

Rotary Club of Hilo



Lava Flow



November 22, 2019

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To Begin

At noon, in the Queen's Court Restaurant, **President Anna Liu** called the meeting to order, and asked **Charlene Meyers** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Today's Greeters

Helene Tajiri and **Genie Phillips** introduced our guests:

Olivia Johnson and **Diane Parker**, from the Rotary Club of Kelowna Ogoopogo, in Kelowna, British Columbia; **Patrick Smith**, guest of **Judy Gibson**, and a potential member; **Brian Lawrence** and **Ben Mark** were at this week's Rotary Social Squad event; **Dr Wally Chong** and his wife **Claire**, guests of **Helene Tajiri**; **Danni** and **Nathan Gardner**, attendees at the Social Squad, moving to Hawaii Island, guests of **Genie Phillips**.

Anna thanked today's Lava Flow volunteers, me (your reporter), and **Bobby Dugar** (photographer) And in the regular Chinese lesson, some useful words:

English	Pronunciation
One	yi'
Two	èr
Three	san
Dollar	yuán

Celebrations

Keith Okamoto had a birthday on November 19;

Kerry Glass was born on the 22nd

Malcolm Chun celebrates his birthday on November 29.

Kerry Glass & **Susan Munro** were married 34 years ago on November 22;

Stan Fortuna has been with our club for 18 years as of November 30

Announcements

Anna's \$25 TRF challenge: each of us is encouraged to give \$25 to **The Rotary Foundation** each month. Have you?

Rotary International Convention will be in Honolulu in 2020. **ADG Randy Hart** reminded us that signups before December 15 will save \$100. (Reporter's comment: Rotary International Conventions are amazing -- you should go!)

•12/15/2019: Last day for early-registration discount

•3/31/2020: Last day for preregistration discount

•4/30/2020: Last day to request to cancel registration or tickets

•6/10/2020: Last day for online registration

Polio Plus Auction

The final event for the **Polio Plus Piggy Challenge**: **Kerry** auctioned off a lovely Rotary-fabric tote bag donated by **Charlene**.

Alberta Dobbe and **Nancy Cabral** dominated the spirited bidding, and **Nancy's \$150** bid was highest. Then **Nancy** gifted the bag to **Alberta**, and **Alberta** donated **\$100** in thanks. Good work, ladies!

Rotary Craft Fair

December 12-14. **Marcia Prose** is soliciting volunteers for this event, which supports local craftspeople. You will get meeting credit, if you help. See her to sign up.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing

December 14. **Judy Gibson** is coordinating signups for this annual event. It's a chance to get into a holiday mood, spend some time socializing with friends, and raise money to help give others a better holiday season. And of course, we expect our club to raise more money than any other East Hawaii Rotary club, as usual!

Social Squad

Bobby Dugar Social squad last night, lots of folks, **\$175** for Salvation Army, and some possible new recruits.

2019-2020 Officers and Directors nominated

Nancy has been hard at work lining up her management team for the next Rotary year.

The club will vote on these officers and directors on December 6:

President -- Nancy Cabral

President Elect -- Beverly Heikes

Vice President -- Kerry Glass

Past President -- Anna Liu

Secretary -- Susan Munro

Treasurer -- Jen Tanouye

Sergeant-At-Arms -- Jacob Bratton (assisted by Jeremiah Leonard)

Foundations Director -- Shane Okimoto

Membership Director -- Maureen Poirier

Public Relations Director -- Marcia Prose

International Service Director -- Jim Becker (assisted by Sally O'Brien)

Community Service Director -- Wally Wong

Vocational Service Director -- Mike Meyers

New Generations Director -- Gail Takaki

Club Service Director -- Bobby Dugar (assisted by JD Domizio)

Nancy has also filled most of the other positions. This woman is working hard!

Programs Chair -- Jim Cheney

Attendance Chair -- Judy Gibson (assisted by Dirk Yoshina)

Lava Flow Chair -- Connie Ichinose

Greeters -- Cathy Gray

Happy Dollars

Susan and **Kerry** were happy for their anniversary, they will be celebrating tonight.

Kerry was happy to be 74 today.

Randy Hart was happy to be chosen as District Governor Nominee Designate. It's a mouthful, but it means that he will be District Governor for in 2022-23. Yay, **Randy!**



Birthdays:

Randy Hart November 12
Nate Chang November 13
Keith Okamoto November 19
Kerry Glass November 22
Malcolm Chun November 29

Club Anniversary:

Kathleen McGilvray November 1, 2013 (6)
Gene Tao November 1, 1985 (34)
Bob Fujimoto November 16, 1959 (60)
Stan Fortuna November 30, 2001 (18)

Wedding Anniversary:

Gay & Chuck Porter Nov. 7, 1992 (27)
Gene & Julia Tao Nov. 13, 1963 (56)
Susan Munro & Kerry Glass Nov. 22, 1985 (34)

Announcements:

Fri. Dec 6 - Beckie Marshall
What is VASH (Visitor Aloha Society of Hawaii)
Fri. Dec 13 - Treena Breyfogle
Adventures!

Club Administration 2019 – 2020

- President – Anna Liu
- Past President – Keith Okamoto
- President Elect – Nancy Cabral
- Vice President – Mitch Dodo
- Secretary – Jen Tanouye
- Treasurer – Corey Kawamoto
- Sergeant at Arms – Jacob Bratton
- Rotary Foundations – Kerry Glass
- Membership – Maureen Poirier
- Public Relations – Marcia Prose
- International Service – Steve Handy Jr.
- Community Service – Wally Wong
- Vocational Service – Bobby Dugar
- Club Service – Shane Okimoto
- New Generations – Beverly 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

Genie Phillips announced that she is back at work, doing real estate for Day-Lum, and she closed her first escrow this week. Congratulations, **Genie!**



Alberta spent some time with **Cindy Boots** recently – **Cindy** was back on the island, but she didn't get a chance to attend a club meeting, because we haven't had many recently. Nevertheless, **Cindy** sent some big donations for **Alberta** to present. We miss you, **Cindy!**



Marcia says the Palace is "this close" to air conditioning. A Giving Tuesday promotion will be featured on the Palace web site next week



Mike Meyer was not exactly happy, but "at least it wasn't a stroke". He's spent some time in the hospital looking for a diagnosis for the seizures he's had recently. He says if one happens during a meeting, we should just clear a space around him and let him get through it. They only last about 5 minutes, and no need to even call 911. (Really, that's what he said.) **Mike**, we're thinking about you.



Nancy had her usual generous donation, and suggested that we sign up for Bell Ringing, because it's a good time to spend some quality time with other members.



Kathleen McGilvray was happy for our participation in the YWCA's Walk a Mile. **Mitch** had very cool shoes.



Bobby had some happy dollars for the possible new members that have come to us via Facebook and the Social Squad. (And we thank you, **Bobby**, 'cause those are your projects!). And **Bobby** says the Humane Society needs volunteers. See him for more info or check their web site.



Club Assembly

It's Club Assembly time, where Committee Chairs and Directors report:

Marcia, our excellent Public Relations chair, reported that this month we were in the Rotarian Magazine. And are continuing to run our successful full-page ads in the Tribune Herald.

Beverly, youth services czarina, says Rotary in Kindergarten reads to 525 students each month, and that plans are underway for this year's RYLA. And she can always use more volunteers. Call her.

Wally, Mr Community Service, announced that this year we have given 100 kids' backpacks to the Salvation Army, dictionaries to 300 3rd graders, and helped at the Halloween keiki party. A Thanksgiving dinner will be presented at the Hawaii Island Home for Recovery, "glam bags" will be distributed to needy women, and there will be beach cleanup at Rotary Park.

Steve Handy, International Services Director, thanked the HRCF for its support. Projects include a Telemedicine project in India, spearheaded by **Jim Becker**, and a cataract surgery project, also in India.

Two Truths and a Lie (x2)

Anna started this game by challenging **Keith Okamoto**. Here are his statements – can you guess which is not true? 1) he won a hula contest as a child; 2) he once rode on a B I a c k h a w k helicopter with a general; 3) he met his wife at a strip club.



We had extra time, so other folks were willing to challenge us to guess, even some of our guests.

And **Bobby Dugar** had this to say: 1) he played the French horn as a youth; 2) somewhere on his body, there's a tattoo of a weasel; 3) he played baseball all the way through college. If you weren't there, you're going to have to ask!

The End

Kerry led us in the 4-Way Test, and **Anna** rang the bell. Next meeting will be December 6.





Guests



2019-2020 leadership team

