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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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**President
Dr. Bob Peterson**

Kim Golis accepted the award on behalf of Metro Rotary Community Service Committee which participated in the National Walk on Mental Illness (NAMI).

On the local level our committee was recognized as a Kalama Sponsor. Nationally, the NAMI Walk raised \$88,000!



Calendar of Events

December 22
Fellowship Program
"It's Christmas Time"

December 29
DARK! No Meeting!

January 5
Randy Roth
"Rail: Pros & Cons"



Ken's Computer Corner

When you're out and about, you're likely to have a smart phone, laptop, or other device to access the Internet. Cellular reception is slow and unreliable, so where do you find the closest wireless (WiFi) access points? The solution is a handy Web-site called <http://www.wefi.com/maps>. With more than 102 million entries in its database, Wefi can show you available hot-spots, along with whether they are free to use and, if not, which ones are run by a company with which you have an account. Just type in the address of where you're looking, and wait for the map to appear. It's free to use, and works with all major web browsers.

Of course if you're not connected, you can't access Wefi, there's also a download manager available, which you can install on your laptop to help you locate hot-spots. Plus, if it finds hotspots that aren't in the central database, it helps the Wefi community by uploading the details. As an alternative locator, try <http://www.jiwire.com/>, although it gave me some spurious results in my Kaneohe home area.

If you prefer to just browse for free WiFi when you're at a specific location, here are three applications that can help:

Xirrus Wi-Fi Inspector, <http://www.xirrus.com/library/wifitools.php>

inSSIDer, <http://www.metageek.net/products/inssider>

NetSurveyor, <http://www.nutsaboutnets.com/performance-wifi/products/netsurveyor-network-discovery.htm>

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This Weeks Speaker

Taylor Weston: Pajamas, Books & Justice
By Greg Micco

Hawai'i's Children's Justice Centers are programs of the Hawai'i State Judiciary which help coordinate activities and investigations of child abuse and neglect. The Centers provide a warm, homelike setting designed for children where they can be interviewed about reports of child abuse, particularly sexual abuse and as witnesses to crimes. The children are often unable to return home for safety reasons and are given a foster care bag consisting of clothing, toiletries and sleeping materials.

In Hawai'i, more than 50 percent of reported victims of crime are under 18 years of age. Research shows that one in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually assaulted by the time they are 18. On average, the Centers see approximately 1,300 children per year though this statistic is not a true reflection of the magnitude of the problem as child sex abuse is often not reported -- some studies conclude that only 10 percent of children "tell."

A unique feature of the Centers is the public/private partnerships between the Judiciary and the community. Founded by local Rotary Clubs, each neighbor island Center is supported by their Friends of the Children's Justice Center, a nonprofit organization that provides resources for the Centers, the professionals who work with victims, and the children and families served by the programs.

Taylor Weston, junior at Punahou and daughter of Metro Rotarian Cori Weston, crossed paths with The Children's Justice Center and was shocked to learn of the extent of child abuse in Hawaii. Taylor is currently spreading awareness about the Justice Center through publicity and education. Taylor and her Girl Scout Troop devised an activity book for the abused children to help ease their trauma and offer a vehicle for expressing their feelings through coloring. The Troop also decorated a satellite site with art for the children's enjoyment. Additionally they partnered with The Pajama Program organization to provide new pajamas and new books to abused, abandoned and other at-need children. Taylor recently won the Girl Scout Gold Award, the group's highest and most prestigious award, for her work with Project P.B. & J (Pajamas Books & Justice).

Wendy Hoffman, Co-President of the newly formed Hawaii Chapter of the Pajama Program (www.pajamaprogram.org), also addressed Metro and requested donations for unused PJs and books. There is a need for adult-sized PJs to fit children over 8 years old. Also on the group's wish list are backpacks, blankets, clothing and gift cards from discount retail stores. She pointed out that the donations will stay local and are tax deductible. She said she is very flexible on getting donations and agreed to work with Metro to consider the possibility of doing a "pajama party" fundraiser for the program.



Project P.B. & J
Taylor Weston,
Jasmine Mau-Mukai

Thailand Flood Relief Fundraising Dinner

January 21, 2012

Although the floodwaters have receded and the flood crisis has passed in Bangkok, there are tens of thousands of Thai's forced from their homes. Many Thai's are homeless or have lost all their possessions.

District 5000 has a very close relationship with District 3360 ... Bangkok and the surrounding cities. Many of our clubs have partnered with 3350 for years on TRF Matching Grants ... clean water systems, books and computers for schools, libraries and medical equipment for the rural areas.

The Metro International Service Committee will host a fundraising dinner to send much needed support to our Thai friends ... Please join us for an evening of fellowship and solidarity showing our support for our Rotary friends in District 3350.

Cost: \$50 per person

January 21, 2012 - 6:30 PM

Hal & Lei Darcey's Home - 1452 Ohialoke Street

Call or email to confirm your attendance: 808-864-5683

(Donations are tax deductible: Metropolitan Honolulu Rotary Foundation)

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4 Way Test

Is it the Truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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