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*Serving Others for 50 years*



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## President's Message

*By Tiffany Kiyabu*

**Aloha, Members!**

Can you believe it is summer already? The year continues to fly on by, and before you know it, fall and winter will be upon us! Summer is by far the busiest time of the year it seems for the YMCA, and it is no exception for the members of the club. They have been busy supporting the numerous events that the Kaimuki YMCA has been having, most recently having provided the much needed supplies, manpower, and snacks for the annual Raggers Camp. A big mahalo to **RAY SETO**, **SHARON** and **BRAD ISHIDA** for all the help they provided in securing the supplies and snacks for the camp. It was truly appreciated, and the camp went well.

We also wished "safe travels" to club members **KEAHI KAAWA** and **JAY NISHIMURA** as they embarked on a 2-week trip to Hiroshima, Japan. They are traveling with one other adult and 12 teenagers from the YMCA of Honolulu Association's teen programs. We look forward to welcoming them back and to listen to all of their stories!

Please keep in mind that we still are selling the Macy's "Shop For A Cause" savings passes! Please remember to report all sales to **RAY SETO**. More information is to come on how the Kaimuki Ys Men Club will be supporting this year's Kaimuki Family Night.

Until then, looking forward to seeing you out and about! Continue to do the good things you do.

**CLUB CALENDAR**  
**NEXT CLUB MEETING**  
**Monday, August 11th, 6:30 pm**  
**at the Kaimuki YMCA**

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**RELAY FOR LIFE**  
**Saturday, July 19-20**

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**MACY'S SHOP FOR A CAUSE**  
**Target Date for Macy's Pass**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23**

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**KAIMUKI Y FAMILY DAY**  
**Friday, July 25th**  
**Report by 6:00 pm to KAHALA**  
**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAF-**  
**ETERIA**

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**METRO DISTRICT**  
**MEETING**  
**Saturday, August 9th**  
**9:00 am—12:00 noon**  
**Ilima Hotel**

Tiffany 



## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

As of July 1st, three new International Council Members for the India Area will take office: **K.M. SCARIACHEN**, **P. VIJAYAKUMAR** and **V.I. CHERIAN**. India currently has the largest membership among the Y's Men Areas in the world. Speaking of India, the 71st Y's Men International Convention will be located in Chennai (Madras) from August 7th—10th.

## U.S. AREA NEWS

**RD BOBBY STIVERS-APIKI** packed his bags (with a lot of mac nuts!) and headed off to very sunny Tucson, Arizona last week for his first U.S. Area Council meeting. Heard from a bird, that he's done his homework and diligently studied the reports and notes sent to him from the Area. It's too bad that there was a terrible storm in Tucson that weekend.

## HAWAII REGION NEWS

If you're ever in Maui on a fifth Saturday of a month (like August 30th or November 29th), contact **DONNA JONES**, President of the Maui Y Service Club, to let her know that you'd like to help out with their homeless shelter dinner. They prep a complete hot meal and then serve it to families who need the support. It's a terrific project and a real treat for the families. Also, check out the West Oahu Y's Men's Plant and Bake Sale to pick up reasonably priced plants and sure-to-be delicious treats on Friday, July 18th at the Town Center of Mililani from 5:00—8:00 pm as part of the Mililani YMCA Family Fair. These two worthwhile projects are among the many opportunities that other clubs would appreciate help from other Hawaii Y's Men and Women. Check club newsletters and see if you can lend a hand! Keeps the ohana in the Districts and Region tighter and more connected.

## METRO DISTRICT NEWS

Congratulations to the fine men and women of the **NUUANU Y'S MEN AND WOMEN'S CLUB** who marked their club's 50th anniversary (chartered on May 29, 1964). A presentation of the commemorative surfboard plaques from the Hawaii Region were made during the recent Regional Convention in Hilo to **NUUANU** and to the **CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB** who celebrated their 20th anniversary on May 24th at the Pagoda Restaurant. Mark your calendar—Saturday, August 9th, 9:00 am—12:00 noon, for the first Metro District meeting at the Ilima Hotel. **Kaimuki Club members:** if there is anyone who like to attend, contact Prez **TIFFANY KIYABU** to submit your name. It would be a great learning experience and a wonderful show of support for our new District Governor, **ALBERT!**

*"I know the price of success: dedication, hard work, and an unremitting devotion to the things you want to see happen."*

— Frank Lloyd Wright



Christian Emphasis

1 Timothy 6:6-8 (The Living Bible)

*"Do you want to be truly rich? You already are if you are happy and good. After all, we didn't bring any money into the world, and we can't carry away a single penny when we die."*



## Club Coconut Wireless

### MAILE YEE SELECTED AS NEXT ENDOWMENT RECIPIENT

It was a unanimous choice—the daughter of **TONY** and **KAORI YEE** will be our next Golden Book entry from the Kaimuki Club! **MAILE** has been a Y'sling since her dad joined the club and has more than proven that her sweet smile and helpfulness at various Y's Men's functions (including this year's Regional Convention in Hilo) make her a clear choice for the honor!

### RAGGERS CAMP HIGHLIGHTS POSITIVE CHARACTER VALUES

The Ragers Program will turn 100 years old this year. In 1914, 38 -year old Thomas Caldwell, boys' secretary of the Oakland, California YMCA was searching for a method to deal with certain discipline problems at camp in a positive, rather than negative, way. At the time, the method used by many YMCA camps was to present awards for participation in athletics and other activities. Caldwell considered this but discarded the idea because not all campers would be able to win such an award. Caldwell's aspiration evolved into the idea of rewarding positive character traits, such as good health habits, promptness, cheerfulness, morals, trust and helpfulness. To symbolize these positive qualities, Caldwell bought some very simple blue kerchiefs which he called "Rags" for 10 cents each from the Williamson's County Store in Pescadero. Their simplicity signified that, in and of themselves, the rags had no value—rather, they were just a symbol of positive qualities the person had demonstrated. During an evening campfire program, Caldwell called several of the boys forward. As he tied the Rag around each boy's neck, he explained to him, and the camp, the reason for receiving it. Thus a tradition was started.

During the weekend of June 28th-29th, 2014 the YMCA of Honolulu Teen programs gathered at H.R. Camp Erdman to hold their annual Ragers Camp. Many of the Kaimuki Ys Men's Club members are active Ragers participants and were integral in the planning and execution of the camp annually. Purple Ragers include **KEAHI KAAWA** and **WE PEI**, Red Ragers include **JAY NISHIMURA** and **TIFFANY KIYABU**, and Gold Ragger **CASSIDY INAMASU** were in attendance at this year's camp. The support of the Club, including members **RAY SETO**, who secured gallons of paint needed to prepare the points (sites for the ceremonies), and **BRADFORD** and **SHARON ISHIDA**, who provided snacks for the preparation weekend as well as for the camp was much appreciated. This year welcomed approximately 50 new "Blue" Ragers to the program, all whom which received a homemade rag in honor of the 100th year Anniversary featuring a unique Hawaii designed Ragers Logo.



KAIMUKI YMCA RAGGER  
PARTICIPANTS AT CAMP  
ERDMAN



**A Message from the  
Branch Executive of the Kaimuki-Waiālae YMCA**

**TONY YEE**



World Cup fever has finally subsided. It has been quite a month of excitement on the international scene for the Y as well. The YMCA of Honolulu hosted the Six Ys conference at the Ala Moana Hotel this year from June 23rd through June 25th. The Six Ys is a coalition that already has a 40-year history. Besides the YMCA of Honolulu, the group also includes the Singapore YMCA, Taipei YMCA, Osaka YMCA, Seoul YMCA, and the Hong Kong YMCA. The conference featured presentations by each delegate team and provided the space for the Ys to explore new collaborations in programming and staff exchange. It was the first time for me meeting many of these Ys, and it was privilege to get to know some great champions of the Y movement overseas.

Here are a few of my observations from the conference:

- \* Our colleagues in Asia are very active in collaborating with each other and there is much more exchange programs involving both members and staff.
- \* Generally speaking, our Ys in Asia are more connected to the Y's Christian roots than we are at the YMCA of Honolulu.
- \* The Hong Kong Ys have an impressive level of involvement at the young adult/college student level.
- \* Many Asian YMCAs especially Taiwan and Singapore have very deep inroads to government funding but comparatively speaking, have very narrow pathways to philanthropic support from the general public.
- \* We all struggle with recruiting, developing and retaining young staff.
- \* There are some very interesting and successful business/program models that we have yet to try at the YMCA of Honolulu.
- \* There is a genuine desire to increase the level of collaboration these Ys have with YMCA of Honolulu.

I think the YMCA of Honolulu team probably had similar feelings to that team USA had about their World Cup appearance. We put on a strong show and have a lot to look forward to in the coming years!

Until next time,

*Tony*



Left to right: TONY YEE, GRACE CHAN , COO (Singapore YMCAs) and MIKE DOSS, COO (YMCA of Honolulu)



## NEW CLUB SHIRTS ARE READY!

If you haven't ordered your shirt yet, contact Tiffany or Ray with your size and number desired. Each member is responsible for the purchase of these beautiful fuchsia-colored collared shirts (different styles for men and women). The cost is approximately \$20 per shirt.

## MACY'S "SHOP FOR A CAUSE" DEADLINE APPROACHING

Have you sold all of your \$5.00 passes yet? The "Shop" day is AUGUST 23rd and all monies should be in to Treasurer Brad before that day. Please report to Ray Seto by Tuesday of each week with your sales report for that week (he has to report to Macy's on our progress). If club members need more passes, alert Ray to get you more. Remember that this fundraiser is for the benefit of selected non-profit groups and allows the full amount (\$5 per pass) to be kept by the group. We can do so much good for the YMCA and the community with the money earned!

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AT THE BRANCH FAMILY NIGHT

Please come out to help at the Kaimuki-Waiialae YMCA Summer Family Fair on Friday, July 25th. Report to KAHALA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL diagonally across Kahala Mall at 6:00 or earlier to assist the staff in collection of \$5 passes for the carnival games and to serve pre-ordered bento and drink dinners to the families. Wear your club shirts!

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### 2014-2015 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: TIFFANY KIYABU  
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SECRETARY: SHARON ISHIDA  
LIMA HANA BULLETIN EDITOR: SHARON ISHIDA

### KAIMUKI Y'S MEN CLUB ROSTER 2014-2015

Lisa Joy Andres, Leina'ala Hilea, Noa Hussey, "Kolohe"  
Imamura, Cassidy Inamasu, Brad Ishida, Sharon Ishida,  
Keahi Kaawa, Tiffany Kiyabu, Bob Martin, Masayo Nakagawa,  
Jay Nishimura, Reuben Naholowaa, Wes Pei, Ray Seto,  
Brian Shimabukuro, Robert Stivers-Apiki,  
Tony Yee, Hiroko Yoshida, Vernon Yoshida

### HONORARY MEMBERS

Paul Kuromoto, Phyllis Seto

### KAIMUKI Y'S SLINGS

Joy & Marisa Andres, Kaine and Daichi Martin,  
Maile and Taylor Yee



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