



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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A Y's Note

*"You're not famous until your
mother knows about it."*

Jay Leno

President's Message

As acting President, the month of April has been a challenging month for me. The task now is to continue what our President **Reggie** had hoped to accomplish this term as president. Presently, **Phil** and **Garret** are putting together a program for our 72nd annual Regional Convention in Maui. Club members **Phil, Rick, Gary** and myself attended the Metro District Dinner Conference April 19th to finalize the last minute details that needed to be done prior and during the convention. **Maile Kanemaru** is our Endowment Honoree thanks to **Roy Hiyama**....let us all be there to support our new club officers and new members being inducted into our club by attending the Endowment Dinner. Mahalo to all our members for supporting Temari during their recent Bolt of Fabric annual sale. Our club shirt is now being worked on and should be available at the May 12th membership meeting prior to convention time. Oh yes, get those favorite recipes of yours to **Garret Ho** as soon as you can to get our cookbook rolling.

Darryl

Brother Club News

From the Northwest Y Service Club's *Y's Words*: Friday, April 4th, The Northwest Y Service club prepared and served the Fremont High School District Foundation fund raiser for the 5 high schools. The meal was pasta, salad and crab. There was also a very large silent auction. This is a combined effort of the Foundation, DeAnza College, Cupertino Rotary and Northwest Y Service clubs. The Y Service members participating were Wes Harrison, Lou Chiabitioni, Pat and Ted Ripplinger, Pete Phillips, youth member Jordan Corpuz, Mike Lusk and his girlfriend and future member Kim Doty, and Buck Cox.

News From Central YMCA

The annual Key Leaders Conference of the YMCA of Honolulu will take place on Saturday May 10 from 8 AM to 1:30 PM at the Pacific Club. Volunteers and YMCA professionals get together to discuss the latest ideas and trends in the movement as well as to get more training on critical operational areas such as board and program development. All YMCA volunteers are welcome and the YMCA will pay the registration fee. For more information call 941-3344.

Report on Membership Development

*Editor's note: I recently received a copy of the Pacific Southwest newsletter The Y's Gathering that contained an article on membership written by Area President **Fred Leonard**. Herein some excerpts: Y's Men International is only one of two international service clubs that are growing worldwide ... the other is Rotary. Clubs are changing...They are seeking members younger than themselves and those members are bringing members younger than themselves.... Clubs are more readily accepting that some people are not meeting centered but are happy to be involved in the service work of the club. The club becomes the planner and coordinator of projects and volunteers to better their YMCA and community. Clubs have found that they can participate actively in International projects, serve their districts, region and area yet still support their local YMCA. Yes, the US Area is still losing members...(but) we are so close to turning the US Area around to positive numbers in clubs and membership. It will take the effort of each of us to positively promote our Y Service Club to prospective members and INVITE THEM TO JOIN our movement. Don't be selfish. You have enjoyed and benefited from your membership in your Y Service Club, share that with your friends, family, co-workers and acquaintances. The founding area of Y'sdom is poised on the brink of a return to greatness; I appreciate your help in making that step.*

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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 Convention in Herning, Denmark is fast approaching. The recent airline bankruptcies could have some effect on attendance since airfares have subsequently increased exponentially. Right now only RD **Phil** and Youth delegate **Trevor Jones** are planning on attending.

US Area News

US Area President **Fred Leonard** traveled to Northern California for the Pacific Central Region's annual convention that was held at Asilomar Conference center near Monterey. An interesting bit of news is that ASD-Extension **Buck Cox** is working on chartering a new club in Anchorage, Alaska. BF Delegate **Lee Jang-Kyu** made a presentation as well.

Hawai'i Region

The 72nd annual convention now has about 60 registrants including brother club members from Central, Kaimuki and Windward. It promises to be a fun event in a beautiful setting.

Metro District

DG **Russ Lynch** presided over the Metro District Conference and convention planning meeting Saturday April 19 at Murphy's Grill downtown. There was a good turnout with every club represented. The final details of the convention were worked out including the location of the hospitality suite, the selection of the auctioneer (our own **Rick Lau!**) and the Sunday devotional that will be given over to an informal remembrance session of all the Y'smen and women who passed on during the last few years. Central's brother club, Kyoto Palace, is sending seven members and a dinner is planned with them at the Willows in Honolulu after the convention.

Calendar of Events

MAY 2008

Emphasis: Regional Convention: Champ Ono (E Kaua'i)/Russ Lynch (Windward)
10 YMCA of Honolulu Key Leaders Conference
12 Membership Meeting Central YMCA 6:30
16-18 72nd Regional Convention Lahaina Maui
20 Brother Club Dinner at the Willows 6 PM
22 Metro Endowment Dinner and induction of new members: JCCH 6 PM

JUNE 2008

Emphasis: Public Relations RSD: Donna Schulze (East Kaua'i)
9 Membership Meeting Central YMCA 6:30

Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13
Relax. You have a friend in high places.
Does the child of Arnold Schwarzenegger worry about the tight pickle jar lids?
Does the son of Nike founder Phil Knight sweat a broken shoestring? No. Nor should you. The universe's Commander in Chief knows your name. He has walked your streets.

Did you know:

The longest river in the world is the Nile
The world's largest lake is the Caspian Sea
The cleanest country is Finland
The highest life expectancy is in Andorra
The most intelligent dog is the Border Collie

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