



# Rotaract Club of Maui Community College



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## Contact

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## Events

Please join us for the upcoming activities or events.

# Leading the Way!

### MCC Rotaract Club

By Patty Lau

### About Rotary

#### What is Rotary?

Rotary is a worldwide organization of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Rotary is a way to get away from the pressures of school, work, family and just have a good time with each other.

There are over 32,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. The main objective of Rotary is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career develop-



From Left to Right: Margaret, Mark and Laycie

Photo: Patty Lau

ment. The Rotary motto is Service Above Self. Although Rotary clubs develop autonomous service programs, all Rotarians worldwide are united in a campaign for the global eradication of polio. In the 1980s, Rotarians raised US\$240 million to immunize the children of the world; by 2005, Rotary's centenary year and the target date for the certification of a polio-free world, the Polio Plus program will have contributed US\$500 million to this cause. In addition, Rotary has provided an army of volunteers to promote and assist at national immunization days in polio-endemic countries around the world

### About Rotaract

#### Brief Look at Rotaract

Rotaract was founded in 1968

by Rotary International, a worldwide association of service-minded business and professional leaders. Today there are more than 7,500 Rotary-sponsored Rotaract Clubs in some 156 countries around the world, with over 173,000 members. "Rotaract" stands for "Rotary in Action". And although this action was created in 1968, it had many earlier predecessors such as the "20/30 Clubs" and the "Round Table Clubs".

#### What is Rotaract?

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. Rotaract clubs are part of a global effort to bring peace and international understanding to the world. The clubs are usually community-based or university-based and are

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sponsored by a local Rotary club making them true “partners in service” and key members of the Rotary family. Through the Rotaract program, young adults not only augment their knowledge and skills, but they also address the physical and social needs of their communities while promoting international understanding through a framework of friendship and service.

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Rotaract Club is a program under Rotary that focus on the 4 Avenues of Services: Community Service, International Services, Vocational Services & Club Service. It is one of the series of youth programs created by Rotary International, which focuses on the development of young adults as leaders in their communities and workplaces by training and community service, locally and worldwide. All Rotaract efforts begin at the local, grassroots level, with members addressing their communities’ physical and social needs while promoting international understanding and peace through a framework of friendship and service.

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### Professional Development

A club’s professional development activities should expand the members’ understanding of the

work environment and business opportunities within their community. These activities should highlight the Rotaractor’s role in the community’s economic development and illustrate how skills developed through service activities can help in resolving problems in the workplace. Each Rotaract club should provide professional development opportunities to its members through activities such as:

- Professional and vocational forums
- Business technology updates
- Management and marketing seminars
- Conferences on business and professional ethics
- Presentations on finance and credit options for business start-up

Sponsoring Rotarians can enhance the professional development of Rotaractors by providing practical advice on entering the business world and tackling business, vocational, and professional challenges. Making the club’s professional development projects into joint Rotaract-Rotary projects can also help Rotaractors get better acquainted with sponsoring Rotarians

### Leadership Development

A club’s leadership development activities aim not only to make members more effective leaders in their personal lives, but also to teach them how to develop and sustain strong clubs with relevant projects. Important topics to address in training club leaders include:

- Improving public speaking skills
- Building consensus among members
- Delegating project responsibilities and ensuring necessary follow-up
- Identifying channels for project publicity and promotion
- Finding financial resources for strengthening club development
- Assessing project success

### Service Projects

Service Above Self is Rotary’s foremost guiding principle. A

Rotaract club’s service projects are designed to improve the quality of life at home and abroad. These projects often address today’s most critical issues, such as violence, drug abuse, AIDS, hunger, the environment, and illiteracy. Each Rotaract club is required to complete at least two major service projects annually, one to serve the community and the other to promote international understanding. Each should involve all or most of the members of the club.

### Goals of Rotaract are:

1. To develop professional and leadership skills
2. To emphasize respect for the rights of others, and to promote ethical standards and the dignity of all useful occupations
3. To provide opportunities for young people to address the needs and concerns of the community and our world
4. To provide opportunities for working in cooperation with sponsoring Rotary clubs
5. To motivate young people for eventual membership in Rotary.



COOL! Club Vice President Chris Hyrick. Photo : Patty Lau



## Projects

**SEE next page... Since we charted in July 2006. Our club members have done quite a bit of projects, and we all have FUN ! FUN**



Laycie: Look what I got for helping out American Cancer Society Relay for Life Photo : Tim Nay

### American Cancer Society Relay for Life

A fun-filled overnight activity that mobilizes communities across the country to celebrate survivorship, remember those who lost their lives to cancer, and raise money for the fight against cancer. This is an American Cancer Society signature event.

During the July 2007 Relay for Life, Rotaract club raised almost \$2,000, won the MDO (Mission Delivery Olympics) and received the 1st place – prize as follows:

- Two (2) nights complimentary ocean view resort at Maui Lu
- \$20 gift certificate movie theatre
- \$100 gift card from Hawaiian Airlines
- \$100 gift certificate from Hali-imailei restaurant

### Maui Food Bank Drive

Rotaractors teamed up with the Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea and Rotaract Club of Chaminade to help raise \$1,281.27 and 2,727 pounds of food for Maui Food Bank



**Dictionary Project**

One of the goals of Rotary is to promote literacy. Rotaract Club of MCC joined Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea to distributed hundreds of dictionaries to 3rd graders on Lanai and Molokai.



*Dictionary Distribution to kids*

Photo: Laycie Tobosa

**Pennies for Polio**

Fall 206 marked Rotaract’s first international service project called “Pennies for Polio.” With the help of Ohana from Maui Community College, Maui’s Rotarians, Queen Kaahumanu Center and Pukalani Superette, the Rotaract Club of MCC was able to raise over \$1,100 to purchase Polio vaccinations for children. With this money, Rotary will be able to save almost 2,000 children from this devastating epidemic

**American Lung Association Asthma Day Camp**

During summer of 2007, Rotaract club members (Tezrah, Chris, Kyla and Laycie) attended three (3) days camp from Friday to Sunday at Kamehameha School. The purpose of this camp was to educate children with asthma about their condition by providing different sports. Rotaract Club received a glass plate for helping out the activity.



*Maui Fire Fighters Chili Cook Off*

Photo: Laycie Tobosa

**Maui Firefighters’ Chili Cook Off**

Rotaractors joined Rotarian Barbara Kenrich at the 84th Maui County Fair for the 2nd Annual Maui Firefighter’s Chili Cook Off named Who’s Got the Heat in the “Hazmat” category. This was the free-style category where anything goes. Participants could use any type of ingredients they wanted. Other categories included Five Alarm Inferno, Traditional Back Draft and Blazing ReHаб. The Rotaract team was named Na Wela Wiki Wahine. Although there were only two teams in the Hazmat category, Na Wela Wiki Wahine took home 2nd place with great pride that their efforts raised funds from the chili sales for the Burn Unit at Shriners Children’s Hospital on Oahu.

Again, 2007 Maui County Fair, Rotaractors joined Rotarian Barbara Kenrich the Maui Firefighters’ Chili Cook Off. Hmmmm, again, 2nd place out of two groups !!!!

**School Supplies Project**

On Saturday, July 21, 2007 Rotaract Club of MCC joined members of the Rotary Club of Kihei Sunrise, the Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea spend the day at the entrances to the Kihei Safeway and the Kihei Long’s Stores. As patrons entered these places of business the Rotarians and Rotaractors handed them a School Supply list of items needed by elementary school students. Store patrons were encouraged to purchase any of these needed items or to make a donation for such purchases. Eight hours later the Rotarians and Rotaractors collected thirty-two boxes of school supplies and \$2,000 in cash donations for school children at Kihei and Kamalii Elementary.



*Suitcase Drive for Foster Youth*

Photo: Laycie Tobosa

**Suitcase Drive for Foster Youth of Maui**

Hundreds of foster youth on Maui are forced to carry their belongings from foster home to foster home in big garbage bags. Understanding the embarrassment that this can cause, Rotaractors teamed up with Keiki Kokua to collect suitcases, backpacks and duffle bags to these children. From January to February 2007, Rotaractors received overwhelming support from Maui Community College and collected over 100 suitcases, backpacks and fuffle bags with the Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea contributing 44 of them.

## How to Contact Us...

If you have any questions about Rotaract Club of Maui Community College, please visit our website:  
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OR you can e-mail Laycie-Ann Tobosa at [laycie@hawaii.edu](mailto:laycie@hawaii.edu) for more information. Thank you very much.



COME & JOIN US! Laycie & Lortta

Photo: Patty Lau

## Announcements : Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events and Projects:

**MORE will be held August 4-9, 2008 on Maui.**

MORE – Maui Outdoor Rotaract Experience

What is MORE? MORE (Maui Outdoor Rotaract Experience) is an international awareness and education program modeled after RARE (Rustic Alaskan Rotaract Experience), which was created by John Pyle, a Rotaractor of the Rotaract Club of Aurora Borealis at the time, but now Rotarian of the Rotary Club of Golden Hearts. The objective of MORE is to create an opportunity for international understanding through service and adventure.



Conference Gala in Hollywood

Photo: Laycie Tobosa

## Joining

Joining Rotaract – Becoming a member. What are the benefits of being a member?

There are Rotaract clubs around the world, so there is a network of like minded people that you can connect with anywhere around the globe. Rotaract gives young professionals the opportunity to network with other young professionals, go job shadowing for careers of your interest and build on your skills and knowledge. This club is not only about business and service, but it gives members a chance to PARTY! Rotaractors will have various socials and other events throughout the year as a way to get away from the pressures of school, work, family and just have a good time with each other.

### What are some of the highlights of memberships?

There are many opportunities to attend conferences. There is an international convention every year where you can meet other Rotaractors from around the world. There are many conferences and programs within our own country where you can learn more about the efforts and goals of the organizations and get to meet lots of people.

### What types of students should join the club?

Rotaract is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young men and women ages 18 to 30. As long as you are UH system students who are committed and want to make a difference in our communities locally, nationally and internationally should join the club.

### Why should you Join?

Connect to your community and work with others in addressing community needs. Interact with other professionals in your community. Assist with Rotary International's international humanitarian service efforts. Establish contacts with an international network of professionals. Meet new people and develop leadership skills. Involve family in promoting service effort TO HAVE FUN!

### What types of members there?

We have an executive board consisting of a President, Vice President, President Elect, Secretary and Treasurer. We also have committees that require to chair to lead community activities. If you decide not to take on a leadership role, you can be a general member, which is just as important