



# THE CHANNEL MARKER

## Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor

Celebrating 61 Years of Service!

August 8, 2011

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MEETING REPORT Aug 1, 2011

### CALL TO ORDER

President **Connie Kraus** welcomed members and guests to the 2,817<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor where we look toward the future, keep our hearts in the present, and Reach within to Embrace Humanity!

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

President ..... Kalyan Banerjee  
District 5000

Governor ..... Laurie Yoshida  
Asst. Dist Governor ..... Mel Kumasaka

Chartered June 14, 1950



Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor

#### Club Officers

President..... Connie G. Kraus  
President-Elect..... Douglas S. Taylor  
Vice President..... Lester M. Hunkele III  
Secretary..... Debbie Deibler  
Treasurer..... Stella Kimura  
Past President..... Elouise P. Kaanaana  
Sergeant-at-Arms..... Lori Williams

#### Directors

Club Service..... Jeffery J. Sarver  
Service Projects..... Shirley Robinson  
International Service... William H.Q. Bow  
New Generations..... Kimberly B. Moore  
Membership..... Ernest G. Anderson  
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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Harvey Gray



*Steve Dyer*



*John Mihlbauer*



*George Topic*

Providing our inspiration was PP **Steve Dyer**, inducted July 29, 1991 and sponsored by **Don Devaney**. **Steve** is a partner with Ayabe, Chong, Nishimoto, Sia and Nakamura Attorneys at Law.

Leading us in the pledge of allegiance was **John Mihlbauer** inducted October 27, 1982 and was sponsored by **Pete Latham**. **John** works for All Ship & Cargo Surveys, Ltd.

Our song leader was **George Topic**, who led us in singing an up tempo version of God Bless America, inducted February 6, 1967, 44 years ago, sponsored by **Wally Backus**. **George** is Principal Broker for Topic Realty.

### RECOGNITION

Sergeant-at-Arms **Lori Williams** recognized Past District Governor **Roy King**, current leadership: **Melvin Kumasaka**, ADG North Central Oahu; **Steve Dyer**, District Alumni Committee Co-Chair; **Harvey Gray**, District Newsletter. We welcomed Rotarians from within D5000: calabash member **Alan Lloyd** (Windward Oahu) and **Christopher Haig** (Hawaii Kai).

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### CELEBRATIONS

President **Connie** recognized member Inductions – PP **Jeff Deer**, inducted August 1, 1981, sponsored by **Herb Robish**, Wedding Anniversaries: **Jim and Nancy Varner**, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

“I Can” donators: **Ernie Anderson**, **Bill Bow**, **Alice Clark**, **Bee Clark**, **Connie Kraus**, **Gene Kraus**, **Donna McLaughlin**, **John McLaughlin**, **Pat Middleton**, **John Mihlbauer**.

### HAPPY BUCKS



*John Doty & Jeff Deer*

**Alice Clark**, \$20 to the Foundation, happy because **Bee's** cousin was visiting. **Debbie Deibler**, \$5 to the Club because she forgot to wear her rotary pin at an Interact meeting.

**John Doty**, \$20 to the Club because he and **Jeff Deer** are glad to be back after a wonderful trip to England, Scotland, and Ireland. **Pat Middleton**, \$100 to the Rotary Foundation in honor of becoming a “Super Donor” of the Blood Bank. **Raymond Noh**, \$4 to the Club thanking **Gene**



*Pat Middleton*

**Kraus** for all he does for the Club including

checking people in at meetings. **Jeff Sarver**, \$10 to the Club for having a wonderful time at the Sandbar with **Lori and Jim Williams** and also a \$5 fine for pushing **Lori** into the water.



*Mel Kumasaka*

**Melvin Kumasaka**, \$20 to the Club happy to be with us.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our fundraiser, Swirls, is just two months away, Saturday, Oct 1st, so mark your calendars and make your reservations.

DG **Laurie Yoshida** will be our guest on Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> along with members of the GSE team from the Philippines.

Have you registered for the D5000 Conference on Sept. 9, 10, 11 at the Kaua'i Sheraton Resort in Poipu? Registration is only \$20.00. The meal package is \$100.00. Sign up on line through the D5000 web site.

### PROGRAM

**Harvey** asked the members how many believe the club is a charitable organization with a tax code of 501 c (3). He said there are many misconceptions, the main one being that all Rotary clubs as a 501 c (3), when in fact we fall under the 501 c (4) code where donations are not tax deductible. Some large clubs have established a 501c (3) Foundation within their club, but over the years our club has elected not to. We are privileged to have **Roy King**, Past District Governor 1998-1999, and current Treasurer of the D5000 Foundation to tell us what the Foundation does, what it can do, and how it operates to keep D5000 in the clear with the IRS.

**Roy** read from an IRS information sheet which says that in “1958 the International Revenue Service declared that Rotary International and its clubs and districts are entitled to exemption from federal income tax under Section 501c (4) of the Internal Revenue Code. While the Rotary districts and clubs are exempt from paying federal income tax, the law does require all clubs and districts to file an annual information return on IRS Form 990.

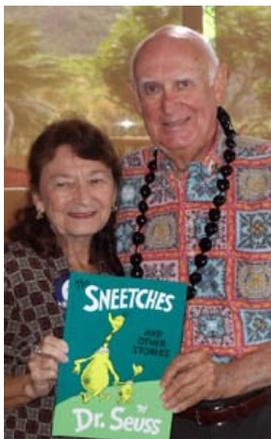
Establishing a Foundation is a lot of work and can be expensive. You must have a separate board of directors, file your own tax reports, register with the State Attorney General, and pay an annual fee depending on the amount of income. The District does that and takes care of all the costs and fees. The D5000 Foundation was established in 1999, to make it possible for Rotary clubs to receive tax deductible charitable contributions for their fundraisers without having to

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form a 501 c(3) themselves. Thirty-three clubs, including Pearl Harbor, are members of the Foundation. The State requires all clubs individually to pay General Excise Tax every year on all fundraiser gross income from sales of items and tickets.

This past year D5000 Foundation received about \$116,000 in contributions and with the amount carried over, gave out about \$145,600 including grants. Many clubs have scholarship and grant accounts for their various projects within the Foundation. We may establish an account or several sub-accounts with the Foundation for charitable purposes, such as a **Robert Deibler** Scholarship account and a Swirls account or a general Pearl Harbor Rotary Club account. Checks are written to and deposited in the D5000 Foundation account and are tax deductible. We then decide how we want to disperse the funds. For a scholarship account, we need a scholarship committee and to write a short grant as to how the money is to be distributed and the Foundation will write the check to the entity. Every dollar that we put into the Foundation belongs to the club, expense free. The District transfers money to the Foundation every year to pay for all the expenses incurred by the Foundation. The Foundation has a board of 9 Directors, 3 go off every year and 3 come on every year. The Rotary DG is the President of the Foundation. The DGE is the Vice-President.

President **Connie** thanked **Roy** for educating us about the advantages of the District Foundation and asked him to sign a children's book, *The Sneetches and Other Stories* by **Dr. Seuss**, which will be donated to Aiea Elementary School in his honor.

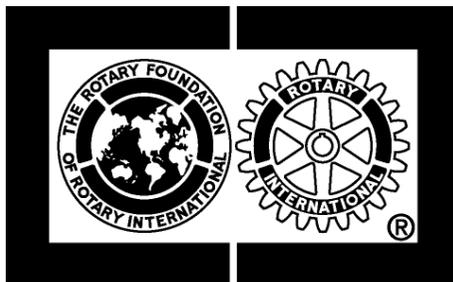


*Connie & Roy King*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Jeff Deer** led us in singing the Four-Way-Test and finished with an "Amen". **Jeff** said he has always wanted to do that!

## ROTARY NEWS



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION  
DISTRICT 5000, HAWAII**

### GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Each year over five-hundred Rotary Districts worldwide participate in the Group Study Exchange (GSE) program. The GSE Program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women between the ages of 25 and 40. Team members spend about a month abroad studying the host countries institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations and develop personal and professional relationships.

Teams are composed of four non-Rotarian team members and one Rotarian team leader. During the exchange, teams will visit businesses, meet local government officials, tour historical and cultural sites while staying with Rotarian host families. The team will visit Rotary clubs and make presentations sharing their background, home country culture and history. When they return home, they will share the experiences of their visit to Hawaii and District 5000.

Contributions to TRF cover the transportation costs while sponsoring districts and Rotary Clubs provide home hosting during the exchange. The GSE Program enhances goodwill and cultural understanding, which is one of Rotary's many programs aimed at world peace.

Our GSE Partner this year is District 3780, Quezon City, Philippines. The team is lead by Rotarian **Roberto Montellano** who is an Oral Surgeon/Orthodontist/Cosmetic Dentist. His team consists of four women: **Chryslin Monica Laohoo**, a preschool

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teacher and educator, **Maria Oliva**, a Television Executive Producer, **Erika Marie Narciso**, Bank Marketing and Product Manager and **Kathleen Anne Cruz**, an Environmental Scientist

The team will be on Oahu from August 12<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>. They will then spend a week on Maui followed by a week on the Big Island and finally a week plus on Kauai where they will attend the District Conference (Sep 9-11).

Please welcome our inbound team from Quezon City, The Republic of the Philippines

### ROTARY HISTORY

#### Rotary International Presidents

(Continued from August 1) .

1938-39

George C. Hager  
Rotary Club of Chicago

“While Rotary International and each of its member clubs should carefully avoid any political entanglements, each individual Rotarian should strive at all times to cooperate with other individuals to every practical extent in support of peace objectives.”

1939 RI Convention



1939-40

Walter D. Head  
Rotary Club of Teaneck, New Jersey, USA

“Most of us would like to have the best of ourselves live on. ... To any man who wears the Rotary wheel and whose thoughts follow this pattern, I suggest a study of The Rotary Foundation as a device whereby men of small or great substance can project themselves into the future.”

The Rotarian, June 1940



1940-41

Armando de Arruda Pereira  
Rotary Club of São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil

“Rotary teaches us, among many other beautiful things, to respect other people’s ideas as we expect them to respect ours.”

1941 RI Convention



### ON THE HORIZON

Upcoming Meetings & Events

August

#### Membership and Extension month

- Aug 08:** Shane Nesbitt, PhotoVoltaic systems
- Aug 15:** Board meeting with DG Laurie Yoshida
- Aug 15:** Assembly, DG Laurie Yoshida
- Aug 22:** Diane Cadinha, How Exercise & Diet can preserve your muscles
- Aug 29:** Kimo Carvalho, Hawaii Energy

### 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