



Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise

"Peace Through Service"

The Coffee Press

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This week: Kona Coffee Festival

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Since its inception in 1970, the Kona Coffee Cultural Festival organization has sought to preserve, perpetuate and promote Kona's unique nearly 200-year coffee heritage. The Festival and the local community embrace visitors and residents by sharing the unique history and culture of Kona coffee pioneers, farmers and artisans throughout the 10-days that celebrate the Kona coffee lifestyle.

Our guest speaker this week is Laura Aquino, who will inform us of all the events scheduled for the festival this year.

Rotary Statement on the conflict in Israel and Gaza

The Rotary Club of Kona Sunrise meets the 2,3,& 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 am
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Recognizing there has been protracted suffering in the long history of conflict between Israel and Palestinians in Gaza, Rotary International urges all parties to seek avenues to peace.

At the same time, we unequivocally condemn the horrific attack by Hamas on Israeli civilians and are appalled at the number of people who have been injured, killed, and kidnapped.

As the war between Israel and Hamas intensifies, we remain deeply concerned about the potential for further escalation as well as the loss of life and the humanitarian crisis that is occurring in Gaza. We denounce the violence against innocent civilians and support upholding international humanitarian law.

Peacebuilding is both a cornerstone of Rotary's mission and one of our areas of focus. At our core, Rotary is a common ground for people to come together – across nationalities and religions, cultures and histories – and connect around their shared belief in a better tomorrow. That connection is what humanizes us in times of conflict and builds a foundation for lasting peace.

Rotary remains committed to working with our members, partners, and communities to find long-term, sustainable solutions that support peace and development in the region and elsewhere.

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Statement on the Middle East - Rotary Action Group for Peace

We in the Rotary Action Group for Peace have watched the developing situation in the Middle East with a mixture of horror and anguish. Our hearts are filled with sadness for the loss of life, and for those families who lost loved ones. We abhor violence against all innocent civilians, but particularly the elderly, women, and children.

We challenge everyone to identify what can be

done to change outcomes for the future. When this conflict is over, what steps can each of us take to bring a permanent, sustainable change that will result in a more peaceful tomorrow? We, Rotarians, are uniquely capable of convening parties in conflict while applying the four-way test in the search of solutions. Furthermore, we commit to non-violent resolution of conflict.

It is time to replace violence with peace.

World Polio Day October 24th

World Polio Day is a time for Rotary members, public health advocates, and all who want a world free from polio to come together, recognize our progress in the fight to end polio, and talk about the actions we need to take in order to end polio for good.

Eradicating polio isn't easy, but making history never is ☐ This #WorldPolioDay, join @Rotary and partners in the global fight to #EndPolio for good: endpol.io/wpd

Trying to eliminate the second human disease might seem like an audacious goal, but Rotary members are tenacious. This #WorldPolioDay, join our tenacious fight. Together, we #EndPolio. endpol.io/wpd-----

With support from donors, @Rotary and partners immunize over 400 million children every year from polio. Donate to @EndPolioNow on #WorldPolioDay and it will be matched 2-to-1. Triple your impact now: endpol.io/give #EndPolio

A polio-free world is possible, but we can achieve it only by acting together. This #WorldPolioDay, join @Rotary on 24 October and together, we #EndPolio. endpol.io/wpd



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October 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3 MEET N' EAT	4 There is NO MEETING this week	5  Toni Symons	6	7
8	9	10	11 Regular Meeting 7:00 am Papa Kona	12	13	14 
15	16	17 Board Meeting 5:00 pm	18 Regular Meeting 7:00 am Papa Kona	19	20	21  Marcia Rogers
22	23	24 	25 Regular Meeting 7:00 am Papa Kona	26	27	28  Nancy Lowrey
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Club News



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Just a few of our Rotarians helping out at the Interact Station for Ironman 2023.

Upcoming meetings

Next Wednesday, October 25th, we will be learning the details about the upcoming fundraiser with Kailua Village Art Gallery. Be sure to join us to hear how you can participate.



It is normal schedule to NOT meet the first Wednesday of the month...however next months in the exception!

Because the first Tuesday of the month is our

monthly Meet N Eat commitment - in November the date is the 7th, which means we will have a meeting on Wednesday November 1st.! There will be NO MEETING on Wednesday November 8th.

The scheduled speaker on the 1st is Franz Webber who is going to demonstrate and teach us about Hands Only CPR. This will be a great opportunity to learn and new skill that you never know when it will save a life!



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