



**Aloha, Wonderful Rotarians of District 5000!**

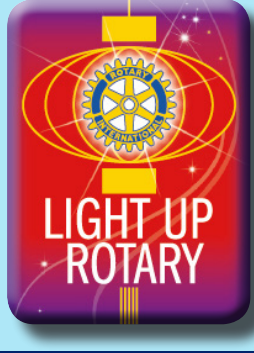
Membership.....  
1.3 Million Rotarians by June 30, 2015.....  
Family, spouse, partner, children,  
grandchildren, beneficiaries, Rotary alumni...

August is Membership Month in Rotary, when we focus even more attention than usual on this critical aspect of Rotary – how do we get and keep more members in a time when so many other offerings are vying for scarce resources of time and treasure? We provide value for the time and money we ask our members to spend. We offer opportunities to give back to the community that they wouldn't have without Rotary. We offer fellowship with like-minded individuals who become our life-long friends.

Success breeds success. I've seen examples of this as I've visited the first 25 clubs for our official District Governor visits. I've inducted four members at a club with enormous success in community service projects and community recognition – and three more visitors to the meeting expressed interest in joining Rotary that day. And three of those four new members were invited to join by members who had been Rotarians for less than a year. New members bring in new members. So the small club who brings in one new member has just expanded their circle of potential members enormously! I LOVE to induct new members – and I have inducted several over the past four weeks. And I'm even more excited because Presidents are emailing to let me know they would like for me to induct a new member (ok – there's another club with four new members ready) when I come to their clubs in August. What a great way to celebrate Membership Month! Change someone's life – invite them to join Rotary!

**LIGHT UP ROTARY!**

With much Aloha,  
**DG Laura**



**IGNITE THE FLAME OF MEMBERSHIP!**

Aloha Rotarians in D5000,



Hope all is well and you enjoy your summer – our year is in full swing – and hearing from DG Laura, the clubs are inducting many new members, very exciting to hear. We have our first Premier Club in the District – The mighty Rotary Club of Upcountry Maui – surprise – it was not a West Hawaii Club – are we in for an upstage this year? Remember, Hawaii Island had 100% Premier Status and Net Growth 2 years in a row – just saying!

As previously announced, Rotary International is now asking for applicants to participate in the Young Professional Campaign. Click here for details : <http://ow.ly/zjJd2> . As was to be expected, the deadline has been kept very short so time is of essence. Starting the application is a bit tricky – at the bottom of the document it says "Click the >> button to proceed to the application". You actually will have to scroll down a bit further, then look for a tiny ">>>" button in the right corner ! Let's get our District represented so we have a voice and are able to get many great ideas out of it.

Mahalo,  
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**July New Members – it was a very good Month!  
Welcome, all! And thank you, sponsors!**



**Happy 50th Anniversary  
John and Laura Steelquist**

