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Message from the President



## Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu

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### Rotary Shares 2007-2008

*Taking on my new role as President of the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu is exciting and I am ready! Even though I went to PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar) my true training came from Metro. Our club has grown in so many ways and each member has shared their knowledge and experience so we would all grow together. It truly is what makes Metro a successful and effective club.*

*When Hank asked all Past-Presidents to join in our last chorus of "The Star Spangled Banner" for the Rotary year, I was standing behind them knowing that I follow many that have provided leadership over the years. It was incredible to have 15 of the 20 Past-Presidents in attendance. It truly is evident that Rotary keeps getting better when you stay involved. Those 15 certainly have and there are so many more members that do as well. Stay active in Metro. Metro has always been an exciting club, a fun club and a club that has shown that it truly cares about our communities.*

*This year, Metro will show that Rotary shares its talents and experience along with our dollars to make a difference in all that we do as Rotarians.*

*I once again want to thank Tina Yap, Past President, for her incredible year and for her continued guidance as we move forward.*

*Mahalo, for the privilege and honor to serve Metro.*

*Lets show how **Rotary Shares!***

*Aloha,*

*Tom Anusewicz*

# A NEW YEAR FOR METRO ROTARY.



AS WE BID AN APPRECIATIVE ALOHA TO PRESIDENT TINA YAP, WE WELCOMED OUR NEW PRESIDENT, TOM ANUSEWICZ

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President Tina calls the last meeting of her term to order.



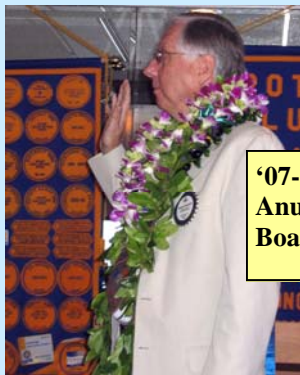
Hank leads all past Presidents who are present in the Star Spangled Banner.



PDG (past district governor) Roz installs Tom Anusewicz as Metro's new President.



Outgoing '06-'07 Board of Directors



'07-'08 President Tom Anusewicz and our new Board of Directors





**Fritz McKenzie's inspiration last week was about Paul Loo. Judging on the reaction of the crowd, it was felt that her words about Paul should be shared with the entire membership.  
From Fritz:**

"My intent today was to have a patriotic theme for the words I chose to share today...however given our loss of Paul Loo, I wanted to honor him and I suddenly realized he was one of the best examples of patriotism I could use.

If this were an "inspirational talk" I could simply say Paul Loo and sit down...however today I choose to be politically incorrect; I ask you to join me in a prayer that God will give our world more Paul Loos. In my opinion, if ever there was a human who tried to follow in the steps that Christ laid down for us, it was Paul. If I could peek into Heaven, my bet would be that Paul has certainly disproved the literal meaning of the biblical story that "a rich man getting to Heaven is about as likely as a camel passing through the eye of a needle".

Paul's life was a living example of how you can have great wealth in the monetary sense but be rich beyond any measurement of wealth in your heart, words and deeds.

For those of us so fortunate to have brushed ever so briefly against Paul's life, we can say that at least once we truly met a great man. I have been so fortunate to have met Presidents and wealthy and famous men...none could come close to Paul's stature as a man.


Spirit, generosity, intellect, humility, humor were hallmarks of Paul's life. He was unique...and certainly the only human on earth that could deliver a "state of the market" report that was practical, lucid and deliver it like a stand up comedian."

So I say to Paul...Paul, thank you for your heart, your humor, your generosity, your humility, your example of patriotism and for living what we all aspire to. Thank you for proving camels can thread a needle. We shall miss you, Rotary shall miss you and your community will miss you. Have fun and remember to give the Head Man the weekly report...as only you can. Please also, befriend all those wonderful men and women who have also answered the call of their country these last four years as you did many years ago. Please let them all know how much we appreciate them. And please keep all of those still serving in your prayers and with God's help keep them from harm's way.

**An article about Paul will be published in the Mynah as soon as all appropriate information is obtained.**


### Members with 100% attendance for the period of January—June 2007


Tom Anusewicz   T.C. Chun   Gloria Chang   Jerry Clay   Roz Cooper

Hal Darcey    Sharon Hayashi   Nalani Holliday   Joe Kiefer



Christine Lanning   Tanya McDowell   Lewie Musgrave   Tommi Nakamoto

Sandra Ohara   Bob Popp    Kevin Sakamoto   Kit Smith   Bill Thomas

Sets Uemura   Cori Weston   Lora Williams   Tina Yap   

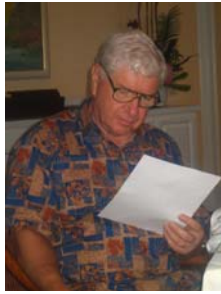
You can make up meetings on Oahu, on Neighbor Islands, in foreign countries and online.  
Go to [www.rotaryinternational.com](http://www.rotaryinternational.com) for online meetings and to look up other clubs!

Stars are interspersed for design purposes only.



## NEW MEMBER PROFILE

### Meet John Lezak



Welcome to **John F. Lezak**, who joined Metro Rotary in October 2006 and was sponsored by Gloria Chang. John, who is a member of the Hawaii State and American Bar Associations, has been a partner in the firm Kobayashi, Sugita & Goda since 1996.

After practicing briefly in New York following his admission to the New York Bar in 1969, John moved to Hawaii and practiced with Padgett, Greeley, Marumoto & Akinaka from 1970 to 1975. In 1975, he practiced at Carlsmith, where he continued his emphasis in real estate and related financing, commercial, and business law. He was a senior partner in the real estate section of the Carlsmith firm before leaving in 1986 to join in forming the firm of Bays, Deaver, Hiatt, Kawachika and Lezak as a partner. He remained with the firm for a decade.

John graduated from the University of Chicago with a Bachelor of Arts and then earned a Masters of Arts from Harvard University. He received his law degree from Harvard Law School. He has received the highest "AV" rating from Martindale-Hubbell. His experience includes the representation of lenders in real estate lending and workouts and the representation of other clients with respect to real estate acquisitions, sales, and development, real estate lending, commercial leasing, and business formation and reorganization. He also represents owners in lease-to-fee conversions.

John is the co-author of "Commercial Real Estate Leasing in Hawaii," "Basic Real Estate Law in Hawaii," and "Advanced Conference on Commercial Real Estate Leases." He has served as a member of several panels, including the Ideas Exchange, Commercial Real Estate Leasing in Hawaii, Basic Real Estate Law in Hawaii, and Advanced Conference on Commercial Real Estate. John and his wife Karen live in Kailua.

### **Mango Days Run/Walk** **Saturday, July 29th**



**Inspired by the book written by Patty Smith who died of lymphoma at the age of 18 and who is Kit Smith's daughter.**

**Look for information and sign-up sheets at the next Metro Meeting!**

### *The Words and Wisdom of Paul Harris*

*"The ramifications of Rotary are beyond imagination. Nearly every phase of modern life is influenced and the outlook of members is broadened, and through it all there is the benign influence of fellowship which sweetens life. These are a few of the many reasons why Rotarians value membership."*

*Paul Harris*

### *My Road to Rotary*



### **Friends of the Library Community Service Project**

**Sunday, July 8**



**Contact Kathleen Merriam, Community Service Chair, to sign up and participate! (This counts as a make-up meeting).**

## MEMBER PROFILE

## Metro's Newest Member

### Meet Claudia Fristoe



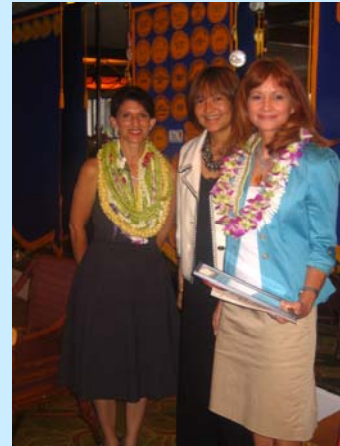
Welcome to **Claudia Fristoe**, who also joined Metro Rotary in October 2006. She was sponsored by Bob Peterson. Claudia is the program director at Hawaii Healthcare Professionals, Inc., the state's largest home care agency. A Licensed Practical Nurse, Claudia was previously the program supervisor for the Honolulu Gerontology Program at Child and Family Service for three years. Prior to that, she was the general manager at the Ponds at Punalu'u Assisted Living facility.

Claudia received a bachelor of general studies and a certificate in women's studies from the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Conn. She also earned a master's degree in family studies and a master's certificate in gerontology from UConn. She has conducted numerous in-services and workshops for caregivers, the elderly population, and employees. She is also experienced in conducting mediation and conflict resolution sessions with staff, residents, group members and caregivers within various communities of people.

### Katherine Anderson Bank of Hawaii Vice President/Sr. Trust Officer Administration—Private Foundations and Charitable Trusts

Katherine was installed on June 28, 2007 and her sponsor is Cori Weston.

*Welcome, Katherine!!!!!!!*



## NEWS ABOUT COMPUTERS FOR KIDS AND METRO ROTARY

Posted on: Thursday, June 28, 2007



BUREAUCRACY BUSTER

### Donate your old computer

By Robbie Dingeman  
Advertiser Columnist

*Q. If I want to recycle an old computer, can I still? What about a monitor? It seems a shame to throw them away.*

A. Yes, there are programs.

Hawai'i Computers for Kids has been helping recycle computers and get them to Hawai'i schools — kindergarten through high school — and nonprofit organizations that need them, for more than 15 years.

Ken Goldstein is the founder and state director of the program. His Rotary club, the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu, and its 130 members support and sponsor the program as their signature project.

Goldstein's program accepts Pentium III/4 and Celeron computers, as well as Macintosh G3s & faster. "We can also take working 17-inch monitors with each of those computers; along with printers, scanners and other devices connecting via USB or FireWire; and software and supplies," he said.

Anyone who has donations that match the organization's needs can call 521-2259 or e-mail Goldstein with a list at [cfk@catii.com](mailto:cfk@catii.com). Include contact information and an address where donations can be picked up. He will contact schools and nonprofit agencies and have one get in touch to arrange for a mutually convenient pickup.

"I will then be glad to e-mail them with a tax receipt after donations have been claimed," Goldstein said.

"I have approximately 1,600 volunteers around the state who keep an eye out for donations, assist with transportation and logistics, and otherwise help me keep things rolling. Our longevity is likely due to the fact that we've never accepted one penny for donations or services."

Hawaii Computers for Kids directly supports Hawai'i K-12 schools and nonprofit organizations statewide at no cost, he said.

"My biggest problem over the past 15 years is finding schools and nonprofits smart enough to pick up the phone and ask for the free stuff we receive," he said.

**Thank you, Ken Goldstein!**

## Not a man of mystery after all!

You read about Mike Kozak in the last Mynah, and now here is his photo!



**Dutch Lunch or Pauhana?**  
These are FUN! If you're invited to one, say Yes.

# Future Light Orphanage



Aloha Skills Training Center



May 2007



And now, July 2007: Progress!





**LETTER TO ALL METRO ROTARIANS FROM YO! (YOUTH OUTREACH)**  
**Please take a moment to read this heartfelt letter as we gear up for another year of meaningful Community Service under the direction of Kathleen Merriam.**

June 25, 2007

Jeff Kaplan, MPH  
Program Director  
Waikiki Health Center  
Youth Outreach Project  
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Dear Metro Rotarians:

“Hawaii Calls”...the theme of the recent Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu gala fundraiser. More importantly, when Hawaii’s most needy call, dedicated Rotarians can often be counted on to answer.

This certainly has been our experience at the Youth Outreach Project, affectionately called YO! Members of Metro Rotary volunteered their time, resources, and ingenuity to provide a much needed face lift to our 1940’s era Waikiki cottage. YO! is a safe haven for kids who otherwise have to call the streets of Waikiki home. Metro Rotarians transformed our dilapidated youth drop-in center into a more efficient and functional facility.

Metro Rotarians exemplify the meaning of community service by having made a real difference in the lives of some of Hawaii’s most needy youth. The work and renovations performed by the members impact the YO! clients on a daily basis. Pouring concrete to construct a concrete handicap ramp, a sidewalk for wheel chair access to the laundry facilities, and a new driveway was a monumental endeavor that the Metro Rotary met head on. Re-erecting the chain link fence also added a few square feet to a backyard that was beautified a bit thanks to weeding and new plantings. That project turned out absolutely terrific and will benefit YO! clients for years to come.

Imagine desperately needing to use the bathroom as someone lingers in the shower, keeping the only bathroom occupied for what seem like endless minutes. This was a frequent occurrence at YO!, that is until the Metro Rotarians arrived. Rotarians used their ingenuity to redesign the YO! bathroom and install a dividing wall between the shower and the rest of the bathroom. For the first time in YO!’s 17 year history, clients no longer need to do the “shi shi” dance as they wait for someone to finish washing off the grime of the streets. The “mastermind” behind the bathroom redesign says it was an “obvious” solution, but we would have continued doing the shi shi dance for years if not for the Metro Rotary. YO! clients are now dancing with jubilation.

As many of you know, the work did not end with the concrete and the bathroom. The computers that were installed are now up and running and the kids use them all the time. The computers have become one of the lures that draws the kids off the streets and in to YO, and also provide a healthy and positive alternative to the streets. Of course most are emailing their friends and family or perusing MySpace, but a few of the clients have written resumes and conducted internet job searches. We hope that in time more will enhance their computer skills for things like writing resumes and conducting research as well as creating music, art, and videos. As stated by one YO client, “the computers are a blessing.”

The Rotary’s “adoption” of YO! culminated at the annual fundraiser. The gala event provided one YO! client by the name of Mike with an opportunity to share his past challenges and current successes. Mike was very nervous as he took the stage, but stood in the spot light and provided an inspirational presentation of his story. He shared much of his history including homelessness, drug addiction, and mental illness. Mike has effectively transitioned from a life on the street, to an independent and healthy standard of living. Mike shared that he would not have been able to rise above this adversity without the assistance provided by YO! Mike is just one example of individuals and organizations working together with the mission of making positive changes in the community.

YO! is truly fortunate to have been adopted by an outstanding organization like Metro Rotary. Each member can be certain that they will have a share of every success that the YO! clients experience over the years. YO! applauds all you’ve done and calls out our sincere appreciation to the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Honolulu.

*Jeff Kaplan*

Upcoming Speakers & Events

July 5

**DR. BRAD KERWIN  
MAGICIAN  
EXTRAORDINAIRE!!!**



July 7



Progressive Dinner Kaimukī/Kahala Area

Cocktails and Sunset at house #1

Dinner at house #2

Dessert at house #3

July 12

**FRANK DELIMA!!!**



July 15

Paul Loo's Memorial Service

4 p.m., St. Andrew's Cathedral  
229 Queen Emma Square

July 19

THE LANGLEY UKULELE  
ENSEMBLE  
"HANA HOU!!!"



July 26

Club Assembly!



*Program and speaker subject to change*





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**All Members:**

**If you have any anecdotes or memories you want to have included in Metro's Mynah memorial of Paul Loo, please send them to [lora@boomeranghawaii.com](mailto:lora@boomeranghawaii.com) no later than July 6.  
**Mahalo!****

**Share your "small world" stories in the Metro Mynah!**



Here's a start:

When President Tom was at the R.I. Conference in Salt Lake City, enjoying Hal's hospitality at a nearby RV Park, who should he run into but a business associate from the east coast? They were just in for an overnight stay on a longer trip.

What were the odds that they would run into each other there?

*Anyone else?* Email your story to:  
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