



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Regional Theme:

**E Ola Pu Kakou: Together we  
thrive.**

## Y's Words:

"One important key to success is  
self-confidence. An important key  
to self-confidence is preparation".

Arthur Ashe

## President's Message



This month we celebrate the Time of Fast/Global Projects Fund. The purpose of the fund is to support projects in association with the YMCA and the local Y Service Club. The name of the fund refers to the original idea of making donations that represented the amount a member would ordinarily spend on a meal. Currently the amount is set at \$12 per member. The projects often involve a foreign country

where financial resources are scarce but needs are great. Emphasis is on aiding and developing programs for youth. This year's projects feature Youth programs in association with the YMCA of Mongolia, HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention in Haiti and securing safe and sustainable livelihoods in Madagascar. These efforts remind us that YSCI is truly a worldwide movement that has wide reaching effects well beyond our shores. This month we also welcome aboard our newest member **Jennie Scott**, admin assistant at Central Y. Welcome Jennie! *Aloha, Phil*

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

We planned two activities for January but ended up doing only one. Three members volunteered for the annual Friends of the Library winter book and record sale on Sunday January 15 at Washington Middle School. Present to help were **Phil** who acted as a cashier, **Darryl** who was an adder and **Gary** who guarded the entrance door. **Jimmy** stopped by later as he had another meeting earlier that morning. The room was filled from the start with buyers hovering over the large selection of 45 rpm vinyl record albums that have been making a comeback in recent years due to superior sound quality. Lots of CDs were also sold as well as a large number of books. It's always interesting to see which items appeal to each buyer and there is always a wide variety of tastes in music and books. The next book sale will be the big one this summer which has been moved to July 15-23 to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the event. We look forward to volunteering again! We had planned to assist Nu'uaniu YSC in its YMCA Sunday project serving lunch at the Institute for Human Services; however, they had enough volunteers. *Remember we have moved our membership meetings back to the YMCA.*



Such a literate bunch!



Don't forget your receipt!



Gary guards the door.

## Brother Club News

Invitations to the 81<sup>st</sup> Hawaii Region Convention have been sent out to all of Central's brother clubs. So far there is interest from Kyoto Palace YSC in Japan and Bendigo YSC in Australia. We hope that many of their members will take advantage of the occasion to renew acquaintance with our members as well as the chance to visit the beautiful Garden Isle of Kauai!

## Humor:

Some truisms for all the golfers out there:

- A two-foot putt counts the same as a two-foot drive.
- Never wash your ball on the tee of a water hole
- It takes 17 holes to really get warmed up.
- It's as easy to lower your handicap as it is to lower your hat size.
- The six stages of golf are Sudden Collapse, Radical Change, Complete Frustration, Slow Improvement, Brief Mastery, and Sudden Collapse.

## CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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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> Monday  
at Central YMCA 6pm

## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International

IP **Joan Wilson** has published her February E-newsletter featuring an article on YSCI's partnership with the UN. Download your copy at <http://ysmen.org/Page/32325>.

### US Area

It's official: The next US Area Convention will be held jointly with Area Canada-Caribbean August 4-6, 2017 in Las Vegas. Venue is the Hampton Inn, a non-gambling property. More details will soon be forthcoming but mark your calendars now for an event full of fun and fellowship!

**Ray Seto** has put together a package using Vacations Hawai'i starting at \$699 which includes air, transfers, hotel and meals. Dates are August 2-7. You can contact him at 398-0408 or [luckyatolaloa@aol.com](mailto:luckyatolaloa@aol.com).

### Metro District

YSCI Members across the state are mourning the passing of long time member **Harold Kuwahara** who died recently at age 88. Harold was a long time member of the **Nu'uano Y Service Club** and an active participant in all their activities. Harold joined Y'sdom in 1962 in Hilo and continued his service to the Y and the Community for the next 55 years on Maui and finally on O'ahu. His wisdom and gentle manner will be sorely missed...

### Hawai'i Region

Time flies and the 81<sup>st</sup> Regional Convention is just around the corner. Dates are May 5 to 7 at the Courtyard by Marriott at Coconut Beach, Kaua'i. It's going to be a great weekend of food, fun and friends kicking off with the fabulous Smith Family Lu'au on Friday night. We're also expecting quite a few brother club members so be sure to make your hotel reservations asap. Flights are cheaper too when you reserve ahead. The convention brochure with registration form is available at <http://ysmenhawaii.org> So don't delay sign up today!

## Calendar of Events

### February 2017

Emphasis: Time of Fast-Global Project Fund. RSD: Phil Chun (Kalihi)

4 Metro District Meeting  
11 ASC Kickoff-Dole Ballrooms  
13 Membership Meeting Central Y

### March 2017

Emphasis: Brother Clubs. RSD: Jim Kanehira (Windward)

13 Membership Meeting Central Y  
23 Camp Erdman work project

### Christian Emphasis

By Rick Lau

Anyone who is having troubles should pray." – James 5:13

Have you taken your disappointments to God? You've shared them with your neighbor, your relatives, your friends. But have you taken them to God? Before you go anywhere else with your disappointments, go to God.

### News From YMCA of Honolulu

February is Annual Support Campaign (ASC) for the Y with all branches participating including our own Central Y. The kick off will take place on Saturday February 11 at 11am in the Dole Ballrooms with a party atmosphere prevailing! Come on down and enjoy fun and fellowship plus a delicious buffet lunch. We'll learn too what the goal for Central will be in 2017.

Here's a fun way to achieve your contribution goal to the Time of Fast/Global Projects Fund!

## Y Service Clubs International

TIME OF FAST - DONATION CALENDAR  
February 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		<b>1</b> Open the window and let the sun shine in.	<b>2</b> For every slice of toast you ate this morning donate 4 cents	<b>3</b> For every telephone call this day, pay one cent.	<b>4</b> Do you have a sealed road in front of home? 10 cents	<b>5</b> Be Thankful and praise the Lord
<b>6</b> Donate 5 cents for every door in your home.	<b>7</b> Donate 3 cents for every pair of shoes you own.	<b>8</b> Donate 50 cents if you ate anything else but rice today	<b>9</b> Enjoy the day.	<b>10</b> Donate 50 cents if you don't know who is our ISG.	<b>11</b> Give 4 cents for every electric heating and cooking appliance you own.	<b>12</b> Give 10 cents if you are retired, 30 cents if still working.
<b>13</b> Donate 25 cents for every pair of spectacles you own.	<b>14</b> Were you angry in traffic today? Donate 25 cents.	<b>15</b> Donate 1 cent for every received Christmas card.	<b>16</b> Donate 50 cents if you ate any frozen foods today.	<b>17</b> Make a friend	<b>18</b> Give 3 cents for every Y's Men's banner you have.	<b>19</b> Donate 5 cents for every water tap at your home.
<b>20</b> Donate 3 cents for every night away from home this year	<b>21</b> Make a phone call to a lonely person.	<b>22</b> Donate 25 cents for every Radio in your home.	<b>23</b> Give 50 cents if you get a phone call from family or friends today.	<b>24</b> Donate 40 cents for every car less than 3 years old at your home.	<b>25</b> Did you use your mobile phone more than once? Donate 30 cents.	<b>26*</b> Donate 2 cents for every Email received today.
<b>27</b> For every remote control you have donate 10 cents.	<b>28</b> If it rains donate 5 cents, if not, 30 cents					

\*26 February: Youth Time of Fast. Dieting – the triumph of mind over platter.

Please send your contributions to: \_\_\_\_\_