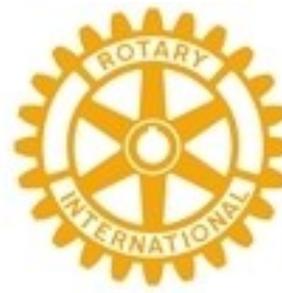


Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise



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This Week: National Parks Service

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This week we will be hearing from Tammy Duchesne, Superintendent Pu'uuhonua o Hōnaunau NHP and Kaloko- Honokōhau NHP. Tammy will be giving an overview of the National Parks Service, which will be celebrating it's Centennial in 2016. She will be also talk about some exciting initiatives, and how the public can become involved.

Welcome Tammy!



Pu`uhonua O Hōnaunau National Historical Park Hawai'i



Kaloko-Honokōhau National Historical Park Hawai'i

GREETER: Ann
DOOR PRIZE: Barbara

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The Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise meets every Wednesday at 7:00 am at Humpy's Restaurant (upstairs above the ABC Store), 75-5815 Alii Drive, Kailua Kona HI. For additional information contact Club President Bev Fraser at 936-9965

ROTARY AND SHELTERBOX SUPPORT SYRIAN REFUGEES

In Syria, where a civil war has been raging since 2011, more than 6,000 people flee the country every day. As of September, more than 4.1 million people have become refugees, and 7.6 million more have been internally displaced.

“The plight of Syria’s refugees is a litmus test for the world’s compassion,” says Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko. “Rotary members worldwide are profoundly disheartened by the refugee crisis now unfolding in Syria and other parts of the world,” which the United Nations has described as the worst in decades.

“Rotary is following the situation closely,” Hewko says. “We know our members have an inherent desire to act, to relieve the suffering and uncertainty that displaced individuals and families are facing. We call on you to respond as Rotarians have for more than 100 years: to use your professional skills and acumen, leverage your connections to other leaders, and mobilize your local communities to provide the necessary resources and funding to address the humanitarian crisis.”

Rotary members can donate to the disaster relief efforts of our project partner [ShelterBox](#). The organization has supported the Syrian relief effort for nearly four years and is working with other agencies to continue distributing relief materials. ShelterBox is also working with communities in Greece to provide aid and supplies to displaced people passing through the region.

Rachel Harvey, a member of a ShelterBox response team that recently returned from Greece, says Syrian refugees are making dangerous crossings to the shores of Greece.

As many as 2,000 people arrive daily on Lesbos’ northern beaches, says Harvey, referring to a Greek island in the Aegean Sea off the Turkish coast. The trip from Turkey to Greece usually takes about an hour and a half. “The flimsy rubber dinghies are invariably overcrowded, and the majority of passengers can’t swim,” she says. Harvey adds: “The experience is terrifying. Another trauma added to the layers that many of the displaced have accumulated through war

in Syria or South Sudan, insecurity in Afghanistan or Pakistan. One man told me: ‘It was a nightmare. I don’t know how we got through that trip,’ ” she says.

Says Hewko: “We appreciate our clubs and members for their support, helping the millions of displaced people find shelter and rebuild their lives and communities. Every refugee is in our hearts and minds.”

[Learn more about ShelterBox](#)

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A refugee family from Syria seeks shelter in cramped conditions on the Greek island of Lesbos.

Photo Credit: Rachel Harvey/ShelterBox

District Governor's Message - October 2015

Aloha District 5000 Rotarians,

It's hard to imagine that nearly 1.4 billion employed people live on less than \$1.25 a day. In 2013, the Honolulu Star-Advertiser ran a story about what it costs a family of four (two adults and two children) to live a modest, economically secure life in Hawaii. \$78,000 per year; \$6,500 per month; \$216.67 per day; \$54.17 per person.

Rotary International seeks to promote “economic and community development and reduce poverty in underserved communities through training, well-paying jobs, and access to financial management institutions.” This is accomplished by projects ranging from providing equipment to vocational training to strengthening local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities.

With the cost of living in Hawaii, it is even more imperative that we help our local communities become stronger. How can your club help? Mentor our youth and expose them to the business world at an early age so that they are job-ready. Establish a micro-credit fund to help entrepreneurs. Continue to stress the importance of education. Recognize those in our community who are setting a good example by honoring them with a Vocational Service Award.

Thank you for your continuing efforts to Be A Gift to our local and global communities.

Yours in Rotary,
Del and Diana



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Be sure to register by 15 December for early registration savings.

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OCTOBER IS
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6 Happy Birthday! Sylvia	7 Club Assembly	8	9	10 IRONMAN
11	12	13	14 National Parks Service	15 Rotary Means Business Humpy's	16 Happy Anniversary KC & Rocco	17 Harvest Moon Bash
18	19	20	21 Harbor Manager, DNLR	22 Happy Anniversary Sylvia & Chuck	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 Zone Institute	30	31 Luncheon with RIPE John Germ

Rotary Club of Kona, Every Thursday at noon, King Kamehameha Kona Beach Hotel
Rotary Club of Kona Mauka, Every Tuesday at noon, Teshima's Restaurant, Honalo
Rotary Club of North Hawaii, Every Wednesday at noon, Anna's Ranch, Waimea
Rotary Club of Hilo, Every Friday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel
Rotary Club of Hilo Bay, Every Wednesday at 6:45 am, Hilo Yacht Club
Rotary Club of South Hilo. Every Tuesday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel
Rotary Club of Volcano, Every Saturday 8:00 am, Volcano House, Volcano National Park
Rotary Club of Pahoa Sunset, Every Tuesday at 6:30, Luquin's Restaurant



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