



# Rotary News **Lava FLOW**

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92 YEARS OF SERVICE

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*The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo*

**President Alan Kusunoki** opened the meeting on the 227th day of 2012. **Akira Watatanabe** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Our talented President led us in singing America the Beautiful.

Rotarian **Laurie Bass** gave us practical words of wisdom for the day, citing Desmond Tutu's approach to life, to both be humble, and to be just, in our treatment of the people we meet in life.

**Helen Hemmes** introduced our guests: From the Rotary Club of Hilo Bay - **Kevin Hopkins**, **Kris Speegle** (new member), **Sharon Scheele** and **Anita Cunningham**. Rotary Club of Hilo Rotarians and their Guests: **President Alan's** wife **Zohra Kusunoki**,



**Sally O'Brien's** guest, **Devon Comstock**, **Rand Mundo's** guest, Rotary Exchange student, **Fern Tandurana**. **Tammy Silva** introduced **Wendee Mahoney** and announced her recent promotion as the Director of Nursing at the Veteran's Center. **Past President**



**Joe Hanley Jr.** introduced his son **Joe**, recently returning from his tour of duty in Afghanistan. The room erupted with applause.

**President Alan** thanked **Helen Hemmes** for the Lava Flow 9/21, **Marcia Sakai** for her help reporting last Thursday's social, a big hand to **Kerry Glass** for taking photos at both meetings, and our social committee who planned our barbecue. The good news is, Sixty Rotarians signed up, and the bad news is, only forty-nine of us attended the barbecue. It's important when we plan the food to have the attendees show up. Our President's approach is to rely on the "honor system" and those who did sign up, and did not attend, suggest they make a contribution.

**OCTOBER IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH:** In the past years, and even today, Rotarians have often struggled to succinctly define **Vocational Service**. Rotarians enjoy the camaraderie of **Club Service**, the satisfaction in serving the needs of the community, the hope that their **International Service** promotes world peace, and the opportunity to help the **New Generation** of young people to attain their full potential. But **Vocational Service** is difficult to

define. It is sometimes referred to as the "Forgotten Avenue of Service." One reason is that Club, Community, International and New Generation Service activities usually involve groups of "Rotarians". **Vocational Service** is generally conducted by individuals. In 1940, Rotary International defined the Object of Vocational Service in this way: To encourage and foster: high ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his/her occupation as an opportunity to serve society—it's an individual object. Rotary's early leaders cited the Golden Rule (Do unto Others as you would have them do unto you), as a guiding principle of Rotary's Vocational Service – it's an individual guiding principle.

**OBJECT OF ROTARY:** to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise, and, in particular, to encourage and foster: 1) The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; 2) High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society; 3) The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life; 4) The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** **Chris**, also the newest Hilo Bay Rotary Club member, announced he was selling tickets at \$40 each for their October 12th Octoberfest at Aunt Sally's. Tickets can be purchased today and also will also be sold at the door. **Kerry Glass** is looking for our Club Banner. **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** announced October is Vocational Services Month; twelve Rotarians offered to have a student shadow them at work and three students accepted. Response from the students was lower than usual because of the high school vacation schedule. **Sally O'Brien** as a Self Esteem and Confidence Coach for 26 years (and a retired teacher) enjoyed her time with **Devon Comstock** (of the Waiakea Interact Club). **Rand Mundo**



scheduled **Fern Tandurana** (our exchange student interested in Pharmacy) to spend time with **George** a pharmacist at Longs. Both students received high praise for their focus and enthusiasm. Rotarian **Tammy Silva** is scheduled to be with a student next week.

**Birthdays:**

- Laurie Bass October 4
- Chris Tamm October 6
- Stan Fortuna October 10
- Nancy Cabral October 12
- Gerard Carter October 26

**Club Anniversary:**

- Stan Fortuna October 2
- Ron Dolan October 4
- Gene Tao October 11
- Alan Kusunoki October 15
- Wayne Atebara October 17
- Akira Watanabe October 17
- Wayne Kaneshiro October 22
- Rand Mundo October 22
- Sandra Song October 30

**Wedding Anniversary:**

- Craig & Linda Shikuma October 15
- Newton & Roberta Chu October 16
- Chris & Barbara Tamm October 26
- Jim & Linda Kennedy October 27

**Announcements:**

- Fri. Oct. 12  
Club Assembly
- Fri. Oct. 19  
Joyce Iwashita  
Principal of Kalaniana'ole School
- Fri. Oct. 26  
Steve Yoshida  
Update on Peace Forum & International Committee Projects
- Fri. Nov. 2  
Club Assembly
- Fri. Nov. 9  
Christopher Phillips, Imiloa  
"Reach for the Stars" - Afghanistan
- Fri. Nov. 16  
Dean John M. Pezzuto  
UH College of Pharmacy Update

President .....	Alan Kusunoki
President Elect .....	Kerry Glass
Vice President .....	Alberta Dobbe
Immediate Past President .....	Joe Hanley
Secretary .....	Richard Johnson
Treasurer .....	William Dolan
Sergeant-at-Arms .....	John McVickar
Attendance .....	Judy Gibson
Club Administration .....	Tom Brown
Service Projects .....	Mitchell Dodo
Rotary Foundations .....	Susan Munro
Membership .....	Nancy Cabral
Public Relations .....	Robert Hanley
International Service .....	Steve Yoshida
Community Service .....	Wallace Wong
Vocational Service .....	Bobby Stivers-Apiki
New Generations .....	Gail Takaki
Club Service .....	Tim Beatty
The Rotary Foundation .....	Susan Munro
Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation ..	Mitchell Dodo
Hilo Rotary Club Foundation .....	John McVickar

**Wally Wong**, Community Service Director, thanked our members distributed dictionaries and also did the keiki vision testing at the Kamehameha, Laupahoehoe, and Christian Liberty Schools. Keaau Elementary School is coming up next, and **Wally** requests additional assistance, with three large classrooms. **Wally** engaged the students with a project of creating drawings, to show what the Four Way Test means to each of them. When the entire class complete the drawings, their classroom will receive a Kindle from Rotary.

The District Seminar for the Membership/Vocational training and **Rotary Foundation** is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 20th (8:15 AM-11:30 AM and 12:15-3:30 PM – Breakfast and Lunch \$5/\$5). Rotarians involved in the Membership, the Vocational and the **Rotary Foundation (TRF)** are urged to attend. All Rotarians involved with Rotary Grants (Community Service and International Service) are also urged to attend the Oct. 20th training.

**TRF** and Future Vision District Training Seminar is Saturday Nov. 3rd (8:30-3:30 PM) (Breakfast and Lunch \$5/\$5). **INCENTIVE: \$100** Transfer to TRF account. Information will be provided about more local projects instead of emphasizing the international projects.

**BIRTHDAYS:**

**Tim Beatty** (9/22), **Sam Wallis, Jr.** (9/22) celebrated at the Yacht Club, **Aki Watanabe** (9/24), **Doug Arnott** (9/29) enjoyed a dinner at the Kilauea Lodge. **Laurie Bass** (10/4)

**CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

**Newton Chu** 9/22 - sponsor Nate Woods. **Jerry Watanabe** 9/22 – sponsor **Russ Oda**. **Corey Kawamoto** 9/27 - sponsor **Tom Brown**. **Stan Fortuna** 10/2, **Ron Dolan** 10/4 .

**HAPPINESS MONEY:** **Doug Arnott** is \$20 happy for his birthday, but unhappy about the Hilo Bay port of entry. We have the worst port of entry and the sewer line repair work is making it more difficult for the cruise ship's guests to enter and visit Hilo. **Sam Wallis** \$5 happy for his wife **Sandy's** art work showing at the Wailoa Art Center. **Joe Hanley** is \$100 happy for son's safe return to Hilo and directed funds toward **Joe Jr's Paul Harris Fellowship**. **Devon, Fern, Nancy, Bobby** and **Wally** are \$16 happy for **Joe's** safe return. **Tammy Silva** is \$20 happy for the quality of care service provided at the Veteran's Hospital, and \$20 happy for Rotary Club. **Anita Cunningham** is \$10 happy and **COL. Randy Hart** is \$20 for **Joe Hanley's** son, **Joe's** safe return. Many more chimed in with Happy Dollars for **Joe's** safe return so I'll pay a fine next week if I missed your name. **Chuck Porter** is \$200 happy - \$100 for talking too long, \$50 for new grandson

**Wyatt** and \$50 to say good-bye to **Richard Crowe** and recognize the spirituality of the Navaho Nation as **Richard's** resting place. **Nancy Cabral** is \$100 happy to the **Rotary Foundation** for **Joe's** safe return. **Russ Oda** is \$10 happy for his upcoming 65th Hilo High School Reunion. **Alberta Dobbe** is \$20 happy for grand daughter's 20th birthday (and she attending Carnegie Mellon).

**Speaker:** **Dr. Kevin D. Hopkins** has managed aquaculture and fisheries development projects throughout the world for 35 years. He is currently the director of the Pacific Aquaculture and Coastal Resources Center



(PACRC) at the University of Hawaii at Hilo (UHH). This Center provides infrastructure for aquaculture and marine science programs at UHH. **Kevin** has lived in Hawaii since 1988, is married, and has 3 children and 10 grandchildren. He's a member of the Rotary Club of Hilo Bay, where he is this year's New Generation Chair,

**Dr. Kevin**

**Hopkins** introduced **Dr. Maria Haws** who came to the Big Island 14 years ago with only a small grant to cover 20% of her salary and in less than two years funded her salary and the program has received several million in grants and contracts.





Some government programs can be very effective. The operation has grown to 20 people in the core group of faculty, staff and students. Their research is primarily collaborative.

PACRC has two main facilities. They have the Keaukaha Office and the Inland Facilities (laboratory, two greenhouses, outside tanks, quarantine units). The facilities are integrated with agriculture. Activities and research are global. Their research activities are in the Pacific in warmer waters. **Dr. Haws** touched on multiple areas of research (ex sturgeon for the meat and caviar, tilapia, ornamental fish, and invertebrates). PACRC is also researching seaweed, which has

70 species (only three are cultured so there is high potential to cultivate) with a high growth potential. The Big Island has developed 20 aquaculture farms since 2009. They are developing Shellfish Hatcheries on the Big Island. Their research continues to be supportive of local fishermen.

There is ongoing student training at various locations and there is extensive funding available from the private sector. Opportunity is also opening up with funding from the private sector for researching the development of oyster farming on the Big Island. There is the potential opportunity for oysters to be used in the clean up of water in the Hilo Bay. The good news is the future is bright for integrated multi culture aquaculture in Hawaii. The two big keys are 1) dealing with the threat of ocean acidification and 2) adapting to climate change.

Please contact [Haws@hawaii.edu](mailto:Haws@hawaii.edu) if you are interested in more information.

**Mike Robinson** closed our meeting reciting the **Four-Way Test**.



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