

# Rotary Club of Hilo Lava Flow

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Many thanks to **Newton** and **Roberta Chu** for hosting this year's Steak Fry at their home in Hilo, in honor of our visitors from our sister club, the Rotary Club of Hiroshima South.

And many thanks to the men of the Social Committee, who were at **Newton's** by noon on Saturday, setting up the tables, icing the beer, uncorking the wine, and cooking the chicken and beef and sausages. They do this at every Steak Fry, every Chili Cookoff, and Chicken Hekka, and have done so for years. **Dirk Yoshina**, **Steve Handy** and **Tim Beatty** were on the job. **Jerry Watanabe**, not often seen at Friday meetings, was helping with the cooking. Honorary RCH member **Ray McPherson**, the Social Committee's sommelier, had chosen the wines and brought the beer. And did you know... that **Russ Ota** was a long-time member of the Social Committee?



Dinner guests left their shoes outside the door and checked in with **Judy Gibson** and **Karen Dodo**. 79 Rotarians and guests attended, including 13 from our sister club in Hiroshima. Our **District Governor, Win Schoneman**, was present.

The buffet dinner included trays of nigiri sushi and bowls of poke, in addition to the usual barbecue fare. **Newton** presided over the bar on his lanai. **Roberta** was in her kitchen keeping the buffet stocked, with assistance from **Karen Dodo**, **Jen Tanouye**, and **Naomi Menor**. Diners found seats around the tables on the lanai and in the dining room, or on the family room sofas. Conversation was lively, and the food was excellent. After dinner,

**Kerry Glass** shared the bottle of Japanese whiskey he had brought.

**President Keith Okamoto** announced the winners of the day's golf tournament, and then closed the evening with thanks to **Newton** and **Roberta** for hosting the event. He recognized **Naomi** for her work in arranging our Japanese visitors' transportation, and **Mitch**









