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

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Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Darryl
Tupino

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Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

Right Time, Right Now

Y's Words:

*"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot
harder to make a difference".*

Tom Brokaw

President's Message



Despite our small size Central continues to turn out in force for projects both at the club and the district levels. We currently have seven very committed members but we do need to increase in size to be able to make more of an impact on our community. This is especially important now

that the YMCA has closed and will not need our kokua until it reopens in a few years. The Kaimuki and Nu'uauu clubs have shown that it is possible to attract younger members as long as there are worthwhile projects to accomplish. This is where Central needs to "up its game" because we have very few club projects on the books. We are doing a good job of assisting at the district and regional levels but need more of our own projects. Currently our only project in April is to assist the district at the Healthy Kids Day while May is pretty full with the regional convention raffle efforts and the Endowment Dinner. So put on your thinking caps and start looking for activities where we can make a difference as a club. Mahalo! **Phil, Rick** and **Roy** visited **Ben Makaea** at Hale Nani on March 23 and enjoyed seeing him again. He does have good and bad days but always looks forward to members' visits. I hope you'll have a chance to see him soon. Note that next month's meeting in Monday May 4. *Aloha, Phil*

Club Activities

March was a very quiet month for the club. **Rick** and **Phil** attended the Regional Convention meeting on March 3 as well attending the Metro District Conference on April 4 along with **Darryl**. The next big activity will be the Regional Convention in Las Vegas from May 13 to 14 followed by the Endowment dinner on May 22 at the Manoa Grand Ballroom. We are currently looking at assisting at the Special Olympics on May 31 and working the Friends of the Library book sale in June.

Brother Club Activities

The Bendigo YSC *Golden City Bulletin* reports that the club participated again in the annual Clean Up Australia day and were assigned to a 2.2 kilometer stretch of road where "it had obviously been some time since the area had been given a good clean up". Some interesting items found included a shopping cart, many large cardboard cartons (one contained a whole BBQ unit), two large truck tires and three tire recaps... **Northwest YSC** members recently visited the Museum of American Heritage in Palo Alto, Ca. The museum is the house and office of one of the first doctors in Palo Alto and was designed and built in 1907. The current Small Grocery Store exhibit was of items from the museum's collection from A to Z. **RD Buck Cox** turned 80 in January and joined the Octogenarians club whose perks include: Kidnappers are not very interested in you; no one expects you to RUN anywhere and your secrets are safe because your friends won't remember them anyway! Many happy returns, Buck!

Humor: If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.... The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes"... Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound!.... Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice.

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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 (CA) Y's
Men's Club
Northwest Y Service
Club(CA)
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

In January IHQ received 74 applications for new clubs to be chartered in early 2015-the majority in Area India.

US Area

The US Area is seeking Awards submission from the clubs with a deadline of June 1.

Metro District

The annual Metro District Conference took place on Saturday April 4, 2015 at Faith Baptist Church hosted by Windward Y's Men's Club. DG **Albert Lee** presided over the final meeting of the year. **Phil, Darryl** and **Rick** were on hand to represent Central. Club presidents gave individual club reports after which discussion ensued about the Regional Convention and the responsibilities of the Metro Clubs. **Joe Ann McCarthy** discussed the duties for Healthy Kids Day on April 11. Central members **Phil, Rick, Roy, Darryl** and **Gary** will help man the first shift from 8am to noon while **Troy** will be on duty all day with the YMCA of Honolulu. Linda Chung will recognize the Peace Project winners at 11:30am. In other business attendees were reminded about the Endowment Dinner that will take place on May 22 as well as the Preserving YMCA History project headed up by **Russ Lynch**. A tasty lunch followed the meeting thanks to the Metro District!

Hawai'i Region

Plans are finalizing for the annual Regional Convention. Currently there are 52 attendees including 39 YSCI members. **Phil, Roy** and **Rick** will represent Central. **Darryl** continues to distribute tickets and collect prizes that now include hotel stays on four islands, Hawaiian Airlines gift certificates and \$500 in cash. Reports from club presidents and regional service directors are due by April 25 for inclusion in the convention booklet...The West O'ahu club and our own **Gary Bautista** continue to assist in the organization of the new Leeward Y Service Club that now has 19 members and is working on electing officers. Chartering should occur shortly.

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2015

Emphasis: Leadership Training
13 Membership Meeting Yacht Club 6pm

MAY 2015

Emphasis: Regional Convention RSD:
Duke Chung (West O'ahu).
4 Membership Meeting Yacht Club 6pm
7 Regional Convention committee
13-14 79th Regional Convention
22 Endowment Dinner-JCC Manoa Rm
31 Special Olympics-UH Manoa

Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you". Acts 1:8 Remember the followers' fear at the crucifixion? But fast forward forty days..Peter is peaching where Christ was arrested. Followers of Christ defy his enemies. As bold after the Resurrection as they were cowardly before. Why? A resurrected Christ and his Holy Spirit. The courage of the disciples forged in the fire of the empty tomb.

News From the YMCA of Honolulu

Plan a Family Staycation for Mother's Day at Camp Erdman

Give a great weekend gift for mom that the whole family will enjoy. Unplug from technology and connect with your family through traditional camp activities, campfires and songs. Accommodations, meals and activities included. [Register today!](#)