

Rotary Club of Hilo



LAVA FLOW



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Rotary Club of Hilo celebrates Mardi Gras with a membership mixer!

Connie Ichinose and her membership team once again outdid themselves with this month's Mardi Gras themed mixer on March 9, which was held at Kenichi's Restaurant on Kilauea. We were greeted with colorful beads and there were also member-made masks available for a small donation. Many attendees wore creative costumes and some had gotten together at **Treena Breyfogle's** before the event to create their own masks, which were beautiful!



Everyone "made merry" for the first hour, and then we got down to business, meaning the official business meeting portion of the evening.

President Randy Hart called the short



meeting to order, welcomed everyone, and led the group in the Pledge of



Allegiance. He shared the great news that **RCH** led District 5000 in new members this year and is the second largest club in the region. (Congratulations, and great job everyone for your help in accomplishing this!) After **President Randy** finished his remarks, **Eric Anderson** blessed the event and the meal, and we all shared the **Four Way Test**. The official meeting was adjourned and we went back to having fun!

Kenichi's offered a delicious buffet, which everyone seemed to enjoy. After dinner, **Connie** hosted some silly games, which everyone got a kick out of, whether they participated or were bystanders.



Birthdays:

Bob Fujimoto March 6
Helene Tajiri March 25

Club Anniversary:

Cindy Boots March 7, 1997 (20)
Tom Brown March 17, 1989 (28)
Naomi Menor March 18, 1988 (29)
Tammy Silva March 23, 2012 (5)
Chris Tamm March 24, 1995 (22)
Helene Tajiri March 25, 1994 (23)
Donnie Demuth March 27, 2015 (2)
Gail Takaki March 28, 2008 (9)

Wedding Anniversary:

Sam & Sandy Wallis March 1 (48)
Charlene & Amos Meyers March 7 (46)
Mitchell & Karen Dodo March 12 (12)
Jim Cheney & Xia Ying Sun March 18 (12)
Jerry & Sandy Watanabe March 19 (28)
Helene & Harvey Tajiri March 23 (49)

Announcements:

March 23 - Chili Cook-Off - AJA Hall
March 24 - No Meeting
March 31 - Dr. Lisa Keith - Rapid Ohia Death
April 1 - Heart Walk - (Kerry Glass)
April 7 - Marcia Prose - Child Abuse Month
April 15 - Rotary Cleanup Day (Wally Wong)
April 28 - Barbara Garcia - Keola Magazine
May 5 - Chris Tamm - Borneo

Rotary Club of Hilo Board of Directors 2016 - 2017:

- President – **Randy Hart**
- Past President – **Wally Wong**
- President Elect – **Steve Handy**
- Vice President – **Mitch Dodo**
- Secretary – **Treena Breyfogle**
- Treasurer – **Corey Kawamoto**
- Sergeant at Arms – **Dirk Yoshina**
- Rotary Foundations – **Kerry Glass**
- Membership – **Connie Ichinose**
- Public Relations – **Marcia Prose**
- International Service – **Stew Hussey**
- Community Service – **Reese Mates**
- Vocational Service – **Cindy Boots**
- Club Service – **Kui Costa**
- New Generations – **Gail Takaki**

Foundation Chairpersons:

- Hilo Rotary Club Foundation – **Lisa Rantz**
- The Rotary Foundation – **Kerry Glass**
- Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation – **Mitchell Dodo**

The first game was with a fruit roll-up. The



contestants unrolled the roll-up, put one end in their mouth, and the race was on to see who could pull the rest of the roll-up into their mouths the fastest without using their hands. **Kathleen McGilvray** and her partner **Doug**, along with **Dirk Yoshina** were the winners. All the contestants enjoyed their mouthful!

Marcia Prose and **Treena Breyfogle** were



recruited for the second game. They had to knock bottles and cans off a table with “demolition balls” that were tied to their backsides! Laughter ensued, as the ladies battled each other to see who could knock more items off the table in a shorter amount of time. **Treena** won this one, but not by much.



Photographer: **Bob Hanley**

The third game was a bubblegum blowing contest, where couples had to chew bubblegum, then blow bubbles. The goal was to see which couple could match the size of their bubbles. It's not as easy as it might seem!



Kathleen and **Doug** won this game, too!!



Good fun was had by all, and we thank **Connie** and her team for organizing and planning such a terrific event!