

Rotary Club of Hilo



LAVA FLOW



June 21, 2019

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Reporter: Jen Tanouye

Photographer: Bobby Dugar

President **Keith** rang the bell and called the last Friday club meeting of his year, to order at precisely 12 pm. He led all of us in the pledge of allegiance and thanked the



delightful greeters: **Genie Phillips, Biff Kennedy, and AG Randy Hart.**



Randy introduced honored guest - **past DG Pete Muller** and guest speaker: Hawaii Island Chief of Police **Paul Ferreira.**

He also acknowledged Photographer: **Bobby Dugar** and Reporter- **Jen Tanouye**. The went right into Announcements:

Happy Birthdays to:

- Charlene Meyers** – June 10
- Jeremiah Leonard** – June 11
- Pat Guillen** – June 12
- Dirk Yoshina** – June 14
- Danielle Bratton** – June 19
- Jen Tanouye** – June 19
- Biff Kennedy** – June 21

Anniversaries

Dee & Greg Scott, celebrated 23 years of marital bliss on June 8th

Congratulations to the **RCH** for giving the most monies this past year in East Hawaii for the **Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation (HRYF)**. And winning the coveted Koa Framed Mirror was our own **Nancy Cabral** who was the biggest donor this year. Yee Haw!! **Nancy** was so pleased and thrilled and said Rotary Scholarship Recipients are the real winners.



AG Randy also was ecstatic to announce the East Hawaii also gave out **\$50,000** in Scholarships this year to 10 well deserving and outstanding high school students. Way to go East Hawaii!

Marcia, Marcia, Marcia, called out "All Hands on Deck" for the Hilo Brewfest Fundraiser this weekend!! Be sure to attend the mandatory Volunteers Meeting this Thursday at 5pm - Dodo Mortuary. See details in flyer in the newsletter.

Kathy Gray gave a friendly reminder for all of those who want to be "Greeters" in the incoming year to please be sure to sign up and let her know.

President Keith congratulated Incoming President: **Anna Liu** on a successful and beautiful Installation Dinner and stated that he knows that she and her board will do a very good job next year and wished them truly all the best. He also presented **Anna** with her pin and certificate which he forgot to give her at the Dinner.

Keith also presented this year's Sargeant At Arms – **Genie Phillips** with her certificate of Appreciation.

And then the **Happy Dollars** poured in and were accompanied by large smiles of the donors: Starting with

Jim Cheney who gave **\$10** to our General Fund and shared how he just returned from his trip to China and was able to grab

the RCH's 1st banner from China, - Shanghai Rotary Club. He was able to eat and enjoy unlimited delicious food and drink for just \$25. **Jim** also shared that no Chinese Nationals are able to join Shanghai's club and their membership is only open to those who are foreigners from all over the world except China. Very interesting indeed.

Laura Kniffen happily gave **\$10 HRCF**

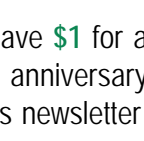
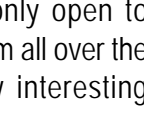
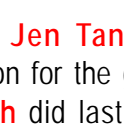
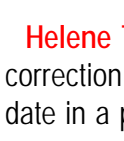
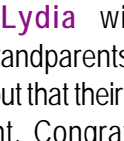
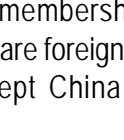
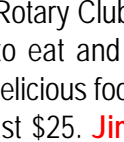
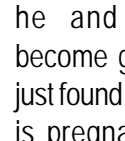
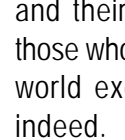
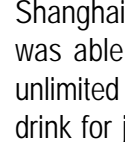
Randy Hart \$100 who announced that he and **Lydia** will soon become grandparents as they just found out that their daughter is pregnant. Congrats to the **Hart Ohana.**

Helene Tajiri gave **\$1** for a correction to her anniversary date in a previous newsletter

\$25 by **Dwight Matsumoto** HIUW Event in July,

\$20 by **Jen Tanouye** in appreciation for the great job **Pres Keith** did last year as President,

\$100 by **Nancy Cabral** who apologized for not being able to attend **Anna's** Installation Dinner, she had to be in Louisville Kentucky on business, and although it took 20 hours to get there, she was able to enjoy a mint julep or two and had a lovely time.



Birthdays:

Chuck Porter June 4
Judy Gibson June 6
Kathleen McGilvray June 7
Charlene Meyers June 10
Jeremiah Leonard June 11
Patrick Guillen June 12
Dirk Yoshina June 14
Danielle Bratton June 19
Jen Tanouye June 19
Biff Kennedy June 21
Dee Scott June 25
Ron Dolan June 30
Atsuko Winston June 30

Club Anniversary:

Gail Takaki June 1, 1993 (26)
Mitchell Dodo June 4, 1999 (20)
Johnalyn Nosaka June 5, 2015 (4)
Patty Terada June 6, 2016 (3)
Pete Muller June 20, 2016 (3)

Wedding Anniversary:

Stan & Nancy Fortuna June 2 (8)
Jimmy & Jeanne Yagi June 7 (39)
Dee & Greg Scott June 8 (23)
Bob & Alice Fujimoto June 23 (68)

Announcements:

Sat. June 29 - Brew Fest
Fri. July 5 - No Meeting
Fri. July 12 - Pastor Daniel Kikawa & Harvey
Tajiri, Marae Concept
Fri. July 19 - Rotary's Bali International
Project
Fri. July 26 - Hilo Medical Center
Foundation

Club Administration 2018 – 2019

- President – Keith Okamoto
- Past President – Steve Handy
- President Elect – Anna Liu
- Vice President – Mitch Dodo
- Secretary – Jen Tanouye
- Treasurer – Corey Kawamoto
- Sergeant at Arms – Danielle & Jacob Bratton
- Rotary Foundations – Malcolm Chun
- Membership – Connie Ichinose
- Public Relations – Marcia Prose
- International Service – Sally O'Brien
- Community Service – Wally Wong
- Vocational Service – Bobby Stivers-Apiki
- Club Service – Kerry Glass
- New Generations – Beverley Heikes
- Program Chair – Mike Meyer
- Attendance Chair – Judy Gibson
- Lava Flow Chair – Susan Munro
- Greeters – Cathy Gray

Foundation Chairpersons:

- Hilo Rotary Club Foundation – Tim Beatty
- Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation – Mitchell Dodo
- Sunao Wada Foundation – Mitchell Dodo

Police Chief Paul Ferreira was named to the police chief's position by the Hawai'i County Police Commission on December 8, 2016, and assumed the role at the close of business on December 30, 2016. He previously served as Deputy Police Chief since December 2008.



Ferreira joined the Hawai'i Police Department in July 1982. During his career he worked as a patrol officer and a detective and held several positions in the Administrative Bureau, including assistant Communications Dispatch, Communications Maintenance, Traffic Services chief, where he oversaw Finance, Human Resources, Training, Safety, Workers Compensation, Research and Development, Word Processing, Records and Identification, the Computer Center and the non-tactical activities of the Special Response Team.

Chief Paul gave a very enlightening and educational talk to our members regarding the many challenges and obstacles that police officers face in today's times and how they are expected to handle much more in our Big Island communities



Helene got a Rotary Foundation award & pin # ?? from **Malcolm**...



Don't know what **Steve** announced??

compared to 5 – 10 years ago and with less resources.

Drugs continue to remain to be a huge problem. And filling positions and retention continues to be challenging. Hopefully with an increased budget upcoming this year, 33 more officers will be added to the police force, along with an additional CSI Unit in Kona and 10 administrative positions can lessen the heavy workload for HPD.

We cannot thank **Chief Paul** and our HPD officers for doing all that they do to protect the citizens on our Hawaii Island and to keep us safe. Mahalo Nui Loa HPD!! (He also mentioned that he used to work with our own **Dirk Yoshina** at "Mall Foods" back in the day (80's) before he joined the Police Dept, lol)

With an extra skip in his step and a very huge grin, **President Keith** led club members in the **4 Way Test**. He was so excited that he placed his hand over his heart only realizing half way through that he wasn't supposed to do that, lol.

He then adjourned the meeting at 1:05pm.



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