



Rotary News **lava** FLOW

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The Weekly Review of the Rotary Club of Hilo

HAPPY NATIONAL CHOCOLATE MILKSHAKE DAY!

Today, according to **President Richard Johnson** is National Chocolate Milkshake Day! Smooth, frothy, rich, and sweet are just a few of the words that describe today's reason to celebrate. Did you know the first reference to a milkshake appeared in a British newspaper in 1885? To celebrate National Chocolate Milkshake Day, enjoy today's Rotary Club of Hilo meeting and enjoy a delicious milkshake for dessert tonight!!

CALL TO ORDER:



On a beautiful Aloha Friday in Hilo, Hawaii while our fellow Rotarians, family and friends recover from tropical storm Iselle and the whole State await the lava journey through Puna, **President Richard** called today's Rotary Club of Hilo's meeting to order at 12:10 pm. **President Richard** reminded the membership of the club's long history of service.

President Richard thanked the September 5th Lava Flow reporter, **Cindy Boots** and photographer **Kerry Glass** for their efforts of our weekly newsletter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chuck Porter, Past President led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance now that he and **Gay** returned from their European anniversary trip.

INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT:

Biff Kennedy, Service Director of Vocational Service today's message: *"Be thankful, live simply, be kind, do your best, use please and thank you, cherish family and friends, never give up, believe in yourself, listen with your ears, laugh often, and love lots"*.



GREETERS & GUESTS:

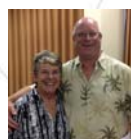
Definition: "WEL.COM" n. 1. Cordial; greeting or hospitable reception given to an arriving person" and how well were we welcomed with aloha by **Mitch Dodo**, Past President as we arrived today?



Fellow Rotarian guests joining us today as introduced by **Mitch** were **Mary Beiger** and **Karolyn P. Lundkvist**, Rotary Club of Hilo Bay; **Mike Fraser**, Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise; and **Malcolm C. Smith** & **Anamaria M. Smith**, Rotary Club of La Serena, Chile. Also, welcomed were guests of our very own members - **Glenn Harris** brought his



best guest, his wife, **Annie Harris** and **Cindy Boot's** guest is today's program guest speaker, **Janis Bueltmann** of the Hawaii Island United Way.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

October is going to be a busy month of service opportunities. Please mark your calendar and plan to participate:

Sat., Sept. 20: 8:30 am – Waiakea HS Interact Beach Cleanup at Liliuokalani Park, meet at the parking lot next to Hilo Bay Café.

Fri., Oct. 3: Oktoberfest, Rotary Club of Hilo Bay, Sanga Hall \$45/ person. Tickets online @ hilobayoktoberfest.com.

Sat., Oct. 11: 8:30 am Ironman Triathlon Aid Station, Hawi. Contact **President Richard** for details.

Sat., Oct. 18: Rotary Park Work Day Project – potluck after clean up. See **Mike Robinson** see details.

Fri., Oct. 24: RI World Polio Day – on this day wear polio pins, t-shirts, etc.

Sat., Oct. 25: 7:30 am - YWCA "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event to call attention to domestic violence; \$25 fee, contact **Kerry Glass** for details.

Thur., Oct. 30: Club Social – "Annual Hekka Dinner".

Fri. Oct. 31: No Club Meeting.

Sat., Nov. 1: 8:00 am - D5000 PRLS (Potential Rotary Leadership Seminar) at Hilo Hospice \$40 advance, \$60 at the door.

Sat., Nov. 1: 7:00 pm Big Brothers Big Sisters "Hollywood Horror Halloween Ball" at Hilo Hawaiian Hotel, \$60. **Gail** invited members to attend this festive event like that of the Embalmers Ball.

Sat., Nov. 1: Applications due for District Governor 2017-18.

Sun., Nov. 9: Hilo Medical Foundation "Wine, Cheese, Chocolate and More" at Hilo Hawaiian Hotel, \$100.

RECOGNITIONS:

Happy birthday wishes were extended to **Craig Shikuma**, Sept. 9 and **Cel Ruwethin**, Sept. 10.

Happy wedding anniversaries wishes were extended to **Rand & JoAnn Mundo**, Sept. 6, 11 years and **Misti & James Tyrin**, Sept. 8, 7 years of marriage. No Club anniversaries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

August was New Generation Month; Bring your family members into Rotary (Good job **Glenn Harris!**); Bring guests to meetings; we need new members. It's everyone's job!; Guest lunch Reimbursement Program-club will reimburse members for 2nd & 3rd prospective member lunches. (The Board voted on this new rule. Contact **Cory** for reimbursements).

Birthdays:

Yoko Hayano September 3
John McVickar September 4
Robert Fox September 5
Craig Shikuma September 9
Cel Ruwethin September 10
Cindy Boots September 14
Christina Dhillon September 14
Tim Beatty September 22
Sam Wallis September 22

Club Anniversary:

Joe Hanley September 4, 1987 (27)
James Yagi September 17, 1965 (49)
Ian Birnie September 20, 1985 (29)
Newton Chu September 22, 1995 (19)
Jerry Watanabe September 22, 1989 (25)
Tim Beatty September 27, 2002 (12)
Corey Kawamoto September 27, 2002 (12)

Wedding Anniversary:

Tim & Kanoa Beatty September 2 (13)
Helen & Don Hemmes September 2 (47)
Rand & Joann Mundo September 6 (11)
Misti & James Tyrin September 8 (7)
Alan & Zohra kusunoki September 20 (42)

Announcements:

Fri. September 19 - Doug Simons
Canada France Hawaii Telescope
Fri. September 26 -Habitat for Humanity
Julie Hugo
Fri. October 24 - Al Jubitz, Rotary Club of Portland
House of Friendship - Peace Through Rotary
Thurs. October 30 -Club Social - Hekka Party
Fri. October 31 -No Meeting

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

TODAY'S PROGRAM:

Cindy Boots introduced **Janice Bueltmann**, Community Advancement and Resource Development Director, Hawaii Island United Way (HIUW). **Janice** thanked the membership and the

community at large for their overwhelming support in helping the families in Puna immediately after tropical storm Iselle. HIUW and its partner agencies along with government departments responded quickly in providing water, food and other necessities as well as emotional support. She remarked how neighbors helped neighbors, strangers coming with the chainsaws and bringing food for those families whose homes were damaged or destroyed and had no electricity. Particular attention was given to the elderly especially those who had medical issues as identified by HELCO. Homeless residents were also a concern and while services provided shelter, "pockets" of homeless individuals declined shelter assistance. Help is still needed as a number of homes still need to be rebuilt. HIUW is also helping with the lava flow advance and is ready to assist families and individuals as the treat of destruction becomes reality. HIUW still needs help. Members were asked to help by provided funds or resources by signing up on their Volunteer Disaster Response website: www.hiuntedway.org

\$\$ HAPPY DOLLARS:

Craig Shikuma led **Happy Dollars** with a \$62 gift in celebration of his birthday (TRF); **Karolyn Lundkvist** 4 quarters

(GF) for the pending lava flow and \$25 for Past President **Kerry Glass** and **Alan Kusunoki** leadership (TRF); **Rand Mundo** \$50 for his

wedding anniversary (CPP); **Lorraine Inouye** \$10 announcing **President Obama** overruled FEMA thus allowing Iselle federal

assistance (CPP); **Biff Kennedy** \$20 announcing Business Visitations on Oct. 10 and Vocation Talks (CPP); **Mike Fraser**-Kona Sunrise Club \$10 for their fundraiser on Oct. 25 and Global Project

to provide water projects for schools (CPP); **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** \$20 inviting members to BBBS Hollywood Horror Ball (CPP); **Steve Handy** \$20 for the release of Fijian prisoners (CPP); **Alberta Dobbe** \$2 for history notes of the Star

Band....(GF);



Malcolm Smith \$10 for visiting Rotary Clubs of East Hawaii and presenting **President Richard** with a Flag of Chile



pin (TRF); **Chuck Porter** \$20 for sharing his and **Gay's** European Anniversary Tour and the good people they met (CPP) and **Glenn Harris** \$5

for **Chuck's** 30 second talk about his trip (this was before **Chuck** spoke!) (Literacy). Thank you to all the **HAPPY MEMBERS!**

[CPP-Centennial Park Project, TRF-The Rotary Foundation, GF-General Fund]

IGINITE MEMBERSHIP:

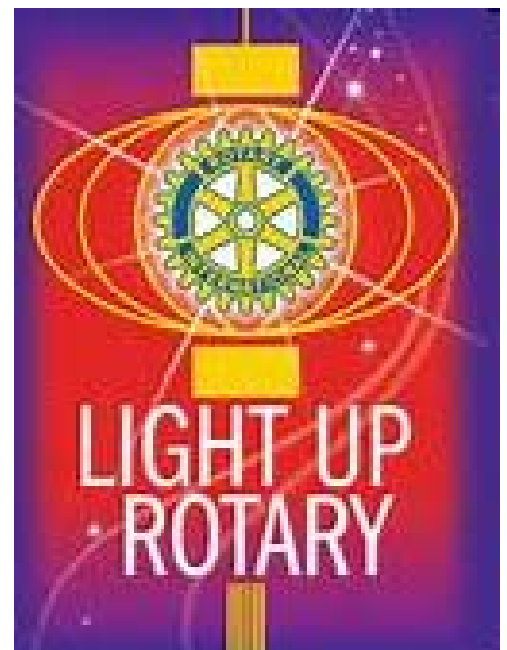
Past President Alan Kusunoki explained why and how the **Ignite membership program** works. He explained a tracking system all clubs use and how many points are awarded for different categories. Bringing guests to meetings, recruiting new members, new members recruiting new members, having a website, etc. and so much more points can be awarded. Points are accumulated and awarded at the end of the year and clubs are awarded the honor of **Premier Club Status** that our club was awarded last year. When asked what purpose does all of these point tracking means, **President Richard** responded "It makes me look good but more important it shows our efforts to increase membership and the purpose of Rotary". {Not an exact quote!}

FOUR WAY TEST:

In closing today's Chocolate Milkshake meeting, **President Richard** called upon his "personal president" **Jenny Johnson** to lead the **Four Way Test**. Have Fun!

ADJOURNMENT:

President Richard wished everyone a safe and good weekend and adjourned the meeting at 1:07 pm.



Photos by **Ian Hatch**