



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

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

Y's Words:

*"You can't stay mad at someone
who makes you laugh".*

Jay Leno

President's Message



July marks the beginning of the YSCI year with a fresh start for clubs around the world. Many have new officers and all have new ideas for the months to come. Central members are looking forward to a productive year with projects and activities that will benefit the YMCA and the community. Our goal is always the same: To provide service and perform volunteer work in the true Aloha spirit. So here's to the new year and all the possibilities it holds!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Sunday June 4 featured one main activity of the month for the club: Hawaii Special Olympics that were held this year, as every year, at the University of Hawaii athletic field. As always our club was responsible for the distribution of food to the athletes and coaches. This year's bentos were donated by IHOP and included rice, chicken katsu, a hot dog and broccoli. There were also apples and oranges as well as plenty of cold water. On hand to help out were **Darryl, Gary, Roy, Rick, Eunice, Phil** and **Jennie** with son **Dexter**. We set up the serving tables, restocked the water, and received and distributed the food to the hungry participants. The crowd seemed smaller this year due to many O'ahu based athletes not staying for lunch. The weather cooperated and we had fun being of service to those for whom a disability is no dis-ability. We look forward to volunteering again in June 2018....This month we will be volunteering again at the book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Hawaii. We'll be batting cleanup on Sunday July 23 working the final day of the event. Prez **Phil** will also be working additional shifts as a cashier.

Brother Club News

The **Bendigo Golden City Bulletin** reports that the club made its annual donation to the Smith Family-Learning for Life Program that has helped many disadvantaged children gain help with their education including a medical student who otherwise would not have been able to realize her dreams.

July Emphasis: Membership and Conservation

We kick off the new YSCI year with emphasis on one of the most important tasks we have as a club: Membership recruitment and conservation. During the recent 81st Regional Convention we had a very interesting presentation on how to attract Millennials, those elusive young people born after 1980 who are considered digital "natives" meaning that their world has always featured computers, instant communication and social media. They want to serve but they need three vital elements to attract them: *Purpose, Passion and Potential*. In other words: Why do this project, will it engage my passion and does it have the potential to make me a better person. They value fun, teamwork and social responsibility. Sounds like a Y Service club member! Our main task then is to find or create projects that fulfill these needs not only for the Millennials but also for our current members so that they remain in the club. This is what we mean by conservation and it is vital to the existence of YSCI. Let's make 2017-2018 the year of both membership development and conservation!

Humor Musings:

If I had a dollar for every girl that found me unattractive, they'd eventually find me attractive. I changed my password to "incorrect" so whenever I forget it, the computer will say, "Your password is incorrect."

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.
Ever stop to think and forget to start again?

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
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Men's Club
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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

Congratulations to **Henry Grindheim** of Norway as he assumes the duties of International President.

US Area

Tibor Foki is the new US Area President and will serve a two year term. He and wife **Charl** were recently in Hawai'i attending the 81st Regional convention as the US Area representatives. Best of luck for a successful presidency!

Metro District

Metro District Governor **Joe-Ann McCarthy** has scheduled the first Metro District Meeting for Thursday July 20, 2017. The meeting will be held at the Kalihi YMCA. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm with meeting to follow at 6:30 pm. Included on the agenda will be a discussion regarding the location for our 82nd Hawai'i Regional Convention. Chair **Duke Chung** has already circulated various possibilities on Hawai'i Island the most popular of which seems to be the newly renovated Grand Naniloa Hotel in Hilo that now carries the Hilton Doubletree brand. Final selection will take place at the meeting. Also under discussion will be the upcoming Par Hawai'i charity golf tournament that will benefit the YMCA and involves volunteers from all Metro clubs.

Hawai'i Region

Chief among the concerns of the Region for this new YSCI year is the development of individuals to assume leadership positions. Currently there is no candidate for Regional Director-elect which may be due in large part to the lack of advanced training among those members who have the knowledge and experience of Y'sdom to step forward. RD **Eddie Miwa** has been developing plans to create a mentorship program which will help to fill the knowledge gap among those YSCI members who may be interested in becoming RD. Without such a program the region will soon find itself bereft of leadership.

Calendar of Events

JULY 2017

Emphasis: Membership & Conservation
RSD: Bobby Stivers-Apiki (Hilo)

- 10 Membership Meeting Central Y
- 20 Metro District Meeting Kalihi Y
- 23 Friends of the Library Booksale

AUGUST 2017

Emphasis: Community Service RSD:
Ethyl Takamatsu (Kalihi)

- 4-6 Joint US Area/Canada Convention
- 14 Membership Meeting Central Y
- 24 82nd Regional Convention Meeting

Christian Emphasis

By Rick Lau
"It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins."

Hebrews 10:4

Sacrifices could offer temporary solutions, but only God could offer the eternal one. So he did. Beneath the rubble of the fallen world, he pierced his hands. In the wreckage of a collapsed humanity, he ripped open his side . . . He gave his blood. It was all he had.

News From the YMCA of Honolulu

It is with great sadness that the Y announced in June the passing of **Henry Clark**, past Metro board member and chair and major YMCA philanthropist. Henry's matching funds program contributed greatly to the success of many branch ASCs. He will be sorely missed.

Photos from the Special Olympics June 4, 2017

