

Rotary Club of Hilo



Lava Flow



September 14, 2018

Chartered: December 1, 1920

Reporter: Biff

Photographer: Kerry

It's a beautiful day here in Hilo. We are no longer threatened by a typhoon, the college is open, the astronomers are at work, and no immediate threats are anticipated from damaging satellites. Hilo is filled with pleasant people, including the members of the Rotary Club of Hilo. Here is the report of the Friday, September 14 meeting:

President Keith Okamoto rang the bell and called the meeting to order a few minutes after noon. **Katie Oswald** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Keith thanked greeters **Randy Hart** and **Pat Guillen**, and asked them to introduce today's guests: **Richard Cunningham** from the Rotary Club of Hilo Bay, and **James Tyrin**, a member of the South Hilo Club (and spouse of our **Misti Tyrin**). **Tina Jimenez** introduced her daughter **Liz**.



Keith thanked today's Lava Flow reporter and photographer: **Biff Kennedy** and **Kerry Glass**.

Announcements and Activities

The **East Hawaii Training course** will be held on September 15 from 9 am to 12 noon at Hawaii Care Choices.

The **Membership Mixer** has been postponed.

Richard Cunningham announced that Foodland will be running their annual program that allows customers to direct donations to a list of worthy organizations. **The Hawaii**



Foundations Director Malcolm Chun



presented **Genie Phillips** with a **Paul Harris Fellow** certificate and pin.

Eric Anderson brought his hat, full of the names of members who signed the



Mediation Pledge a few months ago. **President Keith** drew the name of the lucky winner, who gets a free mediation class from the Kuikahi Mediation Center. And our winner is **Maureen Poirier**.

Rotary Youth Foundation is on their list, so you can direct your donations there. (Use number **77199** to make your donation).

Birthdays:

Robert Fox September 5
 Craig Shikuma September 9
 Cindy Boots September 14
 Tim Beatty September 22
 Sam Wallis September 22

Club Anniversary:

Newton Chu September 01, 1995 (23)
 Sally O'Brien September 01, 1994 (24)
 Jerry Watanabe September 22, 1989 (29)
 Wally Wong September 01, 1995 (23)
 Joe Hanley September 04, 1987 (31)
 Maureen Poirer September 08, 2017 (1)
 James Yagi September 17, 1965 (53)
 Ian Birnie September 20, 1985 (33)
 Elle Lee September 22, 2017 (1)
 Tim Beatty September 27, 2002 (16)
 Corey Kawamoto September 27, 2002 (16)
 Atsuko Winston September 29, 2017 (1)

Wedding Anniversary:

Tim & Kanoa Beatty September 2 (17)
 Helen & Don Hemmes September 2 (51)
 Misti & James Tyrin September 8 (11)
 Alan & Zohra Kusunoki September 20 (46)

Announcements:

September 12 - Board Meeting
 September 14 - Meeting Dianne Bowen-Coleman
 Human Trafficking
 September 15 - District Fall Training
 September 21 - Meeting Ken Miller
 First Hawaiian Bank
 September 28 - Meeting Gregg Scott
 Hearing Solutions
 October 5 - Meeting Chris Tamm's Travels
 Maldives Adventure

Rotary Club of Hilo Board of Directors 2018-2019:

- President – Keith Okamoto
- Past President – Steve Handy
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- Vice President – Mitch Dodo
- Co-Secretary – Treena Breyfogle
- Co-Secretary – Jan Tanouye
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- International Service – Sally O'Brien
- Community Service – Wally Wong
- Vocational Service – Bobby Stivers-Apiki
- Club Service – Kerry Glass
- New Generations – Brittany Luna
- 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

Birthdays

- **Bob Fox** – September 5
- **Craig Shikuma** – September 9
- **Cindy Boots** – September 14

Wedding Anniversaries

- **Tim and Kanoa Beatty** – 17 years -
September 2
- **Helen and Don Hemmes** – 51 years –
September 2
- **Misti and James Tyrin** – 11 years –
September 8



Club Anniversaries

- **Newton Chu** - 23 years - September 1
- **Joe Hanley** -10 years – September 1
- **Sally O'Brien** -24 years - September 1
- **Jerry Watanabe** - 29 years September 1
- **Wally Wong** – 23 years – September 1
- **Maureen Poirer** – 1 year – September 8

Happy Dollars



Chuck Porter spoke at length about a number of topics, but most significantly about his mother, and his memories of her.

Susan Munro was happy to have recruited **Katie Osborne** to be the newest Lava Flow reporter.



Nancy Cabral has been on the mainland, visiting her granddaughter and attending dozens of rodeos.



Steve Handy and **Richard Cunningham** also had Happy Dollars contributions.

Speaker

Naomi Whitney spoke about sex trafficking of young people in Hilo. Her organization, **Ho'ola Na Pua**, works to raise awareness of the problem and help young victims. Her talk was enlightening and thought provoking, especially to those of us who are parents or grandparents.



The Four Way Test was led by **Chris Corley**, and the meeting was adjourned.



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