



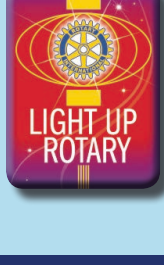
Aloha, Rotarians of District 5000!

October is Vocational Service Month! This is the month when Rotary “returns to its roots” and recognizes the strength of our organization because of all the diverse vocations in which our members are leaders. In 1905, Paul Harris, a lawyer, invited three Chicago businessmen to a meeting: Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer; Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer; and Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor. Harry Ruggles, a printer, joined the next day. (Yes, he was the one who decided singing would add to the fun of a meeting!) Ruggles brought in Will Jensen, a real estate dealer. The idea was that these men would form a group of businessmen who would incorporate the friendliness and cooperative spirit of a small town into life in the city of Chicago. And by having different businesses represented, they would all benefit and help each other prosper. So, if you look at it that way, Vocational Service was actually the First Avenue of Service!

Friendship (Fellowship) and Vocation – what an incredible combination! In this newsletter, we’re going to introduce you to some of the Rotary Fellowships with groups in Hawaii. You can find over 60 of them listed on the RI website – a Rotary Fellowship to match almost every interest – or check out instructions on how to start your own! <https://www.rotary.org/en/.../form-rotary-fellowship> <https://www.rotary.org/en/document/884>

Let’s share our skills, our knowledge, and our enthusiasm as together we LIGHT UP ROTARY!

DG Laura



From D5000 Vocational Service Chair Robert Santry:

I hope one of the goals for each club this year includes the promotion of vocations in Rotary and in the local community. Rotarians need to share their professional and business callings in club work. This extends to our schools whereby we participate in Interact and Rotaract and provide career mentoring to our students. Hosting career days (where individuals talk about their professions, businesses, and community leadership), participating in mock interview sessions with students, and helping out when the high school seniors present their major project.

Vocational Service and Membership work hand-in-glove. Vocation chairs need to promote networking activities at club meetings and encourage Rotary members as well as visitors and guests to bring and to display business cards and brochures. Create a table. Encourage club members to exchange business cards and to exchange business cards with visiting Rotarians and with non-Rotarian guests. Drop visitors and guests a line and thank them for attending your meeting. This is your friendship, fellowship, exchange of information, and business opportunity.

Vocational Service is a good fit for all levels of Rotarians. I’m going to call these the green, bronze, silver, and gold categories:

- A. Green (Children and youth): Invite Interact and Rotaract students to your meetings; let them experience Rotarians talk about their vocations and practice of good business ethics. This is a networking opportunity for students looking for mentors.
- B. Bronze (18-39): Reduce membership fees for new professionals and business owners. Invite them for a trial membership to experience Rotary. Promote networking opportunities. Train your older Rotarians to serve as mentors. Take time to talk to these folks after meetings.
- C. Silver (40-69): You are probably in the top money making level by now. Your career is taking off and maturing. This makes you a prime candidate for connecting the dots between networking (building relationships, passing leads, and sharing referrals) and service to the community (and by extension international service). Creating wealth is a blessing. Why not express how wealth creation entails giving back to the community by engaging in service projects.
- D. Gold (70plus): When asked to give a vocations talk (brief commercial) please do not engage in “I do nothing now. I’m retired.” Share a message to include what you did in your career(s), how you mentor persons engaged in one or more of your careers, and how you connect a calling (life purpose and passion) to this time in your life. Volunteering, for example, serves as a vocation and a work contribution. Share what causes excite you and why you volunteer. Share your experiences with your adult children (or equivalents if you do not have children) and grandchildren. How do you engage them in vocations discussions?

Find a way to help your club increase your Vocational Service participation this year and you will help your club grow and be stronger – and will allow you to add even more vocations to your membership mix!

Kailua - Kona, HI



Rotary Means Business-Big Island began with a bang at Humpy’s Showroom. Rotary District 5000 Assistant District Governor Donna Hiranaka was on hand to welcome and offer good wishes from the District Governor to the group of nearly 30 local Rotarians and their guests. Humpy’s Events Manager, Jamie Borromeo, a Rotarian herself, thanked the group for coming. Rotary Means Business-Big Island is the first vocational fellowship club arm to be formed in the State of Hawaii. Rotary was originally founded by Paul Harris to understand about and do business with his friends while completing philanthropic endeavors.

Rotary Means Business-Big Island is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kona and is the first group offered for all Big Island Rotarians and their guests to get together monthly for inter-club fellowship, and to network and share about their clubs and businesses with one another aside from their weekly meetings. Club flyers, company brochures and business cards are encouraged. Other such groups are expected to form throughout the Hawaiian Islands. A second on the Big Island is already being formed in Waikoloa.

Meetings for Rotarians and their guests are held on the 3rd Thursday each month at Humpy’s Showroom. It is located upstairs over the Humpy’s bridge at Humpy’s in the Coconut Marketplace, facing out on Ali’i Drive in Kona. For more information, please contact Rotary Means Business-Big Island Chair and Rotary Club of Kona Member, Laura Guluzzy at: writerslg@gmail.com or her office phone at: (808) 326-2100. You may also go to: www.RotaryMeansBusiness.com, www.RotaryMeansBusiness.org, or www.RotaryMeansBusiness.net for additional information and international locations.



District 5000 Assistant District Governor Donna Hiranaka checking in, standing with Humpy’s Events Manager and Rotarian Jamie Borromeo. Also pictured are fellow Rotarians James Resor and Dani Knapp. Photo by Laura Guluzzy

From Galen Coffman, D5000 Fellowship Chair:

Fellowship is fun, helpful, informative, and it comes in many forms. Some of us think of Fellowships as something to join, others think of Fellowships as a way to make new friends and have fun. In Rotary there are many ways to experience Fellowships, whether within your own club meeting or as a member of one of the official Rotary Fellowships, such as Rotary Means Business Fellowship mentioned above or the Wine Appreciation Fellowship mentioned below.

- Rotary Fellowships are groups of Rotary members who
- Share a common interest in recreational activities, sports, hobbies, or professions
- Further their vocational development with others in the same profession or field
- Enhance their Rotary experience by exploring new opportunities and making connections around the world

Fellowships:

- Enable Rotarians to make lasting friendships outside their own club, district, or country
- Contribute to the advancement of Rotary’s public image and identity
- Serve as an incentive for joining Rotary and for continuing as a member

I know of Rotarians in District 5000 participating in the following Rotary Fellowships:

- Bridge, Golf, Hiking, Jazz, Music,
- Rotary Global History Fellowship, Recreational Vehicles, Wine, Yachting
- and there may be many, many more!

Come join us! Being a member of a Rotary Fellowship is one of the BENEFITS of Rotary!