

Newsletter of the
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West Oahu Y's Men's

Y's WORDS

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Other Website of Interest
www.ysmenusa.com
www.hawaiiysmen.org

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



by Walter Osakoda

At our August club meeting we set emphasis for each month for this club year and possible activities, as well. Some items of interest that were discussed:

FAMILY FAIR GAMES

One such project requires input. As we were discussing the recent Family Fair, we decided that we should come up with ideas and build some games for the 2010 Family Fair in order to generate more activities for the young attendees. The YMCA staff will also build some games. Between now and November, we need you to sketch out some ideas and present them for evaluation.

IGLOO REPAIR

Do you have a Igloo brand cooler that needs a new hinge, clasp or drain tube/cap? E-mail Duke Chung and he will pick up the parts. We will have a cooler (Igloo only) repair at our September 14th Meeting.

DUES

Bring your check book to our September 14th meeting so you can pay your dues (\$100). If you can't make meeting send check to Treasurer Kathy Ishimoto at 94-748 Hikimoe Street, Suite C, Waipahu Hawaii, 96797.

CALENDAR

September 14
(Monday)
Business Meeting
Mililani YMCA
7 pm

October 12
(Monday)
Business Meeting
Mililani YMCA
7 pm

November 9
(Monday)
Business Meeting
Mililani YMCA
7 pm

**Future Projects in
the Planning Stages**
Fence Project
**5K Race in Mililani
and ending at Mililani Y**
**Annual Support
Campaign**

AND

**The West Oahu Y's
Men will host the
Metro District Con-
ference in March
2010.**

DA SNOOP on ALISSA TANIGUCHI

Welcome, ALISSA TANIGUCHI, the current rookie of our club (she is the newest member ... brought in by JEN TOWNSEND). When meeting her you are greeted by her big smile and a can do attitude.

ALISSA is on staff at the Mililani YMCA as the Program Director for Childcare. She has moved up from various Y positions (all at Mililani Y) after starting as an A+ Leader some 15 years ago.

She graduated from Star of the Sea High School, then getting an associate degree from Leeward Community College. She is currently working on a bachelor's degree in psychology at UH - West Oahu.

She is married to KEOLA TANIGUCHI, the marketing and membership director at the Leeward Branch. They enjoy working out, and attending the UH games (although they have too much work at the Y to go to the WashSt/UNLV package with the team). They have two children: SCOTT SILVA, 24, and CAMI SILVA, 19. CAMI is on staff at Mililani Y with the Y's A+ Program.

Her long term goals are to get her bachelor's degree and continue to advance in the YMCA family.

Welcome, Alissa!



DIS 'N DATS

JAPAN IN 2010

Save August 5 - 8, 2010
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
Yokohama, Japan

INTERNATIONAL & AREA DOINGS

Some items of note from AP
PHIL SAMMER

U. S. Area Items

- Minimum age for membership is set at 13 years
- Next Area Convention to be hosted by Mid America Region in 2011
- use of Webinars for training of officers and service directors discussed

Hawaii Region was well represented at the Area Council meeting with AP SAMMER, RD RICK LAU, RD-E RUSS LYNCH, ASD-YOUTH SHARON ISHIDA, and ASD-spouse BRAD ISHIDA present.

International Items

- Fiscal year to change to one ending on March 31st
- Accepted "Y Service Clubs International" as an alternative organization name; emblem will not change
- International Convention in Yokohama as estimated break-even budget of 1,250 attendees; A website will open in mid-August for those interested
- Next International Convention after Yokohama is scheduled for Stavanger, Norway on August 5-8, 2012
- Current International Secretary General ROLANDO DALMAS will be retiring shortly. A search committee for his replacement has been formed.

OUR PROJECTS

FIFTY FIVE BAGS OF PERSONAL ITEMS

After our August meeting, those who attended organized the various personal items and bagged them. These were given to Child and Family Services.

Thanks to JEN TOWNSEND, ALISSA TANIGUCHI, KATHY ISHIMOTO, LINDA CHUNG, WALTER OSAKODA, BOB & JEANETTE KUWAHARA to their efforts.

Hopefully, the little bags will be well received.

CREATIVITY CHALLENGE

We have a new project ... to create a few games for use at the various activities, such as Y open house and Summer Fun Fair. We need to develop the plan format and construct the parts, layout and pieces for games. Bring your ideas to the next meeting!

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETS

The Hawaii Region Convention Committee had its first planning meeting on Saturday, August 22nd at the Kalihi YMCA. Chair DUKE CHUNG greeted the members from the Metro District and JASON SHIMAUCHI of the East Kauai club. Present were RICK LAU, BEN MAKAEA and PHIL SAMMER of Central; DAN and ETHEL TAKAMATSU of Kalihi; BRAD ISHIDA and KEAHI KAAWA of Kaimuki; LARRY HIRANAKA and HAROLD KUWAHARA of Nuuanu; LINDA CHUNG and BOB KUWAHARA from West Oahu; MARION LIU of Windward.

With quick analysis, Kauai and Las Vegas were eliminated, followed by possible Molokai and Lanai options. Honolulu was the remaining option. A memo on Pacific Beach Hotel provided by RAY SETO was discussed. It provided rooms of \$109 + taxes, parking included. PHIL SAMMER was appointed as a one man committee to follow up on this.

The proposed weekend for the convention will be May 15 - 16, with a modified schedule that would include a two hour training session.

Clubs assignments were made and included: Central, Transportation; East Kauai, Goodie Bags; Hilo, Hospitality; Kaimuki, Program (Sat); Kalihi, Hospitality; Maui, Raffle/Auction; Nuuanu, Program (Sun); West Oahu, Registration; Windward, Booklet.

Next meeting: November 7th, 10 am, Kalihi Y.

TIME OF FAST

Seven new projects for the Time of Fast program for 2009-2010 are in India, Colombia, Peru, Sri Lanka and added to 25 ongoing projects in 19 countries.

From its inception in 1973, Y's Men have contributed \$5,224,409 to this program.

SEMI-ANNUAL DUES AND ROSTERS REQUESTED

The semi-annual dues are due on October 1st. The dues totaled \$31.00 per member will be paid by the club.

Annual commitment to the Y's Men programs are:

International Dues	\$35.00
U S Area Dues	17.00
Hawaii Region	10.00
Regional Assessment	.00

Alexander Scholarship Fund	10.00
Dollars for Scholars	10.00
Brotherhood Fund	12.50
Time of Fast	12.00

Total \$106.50

Alexander Scholarship

Fund is a Scholarship Fund for college students seeking to be a YMCA professional.

Dollars for Scholars is a U S Area project to provide funds for current Y professionals to attend workshops, seminars and other training programs.

Brotherhood Fund is a program that supports the International travel for Y's Men on "official" travel. It is also used as a travel subsidy fund to have Y's Men travel to other areas to learn about the Y's men there.

Time of Fast is a program to fund projects in underdeveloped areas of the world. The goal is to provide the means to make the communities better themselves.