

The Rotary Club of Hanalei Bay, chartered in 1994 meets Thursdays at noon at Saffron Restaurant in Princeville



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## China yesterday and today



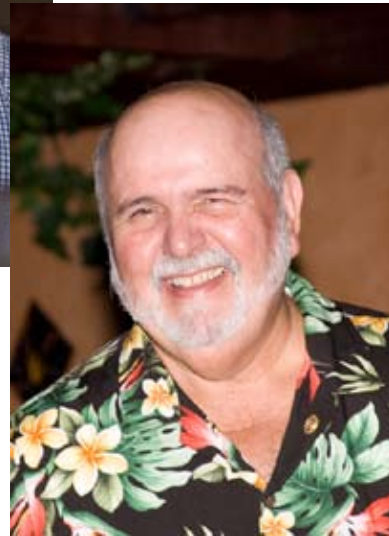
Club member and vocational service chair, Branch Lotspeich talked about a recent trip to China and the changes he saw there. His first exposure was back in the 80's when he worked in china as a medical teacher. He had a chance to go back recently and the small town that was famous for terra-cotta soldiers and tourism was now a city of 12,000,000 people. When he first worked there he had a couple of experiences that highlighted a different approach to getting things done. When he needed a wood floor for a dark room area, the Chinese built a parquet floor one board at a time in three days. When he was looking for a special colored carpet, it was woven from scratch and delivered in a few days. The same thing was true with furniture. It was all custom built on the spot, quickly and efficiently. There was cheap skilled labor available and lots of it.

On his last trip there he found six lane express ways filled with private automobiles. He also found a huge jump in technology, education and personal wealth. He was struck by the combination of traditional Chinese medicine working side by side with MRI machines. Complicated surgery done with acupuncture instead of anesthesia.

There is still a lack of dependence on equipment and the ability to get things done without high technology. With nothing older than ten years old and an incredible growth rate it is not surprising that the infrastructure hasn't kept pace and electricity failures and brownouts are common. Sounds like some of their problems are the same as those we face right here on Kauai.



A big Mahalo is in order for president elect John Gillen who donated space and merchandise for the Garage Sale. Thanks to all of the other volunteers with a special hand for Mary O'connor, Lori Poleski and Gremaine Brown. The club raised \$6000 from the event.

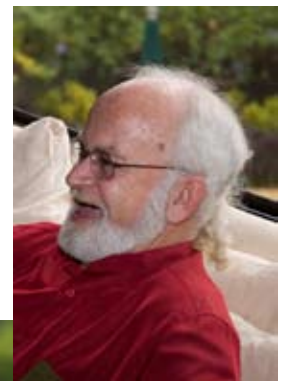


No rest for Club Service Chair Tony Motta who will be serving up the pizza at the super bowl party



Sally Motta shows off the plans for the Sam Mahelona Hospital project. Sally, Susan Elliot-Hubbard and Terry Wells are heading up the effort. The club is looking for volunteers as soon as the concrete is poured

Left to right, Nancy chandler, Joe Halasey and Ken Snopes find some Rotary humor in the proceedings



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District 5000 Governor Ayman El-Dakhakhni

## Speaker/Greeter Schedule January

| Date       | Speaker         | Greeter                        |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| January 1  | No Meeting      | Happy New Year                 |
| January 8  | Terry Wells     | John Gillen<br>Kopa Kaluahine  |
| January 15 | George Corrigan | Tony Motta<br>Deanna Schafer   |
| January 22 | Ming Fang       | Don Leutz<br>Jeff Murata       |
| January 29 | Rod Messinger   | John Schmelling<br>Terry Wells |

## February

| Date        | Speaker            | Greeter                         |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| February 5  | Jeff Murata        | Laura Richards<br>Steve Deffner |
| February 12 | Tsajon von Lixfeld | Sunny Bunyan<br>Mal Dohrman     |
| February 19 | John Schmelling    | Chris Young<br>Dawn Lundquist   |
| February 26 | Robin Thompson     | Lisa Wall<br>Jonathan McRoberts |

## Birthdays in January

|            |                    |
|------------|--------------------|
| January 16 | Dan Saindon        |
| January 25 | Jonathan McRoberts |

## Anniversaries in January

|            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| January 15 | Gordon Perry |
| January 22 | Jim O'Connor |

## Announcements

### Super Bowl Party at The Capwell's

Pizza and some drinks will be furnished but bring your own drinks and something for the pupu table

### Bingo Coming Up Soon the at the Wells.

Details to come soon

### District 5000 Meeting on Oahu

The meeting will be held on Turtle Bay from May 22 to May 25th. The room rates are \$184 a night and current airfare is \$38. Good prices for a good time.

### Walk to End Polio

Held on Oahu on Saturday March 14th  
Part of the Bill and Melinda Gates Challenge

### Rotoplast

Our District Governor Iman El-Dakhakhni, has asked all of the District 5000 clubs to participate this year.

### Relay for Life

Feb. 15, Princeville Neighborhood  
To benefit Cancer Research

## Let's Make up!

[Http://www.rotaryclub.org](http://www.rotaryclub.org)

Kalepa Sunrise, Tuesdays 7:30, Gaylord's  
West Kauai, Tuesdays, 5:30pm, Wiamea Plantation Cottages  
Poipu Beach, Wednesdays, 7:10 am Poipu Beach Broiler  
Kapaa, Wednesdays, Noon, Aloha Beach Resort  
Kauai, Fridays, Noon, Regency at Puakea

## Q and A, Germaine Brown



The questions posed to Germaine brown were...

Were you born and raised in Davis, California?

Did you attend four different colleges and universities and receive a degree in Education?

Did you ever live in a foreign country?

Have you ever hitchhiked?

Have you ever spent a night behind bars?

Have you been married more than once?

Did you ever work for the American Military?

Were you ever homeless?

Did you name your daughter after a football player?

Did you meet your husband in a bar at six in the morning?

Have you lived on this island for the past 31 years?

The answer to all of these questions is yes, except for one of them and Germaine didn't say which one.

### Visitor Eric Carlson goes for the big pot



Eric missed the Queen of hearts but won the weeks take.

## Corrigan's Corner

### OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES

What a great way to start the day, even if you are not a grandparent...these are precious....

She was in the bathroom, putting on her makeup, under the watchful eyes of her young granddaughter as she'd done many times before. After she applied her lipstick and started to leave, the little one said, 'But Grandma, you forgot to kiss the toilet paper good-bye!

My young grandson called the other day to wish me Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was, and I told him, '62.' He was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, 'Did you start at 1?'

After putting her grandchildren to bed, a grandmother changed into old slacks and a droopy blouse and proceeded to wash her hair. As she heard the children getting more and more rambunctious, her patience grew thin. Finally, she threw a towel around her head and stormed into their room, putting them back to bed with stern warnings. As she left the room, she heard the three-year-old say with a trembling voice, 'Who was THAT?'

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like: 'We used to skate outside on a pond. I had a swing made from a tire; it hung from a tree in our front yard. We rode our pony. We picked wild raspberries in the woods.' The little girl was wide-eyed, taking this all in. At last she said, 'I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!'

My grandson was visiting one day when he asked, 'Grandma, do you know how you and God are alike?'

I mentally polished my halo while I asked, 'No, how are we alike?' 'You're both old,' he replied.

A little girl was diligently pounding away on her grandfather's word processor. She told him she was writing a story. 'What's it about?' He asked. 'I don't know,' she replied. 'I can't read.'

I didn't know if my granddaughter had learned her colors yet, so I decided to test her. I would point out something and ask what color it was. She would tell me and was always correct. It was fun for me, so I continued. At last she headed for the door, saying sagely, 'Grandma, I think you should try to figure out some of these yourself!'



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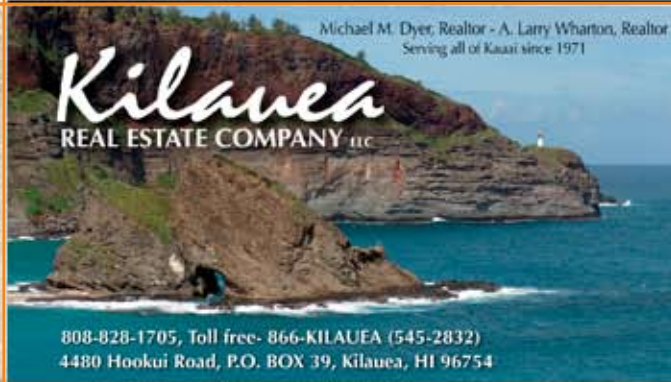
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