

July 27, 2006



# The Hulali

*A product of the Wahiawa-Waialua Rotary Club*

## Meeting Notes—July 27, 2006

### Upcoming Events

- Aug 3: Michael Podolsky, Toast Masters International
- Aug 10: Ken Zitz, "First Tee Hawaii"
- Aug 17: Jill Driftmeyer, Home Health Care
- Aug 24: Jocelyn Chong, Rotary Exchange Student
- Aug 31: DG Jim Varner visits



### 2007 Officers & Directors

- **President:** Gerry Joering
- Pres Elect: Oran Spotts
- **Vice Pres:** Ed Baumgartner
- **Past President:** David Bramlett
- **Treasurer:** Bryan Sakai
- **Secretary:** Mary Antonio
- **Sgt At Arms:** Ken Uyeno
- **Directors:**
  - Jeff Alameida
  - Nancy Barry
  - David Burtless
  - Bob Hayashi
  - Cammy Marshall
  - Chereen Pires
  - Linda Sato
  - Ken Uyeno
- **Newsletter Editor:** Mac McWhorter

*Photos by Mac*



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**T**wo exciting opportunities for Club Projects were explained to those at our meeting today. These are things we can do that will really "make a difference" in our community.

- PP David Bramlett advised that our Club plans on using District Simplified Grant (DSG) money again this year to partially fund our goal of providing a dictionary to every 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student in our Club's School District. He announced that Roger Wilf accepted the challenge and stepped forward and volunteered to Chair the project this year, and PP David appealed for help in supporting Roger when he starts the coordination process. He mentioned that a sign-up sheet would be passed around next week in search of volunteers to coordinate with the schools, and eventually provide delivery of the dictionaries. If you want to know how it feels to be appreciated, ask any one of the volunteers from last year how the children reacted to their gift of a dictionary. The stories, letters, and pictures were simply awesome.
- President Gerry described another project receiving serious consideration. Through the forethought and efforts of Geoff Horvath a few years ago, our club is now in line to receive a Harry and Jeanette Weinburg grant of ten thousand dollars. The conditions for receiving this grant, in part, are as follows:
  - MUST identify a 501-3C candidate to receive the money from our Club
  - MUST provide 25 Rotarian members to work 4 hours one day on a project.

- When approved, the renewal of the grant will be automatic each year, as long as the above conditions are met.

### PDG ROZ COOPER VISITS

**W**e were privileged to have last year's District 5000 Governor, Roz Cooper, at our meeting today. There were two special reasons she traveled out to Wahiawa today.

- She thanked the Club for the many great things that it accomplished last year and then surprised us all by presenting the Club with another patch for the Club Banner. This patch recognizes the club as having the 2<sup>nd</sup> best Web Site in District 5000. Congratulations are extended to Rex Regal and "Sugarmill.com" for the design and engineering provided by them. Special thanks are also extended to everyone who posted updates, pictures, and provided general support to the website. It was a combined effort by many and generally went unnoticed during the year. It just shows what "teamwork" does in the long run.
- PDG Roz thanked Linda Sato for her continued support of The Rotary Foundation. Linda donated over one thousand dollars during the



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last Rotary year alone and joined a unique number of Rotarians in the honorable Paul Harris Society (PHS). The PHS was implemented a number of years ago by the District 5000 governor, in honor of those who made a one thousand dollar donation within one Rotary year. Linda is now a member of this Society. Congratulations Linda, your unselfish and generous gift will be used by the Foundation to further combat human suffering, and to make a difference to those less fortunate than we. PDG Roz presented Linda with a certificate and special thanks for her humanitarian deed.

- In conclusion, PDG Roz held up a check from Linda Sato and proclaimed that Linda was now "leading the way" in support of the Rotary Foundation by making a "sustaining member" contribution for the current year. PDG Roz challenged everyone to follow Linda's example.

## HRYE

Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation

(HRYF) Chairperson Calvin Wakai recognized and thanked Roger McCloskey and Nancy Barry for their continued support to the HRYF. Both Roger and Nancy became "Sully Fellows" recently by nature of their generous donations to the HRYF.



## BIRTHDAYS

Linda McCloskey, wife of Roger, celebrated her birthday this week. We all

wish you a very happy birthday, Linda, and many happy returns.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Jeff and Debbie Alameida are celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this week. Let's hope he gets the right day, and not mess it up like



he did on Debbie's birthday. If you weren't at the meeting to hear about that fiasco, you missed something!!

## MILITARY REPORT

Ed Baumgartner talked about the ongoing departure of troops from Schofield, with the 125<sup>th</sup> Finance Bn set to have their departure ceremony Friday at 10:00 a.m. If you are on post, stop by and wish them well. He also mentioned that our very own fellow Rotarian, Damon Lile, has been (or will soon be) promoted to "Command Sergeant Major".

## HIGH- 5's

A number of folks were happy and expressed it by making a small donation to the Club.

- Peter Cannon gave a High-5 for Dot's serving its delicious spare ribs again. I'm beginning to wonder if Dot's has orders to prepare spare-ribs every week, just for Cousin Peter.
- PP David Bramlett had a High-5 in honor of Bryan Sakai for shooting a 56 recently in a golf tournament. I wonder if they applied the 1<sup>st</sup> rule of the Rotary 5-Way test to that handicap?

- Linda Sato had a High-5 for "just being back" after a recent absence from Rotary luncheons. Welcome back, Linda. We missed you too.

## GUEST SPEAKER – TODAY

Tardus Financial was well represented today by Tom Presler and Maile Kekona, both certified Tardus advisers. They talked about ways to formulate a financial action plan. Tom explained why having your paycheck deposited directly into your checking account may not be in the best interest for your financial security. There are many other creative ways your paycheck can be applied so that the benefits can be claimed by you, and not a financial institution. Creative It was an extremely interesting approach to financial independence. For more information, contact Tom or Maile at Tardus Financial, (808) 440-4947.



Tom Presler and Maile Kekona

## ACE OF HEARTS

There will be "no tomorrow" next week. Some lucky individual will draw the ACE of Hearts, even if it takes 20 tries. Don't miss it!



Close, but no cigar