



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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Officers 2015-2016

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

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Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Darryl
Tupino, James Ishimoto

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ASF/DFS: Troy Tomita
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
Community Service: Darryl Tupino
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau
Membership/Conservation: Rick
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YMCA Service: Phil Sammer
YMCA Liaison: Phil Sammer
Endowment: Phil Sammer
Time of Fast: Gary Bautista
Public Relations: Troy Tomita

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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:

*"A smile is an inexpensive way to
improve your looks".*

Andy Rooney

President's Message



I'm very sad to announce that our good friend and past member **Ben Makaea** passed away in late April. Ben was a staunch supporter of Central YSC and participated in as many of our projects as possible. Ben was confined to an assisted living center in his final days where we were able to visit him several times in the past months. Despite his failing health Ben remained in good spirits and retained his

"kolohe" (mischievous) sense of humor. A former pilot, Ben often flew a Cessna 172 around O'ahu and interisland. I can see him now at the controls on his final approach to the great landing strip in the sky. Services are set for 5pm on Thursday May 19, 2016 at Hosoi Garden Mortuary in Honolulu. A hui hou, Ben! Until we meet again. *Aloha, Phil*

Memories of Ben



CLUB ACTIVITIES

We met last month on the second Tuesday (April 12) but decided to go back to our usual second Monday of the month schedule. In the end it proved more convenient for the majority of the members. The May meeting therefore will be held at the Waikiki Yacht Club on Monday May 9 at 6pm. We also elected officers for 2016-2017 with no changes: President **Phil**, VP **Troy**, Secretary **Rick** and Treasurer **Roy**.

Assignments were handed out for the Regional Convention with **Rick** and **Roy** in charge of snacks for the hospitality room and **Phil** and **Troy** responsible for the continental breakfast on Sunday morning. Raffle tickets were distributed for the convention with each member receiving 15 tickets to sell at \$5 each or five for \$20. We are also donating some prizes of varying value. Our Golden Book honoree **Gary Bautista** will be honored at the Endowment Dinner on Friday night May 20 while we hope to induct our new member **Jimmy Ishimoto** at the Installation and Induction dinner on Saturday May 21.

Members will once again participate in the Friends of the Library summer book sale at McKinley High School cafeteria on the final day of the event, Sunday June 26, 2016 from 8:30am to 2pm. Usually the gang serves as "adders" (totaling purchases for payment), restockers or door monitors. **Phil** started cashiering a few years ago and will work several other days as well.

We're also looking at volunteering again at the Special Olympics that, this year, will be held a bit later than usual on Sunday June 5 at Ching Athletic Complex on the UH campus.

Brother Club Activities

Bendigo's **Golden City Bulletin** reports that five members turned out to assist President **Colin Lambie** who was heavily involved in the organization of the Bendigo Foodshare Fundraiser on Friday the 15th April at the Strathdale Hall. This is an amazing project which in the last year has saved over a million kilograms of food that would otherwise go to waste and provided two million meals to 106 agencies, community organizations and schools in Central Victoria (Australia).

Humor: A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.

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 Monday
at Waikiki Yacht Club 6p

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International

Come to the International Convention in Taiwan!
Register at <http://eng.ic2016.org>.

US Area

There will be a joint US Area/Area Canada-Caribbean convention next year in Las Vegas. Once regular events, these joint conventions have not been held in recent years. They are great fun and really help bring both areas closer together. **Phil** attended the one held on Prince Edward Island a few years ago at the local university.

Metro District

Healthy Kids Day was a big success on Saturday April 9 at Bishop Museum. **Rick, Phil,** and **Garret** reported for the 8am to noon shift. **Troy** was busy elsewhere assisting the YMCA. The booth was organized by the Windward Y Service Club under the able direction of **Joe-Ann McCarthy** and included participants from all Metro clubs. The weather was more cooperative this year and hot enough to make people seek out our refreshing offerings! We helped prepare ice blocks, refill flavorings and collect money. The Marines landed at mid morning and serenaded us with some pretty good jazz music. There seemed to be a good turnout with lots of kids having lots of fun. Reports are that the booth made over \$2000!

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. Registration forms are available on line at: <http://ysmenhawaii.org/registration2016>

Calendar of Events

May 2016

Emphasis: Regional Convention. Chair: Duke Chung (West O'ahu)

9 Membership meeting Yacht Club 6pm
20-22: 80th Regional Convention.

June 2016

Emphasis: Public Relations

5 Special Olympics UH Manoa
13 Membership Meeting Yacht Club
26 Friends of the Library Book Sale

Christian Emphasis

 By Rick Lau

"God makes people right with himself through their faith in Jesus Christ." - Romans 3:22
Even if you've fallen, even if you failed, even if everyone else has rejected you, Christ will not turn away from you.
He came first and foremost to those who have no hope.
He goes to those no one else would go to and says,
"I'll give you eternity."

News From Central YMCA

Register now for summer day camps, after-summer-school programs, swim lessons, sports programs, overnights at Camp Erdman and more! Flexible options - full and half-day, weekly and 4- and 8- week programs. Y Family Members save up to 20% on programs! http://www.ymcahonolulu.org/about/news/summer_adventures

Pictures from Healthy Kids Day



Who can resist?



The teens create the treats



Marine Percussion!



Da gang