

Rotary Club of Hilo



LAVA FLOW



July 14, 2017

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Call to Order

It was July 14, and **President Steve Handy** called the meeting to order a few minutes before noon – this new president is determined to run a timely meeting. Immediate Past President **Randy Hart** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.



Guests

The day's Greeters were **Eric Anderson** and **Chris McNichols**. They introduced our guests: **Brooklyn Springer**, guest of her grandmother, **Jen**



Tanouye.

• **Chris Ridley**, from the Hawaii County Alzheimer's Association, today's speaker

Upcoming Events

• **Park Bench Assembly** on Sunday, July 16. **Malcolm Chun** reminded folks who have signed up to assemble the three commemorative benches in Kuhio Kalaniana'ole Park (aka "Rotary Park") that the project begins at nine AM this Sunday.

• **Maunakea Weed Pull** on Saturday, July 22. **Wally Wong** announced that participants will be bused from Hilo to the Visitor Center at 8 AM, for two hours' labor, followed by a tour and a free lunch. Wear appropriate clothing and bring something to sit/kneel upon as you weed.



• **Membership Mixer** on Wednesday, July 26. Membership Director **Connie Ichinose** signed up more attendees for the mixer that will be held in the Wailoli Lounge at the Hilo Hawaiian.



• **Rotary Bike Fundraiser** in November. **Charlene Meyers** explained how this will work: Riders will sign up sponsors to raise the funds, and there is NO specific group ride – instead, riders will ride on stationary bikes or on their own, and report their mileage. Sponsors at



the **\$250** level will receive an 8 ounce bag of Aikane's prize-winning coffee.

• **Waiakea High School Interact Meetings**. We sponsor this club, so a Rotarian should attend each Interact meeting. If you are willing to cover any of the scheduled meetings, **Judy Gibson** has a sign-up sheet.

• **Club T-shirts**. **Mary Bicknell** has the t-shirts. If you ordered them one, you can get it at next week's meeting.

Announcements

• **Brewfest "Thank You"**.

Steve thanked all of the volunteers who worked so hard on Brewfest. And thank you, **Bob Hanley**, for coming up with this wonderful fundraiser idea five years ago. We have raised many thousands of dollars for the foundation and its beneficiaries.

• **Installation "Thank You."** **Steve** recognized **Judy Gibson** and **Treena Breyfogle** for the work that they did to make his installation party a success.

• **Hilo Rotary Club Foundation**. Thanks from **Steve** also, to the board of the **HRCF** -- the club's 501C3 – and especially to **HRFC** Chair **Tim Beatty**.

• **Associate Member "Scholarship Fund"**. **Connie Ichinose** pointed out the



jars on the tables today. If we can collect enough money in them, the Membership Committee will be able to help some new Associate Members with their dues. Both **Connie** and **Randy** made Happy Dollar contributions to announce this effort.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

• **Stew Hussey** and his wife **Alessandra** celebrated their 31st anniversary on July 12. **Stew** expressed his pleasure, and donated **one hundred dollars** to TRF.

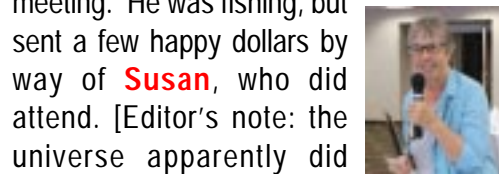


• **Alberta Dobbe** has been a member of the **Rotary Club of Hilo** for 9 years.

• **Connie Ichinose** has been a member for 4 years.

Happy Dollars

• **Kerry Glass** was not at today's meeting. He was fishing, but sent a few happy dollars by way of **Susan**, who did attend. [Editor's note: the universe apparently did punish **Kerry** for missing the meeting: he did not catch any fish.]



• **Randy** is looking forward to being Assistant District Governor for East Hawaii, and is very pleased to have handed the club gavel over to **Steve**. His **two hundred dollar** contribution demonstrates



Birthdays:

Lisa Rantz July 3
Chris McNichols July 16
Jim Kennedy July 17
Gene Tao July 20
Eric Anderson July 23
Cowboy Kaneshiro July 24
Genie Phillips July 28
Mitch Roth July 28
Treena Breyfogle July 30
Susan Munro July 30

Club Anniversary:

Charlene Meyers July 3, 2003 (14)
Bruce Blankenfeld July 10, 2015 (2)
Alberta Dobbe July 11, 2008 (9)
Connie Ichinose July 12, 2013 (4)
Lorraine Shin July 17, 2009 (8)
Mitch Roth July 19, 2013 (4)
Misti Tyrin July 23, 2010 (7)
Jim Kennedy July 24, 1998 (19)
Lisa Rantz July 26, 2013 (4)
Sally O'Brien July 27, 2012 (5)

Wedding Anniversary:

Eddie & Portia Hara July 1 (39)
Stew & Alessandra Hussey July 12 (31)
Randy & Lydia Hara July 17 (24)
Tom & Delia Brown July 29 (36)

Announcements:

July 21 - Hilo Bike Hub
Joyride with Olivia
July 28 - Surf Soccer Big Island
Tammy Silva / Misty Ambrosio
August 11 - Kupu Care - Hospice of Hilo
Lani Weigert

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 Silvers-Apiki**
- Club Service - **Kui Costa**
- New Generations - **Gail Takaki**

Foundation Chairpersons:

- Hilo Rotary Club Foundation - **Nina Decker**
- The Rotary Foundation - **Malcolm Chun**
- Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation - **Mitchell Dodo**

how very happy he is.

- **Chris McNichols'** birthday isn't until next week, but he's already **eighty dollars** happy.



- **Charlene** had **ten happy dollars** because the new streamlined **Rotary Bike Ride** will be MUCH easier for her to organize.



- **Sally O'Brien** is happy to be healthier! **Ten dollars** happy.



- **Kathleen McGilvray** told group about the YWCA Preschool Graduation that she attended recently. Such wonderful children - **twenty dollars** to TRF.

Today's Program:

Chris Ridley, on "Knowing the Ten Signs of Alzheimer's"

Genie Phillips introduced our speaker with heartfelt personal testimony to the value of the services provided by the Alzheimer's Association in Hilo. Thank you, **Genie**.



Chris herself began her presentation by describing how she first encountered Alzheimer's. Until her mother died suddenly, no one else in the family had known that her father had dementia. She described how they slowly realized what was going on, and explained adjustments that family members and patients must make to deal with dementia.

She then outlined the signs of dementia, and emphasized the importance of early detection. Although Alzheimer's cannot be cured, other causes of dementia can be treatable. And with an early diagnosis, Alzheimer's patients and their families have more time to plan.

Chris emphasized that the services of the Alzheimer's Association are free to anyone who needs them. She would be happy to talk with you" You can contact **Chris Ridley** at the Aloha Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, 1055 Kinoole Street, Hilo (cridley@alz.org, 808-443-7360).

The meeting ended precisely at 1 PM (Good work, **Steve!**)



Wayne "Cowboy" Kaneshiro led us in reciting the **Four Way Test**.



Photographer: **Anna Liu**