



# Windward Y'er

Bulletin of the Windward Y Service Club  
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## 'Heroes' Tackle Windward Y Campaign

*By Russ Lynch*

"Heroes of Change" are about to put their super strengths together and embark on a grand adventure, raising at least \$75,000 for the Windward YMCA.

Those heroes are us, the volunteers who do what we can to support the YMCA, and the adventure is the Y's annual support campaign, which this year is called "Transforming Communities, One Life at Time."

The YMCA of Honolulu's island-wide goal is total pledges of \$975,000. Last year \$960,000 was raised. Windward's share is a goal of \$75,000. That's up from last year's goal of \$70,000 but there's enormous confidence we'll make it. After all, Windward Y supporters raised more than that last year. But this won't be done

without the usual heroic effort and our club stands ready to play its usual active role, joining dozens of other volunteers in our community to get out the word about how valuable these funds are to those who need the services of the Y but can't afford them.

As we do so, we'll remember that all this money gets spent, that all of the Windward funds go to the Windward branch and that

they are spent wisely and benefit many people.

It's time to get your hero instincts warm geared up to help

Kickoff will be a dinner at Windward YMCA at 6 p.m. on Friday, February 8. The campaign will run through February and there will be a victory celebration dinner at the branch on Friday

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**Next meeting:  
6 p.m. Monday,  
February 4  
Windward YMCA**



Our President Jim Kanehira was the happy winner of a Vizio flat-screen television at the Metro District party January 18, for accurately estimating that a jar held exactly 1,228 M&M candies. Close would have been good enough but Jim hit the number right on the button. Mark Lee, who donated the set helps Jim celebrate while Jim's wife Gladys shares the joy.

Windward Y Service Club  
2012/2013

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<http://ysmenhawaii.org/windward.html>

## Campaign Kicks Off February 8

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March 15. First, though, there are a couple of training sessions at the Windward branch for beginners at this campaign and for those of us who can use some reminders on how to seek pledges. All campaigners will benefit from the training.

The first training session is Saturday, February 2, at 9 a.m. and the second is set for Wednesday, February 6, at 9 p.m. (Some of us will be involved in the Y Service Clubs Metro District "Roll Back Malaria" golf tournament that Wednesday so it's recommended we try to make the Saturday session.

Report nights will be held on each of the following three Wednesdays, 6 p.m. at the branch — the 13<sup>th</sup>, the 20<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup>. Each will be a potluck catered by the various campaign teams. Windward Y's Ananda Chou, always a tireless organizer in these annual affairs, has made

up a printable calendar with all these dates on it and it's available online at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org/ASCcdar.pdf>

Also available online through the Y Service Clubs Hawaii Region website are the YMCA of Honolulu's brochure explaining what the campaign is all about, as well as a YouTube video talking about who benefits.

Check these out at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org>

### Who Benefits?

The YMCA lists some examples of how the money can help. For example, \$24 helps a struggling family send a child to the Y for a day in the school break program. For \$112, a child gets a week of summer fun, learning and adventure at the Y's day camp program. A gift of \$216 covers an adult's Healthy Life Styles membership in the Y for one year.

For \$390 a struggling single parent and her family can gain a week-end of lifelong memories at family camp, and \$1,212 prepares a child for kindergarten with one year in the Y's part-time preschool program.

These are just some examples of how donations to the annual support campaign help. All these awards are made on the basis of need and there are many individuals and families who can clearly demonstrate that need.

Don't forget to start with your own personal pledge!

### International News

#### India Sprouts Clubs

In its report on new clubs for January, Y Service Clubs International reported 21 new clubs, 19 of them in India. The other two are in Korea.

India has been a fast-growing Area in recent years and has produced some of Y'sdom's prominent leaders.

The December report had 17 new clubs chartered in India plus one in the Caribbean and one in Korea.

## Inspiration

### Christian Emphasis

Lord, I sometimes take half-measures in my walk with you.

But you never befriend me halfheartedly.

Teach me to trust all you've promised in Christ Jesus.

We rely on half-measures when time or money or both make us reluctant to go all out. We also rely on half-measures when we're reluctant to commit ourselves from the heart.

Halfhearted commitment leads to half-measures. Can failure follow far behind?

My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 4:19 From God's Promises....**

*Submitted by Karel Ling  
Club Service Director, Christian Emphasis*



Jose Kushner

## Y Service Cochabamba Brother Club in Bolivia Renews Old Contact

Back in 1991, a Y's Man from Bolivia and his wife visited Hawaii as part of a U.S. trip sponsored by the International Brotherhood Fund of what we now call Y Service Clubs International. His name is Jose Kushner and he recalls fondly staying with our club's Conrad and Yoshi Tsukayama.

That visit resulted in a Brother Club relationship between his club, Cochabamba Y's Men, and ours. For a while we swapped printed newsletters in the days before the Internet but contact faded.

Now Jose is back with us, via email, and wants to stay in contact. His club is Y Service Club Cochabamba and it is in a valley in the Andes in Central Bolivia.

Brother clubs are very much in his mind since Jose is the Area Service Director for Latin America for International Brother Clubs.

In that regard, he'd like to hear from any Hawaii clubs interested in a Brother Club relationship with any club in Latin America. He has also forwarded a sample of his club bulletin.

If you want to see the pictures and see if you can read Spanish, the bulletin is online at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org/cocha.pdf>

The Latin America Area has 39 clubs.

Here's some of what Jose said in reopening contact:

"Just FYI, my wife Zoly and myself visited USA (Pacific Central, South West and Hawaiian Regions) as BF delegates.

"In Honolulu we were lodged at the unforgettable home of Conrad and Yoshi Tsukayama and held meetings with five Y's Men's Clubs at the CPO Club.

"We also met people from the YMCA. In Kauai we were hosted by the worldwide runners Donna and George Schulze, Flew by helicopter over the volcanoes etc. In my birthday we met with Y's members at Heather and Marvin Dye's home.

"Suddenly the lights were off and Marian brought a cake with candles and my name on....I just can't ponder it enough."

Windward Y Service Club has two other International Brother Clubs, both of which maintain contact. One is Osaka-Senboku Y's Men in Japan, where our club member Osamu Shoji is a member. The other is Taipei Union Y's Men in Taiwan.

## Good Fellowship at Metro District New Year Party

About 44 people representing all Metro District clubs enjoyed good fellowship and delicious food from Panda Express on Friday, January 18th, at Kalihi Y.

Lots of door prizes and candy were given out to lucky winners.

The luckiest winner was no other than our very own Jim who guessed the exact number of M&Ms candy in a jar with the count of 1,228 pieces. The prize was a 26-inch Vizio flat television donated by Mark Lee, brother of Nuuanu's club president Albert Lee. This is Jim's first flat TV.

Congrats to James Chong (Nuuanu), committee chair, for a great party and also his marriage to Abi, a friendly charming woman from Singapore.

## President's Message from Jim Kanehira

### A Big Finish for 2012

December was a very busy month. We had a great party for Shoji family on Monday, Dec. 10th at Emma & Ace Thomas' home. Thanks to our members and guests, we had a variety of delicious food. We enjoyed great fellowship and singing. Shoji family sang Christmas songs in Japanese and we responded in English. 32 people were gathered which included 10 members of Shoji's family, special guests Sharon & Brad Ishida, Ray Seto and Yoshi Tsukayama.

On Saturday, Dec. 15th, club members assisted manning our fishing booth at Manoa Grand Ballroom for Breakfast with Santa program.

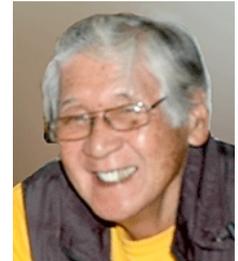
Members present were Donna, JoeAnn, Russell, Karel, Marion, Jim, Ken and Lillian.

Greeting cards and calendars received from charitable organizations asking for donations that were saved by members were donated to Women Community Correctional Center.

Of course, our biggest ongoing project was to sell Isle Discount (ID) cards. Deadline to turn in all monies and unsold cards is Jan. 25th to either Ken or Jim. Payment & return of unsold cards need to be made no later than Feb. 1st. To date, we have confirmed sale of 124 cards. That's great but still short of our goal of 150 cards.

We're now in our 2nd half of our club year. We have met all Y's Men financial obligations, submitted our ballots for International votes and can look forward for an active second half.

— Aloha, Jim



## Club Calendar

**January Emphasis:**  
**YMCA Service**

**February Emphasis:**  
**Time of Fast Global Project**

**February 2, Saturday**

9 a.m. Annual Support Campaign Training, Windward Y.

**February 4, Monday**

6 p.m. Monthly club meeting at Windward YMCA.

**February 6, Wednesday**

Noon on. Metro District Roll Back Malaria Golf Tournament, Leilehua Golf Club

**February 8, Friday**

6 p.m. Annual Support Campaign Kickoff Dinner  
Windward YMCA

## Metro District OKs Funds

Two financial matters were passed at the Metro meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> at Kalihi YMCA.

1. A donation of \$200 will be made to Kalihi YMCA in appreciation for usage of their facility for Y's Men functions.

2. Y Service club members attending Endowment dinner at the 2013 Convention will be subsidized \$10 for their dinner.

The Golf Committee also met that Saturday and amazingly, given the short time available to organize the event, things are moving pretty smoothly for the Roll Back Malaria tournament February 6.

About 44 people have signed up and now volunteers are needed for the tournament on Wednesday, February 6, at Leilehua Golf Club.



## Shoji's Marathon Dream Comes True

*By Jim Kanehira*

Several years ago, Osamu related to Jim about wanting to run the Honolulu Marathon with his family and grandchildren. This dream became a reality this past December.

Congratulations to the Shoji Family for a record breaking family marathon run.

Participants included Osamu, three daughters, one son-in-law, three grandsons and one granddaughter. The kids were ages seven through 12.

All nine became Finishers while Yasuko acted as cheerleader, photographer and manager.

Incredible! Unbelievable! Fantastic! Truly a Great Feat! Their accomplishments were as follows:

Yasuke Shikasho, age 12, six hours, 32 minutes, seven seconds. Masanori Shikasho, age 37, 6:32:20. Shinta Mine, age 8, 8:15:04. Etsuko Mine (35) 8:15:05. Kippeji Fujiwara (7) 9:08:46. Kaho Shikasho (10) and Tokiko Shikasho (37) both 9:11:14. Junko Fujiwara (39) 9:11:19 and Osamu Shoji (69) 9:11:38.

Osamu tells his own story in his own words with pictures in a special bulletin. He tells how the family got together at the start of 2012 and decided to enter with this motto: "We will begin training! We will unite our power! And we will run until the finish!"

The whole bulletin is online at:  
<http://ysmenhawaii.org/shojimarathon.pdf>

## Dis-n-Dat from Jim

Congrats to Joe-Ann who retired from her job at Marine Corps Air Base on Dec. 31 2012. Now both she and Jack can do their busy work at home.

Joe-Ann, Jack and Marion left to spend time in Vegas on 1/19, hopefully to begin the year on a winning note.

Meanwhile, Karel Ling returned home from Vegas on 1/18. The weather was cold but maybe the machines and the Blackjack tables were OK.

Freda says her chemo-therapy treatment will be completed by the end of January. She should feel all right after treatment is finished and would be able to attend meetings and resume her job as club treasurer. We look forward in having her back with us.

Jim had a new CaptionCall telephone installed at his home. Now he can read what's being said over the phone. This phone is available to all hearing impaired people, free delivery, free installation, free caption service. Basic requirements are 1. A high speed internet connection,

2. Standard home phone connection and

3, Ordinary home electrical outlet. Anyone interested can contact Jim and he'll process referral.