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Weekly Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise

This Week: Club Assembly/Planning

If you want to be in the know about what your “little club that can” is planning this year, you need to attend this week’s meeting.

SYLVIA OWENS (*Membership Chair*) is going to talk about membership as well as the upcoming Oktoberfest event.

KC MAHONEY (*Club Service Chair*) is going to talk about Club Service, in particular the possibility of Pau Hana and off site visits.

MITCH TAM will brief us on upcoming speakers/programs

BARBARA KOSSOW (*Community Service*) will talk about the

Christmas Parade.

CLIFF KOPP will update us on the District Grant Menehune Holiday Food Drive as well as Ramping up Rotary.

DEREK CHIGNELL (*International Service*), along with Vicki Kalman will update us on the Global Grant Water Project.

ANN GOODY (*Youth Service*) will speak on the subject of the Africa Interact Club, as well as our own Kealakehe Interact Club; and on the Domestic Abuse Shelter.

Please join us!

Greeter:

Bev

Door Prize:

Mary Jane

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The Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise meets every Wednesday at 6:45 am at Humpy’s Restaurant (upstairs above the ABC Store), 75-5815 Alii Drive, Kailua Kona HI. For additional information contact Club President Mike Fraser at 989-0360.

Did you know?

Many of our members may not be aware that our club sponsors an Interact Club in South Africa - in Fundinjobo. Diligently working behind the scenes, Ann Goody has been working on this project for at least three years. Following is the first of a two part letter from her contact in South Africa.

Dear Ann:

The class of 20013 was exceptional and they achieved an incredible pass mark. There are 3 of our last year Interactors at universities studying to become accountants - and there may be others at universities that have not kept in touch.

Our last year's president attained 4 distinctions, while the other two received 2 each. All three have received funding from various organizations (one boy is on a study loan from our Rotary club) and all seem to be doing well so far. In SA we have awful statistics - under 10% of rural scholars who attend university courses end up graduating. There are some real problems in our education system. I am hoping that via interact we can add some value to their education.

By the final term last year we resumed attendance at our project in the afternoons and began another major

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ROTARY CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life;
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect;
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world;
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians;
5. Not seek special business or professional advantages from other Rotarians.

South Africa Interact Club



Board Meeting in a Grade 11 classroom

Fundinjobo Interact was formally presented with the Four Way test banner at their awards ceremony in 2014. It was on display in the school foyer but is now awaiting unfurling in our new and hopefully permanent meeting place - a prefab building. We will hope to have it reglazed, furnished and painted in the holidays - photos to follow. Below: Mr Thwala, school principle, Nomcebo, Freddy, Senzo, Zinhle, Judy Pott and Mr Dlodlu, the school Interact facilitator



Rotary Club of Kona, Every Thursday at noon, King Kamehameha Kona Beach Hotel
Rotary Club of Kona Mauka, Every Tuesday at noon, Teshima's Restaurant, Honalo
Rotary Club of North Hawaii, Every Wednesday at noon, Anna's Ranch, Waimea
Rotary Club of Hilo, Every Friday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel
Rotary Club of Hilo Bay, Every Wednesday at 6:45 am, Hilo Yacht Club
Rotary Club of South Hilo, Every Tuesday at noon, Hilo Hawaiian Hotel
Rotary Club of Volcano, Every Thursday 7:00 am, KOA Room at Kilauea Military Camp in Hawaii Volcano National Park. Come before 7 for breakfast.
Rotary Club of Pahoa Sunset, Every Tuesday at 5:30, Luquin's Restaurant

South Africa Interact Club

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project. We produced 90 "Santa boxes" for the kids at the aftercare centre. These were shoe boxes covered (thank you Rotarians!) with Christmas paper and filled with goodies - many were donated by friends of Ethne's and much was bought by our club - each box had toiletries (tooth brush/paste, face cloth, soap), limited stationary, sweets, a toy and a t shirt painted by our Interact club. The kids had enormous fun painting the t shirts in between swimming and riding my one-and-only bicycle round the garden. I will send you some photos. We stopped meeting before Christmas as my daughter was getting married and the kids were writing exams. After the end of term we distributed the boxes and held a Christmas party for the Aftercare club.

A well-earned rest was enjoyed over the Christmas break. This year saw some exciting events for the Interactors. We have continued to work at the Aftercare Centre; things a little more organized

now as we have made membership badges to define our bona fide aftercare members - we were being overrun with children on a Wednesday afternoon and we now have a core of orphans and vulnerable kids.

I attended the Fundinjobo awards ceremony where I formally presented the school's Interact club with the 4 way test banner that you all so kindly posted (still nothing resolved from the post office). The same day my camera was stolen at the Aftercare club and all photos I took disappeared with it. The camera has been returned with no data card and sadly, the camera is broken. My photographic records are now rather scanty!

Our exciting news is that we will be having a permanent place to meet from next term - during the holidays we will be painting out a 'prefab' building, known as a zozo?, and re-glazing broken windows. We will hang our banner there permanently. The building will also be open to school groups, choir, governing board

etc. We hope to be able to leave the lap tops there for the kids to use. They will need to be locked up at night or I fear they will go. We have had a couple of USB modems donated, I hope to pick these up this week in Nelspruit. I hope we can get them to work. The school still has no internet. We hope to install some book shelves to store our Book club. A new little project for next term.

During the first two terms we did many things with the Interactors. We visited an organization called Imagine Scholar - near Malelane - 3 1/2 hours away. This is a very interesting organization. It is a school mentor programme. A handful of most promising scholars are selected in Grade 9 from nearby schools and over 4 years they are given extra tuition in math science and English. They are also encouraged to develop critical thinking skills, build character, do community work. They are encouraged to speak out and write poetry. It is a wonderful programme and our Interactors were blown away with their confidence, good English

skills, value set. I am hoping to encourage more interaction with this group - it was a very positive afternoon. interactors to attend as helpers. It was a week of wonderful food, fellowship with other helpers and campers and amazing activities like flying in an aeroplane or spending a day at a water park. I believe their greatest impression was that the camp was like a great big family where all worked together. I see a difference in the way some of these interactors deal with the children at our project.



NOTE; This is the first of a 3 or 4 part series about the Fundinjobo Interact Club.





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Founder of Rotary



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2014 - 2015



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July 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Operation Neptune - Ray Ramos	3	4 Independence Day Parade, Fun Run & Fireworks	5  Derek
6	7	8	9 Brenda Ford	10	11	12 Habitat for Humanity Pancake Breakfast
13	14	15 Board Meeting	16 Leahi Camacho	17	18	19
20  Tante	21  Ellen	22	23 Club Assembly  Cliff & Megumi	24	25	26
27	28  Ben	29	30 Kei-Lin Cerf Hualalai 'Ohana Foundation	31  Chuck		

August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Deep and Beyond	7	8	9
10	11	12 Board Meeting	13 TBA	14	15  Jose	16
17  Kaz	18	19 Board Meeting with DG	20 District Governor Laura Steelquist	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 TBA	28	29	30
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