

Rotary Club of Hilo



Lava Flow



October 13, 2017

Chartered: December 1, 1920

Reporter: Barb

For this lucky Friday the 13th, the Rotary Club of South Hilo joined us. Due to many other functions going on at the Hilo Hawaiian hotel, including the Aha Puhala o Puna Lauhala Weaving Club's conference, we were welcomed in a different room than usual: the Queen's Court Restaurant.

President **Steve Handy** called the meeting to order at noon.



Mitch Dodo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Steve gave the mic to RC of South Hilo President **Brenda Ho** for a few minutes.

Anna Liu not only was a greeter, she also brought a guest, **Kate Wong**, who helped greet, along with our other greeter, **Marcia Prose**.



Other guests included **Genie Phillips** son, **Mike Fullmer**.

Nancy Cabral brought her dad, **Chuck Day** and his bride, **Donna**, who were visiting from Central California. **Nancy** also brought close friend **Arden Moore**, who was visiting from Honolulu. **Arden** is the person who lent **Nancy** the money to get her real estate license 33 years ago! Thank you, **Arden**!



Events and Announcements

Ironman was taking place the next day and **Keith Merrick** was heading over to volunteer.

Bobby Stivers-Apiki announced the Christmas Tree Fun Raiser sale for the Island of Hawaii YMCA. Orders must be placed by Nov. 11.



\$ Happy Dollars \$

Nancy Cabral donated equal amounts to **Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation**, **Hilo Rotary Club Foundation** and **The Rotary Foundation**.

Mitch Roth donated to **HRYF**.

John Fitzgerald from Hakalau Stables donated to **TRF**.

Joe Hanley donated to **HRYF**.

Susan Munro donated to **HRYF**.

Bobby Stivers-Apiki donated to **TRYF**.

Kerry Glass donated to **HRCF**.

Christine Waters donated to the **TRF**

David Hurd donated to the **TRF**.

Janet Montrose to **HRCF**,

Anna Liu to **HRCF**, **Rotaract** sponsorship,

Beverly Herkes to **HRYF**

Steve Handy to **HRYF**.

Thanks to you all for being so HAPPY!

Today's Program

Our speaker was **Dr. Keli'i Akina**, President/CEO of Grassroot Institute of Hawaii and Trustee of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. This reporter was impressed with **Keli'i's** philosophy of "E hana kakou, let's work together!" He explained how he and the institute bring people of different belief systems together to find common ground—to work together for the greater good. It struck me that these are common Hawaiian values, such as lokahi (unity) and aloha (unconditional love). It also reminded me of the simple act of "talking story"—getting together to resolve conflict through open communication.

Birthdays:

Chris Tamm October 5
Stan Fortuna October 10
Nancy Cabral October 12
Brittany Luna October 13
Beverly Heikes October 15
Tammy Silva October 15
Leo Myers October 24
Gerard Carter October 26

Club Anniversary:

Randy Hart October 1, 1989 (28)
Ron Dolan October 4, 1991 (26)
Gene Tao October 11, 1985 (32)
Treena Breyfogle October 12, 2012 (5)
Alan Kusunoki October 15, 1993 (24)
Dylan Shropshire October 16, 2015 (2)
Patrick Guillen October 21, 2016 (1)
Elle Lee October 21, 2016 (1)
Cowboy Kaneshiro October 22, 1999 (18)

Wedding Anniversary:

Malcolm & Cecilia Chun October 12 (12)
Craig & Linda Shikuma October 15 (37)
Newton & Roberta Chu October 16 (35)
Chris & Barbara Tamm October 26 (49)
Jim & Linda Kennedy October 27 (33)

Announcements:

October 20 - Shannon Drumm
Ohia Healing - A simple solution
October 27 - Romeo Garcia
Laupahoehoe Community Public Charter School

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

When explaining to the audience how he goes about initiating these types of conversations, **Keli'i** mentioned a memory of something **Aunty Nona Beemer** had said, "what binds us together is that we have all come together from a distant place." He was referring to the fact that everyone on these islands, even the Kanaka Ma'oli (Native Hawaiians), originally came from somewhere else. They made these islands their home, just like so many other malihini (newcomers) over several generations. We are all here to serve the island and its people.

Connie Waiau led us in reciting the **Four Way Test**.



Photographer: **Kerry Glass**

SAVE THE DATES

September/October - Dictionary Distribution (Wally Wong)

October 20 - Shannon Drumm - Ohia Healing

Simple solution for healing Ohia afflicted with Rapid Ohia Death.

October 27 - Romeo Garcia, Laupahoehoe Community Public Charter School

October 28 - YWCA Walk a Mile in Her Shoes

November 3 - Mystery Guest ?? - The secret life of a Rotarian

While we might not have secret handshakes or wear elaborate headgear, a Rotarian in our midst has led an interesting secret life...

November 4 - Paint da Fence - Hawaii Island Home for Recovery (Wally Wong)

November 9 - Hekka Dinner, AJA Hall (Corey Kawamoto) 5:30 pm

November 10 - No Meeting in lieu of Hekka Dinner on November 9

November 11 thru 18 - Polio Bike Ride (Charlene Meyers/Mike Meyers)

November 17 - Susanne Baca - Fire Ants Hawaii

Susanne's presentation will primarily be about natural, non toxic way to eradicate fire ants

November 18 - 10:00 am Turkey shredding at Salvation Army with Waiakea HS Interact Club.

Nov. 20 & 21 - 6:00 pm Salvation Army gift wrapping of Food Baskets, Socks, Toys
with Waiakea HS Interact Club

November 23 - Rotary Gives Thanks. Hawaii Island Home for Recovery luncheon

November 23 - 11:00 am Salvation Army Thanksgiving Luncheon, Aunty Sally's with the Waiakea HS Interact Club serving lunch

December 9 - Salvation Army Bell Ringing

December 13 - Kamana Senior Luncheon (Corey Kawamoto)

December 15 - Chancellor Rachel Solemsaas, UH Hilo Community College

December 22 - Project Hawaii / Homeless Keiki Holiday Party

January 12 - Treena Breyfolge, an African encounter with Pan Troglodytes

February 23 to 25 - RYLA at KMC (Gail Takaki)

April 19 - Chili Cook-off competition/Social AJA Hall (Corey Kawamoto) 5:30 pm

April 20 - No Meeting in lieu of Chili/Social on April 19