



Rotary Club of: [REDACTED]

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- ✓ Had a Club fundraiser event (Name, date Black and White Ball and Fashion Show 12/12)
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club membership meeting with the District Membership Chairperson (Other club name Kapa'a)
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club social event, service project, fundraiser, fellowship, networking or other event (but excluding membership meeting) (Other club name/event Barbeque - west side)
- ✓ Utilize a Club membership directory (either printed or electronic)
- ✓ Performed at least 3 New Member Orientation sessions (Dates July 2015, sept 2015, Jan 2015)
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CLUB MEETINGS

Our Club Meetings are vitally important to our membership and growing our Club, so we make every effort to make them informative and fun with good speakers. We plan speakers months in advance. The Club Service (which we broke in to two jobs) ensures that the room is properly set up and organizes the speakers. Our Sergeant at Arms asks for guests and visiting rotarians, asks for Happy Bucks which raises funds for Club operations. We have used music and Rotary Lyrics to brighten the events. The meeting is turned over to the President and is kept quick paced. The President introduces the speaker. Our meetings begin and end on time. Paul Harris Fellows are properly recognized and presented with their certificates and pins. Many of our visiting Rotarians tell us that our meetings are among the best they have attended.

We boast 50-70 attendees at each meeting now - it is a 'show' each week.

FUNDRAISERS

Fundraising continues to be project specific since our Club does not believe in carrying a large bank balance. We raise funds through our Black & White Ball where we ran a fashion show for the first time and our "Garage Sale", to produce up to \$40,000 for our Foundation to spend on community projects and needs.

We spun off the Adopt a Classroom in 2015 a campaign that is well on its way to \$500,000, all through solicited donations from members and the community. We will also spin off our food pantry this year making this the fourth new 501c3 we have spun-off from the club over the years.

MEMBERSHIP

We have focused on adding new younger members and adding more women. This has balanced the club and in four years it has changed from around 40 members to 73 and in to a powerful community engine that community members acknowledge as doing good in the Community.

We now have 73 regular members and 18 Ohana members who contribute their time and resources to our club - we can truly offer a wide variety of options for the members and make a difference in so many ways in the community.

CLUB BULLETIN

We publish our bulletin every week and distribute it to the membership via email. We also publish a "whats upcoming" email each week.

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

We held the annual In & Out Party to celebrate our accomplishments and welcome in the new team. We had a Christmas Party, a Miniature Golf Outing and a Beach Cook Out and a party to celebrate the success of our fund raising for the Pier project. We had three mixers at the home of our President to which we invited potential members.

CLUB DIRECTORY

We give a Club Directory to all new members, but this is now going fully electronic. We do lose members to illness and grand-children, but we grow stronger each year. It is a club to be proud of.

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- Had a Club fundraiser event (Name, date Hilo Brewfest, June 18, 2016)
- Participated in a multi-club membership meeting with the District Membership Chairperson (Other club name Hilo Bay, South Hilo,)
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Our focus for Club Service this year was to put the "F" back in FUN by having a club social every month. We had wine socials and dance socials and food socials and more wine socials. My favorite was the "Rocky Horror Picture Social" where our newer and younger members and guests, dressed in drag, did a bar crawl through Hilo town and ended up at the Palace theatre to participate in the Rocky Horror Picture show. This was a fun event to help break the ice and have some of our members show off their costume creativity.

Our dance socials were combined with the local dance club, whose members were excited with the influx of new Rotarian dance partners. The president of the Hilo HepCats dance club spoke at our club meeting with a topic on how "Dancing Makes You Smarter". We started our first dance social that weekend and involved collecting cans of soup for our local food bank.

Rotarians love to eat and drink and our two food socials were big hits as well. The first was a "Chicken Hekka" social where members and guests gathered around a wok and cooked their own meal with directions and lots of sake. Our second was an East Hawaii Rotary Steak Fry with Rotarians and guests from all of the East Hawaii clubs coming together to enjoy a great barbeque and fellowship.

Our speakers committee worked non-stop to schedule new and exciting topics for the year that was relevant to our membership and provided information for future projects and social ideas that our newer members were most eager to get started on.

This year we partnered with the Hawaii Island Home for Recovery on various projects to help their transitional residents get on their feet and back into the community. Our club members did a book drive to collect slightly used books to help build a library at their facility. There were over 200 books donated to the residents library, from hot steamy romance novels and Do It Yourself books to a collection of Harry Potter books by JK Rowling and even a War and Peace by Leo Tolstoy. The residents who helped us stack the books were very excited about the new collection and were picking out books to take to their room. In each book that we donated, we placed a Rotary Club of Hilo sticker with the 4 Way Test and we also donated a Rotary 4 Way Test poster for their library wall to help the residents understand why Rotarians do what we do.

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- ✓ Had a Club fundraiser event (Name, date May 7, 2016- Jazz Under the Stars)
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club membership meeting with the District Membership Chairperson (Other club name Downtown/ West Hnl)
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club social event, service project, fundraiser, fellowship, networking or other event (but excluding membership meeting) (Other club name/event Pau Hana & Windward L)
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Our club's strategic plan for Club Administration focused on initiatives to assure that club operations are organized, informative and fun. The Board met in May to review strategic priorities and finalized the plan at the start of the Rotary year, focusing on increasing membership, camaraderie and fellowship. Club Assemblies (Throng of Thinkers) gave updates and awards

1) **Participated in a multi-club social event--** Our club participated in a service project at Lyon Arboretum with Pau Hana, Windward, UH Rotaract. We also participated in a networking "Rotarians in Business" event at Mark's Garage and vocational trip to Menehune Mac with Hnl Sunrise, Pau Hana, Pearlridge, East Honolulu. The multi-club social events were a great venue for networking, meeting other new Rotarians and renewing friendships with fellow Rotarians. Fellowship get-together after the service or vocational project were incorporated to add to the fun.

2) **Implemented a Club Membership Development and Retention Program that is fun and recognizes members--**

*3 Young Professionals (under 30) have been inducted in the Young Professionals Program.

*All new members met with the Membership Committee for orientation and fellowship hour.

*Implemented a "blue badge" criteria requiring all new members to complete tasks such as signing up for a committee, service project, greeter, mingling with other members

*Sunshine Committee sends cards/flowers to members who are absent due to illness

*Every month, members who celebrate on their birthday month are honored with a birthday cupcake with a candle, accompanied with a group birthday song by members at the meeting

*The Club Newsletter recognizes members on their birthday month

*The weekly newsletter features a member, "getting to know" facts about that member, including information about his/her vocation. This helps with fellowship and membership retention

3) **Adult Literacy-**Participated in at least one literacy project related to Club Service-

*A book is selected for the club's guest speaker and donated to Jefferson Elementary School's library. The speaker writes a message and signs the book. The donated books supply the library's inventory since the school has limited funding for books.

*Donated books to Partners in Development Foundation, an organization that works with at-risk groups within the Hawaiian Community.

4) **Fellowship Events- Total of 11 fellowship events**

*All service and vocational projects are followed by a luncheon or pizza party. Nick's Fish Market has been a popular venue for many of those who attended the events.

*Fellowship events outside of the club meeting were at a members' homes- Many members attended, especially those who missed weekly club meetings and enjoyed the pot luck meals, adult beverages and karaoke. Some members formed a band for entertainment.

5) **Club Program-**We have an informative and diverse program incorporating the RI Monthly Theme. At the club Meeting-

*A member shares a Rotary Moment at every meeting, sharing a Rotary story related to the monthly theme.

*A speaker is selected to speak about a topic related to the monthly theme. Speakers were diversified and informative. Members were also speakers who spoke on their vocation.

*The speaker receives a welcome letter prior to the meeting and a thank you message with a copy of the newsletter and signs a book that is donated to Jefferson Elementary School.

*New Members introduce themselves and share a personal/ vocational story about themselves

*The President has a "joke of the day" that usually gets laughter, groans or "keep your day job" comments but adds to the FUN atmosphere at the meetings.

6) **Welcome Committee-** Members and guests are welcomed by a greeters committee and if there is an out-of-town Rotarian or guest, an "Ambassador " is assigned to that guest, to help with seating and menu selection. Guests feel welcomed and send email messages that they enjoyed the meeting. A newsletter is mailed to the guest, if they so desire, and referred to the website for more pictures of the meeting and information about our club. We have many "Returnees."

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- ✓ Had a Club fundraiser event (Name, date Metro de Mayo/ May 21, 2016/Mid Pac CC)
- Participated in a multi-club membership meeting with the District Membership Chairperson (Other club name _____)
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Club Service accomplishes the tasks of running our weekly meetings, providing fellowship events throughout the year, maintaining and growing our membership, and raising the funds needed to support our avenues of service. The importance of Club Service was recognized in a review of its scope and function during the Strategic Planning Session (SPS) held by our Board (Officers and Directors) on July 18, 2015. This review resulted in a number of recommendations for improvement and set overall goals allowing us to accomplish the following in 2015-2016:

Club Operations: Our Club recognizes that our weekly meetings are central to having a vibrant club. Our commitment is to hold meetings that are of value to our members; meetings that are both fun and informative, offering the opportunity for fellowship on a weekly basis. The SPS identified the need to improve our programs by purposely avoiding the “sales pitch” type talks where the presenter is either pitching themselves or their products. This was accomplished by becoming more proactive in identifying and reaching out to potential speakers. A sub-committee was established with the mission to identify interesting topics and speakers; and the membership was surveyed for their program interests. As a result, our program topics have ranged from the World Wrestling Federation to the mapping of asteroids in space and our speakers have included the Mayor of Honolulu as well as our own members. In addition, Club Service ensures all members and guests are welcomed by greeters and the President as they enter the meeting room, that the food and service provided is excellent and that every member has the opportunity to participate in the meeting.

Fellowship: Fellowship strengthens the bond among our members, their families and guests by providing the opportunity to attend social events and participate in recreational activities. The value our club places on fellowship is evident by the number and variety of events hosted this year. We held “Pau Hana” gatherings at the Gordon Biersch brewery and the Honolulu Club. On Valentine's Day, the club hosted a dinner at JJ Bistro. Our recreational activities included a hike to the Makapu`u Lighthouse in January and our participation in the annual Mango Day's run is scheduled for June 26, 2015. Our Centennial project in Makaha at the Hoa Aina farm included an overnight weekend getaway at the military cabins at Poka`i Bay and a fellowship dinner with the staff at the farm. In addition, our Fellowship Committee provided programs for five of our regular meetings. Each of these meets had a theme and promoted fellowship and fun by actively involving participation among all members present.

Membership: The Membership Committee has focused its energy on recruiting new members and retaining existing members. We sponsored two membership mixers, encouraging our current members to invite prospective members as guests. These events served the dual purpose of engaging our membership in a social setting, while also introducing Rotary informally to potential new members. Engaging our existing membership has proved valuable in retaining long-term members, and establishing tighter bonds with our newer members. In addition, our “Dutch Lunch” program was resumed this year, creating opportunities for smaller groups of Rotarians to get to know one another outside of club meetings; we believe this will improve member retention. Finally, we implemented a new corporate membership program whereby senior executives of leading companies and nonprofits in our community are incentivized to join our club by allowing them to share annual dues and club attendance obligations with other executives in their respective companies. In addition, we have established a committee of three members whose sole purpose is to improve member retention.

Fund Raising: Our annual fund-raiser is scheduled for May 21 at the Mid Pacific Country Club in Lanikai. The theme is the celebration of the influence of Mexican culture on the Hawaii Islands. The event will feature live entertainment, dress up costume competition, Mexican games, outstanding “*broke da mouth*” Mexican food and our signature silent auction. The event is nearly sold out with only 30 of the two hundred tickets remaining. We expect to net \$20,000 from this fun evening. We are pleased that our Rotaract Club will be staffing our registration table and running our silent auction.

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- ✓ Had a Club fundraiser event (Name, date Hilo Huli, May 1, 2016)
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club membership meeting with the District Membership Chairperson (Other club name East Hawaii Clubs (5))
- ✓ Participated in a multi-club social event, service project, fundraiser, fellowship, networking or other event (but excluding membership meeting) (Other club name/event MM Parade & Steak Fry)
- ✓ Utilize a Club membership directory (either printed or electronic)
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The 2015-2016 year has seen exciting growth in membership, with 15 new member inductions, (*5 new members switched designation, or took the place of a member who moved—new member count officially at 10 as of 3/31/16*). The Board, Committee Chairs and general members have made engagement a top priority. Member loyalty continues to grow due to many factors.

First, members are clear on why they are part of the club, for fellowship and service. With nine well-attended major social events, and a monthly pau hana, club members have multiple opportunities to get to know one another outside of the weekly meeting, extending the bond to non-Rotarian spouses and children. And with over 25 service projects, some with multiple dates, like Dictionary Distribution which engaged many members for the six schools served, members are able to easily find a way to serve that fits their busy schedule, and speaks to their heart.

Second, club leadership makes great efforts to keep meetings fun, interesting, and full of appreciation. A power point is used to support each agenda, showcasing club successes and upcoming information, as well as providing an avenue to recognize member good works, sponsors and foundation supporters. Our speaker chair connects us with outstanding presenters, and ensures they are prepared and on time through the use of a “Speaker Guidelines” handout, and consistent follow-up. We have been fully booked through June, since February of this year. In addition, our Club Admin committee is currently hard at work implementing a new member management system through Wild Apricot, which will bring even greater efficiencies to our members needs through online: event listings and sign-ups, payment of dues and event fees, directory, alerts, and more. Launch date for this online system is mid-May.

Third, seasoned members are deeply dedicated to club projects and initiatives, providing a valuable foundation in which to engage new members, as they learn what Rotary is about and how they can make a difference in the community. Our membership committee is consistently monitoring our efforts using the Ignite program, as well as providing materials, like our 6-page, graphically enhanced, pre-orientation packet that outlines all things Rotary. In addition, great effort is made to help each new member feel they are part of the team as quickly as possible by: talking them through the orientation packet and answering any questions they may have, getting them set with club t-shirts, introducing them in the club’s 6-page newsletter, having them be a greeter, encouraging them to come to a social or a project, having them present a vocational minute to allow members to get to know them, and including them on planning committees and club service projects as soon as they are willing. The success of this approach is evident in the fact that newly inducted members have become sponsors themselves, and meetings are consistently well attended.

And finally, our members are active in fundraising and club partnerships. Our Hilo Huli community project fundraiser is in its 12th year, raising over \$200,000 since its inception, and drawing 1000+ participants. We have also enjoyed multiple opportunities to engage our East Hawai’i clubs in work projects and socials, including the Merrie Monarch Parade which provided an excellent opportunity for the clubs to join together with branded banners and shirts, and lots of candy, to raise awareness about Rotary and the good work it does, as well as build goodwill among fellow Rotarians.

We know that together we are stronger. Our club service efforts continue to help ensure members feel supported, acknowledged and engaged.



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Submission Deadline: April 30, 2016

Please insert narrative below.

We've all heard it before, the program and speaker makes the meetings and that's how we can attract new members and retain current members.

The experience of attending our weekly meeting is quite FUN. We have a greeter or two at every meeting as well as a set-up and break-down crew. We receive quite a few visitors from all over the world, especially Japan and Canada. We welcome guests with a shell lei, we serenade them with a song, 'Welcome to Rotary' and they introduce themselves to our club. We truly are the friendly club.

Program Chair, Dave Livingston and his crew have put together amazing speakers for our weekly meetings. Speakers are booked months in advance. On one occasion this year, a speaker cancelled last minute and Dave had to scramble to put something together. Our club has several financial advisors and what perfect timing to discuss the financial markets, thus, a panel of three financial advisors were assembled with success.

We are very proud of our signature fundraiser- this year was our 10th Annual International FoodFest! We partnered with KCC Culinary Institute, utilizing their cafeteria space and student chefs to prepare all the food. In turn, we donated a \$5,000 scholarship to KCC for their culinary arts program. Our International FoodFest is also a way to connect and strengthen our bond with our numerous Japanese sister clubs. Every year, our sister club members come to Hawaii especially for this event. Ikko Tomita, our Japanese liaison was very successful in bringing approximately 80 members from Japan this year- the most ever.

This year, as of 4/30/2016 we inducted 13 new members and lost 3 members, thus, net 10. Gale Warshawky, our Club Trainer, hosted two new-member orientations titled 'Mountainside Chats' at her home. Another new-member orientation was completed prior to one of our Wed. meetings. We feel that these new member orientations are very useful and will continue to review/experiment on context and venue to attract new and existing members to attend.

Although, we had only two Club Assemblies and not the suggested four, we make sure ample time is given to each Chair at every Wed. meeting to make any announcements or to give updates.

'Club Service' encompasses many aspects--- we like to say that at Waikiki, it's all hands on deck. We all help each other and everyone always says yes! We seem to have a good mix of tenured members and energetic new members that makes our meetings a fun place to be.