



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Y's Words:

*"Any time you do something from  
the heart, people just know it."*

*Brad Paisley*



## President's Message

Aloha, Everyone! Well, it's September already and August is history along with the 69<sup>th</sup> International Convention attended by our own **Phil Sammer** and **Rick Lau**. We are all excited to hear

about the news and happenings of this biannual event. Phil will give us a slide show presentation of his journey to the convention including Brother Club news and Rick will update us on the events that took place too. Thanks go out to Central representatives **Darryl Tupinio** and **Eunice Dela Cruz** for attending the Convention Planning Committee Meeting held August 28, 2010 at Kalihi YMCA. I heard they enjoyed their great Korean lunch! Thanks Duke Chung! We will be at Kapi'olani Park on Labor Day weekend, Saturday Sept. 4, 2010 to help with the Okinawan Festival for club member **Eunice Dela Cruz's** Okinawan club whom we helped last year. We will be assisting them again in the huli huli chicken tent. We have a guest speaker this month so bring a friend! **Dave Livingston**, former Y Exec and current Edward Jones financial advisor, will speak on "Getting Involved". Aloha, *Garret*

## INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AND COUNCIL MEETING-PART I

The 69<sup>th</sup> International Convention took place in Yokohama, Japan from August 5 to 8, 2010 with several Hawaii Y Service men and women in attendance including Central's own **Rick Lau** and **Phil Sammer**. Also attending from Hawaii were **Jimmy Kanehira** (and family), **Russ Lynch** and **Maurice Shimonishi**. The convention began on Thursday August 5 with the traditional flag ceremony representing each of the countries where YSCI is present followed by the keynote speech of Ms **Junko Edahiro**, prominent environmental activist, who stressed the importance of individual action to effect change in our environmental policy. That evening we attended a "Japanese Summer Festival" with Bon dancing, food and game stalls and booths manned by clubs selling local wares. On Friday August 6 we listened to a video peace message and viewed a moving DVD performed by the children of Hiroshima. In the afternoon we finally had a chance to do some sightseeing with boat tours of the harbor and bus tours of Yokohama. That evening was IPE Night and each Area put on a five minute presentation. The US Area sang *America The Beautiful* accompanied by **Phil** on the 'ukulele! Part II next month!



*IP Fujii and Phil in yukata!*

## Brother Club News

On Saturday August 7, 2010, the Kyoto Palace Y's Men's Club, The Northwest Y Service Club and the Central Y Service Club participated in the IBC signing ceremony and officially became triangle brother clubs. Present to represent the clubs were President **Kazuhiro Yamamoto** for Kyoto, **Phil Sammer** for Central and **Mary Ann Phillips** for Northwest Y.



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To Acknowledge the Duty  
That Accompanies Every  
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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

The International Council, at its July meeting, voted to approve formation of a new Area Korea effective July 1, 2011. This area will split off from Area Asia who will work with Korea to determine the number of International Councilors each Area will receive. The total number of councilors, though, will remain at 21.

### Metro District

The Metro District will hold its second meeting of the year on September 15. Place to be announced.

### US Area

On Saturday September 18 the US Area will hold its very first training session via the internet when US Area LTOD **Vern Kenney** conducts district governor training for all the regions. The Area has purchased usage rights for one year from Webex that can also be used by the regions or even individual clubs. ASD-IT **Bob Daniels** will assist in the presentation which also involves communication via telephone.

### Hawai'i Region

The 75<sup>th</sup> Regional Convention Committee had its first meeting on Saturday August 28 at the Kalihi YMCA. **Darryl** and **Eunice** represented Central. The clubs were assigned or volunteered for the following committees: Registration and Finance: West O'ahu, Activities and site: Hilo, Hospitality: Windward, Booklet: Kalihi, Aloha Package: Kaimuki, Raffle/Auction: Maui, Program: Central on Friday, Nu'uaniu on Saturday and East Kaua'i on Sunday. Some modifications were proposed and accepted from last year's event to shorten the lunch and dinner programs: Endowment will be limited to Hilo honorees only (if present) and there will be only one entertainment on Saturday. Hospitality before dinner on Saturday was not well attended and will be discontinued. Next meeting in October tba.

## Calendar of Events

### SEPTEMBER 2010

Emphasis: Endowment RSD: Brad Ishida (Kaimuki)

4 Okinawan Festival 7:30 AM  
13 Business Meeting Central Y 6 PM  
15 Metro District Meeting  
18 US Area DG Training via Internet

### OCTOBER 2010

Emphasis: Alexander Scholarship Fund/Dollars for Scholars RSD: Larry Hiranaka (Nu'uaniu)

11 Business Meeting Central Y 6 PM

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

*"You have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God".* -Peter 1:25

We are free to love God or not. He invites us to love Him. He urges us to love Him. But in the end, the choice is yours and mine. To take that choice from each of us, for Him to force us to love Him, would be less than love. . . He leaves the choice to us.

### News From Central YMCA

The Central YMCA residence facility now has a floor reserved for women only. Call 941-3344 for reservations. The summer is officially over but not before over 700 kids benefited from Central YMCA programs! Let's hope intersession in October will be good for the Y as well!

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