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Meeting Schedule

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

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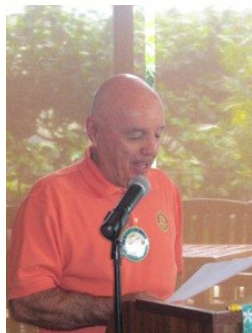
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MEETING REPORT Mar 11, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

President **Doug Taylor** welcomed members and guests to the 2881st meeting of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor where we pursue *Peace Through Service*.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President **Doug Taylor**. Doug has been a member since February 13, 1984 and was sponsored by **George Topic**.



Doug Taylor



Bill Bow



George Topic

International Service Director, **Bill Bow**, a member since October 19, 1997 and sponsored by **Jim Dolim**, gave our inspiration for the day, *"The man of wisdom is never of two minds; the man of benevolence never worries; the man of courage is never afraid."*

George Topic, a member since 1967 and sponsored by **Wally Backus** led us in singing "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling"

RECOGNITION

Sergeant-at Arms **Stefanie Wilson** welcomed District leadership: **Jim Varner**, Past District Governor and Club Strategic Planning Instructor and **Harvey Gray**, Editor District Newsletter . Rotarian Guests Within District 5000: Calabash Member **Alan Lloyd** (Windward Oahu), Honorary Member **Merilyn Gray** and Guest Speaker, **Peter Sybinsky** and his guest **Dawn Hunt**.

CELEBRATIONS

Member Birthday: **Carl Oshiro 3/19**

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

"I CAN" donators:

Ernie Anderson, Bee and Alice Clark, Connie and Gene Kraus, Jim Varner, Stefanie Wilson, Alan Lloyd and Shirley Robinson.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AWARDS

President **Doug** asked Past District **Governor Jim Varner** to present Paul Harris Fellow awards to two of our members, recognizing them for their contributions to the Rotary Foundation. They have gone to new heights with their contributions: **Ernie Anderson** was awarded his eighth Paul Harris Fellow pin! President-Elect **Les Hunkele** received his second Paul Harris Fellow pin. **Jim Varner** talked about the significance of these pins and the major contribution to the Rotary Foundation that they acknowledge. He urged members to contribute to the Rotary Foundation, the "life blood" of Rotary.



Jim Varner, Ernie Anderson and Les Hunkele

PRESIDENT-ELECT TRAINING SEMINAR

President **Doug** asked President-Elect **Les Hunkele** say a few words about his trip to San Jose to attend the President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS), held each year to prepare President-Elects for their year as Club President.

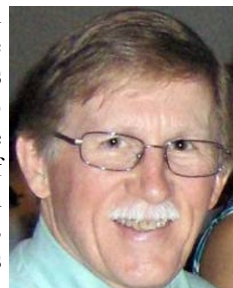
Les talked about his trip to PETS and said the highlight of the seminar was the opening session and the unmatched quality of the speeches given by the four keynote speakers.

HAPPY BUCKS

Les Hunkele, \$20 to the Foundation happy to be back from PETS. **Doug Taylor, \$20** to the Foundation happy to be back from his trip to the mainland.

PROGRAM

Peter A. Sybinsky, Ph.D. comes to Hawaii Health Information Corporation (HHIC) with over twenty-nine years in public health, health care delivery and human service programs. **Dr. Sybinsky's**



Peter Sybinsky

background includes heading two large departments of state government, as Director of Hawaii's Department of Health and as Secretary of Indiana's Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA). In these roles, he directed a wide range of programs including Medicaid, mental health/substance abuse, services for persons with disabilities, health promotion/education, emergency medical services, environmental health, communicable disease control, and maternal and child health. As Deputy Director of Health for the State of Hawaii from 1987 to 1994, **Dr. Sybinsky** implemented innovations such as the State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) and Hawaii Access. In the private sector, **Dr. Sybinsky** served as CEO of the Association of Maternal and Child Health Services in Washington, DC. **Dr. Sybinsky's** career is marked by a record of innovation and accomplishment including, expansion of health care coverage in two states, involvement in health reform efforts at the national level, leadership in creative approaches to HIV/AIDS, care of children with severe behavioral problems, public health/human service information and referral, tobacco control and the prevention of child abuse and neglect. An East-West Center grantee, he received his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Hawaii.

Hawaii Health Information Corporation (HHIC) is Hawai'i's leading health care information organization. Their mission is to collect, analyze and disseminate statewide health information to support efforts to continuously improve the quality and cost-efficiency of Hawai'i's health care services. A private, not-for-profit corporation established in 1994, HHIC maintains one of Hawai'i's largest healthcare databases. HHIC's unique strength is the ability to generate comparative information using the extensive records in this database. In addition, we

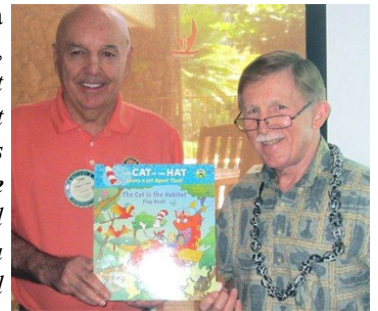
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analyze relevant state and national databases to create population-based reports, performance measures, norms and benchmarks. As an independent organization, HHIC brings both objectivity and the required expertise to enable health care facilities, health plans, public and private organizations and communities to make the most of the data available, both locally and nationally. Services offered through HHIC include reporting, consulting, training and fostering collaboration. Ongoing development efforts are guided by the requirements, needs and requests of Hawai'i's healthcare community. Bringing together experts from key areas of the industry, HHIC has available the expertise of health care analysts, registered health information administrators, health information privacy and security experts, medical consultants, health services planners, and database website and systems specialists. through HHIC's comprehensive database and expert analytical capabilities, organizations are provided with information essential to health care quality management, community assessment, planning and policy analysis, and research.

Hospital care represents the largest component of overall health care expenditures. Reducing preventable hospitalizations is one way to lower America's \$ 2.2 trillion medical bill. Some hospitalizations can be potentially prevented with timely and effective ambulatory care. High admission rates for these potentially preventable conditions may indicate a need for improvements in access to ambulatory care and in the quality of care provided, as well as in patient adoption of healthy lifestyles and active self-management of chronic conditions. Reducing the frequency of potentially preventable hospitalizations would be an effective strategy for lowering costs while improving quality of care and patient outcomes. Of the \$112 million spent on potentially preventable hospitalizations in Hawaii, congestive heart failure and bacterial pneumonia account for about half of the expenses—\$31.1 and \$27.4 million respectively, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma account for roughly 10 percent—\$11 million and Diabetes, including complications, accounts for 12 percent—\$13 million.

President **Doug** thanked **Peter** for his presentation and

asked him to sign a children's book, *The Cat in Hat knows a lot about that*, by **Artistides Ruiz** and **Joe Mathieu**, which will be donated to Aiea Elementary School to promote literacy.



Doug & Peter Sybinsky

ADJOURNMENT

Jim Varner led us in the 4-Way Test.

ROTARY NEWS



A call to end polio

Rotarians joined Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and other supporters of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative on the steps of the U.S. Capitol 14 March to encourage continued support for the campaign to end polio. Find out how you can join the final push to end this crippling disease.

Former Rotary Peace Fellow encourages clubs to promote the program

Zewdineh Haile heard about Rotary's Peace Centers program while participating at the Peace Research Institute of Oslo. A diplomat for the Ethiopian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Haile was committed to the pursuit of peace -- which led him to apply for the first class of Rotary Peace Fellows in 2002.

"I have realized that our world needs well-prepared professionals who are capable of addressing conflicts

in a pragmatic way,” Haile says. “I was then convinced that this cannot be done without having an exposure to the world of academia, where well-crafted courses on conflict resolution and international peace studies are provided.”

Haile, who spoke last month during Rotary’s annual training event for incoming district leaders, emphasized how important it is for both Rotarians and non-Rotarians to take advantage of the opportunities provided by the fellowship program. He encouraged Rotary clubs to promote the program and to seek qualified applicants.



Zewdineh Haile

“Peace is one of the core pillars for holistic development of any nation,” he says. “It is so crucial to produce well-educated peace cadres capable of designing effective intervention tools for conflicts.”

Today Haile works as a researcher, trainer, and certified mediator in the field of diplomacy. He is a co-founder and managing director of Emahizee Global Consulting PLC, an international management consulting firm based in Africa, and president of the African Institute for Arbitration, Mediation, Conciliation and Research. Haile says his peace fellowship at the University of California, Berkeley, played a pivotal role in his career.

“The rich backgrounds of other fellows were a source of empirical knowledge that strengthened the courses prepared for the program,” he says. “The university’s community and the extensive resources made available through the program were extraordinary in deepening my understanding of durable and lasting peace and the mechanisms of its timely achievement.”

Haile advises anyone interested in becoming a peace fellow to take advantage of the material available on rotary.org and to contact his or her local Rotary club or district to find out about the application deadline. He also suggests getting in touch with program alumni for further advice and guidance.

“This fellowship is one of the most prestigious programs

in the field made available to any capable and passionate individual who is eager to contribute to peace through knowledge,” Haile says. “I encourage those who have a passion for world peace to apply.”

The [2014 Rotary Peace Fellowship application](http://2014rotarypeacefellowshipapplication.org) is now available. Deadlines vary by club. All materials are due to RI World Headquarters by 1 July. For more information, contact rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org.

March

Literacy Month

Mar 18: Eric Beaver, Envision La’ie

Mar 25: Dan White, Island Pacific Academy

Apr 29: 9am – 11am, Harmony On Ice, Ice Palace.

April

Magazine Month

Apr 1: TBA

Apr 8: TBA

Apr 15: Michael Mau, The CIA Declassified

Apr 22: TBA

Apr 29: TBA

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