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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.

Come to Rotary this Wednesday to hear Kei-Lin Cerf, a very engaging and passionate speaker.

Kei-Lin Cerf is the Executive Director of the Hualalai 'Ohana Foundation, a 501(c)(3) foundation created by the homeowners of Hualalai Resort to provide educational and medical financial aid to the employee families of the Hualalai Resort and Four Seasons Hualalai community. In addition, the Hualalai 'Ohana Foundation oversees Lifeplan Youth Mentoring at Kealahou High School.

Lifeplan Youth Mentoring is a program that pairs community volunteers with classrooms of high school students to



learn about their individual values, dreams, goals, and action steps for success. This student-focused approach is successful in engaging students to plan their futures.

Continuation of letter re Fundinjobo Interact

This is the continuation of the letter from the Fundinjobo Interact Club.

Another interesting and time consuming activity was the EV Challenge (EV stands for electric vehicle). The kids built and raced a go cart that was battery run. Some of them had tried to enter last year and failed to get their car to run on the day. We did much better this year! I was in the UK but I was told that we completed at least 9 laps of the course and the car went well until the batteries died???? We brought in a bunch of Interact supporters and I

painted team t shirts. If there had been a prize for team spirit, I think we would have won that! Ethne then arranged for those participants to have a burger before they went home.

It has been a really busy half year and we have done much to build spirit and pride in our Interact Club. Ethne continues to support us hugely. There are obvious difficulties - the school is far and the cost of transporting the whole club is always a consideration so there is no parental financial input.

We are still planning our camp for

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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.

As little as \$2 a week does a world of good

By Teree Bergman, an assistant regional Rotary Foundation coordinator

Posted on [July 25, 2014](#)

A new Rotary year began 1 July, and that means it's time to begin a new effort to have our members participate in Rotary's work by donating to the Annual Fund. Rotary's [Every Rotarian Every Year](#) (EREY) initiative empowers every Rotary member to be part of the humanitarian accomplishments of The Rotary Foundation.

Let me share a number I find unbelievable. During the year that ended 30 June, only 44 of the 666 clubs in the southwest region of the United States where I serve as coordinator earned an EREY banner. That's a whopping 6 percent! (And keep in mind, not every member has to give \$100 to qualify for the banner; the banners go to clubs that achieve a \$100 *average* per member with every member giving some amount, however small.)

It's hard to understand why so few clubs earn these banners. What Rotarian

doesn't want to be able to say, "I helped improve health, alleviate poverty, and enhance education?" Why would a member attend a meeting every week and never give anything to the Annual Fund?

Surely we can do better. I do not know the reason that we have such a low percentage of donors, but I would guess that part of it is this: we fail to ask. The most common reason people say they joined Rotary is that someone they respected ASKED. It's the same for the Foundation. If you want people to give, you have to ASK.

Think about it, a \$100 annual gift, the benchmark for the initiative, comes out to roughly \$2 a week. Who doesn't spend at least that much each week on things they can't even remember? That is about half the cost of a tall latte at Starbucks. What can The Rotary Foundation do with your \$2 a week (\$100 annual gift)?

- Provide three cataract surgeries in India
- Buy 15 packets of teaching materials for a school in Costa Rica
- Feed a family in India or

Pakistan for six months
Bring clean water to 600 school kids in Africa.

Not only do small contributions help do big things, but we, as Rotarians, have control over how the money is spent. Annual Fund contributions are divided between the World Fund and the [District Designated Fund](#) (DDF). Each district gets to decide how to use its DDF to participate in Foundation grants and activities, not just internationally but in your own local community if you choose.

Surely we can find a way to get every Rotarian to be a part of the Foundation's wonderful work by giving. Let's get more of those banners for Rotary year 2014-15.

[Give Now](#)



Our club is officially an EREY Club! Let's keep it that way - make your donation today!

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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2013/2014 in 3 weeks' time and we recently held the induction dinner for this year's committee (as late as my reply to you it seems - we can call it Africa time). It was a part of the camp last year but we have had many problems with getting a venue and time for the camp. Zinhle's induction was a very happy affair, despite the fact that it was held so late. The kids gave presentations on their achievements and our activities and we all enjoyed an excellent 3 course dinner (prepared by moi! - toast and Pate, chicken pie and brownies with ice cream). Our AG did a wonderful induction, calling each member up to present them. I was very proud of them. They beamed when they were presented with the metal badges that you sent us from Hawaii. They wear these proudly. The matrics were presented with the very lovely certificates and it was perfect. Deep thanks for these gifts. They mean

so much to the kids. We invited the president and vice-president of the Uplands College Interact as guests and I overheard them discussing our Induction saying that we had such a meaningful occasion and how wonderful to receive badges in acknowledgement of membership. I smiled. It is true that these Interactors are very dedicated to belonging to our Club. They have few opportunities where they live and I believe we offer them something very meaningful.

Regarding our 2014 support from STRIVE funds;

Thank you for your generous offer. I would absolutely love to receive some more financial help for our Interact club. There is so much that we could do. Our camp comes to mind. We may need to pay for accommodation this time, unless Ethne can pull a rabbit out of her hat! There is much I would like to do to help the kids with career

selection and I am thinking of getting an interactive course, created by a psychologist to assist the kids with defining their interests and choosing a suitable career. Unless I get sponsorship, this will cost R120 per child. We are applying to receive books from FunDza, an organization that distributes books specifically written for South African teenagers. We need to get our school reading. When the school library is complete, we will donate our "Book club" to the school.

I would love to get some bean bags for the older children at the Aftercare and create a happy space for them. We may need some funds for our boxes at the end of the year (this year we are dying bags instead). Transport is always a consideration when taking the kids on an outing. Finally we spent a fair bit on helping kids to get to University from last year's matric class. It would be fantastic to know there was some money available to do

more. Thank you so much for the offer. It would be best, I think to work payments out with Eth and Mal. Currently she supports up via her Zwelisha trust. It would be nice to have a Fundinjobo fund also.

Needless to say there is much that we could do with money that is donated. It would be fantastic!



The final part of the letter will be in the next issue of the Coffee Press.





Paul Harris
Founder of Rotary



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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 Kumu Keala Ching	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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September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Board Meeting	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23  Ben and Sona	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				