



Rotary News

# Lava FLOW

May 16, 2014

94 Years of Service

Reporter: the "Don"

The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo

It was an absolutely beautiful hot and sunny day in Hawaii. As they have done for 94 years, Hilo Rotarians gathered together for fellowship in the bustling port city of Hilo.

Greeted with a smile, warm handshake and hug by Greeters **Tim "Not Warren" Beatty** and **Lorraine "Not Shin" Inouye**, the Hilo Rotarians happily accepted their badges and prepared to enjoy the feast prepared by the chefs of the Hilo Hawaiian Hotel.



President **Kerry "Not Munro" Glass** was ready for the task and called on **Tim "Not Warren" Beatty** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Past President **Mitchell "Not Extinct Yet" Dodo** gave us the inspirational moment by reciting the words of *Mary Kay Ash*, "**Listen long enough and the person will generally come up with an adequate solution**" *Mary Kay Ash* is the author of his favorite book "**You Can Have It All**" which he keeps stashed under his mattress, and she also is the founder of his favorite line of cosmetics.



Then he ordered us to sit down and pay attention.

President **Kerry "Not Munro" Glass** then called up



Greeter **Lorraine "Not Shin" Inouye** to introduce our guests. Visiting us from the Rotary Club of South Hilo, **Keith "Not Sally" Marrack**. We were also honored by the presence of our Rotary scholarship recipient **Lindsey Yamane** and her mother **Roxanne Trone**. Hailing all the way from Michigan was former member **Stan "no longer da Head Man" Fortuna**. Also visiting was **Nancy "Not Shy" Cabral's** sister **Patti "not Night" Day**.

As always **Da Prez** thanked last weeks Lava Flow reporter **Biff "Not Jim" Kennedy** and photographer **Ian "Not Bernie" Hatch**. **Prez** then reminded us of upcoming events, such as this Saturday's painting projects at Salvation "not Navy" Army and the YW "Not M" CA. Of course, if you have tickets or are volunteering, how could you forget the upcoming sold out Hilo "not Kona" Brewfest on June 14! And looking even further ahead, don't forget to sign up to

attend the President elect **Richard "not Jenny" Johnson's** inauguration on June 26 at Wailoa Pavillion.

Wow, a lot to look forward to, that's how you Engage Rotary! Thanks for the reminders **Prez!**

**Yoko "not Ono" Hayano** then reminded us of some Interact event and then **da Prez** burst into the political arena by endorsing our 2 candidates, **Lorraine "not Inouye" Shin** and **Lorraine "not Shin" Inouye** who are running for 2 different political positions under the same first name. So just remember, vote **Lorraine** for something! **Prez** then recognized President Elect **Richard "not Jenny" Johnson** on his "not 69th" birthday, and we all stood up and joined in a rousing chorus of Happy Birthday to **Richard "not Jenny" Johnson**. He then gave a truckload of dollars for all his good fortune. Thanks President-elect **Johnson**, we look forward to your year!

**Glenn "not Paul" Harris** then gave a few happy dollars for an hour's worth of plugs for our fantastic "Read aloud" to kindergarten students program at our neighboring elementary schools. He gave statistics like, by Rotarians giving six 20 minute read aloud sessions for 400 students, it equates to 48,000 instructional read aloud minutes, or nearly 3 million seconds of quality time in early childhood education...which could change the world, or stop global warming, and end nuclear war. I lost him after about 20 minutes, but you get the picture. That is how you Engage Rotary! Volunteer to Read Aloud to kids!

**Biff "not Jim" Kennedy** gave happy dollars for the mysterious **Ed "not Glenn" Hara** for how he mysteriously puts together these fantastic Lava Flows even though he hasn't been seen lately! But we know you're out there **Ed**, NICE JOB! **Nancy "not shy" Cabral** was happy that she visited a Rodeo in California where they had a Rotary competition called the Royal Flush where Rotarians compete to build the most effective toilets for horse manure. She convinced us that our **Prez** would surely win such a competition, to which our **Prez** responded "No Sh\*\*" or some BS like that. **Yoko "not Ono" Hayano** gave happy dollars for all the great Interact students at Waiakea High School that are graduating and doing so well that they won all the academic prizes at the recent Awards night. **Stew "not brief" Hussey** gave happy dollars for seeing the return of Rotarian **Stan "no longer da Head Man" Fortuna** to our shores.

Birthdays:

Steve Handy May 2  
 Stew Hussey May 2  
 Connie Kurohara May 5  
 Richard Johnson May 16  
 Theresa English May 21  
 Ian Birnie May 28

Club Anniversary:

Kerry Glass May 1 (5)  
 Susan Munro May 1 (5)  
 Mike Robinson May 21 (21)

Wedding Anniversary:

Toshi & Kahori Aoki May 1 (31)  
 Nancy & Al Cabral May 1 (25)  
 Gerard & Kathleen Carter May 1 (30)  
 Steve & Shari Handy May 3 (16)  
 Tammy & Kala Silva May 17 (20)  
 Tom & Lois Olcott May 22 (49)  
 Joe & Diana Hanley May 26 (30)  
 John & Anja McVikcar May 29 (39)

Announcements:

Fri. May 23 - Chris Tamm  
 South African Update  
 Fri. May 30 - Tom Nelson  
 Document Shredding  
 Fri. June 6 - Dr. Donald Straney  
 Chancellor of UH Hilo  
 Fri. June 20 - Kerry Glass  
 Year in Review

President ..... Kerry Glass  
 President Elect ..... Richard Johnson  
 Immediate Past President ..... Alan Kusunoki  
 Vice President ..... Alberta Dobbe  
 Secretary ..... Susan Munro  
 Treasurer ..... Corey Kawamoto  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... Cindy Boots  
 Membership ..... Nancy Cabral  
 Public Relations ..... Robert Hanley  
 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-Apiki  
 Hilo Rotary Club Foundation ..... John McVikcar  
 Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation ..... Mitchell Dodo  
 The Rotary Foundation ..... Alan Kusunoki  
 Attendance ..... Judy Gibson  
 Greeters ..... Helene Tajiri  
 Programs ..... Treena Breyfogle  
 Lava Flow Editor ..... Tammy Silva

Stan responded by saying he was so grateful for his 11 years in Hilo, Rotary and Kamehameha “not Punahou” School. Nancy “not shy” Cabral was also happy to see Stan. Richard “not Jenny” Johnson was happy that he still had 5 meetings to go before he takes the helm.

Mitchell “not Extinct” Dodo then took the stage to introduce our Hawaii Rotary Youth Scholarship winner, Lindsey Yamane. A senior at Waiakea “not Hilo” High School, Lindsey will receive a \$5,000 scholarship to attend Azusa Pacific University to study Music Composition. She is the current president of the Interact Club and gave a great acceptance speech. I would be remiss to not point out that Mitchell called out his classmates Corey “not Sparky” Kawamoto and Kui “not Rico” Costa, and Tim “not Warren” Beatty to see if they had GPAs to match Lindsey’s 4.0. Uh, I don’t think so. Congrats Lindsey!



Can you believe that there was still time to listen to our speaker, Steve “not very” Handy Jr.? Handy man give us a slide show summary of the Rotary Club’s project of delivering nearly 150 tons(?) or volumes of books to a village school in Fiji, nearly 3100 miles away. He was ably assisted by Corey “not Sparky” Kawamoto and Cowboy



“not Wayne” Kaneshiro in the delivery. Handyman’s project was indeed epic as the



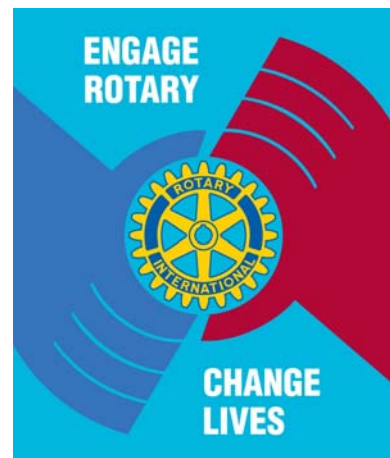
kids need many things, including books, and the club was proud of the way the team handled the delivery and represented us in Fiji. We all look forward to our next project to help Fiji, Thanks guys!

Alan “not Kazunoko” Kusunoki then came up and gave Bobby “Badge #1” Fujimoto his Paul Harris Fellow plus 8 pin. Bobby was so impressed by the



work of Steve, Corey and Cowboy in Fiji, that he gave them enough points so that they each received another Paul Harris Fellow pin. Wow, Engage Rotary!

Remember next week it is Chris “not Barbara” Tamm speaking on his trip to South Africa. With that, Jim “not Dick” Cheney led us in the 4 way test of the things we think say and do. And with that, da Prez banged the gong, and we were outta there in no time and that’s a fact Jack. See you next week!



Photos by Stew Hussey