



District Governor
Naomi Masuno



“Making a Difference in our Communities”



Club President
Keoni Ahlo



“Rotary is not just a club that you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities.”
RI President Holger Knaack

The strength of our Club lies in its members

Training & Talking Story With PDG Win

Service Above Self – Making a Difference

Editor – PP Geoff Horvath



September is Rotary International Basic Education and Literacy Month

Schools4Freedom Part II

“Education Breaks the Cycle of Modern Slavery”

Of the village’s 400 residents, 132 are living in debt bondage, enslaved in the slaveholder’s brick kilns, farm, or construction projects, she says. “The others are at risk because they, too, are in abject poverty.”

Hundreds of thousands of people in Uttar Pradesh and the neighboring state of Bihar are working in forced labor in industries including agriculture, domestic servitude, commercial sex, stone quarries, or brick kilns, says Bhanuja Sharan Lal, director of MSEMVS.



The problem is exacerbated by inaction on anti-slavery laws, caste discrimination, discrimination and violence against women, lack of effective protection for children, lack of training of front-line officials, and corruption, Lal says.

“Businesses and landlords, mostly in the informal sector, face no effective sanctions for holding and using people in forced labor,” he says. “The status quo survives because in many industries the business model relies on debt bondage as a means to control workers.”

The Schools4Freedom project establishes a school, including funding for two teachers. Children receive school supplies and three years of hot lunches. The village gets a computer to document the project. A solar light is installed in the village to help protect children from snakebites and help prevent sexual assault against women. Women are trained in a trade.



Students learn the alphabet in the open-air school structure.



“What’s so amazing about Schools4Freedom is that one removes all of these vulnerabilities,” Metzker says.

“You strengthen the people and then you teach them that they have basic rights so that they can go and, in a sense, demand that freedom themselves.”

Funds also pay for a simple school structure of brick pillars with a corrugated tin roof. It keeps the extreme heat and rain at bay, “but it’s not such an amazing building that someone can take it over,” she says. “It’s not so valuable that a slaveholder would burn it down to stop the process.”

Most important, the project pays for two front-line workers who are local and highly specialized in educating the villagers. The workers teach them that they have basic human rights such as freedom and access to government services – and all of this is done quietly at first, Metzker says.



Schools4Freedom students ready for their daily hot lunch.

“You have to know how to do it, when to do it, the safe way to do it so that the front-line workers themselves and the villagers don’t take the brunt of a slaveholder’s anger,” she says. “We can’t, as Rotarians, do that job.”

The school structure is usually the first sign to the slaveholders that something may be happening, and they may ridicule the children for getting an education, trying to convince them that it’s pointless.

“Does the slaveholder think about where that’s going in two or three years? The writing is on the wall,” Metzker says.

Sometimes slaveholders, not wanting to lose the labor, will create employment arrangements with the

villagers. Other times, slaveholders become violent and the situation requires legal action, she says.

The three-year process ensures time for the entire village to see that it is in a position of strength.

Additionally, liberated villages are connected to a network of other freed villages, to continue supporting one another, says Peggy Callahan, co-founder of Voices4Freedom.

The problem of debt bondage is insidious because it can entrap multiple generations. But with the project efforts, “not only will these people be free and educated and able to build a life of dignity, but their children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren will be born in freedom,” Callahan says.



Metzker, who is a member of the Rotary E-Club of One World D5240, became involved in anti-slavery efforts after a National Immunization Day trip to India in 2004, during which she visited a center for children who had been freed from slavery. She went on to write the book **Facing the Monster: How One Person Can Fight Child Slavery** and now works as a consultant to the Salvation Army’s New Day to Stop Trafficking program. She received Rotary’s Service Above Self Award in 2009-10.

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“Someday, there is going to be such a huge difference because we realized there really is something you can do,” she says. “And we did it.” Article by Carol Hart Metzker
 Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery

How it Works

The School4Freedom we build is the distribution channel for knowledge about the villagers’ rights, their ability to organize for freedom, and their hope for a better life.

THREE 3 YEARS

Students will spend three years getting up to grade level so they can catch up and confidently transfer to Indian Government schools.

40 + STUDENTS

Each school serves at least 40 former slave children, educating and empowering them to break the cycle of slavery.

100 – 200 READ

By educating the children, the school becomes the catalyst to bring entire villages of 100–200 people to freedom.



No Pledge



No Invocation

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Outside D5K

None

Within D5K

PDG Win Schoneman – RC of Honolulu Sunset



None



The Rotary Foundation has spent over \$3 billion on programs and projects to support humanitarian efforts and scholarships throughout its 100+-year history.



Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation (HRYF)

It’s here! The **Foodland Give Aloha** Program. The program runs the entire month of September each year. That gives each of us 30 days to contribute to a worthy cause, higher education for our Hawaii youth! Use Code # **77199** (Hawaii Rotary Youth Foundation) when contributing. Thank you all in advance!

Thanks to **Kate Butts** for her \$50 contribution to HRYF through the Give Aloha Program!

If you have any questions let our Club’s HRYF Rep, PP Geoff Horvath know!

RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions for the week ending September 20th, 2020.



None





None

Anniversaries



None



None



No Hi \$5s!



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WORDS OF WISDOM

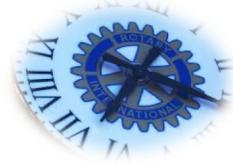
“The worst part of being okay is that okay is far from happy.” — Anna Todd



Anna Todd

Anna Renee Todd is an American author and screenwriter, who is best known for her After series. She started publishing on the social storytelling platform Wattpad. The print edition of the series was published in 2014 by Gallery Books, an imprint of Simon &

Schuster, and has been translated into several languages.



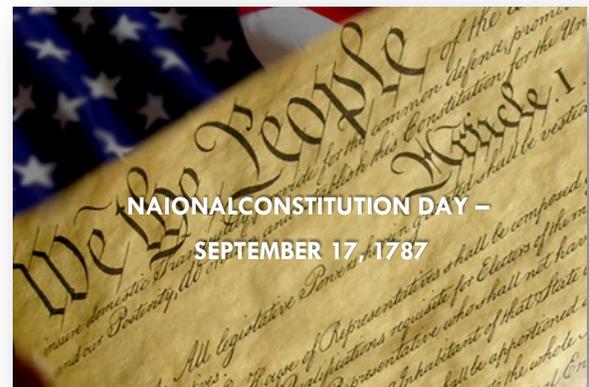
ROTARY MINUTE

What's in a Language?!

Rotary became bilingual in 1916 when the first club was organized in a non-English-speaking country--Havana, Cuba.



Rotary Club of Habana (Havana) Cuba



**NATIONAL CONSTITUTION DAY –
SEPTEMBER 17, 1787**

Constitution Day, also known as Constitution and Citizenship Day, honors the document that guarantees Americans their essential rights. Since its ratification in 1787, the Constitution of the United States has served as the basis for all U.S. laws.

To prevent the abuses of power they felt subjected to under the British monarchy, the Founding Fathers framed the Constitution carefully, distributing power between three branches of government. The Constitution outlines the government's powers, the limitations on those powers, and the rights of citizens. It also outlines an amendment process for making changes in the future.

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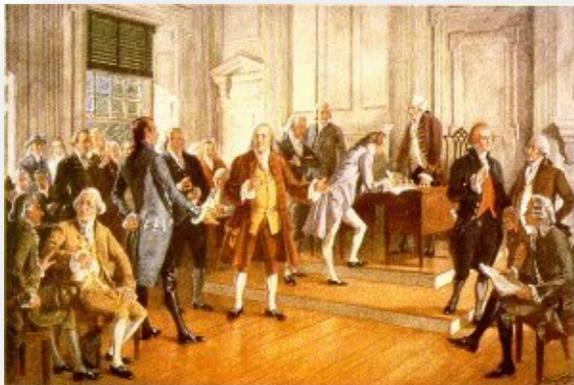
HISTORY OF CONSTITUTION DAY

After the American Revolution freed the American colonies from British rule, the Founding Fathers wanted to make sure the new government couldn't abuse its power. At the 1787 Constitutional Convention, delegates from twelve of the thirteen new states gathered to draft the document that would serve as the basis of all future U.S. law.



The Constitution calls for three branches of government with equal powers, creating a system commonly known as "checks and balances." Each branch has power to mitigate the others. Powers not assigned to one of the three branches are left to the individual states.

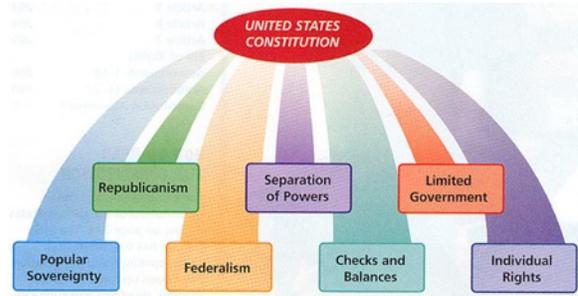
Delegates at the Convention had two options for setting up the framework of the new legislative branch. The Virginia Plan, predictably supported by larger states, called for representation based on population. The competing New Jersey Plan called for equal representation for each state. The two-house solution known as the Great Compromise combines aspects of both plans and is still in use today.



The Constitution also outlines the responsibilities and powers of the judicial and executive branches, how the President is elected, and other nitty-gritty details.

The Founding Fathers recognized that society evolves, and that the Constitution would require a mechanism for making changes. However, they wanted to ensure that making changes would require agreement from a large number of states. To alter the Constitution, a

proposed amendment must be ratified by three-fourths of states.



In 1940, Congress and the President passed a resolution creating "I Am an American Day," observed on the third Sunday in May. In 1952, the holiday was renamed to "Constitution Day" and moved to September 17, the day in 1787 that the Constitution was signed. More than 50 years later in 2004, Congress once again changed the name of the holiday to Constitution Day and Citizenship Day. <https://nationaltoday.com/constitution-day/>

Correspondence



None

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None



TBD



Nov 28 – Rotary plants Trees at the Gunstock Ranch, Laie.

We will be planting around 5,000 trees on 10 acres of land. Rotary District 5000 is looking for 200 volunteers (3 sessions, 2,000 trees each). Please reserve the date in your calendars to attend and help with traffic control and parking. We will be working in three shifts. The three parking shifts are:

- 8:00 – 10:00 am
- 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
- 12:00 – 2:00 pm

If you have any questions, please see Kate Butts.



None



Census Hawaii Update provided by Sharen L. Truex Nakashima, Partnership Specialist Honolulu, Los Angeles Regional Census Center, U.S. Census Bureau, results as of the week ending Sept. 9, 2020. The last count will end 9/30/2020, not 10/31/2020.

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| National Self-Response | Hawaii Self-Response |
| 66.0% | 62.4% |

2020 Census Response Rate (August 24th, 2020)

Ranking by County:

- Hawaii – 48.5%
- Honolulu – 67.8%
- Kauai – 53.3%
- Maui – 52.0% (Lanai, Molokai)
- Kalawao – 21.0% (Kalaupapa/Makanalua Peninsula)
- no change



“Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people.” – Eleanor Roosevelt

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QUIZ OF THE WEEK

How many pleats does a chef's hat have?



It started out in an unusual way. Three of us. **PDG Win Schoneman, President Keoni Ahlo, and PP Geoff Horvath.** Before we know it, we had 5 of us in the meeting room! By that time, it was well past 12:00 pm. We forgot to start the meeting! Yikes! But it was fun!

PDG Win and President Keona were discussing membership and ways to increase members. PDG Win told us that the ECO Club went three levels deep on Facebook, e.g., three friends deep, a friend of a friend of a friend, and looked for any interests they might have. A project, event, etc., that they might be interested in joining in on.

How social media really drives how we do things today. Instagram, Tweeter, etc., for making contacts and followings. This can be to a Rotary Club's advantage in recruiting members. Post or write about an event and see how many followers you have. Then contact some of them that showed some type of interest on the subject of the Instagram or Tweeter post. Getting lists of people with shared interests and go from there. And with Artificial Intelligence (AI) in use today, these lists can be compiled by an AI application.

We have to have events and projects to attract new members. The generation of today aren't much in sitting in a room having lunch. They are into socializing with others, going out and doing something, social events; they want to meet and socialize! They also want to be out in the community doing something useful. Rotary can tap into this! Create something that they want to come to...interesting speakers, etc. That's why our club has a monthly community project. To attract prospective members. It gives us visibility within our



community and piques the interests of others, especially when they see we are having fun!

When we finished our discussion. PDG Win demonstrated how we could personalize posters and brochures with the tools available on the Rotary.org website. Posters like, "Together, We..." can be tailored to our Club.

Ace of Hearts



No Ace of Hearts today!

Zoom Meeting



Schedule

Updated Meeting Schedule and Time (Thursday, Hawaii Standard Time): 12:00

Sep 24, 2020, 12:00 PM

Oct 1st, 2020, 12:00 PM

Oct 8th, 2020, 12:00 PM

Oct 15th, 2020, 12:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81898759694?pwd=aHhKR3Y0Y0plWHZaa2w1Q1Q1aG9QZz09>



Answer to the Quiz of the Week: **100 Pleats**



Bon Appétit magazine brings us this tasty tidbit. A chef's tall hat (officially known as a "toque") is traditionally

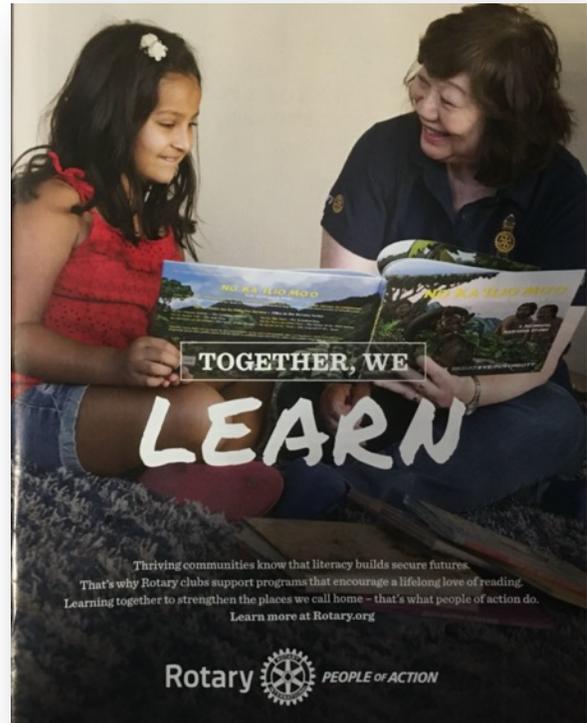
made with 100 pleats, meant to represent the 100 ways to cook an egg.



One origin story says that King Henry VIII beheaded a chef after finding a hair in his meal. The next chef was ordered to wear a hat while cooking, and thus began the use of hats to maintain hygiene. However, some stories say that as early as the seventh century A.D., hats were worn by chefs to signify status.

DG in the Spotlight!

If you go to page 13 in the September 2020 issue of the Rotary magazine, you will see our District Governor, **Naomi Masuno** gracing the entire page!



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Rotarians With
2020
VISION

 **The Rotary Club of
Wahiawa-Waiialua**



Around the Club in Pictures

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



Top Gun PDG Winn Schoneman



PP Doc McKenzie



President Keoni



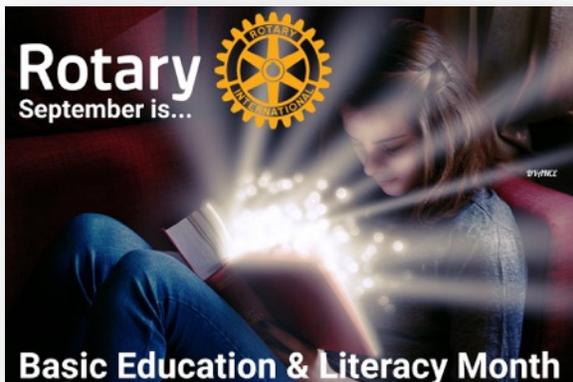
President Keoni, PP Geoff, and PDG Win



President Keoni, PP Geoff, PDG Win, and PP Doc McKenzie



PP Geoff Horvath



Derek Conselva

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WHAT IS ROTARY?



JOIN LEADERS
EXCHANGE IDEAS
TAKE ACTION

IN COMMUNITIES LIKE OURS, AROUND THE WORLD

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OBJECT OF ROTARY



- 1st** THE DEVELOPMENT OF ACQUAINTANCE AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE;
- 2nd** HIGH ETHICAL STANDARDS IN BUSINESS AND PROMOTING THE RECOGNITION OF THE AND THE DIGNIFYING OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE SOCIETY;
- 3rd** THE APPLICATION OF THE IDEAL OF SERVICE IN EACH ROTARIAN'S PERSONAL, BUSINESS, AND COMMUNITY LIFE;
- 4th** THE ADVANCEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, GOODWILL, AND PEACE THROUGH A WORLD FELLOWSHIP OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE, LIMITED IN THE LOCAL OF SERVICE.

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THE FOUR WAY TEST



FIRST IS IT THE TRUTH?
SECOND IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
THIRD WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
FOURTH WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Rotary

OUR SIX AREAS OF FOCUS



- Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
- Disease Prevention and Treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic and Community Development

...to do good in the world