



# The Coffee Press

Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise Weekly Newsletter

February 12, 2014



Alex Mitchell, President of Business Networking International (BNI) of Kailua-Kona will be our guest speaker this week.

BNI provides a positive, supportive, and structured environment for the development and exchange of quality business referrals. It does so by helping you build personal relationships with dozens of other qualified business professionals.

Last year, members of BNI passed millions of referrals that generated billions of dollars of business for each other. Belonging to BNI is like having dozens of salespeople representing your business, and in return you are representing their businesses. What goes around comes around. If I help you, you'll help me and we will both benefit as a result.

(above information from [www.bnihawaii.com](http://www.bnihawaii.com))



## Upcoming Programs:

February 19 - Dr. Denisa Maruyama,  
Naturopathic Physician

February 26 - Maxima Forslund - Healing  
Energy

**GREETER:** Chuck

**DOOR PRIZE:** KC

Meetings every Wednesday, 6:45 am  
at Hale Halawai, 75-5760 Alii Drive,  
Kailua Kona, HI

# Club News

## St. Patrick's Day Bash

The event is just around the corner, and every club members help is needed to make this event successful - particularly since some of our regular helpers are off island!

Sylvia Owens in chair of the event and she will update everyone at this weeks meeting on what is needed.

Bev Fraser is chair of the silent auction and she will be seeking donations from our members who are able to contribute, as well as asking those who can't to solicit others in the community for appropriate items.

Let's make this event a WOW for the community!!

you're invited to a  
**st. patrick's day blast!**  
saturday march 15<sup>th</sup>  
5:00pm ~ 8:00pm  
Hawaii Big Game Fish Clubhouse  
Honokohau Harbor  
\$30 admission  
Entertainment by  
**Jack and the Rippers**  
**1st Beer and Food Included**  
Corned Beef & Cabbage • Vegetarian Lasagna  
Pupus • Ono Desserts • Kona Coffee  
additional beer / wine \$4 each or 3 for \$10  
Tickets available at:  
• Queen K Tesoro • Kona Wine Market  
• Kailua Candy Co.  
• or call Sylvia Owens 937-3579  
All proceeds from this event will be used by the Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise to support various projects within the Kona community.

# Club and District News

Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Kona Mauka for yet another successful Valentines Wine Tasting event!



The Rotary Club of North Hawai'i has their fundraiser Whale Watching Tour coming up at the end of February. For tickets and more information contact [eric@sleepydog.com](mailto:eric@sleepydog.com) or call (808) 345-9033.



On April 12th we will be celebrating the 5th anniversary of our club - the official date for the club formation is April 10th. A party is planned at the home of Ann Goody - please mark the date on your calendar. More information to be shared as it becomes available.



## District Governor's Message

February is World Understanding month in Rotary. There are few organizations in the world that do a better job of bridging the gap between cultures than Rotary. Our clubs are present in most countries of the world and many have sister club relationships with other countries some on the far side of the planet. Our own District 5000 is oriented towards the Pacific and has many club level connections with Japan and other Asian countries.

I recently visited Japan to meet with the Governor of District 2650 in Kyoto to discuss renewing our agreement of friendship that was first signed by PDG Jim Varner in 2007. Representatives from the district will be coming to Hawai'i to join us at the District Conference and to reaffirm our friendship during our welcome dinner for Past International President Sakuji Tanaka on May 1, 2014. All Rotarians are invited to attend and may sign up on the district website. I in turn will visit their district conference in March. Rotarians also gain world understanding through the Rotary Foundation. Each year thousands of Rotarians in countries around the world initiate projects in foreign lands that allow a glimpse into cultures and lifestyles that are often very different from their own. There are often hands-on

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opportunities such as National Immunization Days and Rotaplast missions for Rotarians to go to another country and actually meet and befriend people who may be very different from them. Youth Exchange and Rotary Scholarship programs allow young people to increase their awareness and understanding of cultures other than their own and create a foundation for future harmony and friendship among nations. Each month the Rotarian magazine delivers wonderful articles that increase our understanding of the world and open our eyes to the wonderful Rotary world around us.

We are fortunate to be Rotarians and to be part of an organization that spans countries and continents, cultures and lifestyles, and that works every day to bring the people of this small planet closer together.

Phil Sammer  
Governor Hawaii District 5000  
2013-2014

## The History of Paul Harris Recognition

By Susan Hanf, Rotary News, January 22, 2014


The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of US\$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

It was established in 1957 to show appreciation for and encourage substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

The first Paul Harris Fellows include 1937-38 RI Director Allison G. Brush and longtime RI Treasurer Rufus F. Chapin, both for donations they made in 1946. Mrs. Adan Vargas was the first woman to receive the recognition, for a gift made in 1953. Mrs. Harry L. Jones was the second, and one of only five people recognized

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for contributions made in 1957.

Early Paul Harris Fellows received a certificate of recognition. In 1969, the Foundation unveiled the first Paul Harris Fellow medallion at the RI Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Japanese metal artist Fiju Tsuda created the piece under the direction of then-past Foundation Trustee Kyozo Yuasa. Today, Paul Harris Fellows receive a certificate and pin. They are also eligible to purchase a Paul Harris Fellow medallion.

Rotarians have a tradition of supporting the Foundation by honoring others. Ida LeTulle Taylor became a Paul Harris Fellow in 1978 when her husband, then-District Governor Vann Taylor, made a donation in her name in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary. The gift also made her the 25,000th Paul Harris Fellow.

At the International Assembly in 1979, then-RI President-elect James Bomar challenged each Rotary club to make one non-Rotarian a Paul Harris Fellow. The Rotary Club of Pikesville, Maryland, USA, responded by making a donation in the name of Mother Teresa in 1980. The entertainer Pearl Bailey also became a Paul Harris Fellow through a joint effort of the Rotary clubs in Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

Many other notable figures have been named as Paul Harris Fellows, including U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, U.S. astronaut James Lovell, UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, and Jonas Salk.

The number of Paul Harris Fellows reached the one million mark in 2006.

Learn more about the [history of Rotary](#)  
Learn about [Rotary's archives](#)






# February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 Meeting at West Hawai'i Civic Center Club Runner Training	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13		15 Party at home of KC Mahoney
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23  Rotary is 109 years old	24	25	26	27	28	

# March 2014

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Paul Harris  
Founder of Rotary



Ron Burton  
RI President  
2013-2014



Phil Sammer  
District 5000  
Governor



John Roth  
Assistant Governor  
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Vicki Kalman  
Club President  
2013-2014

## **BIG ISLAND ROTARY CLUBS**

**Rotary Club of Kona**, Thursday at noon, King Kamehameha Kona Beach Hotel

**Rotary Club of Kona Mauka**, Tuesday at noon, Teshima's Restaurant, Honalo

**Rotary Club of North Hawaii**, 2nd & 4th Wednesday at noon, Saffron Organic Cuisine

**Rotary Club of Hilo**, Friday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

**Rotary Club of Hilo Bay**, Wednesday at 6:45 am, Hilo Yacht Club

**Rotary Club of South Hilo**, Tuesday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel

**Rotary Club of Volcano**, Saturday, 8:00 am, Volcano House

**Rotary Club of Pahoa Sunset**, Tuesday at 6:30 pm, Akebone Theater

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