



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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Officers 2016-2017

President: Phil Sammer
Vice President: Troy Tomita
Secretary: Rick Lau
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Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Darryl
Tupinio, James Ishimoto, Eunice
Delacruz, Jennie Scott.

Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Troy Tomita
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
Community Service: Darryl Tupinio
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau
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Endowment: Phil Sammer
Time of Fast: Gary Bautista
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Eddie Miwa (Kalihi)
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OVG District Governor:
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US Area President-elect:
Tibor Foki (Pacific Southwest)
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Wilson (Canada)
International President-elect:
Henry Grindheim (Norway)

Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

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

Y's Words:

*"There can be no happiness if the
things we believe in are different
from the things we do".*

Freyda Stark

President's Message



March is upon us and winter is on the wane...we hope. Lots of rain this year in Hawai'i, perhaps a consequence of global warming? The club has stayed active since January and continues to seek new projects to benefit the community and the YMCA. The residence at the branch is still operating and the club plans on doing a project there this month (see story below). We hope everything is fine in your part of the world and that you will visit us if you are in Hawai'i-nei!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

The month began with the Metro District meeting at the Windward YMCA that **Rick** attended since prez **Phil** had another engagement. It was a productive meeting neatly summarized in this issue on page 2. The two major projects coming up are the Camp Erdman work day on Saturday March 25 and Healthy Kids Day at Bishop Museum on Saturday April 8....Speaking of work projects, members decided at the last meeting to revive one of our former projects, namely painting residence rooms at the YMCA. The closing date for the branch has been pushed back indefinitely so it's a good time to spruce up the only remaining money making part of the building. The date is Sunday March 12 from 9am to noon.

February was dedicated to the Annual Support Campaign which this year kicked off at the Dole Ballrooms on Saturday February 11. Despite a torrential downpour, one of the worst of the winter, four hardy Central YSC members showed up: **Troy, Rick, Phil** and new member **Jennie Scott**. We enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch while listening to stories from some of those folks the YMCA has helped with its annual fundraising effort. We also learned that the branch goal this year is \$50,000 which should be easily accomplished by our energetic group. The Y board has 100% participation as will, we hope, Central YSC. There is one more report meeting on March 8 and there will be a volunteer celebration at 5pm on Wednesday March 15 at Dave and Busters.

At the March meeting **Darryl** distributed the raffle tickets that will be used for prize drawings at the Regional Convention in May. Each member needs to sell ten \$5 tickets. Central is also responsible for five prizes worth at least \$20 each and two prizes worth \$50 minimum each. We decided to get gift cards for the lesser amounts and Phil will donate two one night stays at the 'Ilima Hotel for the larger prizes.

Remember we have moved our membership meetings back to the YMCA.



Phil, Jennie and Rick braved the elements to attend the ASC kick off on Saturday February 11. The guys were decked out in the new Central YSC club shirt. **Troy** attended as well. Despite the bad weather the turn out was terrific!

Brother Club News

Nothing new to report this month from our brother clubs. We did receive a very nice thank you as well as a souvenir program from the 70th anniversary celebration of the **Seoul YSC**.

Humor Important Facts To Remember As We Grow Older

Death is the number 1 killer in the world....Life is sexually transmitted.. Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die... Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in the hospital, dying of nothing.... All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

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 Central YMCA 6pm

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News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International

Mr. **Moon Sang-bong** of Yeosu, Korea, has been elected International President Elect for 2017/18 while **Phillip Cherian** will serve another term as Int'l Treasurer. The results of the elections were announced on Friday during the welcome dinner of the Mid Year Meeting in Bangalore, India. 682 valid ballots were received out of 1453 clubs.

US Area

US Area President-elect **Tibor Foki** will represent the US Area at the Regional Convention in May.

Metro District reported by Rick Lau

The quarterly meeting of the Metro District was held on Saturday February 4 at the Windward YMCA. DG **Albert Lee** reminded all club presidents to encourage their members to attend the 81st Hawaii Region convention in Kauai this coming May. There is limited seating on Hawaiian Air flights to Lihue so book early. Chair Joeann McCarthy said Peace Project is scheduled for March. And Healthy Kids Day is April 8 at Bishop Museum. Metro will be doing the same shave ice booth. Camp Erdman project is scheduled for March 25. All clubs except West Oahu agreed to participate. West Oahu has their annual Car Wash benefit for Mililani Y on the same day. Next Metro meeting will be on April 1, 2017 – Kaimuki will host.

Hawai'i Region

The Regional Convention will include a one and a half hour training and new member orientation session on Saturday May 6. It promises to be an exciting 90 minutes full of useful information about membership development, fundraising and project development. New members will find out information about all aspects of YSCI and how they can best contribute to the continued success of our organization. Registration forms are available on line at <http://ysmenhawaii.org>. Join us!

Calendar of Events

March 2017

Emphasis: Brother Clubs. RSD: Jim Kanehira (Windward)
8 ASC Report Meeting
13 Membership Meeting Central Y
15 ASC Volunteer Celebration
25 Camp Erdman work project

April 2017

Emphasis: Leadership Training RSDs:
Keola Taniguchi (W. Oahu), Sharon Ishida (Kaimuki)
1 Metro District Assembly
8 Healthy Kids Day
10 Membership Meeting Central Y

Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

"I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love. – Ephesians 3:18

From the cradle in Bethlehem to the cross in Jerusalem we've pondered the love of our Father. What can you say to that kind of emotion? Upon learning that God would die rather than live without you, how do you react? How can you begin to explain such passion?

News From YMCA of Honolulu

The YMCA of Honolulu is offering a [Spring Intersession Program](#) for children to continue learning and developing while they are out of school. Our Day Camp program includes: Arts & Crafts, Sports & Nutrition, Local Field Trips, Team Play, Outdoor Activities, and much more!
Financial assistance is available.