



May 2, 2014

94 Years of Service

Reporter: Tammy

### Meeting Start:

A big Mahalo to greeters - **Tammy H. Silva & Mike**



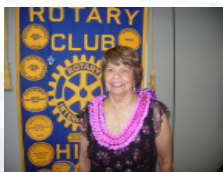
**Robinson**, & a warm welcome to a fellow Rotarian - **Jeanne Snow** -who was visiting from from Traverse City, Michigan. According to **Jeanne**, she belongs to a small Rotary Club. They recently held a variety show that

yielded \$70,000 in revenue. They also sponsor game dinners & a barbecue at a local community college. In fact, on 5/18/14, she'll be flipping burgers at the community college. Her Rotary Club is striving to get more women members. At the morning Rotary Club that she visited she saw the website for wheelchairs for polio victims as well as the sand filters for water. Thank you, **Jeanne**, for engaging in service above self.

### Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was honorably led by our one & only **Lorraine Inouye**. Thank you **Lorraine**.

Great appreciation goes out to last week Friday's (5/2/14) Lava Flow reporter - **Jeanine Atebara** & photographer - **Mitch Dodo**. Your contributions are truly valued.



This week, **Alberta Dobbe** stood in for our beloved President - **Kerry Glass** since **Kerry & Susan** was out of town at the convention.

### Inspiration:

The weekly words of wisdom & inspiration was cleverly communicated to all in attendance by none other than **Jim Kennedy**.



**Jim** inspired his fellow Rotarians into "Being an Agent of Change" by sharing the following quotes ~

"You don't need to change the world; you need to change yourself" ~ Miguel Ruiz

"If you can't get a miracle, become one" ~ Nick Vujjic

"How wonderful is it that...nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world" ~ Anne Frank (teenager caught up in the Holocaust)

"Build your own dreams, or someone else will hire you to build theirs" ~ Farrah Gray

**Jim** went on to motivate his fellow Rotarians to "JUST DO IT"...

"People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing. That's why we recommend it daily" ~ Zig Ziglar

"A person who never made a mistake, never tried anything new. I have no special talents. I am only passionately curious. Genius is 10% inspiration, & 90% perspiration" ~ Albert Einstein

"Everything you've ever wanted is on the other side of fear"

~ George Addair

"You can never cross the ocean UNTIL you have the courage to lose sight of the shore" ~ Christopher Columbus

"Courage is not about being fearless... Courage is all about being fearful, & doing the right thing anyway" ~ Jim Kennedy

**Jim** also provided attendees with advice for "Raising Kids"...

"How true Daddy's words were when he said...'All children must look after their own upbringing. Parents can only give good advice or put them on the right paths, but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands" ~ Anne Frank

"It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings" ~ Ann Landers

"If you want your children to turn out well, spend twice as much time with them, & half as much money" ~ Abigail Van Buren

"A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty" ~ Unknown

In conclusion, **Jim** left the increasingly knowledgeable group with great quotes concerning "Life"...

"Life is neither good or evil, but only a place for good & evil" ~ Marcus Aurelius

"The two most important days in your life are... the day you were born & the day you find out why" ~ Mark Twain

"We don't have to be defined by the things we did or didn't do in our past. Some people allow themselves to be controlled by regret. Maybe it's a regret, maybe it's not. It's merely something that happened. GET OVER IT" ~ Pittacus Lore

## 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 McVikar May 29 (39)

## Announcements:

Fri. May 9 - Robin Benedict  
Friends of the Children's Justice Center  
Sunday May 11 - Happy Mother's Day!!  
Fri. May 16 - Steve Handy  
Fiji Literacy Project  
Sun. May 18 - Interact Year End Luncheon  
& Celebration at KMC  
Fri. May 23 - Chris Tamm  
South African Update  
Fri. May 30 - Tom Nelson  
Document Shredding

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 McVikar
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

"When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down 'HAPPY'. They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life" ~ John Lennon

"When one door of happiness closes, another opens, but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us" ~ Helen Keller

"You can make a life out of what you have, not what you're missing" ~ Kate Morton  
"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away" ~ Maya Angelou

### Words from Alberta Dobbe:

As president in 1999 - 2000, she (**Alberta**) prefers to provide meeting attendees with information of upcoming events to look forward to...

\*May 4 (Sunday): RC South Hilo - "Hilo Huli"

\*May 6 (Tuesday): RC South Hilo - Ceremonial Tree Planting with **Past RI President Tananka** at 10:30a at Happiness Park next to Suisan & Hilo Bay Cafe

\*June 14 (Saturday): 2nd Annual Hilo Brewfest

**Alberta** also shared the many special days throughout the month of May that may be researched online.

### Announcements:

Announcement from **Glenn Harris** regarding Read Alouds..."Thank you for the reads, pics, & feedback forms. All the teachers are asking for MORE, MORE, MORE"



**Glenn** provided all readers with the last Read Aloud book for this year. Way to go **Glenn**. This is an awesome Rotary project!

**Tammy H. Silva** chimed in & highlighted that the students enjoyed the good reads, & they, too, were asking for more books to be read to them as well. What a terrific way to touch the lives of our future leaders within our local community.

### Happy Dollars:

### Birthday, Anniversaries, & Club Join Dates:

#### Birthdays ~

**Sally O'Brien** - 4/14

**Jenny Johnson** - 4/15... Jenny was not present; she, too, attended the convention

**Bob Hanley** - 4/16

**Joe Hanley** - 4/26

**Ted Dixon** - 4/28

**Alberta Dobbe** - 4/29

**Steve Handy** - 5/2

**Stew Hussey** - 5/2

#### Anniversaries ~

**Toshi & Kahori Aoki** - 5/1/1983 (31 years)

**Nancy & Al Cabral** - 5/1/1989 (25 years)

#### Club Anniversaries ~

**Biff Kennedy** - 4/12/13 (1 year in our club & 27 years as a Rotarian... Since 10/1/1986)

**Gay Porter** - 4/12/1991 (23 years)

**Susan Munro** - 5/1/2009 (5 years)

**Kerry Glass** - 5/1/2009 (5 years)

#### Happy Dollars~

**Sally O'Brien** celebrated her birthday with



**\$20** & was very grateful to talk to her grandsons for her birthday. Happy belated birthday **Sally**... "That-that-that-that-that-that girl (**Sally**)" ~ Lyrics by 2 Live Crew

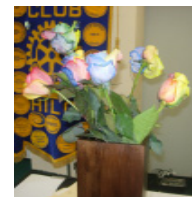
**Alberta Dobbe** recently celebrated her birthday, & she announced that she's paid up with her club dues. **Alberta** contributed **\$80** to the **Rotary Foundation** because she was 80 years old.

**Steve Handy** celebrated his birthday today along with **Stew Hussey**; however, **Stew** was not present at the meeting.

According to **Alberta**, we haven't sang any happy birthday songs in a while; therefore, it was fitting to sing to **Steve**. Happy Birthday **Steve**!!! Per **Steve**, "I'm happy that I made it this far." **Steve** put some happy dollars in the jar. We are blessed to have you in our lives, **Steve**.

Someone from the crowd asked... "Where's the party???" Wowweee... We Rotarians sure can rage the cage!

**Alberta** announced that a wonderful lady gave her roses to bestow as gifts to birthday celebrants.



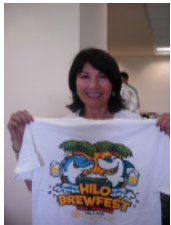
Photos by **Helen Hemmes**

**Toshi** celebrated his anniversary with **Kaori** (31 years of marriage) with \$31 happy dollars. That's money well donated **Toshi**.

**Nancy & Al Cabral**... Oops... According to **Nancy**, "I know it's a miracle silver 25-years yesterday; \$250 to our club foundation." Thank you **Nancy**.

**Biff Kennedy** honored his many years as a Rotarian. April 12, 2014 marked his 1-year anniversary in our club. "1 year here & a whole lot in South Carolina. We had the 1st woman in the state for that," said **Biff**. That's awesome **Biff**... Equality for women!

**Gay Porter** has been a Rotarian for 23 years on April 12. **Corey** falsely told **Alberta** that **Gay** had not paid her dues. However, **Gay** argued the point that she had pre-paid...lol... Good one **Corey** :)



**Gay** recognized that **Alberta Dobbe** & **Jeanine Atebara** was sworn into Rotary with her, & now she's on death row. With this said, **Gay** donated \$300 happy dollars.

**Alberta** went on to identify that **Jeanine** was the 1st female club president, **Alberta** 2nd, **Gay**, & **Helen Hemmes**. Go girls!!!

Some intelligent individual pointed out that there has not been enough female presidents in our club... These are some of the "things that make you go hmmm!" ~ Lyrics by C+C Music Factory

**Chris Tamm** was fortunate enough to have survived his African Safari & rugby trip... He coughed up \$20 happy dollars after that treacherous trip ;)

**Mike Robinson** was happy for **Yoko** planting trees; the causal factor for **Yoko's** husband to miss the soccer game. His (**Yoko's** husband) absence caused **Mike** & his soccer team to be able to beat **Yoko's** husband's soccer team because her husband was not there to defend against **Mike**. **Mike** also vocalized that he can now hear everything with his new hearing aids. Huh??? What did you say, **Mike**?

**Bobby Stivers-Apiki** was \$10 happy for the Rotary Read Aloud readers & park clean up.

**Biff** donated \$20 happy dollars for his 1-year club anniversary.

**Sally** verbalized that this was a teaching moment. On 4/16/14, she just came back from reading to children & wearing her Mother Goose costume... She was not in the moment as she loaded her trunk full of groceries & closed the trunk with her handbag & keys in it. At that very moment, she could hear... "This is a test & will you stay peaceful." It is because of this challenge that she is grateful to **Bob Fox**, **Theresa English**, & her neighbor who offered to take her home & give her more money for food. Nevertheless, the owner of All State Insurance picked her up & transported her to the location of her spare key. **Bob Fox**... "Superman"... had nothing to say. You are a hero **Bob**.

**Yoko** planted trees & has \$20 happy dollars. She's happy to work with the Waiakea Interact Club. **Yoko** also announced upcoming events... Please see or refer to **Yoko** for more information regarding:

- \*5/3 - Hospice of Hilo Celebration of Life
  - \*5/10 - UH Visitor Center Mauna Kea excursion - drivers needed
  - \*5/18 Interact Club end of the year luncheon - transportation needed & monies for sponsorship.
- Nancy Cabral** stepped up & donated \$50 to Waiakea High School Interact Club.

Despite losing her voice, **Nancy** recognized that she was still able to talk... What a blessing... **Nancy** was a Merrie Monarch parade princess too. Go **Nancy**!

**Lorraine Inouye** highlighted the phrase... Something happened on the way to the market or the bar... "Well, some of us celebrated **Alberta's** birthday playing a game & drinking wine." Only women was invited to this special event; however, the doorbell rang & **Jim Cheney** was smack dab there. The culprit who invited the male party crashers was...**MITCH ROTH!**

**Mitch** explained that his hanai sister, **Marsha**, talked about throwing **Alberta** a party, & **Mitch** decided to crash it with some other dudes. **Mitch**, where's the next party crashing at?

#### **Brewfest:**

**Gail Takaki** is in charge of the Brewfest tickets. She needs the unsold tickets back so that she can start selling the unsold tickets online. Last year, it just took days to sell it online...therefore, please return your unsold tickets ASAP. **Gail** will send an e-mail to those with outstanding tickets. **Gail** is being pushy

with the unsold tickets due to a high demand for Brewfest tickets.

**PLEASE** - Turn in any unsold tickets & \$\$\$ from the ticket sales.

#### **Program Games:**

**Bobby Stivers-Apiki** required that all meeting attendees bring in 1 candy bar of choice. He told a story using various candy bars: "LOOK everybody. I have a \$100,000 GRAND for the Rotary Club of Hilo. Nah, it's only a trick because I have BUTTERFINGERS."



He also solicited that each table make up a story using the candy bars that was brought in by each person seated at the table.

Each table made a story using the candy bars brought in by its members - **Chris Tamm** & crew got the crowd begging for more, as they produced an X-rated narrative of MOUNDS candy bar. Whoa **Chris**... We attribute your frisky animal instincts to your recent African Safari trip.

**Bobby** is such the party planner... He created a fun game of Rotary B-I-N-G-O. There were many excited winners who won T-shirts & the beautiful multi-colored roses.

**Alberta** advertised & marketed **Bobby** for hire as party planner... What a terrific idea!



#### **Closing Comments:**

\*The speaker for the next meeting will be **Robin Benedict**.

\*The Salvation Army now has a nice new look... Thank you Rotarian participants. However, as identified by **Alberta**, those who helped now has aches & pains. **Alberta** still had paint in her when she visited her hairstylist... **Alberta**, that is a terrific way to display & show proof of our club's way to provide service above self to others.

**Rotary 4-Way Test** was delivered & led by **Newton Chu**. **Newton** identified that this test of Rotary philosophy was conceived in 1932, & it is to be honored & said at the end of every Rotary meeting. He also recognized that our very own **Gay Porter** added the 5th part of the test... **HAVE FUN!**