

Tradewind

Friday, August 5, 2011

ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

- 1 New Members
- 2 Message from Your President
- 3 Meeting Notes
- 4 Dates to Remember
- 5 Rotarians of the Month
- 6 Birthdays
- 7 Anniversaries
- **8 Meeting Photos**
- 9 Prospective Member Photos
- 10 Peacemaker Award
- 11 Next Week's Meeting and Volunteers

Next meeting:

Tuesday, August 9

Royal Hawaiian Hotel

Myron Fuller, "The FBI: It's Not Your Grandmother's FBI Anymore."

Welcome New Members!!



Name: Kim Balisacan Sponsor: Nancy Pace

Classification: Real Estate-Residential

We are very excited to welcome to our Club, Kim Balisacan. Kim is a Realtor Associate with Prudential Advantage Realty and consistently ranks in the top 5% of Prudential agents nationwide and in the top 10% of agents on Oahu. She loves her job and enjoys the flexi-

bility that her schedule allows as she is able to volunteer in her children's classrooms as well as on the school's PTA committee. Kim has been the Vice President of the Wilson School PTA for the last two years and has helped to raise over \$80k for the school each year. Kim has a Bachelor of Fine Arts and previously taught at the Academy of Art and St. Andrew's Priory, where she currently serves on the Alumnae Association board. She is happily married and has two children, Caleb, who is 11, and Chloe, who is 9. Kim enjoys hiking, reading, and traveling. Welcome aboard!



Name: Liz Chun Sponsor: Nancy Pace

Classification: Associations- Good Beginnings Alliance

We would also like to welcome new member, Liz Chun, to our Club. Liz is the Executive Director of Good Beginnings Alliance, a nonprofit organization dedicated to initiating and coordinating efforts toward a statewide system of services and support to ensure that

children up to age 8 are safe, healthy and ready to succeed. Liz earned her degree at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. Prior to obtaining her position with Good Beginnings Alliance, Liz worked as the CCDBG Manager in the Governor's Office of Children and Youth Hawaii. Liz brings with her an extensive commitment to our community: She serves on the Hookakoo Corporation Board of Directors supporting conversion charter schools and is also a Past President of the Junior League of Honolulu. Liz will undoubtedly be an asset to our Club!



A Message From Your President, Nancy Pace

Dear Rotarian Colleagues:

At this Tuesday's meeting, Marc Alexander, the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, offered an informative and passionate overview of the homeless situation in Hawaii, including housing solutions included in the Governor's 90-day plan. I encourage each of you to dig deep this year

and work alongside your fellow Club members and our government to address this issue. We have a number of future opportunities for you to make a difference in our community.

On September 7th, please join us at "Stand Down," an event to benefit homeless veterans. The event will take place at McCoy Pavilion in Ala Moana Beach Park. This year's "Stand Down" event will bring together homeless veterans and provide them with access to the community resources they need to address their personal challenges and begin to rebuild their lives. "Stand Down" offers a variety of volunteer opportunities including greeting veterans, playing with the children, working in the clothing area, offering counseling in the area of finance or law and assisting with security. Volunteers are needed from 8-10am, or noon-2pm. If you are interested in helping, RSVP to Caitlyn at administrator@honolulurotary.com. Please plan on wearing your Rotary Club of Honolulu shirt to the event.

The next opportunity to assist the homeless will be on October 22 when we participate in our annual *Rotary Gives Thanks* Weinberg Project at the US Vets site at Barber's Point. US Vets is a national organization that provides services including housing, job training, counseling and support to veterans during their transition to civilian life. Our project will consist of converting their current kitchen facilities into a commercial kitchen. This project will enable the organization to prepare meals on site and will decrease their operating costs by up to



Finally, the Youth Outreach (YO!) House in Waikiki offers monthly opportunities to work with homeless youth. Volunteer opportunities include providing meals, counseling or mentoring to teenagers in need. Please contact Dawn Marie at dawn@kahalaassociates.com if you are interested in lending a hand.

Please plan to join us for one of these events. You can be a part of the solution.

With Rotary Thanks,

thirty percent.

Nancy

At Our Previous Meeting...

Minutes from August 2, 2011

President Nancy Pace called the meeting to order promptly at noon and acknowledged those who would be contributing their services at the meeting. Ken Sanders offered an inspiration from Andy Rooney, Bill Brizee led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Dr. Kalani Brady led us in singing "God Bless America," accompanied by Craig Robinson on the piano.

Also assisting at the meeting were **Andy Starn** as Sergeant-At-Arms, **Michael Bass** as photographer, and **Robyn Ocepek** as Videographer.

After the opening formalities, new member **Kimberly Frank** welcomed visitors, including visiting Rotarians and prospective members.

President Pace introduced two new members to the Club, both of whom she sponsored-**Kimberly Balisacan** and **Liz Chun**. Kimberly is with Prudential Advantage Real Estate and Liz Chun is the Executive Director of Good Beginnings Alliance. Both women possess impressive resumes and will bring much talent and enthusiasm to the work and life of the club. Each woman took a few moments to express her gratitude for her new association with the Rotary Club of Honolulu and presented **President Pace** with a donation to the Club.

Member and Hui Chair, **Pam Chambers**, welcomed seven new members to "white badge" status, having fulfilled their requirements to be full members in good standing. These members included **Fred Lunt**, **Kevin Herring**, **Leonard Licina**, **Jared Furusho**, **Mike Cote**, **Lance Kawano** and **Bob Sumpf**.

Next came several announcements about upcoming events. The deadline for updating member profiles on Clubrunner is August 20. Members are also asked to nominate a fellow Rotarian for the Jerry Chang Peacemaker Award. There will be a Getting to Know You dinner at **Alice Tucker's** home on August 28. If you are interested in attending, please contact Caitlyn in the Rotary office. Finally, members are asked to consider joining the Rotary Action Team (RAT) this coming Saturday at the HUGS Home to refurbish the playhouse. For more information, please call **Bob Sumpf** at 393-8277.

President Pace congratulated **Jessica Rich** on the article in the Star-Advertiser that described the work of the Visitor Aloha Society of Hawaii (VASH). She then presented **Alice Tucker** with the Quiet Rotarian Award for her countless hours spent behind the scenes on club projects, programs and committees. She also noted that the Manoa Valley Theater will be honoring Alice as a "Super Hero" on August 7.

President Pace recognized **Kirk Hovious** and **Rick Towill** as the July Rotarians of the Month for their work on the Kerry Cloward Meditation Garden at the Salvation Army Women's Treatment Center.

After, several minutes of fellowship, **President Elect Mike Leineweber** introduced the speaker, **Marc Alexander**, the Governor's Coordinator for Homelessness, as someone who embodies the Rotary vision of "Service above Self." Marc began his presentation with the statement that we have all been touched by homelessness in one way or another. Here in Hawaii, we don't just read about it, we experience it as we walk along the streets, or listen to the stories of friends or family who have been homeless. Each story is unique and defies stereotyping if one listens.

Homelessness must be addressed not only because it is the right thing to do, but because of its impact on the common good and economic realities. While the rate of homelessness has increased in Hawaii, there has been a slight decrease in the homeless population in the Urban Core (Downtown, East Honolulu, Waikiki). The "good news" is that we are learning how to combat homelessness based on "the science" and what has been successful in other large metropolitan areas.

Marc emphasized the need to be coordinated as the State and City and County of Honolulu. Everyone must be on the same page. Finger pointing is entirely counter-productive and will not help solve the problem. We must be strategic by focusing on what will end homelessness and not on how to manage the homeless. Finally, we must provide the homeless with more affordable housing, job development and permanent supportive housing, particularly for those with mental and emotional disorders.

Marc shared statistics that show that developing permanent supportive housing is far less costly than leaving people unsheltered on the streets. The average cost for a person who was unsheltered in 2009 was roughly \$35,000, while the cost of supporting an individual in Permanent Supportive Housing, including providing them with the necessary job, medical, psychiatric services, is \$16,280 per year.

Marc closed his presentation by urging Club members to become more informed and spread the word on effective ways to end homelessness. Panhandling should not be tolerated, nor should we support vehicles that simply "make us feel better" while doing nothing strategic to "help people help themselves."

An informative but brief Q and A session followed the presentation.

President Nancy Pace adjourned the meeting at 1PM.

Your Scribe, Sandra Theunick

Dates to Remember...

08/06	Hands-on Project at HUGS House, 8am-4pm
08/09	Myron Fuller, "The FBI: It's Not Your Grandmother's FBI Anymore"
08/11	YO House Meal Service, 11am-12:30pm
08/16	Envisioning Laie: Honoring the Past, Planning the Future R. Eric Beaver, Steven Wheelwright, Von Orgill and Pane Meatoga
08/23	Gregg Yamanaka, Overview of APEC 2011 Summit
08/24	Foundation Trustee Meeting, Outrigger, 12pm
08/25	Board Meeting, 12pm, Location TBD
08/28	Getting to Know You dinner, Home of Alice Tucker
08/30	Rotary District 5000 Governor, Laurie Yoshida

Congratulations to our July Rotarians of the Month: Kirk Hovious and Rick Towill!

Rick and Kirk were selected as Rotarians of the Month for their incredible dedication to RCOH work projects, particularly the transformation of the Kerry Cloward Meditation Garden into such a beautiful and meaningful space. We are extremely fortunate to have both of them in our Club.

Please consider nominating a fellow Rotarian for a Rotarian of the Month award by submitting a nomination to Caitlyn in the Rotary office.







Happy Birthday to:

Saburo Kamata (08/03) Nancy Pace (08/04)



Happy Club Anniversary to:

Joanne Arizumi (11 years) Kekoa Tsukikawa (12 years) Pam Chambers (13 years) Don Anderson (22 years)

Meeting Photos



President Nancy inducts new member, Kim Balisacan.



Pam Chambers presents members with white badges.



President Nancy inducts new member, Liz Chun.



Marc Alexander speaks about homelessness in Hawaii.

Prospective Member Photos



Mary Lou Stott and prospective member, Cindy Turse.



Jesse James and prospective members, Matt Longfellow and Matt Muccio.



Jack Dwyer and prospective member, Tom Tschudin.



Robyn Ocepek and prospective members, Hong Jiang and Eric Bricker.

THE JERRY CHANG PEACEMAKER AWARD

The Jerry Chang Peacemaker Award is presented annually to commemorate Jerry Chang's passion for peace. The award will be given to a Rotary Club District 5000 committee, group, or individual member who exhibits modesty, compassion, and persistence in providing leadership in the area of peacemaking to our island community or the world at large. 'Peacemaking' may include, but not be limited to, a wide field of work including humanitarian work and involvement in peace movements or advocacy of human rights, and mediation of conflicts.

Nominations for the award may be offered by any member of the Rotary Club District 5000 in good standing. Nominations are made by filling out this nomination form and including, in one page or less, an overview of the nominee's achievements and rationale for the nomination.

The Jerry Chang Peacemaker Award nominating committee under the guidance of the Peacemaker Committee will choose five applicants from all applicants nominated within the deadline period who, in the judgment of the nominating committee, best typify the highest standard of leadership and impact with respect to peacemaking. These five finalists' applications will then be forwarded to the full membership of the Peacemaker Committee who will determine this year's recipient of the award by a majority vote.

The fourth award will be given at the September 20, 2011 Rotary Club of Honolulu luncheon at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel in Waikiki. The winner must arrange to be present at the meeting to receive the award.

NOMINATION FOR THE 2011 JERRY CHANG PEACEMAKER AWARD DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 1ST

Name of Nominee(Rotary Club District 5000 member in good star	nding)
Address	
PhoneEmail	
On the reverse, or on a separate sheet of paper, please include a outstanding work in peacemaking.	150-250 word description of nominee's
Nominated by	
Address	-
Phone	
Email Submit completed form to the Botani Club of Handlulu Boass	Domakor Committoe Attention, Dich Dro

NEXT MEETING

Myron Fuller "The FBI: It's Not Your Grandmother's FBI Anymore."

Next Week's Service Volunteers

Scribe: Terry George
Photographer: Michael Bass
Video: Robyn Ocepek

Inspiration:

Pledge:
Carol Egan
Sergeant at Arms:
Jared Furusho
Song Leader:
Jessica Rich
Carol Sakata

Visitor Introductions: Kat Lin-Hurtubise