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Past President Mike Fraser is now on the second phase of the District trip - in Pintung Taiwan. He sent a couple of pictures to share. His latest highlight was a two hour ride on a bullet train from Taipei to Pintung - over 200 mph!



President Elect **KC Mahoney** attended Pre-Pets this past weekend in Honolulu, along with Assisted Governor Elect **Barbara Kossow**. This is the first in the series of trainings for our incoming President. Speaking of trainings...mark your calendar now for **Saturday March 25th** - that is the date set for the District Assembly. New Rotarians are particularly encouraged to attend, as well as incoming Board members for next year.



"Death by Dessert" plans are coming along. Tickets will be available for sale soon - perhaps even by the meeting this week.

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### DOOR PRIZE:

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

THIS WEEK: Neil A. Hoag - "My home in the Jungle"

Our guest speaker this week is Neal Hoag, author of the book "My Home in the Jungle".

The following text refers to the *Kindle Edition*.



"A tropical island paradise where a rattan hammock calls your name and rum and a Coke in your hands, a pretty girl by your side. Put on your sandals and come with me on my adventure through Sogod Bay to a jungle island paradise from being a Palm Beach, Florida, taxi driver, to being a coconut farmer on an island in the southern Philippines, a husband, a father, a member of a community, and a patriarch of a large family in the jungle."

Neil's story was recently featured on an episode of Ben Fogle - *New Lives in the Wild*. You can watch the video [here](#).

We are fortunate to have Neil here in Kona to share with us his story - this is a meeting not to be missed!



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## Derek Chignell check in...

Hi Bev

Great to get the Coffee Press each week, it keeps me connected! I was stunned by the drawing for the Police Officer, 911 and a bottle of wine, just hilarious! I see that Mike has made it to Myanmar, that's one place I have never been so I am jealous!

I just finished a call to Arben in Kosovo, and all is going very well there, and they are waiting for the weather to get warmer so they can resume work on the Rotary schools project that we funded. As you know, we are extending for an extra year, because of the efficiency of the first 14 projects, so we will probably get 2 or 3 more schools done.

All is well here. I just got back from four weeks in Korea with my lovely wife. We had the greatest time together, spent quality time with her family, and did a little bit of sightseeing.

We had the most unusual experience in Gyonju in the south of the country. It is the home of the Korean royal family (the Choseon dynasty) going back to the 12 th century. We happen to stumble into a special lunar New Year's celebration with the center figure being the grandson of the last King of Korea. His name is Yi Seok. The Japanese destroyed the monarchy during their occupation, but the family still exists. Anyway, he saw me and asked me to join him for a photograph! So KiEun and I, and also KiEun's sister's family all got in the photo. He was such a nice man who spoke perfect English. I attach a photo. He is the man in the center just above my head. You can tell it was bitterly cold that day!

The visa process is going, but very slowly. When KiEun finally gets her visa, we will be heading HOME to Kona. It could be a while before it is all processed.



Best wishes - Derek

## February 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Ulu Wini Career Day	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Officer Tom Dewey Kona Police	9	10	11 Kona Mauka Wine Tasting
12	13 Board Meeting	14 	15 Kealakehe Athletics	16	17	18
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