



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Officers 2012-2013

President: Troy Tomita  
Vice President: Darryl Tupinio  
Secretary: Rick Lau  
Treasurer Roy Tateishi

## Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Jimmy Ishimoto, Phil Sammer, Gary Bautista, Ben Makaea, Ben Diones

## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio  
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho  
Community Service: Darryl Tupinio  
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau  
Membership/Conservation: Rick Lau  
YMCA Service: Phil Sammer  
YMCA Liaison: Phil Sammer  
Endowment: Phil Sammer  
Time of Fast: Gary Bautista  
YEEP/STEP: Garret Ho  
Public Relations: Ben Makaea

Hawai'i Regional Director:  
Sharon Ishida (Kaimuki)  
Metro District Governor:  
Garret Ho (Central)  
Metro Lt. DG: James Chong  
(Nu'uauu)  
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US Area President:  
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Finn Pedersen (Norway)  
International President-elect:  
Philip Mathai (India)  
Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Troy Tomita

## Y's Words:

*"The mind is everything. What you think, you become"*

*Buddha*



## President's Message

Well June is here and my term is done. It was a challenging but interesting opportunity to have been your club president for the last two years. Nothing is perfect, but when you have a team of great members who will support you at every corner, it makes life a little easier. I am glad that this club has a good team of leaders and past leaders. **Troy Tomita** will be transitioning to be the new club President. I will wish Troy the best of luck at the helm of Presidency and to his cabinet of officers: **Darryl Tupinio** (VP), **Roy Tateishi** (Treas), **Rick Lau** (Sec). I would also like to thank the club members for nominating me for the Endowment Award this year. I will cherish the honor and privilege of having my name placed in the Golden Book in Geneva Switzerland. I would like to thank my officers this past year who have assisted me in guiding our club forward. It has been a challenge to steer our club through interesting times and to stay afloat. My course ahead is filled with more challenges as Metro District Governor. I will look for advice from past District Governors who have hailed from our club – **Phil Sammer** and **Rick Lau**. My officers this past year were: Vice President **Troy Tomita**, Treasurer **Roy Tateishi**, Secretary **Rick Lau**. This will be my last President's message so **THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR SUPPORTING ME!** Aloha, *Garret*

## Brother Club News

We were delighted to welcome brother club members **Hitoshi** and **Yuko Inoue** from **Kyoto Palace** who visited us at our last meeting. They were in Honolulu on vacation and dropped by to see us. Irrashaimase! The Y's Y're of the **Northwest Y Service Club** reports that on Saturday, May 5, **Buck Cox** rode in a 1941 Packard for the 90th Annual May Parade. The parade route went down University Street in Palo Alto. He had been in the parade 70 years ago as a child! The **Bendigo Y Service Club** has nominated officers for 2012-13: President: **Ian Randall**, President Elect: **Doug Turnbull**, Vice-President: **Bryan Curnow**, Secretary: **Peter Unmack**, Treasurer: **Bob Spencer**, Minute Secretary: **Bruce Ramage** Council members: **Peter Searle**, **Noel Thomas**, **Brian Love** and **Rob Green**, Past President: **Dennis Dole**. Congratulations one and all!

## Club Happs

We had a great turnout for the annual Special Olympics on Sunday May 27 held at Ching field at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. On hand to lend a hand were club members **Darryl**, **Gary**, **Phil**, **Ben** and **Rick** as well as club friends and past members **Roy** and **Carol Hiyama** and **Wayson Kobelansky**. As usual we were assigned to the lunch booth where we helped to prepare chili, rice and salad for the hungry athletes. Although the table cloths looked like something out of MASH by the end of the day, we all had a good time and look forward to next year's event.

The club will once again help the Friends of the Library at their annual book sale on Saturday June 30, 2012 at McKinley High School cafeteria from 8:30 AM to 2:45 PM. We have requested to be adders, cashiers or traffic controllers so as not to put too much stress on our elderly bodies....Contact **Darryl** if you haven't already signed up.

Our next meeting is on Monday June 18 (postponed due to Kamehameha Day falling on June 11) and is very important because we will be setting the club calendar for the coming year. Bring your ideas and bring a friend 'cause we need to BUILD membership!

*Why English gives foreigners fits:* The bandage was wound around the wound; The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert; The farm was used to produce produce; The insurance was invalid for the invalid.....

## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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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

The international Convention in Stavanger, Norway is just around the corner. Sign up on line at [www.ysmen.org](http://www.ysmen.org)!

### US Area

Area USA is looking for Brotherhood Delegates to go to Africa and Latin America in 2013-2014. Most trips last a month. Applications should be sent to AP **Mary Ann Phillips** and are due by November 1, 2012.

### Metro District By Garret Ho

On May 24, 2012 Metro District Y'smen held the annual Endowment and Induction ceremony at the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii (JCCH). It was coordinated by RSD **Ray Seto** with help from **Rick** and incoming District Governor **Garret**. Central Y Service Club's nominee was **Garret Ho** a long time member. **Phil** did the write up and the presentation of the Endowment award to him. Rick did a fabulous job as Emcee – his train whistle really works! All we need now is a good comedian and good singer then we can have our own show! Just kidding.

### Hawai'i Region Reported by Garret Ho

The Hawaii Regional Convention was held May 4 and 5, 2012 in downtown Las Vegas at the California Hotel and Casino. Representing Central club were **Rick Lau**, **Roy Tateishi**, and **Garret Ho**. AP **Mary Ann Phillips** represented the Area. We had two days of convention activities, including slot tournaments, raffle drawings, business meetings, two luncheons and an award event. The last event we had was a group night lights tour of the city, conducted by Vance Cannon of Vegas Vance Tours. We had a productive convention and some of us won lots of money and prizes during our stay in the city that never sleeps! Congratulations to **Nu'uuanu Y's Men** for being chosen Club of the Year, **Steve Wong** as the recipient of the Regional Order of the Red Triangle Award honoring his outstanding lifetime service to Hawai'i Y'sdom and **JoeAnn McCarthy of Windward** for President of the Year! Next year's convention will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii.

## Calendar of Events

### JUNE 2012

Emphasis: Public Relations RSD: Donna Saito (Windward)  
18 Business Meeting Central Y 6PM  
30 Friends of the Library Book Sale

### JULY 2012

Emphasis: Membership, Conservation and Extension RSD: Rick Lau (Central)  
9 Business Meeting Central Y 6PM  
14 Metro District Meeting 9 AM 'Ilima Hotel

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

*"If anyone belongs to Christ, there is a new creation."* – 2 Corinthians 5:17

At our new birth God remakes our souls and gives us what we need, again. New eyes so we can see by faith. A new mind so we can have the mind of Christ. New strength so we won't grow tired. A new vision so we won't lose heart. A new voice for praise and new hands for service. And most of all, a new heart. A heart that has been cleansed by Christ.

### News From Central YMCA

The Metro office has been notified by the State of Hawai'i Department of Education that the YMCA of Honolulu has been selected to continue offering A+ After School services at all 34 sites up for renewal. The Y also learned that it was selected to provide A+ services at a school that previously was run by another provider.

## Photo Gallery



Garret and Mom



Darryl dishes out the rice



Gary the salad man



76<sup>th</sup> Regional Convention May 4-6, 2012 Las Vegas, Nevada