

Newsletter of the  
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www.ysmenusa.com  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



by Walter Osakoda

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and are well into the Christmas shopping season.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Ann Philips of Pacific Central Region's Northwest Y Service Club, who was nominated and ran unopposed for the Area President-Elect Position. She is automatically elected and will begin serving in July 2010.

### 2009 Joint Metro District Party

Walter & Dorothy, Duke & Linda, Kathy & Kimberly and Justin, Jeanette, Jen & Alissa attended the Joint Metro District Christmas Party at the Kalihi YMCA. A very successful evening of food, fellowship, a few games and a novel approach to caroling. Jim Kanehira, Windward Y's Men, was the song leader but instead of just singing some Christmas Carols he created a storyline the led into singing a couple of lines of a carol. It was great because you did not sing the entire song and it was a creative story line. Thank you to JoeAnn McCarthy and the Windward Y's Men for coordinating this event.

### Christmas Project

In lieu of exchanging gifts we asked our members to make a cash donation to help purchase "Ready To Eat Christmas Meals" for needy families in our area. Kathy reported that \$250 was collected for this project. Maile will coordinate this project for the club.

Reminder ... December 10th is the deadline for dropping off non perishable food items at the Mililani YMCA for Christmas food baskets for needy families in our area. Please label packages with W.O. Y's Men attn: Jen or Alissa.

### Mililani Fun Run

December 13th is the date for the first of many (hopefully) Mililani Community Association & Mililani YMCA Raindeer Fun Run and Craft Fair. If you can help please call Deborah Tierbach at the Mililani YMCA 625-1040.

Wishing you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## CALENDAR

**December 13**  
**(Sunday)**

**Mililani Fun Run**  
**(joint project of**  
**Mililani Town Center**  
**and Mililani Y)**  
**setup 6:30 am**  
**run 7:00**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**January 11**  
**(Monday)**  
**Business Meeting**  
**Mililani YMCA**  
**7 pm**

**January 27**  
**(Wednesday)**  
**Metro District**  
**Meeting**

**February 2**  
**(Tuesday)**  
**Mililani YMCA**  
**Annual Support**  
**Campaign**  
**Kickoff**  
**Mililani YMCA**



## DIS 'N DATS

### **MILILANI YMCA ANNUAL SUPPORT CAMPAIGN GEARING UP**

The 2010 Mililani YMCA's Annual Support Campaign is getting organized!

This year's goal is \$46,000, a \$1,000 increase from last year.

The Y's Men are asked to help with this annual fundraiser in support of the various programs that the YMCA provides.

The campaign will kickoff on Tuesday, February 2nd.

More news will be forthcoming!

### **REVISED DUES TIMETABLE**

With the change in International's fiscal year, IHQ's has circulated a new timetable for submission of International dues and donations for the various programs.

The Hawaii Region will conform to IHQ's request of a February 1 due timetable. In order to minimize the efforts, the information collected at this time will be used for the April 1 reports to US Area and Hawaii Region dues.

The Hawaii Region will be sending out dues and rosters around the beginning of the year and ask clubs for a revised dues payment for International, and full semi-annual payments for Area and Region and Time of Fast and Brotherhood Fund donations payable on February 1, 2010.

## **MID YEAR HAWAII REGION CABINET MEETING**

The Mid Year Cabinet Meeting of the Hawaii Region was held on Saturday, November 21st at the Ilima Hotel.

RD RICK LAU opened the meeting at 9:07 am. Present were twenty three members from seven clubs. (Kalihi and Maui was not represented)

Items of interest included:

- an \$800 subsidy to the International Convention in Yokohama was authorized for "to-be" past RD Rick Lau, should be attend
- Constitution and By-Laws provisions are being worked on
- The Member Recognition program is still undergoing input, with recommendations coming from the attendees
- A Make a Difference Day project was proposed for the Region. Suggested was support of the Meals on Wheels program.
- International has changed its fiscal year to March 31st (from June 30th) which will require some adjustments in the payment of dues and donations for the various projects
- International Convention in Yokohama had only a handful of intended attendees (Russ Lynch, Rick Lau, Phil Sammer, Jimmy & Gladys Kanehira)
- East Kauai Y's Men will be celebrating their 60th anniversary in May 2010 on Kauai (after the convention).

### **ALEXANDER SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES**



*RSD ASF/DFS Larry Hiranaka and RD Rick Lau presents ASF checks to Alissa Taniguchi and Deborah Thierbach at our potluck dinner meeting on November 9th. Larry is extremely pleased that this program is bringing some funds back to help YMCA staff in their baccalarate goals (ASF) and attending program training (DFS) after years of our clubs contribution to these programs. (Kinda return on investment)*

### **FUN AT THE METRO DISTRICT CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Over 55 members, family and friends enjoyed Christmas Party at the Kalihi YMCA on December 4th. This year's activity was coordinated by the Windward Y's Men.

