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

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Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

Right Time, Right Now

Y's Words:

"He who is not courageous
enough to take risks will
accomplish nothing in life".

Muhammad Ali

President's Message



Aloha Central Y Service Club members and friends!
October already and time marches on. We had a quiet
month for the club but I did have the opportunity to meet up
with Australian Y Service Club members and friends
Graeme and Lyn Wilson who were here on a cruise stop

over. Nice to see them again and reconnect. Speaking of Australia we will be welcoming Bendigo brother club members **Peter** and **Shirley Unmack** at our October meeting as they head home after watching their son participate in the Ironman Triathlon in Kona. They arrive about 6:30pm on our meeting day **so we will be pushing back the meeting starting time to 7pm.** Gary has volunteered to pick them up at the airport on his way in to the club. I received word that **West O'ahu YSC** had a well attended Y Service Club information session at the Leeward YMCA. **Gary** participated on our behalf and will make a report at our next meeting. I also learned that **Duke Chung** has been hospitalized with a serious leg infection. RD **Bobby** has asked PRD **Brad Ishida** to take over as chair of the Regional Convention while **Maile Kanemaru** will fill in as club president. We wish Duke a speedy and full recovery! Members don't forget to bring your donation items for the Waikiki Community Center Thrift store to the next meeting: New or gently used household or recreational items such as snorkels, fins, coffee mugs and the like. Please make an effort as well to bring a prospective member to the meeting. Hey, we meet at a yacht club so it's all good! **Remember: 7pm start this month.** Aloha, Phil

Club Activities

It was a quiet month for the club. We did receive word that the YMCA will still be open through the fall so it looks as if we will once again do our annual residents dinner with a tentative date of Sunday November 23. We'll do more planning at our October meeting.

Brother Club Activities

The **Northwest YSC Y's Y're** reports that **Ron Ohlfs** presented a beautiful program of pictures and stories of the "Caverns of Arizona" featuring Kartchner State Park in Arizona south of Tucson. There are 2.4 miles of passages in the caverns. The Limestone Cave is over 50,000 years old. Over 1,000 bats reside in the caves. The caverns were only recently discovered and were immediately protected. (*Editor's Note: I visited the caverns last year and they are spectacular!*). The **Bendigo Golden City Bulletin** reports that **Jang Lan-soo** and his son from South Korea will be visiting Bendigo as part of his BF trip starting on 30th September. **Colin Lambie** and **Cathie Steele** have arranged to host Jang and his interpreter son from 10th October to 14th October. They are planning to visit the Werribee waste recycling plant among other activities and will also be attending the Australian Region conference on 11th October

Humor: The Bible according to children (original spelling!):

Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the apostles.

The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.

Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.

St. Paul cavorted to christianity, he preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

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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

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

The International Council will be structured as follows from 1 July 2015:

- Africa - 1 seat (+1 Young Member 2023-24)
- Asia - 1 seat Reduced from 2 (+1 Young Member 2018-19)
- Canada/Caribbean - 1 seat (+1 Young Member 2020-21)
- Europe - 2 seats Reduced from 4 (+1 Young Member 2015-17)
- India- 3 seats Reduced from 7 (+1 Young Member 2015-18)
- Korea - 2 seats Reduced from 3 (+1 Young Member 2017-19)
- Latin America - 1 seat (+1 Young Member 2021-22)
- South Pacific - 1 seat (+1 Young Member 2022-23)
- USA - 1 seat (+1 Young Member 2019-20)

US Area

Nominations are open for US Area Chief Financial officer for a two year term beginning July 1, 2015. Current CFO **Gene Koester** is eligible for one more term and has been renominated by the Kaimuki Y Service Club.

Metro District

The next Metro District meeting will be held on Tuesday October 28, 2014 at the Leeward YMCA hosted by West O'ahu Y Service Club. Dinner at 6:30pm followed by the meeting at 7pm. Please rsvp with **Troy** by Friday October 24 for dinner planning purposes. President **Phil** will be traveling on the mainland and will ask VP Troy to attend in his place and make his report.

Hawai'i Region

The Mid-year cabinet meeting will be held on Saturday November 8, 2014 from 8am to 2pm at the 'Ilima Hotel. All club presidents, regional and district officers, service directors and regional counselors should plan to attend.

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2014

Emphasis: ASF/DFS RSD: Maurice Shimonishi (Nu'uuanu)

13 Membership Meeting 7pm-Yacht Club
28 Metro District Meeting Leeward YMCA 6:30pm

NOVEMBER 2014

Emphasis: Brotherhood Fund RSD John Simpson (East Kaua'i)

8 Regional Mid-Year Cabinet Meeting
10 Membership Meeting 6pm-Yacht Club
23 Resident Dinner Central YMCA

Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." – Mathew 5:7

The merciful, says Jesus, are shown mercy. They witness grace. They are blessed because they are testimonies to a greater goodness. Forgiving others allows us to see how God has forgiven us. The dynamic of giving grace is the key to understanding grace, for it is when we forgive others that we begin to feel what God feels.

News From Central YMCA

The YCMA of Honolulu has announced that the Central branch will close on February 28, 2015. The old building will be razed and the new building should be completed by November 2016. Programs will operate normally until February including the Annual Support Campaign.