



# Y's Cracks

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**LUAU/REGIONAL  
CONVENTION**

## **Y'S MEN HAWAII REGION 2006 CONVENTION UPDATE**

*May 19-21, 2006*

Leadership will be the key issue at the 70th Regional Convention on May 19-21, 2006 at the Naniloa Volcanoes Resort. There is a free shuttle from the airport to the hotel (969-3333) for our neighbor island participants that can assist with arrivals. Room check-in starts at 3:00pm but the registration table will be open from 10:00am. ROY ISHII is coordinating assignments.

Hilo Y's Men delegates are **LANCE NIIMI, THAYER NAKAMOTO, JIMMY FUJIMOTO, GERRAIN HOLLINS, ROBERT CHOW AND LANNY NEEL**. The drafted Hawaii Region Policies and Procedures will be reviewed and discussed at length as our region focuses on the future leadership and direction of our organization. RD Paul Kuromoto will be striving to "create a leader-friendly environment which nurtures and enhances..." There is a request that the delegates and convention attendees bring a "spirit" of leadership and positive energy about being a leader to the convention. RD Kuromoto is asking that we demonstrate "Unity in Purpose" and work together to be "Strategic in our Actions." This convention is important to lay a strong foundation for future leadership.

**BROTHERHOOD CLUB ACTIVITIES:** **BEN INOUE** and Lily Inouye have designed a full two days of activities for our friends from Tokyo Y's Men and other clubs from May 21-23, 2006. Club members are asked to sign up for the Imiloa Astronomy Center and Hilo tour on May 21 and bring a potluck dish for the dinner at 6:00pm. **JIMMY FUJIMOTO** is coordinating the Golf and Lily is working on the volcano tour for Monday. Please let Lily know your participation.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

*Hilo Y's Men Club business & program meetings*

**7:00pm**

**Café 100**

**May 4 & 18, 2006**

**June 1 & 15, 2006**

**Come early, eat, fellowship, & talk story**

**ANNUAL BENEFIT  
LUAU**

**Saturday, May 13, 2006**

**Cocktail: 5:30pm/Dinner  
6:30pm**

**\$20.00 per person**

**YMCA MPR**

**70th Y's Men**

**HAWAII**

**REGIONAL CON-  
VENTION**

**May 19-22, 2005**

**Hilo Hawaiian Hotel**

**Hilo Y's Men**

**Brotherhood Dinner**

**May 21, 2006**

**5:30pm**

## President 's Message: Aloha fellow Y's Men,



This is the End of the Year Report that I submitted for the upcoming convention. As a club, we have been very very busy and I can honestly say that I am proud of all that we have accomplished, thanks to your commitment and dedication to our cause.

### GOALS FOR 2005-2006:

- To maintain and hold to our regular course of Y's Men's meetings twice a month, on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The first Thursday is our regular business meeting and our third meeting of each month is our program meeting in which a speaker addresses our group on some area of interest.
- To hold all planned activities as scheduled and to respond as needed to other requests that may be asked of our club. The main objectives of our activities include:
  1. Fundraising for the Hilo Y's Men's Club and the YMCA
  2. Intra-club fellowship and relationship building.
  3. Building upon the community relationship and support for the Y's Men and the YMCA.
- The recruitment of 5 new members by the end of 2006.

### RESULTS ACHIEVED:

- Regarding regular meetings and speakers for these meetings, this goal was achieved.
- Regarding holding of planned activities for fundraising, intra-club fellowship, and building community relationships, this goal was achieved.
- Regarding recruitment of 5 new members, this goal has not been achieved. As of this writing, we actually gained two new members but lost 6 members from the original roster we started with.

### HIGHLIGHTS:

June 05: Installation Banquet at the Naniloa Hotel on June 4, 2005. Brotherhood delegate and home stay with Mr. Jong Sang Choi and wife Dwang Sook Kim June 16-22, 2005.

July 05: President Lance attends US Area/Canada Convention at Prince Edward Island, Canada

August 05: Hilo Y's Men Luau on August 13, 2005 chaired by Robert "Steamy" Chow.

October 05: Y's Men Hot Pot Dinner on October 1, w/ 120 guests. Chaired by Steamy & Lily Chow.

## **Hilo Y's Men Officers 2005-2006**

**Lance Niimi**—President

**Thayer Nakamoto**—Vice President

**Roy Ishii**—Secretary

**James Fujimoto**—Treasurer

**Board of Directors:**

**Gerrain Hollins, H. "Skinny"**

**Tahara and Lanny Neel**

**REGIONAL NEWS: 70th Hawaii Region Convention will be on May 19-21, 2006 at the Naniloa Hotel. Please get ready to be inspired to take on leadership positions for our Y's Men future.**

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS: 67th International Convention will be held in Busan, Korea on August 3-6, 2006. Thayer will represent Hilo Y's Men. [www.ysmenu.com](http://www.ysmenu.com)**

## **Christian Emphasis**

**Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.**

John 6:54

PRAYER LINE PRAYERS NEEDED CALLING PRAYER WARRIORS

- **Harvey & Phyllis Chong**
- **Ken Aratani**
- **Les Wung and his son-in law Tom Yeh**
- **The Delegates and participants of the 70th Regional convention that they travel safely and have a great experience**
  - **Pray for World Peace**
- **Hilo Y's Men and their families that they remain healthy and strong "servant leaders" of the YMCA & community.**

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## **Y'S MEN HISTORY...**

**DID YOU KNOW or do you care...**

**The Induction Ceremony, as envisioned by Paul Alexander, is used today by Clubs throughout the world. He called it "What it means to be a Y's Man." The ceremony declares- A Y's Man is to: 1. Be An Idealist, 2. Be Loyal to the YMCA, 3. Be World Minded, 4. Acknowledge the Duty that Accompanies Every Right, and 5. BE ENTHUSIASTICALLY ACTIVE!**

CONTINUED FROM PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

November 20-December 3, 2006 : Hilo Y's Men Christmas Tree Sale and December 17, 2006

YMCA Golf Tournament nets \$10,000.00. Lance Niimi chairman, Thayer Nakamoto on committee.

January 06: three Sundays Narcissus carving class for 10 participants ( A Milton Hakoda tradition)

and club host Japan Seniors YMCA Group for a Steak Fry and Karaoke Nite on January 12, 2006.

February 06: Time of Fast Steak Fry and 100% Attendance Night chaired by Gerry Hollins

March 2006: The 4th Annual Kids to Camp at KMC 36 campers, 9 Y's Men attend Hoike dinner

LIVING TRIBUTE TO:

## **GERRAIN HOLLINS**

The Hilo Y's Men Club of the Hawaii Region honors Gerrain "Gerry Hollins with a living tribute in the Golden Book of Y's Men International for 2006.

Gerry Hollins has been an active member of the Hilo Y's Men Club since he joined in 2000. Gerry became President of the Club from 2003 and served for two consecutive one year terms. During his leadership he began the Vocational Talks during the second meeting of the month that highlights new members or presentations from leaders in the community. Gerry also mandated that every Y's Men be a member of the Island of Hawaii YMCA.

He has been Chairmen of the Time of Fast, Club Service Director-YMCA Liaison and pledged \$10,000.00 towards the Waiakea Settlement YMCA Capital Campaign Drive in 2004. His business Mid Pacific Wheels (the most experienced bike shop in Hilo) is the lead sponsor of the Waiakea Settlement Healthy Kids Day since 2000. Gerry is an active member of the YMCA Fitness Center and is on the Board of the Waiakea Settlement YMCA.

In 2004 Gerry Hollins was honored with the prestigious "Triton Award" for his exemplary service to our Y's Men organization the YMCA and our community.

Gerry is married to Holly and they have two children, Althea and Franklin. He is also a member of the Rotary Club of Hilo. He is an avid bike rider.

**CONGRATULATIONS!GOOD JOB!AWESOME!YOU ARE OUR HERO!**

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