

# Rotary Club of Hilo



# LAVA FLOW



February 23, 2018

Reporter: Bobby Stivers-Apiki

**CALL TO:** On this 26th day of February 2018, we are blessed with Hilo rain. **Steve Handy**, Club President called the Rotary Club of Hilo meeting to order at 12:04 pm.

Did you know there are over 200 Hawaiian words and terms for rain? My favorite is kanelehua – there are different definitions but the Pukui-Elbert Hawaiian Dictionary shows it literally means, “rain that lehua flowers drink.” (Hanau U Ka Ua – Hawaiian Rain Names)

### **PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE:**

International Service Director and member for 25 years, **Stew Hussey** led the room filled with members and guests in the Pledge of Alligence.

### **WELCOME GUESTS:**

New member **Joshua Countess** as well as **Mitch Dodo**, member for 18 years was on hand to meet and greet today's enthusiastic members and guests in the Hale Ikena Room. **Joshua** introduced visiting Rotarian, **Emii Kato** from the Rotary Club of Tokyo Roppongi who is visiting Hilo for 10 days. She and **Steve** exchanged beautiful club flags. We are proud to have fellow Rotarians **Karolyn Lundkvist**, Rotary Club of Hilo Bay and **Brenda Ho**, Rotary Club of South Hilo at our meeting today. **Kerry Glass** has two guests today, **Don** and **Candace Besse**, potential new members as they are planning to relocate to Hilo from Arizona. **Charlene Meyers** member for 14 years has **Debbie Teichman** as her guest whom may be our newest member. Welcome to the Rotary Club of Hilo!



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

February is nearly over, and March is just a week away but there's a whole bunch of Rotary events and activities for all to join in. Sign-up required and cost for selected events. Let's get straight to these events by way of "KISS LIST" (Keep It Simple Stupid):

- Feb. 23 – 25 **RYLA** Camp at KMC
- Feb. 24 Weinberg Project at EHCJC (not Rotary of Hilo Club project)
- Mar. 10 American Heart Association's Hilo Heart & Stroke Walk
- Mar. 11 **High Tea Event** First Women of Rotary at Hilo Yacht Club
- Mar. 17 Kalaniana'ole Rotary Park Clean Up
- Mar. 18 Big Island Marathon Race & After French Toast Breakfast with **Susan Munro**
- Mar. 24 Hilo Medical Center Foundation Cruise Ship Luncheon
- March 24 Rotary District Assembly



### **Jun.7 2018-19 Board of Directors Installation & Social Event**



**Patrick Guillen** and **Bobby Stivers-Apiki**

with **Marcia Prose** were recognized for donating children's underwear for the East Hawaii Children's Justice Center. **Marcia**, a member of our club for 3 years initiated this much need clothes drive for the Center. The Center needs clothes for children who are referred them. Thanks to all members who donated to the Center.

### **RECOGNITIONS:**

**Hauoli la Hanau – Happy Birthdays**

**Jimmy Yagi**, Feb. 18

**Lorraine Shin**, Feb. 20

**Naomi Menor**, Feb. 23

**Jim Cheney**, Feb. 28

### **\$\$HAPPY HAPPY DOLLARS\$\$**

**President Steve** was very happy and kicked-off today's **Happy Dollars** for **The Rotary Foundation** who approved a **\$3,000** grant for the **Fiji Project** that he initiated nearly 11 years ago. **Joe Hanley**, past club president donated a **\$1,000** and **Steve's** boss also donated **\$500** to the project. **President Steve** encouraged donations be made to **The Rotary Foundation** as the club's goal is **\$11,000** but to-date have raised about **\$8,000**.



**Newton Chu** member of 22 years, is **\$100** happy for his son, **Devin's** research at Maunakea;

**Patrick Guillen** member for 1 year is **\$10** happy for UH Hilo basketball team defeated Chaminade University;



**Jimmy Yagi** member for 22 years is **\$10** happy for meeting and having dinner with the late **Billy Graham**;



**Eric Anderson** member for 1 year is **\$15** happy for his children **Bronson** and **Rebecca**;



**Connie Ichinose** member for 4 years is **\$20** happy for her daughter's involvement in Young Life, a youth church organization;

### Birthdays:

Shane Okimoto February 6  
Helen Hemmes February 8  
James Yagi February 18  
Lorraine Shin February 20  
Naomi Menor February 23  
Jim Cheney February 28

### Club Anniversary:

Toshi Aoki February 1, 2002 (16)  
Anna Liu February 3, 2017 (1)  
Chuck Porter February 4, 1994 (24)  
Michael Meyer February 6, 2015 (3)  
Bobby Stivers-Apiki February 9, 2007 (11)  
Janet Montrose February 10, 2017 (1)  
Helen Hemmes February 13, 1988 (30)  
Dirk Yoshina February 14, 1992 (26)  
Robert Fox February 24, 1984 (34)  
Cornelia Waiiau February 24, 2017 (1)  
Keith Okamoto February 26, 2016 (2)  
Eddie Hara February 27, 1987 (31)

### Wedding Anniversary:

Biff & Anna Kennedy February 4 (52)

### Announcements:

March 9 - Aunty Edna  
Diabetes Awareness

### Rotary Club of Hilo Board of Directors 2017 - 2018:

- President - Steve Handy, Jr.
- Past President - Randy Hart
- President Elect - Keith Okamoto
- Vice President - Mitch Dodo
- Co-Secretary - Treena Breyfogle
- Co-Secretary - Jan Tanouye
- Treasurer - Corey Kawamoto
- Sergeant at Arms - Shane Okimoto
- Rotary Foundations - Malcolm Chun
- Membership - Connie Ichinose
- Public Relations - Marcia Prose
- International Service - Stew Hussey
- Community Service - Wally Wong
- Vocational Service - Bobby Stivers-Apiki
- Club Service - Kui Costa
- New Generations - Gail Takaki

### Foundation Chairpersons:

- Hilo Rotary Club Foundation - Tim Beatty
- The Rotary Foundation - Malcolm Chun
- Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation - Mitchell Dodo

Carolyn Linqvist is \$40 happy for the special friends Sally O'Brien and Eric Anderson; Jim Kennedy member for 19 years is \$20 happy for Newton's son Devin Maunakea research;



Bobby Stivers-Apiki member for 11 years is \$20 happy for the generous donations by members of our club and Nancy Cabral



member for 30 years is \$100 happy for a successful rodeo she sponsored last weekend inspite of the rainy weather and for her son's successful run in the San Antonio rodeo.

### TODAY'S PROGRAM.

### CLUB ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS

In place of today's guest speaker, Club

President Steve asked board members to share highlights of their service areas.



Marcia Prose, PR chair with Connie Ichinose spoke about Public Image. She asked the all important question, "What is Rotary"? While there is no Public Image Committee she listed a number of activities involved in PR that could be implemented if there were members on the committee other than herself. Charlene Meyers volunteered to proofread articles; Eric Andersen volunteered to monitor the club's Facebook site. Ian Kitagawa member for 1 year volunteered to monitor the club's website. Marcia also handed out a script, "How To Tell the Rotary Story." Connie Ichinose, Membership chair reported to-date 10 new members joined the club; a successful Valentine's Mixer was held.

Anyone who may want to order bottles of sake and wine that were provided at

the Mixer by Ryan Katoda see Connie.

She also noted that members can make-up meetings as anyone attending any of the club's activities will earn 1 credit for every hour of attendance. Be sure to sign in and report hours to Judy Gibson, Attendance Clerk.

Club shirts are on sale for \$10.

Stew Hussey thanked The Rotary Foundation board for their leadership and commitment in funding projects that meet needs around the world.



Bobby Stivers-Apiki, Vocational Services chair reported sign-ups for April 6 Business Visitation sites are still needed. Members who joined the club in the last year was asked by Bobby what are the 5 Avenues of Rotary and they got it right - Vocational Service, Community Service, Youth Service, International Service and Club Service.

President Steve reported Global grant initiated by Rotary Club of Maui Kihei for a project in India was approved and with our club's \$3,000 comitment the project will invest a total \$78,000 over the next three years.

### FOUR WAY TEST:

Newton Chu cited that in 1932 Herbert Taylor scripted the 4 Way Test to save a business from bankruptcy. The 4 Way Test is now used around the world. Newton led the members and guests in reciting The Things We Say And Do. And have fun too!

### ADJOURNMENT:

President Steve member for 14 years adjourned the meeting and wished everyone a great weekend.





More photos by **Charlene Meyers:**



*Save these dates...*

Mar. 2 Rotary Meeting

Mar. 9 Rotary Meeting - Diabetes Awareness (Aunty Edna - Hui Malama Ola Na O'Iwi)

Mar. 10 American Heart Association's Hilo Heart & Stroke Walk 7:30 am Liliuokalani Park

Mar. 11 **High Tea Event** First Women of Rotary at Hilo Yacht Club 12 noon to 2:00 pm Hilo Yacht Club

Mar. 14 Board Meeting; 5:00 pm Liko Lehua Cafe

Mar. 16 Rotary Meeting

Mar. 17 Kalaniana'ole Rotary Park Clean Up 7:00 am to 12 noon

Mar. 18 Big Island Marathon Race & After French Toast Breakfast with **Susan Munro**

**Mar. 23 Rotary Meeting -Julie Mitchell / Ku'ikahi Mediation Center**

Mar. 24 Hilo Medical Center Foundation Cruise Ship Luncheon

April 19 Chili Cook Off

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