



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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"The healthiest competition occurs when average people win by putting above average effort".
Colin Powell

President's Message

Thank goodness the month of April is now history! It was a hectic month for many of you, including me. Again, "thank you all" for giving up your precious time and making yourselves available when asked. On hand for the stenciling project at RLS Middle School held Saturday April 4th were **Phil, Rick, Roy T, Garret, Ted, Marilyn, Eunice, Darryl, Mary** and granddaughter **Courtney**, and friend **Zoe**, and of course our project manager, **Tina**. I thought we did a fairly good job painting considering we don't do it often. Before the year's end, we will all be accomplished painters. Thanks to Tina for lunch and drinks that followed.

Temari Bolt Sale Saturday April 18th went very well with the help of **Tina, Eunice, Roy T, Reggie, Rick, Jimmy, Garret, Roy H, Marilyn, Ted** and **Darryl**. "Thank you" again for helping out. For those members that put in some extra hours that day to help out, a double "thank you". According to **Ann** from Temari, if it wasn't for us helping her and the vendors, off loading and loading their sale items, it would have been a long, long day. Ann provided snacks and drinks afterwards for the workers to enjoy after a long day. That beer never tasted so good!

Healthy Kids Day at Bishop Museum Saturday April 18th was a lot of fun. **Phil, Ted, Marilyn** and **Darryl** started that morning off assigned to security work near one of the entrances. After awhile, we were asked to supervise children playing lacrosse, making sure others didn't get in the players way. Finally, we were asked to relieve other workers at a basketball game which was fun altogether, helping the kids of all ages try their hand at shooting baskets.

The club's cookbook will be available to the members at our next monthly meeting Monday May 11th. We're looking forward to selling a few books to other club members at our 73rd Convention in May as well as having to sell our own allotment of 20 to 25 books. If all goes well, we'll have a second edition out next year.

By the way, RD **Rick Lau** "said" no more projects this month, come out to the Convention instead and attend the Academy seminar on Sunday May 17th starting at 9:00 AM. If you can't make it to the Academy, come on out for Saturday and/or Sunday dinners at the Miramar Hotel 5th Floor. I need help from our members providing transportation to and from the airport as well as transportation to and from the Convention if necessary. Let me know!

Finally, let us all be there at the Endowment Dinner on Monday May 18th at the JCC Hall at 6:00 PM to support this year's Endowment Honoree: **Reginald Takaki** (Reggie) from our own club. Let us celebrate with Reggie and his wife **Laura** that evening.

Darryl



GARRET & EUNICE PAINT THEMSELVES INTO A CORNER



ZOE, MARY & COURTNEY HARDLY AT WORK



DARRYL SPOTS A FUTURE NBA STAR...

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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

No final word yet on the venue for the International Council meeting in July currently slated for Colombo, Sri Lanka. Recent events may make a change of location necessary.

US Area News

Budget Oversight and Resource Officer **Wayne Smith** and wife **Grace** will represent the Area at the 73rd Hawai'i Region Convention. Wayne has been a Y'sman for 49 years and was US Area President 1998-1999. He is from East Wenatchee, WA. Grace is also a Y'swoman and past US Area Corporate Secretary. Both belong to Yakima Y'smen's Club.

Hawai'i Region

Plans were reviewed and discussed for the 73rd Regional Convention on Saturday April 25 at the final meeting of the convention committee. Changes include substituting an optional bento lunch on Saturday since many attendees will eat their way through the Visitor Industry Charity Walk that morning. Central is tasked with transportation; however, there will not be many neighbor island delegates so our talents will be used in other ways as well. Everyone is asked to assist with hospitality.

Register now at www.ysmenhawaii.org!

Metro District

The Metro District will hold its annual Endowment Dinner and officer and new member installation on Monday May 18 at 6:30 PM at the Japanese Cultural Center's Manoa Ballroom. This great event was started by the Kaimuki Y'smen's Club and has grown in popularity and attendance over the years. The clubs will read the Golden Book entries for their nominees and honor those who are able to attend. Special guests include **Wayne** and **Grace Smith** representing the US Area.

Calendar of Events

MAY 2009

Emphasis: Regional Convention: Chair:
Walter Osakoda

13 Business Meeting Central YMCA 6:30 PM
16-17: 73rd Hawai'i Region Convention
18 Annual Endowment Dinner: JCC 6:30 PM

JUNE 2009

Emphasis: Public Relations RSD: Donna
Saito (Windward)

8 Business Meeting Central YMCA 6:30 PM

Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

*"It takes wisdom to have a good family, and it
takes understanding to make it strong."*

- Proverbs 24:3

Strength in Unity

Do you believe in your kids? Then show up.
Show up at their games. Show up at
their plays. Show up at their recitals. It may
not be possible to make each one, but it's
sure worth the effort. Do you believe in your
friends? Then show up. Show up at their
graduations and weddings. Spend time with
them. You want to bring out the best in
someone? Then show up. Do you believe in
Y'sdom? Then show up at the annual
Hawaii Region Y'smen Convention.

News From Central YMCA

Kadi Tarlecky has decided to leave Central
YMCA. Associate Executive **Troy Tomita** will
run the branch while a new executive is being
sought. We extend our best wishes to Kadi as
she continues her career and say a hui hou!

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