

# **Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor** Celebrating 60 Years of Service!

MEETING REPORT May 9, 2011

May 16, 2011

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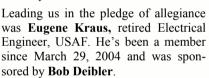
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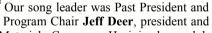
Aloha mai kako! President Elect Connie Kraus welcomed guests and members to the 2,808th meeting where we Bridge the Gap to enhance the vitality and viability of our club through Rotary International's three Strategic priorities: Support & Strengthen our Club, Focus & Increase Humanitarian Service, Enhance Public Image & Awareness. Our core values are Service, Fellowship, Diversity, Integrity, and Leadership.

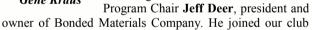


Gene Kraus

Providing our inspiration was Past President Bruce Fink, Deputy Engineer, US Pacific Command. He has been a member since May 4, 1998 and was sponsored by John Scudder.









Bruce Fink

Jeff Deer

## RECOGNITION

on August 3, 1981 and was sponsored by Herb Robish.

Sergeant-at-Arms Stefanie Wilson recognized the presence of District 5000 Leadership: PDG, Finance Chair and Leadership Academy Dean Jim Varner, District Trainer Stefanie Wilson, and HRYF board member Bruce Fink, ADG Central Oahu Elizabeth Kane, District Alumni Co-Committee Chair Steve Dver.

Stefanie also welcomed Patrick Matsumoto of American Savings Bank and guest of Jeff Deer. Also Jeff Workman guest of Harvey Grav.

Steve Dyer introduced and welcomed Ambassadorial Scholars Sanae Nakatani, Goeun Lim, and Kuniki Miyachi.

### **CELEBRATIONS**

President Elect Connie recognized Induction Anniversaries: Bruce Fink on May 4, sponsored by John Scudder. Yasuko Kawakami on May 4, sponsored by Steve Dver. Donna and John McLaughlin on May 14, sponsored

#### **Rotary International** www.rotary.org

President ..... Ray Klinginsmith

#### **District 5000**

Governor ...... John Steelquist Asst. Dist Governor ..... Liz Kane

Chartered June 14, 1950



**Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor** 

#### **Club Officers**

President..... Elouise P. Kaanaana President-Elect...... Connie G. Kraus 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

Aiea High School **Farrington High School** Moanalua High School Radford High School

Hiroshima Southeast, Japan Tokyo Osaki Janan Avachinsky, Russia

#### **Meeting Schedule** Mondays, 12:00 Noon

**Oahu Country Club** 150 Country Club Road

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by **Kenny Lum.** Celebrating her Birthday on May 16 is **Lori Williams** 

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mahalo again to all who donated canned goods today to help feed the hungry and homeless. Those donors were Ernie Anderson, Alice and Bee Clark, Jeff Deer, Bruce Fink, Dudley Fullard-Leo, Gene and Connie Kraus, Donna and John McLaughlin, John Mihlbauer, Jeff Sarver, Doug Taylor, and Jim Varner. Every donation helps feed the hungry in Honolulu.

### **HAPPY BUCKS**

Ken Brown gave \$16.00 to the Club (\$1.00 for every member who wore their rotary pin.) Steve Dyer gave \$2.00 to the club because he was "happy to be here at our Rotary Club meeting". Dudley Fullard-Leo gave \$16.00 matching Ken Brown's amount saying that he is also happy that people are wearing their pins. Raymond Noh gave \$100.00 to Harmony of the Pacific and \$150.00 to the Rotary Foundation. Ted Meeker gave \$2.00 to the Club because he was happy to be here.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May 17, 2011 Joint Board Meeting Connie & Gene's house 5:30 p.m. social starts (wine & pupu)

May 22, 2011 Club Assembly, Sea Breeze 5:30 p.m.

May 23, 2011 SWIRLS planning meeting at JMD 5:00 p.m. — see Swirls Countdown

June 11, 2011 11:00 a.m. Harmony of Pacific. **George Topic** gave 10 Harmony of the Pacific tickets to each Club member. Please sell the tickets to friends and family or to make a donation for the fund raiser.

### AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARS



Sanae Nakatani Kuniki Miyachi. Goeun Lim
Steve Dver introduced three Rotary Foundation Ambassa-

dorial Scholars who have arrived at the end of their scholarship time and came to say goodbye and thank you. The RCPH hosted Sanae Nakatani, who is from Shikoku, Japan, and was sponsored by District 2650 (Kyoto) on a two-year Ambassadorial scholarship. Sanae has just finished her second year of a five-year PhD program in American Studies at UH. After returning to Japan this week she plans to return from her summer break to finish her program at UH. The RCPH was also fortunate to host Goeun Lim, an ambassadorial scholar from Korea. She completed a year toward her Master's in UH's English Language Studies Program. She hopes to be a teacher, and plans to return to complete her Master's next semester after returning to Korea for the summer. Kuniki Miyachi has been our calabash scholar. He was also sponsored by District 2650 (Kyoto) and studied in UH's English Language Studies Program. He is returning to his native Nagova where he plans to teach. The Scholars said goodbyes and thanks for the support that our club has given them this past year.



Steve Dyer, Augie Rey Fernanedz, Ted Meeker, Stephanie Wilson, Goeun Lim, Connie Kraus, Gene Kraus, Kuniki Miyachi, Sanae Nakatani, ,John Doty, Raymond Noh, Jeff Deer & Harvey Gray

Pearl Harbor Swirls Countdown
138 Days Remaining
The next Swirls planning meeting will be Monday, May 23, at 5:00 PM at JMD Center. All Club members are invited. Wine and Pupu will be served.
Meeting will count as a Club make-up.

### PROGRAM

PP and Program Chair **Jeff Deer** introduced our guest speaker, **John Doty. John** was born in Honolulu at Kapiolani Children's Hospital and yes he has a copy of his birth certificate! He attended Iolani High School and then went on to get a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business in

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Marketing from the University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. He began as a merchandiser at Eagle Distributors, his families company and held several positions from Sales Representative, to Marketing and Promotions coordinator to General Manager of JMD Beverages, their wine subsidiary. He was a true S.O.B. at Eagle – son of the boss. In 1996 they sold Eagle Distributors to Anheuser-Busch and spun JMD Beverages off and **John** is now running that. He has two partners and they cover the State of Hawaii as a fine wine wholesaler. His hobbies include, golf, cooking and traveling.

John said "Argentina is a fascinating country and I had the privilege of visiting it earlier this year in January, which is their spring. Being in the wine business, my business JMD Beverages, has picked up a new importer called Vino Del Sol and they invited me down to Argentina to visit the wineries that they handle. To begin my talk though I wanted to briefly go over the history of this country, which has now become a major player in the world wine market."

"The first natives of Argentina were called Mestizzo's. They were eventually conquered by the Inca's who ventured down from Peru. After a brief period where Inca customs were introduced the Spaniards arrived in 1517. Spain claimed a large portion of Argentina and other countries like Chile and Uruguay for the crown of Spain. After several hundred years of Spanish rule and the constant push under men such as Phillip San Martin and Simon Bolivar, many of these countries were able to establish their independence from the European powers. Immigrants, primarily from Spain and Italy began arriving in Argentina in the late 1800's and the present population of Argentina today is a mix of these ethnicities among other European countries as well. From 1880 through 1920, Argentina enjoyed tremendous wealth becoming one of the 10 richest countries in the world by exporting prime beef, lamb and leather goods to Europe. Alas, wealth would not last as the Peso lost value and inflation spiraled out of control in one of the fastest currency drops the world had ever witnessed. General Juan Peron and his charming wife Eva came to power in 1946 and were eventually overthrown in 1955 in a coup which led to a great play on Broadway called Evita and the movie starring Madonna. "Don't Cry for me Argentina" was sung from the balcony of Casa Rosato or Pink House - their version of our White House."

"On to the trip: After a long journey to Buenos Aires, **John** arrived without his luggage as it had been lost. When it was finally found and delivered to him he found

out his camera and Polo cologne had been stolen. He came to find out there is a ring stealing items out of lost luggage at the airport in BA and they specifically look for perfume and electronic devises. Not to worry, Buenos Aires is a beautiful city with its wide boulevards and open areas. **John** went to a street fair in Recoleta and shopped in San Telmo."

"Next stop was Mendoza, home to vineyards and wine production. The first night we met our group, who like me were wholesalers and large retailers and restaurant people from around the mainland US. After enjoying a chicken dinner which was ironic, because all we heard they eat is steak, we went to bed early and got ready for our winery visits."

"First stop was the Lamdrid winery where we got a good chance to learn about the vineyards. Rainfall in the Mendoza area is less than 2 inches a year and they must irrigate from these little hills next door called the Andes Mountains. Sarcasm not withstanding they are the second highest mountain range in the world with Acan Cagua, the highest peak topping 22,000 feet."

"One problem the vineyard managers deal with is hail because at 5000 to 6000 feet they are the highest elevation vineyards in the world. They put up costly hail screens in the vineyard because you cannot lose that precious fruit."

"The grapes that they are known for are Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, Torrontes and Bonarda. Malbec is the real star since it seems to thrive in the Argentine climate."

"Many activities went along with the wine tasting including drinking Mata, the local tea, watching a tango demonstration, attending an olive oil tasting and horseback riding. They kept us busy for sure. Oh yeah we

enjoyed a steak or two along with watching them bake Empenadas. Have you ever eaten goat? It's called chibito and it tastes a lot like lamb."

"After many tastings and wonderful food we really learned what a great tradition this country has when it comes to La Dolce Vita."

John gave away two bottles of wine, one to Liz Kane for knowing the three wine area



John & Raymond Noh

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of Argentina. And another bottle of wine to **Raymond Noh** for knowing the name of the highest peak in Argentina

President Elect Connie thanked John for his interesting and informative presentation and asked him to sign the children's book, *The Tooth Book* by **Dr. Seuss,** which will be donated to Aiea Elementary School in his name.



Connie & John Doty

#### ADJOURNMENT

Sanae Nakatani, Ambassadorial Scholar, led us in the Four-Way-Test.

#### ROTARY MOMENT

"With 14 months (30 June, 2012) left to complete the Polio US\$200 Million Dollar Challenge we have so far raised about US\$168 Million. The exact amount will be announced in New Orleans at the RI Convention. With RPCMGI Chairman Paul Netzel's leadership we are right now approaching US\$60 Million toward our goal of US\$95 Million by 30 June 2015 for our Rotary Peace Centers". The Rotary Foundation News Letter

### **ROTARY NEWS**

Past Rotary International Presidentss (Continued from April 25th)

1922-23

Raymond M. Havens Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA

"Rotary demands three important business obligations — sincerity in affirming, simplicity in bargaining, and faithfulness in performing. And to this may I add that good citizenship is a most positive business obligation."

1923 RI Convention



## ON THE HORIZON

**Upcoming Meetings & Events** 

1923-24

Guy Gundaker Rotary Club of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

"The essence of Rotary will likely continue to be as undefinable as life itself. Therefore, we cannot hope for many results from definitions of Rotary but must rely on Rotarians acquiring a working knowledge of the appropriate



activities which they are expected to perform, and then urge them to carry those activities into practice in their daily lives."

1917 Rotary convention

#### May

May 16: BG (RET) James Hirai, Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies

May 22: Club Assembly, 5:30 PM, Hickam Sea Breeze

May 23: DARK

May 30: DARK Memorial Day

June

June 6: MG Stephen D. Tom, Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command

June 11: Harmony of the Pacific, 11:00 AM, McKinley H.S.

## **THE 4-WAY TEST**

Of the things we think, say or do
1. Is it the TRUTH?
'Oia 'i'o 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 pilialoha maika'i a'e 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Pono ia ka kou