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US AREA, Y SERVICE CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

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Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

Right Time, Right Now

Y's Words:

*"The healthiest competition occurs
when average people win by
putting above average effort".
Colin Powell*

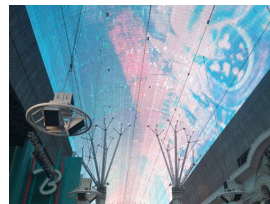
President's Message



I really enjoyed the Regional Convention in Las Vegas. It was well organized and informative. Generally I'm not in favor of off shore meetings but an occasional trip to Sin City is fun. The weather cooperated and was in fact a bit cool on some nights but, better than 100 degrees in the shade!

I tried out the Zoom Line high above the Fremont Street Experience along with three other intrepid daredevils, all former RDs: **Ray Seto, Rick Lau** and **Sharon Ishida** who was told she had to do it as the newest member of the Regional Council which is made up of past RDs. She pretended to believe that and gamely took to the air... Not being much of a gambler I neither won nor lost much money but instead did some sightseeing at Red Rock Canyon as well as attending the Donnie and Marie Osmond show at the Flamingo. It was fun to reconnect with YSCI members from around the state... Our main activity this month will be to volunteer at the annual Friends of the Library book sale on Sunday June 21 from 8am to 3pm. Duties will include adding purchases, restocking shelves and cashiering. Our monthly meeting will be a week later than usual this month on June 15 since I need to have cataract surgery on June 8. *Aloha, Phil*

Convention Pictures



Brother Club Activities

The Bendigo *Golden City Bulletin* reports that the club recently endowed two seats in the city's new Ulumbarra Theater that was converted from a jail! I suppose a bad performance could be seen as a form of punishment ☺

Humor: The police came to my house and said that my dog had chased someone on a bike. I said, you must be joking officer. My dog hasn't got a bike.

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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.

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International

The Asia and Pacific Alliance of YMCAs has issued an appeal for funds to help those affected by the recent earthquake in Nepal. Y Service Clubs International is backing the effort and has set up a donation link on the YSCI home page at www.ysmen.org.

US Area

Almost time for the US Area Convention that will take place July 9-12 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. RD **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** will represent the Hawai'i Region. We're hoping that he will bring back new ideas for membership growth as the Area continues to shrink in size.

Metro District

The Endowment Dinner took place on May 22, 2015 at the Manoa Grand Ballroom in the Japanese Cultural Center. This year Central honored past president **Troy Tomita** with **Rick** doing the presentation in place of prez **Phil. Roy** and **Darryl** were among the 80 plus attendees. Incoming officers and new members were also inducted by IPRD **Sharon**.

Hawai'i Region

The 79th Hawai'i Region Convention in Las Vegas was a great success with 55 YSCI members and friends in attendance. **Rick, Roy** and **Phil** represented the club which did well in the Awards presentations garnering Outstanding recognition for Club Bulletin and Community Service as well as Excellence in World Service and YMCA Service. Club members also did well during the raffle with **Gary** and **Roy** winning cash prizes. US Area rep **Matt Stuckel** gave a lively presentation on Youth recruitment while former YMCA "raggers" talked about the now 100 year old program. Regional Bulletin editor **Russ Lynch** has published a special edition with a full recap and pictures that can be accessed via the following link: <http://ysmenhawaii.org/bullboard1505.pdf>. Chair **Duke Chung** and committee are to be commended for producing a fun and informative gathering. Duke has agreed to chair next year's event that will be held here in the islands.

Calendar of Events

JUNE 2015

Emphasis: Public Relations RSD: Joe-Ann McCarthy(Windward)

15 Membership Meeting Yacht Club 6pm
(one week later than usual)
21 Friends of the Library Book Sale

JULY 2015

Emphasis: Membership RSD Gary Higashionna (Nu'uano)

6 Membership Meeting Yacht Club
(Note this is a week earlier than usual)

Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"God has . . . all the time in this world and the next to shower grace and kindness upon us." - Ephesians 2:7

God knows everything about you, yet he doesn't hold back his kindness toward you. Has he, knowing all your secrets, retracted one promise or reclaimed one gift? No, he is kind to you. Why don't you be kind to yourself? He forgives your faults. Why don't you do the same? . . .

News From the YMCA of Honolulu

Central Y Timetable

Unfortunately the closing date for the old YMCA building has been extended to July 31. The facility will be used for summer day camp from June 4 to July 28. However, only certain parts of the Y are usable since much of the equipment has been removed and the pool drained.

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