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NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB, HAWAI'I REGION, US AREA, Y SERVICE CLUBS INTERNATIONAL Honor Bulletin 2008-2009

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"Smart is when you believe only half of what you hear. Brilliant is when you know which half to believe".

Orben's Current Comedy

MELE KALIKIMAKA! Merry Christmas from Hawai'i Best Wishes for the holiday season!



Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

"She brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger." - Luke 2:7

The virgin birth is more, much more, than a Christmas story; it is a picture of how close Christ will come to you. The first stop on his itinerary was a womb. Where will God go to touch the world? Look deep within Mary for an answer. Better still, look deep within yourself. What he did with Mary, he offers to us! He issues a Mary-level invitation to all his children. "If you let me, I'll move in!"

President's Message

My goodness! It's already the month of December and I'm getting the jitters just thinking of all the things I need to do this time of the year. Besides the club meetings and functions to attend, I'm caught up with family and friends social gatherings and outings as well. It's the month of December and we tend to spend a little extra on family and friends, on Christmas cards and gifts, including our neighbors, and yes, not to mention the food bill for the holidays spiraling upwards. Well, this is the month to enjoy, so" Happy Holidays to you all, and be safe." ... Mahalo to Tina, Garret, Rick, Mary, Darryl and Lillie (spouse) for supervising and helping out with the fun and games gathering at the Central Y Halloween Event on Saturday October 31st. Thanks to **Troy** and his staff, the kiddies had a fun time playing games, jumping in the bouncing house and ending up with lots of candies....Monday November 9th was our club's monthly meeting that was held at the 'Ilima Hotel. Included in that evening's dinner meeting were guest speakers Brad and Sharon from the Kaimuki Y's Men's Club, making a presentation on Membership Orientation and Retention to both the new and old members. Sharon's better half Brad did a great job on his first presentation. Mahalo to Phil for letting us have our dinner meeting there that evening, and thanks again to all the members, Phil, Tina, Garret, Roy H, Gary, June, Roy T, Darryl for providing a delicious array of food and soft drinks that evening.... Garret and Eunice from our club stepped forward to help out fellow Nu'uanu Y's Men with one of their projects on Sunday November 22nd, delivering Thanksgiving meals to the elderly at Kalanihuia Activity Center in China Town. They volunteered to help out on short notice..Saturday November 28th, Ted, Phil, Roy T, Garret, Darryl and a volunteer friend, assisted club member Troy, with a painting project at the Y as part of the club's Make a Difference Day Project, planned earlier in the year. Several residence rooms were painted, and I must say, we're a talented bunch of painters!!!!!

Mark your calendars: The club will be selling our famous Cook Books as a fundraiser for the Central YMCA Annual Support Campaign. Place is the welcome center of the Central YMCA. Dates and times are Thursday Dec. 10 and Friday Dec. 11 from 4PM to 7 PM and Saturday Dec. 12 from 8:30 AM to Noon. Please call President Darryl with your shift choice by Friday December 4. Parking is in the staff parking area under the weight room.



Sharon enlightens the club



Rov knows bookshelves!



Don't try this at home..

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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 community it serves.

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International News

Y Service Clubs International is currently looking for a youth intern between the ages of 22 and 27 to serve in the main office of YSCI in Geneva for one year beginning September 2010. Know a young person who might be interested? Go to www.ysmen.org/youth-involvement for more info.

US Area News

Mary Ann Phillips, current RD of the Pacific Central Region, has been declared APE for the US Area. No election was necessary since she was the sole candidate. Secretary Wanted: The Area is looking for a new corporate secretary to succeed Debbie Redmond who cannot run for reelection. It's an interesting job with an insider's view of the Area. Prospective candidates should contact RD Rick Lau.

Hawai'i Region

The 74th Regional Convention steering committee held its third meeting at 'Ilima Hotel immediately following the Regional Mid Year Cabinet meeting on November 21, 2009. Certain details were finalized: Date: May 15-16, 2010. Location: Pacific Beach Hotel Waikiki; Registration fee: \$25 for delegates; Meal package: \$125 (four meals & coffee breaks); hotel room cost: \$123.13 per night per room inclusive of taxes, good to four persons. A registration form will be available soon on the regional website: www.ysmenhawaii.org.

Metro District

Metro District Christmas Party - 6 PM Friday December 4th - Kalihi YMCA. Chairperson JoeAnn McCarthy reminds all to also bring your spouses or significant others. \$10 donation to cover the cost of the food. Last year was a blast with many Metro members in attendance. Start your holiday season off right and come on down to the Metro Christmas party! Parking at the Y and on the street.

Calendar of Events

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Emphasis: Christian Emphasis Co-RSDs: Joni Neel (Hilo), Jenny Yukimura(E. Kaua'i)

- 4 Metro District Christmas Party Kalihi YMCA 6 PM
- 12 Manoa Jaycees Christmas Parade
- 4:30 PM Noelani School
- 14 Club Christmas Party 'Ilima Hotel 6 PM
- 25 Merry Christmas!

JANUARY 2010 Happy New Year!

Emphasis: YMCA Service RSD: Fred Tamasaka (Maui)

- 9 YMCA Open House Time: TBA11 Business Meeting Central Y 6:30 PM17 YMCA Sunday Manoa Valley Church
- **Brother Club News**

Bendigo reports that the club will again sell Christmas trees this year beginning Friday December 11. Trees are a bargain at only AS\$35 each! For that in Hawai'i you're lucky to get a wreath...Northwest Y Service Club has been busy making breakfasts for Expedition Adventure Guides groups serving a total of 450 persons on October 11 and October 18.

News From Central YMCA

Recruitment has begun for the 2010 Annual Support Campaign that will kick off on February 2, 2010. The Central YMCA Board of Managers will head up the four divisions with Central's own **Phil Sammer** as overall chair. The goal is \$65,000. The Central Y Service Club team is expected to lead the way again this year!

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