



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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Honor Bulletin
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Officers 2016-2017

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

Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Darryl
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Delacruz, Jennie Scott.

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ASF/DFS: Troy Tomita
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
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Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau
Membership/Conservation: Rick
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Time of Fast: Gary Bautista
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Eddie Miwa (Kalihi)
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International President-elect:
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Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

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

Y's Words:

*"Bad habits are like a comfortable
bed, easy to get into but hard to
get out of".*

A. Nony Mous

President's Message



Spring is here. Hard to believe it's April already. This year is truly flying by. We'll all be gathering soon on the Garden Island for the 81st Hawaii Region Convention. Three club members are planning to attend including **Rick, Roy** and myself. I'm looking forward to reconnecting with OVG club members from Hilo and Maui and especially Kaua'i whose members, by the way, will be the guests of honor at the convention lunch on Saturday. I hope to see you all there!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

It was a pretty active month for the club starting with the painting project at Central on Sunday March 12. We had a good turnout including **Troy, Roy, Rick, Phil** and **Jennie** who brought along her son **Dexter**. We were supposed to paint guest rooms but switched to touching up the entrance trellis. The weather cooperated and we were able to improve the appearance of the Y even though it won't be around much longer. Hey, even an old building can use a facelift! The next evening we had our regular monthly meeting during which we elected officers for the coming year: President: **Phil**, 1st VP: **Troy**, 2nd VP: **Jimmy**, Secretary: **Jennie** and Treasurer: **Darryl**.

On March 15 we gathered at Dave and Busters for the traditional Annual Support Campaign victory and worker appreciation dinner. We topped our goal of \$50,000 bringing in \$52,306 with Central YSC raising 11% of the total so it was a merry celebration. The way things are going we'll probably be back next year given the slow progress of the branch replacement..lol!

We finished up the month participating in the Metro District work day at YMCA Camp Erdman where, once again, we picked up our paint brushes and touched up the interiors of six cabins. 52 YSCI members turned out representing all six clubs in the district. Central provided the drinks and also had a great turnout with seven of ten members present: **Rick, Roy, Phil, Troy, Jennie, Gary, Jimmy** and **Darryl**. It was a fun way to end a very busy month!

Next month will be busy as well starting with the Metro District Conference at 6pm on Saturday April 1 at Kaimuki Y followed on April 8 by the annual YMCA Healthy Kids Day at Bishop Museum (meet at 7am for breakfast at MacDonald's).

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

Brother Club News

Daniel Lee and wife **Grace** of our **Seoul** brother club are currently in Honolulu and would like very much to attend our club meeting on April 10. He contacted **Phil** to set it up.

Bendigo reports that they have been meeting jointly on a regular basis with the **Kangaroo Flat** club alternating locations. Members have embraced the idea and continued cooperation seems likely. They are also looking at possible joint activities with the **Eaglehawk** club. This sounds like what Central has been doing this past year participating in Metro clubs' projects.

Humor

A thief in Paris planned to steal some paintings from the Louvre. After careful planning, he got past security, stole the paintings, and made it safely to his van. However, he was captured only two blocks away when his van ran out of gas. When asked how he could mastermind such a crime and then make such an obvious error, he replied, 'Monsieur, that is the reason I stole the paintings. I had no Monet to buy Degas to make the Van Gogh'.

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

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International

March 25-31 is the International Week Of Service. All clubs are asked to perform a special project!

US Area

No candidates presented themselves for the position of US Area CFO so the Council voted to authorize current CFO **Gene Koester** to run for another term although he has "termed out" under the bylaws. A special election ballot has been mailed to all Area clubs and is due on or before April 15. We thank Gene for his willingness to serve another two-year term!

Metro District

Metro clubs gathered at YMCA Camp Erdman on Saturday March 25 for a district service project. Originally the plans included several locations around the camp but, due to the great turnout, the decision was made to paint the interiors of six cabins. Volunteers included 52 YSCI members as well as 12 youth from The Society of Young Leaders from Aloha United Way. The work involved moving the cabin furniture and painting the interior walls white. Meanwhile the young people did the hard outside work removing brush and overgrowth from the edges of the compound. Central provided the cold drinks which were much appreciated in the early spring heat! This project followed on the heels of a similar project last year and will be repeated this fall. The camp is a great asset to the YMCA but requires constant maintenance.

Hawai'i Region

The 81st Regional Convention is almost here but it's not too late to register. Rooms are still available and there are flight specials on Hawaiian Airlines. Dates: May 5-7 at the Marriott Courtyard on Kaua'i. We're expecting quite a few Japanese brotherclubbers as well so it will be a fun event. Register at: <http://ysmenhawaii.org>. Join us!

Calendar of Events

April 2017

Emphasis: Leadership Training RSDs:
Keola Taniguchi (W. Oahu), Sharon
Ishida (Kaimuki)

- 1 Metro District Assembly Kaimuki Y
- 8 Healthy Kids Day Bishop Museum
- 10 Membership Meeting Central Y

MAY 2017

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

- 5-7 81st Regional Convention
- 8 Membership Meeting
- 12 Endowment Dinner Manoa Ballroom

Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau
"He isn't here! He has been raised from the dead." – Matthew 28:6
The one who was dead is said to be alive, and the soldiers, who are alive, look as if they are dead. The women can tell something is up . . . The angel informs them: "He isn't here! He has been raised up from the dead." . . . Heaven unplugged the grave's power cord, and you and I have nothing to fear. Death is disabled.
Y'all have a Happy Easter !

News From YMCA of Honolulu

Join us for a FREE day of fun, health and fitness at our 9th Annual YMCA Healthy Kids Day at the Bishop Museum, on Saturday, April 8, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Thanks to sponsors admission is free for Kama'aina and Military with valid ID and includes a free entry to the Bishop Museum. Get your [free ticket online](#) in advance to save time!

Pictures from the Central Y and Camp Erdman painting projects...

Central:



Camp Erdman

