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"Making a Difference in our Local and Global Communities"

The strength of our Club lies in its members

Wahiawa General Hospital Getting the Word Out!

Service Above Self – Making a Difference

Editor – PP Geoff Horvath



February is Rotary International

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Of the 68 million people displaced by armed conflict or persecution, 90% are civilians. Conflict and violence displaced more than 68 million people in the past year, and half of those are children.

Rotary International refuse to accept conflict as a way of life. Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Through our service projects, peace fellowships, and scholarships, our members are taking action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, inequality, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

100
peace fellowships are offered each year at Rotary Peace Centers around the world

65 mil
people are currently displaced by armed conflict or persecution

\$142 mil
has been raised by Rotary to support peace

1,000+
students have graduated from Rotary's Peace Centers program

Rotary makes amazing things happen, like:

Improving quality of life. Rotary members founded the People for People Foundation, which has helped 10,000 families afford food, clothing, rent, utilities, medications, and other necessities.

Rotary's Six Areas of Service



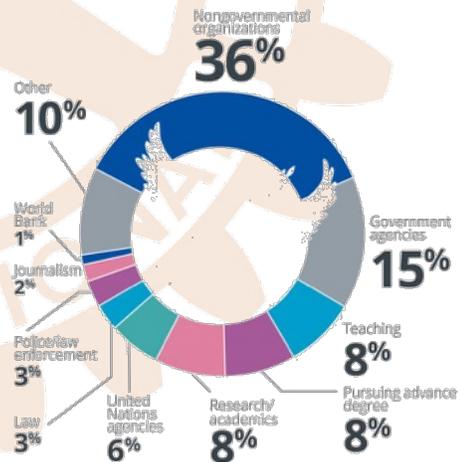
Raising awareness of bullying. Rotaract clubs in the Philippines conduct antibullying campaigns in schools to teach children how to handle conflict peacefully from an early age.

Protecting domestic violence survivors and their families. The U.S. state of Louisiana has the fourth highest incidence of death caused by domestic violence. Local Rotary members met this issue by helping a shelter provide food, clothing, legal advocacy, and counseling to over 500 women in one year.

Promoting positive peace. Rotary has partnered with the [Institute for Economics and Peace](#), an independent think tank and leader in the study of peace and conflict, to help address the root causes of conflict and create conditions that foster peace.

Rotary Peace Centers Program

Where Rotary Peace Center alumni work



The **Rotary Peace Centers** program, a dynamic and ambitious project of The **Rotary** Foundation, identifies highly qualified professionals and trains them to become agents of **peace**. Rotarians are vital to recruiting candidates. You can help advance **peace** around the world by supporting the **peace** fellows.

None

Within D5K

None



Kate Butts



Alison Kanamu



Oli – PP Lilette Subedi



VISITING ROTARIANS
Outside D5K



Bryan Chepic – Communications Manager, Wahiwa General Hospital

Ashton Kanamu – Guest of Austin Kanamu

Grace Abatayo – Mom and Guest of Marie Abatayo

Alésia Au – Guest of PP Doc McKenzie



PP Doc McKenzie read RI President, Ian Riseley's letter to Rotarians, capturing the history of Rotary and the Rotary Foundation, from one of last year's Rotarian Magazine.



Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation (HRYF)

PP Geoff Horvath announced that we have received 10 applications for this year's HRYF Scholarship program. PP Geoff will be asking for 4 Club members to volunteer to be this year's interview panel.

<p>RI President: Barry Rassin District: Win Schoneman Asst Dist Govr: Doreen Higa Club President: Alex Kanamu PP: Lilette Subedi President Elect: Keoni Ahlo Exec Secretary: Alison Dela Pena Recording Secretary: Rene Mansho Treasurer: Kate Butts Sergeant-at-Arms: Dr. Carver Wilcox Asst Sergeant-at-Arms: Austin Kanamu</p>		<p>Programs/Membership: Keoni Ahlo Community Services: PP Lilette Subedi Youth Services: Rene Mansho Rotary Foundations: PP Doc Bill McKenzie HRYF: PP Geoff Horvath Public Relations: Marie Abatayo Fundraising: Marie Abatayo & Kate Butts Hulali Editor: PP Geoff Horvath</p> <p>Meeting Location: Dot's in Wahiwa Day and Time: Thursdays 12:00-1:00 pm</p>
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PP Geoff also announced that he has applied for the HRYF President's position that will become vacant around March/April of this year.

RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions for the week ending February 10, 2019.



Member's Birthdays – None

Spouse's Birthday



None

Anniversaries



PP Bob and Tuang Pang celebrated their anniversary on Monday, February 4th.

Induction

No inductions



President Alex gave a HI \$5 in recognition of PP Geoff Horvath and PP Lilette Subedi participation in this year's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Camp, held at Camp Homelani Feb 1-3.

Kate Butts gave a HI \$4 for missing PP Geoff's retirement from federal service as well as for her trip report to Tahiti, which she was very glad to have gone on. PP Geoff commented, if it was a tossup of going to Tahiti or retirement ceremony, he would have selected Tahiti!! Also, for PP Doc McKenzie getting two students from Waialua HS to attend RYLA.

PP Lilette Subedi gave a HI \$10 for All those who assisted in this year's RYLA.

Alison Kanamu gave a HI \$10 for the awesome retirement ceremony of PP Geoff

PP Geoff gave a HI \$10 for the support provided by the Club for this year's RYLA. The Club provided the projector, portable speaker system, the Hawaiian Flag and the 4-Way Test banner, and of course, PP Lilette and her fantastic workshop on the 4-Way Test with a Hawaiian cultural touch, ending up teaching the 48 students the E Ala E Oli.

Maria Abatayo gave a HI \$5 for the great retirement ceremony they attended in for PP Geoff



Kate Butts contributed \$5 to the Club for her recent trip to Tahiti. She had a blast and was glad she had the opportunity to go.

Alison Kanamu contributed \$10 to the Club for her recent trip to Pittsburg, Kansas, for a meeting, her first as a dōTERRA Diamond level representative. She said the weather, when they arrived at Kansas City Airport was 0 degrees! The drive to Pittsburg took them two long hours! Good thing the car had a heater! While there, the weather started warming up, 20, 30, 40 degrees. On the day they left, the temperature dropped again. One of attendees called Alison and asked her to come back with the warm Hawaiian weather!

President Alex contributed a HI \$10 to the Club for the fun he had accompanying Alison to the meeting. He didn't expect what he saw, brown grass and potholes! Hmm sounds familiar! Alex said that the host and hostess were so kind and friendly. While there, he was able to drive a Red Camaro.



ROTARY MINUTE

What is a Rotary Moment?

A Rotary Moment is a love story as well as a Rotary success story. It describes how you were transformed

from being a member of a **Rotary** club into being a Rotarian, a transition that has changed your life.

Correspondence



No Correspondence

MILITARY REPORT



No Report



Feb 14 – Roger E. Breisch – Affirming Life

Feb 21 – Murry Visser and James Ham – Global Grants and the Nepal Water Project

Mar 7 – Steve Sue and Myron Nakata – Project Lemon Tree – The Living, Outdoor Classroom

Mar 14 – Nicole Milia Coglietta – CEO/Founder of Care Sift – Providing Support to Seniors and their families.



Mar 31 – Annual Wakai-Wilkinson Golf Tournament fundraiser at the Moanalua Golf Club

Ongoing – Jack in the Box Fundraiser. Each member will be given 10 tickets (\$100) to sell.



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Wahiawa General Hospital (WGH) is Alive, Open, and Doing Well!



Wahiawa General Hospital
"Never out of Touch"



Bryan Cheplic

Bryan Cheplic is the Communications manager for WGH, and has been with the hospital for nearly a year now.

Bryan is responsible for identifying, developing, and managing information for WGH as well as marketing WGH's activities and events.

He is also responsible for developing, establishing, and maintaining marketing strategies to meet the organizational objectives of WGH. Bryan helps ensure the efficient and timely dissemination of information, both in hard copy and electronic formats, serving as the editor of WGH publications, and ensuring the timely production, dissemination and web postings of newsletters, special reports, and brochures.

Bryan most recently was with the Department of Hawaiian Homelands as their Public Information Officer, and prior to that, served as the Public Information for the City and Country of Honolulu's Emergency Services Department



HISTORY

Wahiawa General Hospital (WGH) is a community-owned, nonprofit hospital located in Wahiawa, Hawaii, on the island of Oahu. The story of WGH plays a big part in the history of the Central Oahu Community it serves. Health care dates back to when the ancient Ali'i (royalty) traveled to the Stones of Kukaniloko to give birth. Later, midwives and plantation doctors were the ones who provided the community with most of its medical care. But ironically, it took an act of war, not

healing, to finally bring a modern healthcare facility to the area.



On October 25, 1944, community leaders founded The Wahiaawa Hospital Association (WHA) to develop a permanent organization dedicated to serving the area's growing healthcare needs. The Wahiaawa Hospital Association established Wahiaawa General Hospital.



Wahiaawa General Hospital 1944

When the Oahu Sugar Plantation Hospital closed its doors in 1956, the community's need for a new hospital building became apparent. Plans for an expanded Wahiaawa General Hospital were finalized and ground was broken on St. Patrick's Day 1957; construction of the building's original wing was underway. The rest is history!



Wahiaawa General Hospital 1961

Bryan turned down the position the first time because the CEO, **Brian Cunningham**, was also Brian! There would be too much confusion on which Brian/Bryan people were referring to! So, Bryan is known as Bryan with a "Y".

It was after meeting Brian, the CEO, and talking to him for three and a half hours that Bryan finally accepted the position.

A couple of years ago, WGH ran into financial problems, which almost caused the hospital to close.

Closing the hospital down can't happen. WGH is the biggest employer with 400+ employees, a bigger employer than Costco! The closing would be a major impact in Wahiaawa, economically. In addition to the impact it would have on the economy, there would be no medical facility supporting the Wahiaawa and North Shore areas. It would also have a major impact on the health and welfare of the community.

What caused the hospital's financial problems? Bryan told us that the reason WGH was on the verge of closing was because the hospital was trying to keep up with the maintenance of the hospital while at the same time, improving and updating/upgrading medical equipment and technology. The decision was toward improvement of technology. Once it was realized that continuing down this path would cause the hospital to close, the new CEO **Brian Cunningham**, came up with a strategy that balanced the approach and came up with a viable way WGH would function while maintaining top-notch services to the community. It was a balance between maintaining the hospital while upgrading/updating medical technology, to where the hospital is today, updated and modern.

Right now, the hospital has a first-class emergency room, with skilled doctors and nurses, that has the latest medical equipment. They also have a long-term facility, and so many more quality services.

Bryan told us, when he first took over, he asked someone if there was a budget for public relations. The answer was, "A budget?! No!" So, Bryan came up with some very creative ways to get the funds he needed. The first was when Hawaii 5-0 asked if they could film an episode using the hospital? Bryan asked, "How much do you pay?" The response was \$16K for two days. Of course, Bryan said "YES!" A few weeks, they asked again, this time for 3 days for \$20K!" Since then Bryan has a budget and has been able to get the word out by brochures, flyers, events, and TV ads. With his background in TV, being a public information officer, and his connections made through the years, makes his job of getting the word out, that much easier.

The upsetting response Bryan receives from people when he mentions working for WGS is, "I thought the hospital was closed!" or "Is the hospital still open?!"

To change this perception and misunderstanding, Bryan gave us an assignment. Get the word out that WGH is still open!

Another way Bryan wants to get word out is by getting testimonies from former and current patients. This is one of the most powerful ways of getting the word out that WGH is open and provides the best care possible.

Member **Marie Abatayo** told Bryan, if it wasn't for WGH she would have been dead. The quick action and treatment she received during a recent injury saved her life. Her mother, Grace, also said, she received the greatest care during a recent stay.

If the truth be known, WGH's services are better than other hospitals.

Bryan gave us an assignment. Get the word out that WGH is opened and is a great hospital that provides quality service while taking care of their patients with warmth and Aloha. You can tell this by the way WGH treats their people and patients.

Oh, WGH does have a Facebook page. Check it out!



PP Doc McKenzie talking with our Guest Speaker, Bryan Cheplic



PP Doc McKenzie and Guest Speaker Bryan Cheplic



Wahiawa General Hospital 1944-45

Ace of Hearts



PP Doc McKenzie had the winning ticket, although he was the only one that purchased tickets, didn't manage to select the Ace of Hearts. He was close, drawing the Duce of Hearts!



Two of Dot's finest severs



Yes, the Ace of Hearts is in the deck!



Around the Club in Pictures

(Go to our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/962862973749303/> to view all pictures.)

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The Dynamic Duo Marie and Grace Abatayo

WHAT IS ROTARY?



IN COMMUNITIES LIKE OURS, AROUND THE WORLD



Ashton and Austin Kanamu



Derek Conselva



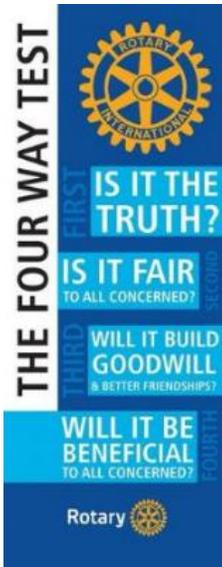
Pineapple by Dole



PP Doc McKenzie introducing our guest speaker



PP Lillette Subedi with two Olis



Bryan Cheplic telling us about WGH



Alison and President Alex giving their Trip Report



PP Doc McKenzie with the Seven of Hearts

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