



OCTOBER 24, 2018

SPEAKER OF THE WEEK
 PP Gene Grounds
 Hawaii Waterman's
 Hall of Fame

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



BE THE INSPIRATION



HAWAII CLUB 30
DISTRICT 5000
 CHARTERED:
 JUNE 20, 1939
 RI PRESIDENT:
 BARRY RUSSIN
 DISTRICT GOVERNOR:
 WIN SCHONEMAN



Out speaker today was **Joan Husted** retired as HSTA'S Executive Director and Chief Negotiator who gave us a very interesting presentation on Public Teachers Challenges, the problems our schools are facing and the shortage of teachers throughout our islands and the country in general!



After being serenaded by our songmeister **PDG Phil Sammer** and the WRC Choir, **PP/PE Carol Riley** welcomed a visiting Rotarian from California and a guest of PDG Phil. They are **PE Peter Waldron** from the RC of Alamo, CA and **Darci Sahara**, who is interested in joining Rotary!



Once again which just squeaked through our guaranteed minimum of 30 without one to spare. The meal was very good and we enjoyed good fellowship. We must get more members attending otherwise if we go below 30 the club has to pay the difference.



2018 PRESIDENTS CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT

JOIN US
Sunday - October 28, 2018

10:00 AM at Hoakalei Country Club
 Keoneula Blvd, Ewa Beach, HI 96706
 \$180 per person
 Great prizes, drinks, lunch and dinner banquet

Contact Chad Adams, Tournament Chair
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President Steve Morgan called the meeting to order.

Tay Perry lead the club in the pledge to the American flag.

Denny Meyer shared an inspiration with the Club. He said that we are all inspired when we meet together at Rotary meetings. **Denny** shared a prayer.

President Steve asked for guests to be introduced. **PDG/PP Phil Sammer** introduced Darci Lee Sahara who is looking for a Club because she wants to do community service. **Peter Erhorn's** wife Karen was introduced. **PDG/PP Phil** started the group in our Welcome Song. Then, **Peter Waldron** the President Elect from Alamo, California introduced himself. Darci Sahara introduced herself and once again said she was very interested in community service.

Announcements:

1. **President Steve** reminded us that we are having a Halloween Party on October 31. The party will be held at **PP/PDG Roy King's** and **PP Gloria Kings** house. RSVPs should go to **Patti Look**. We will have a potluck and we should wear costumes. **President Steve** told us that dictionaries have arrived and we will continue the process of giving them to third-grade students. He said October 24 is World Polio Day and November 24 is Rotary Gives Thanks Day.
2. **PP Dave Hamil** said we have one and one-half weeks until Foodfest, the pre-party for Japanese Sister Clubs at the Outrigger Canoe Club, thanks to **PP Robbie Ostrem**. There is a charge of fifty dollars and the cost includes two drinks. **PP Chad Adams** told us that 47 have signed up for the golf tournament on Sunday and we are still looking for donated gift cards.
3. **Paul McGillicuddy** talked about community service saying that so far this year we have collected 110 back packs full of school supplies, helped with Children and Youth Day at the Capitol, given away dictionaries to third-grade students and books to all grade levels at a number of schools. We will be working with serenity gardens to help with the sex trafficking problem, hosting a Senior lunch in November as well as a food drive, and presenting filled shoe boxes at Christmas.

PP/PE Carol Riley shared that the Nominating Committee has been formed. **PP Dave Livingston** is the chair person and he is working with **PDG/PP Phil Sammer**, **PP Gale Warshawsky**, **Patti Mitchell**, and **Patti Look**. Anyone who is interested in becoming President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, or a Board Member (3 vacancies) should let the committee

members know. They will be making their decision and report back to the Club on November 14th. Results of the election will be announced on December 19th.

The club enjoyed ten minutes of fellowship.

PP Gene Grounds introduced our speaker Joan Lee Husted. Joan retired as HSTA'S Executive Director and Chief Negotiator ending a career that began in 1971 when HSTA was founded.

Joan began by telling us that she is a digital immigrant and children today are all digital natives. She said her goal for the presentation was to talk about the teacher shortage. The Honolulu School District is the oldest public school system in the Country. The district is the 7th largest district in the Country. There are 300,000 children in the district, 300 public schools, and 13,600 teachers/counselors in the district. Forty-eight percent of teachers leave within 5 years of teaching. Thirty-three percent of today's teachers will retire within five years. The District needs from 1,000 – 1,500 new teachers each year. Half of the new teachers come from out-of-state. We need more men teachers. Women today have more choices. They do not have to be teachers, secretaries, or nurses. The doors have opened. This is a national problem.

Over 700 teachers are trained here each year. It costs \$15,600,000 a year to recruit, train, and orient teachers. There is a teacher shortage because of the high cost of living in Hawaii, inadequate salaries, a lack of administrative support, geographical isolation, too much emphasis on testing, poor working conditions, and burnout. Some classrooms have a temperature of 97 degrees. There is no air conditioning in the majority of our older schools. There are too many cooks in the kitchen....everyone has gone to school so many people think they are experts.

This is a community crisis. The community must fix it. The community should not bad mouth public schools. Often it is heard that private schools educate and public schools train. The District should publicly acknowledge the good work of teachers. Many good programs are started by teachers: Dual enrollment program is an example. Workforce housing is needed. We need a Hawaii Defense Education Act that provides scholarships for young people to become teachers. Estimates are that the salary for teachers should start at \$85,000 and go up to \$185,000. We should pay teachers like football players! We need more local teachers and more men. We should set up discount programs for teachers,

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increase the DOE new teacher mentor programs, recruit new teachers aggressively and publicize the need for teachers.

Students are hurt by teacher turnover and businesses will not grow. Public school students are funded at a little over \$8,000 per child per year. There was a question about how to get Hawaiian culture taught in schools. The answer was to “yell” at the Board. Concerns were shared about the needs of special education students. Things are getting better, but parents and the community must get involved. Teaching is called a “pink” profession. It is looked at as a second income. This should not be the case.

Glenn Perry gave **Thomas Hall** a Paul Harris pin signifying a \$2000 donation. When asked why he gives, **Thomas** said he gives because he wants to make a difference for others.

President Steve gave our speaker a copy of the Four Way Test plaque. He facilitated the drawing and **Peter Waldron** had his ticket drawn. He pulled a red marble and got a watch as a consolation prize. We all said the Four Way Test together and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, **PP/PE Carol Riley**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAIKIKI



WAIKIKI INTERNATIONAL FOODFEST
Fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Waikiki.

Saturday October 27, 2018
5.30 –9.30 PM

Alohilani Resort Waikiki Beach-Grand Ballroom

Sumptuous all you can eat International Buffet,
No-Host Bar, Live Music & Dancing,
Silent and Live Auction

Tickets \$100 Per Person.

We still need more participants. It is not too late to contact Linda for payments of the tickets you received'

Make checks payable to the Rotary Club of Waikiki

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE

Although Rotary is not a disaster primary response organization RI Leadership is exploring ways of better and faster response to world wide needs. Here is the latest...

Rotary's disaster response process

- Within 72 hours of a disaster, a communication from the RI President is sent to the impacted District Governor(s) and RI Director extending sympathy, inquiring about local club/district-led relief efforts for promotion to the Rotary network, and offering resources (Rotary Ideas to solicit for support; RI grants for longer-term recovery; and partnerships such as ShelterBox and Habitat for Humanity International for support with relief efforts.
- As Rotary learns about locally-led response and relief efforts, information about supporting these activities is posted on www.rotary.org/disaster-response. Members are asked to share club and district-led response efforts with Rotary for publication on the Rotary website by writing to relief@rotary.org
- Rotary members inquiring about supporting communities impacted by disasters are directed to www.rotary.org/disaster-response and Rotary Ideas to support known response efforts.
- Rotary communicates with partners (ShelterBox, Habitat) and Rotary-affiliated groups (Disaster Network of Assistance Rotarian Action Group) to stay abreast of their response activities and connect them with local Rotarian contacts as appropriate. Responses undertaken by Rotary's partners and Rotary-affiliated groups are also publicized on www.rotary.org/disaster-response.
- Rotary International connects with District Youth Exchange Chairs of the impacted districts to ensure students' safety.

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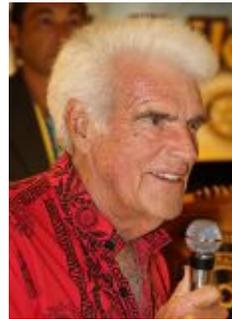
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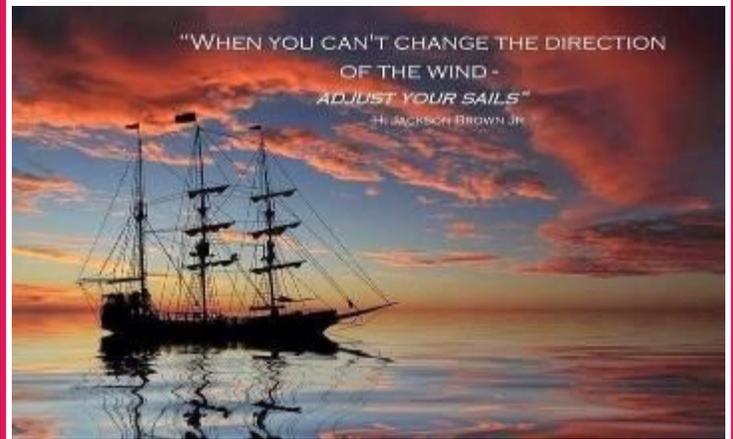
NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER: GENE GROUNDS



Gene first came to Honolulu in the mid 1950's to try out the big surf on the North Shore. After graduating from USC with a Bachelor's in Business Administration he worked for HOPACO for a couple of years

He joined the Peace Corps where he met his wife and got into banking. He specialized in lending to small and medium sized businesses and for a number of years was the largest producer of SBA loans in the State.

He later was recruited to start a bank on Maui which he created from scratch and ran it for 5 years. Gene has always be a champion swimmer and is an All-American. He is currently the fastest in the State in his age group. He has been a Rotarian for over 50 years.



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