



It was a dark and stormy afternoon....well, not exactly, but Hurricane Ana was blowing through to the south, so only hardy souls were gathered in the Moku'ola Room on the lower level of the Hilo Hawaiian Hotel.

President Richard is travelling in India with **International Director Jenny**. In his absence, **Mitch Dodo** cajoled **PP Alan Kusunoki** into leading the meeting. **Alan** was fully prepared with iPad slides and rock-star microphone. After opening the meeting, he asked **Jim Cheney** to lead us in the pledge of allegiance.

Then, at **Alan's** urging, we sang "America". He knows it's good for us.

Mitch Dodo read the Inspirational Moment, and thanked **Cindy** for bringing it for him. **Alan** thanked greeters **Randy Hart** and **Dirk Yoshina**. **Cindy**



introduced her guest, **Tina Jimenez**. **Tina** worked as a volunteer at Brewfest 2014. She runs the Bay House, a B&B; her husband is a surgeon in Hilo. Welcome **Tina!**

Lots of Events to discuss:

•**Marcia Prose** encouraged everyone to attend "La Cage" at the Palace. A show of hands indicated that the membership agrees: it's a good show. Closing soon.

•**Mike Robinson** reminded us that the Rotary Park work day has been postponed because of Ana. He will reschedule it for early 2015, probably.

•**Alan** reminded everyone to wear a Polio Plus pin or other item next week...and be prepared to make a donation. October 24 is World Polio Plus day.

•**Cindy** announced that next week's speaker, **Al Jublitz**, will be soliciting members to participate in his Rotary peace committee. Plan to stay after that meeting if you are interested.

•**Kerry** is collecting sponsors and participants for the YWCA's "Walk a Mile" fundraiser on October 25. He promises to walk in heels. **Mitch Roth** supports this effort to raise awareness of rape, sexual assault, and gender violence. He will wear decorated slippers for the walk.

•**The Chicken Hekka** will be on October 31. \$20. It's always a fun event – bring a friend!

•**Alan** encouraged members to attend the D5000 Potential Rotary Leadership Seminar on November 1. Sign up on the district site. \$40.

•**Bobbie Stivers-Apiki** says we should support the Big Brothers Big Sisters by attending their "Hollywood Horror" Halloween Ball on the evening of the same day. He donated \$10 to HRCF.

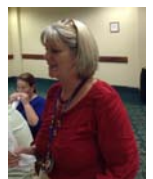
•**Alan** reminded everyone that board meetings are open to anyone, and are a good way to learn more about what the club's doing. Next meeting is December 3, 6:30 PM, at Hilo Rice Noodle.

•Our December 19 meeting will be a "Holiday Cheer" celebration. "Super Member" **Cindy** is organizing this.

Anniversaries, etc:

•**Nancy** was \$62 happy to celebrate her birthday, and she gave \$50 to urge us to attend the Kuikahi Mediation Center benefit on November 9. She says it will be an opportunity to get to know some lawyers better, if you need that sort of thing. ;-)

•**Alan** was grateful for his \$21 club anniversary.



Birthdays:

Chris Tamm October 6
Nancy Cabral October 12
Tammy Silva October 15
Gerard Carter October 26

Club Anniversary:

Randy Hart October 14 1994 (20)
Ron Dolan October 4 1991 (23)
Gene Tao October 11 1985 (29)
Treena Breyfogle October 12 2012 (2)
Alan Kusunoki October 15 1993 (21)
Wayne Atebara October 15 1997 (17)
Cowboy Kaneshiro October 22 1999 (15)
Rand Mundo October 22 1994 (10)

Wedding Anniversary:

Craig & Linday Shikuma October 15 (34)
Newton & Roberta Chu October 16 (32)
Chris & Barbara Tamm October 26 (46)
Jim & Linda Kennedy October 27 (30)

Announcements:

Thurs. October 30 -Club Social - Hekka Party
Fri. October 31 -No Meeting
Fri. November 7 -Jeanine Atebara
How HIUW is working for our Big Island
Fri. November 14 -Club Admin Day
Fri. November 21 -Perry Springman
World Vision & Child Sponsorship in
3rd World countries
Fri. November 28 - No Meeting
Fri. December 5 - Christine Makaewao
Hilo Trails Project
Fri. December 12 -Ms Springer Kaye
Invasive species affecting Hawaii
Fri. December 19 - Cindy Boots
Holiday Cheer!!

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

\$\$ Happy Dollars

•**Bob Fox** was happy about signing a 550 page book contract with Wiley Publisher. (**\$5** to TRF)



•**Glenn** announced that Voice of America will start sponsoring a program on social-emotional intelligence developed by his company (**\$100** to HRCF for literacy)



•**Cindy** committed **\$1** or each point scored by her favorite football team this month. Go Packers! **\$27** (so far) to TRF. Have your own team to support? Speak up next week!



•**Helen** thanked the last-minute lava flow reporters who helped her with the Vocational Visits write-ups last week. **\$15** to the general fund.



•**Kathleen** really enjoyed helping at the Ironman station last weekend. Oh, and please do support Walk A Mile – the YWCA appreciates your participation. **\$20** to the **HR Youth Foundation**.



Speaker

Cindy introduced **Jen McGeehan**, author of My Year in a Yurt. Jen has a background in marketing. After getting caught in the 2008 real estate market, she and her husband were looking for an inexpensive way to live in Hawaii. They moved into a yurt in Paulilo. She was captivated by living “in the round”, and wrote a book on the experience. Impressed by this relatively inexpensive construction option, and she has facilitated the first Housing for Humanity first yurt project with Yurts of Hawaii. She mentioned that these dwellings are



engineered to meet local building standards, and pointed out that they can withstand 120 mph winds (none of the yurts in Puna were damaged by Iselle).

Tom Brown led us in the **Four Way Test** to close the meeting.

