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Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor

Celebrating 60 Years of Service!

IN THE WAKE MEETING REPORT Feb 14, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

[Rotary International](http://www.rotary.org)
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President Ray Klingensmith

District 5000

Governor John Steelquist
Asst. Dist Governor Liz Kane

Chartered June 14, 1950



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Club Officers

President..... Elouise P. Kaanaana
President-Elect..... Vacant
Vice President..... John C. McLaughlin
Secretary..... Lori D. Williams
Treasurer..... Stella Kimura
Past President..... Ernest G. Anderson
Sergeant-at-Arms..... Stefanie Wilson

Directors

Club Service..... Kimberly B. Moore
Service Projects..... Connie G. Kraus
International Service... William H.Q. Bow
New Generations..... Ernest S. Heard
Membership.. Donna Fasone McLaughlin
Public Relations..... Raymond Noh

Interact Clubs Sponsored

- Aiea High School
- Farrington High School
- Moanalua High School
- Radford High School

Sister Clubs

- Hiroshima Southeast, Japan
- Tokyo Osaki, Japan
- Avachinsky, Russia

Meeting Schedule

Mondays, 12:00 Noon
Oahu Country Club
150 Country Club Road

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The Joint Rotary meeting of the Rotary Club of Hiroshima Southeast (RCHS) and the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor (RCPH) began with the procession of seventeen Hiroshima Southeast Rotary Club members and their guests who were introduced by Past President **Carl Oshiro**. The group, met by their host and embraced with beautiful leis (orchid or kukui nut), in the real Hawaiian style, with aloha and a standing ovation consisted of: President **Masao Hosoda**, President-elect 2011-2012 **Masatuki Kanbe**, & wife **Yukiko Kanbe**, Past President 2009-2010 **Kazuya Nakatani**, & wife **Miyako Nakatani**, Past President 2008-2009 **Tamito Yoshioka**, Past President 2007-2008 **Izumi Yamashita**, Past President 2002-2003 **Akiko Nishikiori**, International Service Co-Chairmen **Tehiro Ikutani** and **Ryoji Hayata**, Vice Secretary **Osamu Bushisue**, Club Service Director **Masataka Iwai**, Vocational Service **Osamu Kodame**, **Shimae Hirotani**, the wife of **Seiki Hirotani**, and their daughter of **Kimiko Kanemoto**, **Fumio Minomi**, the wife of **Miyuki Minomi**, and **Rie Yoshida**, the daughter of **Nobuhide Yoshida**.

Ellie Kaanaana, President Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor, and **Masao Hosoda**, President Rotary Club of Hiroshima Southeast, struck the rotary bell together to begin the joint meeting of the two Clubs and the 2,797th meeting of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor.

President **Ellie** introduced the Interact Club leaders of Farrington High School, they blessed this special event and everyone with a beautiful **O'i** (Hawaiian Welcome Chant)!



Interact Club Leaders **Josie Fa'aaliga**,
President **Cassandra Ta'ape** & **Ingrid Fa'alavelave**



Donna McLaughlin

PP **Donna McLaughlin** gave the prayer and inspiration. President **Ellie** elected **Connie Kraus** led the United States Pledge of Allegiance. **Jeff Deer** played the music to the Star Spangled Banner and club members sang it with pride and gusto!

Rotary Club of Hiroshima, Southeast members

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Connie Kraus



Jeff Deer

sang the Japan National Anthem, *Kimigayo*.

RECOGNITION

Sergeant-at-arms **Stefanie Wilson** introduced District Leadership and guests: **Steve Dyer** Co-Committee Chairman, **Bruce Fink** HRYF Board member, **Donna McLaughlin** Interact Chair, **Stefanie Wilson** District Trainer. Guests: **Betty Mihlbauer (John Mihlbauer)** Less Hunkele (**Ernie Anderson**), **Pat Anderson (Ernie Anderson)**, **Ted Meeker (Steve Dyer)**, **Mimi Deibler (Debbie Diebler)**, and the Farrington HS Interact Club Leaders and chanters **Josie Fa'aaliga**, **Cassandra Ta'ape & Ingrid Fa'alavelave**

HAPPY BUCKS

Debbie Deibler gave \$20 to the **Bob Deibler** Scholarship Fund (BDSF) because she's finally meeting Hiroshima members for the first time. **Connie Kraus** received a \$200 donation to the BDSF from **Carl Myers**. **Bruce Fink's** brother-in-law took money from him on the golf course, he'd rather give \$20 to HRYF. **Jeff Sarver** gave \$20 for the hardest working person on the golf course, **Osamu Bushisue** of Hiroshima. PP **Ernie Anderson** donated \$100 to the Rotary Foundation in gratitude for the Hiroshima visit in memory of both **Bob Deibler** and **Mr. Hirotani**. **Carl Oshiro** gave \$10 to the club to mitigate his long standing absences'. **Les Hunkele** gave \$20 in Jeff's name, he got his hair cut and, picked up slippers stored a **Jeff Deer's** to donate to needy kids. **Steve Dyer** donated \$20, he knows Bob's here, can feel him slapping him on the head. Arigato Bob! He's so glad **Mimi** and **Debbie** are part of this visit.

HAPPY YEN

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Hiroshima Southeast, President **Masao Hosoda** presented an envelope of Happy Yen collected from their group given to the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor in appreciation for the great hospitality during their visit

PROGRAM

President **Ellie Kaanaana** recognized **Shimae Hirotanai** and **Mimi Deibler**, widows of **Seiki Hirotani** and **Bob Deibler** who were instrumental in the establishment of the Sister Club arrangement of the two Clubs. She expressed her appreciation for the Hiroshima Clubs visit to **Bob's** resting place at the National Cemetery this morning.

President **Elle** then gave her speech: "President **Masao Hosoda**, Past President **Kazuya Nakatani**, members and family of the Rotary Club of Hiroshima Southeast, members, family and guest of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor, Aloha mai kakou, (heartfelt, earnest regards to all present here and now).

I am **Ellie Kaanaana**, President Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor.

Friends from Hiroshima, we are very happy to see you, to visit with you and to strengthen our lasting friendships again. Thank you for making another official visit to Pearl Harbor and to commemorate the 29th anniversary of our sister-club affiliation. Thanks to International Service Directors, our **Bill Bow** and your **Ikutani** san for their collaborative efforts in making this event so successful and beneficial to all concerned. In earnest humility and aloha we pray that you have been blessed, building memories and strengthening relationships".

Steve Dyer Presented a Proclamation signed by Honolulu Mayor **Carlyle** to Hiroshima President, **Masao Hosoda**. The Proclamation recognizes the long time relationship between the two Rotary Clubs and proclaims February 11



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to 15 to be Rotary Clubs of Pearl Harbor and Hiroshima Southeast Days.

President **Ellie** said “We had such a wonderful time last year at your 50th rotary club anniversary celebration. We so looked forward to the opportunity to reciprocate in our own humble way.

Please accept this special gift, a Hawaiian wood carved poi pounder. The poi pounder, or Pohaku ku'i poi, is a symbol of Hawaiian nurturing and represents a time when families and communities joined together humbly and peacefully in harmony to produce the sustaining staple of their culture, which was poi.



On behalf of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor, we wish you a safe journey home. We look forward to many more years of friendship and sisterhood with your wonderful club! It's been a joyful and happy reunion. May the dear Lord bless and keep you safe and secure. Aloha!”

President **Masao Hosoda** spoke, “Aloha! Greetings everyone! I am **Masao Hosoda**, President of the Rotary Club of Hiroshima Southeast. Thank you for holding this jointly-attended regular meeting for us today. We appreciate it very much.

There are 17 of us on this trip from Hiroshima. A couple of days ago, we were given a welcoming party at **Jeff's** house. We had wonderful Italian food, and spent a jolly good time. Those of us dying to play golf had plenty of it, with 3 days on the green. To President **Kaanaana** and Chairman **Bill Bow**, International Service, and those of you who acted as our host, we would like to express our wholehearted gratitude.

In February last year, 15 of your members were kind enough to visit Hiroshima on our club's 50th anniversary. I am sure the winter in Hiroshima felt much colder than Hawaii, but I hope you had a good time. We also have **Kazuya Nakatani**, then president of the club, here with us. Let me address everyone on behalf of ex-president **Nakatani**. Thanks to you, we were

able to celebrate our 50th anniversary in a grand fashion. Thank you very much.

The sad news reached us in Hiroshima, that **Robert Deibler**, past governor and president of your club, and Gen. **Thomas Rienzi** both passed away. I dedicate my condolences to these great Rotarians who have found their eternal rest. Mr. Deibler in particular tirelessly devoted himself to further the social exchange and amity between our sister clubs. We have paid our respects to his grave before this meeting, and would like to take this occasion to renew our vow to carry on the late Mr. Deibler's legacy to deepen social ties between our clubs.

Time flies fast. The sisterhood between our clubs will be 30 years in the making in September next year. I believe we have made it so far by the support of the great Rotarians ahead of our footsteps. I would like to pass this tradition powerfully onto the next generation, and ask for all of you to join forces.

After this meeting, we are planning on visiting the Arizona Memorial to lay down flowers, and plant a memorial tree in Blaisdell Park. Tomorrow we will be on a plane bound for Hiroshima, but we had such a wonderful and meaningful visit, by grace of your warm and kind "Rotarian heart". Thank you today. Thank you! Mahalo!

This is a present for the Pearl Harbor RC. I would like to present it to President **Kaanaana**. We call it “Bon”. We usually use it for bringing tea & sweets at tea-time and also use it by way of ornament in the case if it has a beautiful decoration.

This bon is the traditional handiwork of Miyajima and is a “Miyajima carving”. It is made out of the Zelkova tree process and is carved with the



Torii of Miyajima, a deer and a pine tree.

Do you remember Miyajima from the last time you visited Hiroshima? You went to the island where there is the shrine and the World Heritage Site. This work is by Kouun who works at Murakami - Industrial

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This time we did a special order to carve 'Kizuna (Bond)' on the back, which means to keep hand-in-hand. Please accept it.

Visitors and host exchanged gifts of appreciation and continued friendship.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

President **Ellie** thanked Hiroshima Visit Committee members: International Director **Bill Bow**, and **Harvey Gray**, **Jeff & Karen Deer**, **Ernie Anderson**, **Stefanie Wilson**, **Ken Brown**, **Carl Oshiro**, **Raymond Noh**, **Kim Moore**, **Jeff Sarver**, **Kiore Kaji**. Really appreciate the team effort by all.

ADJOURNMENT

John McLaughlin led in the 4-Way Test



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ON THE HORIZON Upcoming Meetings & Events

February

World Understanding Month

Feb 21: Dark

Feb 28: Jim Hickerson, Vietnam Vet on his POW experiences

March

Literacy Month

Mar 7: TBA

Mar 14: Mary Steiner, The Outdoor Circle

THE 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?

'Oia 'Ō i keia o'lelo

2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Kupono ia ka kou

3. Will it BUILD GOODWILL and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Kukulu lokomaika'i a me pīialoha maika'i a'e

4 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Pono ia ka kou