



The Y'S OBSERVER

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NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB, HAWAII REGION,
US AREA, Y SERVICE CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

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Eunice Dela Cruz, Garret Ho, Ted Isekawa, Jimmy Ishimoto, Rick Lau, Ben Makaea, Mary Nakamura, Marilyn Nakayama, Phil Sammer, Roy Tateishi, Troy Tomita

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ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
Community Service: Darryl Tupinio
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau
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US Area President:
Phil Sammer (Hawaii)
International President:
Kevin Cummings (Canada)
Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita (Interim)

*"Correction does much but
encouragement does more".*

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President's Message

Our club will certainly miss **Reggie Takaki**, a charter member of the club, and one of our team leaders responsible for the club's existence today. As we all know, he served many terms as president, actively pursuing service projects, attending meetings and club functions while keeping the members informed. He was a generous person also, donating a sum of money into our treasury to help defray some of the club's expenses. When I needed help with a problem, or needed answers, he was there for me, and when I became club president again, he offered to be my vice president. I've worked and played alongside Reggie for many years, dating back to our earlier years with the Manoa Jaycees. He was indeed one of a kind, a friend I'm glad to have known! Although I wasn't able to attend his funeral services, my prayers and condolences go out to his long time companion and spouse, Laura, and his family. He will be missed by all who knew him!

I'd like to thank **Mary Nakamura** and **Eunice Dela Cruz** for participating in the YMCA Bake Sale that took place Saturday July 11th at our Y. Mary volunteered to bake a good amount of chocolate chip cookies as part of our club's donation to the Y's bake sale. Eunice was a "helping hand" and spent all of that morning helping the Y sell their bake goods. **Congratulations to Mary Nakamura** for being the First Place winner at the recent YMCA Chili-Cook Off held on Saturday July 18th at the Y. Besides Mary, congratulations to **Troy Tomita** who took Third Place at this cook off... We certainly could use these two chefs' help preparing dinner for the Metro District Meeting that we're hosting on January 27, 2010. On hand serving chili to the customers were **Tina, Eunice, Ted, Mary, Marilyn** and **Troy** while I walked around and chatted with the workers. Most of our club volunteers bought chili and rice to help out with the sale with the proceeds going to the Y. Thank you all for coming out and supporting this event.

The Central YMCA Family Fun Fair took place on Friday July 24th, and there to help fellow club member **Troy Tomita** and his group of volunteers from the Y was **Marilyn Nakayama** from our club, working at one of the concession booths, serving different flavors of shaved ice in a bowl to buying customers. According to Marilyn the Y was packed with children having fun with the games while the adults watched. A few young members from the **Kaimuki Y's Men's Club** were on hand helping out at this event. Again thank you Marilyn for helping Troy and his staff at this function, going there after your work day. **Mark your calendar:** Saturday September 5th for the Okinawan Festival to be held at Kapi'olani Park. Volunteers are needed from our club to work at the chicken/laulau booth helping with the preparation and selling of the food. Signup sheets available at the August monthly meeting. *Darryl*

Brother Club News:

Northwest Y Service Club member and Pacific Central RD **Mary Ann Phillips** was given the Henry Grimes Award as the outstanding Regional Director for 2008-2009... **Peter Searle** is the new president of the Y Service Club of Bendigo. One of his first duties will be to preside over the 70th anniversary of the club which was founded in September 1939.

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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 recent international council meeting approved an alternate name for Y's Men: Y Service Clubs International. This change removes the perceived gender bias, clarifies the relationship with the YMCA and eliminates confusion about "Y's" versus "wise". It also ties in clubs using the name Y Service Club to the international organization whose official corporate name though, Y's Men International, will not change.

US Area News

At it's recent meeting in Santa Barbara, the Area Council approved reducing dues by 50% for members 25 and under while setting 13 as the minimum age for membership in a Y Service club. Nominations from the clubs are also being sought for the positions of US Area President-elect and Corporate Secretary. Nominee names should be sent to AP **Phil Sammer** by **September 15, 2009**.

Hawai'i Region

The issue of the next venue for the 2010 Regional Convention remains unresolved since East Kaua'i does not want to host. Chair **Duke Chung** is researching possible sites on O'ahu and is thinking of a different style of event. Stay tuned...

Metro District

Kalihi held a very successful Casino Night at the YMCA on July 18 including poker, craps, roulette and horse racing. Auctioneers **Greg Lee** and **Tony Pfaltzgraff** wrung every last dollar of winnings out of the participants! **Nu'uaniu's** popular annual barbecue chicken sale will take place on Sunday Sept. 27. Price is \$4 for half a chicken. Contact **Harold Kuwahara** for tickets or any Nu'uaniu club member.

Calendar of Events

AUGUST 2009

Emphasis: Community Service RSD Darryl Tupinio (Central)

10 Business Meeting Central Y 6:30 PM

SEPTEMBER 2009

Emphasis: Endowment RSD: Brad Ishida (Kaimuki)

5 Okinawan Festival Work Project
14 Business Meeting Central Y 6:30 PM

Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

"Walk out into the daylight sober, dressed up in faith, love, and hope of salvation.
– 1 Thessalonians 5:8

Don't put your hope into things that change - relationships, money, talents, beauty, even health. Set your sights on the one thing that can never change: trust in your heavenly Father.

News From Central YMCA

Thanks to all the Y's Men and Women who came out in support of the Central YMCA's Bake Sale and Chili Bowl. We raised almost \$600 from the bake sale and \$300 from the Chili Bowl. **The hunt** for the new Executive Director of the Central YMCA has been narrowed down to 3 candidates including **Troy Tomita**, the current associate executive. A decision will hopefully be made by the end of this month. Also, office manager **Dawn Iwamoto** will be leaving in the middle of this month. We are sad to see her go and wish her the best of luck.

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