



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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International President-elect:
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Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

Right Time, Right Now

Y's Words:
"The art of leadership is saying
no, not yes. It is very easy to say
yes".
Former British PM Tony Blair

President's Message



Well, we no sooner changed our meeting day to Tuesdays than we discovered it might not be optimal after all. Call it lack of adequate consensus before the decision was made. In any case we will meet on Tuesday April 12, 2016 for further discussion on the matter. The year is flying by which seems to be the norm. Spring is upon us and the weather is quickly

heating up, again that seems to be the norm as well. It was reported recently that we are enjoying 20% fewer trade wind days than we did thirty years ago. This is not good news for Hawaii since those winds are the only thing standing between us and a south Florida climate of hot, sticky days which would be really bad for tourism..and us residents as well ☺ *Aloha, Phil*

CLUB ACTIVITIES

We started the month celebrating a successful ASC Campaign with Central YMCA at Dave and Busters playground/restaurant at Ward Center. **Phil** and **Rick** were on hand to represent the club which contributed almost 10% of the total raised. It was a very successful effort for a branch that has no physical facility!

Early in March we received the good news that **Darryl** was able to leave the hospital and convalesce at home. He hopes to attend the May meeting and it will be good to see him back on his feet.

On March 13 a few of the gang headed up to YMCA Camp Erdman to do a painting project. We were assigned to the "Gaga Pit" which is an enclosed pen where kids can play dodge ball or similar games. Don't ask me where the name comes from..As usual a good deal of the paint ended up on the painters but the end product wasn't bad. Thanks to **Phil, Troy, Garret** and **Roy** for donning smocks. Check out the pictures on page 2.

We held our monthly meeting over lunch and decided to help calabash member **Eunice Delacruz** with her fundraiser at Stevenson Middle School. Club members committed to buy pies and cakes to support the Art Department, a tough job but somebody has to do it.

We also discussed our participation in the upcoming Regional Convention where we have been tasked to provide the snacks for after hours hospitality as well as continental breakfast on Sunday. Specific assignments will be made at the April meeting.

Healthy Kids Day is coming up on Saturday April 9 at Bishop Museum. Central members **Rick, Phil, Garret** and **Troy** will do the 8am to noon shift. We'll meet as usual for breakfast at about 7am at the McDonald's in the Kamehameha Shopping Center.

Brother Club Activities

The Bendigo *Golden City Bulletin* reports that eight members participated in the annual Clean up Australia Day this year despite torrid temperatures. The intrepid octet cleared four cubic meters of rubbish in a three kilometer stretch. Four community volunteers assisted as well.

Humor: Great Truths:

If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed.-- Mark Twain
I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts.-- Will Rogers
Talk is cheap, except when Congress does it.--Anonymous
The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin.-- Mark Twain

CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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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 2nd Tuesday
at Waikiki Yacht Club 6p

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International

The theme for this year's International Convention in Taipei, Taiwan is "Living in Harmony". Dates are August 4-7, 2016. **Phil** and RD **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** will be going and rooming together.

US Area

US Area president **Charley Redmond** and wife Past Area President **Debbie** will represent the US Area at the 80th Hawai'i Regional Convention. Neither is a stranger to the Islands having represented the Area in the past.

Metro District

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.

Hawai'i Region

Final details are being worked out for the 80th Regional Convention that will be held from May 20 to 22, 2016 at various venues. On Friday Registration and the Endowment Dinner will take place at the JCC Manoa Ballroom while Saturday meetings and training will be at 'Ilima Hotel. The Installation/Induction dinner will be at the Willows restaurant while final meetings on Sunday will occur at the 'Ilima. There will be several special activities on Friday including visits to the Arizona Memorial and the Pacific Aviation Museum plus a golf tournament at the Leilehua Golf course. Registration forms are available on line at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org/registration2016>

Central attendees so far include **Rick** and **Phil**.

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2016

Emphasis: Leadership Training

9 Healthy Kids Day Bishop Museum
12 Membership Meeting 6pm Waikiki
Yacht Club.

May 2016

Emphasis: Regional Convention

Note: Membership Meeting date tbd
20-22: 80th Regional Convention

Christian Emphasis

By Rick Lau

"I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep . . . and my sheep know me." -
John 10:14

You have a God who hears you, the power of love behind you, the Holy Spirit within you, and all of heaven ahead of you. If you have the Shepherd, you have grace for every sin, direction for every turn, a candle for every corner, and an anchor for every storm. You have everything you need.

News From Central YMCA

Recent information indicates that the condo development on the YMCA site will include a 37 story tower as well as the new three story Y which will have 30,000 square feet of space, a pool and half gym. The Y will be built first with ground breaking slated for later this year.

Pictures from the Camp Erdman work project



The "Gaga Pit" before.....



Garret at work....



Finished product



What a team!