



The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo

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** - guests of **Kerry Glass**. these guests 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

Chuck Porter's truck was exceptionally well treated by **Matson** and took him to some of 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)

Announcements:

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 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

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.



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