

## June 7, 2019

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The Rotary meeting was called to order, and there was light attendance due to travel and summer adventures!

Mahalo to our Greeters Tina and Treena!



Our quest were from Waiakea High School Robotics Team: Jennifer Nakano, Haruna Tomono, Chelsea Nguyen, Jaylen

Arzaga, Taylor Todd, Masayuki Ohasni, and Club Leaders Tom Murphy and Koa Hedlund. We also had Wesley Mun visiting from Pearlridge Rotary Club, Pete Muller visiting from Rotary Club of Hilo Bay.

And appreciation for our Lava Flow reporter Maureen Poirier and photographer Kerry Glass

## Happy Anniversary

Stan & Nancy Fortuna 8 years (June 2) Jimmy & Jeanne Yagi 39 years (June 7)

## Happy Birthday

Chuck Porter (June 4) Judy Gibson (June 6) Kathleen McGilvray (June 7).

Celebrating Club Anniversaries : Gail Takaki 26 years (June 1) Mitch Dodo 20 years (June 4) Johnalyn Nosaka 4 years (June 5) Patty Terada 3 years (June 6)

# Announcements:

\*Hilo Brewfest volunteers: thank you for those volunteering, and we are still in need of more willing Rotarians.



\*Installation Dinner - Pay at door : cash or check. If you haven't registered, email Connie and register or go on website. June 12th at 5:30 pm.

# Lots of happiness this week!

Treena Breyfogle was \$20 (Club Foundation) happy that Wally Wong is teaching a paddling class. Go to the website for University of Hilo (under

continuing education) for sign-ups.

## Susan Monroe was happy that the

schedule for Lava Flow is almost all worked out. Lost some of our players, Anna, (photographer) Bobby, and Gail. If you write for Lava Flow



or take photographs, you receive an extra meeting credit. \$10 Club's General Fund



Mike Meyer was \$20 happy - just because! for the Hilo Rotary Fund.



Patty Bray was \$20 happy that her sister opened up Popover's Bakery.

Kathy Borer was \$100 happy to donate to Coworkers to Polio Plus.

## Marcia Prose shared

Palace Announcements, and was \$5 happy.



The Black Scorpion is playing June 14th at 7 pm, and in July, The Creature from the Black Lagoon All summer long will be

1950 Horror movies.



Nancy Cabral was \$100 happy she made it to the meeting. Will be sending someone in her place to the installation dinner for next Rotary club of Hilo as

she is out of town.

The highlight of the program was the



Robotics Club from Waiakea High School. There were 6 students and 2 adults who came to share about their experiences and show off their created robot. They initially expressed gratitude to the Rotarians for donations for robotic program, and acknowledged that they went to the semi-finals with our help. They gifted the club 2 delightful T-shirts that were actioned off as a fundraiser for the club to raise an additional \$165 (thank you to Nancy and Calvin).



They also generously gave Rotary a picture of their team, and a platter.

The Robotics club participates in different projects, summer camp HYRA, Merrie Monarch, making robots, and having competitions.

#### <u>Birthdays:</u>

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)

#### Annoucements:

Wed. June 12 - Installation Fri. June 21 - Meeting Paul Ferreira - Police Chief Fri. June 28 - No Meeting, Setup Brewfest Sat. June 29 - Brew Fest Fri. July 21 - Pastor Daniel Kikawa & Harvey Tajiri, Marae Concept

#### 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 YouthFoundation Mitchell Dodo
- Support Mode Foundation Mitchell DOUD
- Sunao WadaFoundation Mitchell Dodo

Stitch #1056, so affectionately named



due to the gathering of recyled parts that created this neutral g e n d e r e d m a c h i n e, came to the meeting and

showed off it's many talents. #1056 could catch and throw a ball, change directions, as well as travel slowly and quickly across the room. Stitch also had cool features like a circular hatch that released, a remote, and it was created in 6 weeks from a group of students that had to learn how to work in teams, create from nothing, be innovative in their approach, and think outside the box with a certain time delivery (while waiting 2-3 weeks for parts to arrive from the mainland).

The winners were so chosen by the number of points scored on the performance of the task, and not the design. Lots of awards were given for different categories: Safety awards, best design, most points earned, etc.

The two advisors of the group were present to share their experience as well.

Tom Murphy was instrumental in getting the Club off the ground, and Koa Hedlund taught about the materials to the students, and participated in the program during High School.

The club's biggest challenge was the concern about movement of the robot



towards the end. Prior to a few days before it was due, it was not moving. They programmed **Stitch** the last few days. They also had to work through a list of more than 100 things that needed to be fixed on **Stitch** in order for Stitch to function. Their main accomplishment was during one of the rounds, they beat a world champion!

So, ... What exists in Stitch's future? Stitch will be used to help other robots, and will remain mostly in tact.

Who do you know that would love to join this Robotics Club? They are looking for new freshman and sophomores to join the club, from Waiakea or other high schools. This year there were 30 students in the Club, 19 on the traveling team. This group of students were well rounded, participating in sports and other activities. And their aspirations are high. Of the group of six, there exist future surgeons, bio medical engineers, mechanical engineers, and enormous minds looking to make a big impact on the world. What did the students learn through the process? Understanding the process, use of their hands and minds to build, how to communicate with others, sticking to a time limit, and use of practical skills. Who knew learning could be so much fun?

Kelvin Watanabe ended the meeting with the 4 Way Test.

Have a lovely week!



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