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### RoCK 2010-11 Year End Report

By 2010-11 President Gloria King



Gloria King

First of all, I would like to THANK all of you for the Honor of being your president this past Rotary year.

We had a very busy year with Great Speakers, FUN, Fellowship and Service to our community and with our international projects. Below is just a brief recap of our year 2010-11 as we **"Built Communities and Bridged Continents"**.

Our new Rotary year started with our first **Fun & Family Picnic** at Magic Island jointly with the Rotary Club of Waikiki. It was a day full of fellowship, fun games with friendly competitions, great food and prizes for all. The following week, our **Community Service Director Joseph Rothstein** and **chair Amy Herchig** organized our most successful **School Supply Drive** at WalMart Keeaumoku. At the end of six hours our team of volunteers collected enough school supplies to fill three large SUV's for 12 area schools for students from struggling families in need of school supplies. We also received \$800 in cash, which was used to purchase backpacks. We had PR news coverage by KGMB-TV. (Thank you **Lisa Halvorson** for your great PR skills)

In September, October and November: **Chair Stephen Morgan** organized our club's **Hawaii Rotary Dictionary Project**: our club provided and presented dictionaries to 840 third grade students in 15 public, charter and private schools. The program is an opportunity for children to expand their vocabulary and for many to actually own a dictionary. **Chair Stephen Morgan** picked up slippers from the Rotary Club of Pearl Harbor for Our **"Slippah Project"** and distributed over 2,000 pairs of slippers to several local schools in West and East Oahu, Salvation Army, Palama Settlement, IHS and other agencies.

We needed a break with a FUN **Halloween party** at **Dolores Bediones'** home. It was an evening of spooky surprises, a costume contest, great food, spirits and fellowship. At our club's weekly meetings we collected non-perishable food and cash for the **Hawaii FoodBank**. Several of our members volunteered to help serve at the annual **Salvation Army Thanksgiving Luncheon**.

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Our Next Meeting: July 6, 2011

Speaker: Keoni Vaughn and Mary Okinaka

**"Hawaiian Humane Society's Rescue and Investigation and How you can help save more lives through our Petwalk"**

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

July 13: **Jane Murao**

"Hawaii History Day: E malama I ka mo'olelo (Let us care for the history/story)"

July 20: **Club Assembly**

July 26: **Lyla Berg**

"The Value of Preserving Social Studies and Civic Educations"

July 26: DG **Laura Yoshida**

"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity: Rotary 2011-2012 "

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## Our Next Speakers



**Keoni Vaughn** Is the Humane Society's vice president – serving as director of operations and chief cruelty

investigator. He oversees more than 40 employees in several departments including animal care, admissions, adoptions, lost and found services, and field investigations. His goals include improving outcomes for animals, elevating customer service, increasing off-site adoptions opportunities and saving more lives. Prior to this, Vaughn served as the Humane Society's manager of field services.



**Mary Mokinaka** Is Special Projects Coordinator and has happily "gone to the dogs, cats and all animals" by

supporting the various programs provided by the Hawaiian Humane Society. Her role is to identify and develop fundraising event and program opportunities with businesses, community groups and individuals that benefit the Hawaiian Humane Society. *PetWalk* charity walk fund and friend raiser is her top priority in rallying supporters and the community to raise funds and celebrate at the pet-friendly event happening on October 2, 2011. §



## Our last meeting ...

President **Gloria King** opened the meeting, greeting guests and fellow Rotarians. Our guests this week were PDG **Roy King**; PDG **Lisa Foster**; **Darrell Large**, president of the East Honolulu Club; **Gene Gelfo**, president of the Waikiki Club; **Dick Matti** and **Tony Gedeon**, both past-presidents of the Waikiki Club, and **Giovanni Gaudino** from S/B Rotary Club



*Lisa Foster, Emiko Yamashita, and Roy King*



*Giovanni Gaudino and Concetta Dilio*

of Novara in Italy; **Concetta Dilio**, guest of **Gloria King**;

**Elie Frye**, guest of **Kathy Higa**; **Holly Hayashi** (friend) and **Jon Duarte** (son) of **Pat Duarte**.

**Bill Green** inspired us about the Rotary Club "to continue to be active in the community and have fun"; and **Diane Chang** talked about the joy of her life since she joined the Rotary Club in 1990. This week's lucky winner of the **50/50 Game** was **Concetta Dilio** (cash prize)!



*Gloria King*

Under the direction of **Gloria King**, **Stephen Morgan** showed videos of club activities of the past year as this is the club celebration and change-of-command day. **Gloria** announced that our club won the medium size club "**Club of the Year**" Award; 1st places in "**Membership Development**"; "**Club Service**"; "**Foundation Participation**"; "**Club Website**"; "**Vocational Service**" category. Officers and

directors helped pinning the awards to our club banner, and everyone was exultant. The program started with out-going president **Gloria King** thanked the 2010-11 officers and board of directors with certifications of appreciation and special mugs with pictures of the individuals during the year's meetings and events. **Bob Buss**, **Teresa Law**, and **Stephen Morgan** also received the certificates and gifts. See details in Gloria's message.



*Joseph Rothstein, Bonnie Castonguay, Charlie Fortner, and Marshall Sato*

Additional honors went out to **Emiko Yamashita** for our Facebook page and photographer, and **Debi Halcro** as our Fundraiser chair and a special **Mahalo** and gift to our club secretary **Kathy Higa** who assisted president **Gloria** this past Rotary year.



*PP Gloria and president Pat showed their theme banners*

PDG **Roy King** then proceeded to install **Pat Duarte** as the in-coming president and the new 2011-12 BOD. The out-going and in-coming presidents showed their theme banners as the meeting adjourned. §

**p.s.** *We will miss Kathy Higa and her sunny personality as her job and career changed her schedule. But she promised to be back for visits, special events and parties. We wish her the best!*



## Scrapbook Story Board



Dick Matti, Gene Gelfo, and Tony Gedeon



Debi Halcro, Brandon Corse, Diane Chang, Charlie Fortner, and Lisa Foster



Kathy Higa and Elie Frye



Alan Ma, Bill Green, Kevin Chee, and Dianne Bosworth



Grecia Hill, Kevin Chee, Charlie Fortner, Kathy Higa, Diane Chang, and Kevin Unemori



Bob Buss and Roy King



Bill Green, Tony Gedeon, Rob Loughridge, Gloria King, and Dick Matti



Jon Duarte, Holly Hayashi, and Pat Duarte



right: Diane Chang and Francine Wai

left: Lisa Halvorson and Bonnie Castonguay

### Happy Dollar Time with Emiko Yamashita



Darrell Large was happy that our club won so many awards



Dick Matti was also happy that our club won so many awards



Brandon Corse was happy in such a great club



left: Gloria King was happy her term had achieved outstanding projects



center: Marj Boyd was happy that the club has so much success



right: Susan Graham was just happy



## Celebrating the Foundation

Rotary International's masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation. It transform our most daring dreams into the most splendid realities. The Rotary world and even the political world are already aware that The Rotary Foundation is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity — a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind. Only God achieves the impossible, but The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve.

— 1990-91 RI President Paulo V.C. Costa

The Rotary Foundation is recognized as one of the most respected private foundations in the world. Through the Foundation, we as Rotarians have an unprecedented opportunity to use our global grassroots strength and international prominence to help solve major problems such as food and water security – if the Foundation's financial resources keep pace. The twin pillars of Foundation support – the Annual Programs Fund and the Permanent Fund – are crucial to meeting world needs.

— 2003-04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe

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In December, we had our festive **Christmas party** at **Emiko Yamashita's** home, which was decorated as a Christmas Wonderland. We enjoyed great food and the fun, and fellowship was the best! In place of a grab bag or Santa gift, our members and families brought new toys and the club provided over 400 new children's books to the *US Marine Corp's "Toys for Tots"* program for children in need of a "Happy Christmas".

At the end of January, we celebrated the year of the Rabbit with a **Chinese New Year Party**. We invited our area Rotary clubs to join us and eight clubs were represented. We toasted the New Year of the Rabbit with each course and good cheer.

On February 23, Rotary's birthday, we honored members of the local community who give selflessly to help others everyday at our inaugural **"Everyday Community Heroes Breakfast"**. There are so many people in our community who go about serving others as part of their every day jobs and never seek any recognition, but we wanted to take the time to salute their unsung efforts and tell them how much they are appreciated.

In *February, March and April*, we received book grants of over **2,000** books from **FIRST BOOK**, which were distributed to children in Title 1 Schools for the students to take home as their personal property. Members delivered and distributed books to Jarrett Middle and Palolo Elementary Schools. The students were most grateful and excited to receive their very own books from FIRST BOOK and The Rotary Club of Kahala Sunrise. (More books will be distributed in August and September). Our member **Kathy Higa** also brought along folded cranes for students to sign and write good wishes that were sent to Japanese students in Sendai as part of the Aloha for Japan Relief Effort.

Some of our other *community service projects*: Donated **speakers' signed books** to elementary school libraries, and **books** to *Kapiolani Children's Hospital*. We provided **Keiki Vision** screening at two Elementary schools for third grade students.

In May, our successful Club FUNdraiser **Monte Carlo Night**, chaired by **Debi Halcro**, was held at Kapiolani Community College. The culinary school students prepared a feast! We also had wine tasting, fun Casino games, prizes, a silent auction, and entertainment by our new honorary member **Danny Kaleikini**, a "**Marilyn Monroe**" impersonator and **Joann Green's** dance troupe. All proceeds will go towards Community & International Service Projects, including Scholarships.

On "**Rotarians at Work Day**" we cleaned Diamond Head Beach and Road. We also provided a scholarship to a *Kalani High School* senior and provided our first **Vocational Scholarships** to *Kapiolani College Culinary Department*. We supported **RYLA** by sending a student to the *Oahu RYLA* camp and provided financial assistance to the Interact convention. Our club participated with *HRYF* Interviews of **15** students, *(Continue on page 5)*



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receiving one scholarship of \$5,000 which was awarded to one of our candidates.

Our *BOD meetings* were held monthly at my home where I always had a good home cooked meal for the BOD and guests as PDG Roy served us wine. For some reason we always had a full quorum and we didn't mind if it ran over an hour.

Our club's *website* [www.rotarykahalasunrise.org](http://www.rotarykahalasunrise.org) was redesigned and it looks fabulous. It is user-friendly and informative, and has up-to-date information, including a calendar, speaker information, community service updates, photos, etc. We also have a "Member's Only" section where our members can view our *on-line member directory*, monthly BOD minutes, finances etc. We also started our club's *Facebook Page* by **Emiko** this year. Our club's *newsletters* are the BEST!!! Thank you newsletter editor **Teresa Law**, for doing an EXCELLENT job!! Our *weekly newsletters* are informative, fun and colorful with lots of pictures. We're also offering advertising for a small fee. **Teresa** was honored with the "**Quiet Rotarian Award**".

Our speaker chair **Bob Buss** is committed and takes his job responsibilities with pride. **Bob** received Rotary International's prestigious "**Avenues of Service Award**" for his work in Rotary locally and internationally.

New member **Stephen Morgan** was recognized with our club's "**Spirit Award**". He is dedicated to Rotary and volunteers and chairs many of our service projects, including our **Dictionary Project**, **Food Drives**, "**Slippah Project**" and **Rotarians at Work Day**.

Our International Director was **Jan Rumi**. We established two new sister clubs with the Rotary clubs of **Rabat, Morocco** and **Osaka-Otemae, Japan**. Our mission of this "Sister Club" relationship is to advance goodwill and understanding between US and Morocco and with Japan through the exchange of friendship between our clubs and our club members. By doing so to advance the Rotary Spirit, enrich our respective cultures, and contribute to world peace. We also applied for and received a Rotary International **Matching Grant** in the amount of \$14,048.00, in partnership with the Rotary Clubs of Waikiki and Downtown Honolulu for an international English literacy

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project, located at two schools in Bouznika and Rabat, Morocco. We also provided financial assistance to Rotary District 5150 for a Rotary-funded micro credit project in Colombia. The plan is to fund three or four Trust Groups through Opportunity International, which could help up to sixty people set up new businesses.

Our *Rotary International Foundation Director* **Vicki Shim** did an excellent job promoting the Foundation and its good works around the world. **Vicki** arranged to have articles printed in our weekly newsletters, and she educated us about giving to the Rotary Foundation and for Every Rotarian to give something Every Year (**EREY**). Our club was very successful with **100% participation** in **EREY**. We exceeded our Rotary Foundation annual goal this year by contributing \$5,213.00 or 116% of our goal. We also recognized (5) Paul Harris Fellows this year, **Kathy Higa**, **Pat Duarte**, **Joseph Rothstein**, **Kevin Unemori**, and **Danny Kaleikini**. For the second year in a row, **Joseph Rothstein** became a Paul Harris Society Member with a donation of \$1,000.00 and **Gloria** reached "Major Donor Level 2" with hubby, PDG **Roy King**.

Our *Membership Director* was **Alan Ma**. We began the 2010-2011 Rotary year with 41 members. Although we brought in a total of 12 new active members and 2 Honorary members, we ended the year with 42 active members.

*Public Relations Director* **Lisa Halvorson** had a productive year by providing Media Press Releases for:

- School Supply Drive: Media Advisory and Press Release TV News Coverage
- Everyday Heroes Community Breakfast: Media Advisory and Press Release in Midweek Magazine
- Keiki Vision at Liholiho Elementary: Media Advisory, with KITV-4 news story coverage
- Rotary Club of Kahala Sunrise Hall of Fame: Press release, Midweek coverage pending
- Rotarians at Work Beach Clean-Up: Press release

Thank you ALL for a Great Year!

Mahalo Nui Loa,

**Gloria**

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## Club Celebration and Change of Command

### Appreciation of out-going officers and directors and members



2010-11 out-going officers and directors: Marshall Sato, Emiko Yamashita, Kathy Higa, Charlie Fortner, Gloria King, and Pat Duarte (not in picture: Lisa Halvorson, Alan Ma, Joseph Rothstein, Jan Rumi, Vicki Shim, Bob Sisson, Carl Smigielski)



top left: Debi Halcro  
top right: Stephen Morgan  
bottom left: Teresa Law  
bottom right: Bob Buss



### Installation of new officers and directors



PDG Roy King installed Pat Duarte as the 2011-12 president of RoCK



In-coming 2011-12 officers and directors: Kevin Chee, membership; Gloria King, past-president; Marshall Sato, treasurer; Joseph Rothstein, sergeant-at-arms; Emiko Yamashita, public relations; Kevin Unemori, community service; Brandon Corse, new generation and vocational; Bob Buss, club administrator; Dianne Bosworth, secretary; with PDG Roy King. (Not in picture: Pat Duarte, president; Jan Rumi, international service; Vicki Shim, Rotary Foundation; Carl Smigielski, president-elect)



New president Pat Duarte with the 2011-12 Rotary International president Kalyan Banerjee's banner "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"



PDG Roy King looked on as Gloria King received her past-president pin from Pat Duarte



Gloria also received a framed gavel from Pat as a gift and memorabilia



Gloria King gave Kathy Higa her certificate of appreciation and a gift as Pat Duarte looked on



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