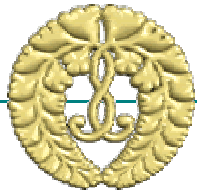
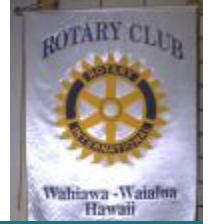




Rotary Club of Wahiawa-Waiialua

# Hulali

Club Bulletin



## Wahiawa Hongwanji Mission

We had a real treat in store for us today. Our speaker told us a bit of history about the Wahiawa temple and a lot about what his plans are for the mission. **Reverend Kevin Kuniyuki** has been at the Hongwanji Mission in Wahiawa since early last year and has many plans.

This is the ninety-fifth anniversary of the temple. Kevin noted that Buddhist priests from Kyoto came to Hawaii seven years after the first Japanese arrived in the islands. The immigrants wanted to practice their religion but needed priests to conduct the numerous ceremonies.

The Wahiawa temple was built with a concerted effort of the members, the community, veterans and active duty soldiers from Schofield Barracks.

Kevin told us that the Hongwanji is considered a Buddhist sect. Simply put, the original religion split into two friendly factions. One conservative, the other more liberal. The conservatives were more attuned to practicing their religion, studying and meditating. The liberals are of a mind that they should be more a part of the community. They believe the inter-connectiveness of community and that those who have passed before us become one with the universe and forever remain in our hearts.

Kevin said that Hongwanji priests are

usually associated with funerals. He told a story when he visited an ill member, the member said, "Sensei. I'm not dead yet!"

The Wahiawa mission has a long and strong connection with the community of Wahiawa. In 1944, the organizational meeting for the Wahiawa Hospital Association held their meeting in the temple because it had the largest room suitable for a meeting in the area.

Reverend Kuniyuki wants to make the temple and its membership more integral in the Wahiawa community by promoting activities that benefit both his members and the community. He has started several already.

**Glenn Hamamura**, a member of the temple, is active as an instructor of Aikido and the computer club.

Aikido is the basic principle of self-defense. It is a non-offensive martial art. The Aikido club is open to the public.

The Mission computer club started with no computers, they now have fifteen. The first meeting saw six people show up. They now have forty-three members of the club. All the equipment is donated and assembled from parts to create a working computer.

A few of the computer club members

are seniors, 60-, 70-, and 80-year olds. But it is an inter-generational club in that a lot of the younger members help out in the class and teach the "old folks" how to become more proficient and at ease in front of a computer.

Ken asked the Reverend if there was any way the Rotary Club could help the mission. He said they were basically financially sound but were looking more toward partnerships. Jim jokingly asked for a loan, then. The Reverend fielded the request diplomatically by saying, "We'd have to define the terms of partnership".

Kevin, in response to another question, said that when the capitol of Japan was moved from Kyoto to Edo (Tokyo), Kyoto became the de facto center of Buddhism in Japan. While Tokyo is the political center, Kyoto is the religious center.



For more information about the Mission and their projects, contact Rev. Kevin at Phone: (808)622-4320, Fax: (808)622-7535, eMail: shakushobo@aol.com Or visit their web page <http://www.hongwanjihawaii.com/honpa/templeDetail.asp?templeID=23>



Reverend Kevin Kuniyuki

Speakers	5/01 <i>Clive Buchanan at Pizza Bob's in Haleiwa</i>	18 Steps to Greatness
	5/08 <i>Mike McCartney</i>	PBS and the Community

◀ Note the change of venue for next weeks meeting!!

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**D**r. **Manny Abundo** advised us that **S. C. Lee** is inpatient at Kuakini awaiting triple by-pass surgery. Please keep S. C. and his family in your thoughts and prayers to get him through this operation

On a happier note, Dr. Manny donated a "generous" amount to RF for his and **Rebecca's** 4th wedding anniversary, coming up next Wednesday, April 30.

**Mac McWhorter** announced that our good friend, and frequent visitor, **Roz Cooper** has been selected to serve as the District 5000 Governor in Rotary year 2005-2006.

He also told us that we can all stand at ease. We've exceeded our stated goal in contributions to the Foundation.

**PP Calvin Wakai** let us know that, over the years, 43 of our membership have contributed \$1,000, or more, to qualify them as Sully Fellows in HRYF. Since the inception of HRYF (1976), our club has donated over \$85,000 which helps in providing college scholarships to worthy students.

**Bryan Sakai** gave a Hi \$5 for being recognized in the local paper as one of the

nineteen area and branch managers awarded a free trip to Whistler, BC for their overall job performance.

**Col. Chuck Cardinal** gladly gave \$5 for the picture of him performing the hula with a Polynesian dancer. The photo was in the Military Times paper.

**Ken Uyeno** offered up a Hi \$5 because him, and his longtime friend, Pat finished the Pineapple Run standing up.

**Mark Zanetti** reported on his extensive business travel to the mainland. He said he visited about a city a day, but managed to find the time to go skiing on Powder Mountain.

**Bob Jackson**, although not a Past President, managed to get Sec. Gerry Joering fined because he forgot the 35th anniversary of his 25th birthday on April 26th. President Rodger matched Gerry's donation.

**President Rodger** mentioned Dr. Manny's anniversary but the money had already been given to the treasurer so no further recognition was forthcoming.

He also reminded us that next Thursday's meeting will be held at Pizza Bob's in Haleiwa. Round trip transportation will de-

## In Our Club this week

part Dot's at 11:30 AM sharp.

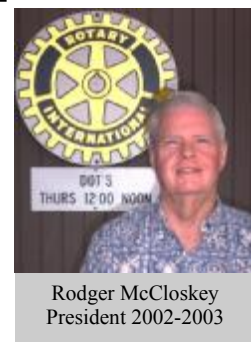
**Pizza Bob Lee** tells us the menu will consist of various pizzas, pasta, Caesar salad and garlic bread—and more good stuff.

The Mililani Sunrise Club is sponsoring their 6th Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament in May. PP Milton Sagon has all the information and applications.

The District Conference, in Waikiki, is still scheduled for May 23rd through May 26th. Please register now. You don't have to attend all three days, nor all of the functions, but your presence will increase the total number of people from our Club who will participate.

*As seen on a bumper sticker:*

IRS: We've got what it takes to take what you've got.



### Service Above Self

#### Rotary announces new World Peace Scholars

The Rotary Foundation has announced the second class of Rotary World Peace Scholars. Chosen from a pool of highly qualified applicants representing 40 countries, these 70 scholars will begin study at one of the seven Rotary Centers for International Studies during the 2003-04 academic year.

Coming from some 28 countries worldwide, the scholars bring a wealth of cultural knowledge and experience to the Rotary Centers for International Studies program. Among them they speak no less than 30 languages including Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Hindi, Icelandic, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish, Thai, Urdu, and Vietnamese as first, second, third, fourth, or even fifth lan-

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guages. The scholars hold first or advanced degrees in law, international studies, psychology, criminology, communication, conflict resolution, political science, economics, business administration, development studies, cultural anthropology, public administration, education, and information and communication technology. Their professional experience includes working with governments, UN agencies, and nongovernmental organizations in fields such as mediation, conflict resolution, and peace, as well as food security, healthcare, education, conservation, sustainable economic development, and micro-credit finance.

Many of the incoming World Peace Scholars have traveled abroad in the course of their studies or work— some through involvement with Rotary's Youth Exchange [http://www.rotary.org/programs/youth\\_ex/index.html](http://www.rotary.org/programs/youth_ex/index.html), Group Studies Exchange [### He Profits Most Who Serves Best](http://www.rotary.org/foundation/</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

<http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/gse/index.html>, or Ambassadorial Scholars [http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb\\_scho/index.html](http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_scho/index.html) programs. A few of them are former Rotaractors, <http://www.rotary.org/programs/rotaract/about.html>.

Also, their work has touched lives beyond their own borders in countries such as Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Cape Verde, Chile, Croatia, East Timor, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Israel, Liberia, Mali, Myanmar, Nepal, Palestine, Senegal, Somalia, Turkey, Uzbekistan, Yemen, and Zimbabwe.

More details about the second class of World Peace Scholars are available in the Rotary Centers for International Studies section of the Web site, [http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb\\_scho/centers/scholars/2003/index.html](http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_scho/centers/scholars/2003/index.html)

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