



December 5, 2011

THE CHANNEL MARKER

Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor

Celebrating 61 Years of Service!

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MEETING REPORT Nov 28, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

President Connie Kraus welcomed members and guests to the 2,831st 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!

Providing our inspiration was **Lori Williams**, inducted June 8, 2009 and sponsored by **John McLaughlin**.



Lori Williams

Patrick Matsumoto

Lenny Katsarsky

Patrick Matsumoto led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He was inducted May 22, 2011, and was sponsored by **Ellie Kaanaana**.

Our song leader was **Lenny Katsarsky**, inducted Oct. 31, 2005. **Lenny** led us in singing God Bless America.

RECOGNITION

Sergeant-at-Arms **Lori Williams** welcomed members of Current District 5000 Leadership: **Steve Dyer**, District Alumni Committee Co-Chair; **Bruce Fink**, HRYF Board Member; **Dave Berry**, District Permanent Fund Chair; **Phil Sammers**, Assistant District Governor. Rotarians from within District 5000: **Roy Tanji** (Ala Moana), **Alan Lloyd** (Windward). Guest of RCPH Members: **Zelma Osborne** guest of **Sam Heard**.



Zelma Osborne

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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

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International Service... William H.Q. Bow
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Membership..... Ernest G. Anderson
Public Relations..... Raymond Noh

Interest 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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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The following members were thanked for donating cans of food for the Food Bank – **Bruce Fink**, **Connie** and **Gene Kraus**, **John Mihlbauer**, **Shirley Robinson**, **Jim Varner**, and **Stefanie Wilson**.

HAPPY BUCKS

Lori Williams \$15 to the Club complimenting **Debbie**



Roy Tanji

Deibler for her wonderful singing and guitar playing at the Contemporary Museum. **Ken Brown** \$50 to the Rotary Foundation because his Trojans did well. **Roy Tanji** \$10 to the Rotary Foundation for the Trojans beating UCLA and because he never expected them to beat Oregon. **Phil Sammer** \$2 to the Club for his first visit with us. **Dave Berry** \$1 to the Foundation because he is happy to be here.

Doug Taylor \$20 to the Rotary Foundation because the Oregon Ducks prevailed over Oregon State Beavers. **Sam Heard** \$10 to the HRYF, he is an Aggie. **Steve Dyer** \$20 to the Rotary Foundation, he is happy to have a Foundation speaker here for Foundation Month and because his 3 favorite football teams all lost.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **Dave Berry**, District Rotary Foundation Permanent Fund Chair, gave a pitch for the Rotary Foundation Bequest Society and Benefactor. To become a Benefactor, you need only to pledge \$1000 or more to the Permanent Fund through your estate. To become a member of the Bequest Society you must pledge \$10,000 or more. **Dave** handed out Fact sheets and forms.

• **Phil Sammer**, District Governor Nominee, showed a video presentation promoting the Rotary International Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, May 6-9, 2012 and explained how and when to register.



Phil Sammer

• Keiki Vision is Thursday, December 8th at 8:30am in the Aiea E. S. Library; volunteers are needed, call **Shirley Robinson** if you can help.

• Seniors Luncheon is Friday, December 9th at 10:00am at the Susannah Wesley Center in Kalihi. Call **Ernie Anderson** for if you can donate or volunteer.

PROGRAM

Steve Dyer introduced **Marguerite Ashford-Hirano**, Ambassadorial Scholar Alumni. **Marguerite** was born and raised on Oahu, graduated from Punahou in 1971 and attended Stanford graduating with a B. A. with Honors in Medieval and Renaissance history. She earned a Post Graduate Degree in Pacific History from the University of Otago in New Zealand in 1975 courtesy of Rotary, and a Masters of Library Science from UH in 1976. She worked at the Title Guaranty as a title researcher and at the Bishop Museum in various positions in the museum Library and Archives. Active in research, exhibits, and publishing, she was also the Head Librarian from 1987-1989. **Marguerite** then became the Head Librarian at Punahou from 1990-1999, Dean from 1999 to present and College Counselor 2004 to present.

Marguerite said that if you talk to any ambassadorial scholar, they would agree that the year in a foreign county away from home is a life changing experience. When she arrived in New Zealand, she was shy and naïve, but that soon changed as she traveled all over the country to talk to 30-40 Rotary Clubs. In 1975, communicating with home was very different from today, now they have Skype, email, cell phones, but then a phone call cost \$30 a minute. She spoke to her family once in the year she was away. Why is that relevant today? It makes you grow up, changes how you look at yourself, and your relationship with other people.

She had always wanted to go to New Zealand and Rotary provided her with the opportunity. She found out about the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar Scholarship when she was looking through a book about how to find scholarships. Rotary requires that you write to five different collages, have no relative that is a Rotarian, and have good grades. There were no course catalogs to look through, so had no idea what

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courses to sign up for. Going to England was a first priority for her because of her studies in Medieval and Renaissance history, but the only schools she heard back from were in Australia and New Zealand, which meant they had to be moved to the top of her priority list. “Sometimes God gives you what you don’t want and you have to trust that it is better for you”.

Going to school in New Zealand was grueling; **Marguerite** had to take 4 classes once a week, four hours long. The smallest class, 4 students, was Pacific History and the professor was a “nut case”. He had some very odd ideas on how the Pacific was populated and thought malaria played a major role. She had studied malaria and dengue fever while at the Bishop Museum and could “argue” with the professor on this point. To qualify to take the final exam, a student had to have a B average; the exam was all or nothing. Each exam was read by three people, including one in England, than all the exams were sent to England at the end of the year, you did not know if you passed or failed until the following May.

There was a great deal of prejudice against Americans in New Zealand during the Viet Nam War and under the ANZUS treaty, New Zealand was required to have troops in Viet Nam. She was told by her professor, when writing her theses, she would have to use British vernacular and sound more like a New Zealander or her theses would fail, and she should identify herself as a Hawaiian instead of an American. So that is what she did!

New Zealand was a wonderful time and created a great interest for her in the Pacific Island culture. Upon returning to Hawaii, she went to work for Bishop Museum for fourteen years, and learned to speak Hawaiian



Marguerite & Connie

and Tahitian. Now, as the Dean at Punahou, she is

now advising students and helping interested students to get to New Zealand. All of this would not have been possible without Rotary.

President Connie thanked **Marguerite** for her presentation and asked her to sign a children’s book, *The Story of Chinaman’s Hat* by **Dean Howell**, which will be donated to Aiea Elementary School in her honor.

ADJOURNMENT

Sam Heard led us in the Four-Way-Test.

ROTARY HISTORY

(Continued from October 31)

1955-56

A.Z. Baker

Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio,
USA

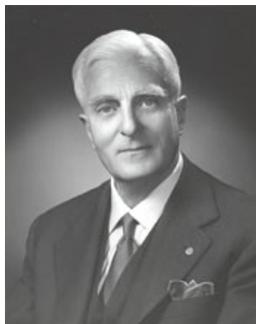
RI Theme: Develop Our
Resources

“Rotary’s material resources are great, but [its] intangible resources of the spirit, the mind, and the heart are greater still.”

1956 RI Convention



1956-57



Gian Paolo Lang

Rotary Club of Livorno, Italy

RI Theme:

- Keep Rotary simple
- More Rotary in Rotarians
- Learn more about each other

“The greatest blessing the human heart can know is world peace, and the world will never become better unless we ourselves become better.”

1956 RI Convention



1957-58

Charles G. Tennent

Rotary Club of Asheville, North Carolina, USA

RI Theme: Enlist - Extend - Explore - Serve

“The greatness of Rotary is not measured by the seas it has spanned — the countries and regions into which it has gone, or the numbers of its clubs and members — but rather by what it is doing to advance the Object of Rotary throughout the world.”

1958 RI Convention

1958-59



newly born conscience of mankind.”

The Rotarian , July 1959

1960-61

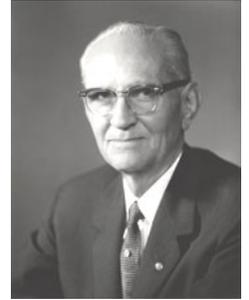
J. Edd McLaughlin

Rotary Club of Ralls, Texas, USA

RI Theme: You are Rotary - Live It! Express It! Expand It!

“Since my earliest days in the banking business, I have given far more weight to the character of the man than to his collateral in my business dealings.”

The Rotarian , July 1960



Clifford A. Randall
Rotary Club of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA

RI Theme: Help Shape the Future

“As we set our individual goals and prepare to meet the challenge of the changing

world, let us ever keep before us the realization that this Rotary idea, which has captured the minds of free men everywhere, must be a part of us. It cannot be an external thing — something we put on and take off as a hat or jacket.”

The Rotarian , July 1958

1959-60

Harold T. Thomas

Rotary Club of Auckland, New Zealand

RI Theme: Vitalize!
Personalize! Build Bridges of Friendship!

“We have reached a stage where the all-important factor is the will to peace in the hearts and minds of men - the new and slowly developing sense of oneness, the



**December
Family Month**

- Dec 5:** Heroes Luncheon at Honolulu Country Club, 11:30 A.M.
- Dec 9:** Senior Citizen Christmas Luncheon, 10:00 A.M., Susanna Wesley Center
- Dec 12:** Lani Almanza, American Cancer Society
- Dec 19:** Holiday Fun & Games
- Dec 26:** DARK

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