



# The Y'S OBSERVER

APRIL 2008

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB, HAWAII REGION,  
US AREA, Y'S MEN INTERNATIONAL

## Officers 2007-2008

President: Reggie Takaki  
Vice President: Darryl Tupinio  
Secretary: Roy Hiyama  
Treasurer: Rick Lau

## Club Members:

Christina Alfred, Gary Bautista,  
Garret Ho, Ted Isekawa  
Ben Makaea, Mary Nakamura,  
Marilyn Nakayama, Carol  
Sakuma, Gary Sakuma, Phil  
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## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio  
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho  
Community Service:  
Reggie Takaki  
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau  
Membership/Conservation:  
Reggie Takaki  
YMCA Service: Mary Nakamura  
YMCA Liaison: Phil Sammer  
Endowment: Roy Hiyama  
Time of Fast: Gary Bautista  
YEEP/STEP: Garret Ho  
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Hawaii Regional Director:  
Phil Sammer (Central)  
Hawaii Regional Director-elect:  
Rick Lau (Central)  
Metro District Governor:  
Russ Lynch (Windward)  
Metro LT DG:  
Phil Chun (Kalihi)  
OVG District Governor:  
Champ Ono (East Kauai)  
US Area President:  
Fred Leonard  
International President:  
Lasse Bergstedt  
Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Kadi Tarlecky

## A Y's Note

*"I have found that if you love life,  
life will love you back."*

Arthur Rubinstein

## President's Message

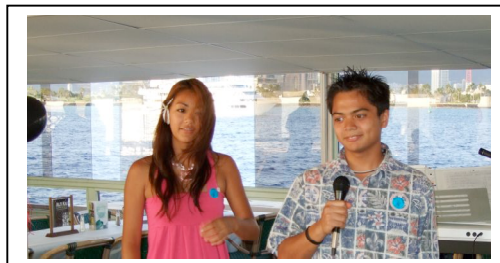
President Reggie is a bit under the weather right now and hasn't been able to send a message. However, I can tell you that he wants to thank everyone who volunteered to serve as a club officer for next year (see story below) as well as those who participated in the Central YMCA annual support campaign. I know too that he is urging everyone to attend the 72<sup>nd</sup> annual Regional Convention both to enjoy the event and to help out with the program which is Central's kuleana. We hope to have Reggie back soon nagging and scolding us and generally acting like a president...

*Phil*

## Club and Member Activities

We got a lot done at the club meeting on March 10 including the election of officers for 2008-2009. **Reggie** will continue as president and **Darryl** as vice president while **Tina** is our new secretary and **Mary** will serve as treasurer. It's good to see some new faces in the executive branch! The club also voted to proceed with our newest fundraiser which will be a Y'smen's cook book. There will be about 75 recipes in a paper format with an initial run of 250 copies. Due to the late start we will not have them ready for the convention. Club members voted to assist at the Honolulu Festival parade on March 16 as well as at the Temari Bolts of Fabric event on April 19.

Central YMCA held a sunset dinner cruise on board the Ali'i Kai Catamaran on Tuesday March 11 in appreciation of all the volunteers who helped in the Annual Support Campaign this year. The weather was perfect and the food wasn't bad either. **Reggie** displayed an unsuspected talent for Tahitian *tamure* dancing along with Central Y staff member **Charles Pettiford** who looked quite at home in a grass skirt... We heard inspiring stories from several teens who have benefited from their association with the YMCA and celebrated our progress in the campaign. We have about \$60,000 raised to date and will continue with clean up efforts to reach the goal of \$95,000. Mahalo to Central YMCA executive **Kadi Tarlecky** for sponsoring a fun evening!



## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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To Acknowledge the Duty  
That Accompanies Every  
Right.

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The Mission of the Central  
Y Service Club is to  
perform group volunteer  
work in the community that  
directly or indirectly  
supports Central YMCA  
and the children it serves

## News From Y'sdom

### Y's Men International News

The International Council is considering a "Preventing Malaria" project in cooperation with the UN to buy and distribute mosquito nets. This could be a special effort or one in conjunction with a Time of Fast program. A decision should be forthcoming shortly.

### US Area News

US Area President **Fred Leonard** has set DG Training for June 14-15 in Los Angeles. This is the first such event in many years and will emphasize membership, retention and recruiting.

### Hawai'i Region

Registrations are coming in slowly for the 72<sup>nd</sup> Regional Convention with the deadline only days away. Hawai'i Y'smen are known for operating on "Hawaiian time" but we need more participants. Forms are available on the regional website.

### Metro District

DG **Russ Lynch** has called a Metro District Conference for Saturday April 19 at 6 PM at Murphy's Grill downtown. This will also be the last regional convention planning meeting and will include OVG representatives. Metro will foot the bill for dinner.

### News From Central YMCA

The YMCA of Honolulu is gearing up for summer with a wide range of Day Camps at all the branches beginning June 9. There will be programs for all age groups from kindergarten to high school with traditional activities such as swimming, arts and crafts and sports along with computers, off site excursions and much more. Call 941-3344 for more information and to register your child.

## Calendar of Events

### APRIL 2008

Emphasis: Leadership Training Co-RSDs:  
Naomi Aimoto (Nu'uauu), Paul Kuromoto  
(Kaimuki)

1 Kaimuki Y'smen 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary JCCH 6PM  
14 Regional Convention Reports due (Club  
Presidents, RSDs, DGs, 2007 Convention Committee,  
Regional Officers).

14: Membership Meeting Central YMCA 6:30PM

19 Metro District Conference and Convention  
Committee Meeting: Murphy's Bar & Grill 6PM

19 Temari Bolts Event

### MAY 2008

Emphasis: Regional Convention: Champ Ono  
(E Kaua'i)/Russ Lynch (Windward)

12 Membership Meeting Central YMCA 6:30  
16-18 72<sup>nd</sup> Regional Convention Lahaina Maui

22 Metro Endowment Dinner; JCCH 6 PM

### Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

No matter what you do, no matter how far  
you fall, no matter how ugly you become,  
God has a relentless, undying, unfathomable,  
unquenchable love from which you cannot be  
separated. Ever !

*"Nothing above us, nothing below us, nor  
anything else in the whole world will ever be  
able to separate us from the love of God that  
is in Christ Jesus."*

*Romans 8:39*

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