Aloha,

We are proud to announce that HRYF Scholarship checks for all 48 scholarship recipients were sent to their respective colleges on July 15th totaling $125,000. Half of the student scholarship is sent on July 15th, and the second half will be sent on December 16th.

To ensure that 2014 scholarships are not affected, we request that clubs promptly send in their 2013-2014 HRYF dues of $100. So far, Kapolei, Mililani Sunrise and Pearlridge have sent in their dues. HRYF ByLaws state that “upon timely payment of the annual dues, member clubs may participate in the activities of the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation” (ByLaw Article 15b).

We greatly appreciate the donations made by Rotarians in the 2012-2013 year. Rotary Year Donations (July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013) from Rotarians amounted to $38,549, up from $30,007 the previous year. The HRYF budget goal is $55,000. Last year, there were 49 Rotary Club members who made donations. Since July 1st, we have received $3,350 from the following 8 Rotary Clubs: Ala Moana-$1,564; Hilo Bay-$150; Kahala Sunrise-$1,000; Mililani Sunrise-$10; North Hawaii-$75; Wahiawa-Waialua-$50; West Pearl Harbor-$50; and Windward Oahu-$361—a good start for the end of July! Our goal for the 2013-2014 year is for all District 5001 clubs to make a donation—we appreciate your support.
HRYF programs are financed by contributions from Rotarians and individuals. Cutler Investment Group reports that our market value of our investments for June 30, 2012-June 30, 2013 totals $4,612,620.80. HRYF policy states that we use 5% of a 20 quarter average for our scholarships and operations. The interest and earnings amount of our endowment fund are used to fund our scholarships and operations, and this assures us of having funds available for future awards and the preservation of the principal.

Speaker assignments: Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation President Stanley Togikawa will be at the Pearl Harbor Rotary Club on July 24 for their noon meeting at Waiele Golf Course. Dates are requested from the Hanalei Rotary Club to coordinate Kauai visits.

On June 5th, Stanley was invited to the Mililani Sunrise Rotary Club for their first Awards Breakfast to honor high school students who live in Mililani with RC Mililani Sunrise Scholarships. He helped to present the HRYF scholarship award to their club selection – Jolene K. Fujita. Congratulations Jolene! Also in attendance was Tashawna Wright, who received one of the $10,000 awards. The RC of Mililani Sunrise awards $17,000 in scholarships in the following categories from their annual Golf Tournament at Leilehua Golf Course in May:

- 4 Academic Scholarships @ $2,000
- 1 Interact Scholarship @ $2,000
- 2 Athletic Scholarships @ $1,000
- 2 Community College Scholarships @ $1,000
- 1 Vocational Scholarship @ $1,000
- 1 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math Scholarship) @ $2,000

Here are some ways other clubs raise funds for the Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation:

- Ala Moana Rotary Club asks every member to make a $100 donation to HRYF with their semi-annual dues.
- Richard Cunningham of the Hilo Bay Rotary Club makes a beautiful koa box to auction to raise funds for HRYF.
- Send me what your club is doing to raise HRYF funds at stan.togikawa@hawaiiantel.net.
Be sure to plan now for Foodland’s “Give Aloha” program coming up in September 2013. HRYF’s organization number is #77199. Customers are invited to make donations of up to a cumulative total of $249 per person per organization. HRYF receives 100% of all customer donations, plus a percentage of Foodland and Western Union matching funds that each customer donates to the organization of their choice. We have benefited about 25% more from the Foodland “Give Aloha” program, and we appreciate you reminding your members to participate!

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