



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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President: Phil Sammer  
Vice President: Troy Tomita  
Secretary: Rick Lau  
Treasurer: Roy Tateishi

## Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Darryl  
Tupinio, James Ishimoto

## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Troy Tomita  
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho  
Community Service: Darryl Tupino  
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau  
Membership/Conservation: Rick  
Lau  
YMCA Service: Phil Sammer  
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International President-elect:  
Joan Wilson (Canada)

Central YMCA Executive Director:  
Troy Tomita

## Regional Theme:

## Right Time, Right Now

Y's Words:  
"A warm smile is the universal  
language of kindness."  
William Arthur Ward

## President's Message



Just got back from a ten day trip to the continent that included Florida for my mother's memorial service, and Los Angeles for a little R&R. Many thanks to all of you who expressed their condolences for my loss. The family and I appreciated it very much. My mother was a renaissance woman with talent in writing, art and education where she earned a Master's

degree at the age of fifty then went on to teach at the high school level for ten years. She lived to 94 and enjoyed every minute. We'll miss her.. On my way home I stopped off in Southern California and enjoyed a day of "research" at the Temecula Valley wineries just east of San Diego. There are over 30 vineyards in a ten mile stretch of valley so some restraint was necessary ☺. If you ever go be sure to take along a designated driver! *Aloha, Phil*

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

We spent most of February raising funds for the Central Y Annual Support Campaign. We thought 2015 would be the final year but the old building still stands! Last year most of the money went towards scholarships to help deserving children enroll in Central YMCA summer programs which were held in the sort-of-closed branch that still has some residents. Latest word is that the building will be torn down this summer; however, we'll just have to wait and see!

During the February meeting we decided to change the regular meeting day from the second Monday to the second **Tuesday** of the month which will accommodate more members. The Camp Erdman project was confirmed for Sunday March 13 from 9am to 1pm and will include lunch during which we will hold the regular March meeting. We'll be painting some fences... Members also visited **Darryl** at Kaiser Hospital where he was confined for heart surgery. He is making good progress and hopes to be able to resume regular activities in a few months.



The bruddas visit Darryl: Back l-r: Roy, Rick, Front: l-r Troy, Gary and Darryl

## Brother Club Activities

The Bendigo **Golden City Bulletin** reports that their annual book fair this year will open on Good Friday 25th March and conclude on Easter Monday 28th March. Changeover time is also approaching when **Dave Coles** will assume the mantle of office as president. Nominees are being sought for vacant positions including Assistant Secretary and Treasurer.

## Humor:

-John Glenn, as he hurtled through space, had one thought that kept crossing his mind – "every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder".  
-You know you're a redneck if your home has wheels and your car doesn't.  
-Lawyers believe a person is innocent until proven broke.

## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

Chartered May 24, 1994

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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.

Club meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
at Waikiki Yacht Club 6p

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## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International

**Henry Grindheim** of Borgen, Norway has been elected International President-elect for 2016-2017. He will succeed incoming IP **Joan Wilson** of Canada on July 1, 2017.

### US Area

There will be a Youth Convocation during the upcoming International Convention in Taipei. Reports are that 10-12 US Area youth may attend. Convention dates are August 4-7, 2016. **Phil** and RD **Bobby** will be in attendance.

### Metro District

The next Metro District meeting will be hosted by the Kaimuki Y Service Club on Saturday, April 2, 2016, at the Kaimuki YMCA. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm.

The Metro District clubs coordinated by Windward YSC will once again participate in Healthy Kids Day at the Bishop Museum on Saturday April 9 from 8am to 3:30pm. As in the past we will be offering shave ice in various flavors including the popular rainbow! Central has elected to work the morning shift from 8am to noon that includes assisting in booth set up and sales. Rained pretty hard last year ☺

### Hawai'i Region

The Regional Convention committee met on Thursday February 25 with **Rick** representing Central. There was much discussion about the Saturday night installation/induction banquet which will take place at the Willows restaurant. The committee decided to use a larger room with its own buffet that will require a minimum attendance. Chair **Duke** recommended that we invite all YMCA branch boards to help fill the room. To this end YMCA of Honolulu CEO **Mike Broderick** was asked, and has agreed, to be the keynote speaker. The topic will be the 80 year partnership between the YMCA and Y'sdom in Hawai'i. Registration forms are now available on line or ask prez **Phil** for a copy.

## Calendar of Events

### MARCH 2016

Emphasis: Brother Clubs RSD: Jim Kanehira (Windward)

13 Camp Erdman Project and Monthly membership meeting 9am-1pm

### APRIL 2016

Emphasis: Leadership Training

2 Metro District Meeting Kaimuki Y  
9 Healthy Kids Day Bishop Museum  
12 Membership Meeting 6pm **NOTE:**  
*Meeting is now second TUESDAY of the month!*

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"The law of the Spirit that brings life made me free from the law that brings sin and death." - Romans 8:3  
The cross did what sacrificed lambs could not do. It erased our own sins, not for a year, but for eternity. The cross did what man could not do. It granted us the right to talk with love, and even live with God. You can't do that by yourself. I don't care how many worship services you attend or good deeds you do, your goodness is insufficient. That's why we need a savior.

### News From Central YMCA

The Annual Support Campaign wrapped up on March 9 with a fun victory dinner at Dave & Busters. The \$38,000 goal was not only met but totally smashed with over \$53,000 being reported. Central YSC contributed to more than 10% of the total!