

# Rotary Club of Hilo



# LAVA FLOW



November 9, 2017

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## Chicken Hekka November 9, 2017

The 31st Chicken Hekka\* took place on November 9, 2017, at the AJA Hall on Haihai Street.

The first our president was Phillip LaVine. Current president Steve Handy officially opened this year's party with a call to order at 6:30 PM. **Art Taniguchi** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A large and enthusiastic crowd was there: 73 attendees, including 28 guests. Guests included:

- Rotarian **Jim Becker** of Petaluma, California, who's planning to join our club;
- **Roberta Muller**, wife of **PDG Pete Muller** (celebrating her birthday at this event);
- spouses of members **Charlene Meyers**, **Janet Montrose**, **Gail Takaki**, **Russ Oda**, and **Newton Chu**
- and very special guest **Hana-Chan**, brought by member **Naomi Menor**.

**Judy Gibson** and **Kui Costa** acted as greeters and cashiers, closely supervised by **Ed Hara**. The social committee manned the bar and the "special pupu" area: **Corey Kawamoto**, **Dirk Yoshina**, **Tim Beatty**, **Keith Okamoto**, and **Steve Handy**.

Before the meal began, **Russ Oda** took the microphone to explain hekka preparation for newbies. This is a do-it-yourself meal, where a group of six diners uses a tabletop burner to cook the dish. As **Russ Oda's** fans expected, puns abounded: "cook the chicken until it smells fowl", etc... And as tradition demands, each party of diners shared a bottle of sake, using tiny white china cups. A good time was had by all.



*Birthdays:*

Randy Hart November 12  
Keith Okamoto November 19  
Kerry Glass November 22  
Malcolm Chun November 29

*Club Anniversary:*

Kathleen McGilvary November 1, 2013 (4)  
Bob Fujimoto November 16, 1959 (58)  
Mary Bicknell November 18, 2016 (1)

*Wedding Anniversary:*

Chris & Janiece McNichols Nov. 6 (13)  
Gay & Chuck Porter Nov. 7 (25)  
Gene & Julia Tao Nov. 13 (54)  
Reese & Steven Mates Nov. 15 (2)  
Susan Munro & Kerry Glass Nov. 22 (32)

*Announcements:*

November 17 - Fire Ant Eradication  
November 24 - No Club Meeting  
December 1 - Rotary Meeting  
December 8 - Mystery Speaker  
December 15 - UH Hilo Community College

*Rotary Club of Hilo Board of Directors  
2017 - 2018:*

- President – Steve Handy, Jr.
- Past President – Randy Hart
- President Elect – Keith Okamoto
- Vice President – Mitch Dodo
- Co-Secretary – Treena Breyfogle
- Co-Secretary – Jan Tanouye
- Treasurer – Corey Kawamoto
- Sergeant at Arms – Shane Okimoto
- Rotary Foundations – Malcolm Chun
- Membership – Connie Ichinose
- Public Relations – Marcia Prose
- International Service – Stew Hussey
- Community Service – Wally Wong
- Vocational Service – Bobby Stivers-Apiki
- Club Service – Kui Costa
- New Generations – Gail Takaki

*Foundation Chairpersons:*

- Hilo Rotary Club Foundation – Tim Beatty
- The Rotary Foundation – Malcolm Chun
- Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation – Mitchell Dodo



# ***SAVE THE DATES***

November 11 thru 18 - Polio Bike Ride (Charlene Meyers/Mike Meyers)

**November 17 - Susanne Baca - Fire Ants Hawaii**

Susanne's presentation will primarily be about natural, non toxic way to eradicate fire ants

November 18 - 10:00 am Turkey shredding at Salvation Army with Waiakea HS Interact Club.

Nov. 20 & 21 - 6:00 pm Salvation Army gift wrapping of Food Baskets, Socks, Toys  
with Waiakea HS Interact Club

November 23 - Rotary Gives Thanks. Hawaii Island Home for Recovery luncheon

November 23 - 11:00 am Salvation Army Thanksgiving Luncheon, Auntie Sally's with the Waiakea HS  
Interact Club serving lunch

**November 24 - No Meeting**

**December 8 - Mystery Speaker**

December 9 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing

December 13 - Kamana Senior Luncheon (Corey Kawamoto)

**December 15 - Chancellor Rachel Solemsaas, UH Hilo Community College**

December 22 - Project Hawaii / Homeless Keiki Holiday Party

**January 12 - Treena Breyfolge, an African encounter with Pan Troglodytes**

February 23 to 25 - RYLA at KMC (Gail Takaki)

**April 19 - Chili Cook-off competition/Social AJA Hall** (Corey Kawamoto) 5:30 pm

April 20 - No Meeting in lieu of Chili/Social on April 19