



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Officers 2011-2012

President: Garret Ho  
Vice President: Troy Tomita  
Secretary: Rick Lau  
Treasurer Roy Tateishi

## Other Club Members:

Darryl Tupinio, Jimmy Ishimoto,  
Phil Sammer, Gary Bautista, Ben  
Makaea, Kilo Moa, Ben Diones

## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio  
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho  
Community Service: Darryl Tupino  
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau  
Membership/Conservation: Rick  
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YMCA Liaison: Phil Sammer  
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Metro Lt. DG:  
Vacant  
OVG District Governor:  
John Putz (Hilo)

US Area President:  
Mary Ann Phillips (Pacific Central)  
International President:  
Finn Pedersen (Norway)  
Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Troy Tomita

## Y's Words:

*"Control your own destiny or  
someone else will."*  
Jack Welch

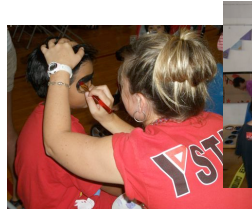


## President's Message

Well August is here so soon! And another month is upon us. How time flies so fast! Well as usual, another YSCI year has just begun, so we have to plan our year again as well as our budget too. We always have the challenge of trying to grow our club, but we will persevere with the dedicated membership that we have currently. We can always use a few more good people. If you know anyone interested, let me know. The holidays will soon be here, so I am hoping we can help with the Central YMCA Thanksgiving dinner again in November. Let's see if we can make this event a little bigger and better than we did last year. Rather than thanking my club officers at the end of the year, I would like to thank them in advance for the work they will do and continue to do for the rest of the year to keep our club going and active as a unit within the Hawaii Region. The club officers for 2011-2012 year will be **Troy Tomita** - VP, **Roy Tateishi** - Treasurer, **Rick Lau** - Secretary. I know Central Y Service Club is a cohesive team and will continue to grow and serve the Y and the community around us. Next Regular Club meeting is on August 8, 2011 @ 6:00 pm in the Central YMCA Executive Boardroom (bring your spouse, date or a friend). We need to build our Y SERViCe CLUB! Aloha! *Garret*

## Club Activities by Garret Ho

We helped with the Family Fun Fair on Friday July 29 at Central YMCA. Our Task was to hand out the prizes to the kids who used scrip from game winnings, just like they do at Fun Factory. It was fun and challenging at times, especially with a whole bunch of youngsters just storming the table and trying to claim their prizes, based on how many scrips they needed per prize. Some of our prizes kept falling off the wall due to the tape not sticking to the wall too well. We had fun all in all and I think everyone had a good time too. Members that came out were **Phil, Rick, Garret** and our calabash member **Eunice Delacruz**. **Roy Tateishi** got the flu bug and wasn't able to join us. Phil also brought along two young helpers visiting from Japan.



Face painting



Troy lends a hand



Who needs a drum?!



Japanese students help Eunice and Phil

## Brother Club News

From Bendigo we learn that President John Howes presented **Arthur Cowling** with his 65 years service badge – Arthur joined the club on May 14, 1946 when Y Service Clubs International was only 24 years young! Northwest Y Service Club reports that AP **Mary Ann Phillips** and husband **Pete** recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at Half Moon Bay. Congrats!

## Some Words of Wisdom:

*Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint. Mark Twain  
I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap. Bob Hope  
By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere.  
Billy Crystal*

## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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To Acknowledge the Duty  
That Accompanies Every  
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The Mission of the Central  
Y Service Club is to  
perform group volunteer  
work that directly or  
indirectly supports Central  
YMCA and the community  
it serves.

## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International News

The International Council met in June in Kochi, India. Several topics were discussed including our public image and possible name change, a reduction of council members to 15 from 21, and ensuring accurate voting procedures at the Regional level.

### US Area

The Area Council met in St. Louis, Missouri from July 5 to 7 just prior to the Area Convention with all nine Regions represented (including our own **Russ Lynch**). The budget for 2011-2012 was approved as was a small \$4 per year increase in the Area dues. An Ad Hoc committee with past RD **Phil Sammer** as chair was formed to explore the possibility of the US Area hosting the 2016 International Convention in Hawai'i. A second committee will look into improvements to the Area website. Membership training, development and retention were emphasized along with the creation of new clubs and Youth clubs. The decision was made to hold the 2013 Area convention in Las Vegas. It was a very interesting and productive meeting. The Area Convention followed from July 7-10 with over 80 participants from around the country. IP **Finn Pedersen** also attended and took an active role in the breakout forums which included an update on Y World Service and the Roll Back Malaria project which is in its second year. There was an enjoyable excursion on Saturday to a neighborhood park to help celebrate Bastille Day (heads rolled...) along with a visit to the new Carondelet Rec Center that is operated by the YMCA. Kudos to the Mid America Region for an enjoyable and educational convention!

### Metro District

The search continues for a Governor and Lt. Governor for the district. Contact RD Russ if interested.

### Hawai'i Region

No date set yet for the mid year cabinet meeting although October is the likely month.

## Calendar of Events

### AUGUST 2011

Emphasis: Community Service RSD:  
Dan Takamatsu (Kalihi)  
5-6 Bake sale at Central YMCA  
8 Business Meeting Central Y 6 PM  
9 Chili Bowl Central YMCA

### SEPTEMBER 2011

Emphasis: Endowment  
3 Okinawan Festival-Kapi'olani Park  
12 Business Meeting Central Y 6PM

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

*"Whoever is wise will . . . think about the love of the Lord." - Psalm 107:43*  
Aging? A necessary process to pass on to a better world. Death? Merely a brief passage, a tunnel . . . a dark valley facing the undeniables of life, don't cover them with a blanket, or ignore them with a nervous grin. Don't turn up the TV and pretend they aren't there. Instead, stand still, whisper God's name, and listen. He is nearer than you think.

### News From Central YMCA

The Y is sponsoring two fundraisers during the month of August. The first is a bake sale on Friday and Saturday August 5 and 6 from 9 AM to 2 PM. The second is a chili cook-off "Chili Bowl" on Tuesday August 9 from 3:30PM to 7:30PM. Both events need help with booths and sales as well as chefs to prepare the food. Come on down!

## SOME PHOTOS FROM THE AREA COUNCIL MEETING AND CONVENTION

Council:



John Carruthers and Gene Koester



Phil and Ann Stuckel

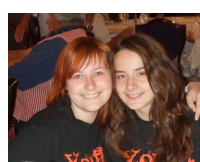


Dave Craytor and Eldon Thorp



IP Finn and Past IP Rachelle Reeg

Convention:  
Missouri Athletic  
Club Lobby and  
Hawai'i delegation



Russian Youth Delegates



King Louis loses his head

