The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jenny Johnson.

After thanking the Hilo Rotary for their help in painting



the Salvation Army building, Cel Ruwethin gave a Bible reading from Proverbs Chapter 31 in honor of women on Mothers Day. Cel also helped by providing transportation when there was

not enough car space for some Rotary guests going to Kona, and the club donated \$100 to the Salvation Army to help pay for his gasoline.

Raul Castro was inducted as a new member with



his wife Stephanie and his son, a vocal lad named Jacob. Raul helped paint the Salvation Army building. His specialty is financial planning, and his sponsor was Kerry Glass. We are honored to have

you, Raul and family.

Greeters were Biff Kennedy and Kathleen



McGilvray. Guests included Robin Benedict, Marcia Proce, and Jay Kimura - guests of Treena Breyfogle and Raul, Stephanie, and Jacob Castro - quests of Kerry Glass. these quests

were introduced to the club by their hosts.

The Lava Flow reporter last week was Tammy Silva, and photos were provided by Helen Hemmes. Thank you both!

Kerry Glass and Richard Johnson described the District Conference held in Oahu May 2-5 last week. Our club was honored with the Distinguished Literacy Award, the District Governors Citation, the Rotary International Presidential Citation with Distinction, and the Ignite Premier Club for Membership. These awards were given to the club and presented to Kerry Glass.

Richard Johnson was attracted by Light Up Rotary mugs. The mugs change color as they are filled with hot liquid. They sell for \$20 each, \$10 of which goes to Polio Plus. Richard bought 35 and would be delighted

to sell them to Rotarians (or anyone else who has \$20).

Christiana Dhillon was chosen unanimously by the Board to be chair of the Membership Committee.

Upcoming events include:

June 14 (Sat): Hilo Brewfest II

June 28 (Thu): Installation of Officers and Directors, in Wailoa State Park, with a Cajun meal with craw dads from Louisiana

July 13 (Sun): Hilo Triathlon - Bike Turnaround

Celebrations included:

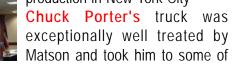
Birthdays: Connie Kurohara - May 5

Anniversaries: Steve and Shan Handy - May 13 married

for 16 years **Happy Dollars:**

Steve Hussey saw his daughter's first off- Broadway

production in New York City



the beautiful places in Utah

Kerry Glass donated a bill for the awards given to the club at the district conference

Steve Handy gave a donation for scholarships

Glenn Harris gave a donation in gratitude to Rotary for our support of the reading program and received a certificate from Kerry Glass in honor of the reading program

Lorraine Inouye gave to the Rotary Foundation Wally Wong presented a check from Matson for \$1000.00 for the Hilo Rotary Club Foundation



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)

<u>Announcements.</u>

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
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Immediate Past President	Alan Kusunoki
Vice President	Alberta Dobbe
Secretary	Susan Munro
Treasurer	Corey Kawamoto
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cindy Boots
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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 McVickar
Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation	
The Rotary Foundation	Alan Kusunoki
Attendance	Judy Gibson
Greeters	Helene Tajiri
Programs	Treena Breyfogle
Lava Flow Editor	Tammy Silva

Program:

Robin Benedict, program coordinator, described the activities of the Friends of the Children's Justice Center of East Hawaii. The vision of this center is " to help abused and neglected children of today break the cycle of abuse tomorrow."

The Friends is a volunteer group of community and local business people who are concerned about the welfare of children who have been traumatized by sexual assault, physical abuse or neglect.

The Friends work in partnership with the Children's Justice Center of East Hawaii to provide a safe child- friendly environment where keiki can be interviewed by trained professionals about possible abuse.

The Friends offer supportive programs that furnish assistance for these children. Funding for The Friends comes from individuals, businesses, foundation and grants.

It was a very interesting talk. To find out more, call 808-935-8755 or 1-800-494-3991.

