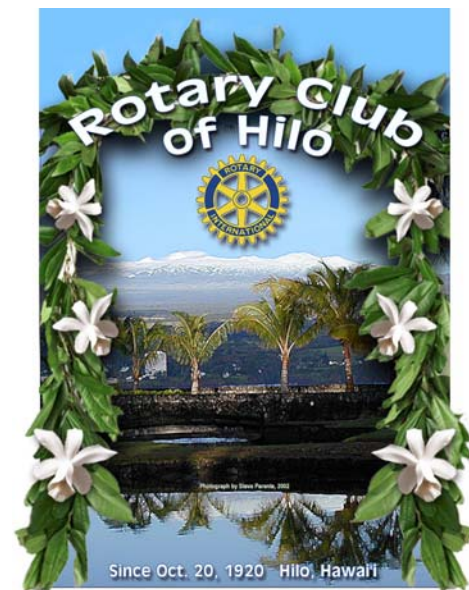
Tom gave an insightful and inspiring talk on how he and his wife's business, PKF Document Shredding Service, has employed individuals with disabilities for 16 years. They provide vocational training and employment empowerment for persons with developmental disabilities, enabling them to buy their own products and find hope through financial independence. Clients who employ Document Shredding Service are making it possible for individuals with developmental disabilities to work, earn a living and build self-esteem and self-empowerment. Puna Kamali'i Flowers, Inc. shreds newsprint for the flower shipping industry. They also grow, cut, pack and ship flowers to all 50 states. PKF Document Shredding Service shreds confidential documents on industrial shredders for off-island recycling. Employment Network Hawaii finds jobs for persons with disabilities and works with Social Security to assist them in benefits planning.

Tom is currently hosting a group of physically and mentally disabled individuals from Fukushima, Japan for 30 days. The Japanese are interested in learning how he has accomplished what he has by employing disabled individuals and helping them to be more independent and empowered.



Tom received an enthusiastic round of applause following his presentation and many requests for his business card.

President Richard asked **Joe Hanley** to lead us in the **4-Way Test** and then the meeting was adjourned.



Photos by **Jim Cheney**