



**Nuuanu Y's Men and Women's Club**

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**Nuuanu Y's Men and Women**

**OFFICERS**

James Chong, Pres  
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Stephen Wong, Treas

**MEMBERS**

Kathy Ahlo  
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Maurice Shimonishi

International Member  
Kousei Watanabe

Honorary Members  
Georgia Niimoto  
Ken Miyamoto  
Helena Wallin Miller

**Club Facts**

**Meetings Held**

First Monday of the month  
Chartered May 29, 1964

**President's Message**

Winter arrives this month as we celebrate the Christmas season. Information about our annual participation in the Honolulu City Lights Christmas Parade will be sent out via email.

Our next club meeting will take place on Monday, December 4 at 6 pm in the Castle room of the Youth services section of the Nuuanu YMCA. We will be discussing our upcoming activities for the new year. We are looking at YMCA Sunday and a club get together.

November was a celebration of Thanksgiving as we served dinner to the senior citizens in our neighborhood. Musical entertainment, a hot meal, door prizes and gifts for all attendees highlighted the early evening events. Please read our Thanksgiving article in this month's issue. Happy holidays to all as we remember the reason for this season!

Be joyful as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ!,




**Christian Emphasis**  
by MEL ISHIHARA



John 8 : 12

Jesus spoke to them again, "I am the light of the world . Whoever follows me will have light of life and will never walk in the darkness."


**WE ARE A SERVICE CLUB TO THE YMCA & THE COMMUNITY.**

*Peace*



Mike Doss, Executive District Vice President/ Nuuanu Executive Director 1/2005

Kristi Paul Assoc- Executive Director

Senior Program Director Dulli Haag 7/2006

JJ Bush Healthy Lifestyles director

Vito Manteilh, Assoc Healthy Lifestyles Dir

Troy Tomita Aquatics Development Director

Keola Taniguchi, Chad Hiu, Roxanne Ah Loy Assist Program Director

Eden Zamarin Assoc Group Exercise Director

John Nacapuy Building Superintendent

Tammy Nascimento Kathy Ahlo Office Managers

Cheryl Tang Assoc Membership Operations Director

New Projects - Every company, Every department, Needs executives With the courage to try New ideas and run The risk of making Mistakes. Otherwise Progress never Happens!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE - 34th Annual THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR THE SENIORS



HUI HANALE O AIKANE PERFORMS FOR THE SENIORS This volunteer group, made up of the 100<sup>th</sup> INF war veterans and spouses, is led by RAY NOSAKA,



165 Seniors from Kalanihuia, Makamae & Kukui Gardens Enjoy their Thanksgiving Dinner



Mae Hiranaka, Susan Wong, Kathy Ahlo, Brad Wong are diligently preparing the dinner plates.


REGIONAL CALEDAR  
JUNE - PUBLIC RELATIONS  
DONNA SCHULZE  
JULY -MEMBERSHI & CONSERVATION: DUKE CHUNG; EXTENSION - BILL STONE

AUGUST - COMMUNITY SERVICE - REGGIE TAKAKI

SEPTEMBER - ENDOWMENT BRAD ISHIDA

OCTOBER ASLF/DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS DONNA JONES  
MID YEAR CABINET MEETING 10/14

NOVEMBER BROTHERHOOD FUND - PHYLLIS SETO

DECEMBER - CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS JONI NEEL

- JANURAY-YMCA SERVICE- JENNIE YUKIMURA

FEBRUARY TIME OF FAST-PHIL CHUN

MARCH-BROTHER CLUB MASAYO NAKAGAWA & BOB MARTIN

APRIL-LEADERSHIP TRAINING -SHARON ISHIDA & LINDA CHUNG

MAY - REGIONAL CONVENTION - RICK LAU HONOLULU 18-20, 2007

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Our TIME OF FAST contributions are helping projects such as:

- Landmines Office, Africa Alliances \$25,000
- Professional Training for Youth Brazil \$15,000
- Refugees Support: Sierra Leone \$20,000
- Children's School, Myanmar \$6,000
- Day Care Centre, Estonia \$20,000
- Mobile Eye Clinic, Kerala \$13,000
- Health for All, Brazil \$14,000
- Credit, Citizen Participation and Neighborhood Development-South of Quito, Ecuador \$28,000
- Sanitation and Water, Lima, Peru \$25,000

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**U.S. AREA Supply Office**

Are you a past officer of the club, district, and/or region? Did you know that you can purchase pins that you may use at meetings, conventions, etc. that say Past Club President, Past District Governor, Past Service Director, etc.? They also have Y's Men's labels in sheets at very nominal costs. Just write to: Long Beach Uptown Y's Men's Club  
c/o Tibor Foki  
3465 Marna Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90808-3126



*NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD BROTHER CLUBS*

**OSAKA CENTENNIAL CLUB**

On November 15, the club's November meeting was held at the Rihga Grand Hotel in Osaka, with a total of 20 Y's men, Y's menettes and guests in attendance. The highlight of the meeting was a speech made by Ms KYOKO TAKAHASHI, director of the International Culture Center of the Osaka YMCA. She spoke about her personal experiences at the YMCA World Council of 2006 which was held at Durban, South Africa this September. We learned from her that world YMCA movements have been changing considerably with positive participation of a large number of women and younger people holding responsible positions at the Council.

Following the speech, we had thorough discussion about the club's budget for the new fiscal year. The discussion was very constructive for the future activities of our club and we would continue to have further discussion on how to recruit the new members and also to raise fund.

Yen 30,500 was collected for the club's fund at the meeting **Sam Fujiwara**

[m-fujiwara2@coffee.ocn.ne.jp](mailto:m-fujiwara2@coffee.ocn.ne.jp)

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**Y'S MEN CLUB OF BAUHINIA NEWS  
c/o Chinese Young Men's Christian  
Association**

**23 Waterloo Road, Kowloon  
Chartered: 1979**

A special joint dinner meeting with the Tsim Sha Tsui Club and Isand East Club will be organized for PAP KAN TANIKAWA from Brother Club, Osaka Centennial Y's Men's Club. It will be held to welcome him in the spirit of Y's Dom, on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 at the YMCA H.K. Tsim Sha Tsui. Mr. LIN HING HUE will also be speaking at the meeting. His topic will be about "Dermatoglyphics," The regular Board Meeting will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2006, at the Craigengower Cricket Club, 1888 Wong Nai Chung Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong. Members and guests are welcome to a special Autumn picnic at the Hong Kong Wetland Park and Kam Tin Tree House on the Saturday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of December, 2006.

The 71<sup>st</sup> Hawaii Regional Convention will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Members and guests are welcome to attend.

Members send their heartiest "Congratulations," to Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Kung on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Bauhinia Y's Men's Club Email address:  
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Area President  
Fred Leonard  
Area President Elect  
Area Pres Elect  
Debbie Redmond,  
Corporate Sec  
Dave Craytor, CFO,**

**OUR MISSION**

**As Y's Men  
International is a  
world-wide fellowship  
of persons of all faiths  
working  
constructively  
together, based on the  
teachings of Jesus  
Christ, in partnership  
with and supporting  
the YMCA, its mission  
is to strive through  
active service to  
develop, encourage  
and provide  
leadership to build a  
better world for all  
humankind.**

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**Hong Kong is now  
under the Chinese  
Government- What  
restrictions in travel  
for citizens do they  
have?**

**OUR MOTTO**

**To acknowledge the duty that  
accompanies every right.**





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## Thanksgiving Dinner for the Elderly

Sunday, November 19, 2006

I was a wonderful time for our club's Thanksgiving Dinner for the Elderly which was held on Sunday, November 19, 2006. The event hosted over 165 seniors at the Kalanihuhia Activity Hall.

This may be good time to give those who don't know the history of our club's largest, single community service project some background. Although we are not precisely sure as to when we started it, most "old timers" agree that it was early 1970's, perhaps 1972. This makes this project 34 years old! All members contribute time and resources to this project and we have some outsiders helping us. For instance, Larry Hiranaka got donations of tossed salad from HPC Company, Armstrong Produce gave us the oranges, State Poultry sells us the BBQ chickens at wholesale.

All members made and gave door prizes for each attendee, which numbered 165 seniors from Kalanihuhia, Makamae and Kukui Gardens. THANKS VERY MUCH TO LANCE ISHIHARA WHO GENEROUSLY GAVE 72 COFFEE MUGS AND 200 HAWAIIAN 2007 CALENDARS!

We are grateful for the all the members who come to help in the set up, serving and clean up of the hall every year. This is a tradition worth continuing as long as we can.

The primary reason we continue to sponsor this dinner is that after finishing the meal and as they file out of the hall, they all bow and say, "Thank your" and some even hug some of our members. This giving of thanks to our club is the highlight of the evening and makes all our efforts worthwhile.

Guest & Members helping: James Chong, Naomi Aimoto, Georgia & Scott Niimoto, Larry & Mae Hiranaka, Stephen & Susan Wong, Brad Wong & fiancée, Harold Kuwahara, Kathy Ahlo, Melvin & Muriel Ishihara, Ann Kabasawa, Maurice Shimonishi, Rick Lau (Metro District Governor)

SPEICAL GUEST: JOHNNY NG who interpreted English into Cantonese for the many Chinese speaking immigrants. He also helped with the serving and the program.

**HAROLD KUWAHARA, CHAIRMAN**

**THANKSGIVING DINNER ENTERTAINMENT!**  
**HUI HANA O AIKANE SERANADERS** performed musically and with dances at the Senior's Thanksgiving Dinner. Hanale means 100 and Aikane means family. This volunteer group, made up of the 100<sup>th</sup> INF war veterans and spouses, is led by **RAY NOSAKA**. Performers were: Ray & Aki Nosaka, Ted Hamasu, Kimi Matsuda, Yori Inouye, Myrtle Nakasato, George Nakasato, Jane Ueoka, Tom Tsubota, Takako Umamoto, Marie Yoneshige, Harriet Nakamura, Evelyn Tsuda.





*Merry Christmas Day!!*

**The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes along their way**

**From Junior Fischer**

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**The best way to Escape your Problem is to Solve it!**

**Our Eyes are Placed in front Because it is More important To look ahead Than to look Back**

ENDOWMENT FUND BOB DANIELS, US AREA WEB MASTER HAS UPDATED THE ENDOWMENT FUND INFORMATION.

Go to [www.ysmenusa.com](http://www.ysmenusa.com) Then to the Golden Book awardees Input our club number 226. You'll see the list of our club Golden Book inductees.

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"You will be enriched in every way for your generosity, which produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgiving to God"

2 Corinthians 9: 11-12 Share your wealth with the Annual Support for Youth Campaign

LUMINARIES

Happy Birthday =  
Marcia Bower 12/28

Happy Anniversary  
Too busy celebrating  
Christmas!




CONGRATULATIONS  
to Chris & Helena  
Wallin Miller!  
Birth of son,  
William Perry  
Wallin Miller  
October 4, 2006

They will be  
here for the  
holidays. I hope  
we can meet them  
as a group!

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A Summer spent visiting a city on both coasts  
Travels by James Chong

Bring your own meals aboard domestic flights  
because most airlines charge for meals. I didn't  
buy the \$5 sack meals and ate at the airport  
instead. The prices were high but at least you  
got more selection in the airport between  
connecting flights. The United flight was very  
comfortable. The Hawaii group had a great time  
visiting Washington D.C.

I had a week and a half of recovery upon my  
return to the islands. Then, it was off to  
Vancouver British Columbia for some personal time  
away from it all. I flew on Harmony airlines  
which was a direct flight from Honolulu. Harmony  
had that international quality service that  
included good meals but not quite matching the  
standard meals found on Japan Airlines. The extra  
legroom was generous so it was a very comfortable  
flight.

I decided to stay at the University of  
British Columbia dormitories instead of an  
expensive downtown hotel. You have to deal with  
washrooms down the hall and taking the bus into  
town but you save a lot of money going this route  
that made up for the high Summer airfare I was  
paying. Walking became a daily recreational sport  
because you have to walk across campus to get to  
the bus stop. It was the same at the University  
of Maryland so I was used to the walking routine.

The food is great in Vancouver. Many dining  
options at all price levels so you are not stuck  
with the usual fast food places. Fresh foods was  
the norm everywhere I went. It was reasonably  
priced at most restaurants. The Chinese food is  
much better than what you find in Honolulu about  
as good as the Chinese food found in Hong Kong.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. Hiromitsu Emira,

Japan West Elmer Crowe  
Award Recipient

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Travelers to Japan

Larry & Mae enjoyed  
their trip to the Tohoku  
Region of Japan. They  
would recommend this  
trip for those who have  
seen the other areas of  
Japan and would like to  
enjoy the country side.

The Tohoku Region is  
north of Tokyo to south of  
Hokkaido.

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Stephen & Susan Wong  
had a delightful golfing  
trip in Japan. Steve  
played golf three times.  
He stated that one course  
was extremely difficult as  
he shot over his handicap!



OUR PRAYERS GO  
TO:

KEN MIYAMOTO

WAYNE HIRANO.

DEL JAY KINNEY

PETER BOWER

MAE HIRANAKA

HIRONORI OHTO