



# 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  
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Secretary: Rick Lau  
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## Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Phil Sammer, Gary  
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Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Troy Tomita

## Y's Words:

*"You aren't wealthy until you have  
something money can't buy".*

Garth Brooks

## President's Message



Aloha Fellow Y's Men,  
Summer is quickly approaching and May is the month  
that the Central Club was chartered, back on May 27,  
1994. One more year to hit 20! Speaking of

anniversaries, I attended **Kaimuki** Club's 50th anniversary of their chartering on April 5th, 1963. The venue was the Treetops in Manoa. It was a nice celebration of the club's five decades of support to the YMCA and the community. What made it special is that there is still one charter member, **Ray Seto**, who we all know is a driving force behind Y Service Clubs in Hawaii. Also special is the fact that Kaimuki sponsored Central back in 1994! April was also the Annual Healthy Kids Day at the Bishop Museum. The official count was over 6000 people who came through the doors, the most so far. A big mahalo to **Roy** and **Garrett** for assisting with the shave ice booth. The booth was a big success again. **Darryl** was overcoming a cold and on his way in (he really wanted to wear the shave ice sign), but we felt it best that he take care of his health, so we called him off. I hope you all have a good time at the convention; unfortunately I'll be in Japan visiting family. There's always next year! Aloha *Troy*.

## Club Doings

The Club had a successful **WAMOS** cookie sale at the YMCA on Saturday May 4 with Uncle **Wally Amos**, creator of the cookies, in attendance. Wally's been a huge supporter of the YMCA for many years and deserves a little support in return.

The Club is gearing up for several annual events this spring including Special Olympics and the Friends of the Library Book Sale. **Rick Lau** is heading up the Olympics which will be held as usual at the University of Hawaii on Sunday May 26. However, there may be a change in location as part of the area that is generally used is under construction so be on the lookout when you exit the parking structure.

## Brother Club News

The Northwest Y Service Club Y's Y're reports that on Friday, April 5th, the Fremont Union High School Foundation, Cupertino Rotary, DeAnza College and the Northwest Y Service Club joined together to put on a crab feed at DeAnza College for the benefit of the five high schools in the Fremont District. Northwest Y Service members contributing were **Wes Harrison**, **Bruce Parsons** and youth member **Ryan O'Connor** handling the serving of the crab. **Pete Phillips** prepared the salad. **Lily Flores** and **Jerry Zichterman** assisted with bagging the crab that wasn't served; there was a lot of it. It was a successful joint community effort by many. The silent auction, live auction and the meal raised between \$30,000.00 and \$40,000.00 in income.

## HUMOR

The secret of enjoying a good wine: 1. Open the bottle to allow it to breathe.  
2. If it doesn't look like it's breathing, give it mouth-to-mouth...

## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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To Acknowledge the Duty  
That Accompanies Every  
Right.

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### Brother Clubs

Seoul Y's Men's Club  
Westchester Y's Men's  
Club  
Northwest Y Service Club  
Thika Y Service Club  
Kyoto Palace Y's Men's  
Club  
Bendigo Y Service Club

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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.

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## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International

Congratulations to Ms Tinna Rós Steinsdóttir from Iceland who has been appointed to the position of Youth Intern for 2013/14. Ms Steinsdóttir will begin working at the International Headquarters in September.

### US Area

The US Area Convention in Las Vegas is approaching and will be held at the Hampton Inn Tropicana Hotel from July 18 to 21. Registration is \$200 which includes lunch and dinner on Friday and Saturday. Rooms are \$84 per night plus 12% tax. Go to :

<http://www.ysmenusa.com/AreaConvReg2013.pdf> to register. They would like to see a big turnout from Hawai'i since LV is the "ninth island"!

### Metro District

The 5<sup>th</sup> annual YMCA of Honolulu Healthy Kids Day took place on Saturday April 13, 2013 at Bishop Museum. Metro clubs again manned the shave ice booth which did blockbuster business. Netting about \$1100. There is some talk of raising the price next year as \$2 for a shave ice is pretty cheap!

### Hawai'i Region

The Hawai'i Region Convention will soon be here and folks are signing up! We have about 50 registrants plus as many guests for the Endowment dinner. Click on this link to register: <http://ysmenhawaii.org/convreg2013.pdf>. Most of the activities will take place at the Japanese Cultural Center with some Sunday events occurring at 'Ilima Hotel. Dates again are May 31 to June 2. Sign up today!

## Calendar of Events

### **MAY 2013**

Emphasis: Regional Convention. Chair: Duke Chung (West O'ahu)

13 Membership Meeting Central Y 6 PM  
31-June 2 7<sup>th</sup> Hawai'i Region  
Convention-Honolulu

### **JUNE 2013**

Emphasis: Public Relations

10 Membership Meeting Central Y 6 PM  
29(Tentative) Friends of the Library  
Annual booksale. McKinley High School

### **Christian Emphasis** By Rick Lau

- 2 Thessalonians 3:5

The majority is not always right. If the majority ruled, the children of Israel never would have left Egypt.

They would have voted to stay in bondage. If the majority had ruled,

David never would have fought Goliath. His brothers would have voted for him to stay with the sheep.

What's the point? You must listen to your own heart. God says you're on your way to becoming a disciple when you can

### **News From Central YMCA**

The branch continues to operate normally while the details of the sale are worked out with the developer. A likely timetable has Central closing next spring with groundbreaking on the new building sometime in early July.