

October 26, 2006



The Hukilali

A product of the Wahiawa-Waialua Rotary Club

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Upcoming Events

- Nov 2: Habitat for Humanity
- Nov 9: National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii
- Nov 10: Veterans Day Parade
- Nov 16: TBA
- Nov 18: Weinberg Project
- Nov 30: Make a Wish Foundatn
- Dec 2 & 9: Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Dec 14: Christmas Party at Dot's
- Feb 15: Wine Tasting
- Mar 14: Golf Tournament

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TODAY'S SPEAKER

State Attorney General, Mark Bennett was our guest speaker today and discussed the Constitutional amendments that will be presented on your bal-



State Attorney General Mark J. Bennett

lot on election day this year. He made one point very clear, that if you do not vote, and leave your ballot blank for any amendment, that amendment will be counted as a **NO** vote. Some of the amendments are too critical not to have a vote. He discussed all five amendments to some degree, but he emphasized the votes for amendment number 3 and 4 are especially sensitive. Amendment number 3 proposes to change the current law that limits Judges to serve only to age 70. His viewpoint was a Judge at age 70 should step down and allow the opportunity for someone else equally or better qualified to step up. For this reason, he feels this amendment should not be enacted. Amendment

number 4 is intended to protect young children from being sexually assaulted. This amendment would allow prosecution of the guilty party and not allow them to escape justice because of a loophole as the law currently allows, such as a child not being able to remember the exact dates that he had been assaulted. A NO vote on number 4 makes it hard to prosecute a person guilty of raping an innocent child. Attorney General Mark Bennett presented the amendments in a straight forward, educational manner, but did offer his personal point of view. He said he agrees with "Perry & Price" on the morning radio show and will vote (listed in order) NO, NO, NO, YES, YES. The bottom line however, is everyone should read the amendments carefully, and let your conscious be your guide. However, remember that if you leave the block blank on any amendment, then you just voted NO for that particular amendment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's unbelievable how many announcements are made at Rotary meetings.

- Linda Sato reminded everyone about "**MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY**" on Saturday, October 28th beginning at 8:00 A.M. She said that our club would be participating with other Wahiawa based community organizations at Fred Wright Park in Wahiawa. Meet at the picnic area between the



Linda Sato

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bathrooms and the parking lot. Lunch will be provided to all participants at noon, at the First Baptist Church.

- We were also reminded about the Wahiawa Veterans day parade on FRIDAY, November 12th between 8 and 11 a.m. Assemble at Kaala School. Time will be announced. A vehicle like a truck or open car is needed to transport those who are unable to march. If you know someone who could assist in this area, please contact Linda Sato.
- Nancy Barry requested nominations for Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) be submitted soon. We would like to sponsor two sophomore or junior grade students to attend this leadership camp for two days. Make your nominations known to Nancy Barry
- President Gerry announced that we have been asked to man two sites for "Kids Voting Hawaii" project on the upcoming Election Day. The sites are Haleiwa Elementary and Leileihua High School. A sign-up sheet was passed around, and there are still a few choice times available. Contact Gerry, or sign up next week.
- Pres Gerry announced a tour to Australia with our GSE team. The tour package will cost approximately \$1,200 and will include attending their District Conference. Talk to Gerry about more details
- The next Rotary International



Nancy Barry

conference is now scheduled for Salt Lake City in June 2007. DG Jim Varner is trying to get a hotel that can accommodate everyone from Hawaii. That should be a very exciting and fun filled time. Look for more details in the future.

ROTARY FOUNDATION

Our Club's record of giving to The Rotary Foundation is currently far beyond our stated goal at the beginning of the Rotary Year. This, in part, is because of early donations by three of our Paul Harris Society members. Everyone is encouraged to use their anniversaries, birthdays, etc., as a reminder to support the Rotary Foundation and strive to meet our individual goal of \$160.00 a year. Spreading it out makes it easy. Thank you for your support.

HRYF

Cal Wakai thanked Bob Hayashi for a very generous donation to HRYF. He also mentioned the trustees of HRYF decided to increase the allotment for Mainland students to \$5,000.00, and local students to \$2,000.00 to compete with inflation. Applications for next year will be available in Feb 2007, and Cal will have copies.

MILITARY

Damon Lile discussed the injuries some of our 25th ID soldiers in Iraq recently incurred, the homecoming of others, and planned redeployment of the same group. He thanked everyone for the support being shown the troops.



BIRTHDAYS

Mac's wife Shirley was apparently the only person celebrating a birthday this coming week. Mac told everyone that when she comes back from her annual broom ride around the neighborhood with her grandson, they would be taking her to



Buzz's for a well-deserved birthday celebration.

WHAT IS ROTARY?

Have you ever been asked that question and the only thing that popped into your head was "where I go to lunch on Thursday"? Don't feel bad. It takes some thought, because Rotary is not just one single thing. It is many things wrapped up together, and yes, lunch on Thursday is one of them. President Gerry suggested you may want to consider thinking about it for a while, and coming up with a response that will really tell it like it is. He had a suggestion, I think, worth remembering, Pres Gerry said, "Rotary is an international service organization, made up of 1.2 million business and professional people who meet weekly, and frequently do service projects within our community." Of course, that is merely an example, but it is something that you can build on yourself and either make it shorter, or longer, to fit your own style. Having something like this in mind will make you prepared to field that "what is rotary?" question in the future.

HIGH 5'S

- Cal Wakai, for the great tour to Hokaido that Roger McCloskey made in behalf of Globe Travel.
- Ed Baumgartner, for the successful grand opening of his real estate business, "**Tropic Lightning Real Estate, LLC**" last week that featured a roundtrip to Las Vegas as a prize, sponsored by Cal Wakai and Globe Travel. He also had special thanks for the help he received from Linda and Gary Sato.
- Larry Webb, for a great "First Tee" golf tournament last week, which made about \$11,000.

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Larry Webb

CONGRATULATIONS



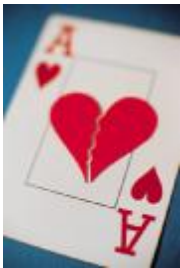
Stacy and Cary Bathrick And Jeb and Ana

DICTIONARY PROJECT

Linda Sato and Gina Ogitani, and I'm not sure who else all went to Trinity Lutheran School this past week and passed out dictionaries to the 3rd grade children. They all thanked the Rotarians, and were very happy to have their own personal dictionary. Next week, Jeff Alameida plans on handing out dictionaries to Haleiwa, Waialua, and Sunset Beach Elementary Schools. Remember, drop Mac an e-mail or phone call when you plan on making your delivery, and he'll try and be there to take some pictures.

ACE OF HEARTS

Cal Wakai went home with a nice bottle of wine today, but no cigar. Better luck next time Cal!



Date of Birth: Thursday, October 19, 2006
James Elway (Jeb) Bathrick & Anastasia Marie (Ana)