



# THE CHANNEL MARKER

## Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor

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Aiea High School  
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### Sister Clubs

Hiroshima Southeast, Japan  
Tokyo Osaka, Japan  
Avachinsky, Russia

### Meeting Schedule

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

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## IN THE WAKE

MEETING REPORT Mar 25, 2013

### CALL TO ORDER

President **Doug Taylor** welcomed members and guests to the 2883rd meeting of the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor where we pursue *Peace Through Service*.



*Doug Taylor*

*Jeff Deer*

*George Topic*

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

Past President **Jeff Deer**, a member since August 1, 1981 and sponsored by **Herb Robish**, gave us our inspiration for the day by Thomas Jefferson, "The glow of one warm thought is to me worth more than money", and by Helen Keller, "The best and most beautiful thing in the world cannot be seen or even touched –they must be felt by the heart".

**George Topic**, a member since February 6, 1967 and sponsored by **Wally Backus** led us in singing "The Side Walks of New York".



*Stefanie Wilson*

### RECOGNITION

Sergeant-at Arms **Stefanie Wilson** welcomed District leadership: **Jim Varner** Past District Governor and Club Strategic Planning Instructor, **Harvey Gray**, Editor District Newsletter, Past President **Bruce Fink** HRYF Board Member, Past President **Donna**

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**McLaughlin** Interact Chair. Distinguished Guest: Calabash Member. Rotarian Guests within District 5000: **Alan Lloyd** (Windward Oahu), **Chad Wong** and **Duane Nishiie** (guests of **Les Hunkele**), Military Guests: **Jessica Bennett** (US Navy) **Kehau Koa** (Navy -Civil Service), **Mark Bailey** (Air Force) **Katie Vanes**. Guest Speaker: **Dan White** and guest **Linda Rosehill**.

### CELEBRATIONS

Member Induction: **Connie** and **Eugene Kraus** inducted March 29, 2004 sponsored by **Bob Deibler**  
Wedding Anniversary: **Les** and **Diane Hunkele** March 30.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

**"I CAN"** donators: **Alice** and **Bee Clark**, **Dudley Fullard-Leo**, **Connie** and **Eugene Kraus**, **Jim Varner**, **Alan Lloyd**, **Bruce Fink**, **Donna** and **John McLaughlin** and **Stefanie Wilson**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Raymond Noh** passed around a yellow pad to the members and guests that he labeled "Be A Friend". He asked every one to jot down a name of a friend that they think might be a potential Rotarian.

### HAPPY BUCKS

**Les Hunkele**, \$39 to the Foundation for his wedding anniversary. **Bruce Fink**, \$5 to the Club, happy to be back after a successful surgery. **Jeff Deer**, \$60 to the Foundation, \$20 for each of his helpers while he was on his trip **Bill Bow**, **Patrick Matsumoto** and **John Doty**. **Raymond Noh**, \$20 to the Foundation. **Stefanie Wilson**, \$16 to the Club happy that University of Miami is on the sweet 16 NCAA Basketball road. **Doug Taylor**, \$40 to the Club for forgetting to announce the celebrations, and happy that the University of Oregon is also included in the sweet 16.

### MILITARY GUEST

Staff Sergeant **Mark Bailey** is a language analyst in the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, 324th Intelligence Squadron,

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. In this position he is responsible for performing timely language analysis and triage on assigned targets in support of national and theater-level requirements. The Air Force ISR Agency's mission is to deliver trained forces and effective capabilities and conduct integrated intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance operations for air, space and cyberspace missions.



Sergeant **Bailey** grew up in Richmond, Texas. **Staff Sergeant Mark Bailey** pursued a career in engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology before joining the Air Force in 2008. After completing a rigorous 63-week course at the Defense Language Institute/Foreign Language Center he was sent to his first assignment in Hawaii. In addition to his hobbies (soccer, running, and cross fit), Sergeant Bailey also actively participates in community events, coaching youth sports and beach clean up events on the island.

Petty Officer First Class **Jessica Bennett** was raised in Louisiana and graduated from High School in 1992. She entered the Navy in 1998 and after a number of duty station assignments she reported to her current duty station at the Joint Typhoon Warning Center, Pearl Harbor, in 2010 where she is the



**Petty Officer 1st Class  
Jessica Bennett**

Command Career Counselor. Petty Officer **Bennett** is married to Mr. **Adam Niesler** of Sydney, Australia they have three children; Alexis, Garren and Kenzie.

### PROGRAM

Program Chair, **Jeff Deer** introduced our guest speaker of the day who is also a Rotarian, Dr. **Dan White**. Dr. **White** is a veteran of over 36 years in education at the collegiate and secondary levels. He

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served as Headmaster at three other independent schools in California and Hawaii prior to founding Island Pacific Academy (IPA). He is a past President of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools (HAIS), and has also served on the Accrediting Commission for Schools of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). His leadership in education in Hawaii extends to involvement in the development of both a Master's and Doctoral degree program in school leadership sponsored through HAIS and the University of Hawaii. Publication of his 1st Edition of *So Help Me God* provided Dr. White with the proverbial 15 minutes of fame in his then-home-town of Sacramento as a guest commentator on radio and television during the second inauguration of Bill Clinton.



**Dr. Dan White**

**Dan White** earned his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of California, Riverside, in 1975, authoring his dissertation on the administration of President Dwight Eisenhower.

Walter Cronkite was wrong. That rare occurrence was the genesis of *So Help Me God; Becoming the President*. By tradition, presidents have placed their left hand, with three exceptions, on a Bible, often opened to a favorite verse.

In 1992, Cronkite reported that no two Presidents had taken the oath on the same verse. In fact, there have been several repeats. Each inauguration, though, has been unique as have been the presidencies of the forty-three men who have served in the nation's highest office.

*So Help Me God: Becoming the President* highlights the special qualities of each inauguration and tells, in brief, the story of each administration. Common to all inaugurations has been the oath of office, stipulated in the Constitution in Article Two. Presidents pledge to "faithfully execute the laws and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States." Upon completing the oath, the term of office begins. To

emphasize the solemnity of the oath, George Washington added "so help me, God." *So Help Me God: Becoming the President* tells stories which rekindle faith in the capacity of ordinary people to rise to the occasion to perform extraordinary feats. The stories affirm the belief that the presidential office, created as something new and untested in 1789, fits the values and aspirations of the American vision and its people.

Take the example of our first President, George Washington. As a military commander, in terms of battles won and lost, his record was hardly perfect. Yet Washington was probably one of the better commanders available to the rebellious colonies, and it suited the nation's interests to have the winning general, elected overwhelmingly as the first President, viewed as a successful military man. And, applying today's vernacular, he was the winner in the Big One at Yorktown, the crucial role of the French fleet notwithstanding.

President Pierce provides another example of timely exclusion of fact. Pierce was one of only two Presidents not to use a Bible for his oath of office. John Quincy Adams was the first; for him, it was an expression of his interpretation of the separation of church and state. Pierce's choice of law books derived from his wife blaming the President-elect for the death of their son in a train wreck, and punishment from God for lies Pierce had told his wife about his nomination. She convinced him that using a Bible would be blasphemous. Imagine a *New York Times* headline in March 1853 shouting "Pierce Fears Blasphemy; Chooses No Bible."

President Lincoln is widely credited for freeing the slaves with the Emancipation Proclamation. The fact that, with a few exceptions, those slaves were in territory in rebellion and thus not actually free until the Civil War was won by the Union does not detract from the powerful myth about Lincoln. Fewer still remember that Lincoln's ideal solution was not a salt-and-pepper society in which white and black lived side by side in peace and harmony. Lincoln advocated shipping the African Americans to Africa, specifically, to Liberia. Once again, there was need for a powerful and positive myth, so the facts were adjusted to fit the need.

Crippled by polio after running unsuccessfully for



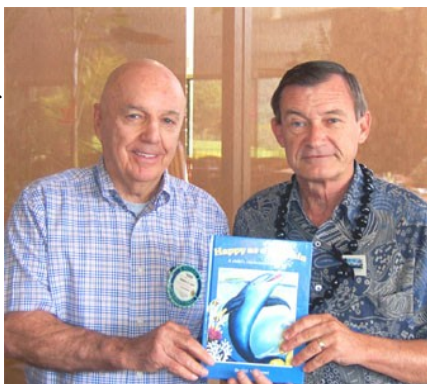
## ROTARY NEWS

Vice President in 1920, Franklin Roosevelt arranged with the press never to be photographed in a manner that revealed his inability to use his legs. Once again, the needs of the nation, at that point several years into the Great Depression, for a powerful myth trumped any sense of the public's "right" or "need" to know. Certainly, his physical condition was no secret. But the image of a firm and healthy President contributed to public confidence that FDR was a strong leader who would lead the nation out of the abyss.

What does modern America gain and lose in its supposed desire to know all, all the time? By creating an expectation of perfection in our leaders, the public and the media set up leaders for failure, since no one is perfect, or create the conditions in which leaders feel they must always present "their best foot forward."

We Americans often proudly proclaim that we are a "government of laws and not of men." Indeed, we strive for "equal justice under law," asserting that no man is above the law. We would do well to remember that "men," now to be understood and "men and women," interpret the law and confront the challenges of an unpredictable world. As living, breathing actors making real-life decisions, it is comforting to have the guidance of long-standing Constitutional principles and a history of flexibility about our Constitution when a President is called upon to save it.

President **Doug** thanked **Dan** for his presentation and asked him to sign a children's book "*A Child's Celebration of Hawaii*", by Dr. **Gill McBarnet**, which will be donated to Aiea Elementary School to promote literacy.



*Doug & Dan White*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Bruce Fink** led us in the 4-Way Test.

## ON THE HORIZON Upcoming Meetings & Events

Around the world and around the corner, the 1.2 million men and women of Rotary

- Get involved in their communities
- Connect with other professionals
- Share their time and experience with young people
- Support global causes, such as eradicating polio
- Use their skills to help other



### April Magazine Month

**Apr 1:** Judith Clark, Hawaii Youth Services Network

**Apr 8:** Brandon Hayashi, Energy Industries

**Apr 15:** Michael Mau, The CIA Declassified

**Apr 18:** Joint meeting with North Central Oahu clubs at Seven Palms at Navy-Marine Golf Course, formerly Sam Snead's, Guest speaker is Coach Norm Chow

**Apr 20:** –Oahu District Assembly at Sacred Hearts Academy, 7:45 am

**Apr 22:** Leslie Uptain, The Trust of Public Land

**Apr 29:** TBA

### Save the Date

**Jun 10:** 9am – 11 am, Harmony On Ice, Ice Palace.

## 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