



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Officers 2014-2015

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Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Ben Makaea, Darryl Tupinio

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Brother Clubs: Garret Ho  
Community Service: Darryl Tupino  
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Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Troy Tomita

## Y's Words:

"Fools live to regret their words,  
wise men to regret their silence".

Will Henry

## President's Message



Aloha Central Y Service Club members!  
A new year begins! Thanks for the opportunity to do the presidency right this time..! Thanks as well to outgoing prez **Troy** who did a great job for the last two years. I think he only had a touch of gray in his young locks at the end..

I'm looking forward to a year filled with fun and activities. Preliminary plans include helping out at the Central YMCA Summer Day Camp on July 25 from 3:30pm to 7pm as well as a return to one of our former projects: Helping out in the Bito Doshi Kai booth at the annual Okinawan Festival on Saturday August 30. Later in the fall we are hoping to mount a blood drive either at the branch or at the Young Street donor center. We're looking at possibly doing our annual Residents Holiday Dinner in November or early December if the branch is still open. The timetable for demolition is late fall but things have been known to be delayed when working on Hawaiian time.. The members really enjoy the Yacht Club so that will be our permanent meeting place from now on, especially when the branch is no more! I'm looking at some other possible activities for us including perhaps a joint project with another club or organization. Any and all ideas are welcome. *Aloha Phil*

**NOTE:** Just received news that **Arthur Cowling**, past international president and a 68 year member of our Bendigo brother club, has passed away. Our sincerest condolences to his family and to the club members.

## Club Activities

Five faithful club members and two good friends turned out for duty at the annual Friends of the Library book sale at McKinley High School on Sunday June 22. Present as adders were **Rick, Gary, Roy Hiyama** and **Roy Tateishi** while **Darryl** directed traffic and **Phil** did cashiering along with **Carol Hiyama** who also served as receipt checker for those exiting the building. The day started quietly even though it was only the second day of the sale. Things were busy by ten o'clock but never as crazy as we're seen in the past! There was a steady flow of customers until our shift ended at 1:30pm. It was fun and we hope that the Friends made a lot of money! Unfortunately Darryl was not there when we took the picture but, rest assured, he did his part!



## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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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.

## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International

Forty new clubs were chartered in India in the first half of 2014. Y Service does well in that part of the world given the tremendous social needs of such a populous country. Our new International President is **Issac Palathinkal** who comes from Kerala state in India.

### US Area

Membership development is always at the top of the list for the US Area President especially with the decline that we have witnessed over the past few years. One new club has been chartered in the North Atlantic Region with another in the works. But the real challenge is to increase membership in our own clubs. Good projects with community involvement are the best way to get people interested in Y'sdom!

### Metro District

Metro DG Albert Lee of Nu'uuanu YSC is planning his first Metro District meeting for Saturday August 9 at 'Ilima hotel at 9am. More details to follow.

### Hawai'i Region

RD **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** got his year off to a good start by arranging a conference call with his presidents and RSDs on Monday June 23. Many were able to participate and it was very useful to know what their plans are for the coming year. We heard a recap and critique of the recent Regional Convention as well as agenda items for the upcoming mid-year meeting. Club presidents presented their fall plans. Bobby seems tuned into methods of communication that will allow the members of the Region to come together despite distances!

## Calendar of Events

### JULY 2014

Emphasis: Membership/Conservation  
RSD Gary Higashionna (Nu'uuanu)

14 Membership Meeting 6pm-Yacht Club  
25 Central Y Summer Day Camp  
3:30pm-7pm

### AUGUST 2014

Emphasis: Community Service  
RSD Jaunette Quiroz (Kalihi)

11 Membership Meeting 6pm-Yacht Club  
30 Okinawan Cultural Festival

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"You were taught to be made new in your hearts, to become a new person." – Ephesians 4:23 What if, for one day and one night, Jesus lives your life with his heart? Your heart gets the day off, and your life is led by the heart of Christ. His priorities govern your actions. His passions drive your decisions. His love directs your behavior. Would people notice a change? Would you still do what you had planned to do for the next 24 hours?

### News From Central YMCA

Summer at the Y is going great. We just had our older group go out to Camp Erdman for a 2-night, 3-day adventure and they loved it! We are happy that we were able to give financial assistance to all of our kids to go to camp and even were able to give a full summer scholarship to 2 families from the Kalihi area. This is a great example of what the Y can do with the ASC dollars that the Y Service Club helps raise every year.

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