

## **District Governor Laura Steelquist**



## **March is Literacy Month!**

"Despite significant improvements in literacy rates globally, today there are still 781 million adults and 126 million youth who cannot read or write a simple sentence. Women account for two-thirds of the illiterate population, according to the latest data from the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS). "

Have you ever stopped to think what the simple act of reading and writing means in your day to day life? Imagine a world where all the signs, all the instructions, all the microwave box directions were totally incomprehensible.

We are all part of the very fortunate 80% of the world's population that learn to read and write at an early age. Rotary has recognized literacy as one of the Six Areas of Focus for our Rotary Foundation. Our common goal is to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in

education, and increase adult literacy.

We have a strong history of support for literacy projects in District 5000 with our Dictionary Project, Keiki Vision, Read to Me, various Scholars programs, computers in schools in Hawaii and South Africa, school textbooks recycled to schools in the Philippines - all being done by multiple clubs – and with clubs coming up with ever more innovative ways to promote literacy at both school age and adult levels in Hawaii and around the world.

This year we asked clubs to incorporate literacy projects into every avenue of service. I can hardly wait to see the awards submissions to celebrate with clubs their accomplishments in bringing this basic human need to all our people.

# **Celebrate!**

Help someone learn to read or write! Now there's a way to really

# Light Up Rotary!!!



# District5000

## **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**



**Rotary is FUN**. The club projects are FUN. Social activities are FUN. And the service is FUN. Let's share our Clubs with potential people in our communities and invite them to join.

**Recognition** – Trip to District Convention in 2016 (hotel room/full conference registration and meal package and airfare [if inter-island travel required], for One D5000 Club President + spouse or significant other (i) One D5000 Rotarian + spouse or significant other (ii)

(i) One Club President awarded based on these criteria, provided the new members remain active Rotarians in D5000 as of 1.1.2016

<u>Small Club Winner</u>, Club that brings in the largest number of new members during

 $M^3$  (min of 3 required to qualify for the award)

Medium Club Winner, Club that brings in the largest

number of new members during  $M^3$  (min of 5 required to qualify for the award)

Large Club Winner, Club that brings in the largest

number of new members during  $M^3$  (min of 7 required to qualify for the award)

Draw one lucky Winner from the entire 3 category Winners. If there is no Winner in a category, then drawing to be held between remaining category Winners.

NOTE: Club size is defined by Official number from RI as of 7/1/14.

(ii) One D5000 Rotarian who brings in the largest

number of new members during  $M^3$  (min. of 4 required to qualify for the award), provided the new members remain active Rotarians in D5000 as of 1.1.2016

All Winners must be active Rotarians in D5000 as well as of 1.1.2016.

New members must be inducted during  $M^3$ . To participate, Clubs must have been chartered before Feb 15, 2015. their next PH level]

INFORMATION IS PROVIDED BY CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIR AND CON-FIRMED BY RI DATABASE. RUNNER UP WILL BE SELECTED IF ABOVE CRITERIA ARE NO LONGER MET AS OF 1.1.2016.

#### OPTIONAL IDEAS AT CLUB LEVEL TO CREATE ADDITIONAL EXCITEMENT

Use Paul Harris Recognition Points to reward members

that bring a same guest <u>twice</u> during  $M^3$  (100 points)

Use Paul Harris Recognition Points to reward members

that bring in a new member during  $M^3$  (300 points) [WILL have positive effect by boosting Foundation participation, as some members may add \$\$ to reach their next PH level]

#### What are Foundation recognition points?

Foundation recognition points are awarded to donors who contribute to The Rotary Foundation. Donors receive one Foundation recognition point for every U.S. dollar contributed to these funds.

Donors can extend Foundation recognition points to others to help them become or to name them as a Paul Harris Fellow or Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Foundation recognition points belong to the original donor until the donor's death, or until the donor uses the points.

#### How do you transfer Foundation recognition points?

A minimum of 100 Foundation recognition points must be transferred at a time, and an authorizing signature is required when completing the <u>Recognition and Transfer Request</u>.

- □ Individual donors are the only ones authorized to transfer Foundation recognition points from their individual account.
- □ Club presidents are the only ones authorized to transfer Foundation recognition points from the club's account.

Foundation recognition points may not be transferred from individuals to a club or district.

Through <u>Member Access</u>, your club can view the **Club Recognition Summary.** 

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### DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS



We are working hard to bring you the first ever D5000

#### **Rotarian to Rotarian Directory**

Ostensibly, for facilitating business connections it will also help create social relationships within the district.

We need the support of Rotary clubs and members to make this happen, though.

Sign up for the first edition....<u>it costs you nothing</u> and takes less than five minutes of your time.

At this point, send an email requesting the sign up form to <u>rotarydirectory@hawaii.rr.com</u>. A form will be promptly emailed to you. Fill it out and email it back and you're done! This will be a multi-year project with the goal of getting most all of our Rotarians signed up... and maybe, just maybe, creating an app for that!



## District Assemblies

The purpose of the District Assembly is to prepare incoming

club leaders for their year in office and to build their leadership team. It also gives the incoming District Governor Del Green, the incoming Assistant Governors and District Team the opportunity to motivate club leadership teams and build their working relationship.

West Hawaii	March 28
Maui	April 11
Kauai	April 18
Oahu	May 2
East Hawaii	May 9

It is essential that each club send the relevant Director or Avenue of Service Chair to the Assembly for the entire day. If that is not possible, please ensure that someone attends each session whether or not there is a specific person with that responsibility in your club.

### **OPPORTUNITY!**

#### Aloha Rotarians Throughout Hawaii...Let's Celebrate Rotary's Centennial of Service Above Self !

You have a rare opportunity to celebrate your individual pride in membership, showcase your Rotary club's accomplishments, present your company's acknowledgement of Rotary's contributions to Hawaii, and offer your friends an avenue to reach thousands of newspaper readers via advertisements and messages in support of the difference Rotary has made at home and around the world over the past 100 years.

The Honolulu Star-Advertiser and the Rotary Club of Honolulu invite you and or your business and others in the community, to purchase an ad in the **July 1<sup>st</sup> Centennial tabloid, which will be included in newspapers statewide.** This is an excellent opportunity to take advantage of the special package pricing offered by the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.

Jay Higa, Director of Advertising/Business Development and Honolulu Star-Advertiser Associate Publisher, will be our contact for this project.

If you are interested in being a valued part of this statewide Centennial keepsake, and you want to take advantage of the preferred Early-Bird rates, please contact Jay at (808)529-4712 or through email at jhiga@staradvertiser.com.

<u>Size</u>	Early-Bird	<u>Regular</u>
Full Page	\$4,950	\$6,750
Half Page	\$2,600	\$3,750
Quarter Page	\$1,450	\$2,250
Eighth Page	\$825	\$1,250
Business Card	\$545	\$750

#### Early-Bird discounts expire April 15, 2015.

Premium positions such as Back Page or Page 3,5 & 7 will be charged a premium fee.

#### Let's Showcase Rotarians in Business!

Aloha, Linda Coble

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West Central Oahu Yolette Nishimoto

Central Oahu Jim McClelland

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Maui Valley Tom Leuteneker

Maui Coast Mark Harbison

Hawaii East Charlene Meyers

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



#### **Rotary Rocks for Scholarships**

(Sponsored by the Rotary Club of East Honolulu) Join us for a fabulous night of good ole Rock & Roll fun. Dress up in your best Rock outfit from any decade. Date: March 28, Sunday Time: 5:30-10PM Place: Hawaii Price Hotel Band: Kutmaster Spaz, DJ Al Waterson

You will be blown away! Enjoy a great dinner by the Hawaii Prince chefs. Lots of booze and dancing. Bid on fabulous silent auction items. Hurry don't wait, early bird pricing of only \$99 till March 8, 2015. Regular Price \$125. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite. Go to: https://www.eventbrite.com/d/hi--honolulu/rotary-rocks-for-scholarships/ - See more at: http://rotaryclubeasthonolulu.org/Event/75758473-85d2-48f7-bf4a-383304a4d18d#sthash.ow2qIgJF.dpuf or contact: Rotary Club of East Honolulu



#### It's time to register for the...

HAWAII DISTRICT 5000 CONFERENCE Hilton Waikoloa Hotel, Kona Coast, Hawaii May 22 through May 24, 2015

JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED WEEKEND OF FRIENDSHIP, NET-WORKING, AND TRAINING ON THE STUNNING KONA COAST! You don't want to miss this extraordinary opportunity to "Talk Story" with Rotarians from all over Hawaii's District 5000! Bring the whole Family! This year, our conference is over Memorial Day Weekend, May 22-24. You can stay at the beautiful Hilton Waikoloa Village for only \$139 per night!! The rate is good for 3 days before, and 3 days after the conference. Come for the conference, stay for a little vacation time in one of Hawaii's most incredible resort properties. Space is filling up quickly, so don't delay!

To register, and for more information, go to: <u>http://www.d5000conference.org</u> *District Conference Video:* https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5-PDy8YyyY



#### Rotary International Convention

June 6-9, 2015 | Sao Paolo, Brazil

Register early!



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