



Windward Y'er

Bulletin of the Windward Y Service Club
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Annual Y Fund Raiser Passes Half Way

By Russ Lynch

The “Heroes of Change” of the Windward Y Service Club and the Windward YMCA are heroes sure enough, as they charge ahead in their effort to raise \$75,000 for this year’s Annual Support Campaign. But there’s still some distance to go so we need to keep up these heroic efforts.

With two report meetings passed and the third one upon us (February 27th) as this issue went to press, the Windward campaigners had brought in pledges worth \$38,530, or 51 percent of the goal, according to Ananda Chou, branch membership and marketing director.

There’s the usual two ways to look at that: “Wonderful, we’re past the half-way mark and we can relax a bit.” Or, “Gosh, we’re only half-way to our goal, better get going.” We should all consider, at the very least, pledging whatever we can personally if we haven’t already done that.

At the first report meeting on February 13th our club produced some “quota busters,” members who had already brought in pledges worth more than they’d

been asked to find. President Jim Kanehira sends his congratulations to quota busters Ken Kado-moto, Joe-Ann McCarthy, Karla Redding and Russ Lynch.

Those quotas, by the way, were generally a little higher than last year’s and the Windward goal itself is up \$5,000 from 2012.

Division 1 of the campaign, which includes our club members, members of the branch board of manag-

ers and others, handled the pot luck for the first report night, in which the featured item was Mar-ion Liu’s chicken stew.

On the 20th, Division 2 produced great baked spaghetti, pasta salad and pineapple upside down cake. The next report night is February 27th and the Victory Dinner is March 15th at the branch.



President’s Message from Jim Kanehira

Our Projects Keep Rolling On

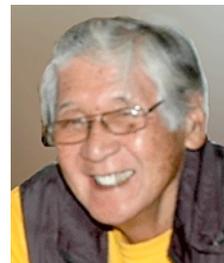
Wow! Two-thirds of my term is over. It’s been very busy but also rewarding.

Thanks to our members, all service programs and fund raising have been successful. Although we did not reach our goal of selling 150 Isle Discount cards, we did manage to sell 136 cards, thanks to our Y staff members and front desk personnel who accounted for 62 cards.

Our next big project, besides the YMCA Annual Support Campaign, is conducting and determining the winner of the Peace Project drawing and essay contest. The YMCA staff will be responsible for inviting A+ fifth graders to submit entries and we will be responsible for judging.

This will be a new experience for all of us but let’s put in our best efforts to make it SUCCESSFUL!

See you at our meetings and functions.



— Aloha, Jim

**Next meeting:
6 p.m. Monday,
April 1
Windward YMCA
(March meeting canceled.)**

Windward Y Service Club
2012/2013

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President: James Kanehira
Vice president: Karel A. Ling
Secretary: Bill Stone
Treasurer: Freda Nakamoto,

Members: Kenneth Kadomoto,
Russ Lynch, Marion Liu,
Jack McCarthy, Joe-Ann
McCarthy, Karla Redding, Donna
Saito, Donald Scott, Osamu Shoji,
Emma Thomas, Wendy Tupper.

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Inspiration

Christian Emphasis

A Prayer

Good and Loving God.
As I place my hands together
in prayer,
I turn my heart and mind to
you.
Fill me with your infinite love
and let my weaknesses
be replaced by your strength.
In all that I say and do, guide
me in ways that are right and
just.

Brother Clubs: We Have Four

By Jim Kanehira

March is International Brother Club emphasis month. Windward has four Brother Clubs in four different countries.

The person most responsible in establishing our Brother Club relationships was George Wellington.

He was very international-minded, traveled a lot, attended several Asia Region conventions and persuaded our club to establish Brother Clubs.

Initial contacts with the four clubs were made this way:

Osaka-Senboku Club, Japan:
A delegation of three members

It's Convention Time

Hawaii Region, May 31

Registration materials have been circulated for the 77th Hawaii Region Convention to be held May 31 to June 2.

It's time to get your registration in and to lock in your hotel room reservation at the convention hotel, the Ilima Hotel in Waikiki. Some reports suggest room availability may be starting to get tight so book direct with the hotel as soon as you can. Special convention rates will go fast.

The details are online at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org/convreg2013.pdf>

Events will be at the Manoa Ballroom in Makiki and the Ilima.

US Area, July 18

Registration is also open for the U.S. Area Convention of Y Service Clubs International, July 18-21 at the Hampton Inn Tropicana in Las Vegas. Area conventions are held only once every two years and they are well worth attending.

Meet Y's Men and Y's Women from all over the country, share goals and how to reach them and, especially in Vegas, have fun.

The Hawaii Region website has the details:

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

came to Hawaii and visited our club to discuss a Brother Club relationship.

Taipei Union Club: Contact originally made by George with members upon his visit to an Asia Region convention.

Calgary North Canada Club: A club member chaperoned two youth members in attending a Pacific Youth Convocation.

Cochabamba Bolivia Club: In 1991 Jose "Pepe" Kushner visited Hawaii as a Brotherhood Fund delegate with his wife. They attended our club meeting and were home-stayed with Conrad and Yoshi Tsukayama.

Three of these clubs, whose connections go back to the 1990s, are still in touch with us. Cochabamba's Jose renewed contact just last month. He is Brother Clubs Service Director for Latin America and says he'd like to see other Hawaii clubs make Brother Club arrangements with clubs in Latin America.

Cheers Lee of Taipei Union stays in touch by email, gets our bulletins and send us those from his club. Osaka-Senboku is in constant contact through one of their leaders, Osamu Shoji, who is also a member of our club and a regular participant in Hawaii Region activities.

Golf Tournament Donors

Made "RBM" a Success

At least \$2,100, and possibly \$3,000 or even more, was raised for the international Roll Back Malaria fund by the Hawaii Region's Roll Back Malaria Golf Tournament at Leilehua Golf Course on Wednesday, February 6th.

Golf Chairman Ray Seto (Kaimuki) says the best way to thank the suppliers who donated the prizes that made the whole thing possible is to do business with them when you can. There's a full list available online at:

<http://ysmenhawaii.org/golf%20donors.pdf>

News from Our YMCA

KaBOOM! Volunteers Will Build Playground

By Russ Lynch

The date: Saturday May 25th.

The project: A playground for kids on Windward YMCA's lawn.

A Disney donation through the KaBOOM! nonprofit organization will finance a \$100,000 playground for kids on the lawn at the Windward YMCA.

There is one big condition — the actual building must be done by volunteers.

Meetings are under way to arrange to get 100 volunteers on the property bright and early on Friday May 17 to do the physical labor and it is hoped that our club's members will take part.

Those of us who aren't fit for too much physical work will find other ways to help on the day.

"We are fortunate indeed to have Disney footing the bill for the \$100,000-plus playground and side projects, including a garden and trellis," said Bill Stone, branch executive director.

A "Design Day" was planned for February 28, divided into two meetings -- one a "children's meeting" where those who'll actually use it were to voice their ideas and an "Adult's Workshop" to introduce the grownups to the KaBOOM! planning process and to consider the kids' proposals.

Y Service Club members on Oahu are already a little familiar with the process, after some helped out four years ago in a daylong effort to build a KaBOOM! playground at YMCA Camp Erdman. KaBOOM! has provided the guidance and funds to build a number of other playgrounds in Hawaii, among 14,000 playgrounds it has developed across the country.

KaBOOM! describes itself as a national nonprofit "that envisions a great place to play within walking distance of every child in America." Its national partners are Dis-



"Transforming Communities, One Life at a Time" is the theme for this year's YMCA of Honolulu Annual Support Campaign. Here, our members take part in ASC activities. Above: Karla, Ken, Marion and Joe-Ann with another volunteer and, standing, Y staffer Randall Hong, at Report Night 1. Left: Ken and Freda at Report Night 2. Below: Wendy counts coins donated at after-school A+ sites.

ney, Dr Pepper-Snapple, Foresters insurance, the jetBlue airline and MetLife Foundation and there are many other partners at local levels.

KaBOOM! handles the arrangements and the planning and to date has used the services of more than a million volunteers to do the work.

You can find out more on the Internet at: <http://kaboom.org>

The project at Windward Y has been under discussion for several years as a possibility but now it's confirmed and it's under way. We'll soon hear more details.



Club Calendar

February Emphasis:
Time of Fast Global Project

March Emphasis:
International Brother Clubs

March 4, Monday

That date's club meeting has been canceled.

March 15, Friday

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Victory Dinner at Windward YMCA for our "Heroes of Change," the hard workers who made the Annual Support Campaign a success

April 1, Monday

Start of fiscal year for Y Service Clubs International and U.S. Area

May 31-June 2, Friday-Sunday

77th Hawaii Region Convention, Ilima Hotel & Manoa Grand Ballroom at Windward YMCA.

July 18-21, Thursday-Sunday

U.S. Area Convention Hampton Inn Tropicana, Las Vegas

International News

World's Clubs Elect New IPE

Isaac Palathinkal of India has been elected International President Elect of Y Service Clubs International. And clubs around the world voted against changing the legal name of our parent organization to "International Association of Y Clubs."

Palathinkal, of the Mid West India Region, is a Past Area President of the India Area and has been active in Y'sdom at the international level. His bio says he's "a sports person" and was captain of his college basketball team. He's a highly qualified mechanical engineer and manager and a Y's Man since 1980.

Isaac will take office as IPE when the current IPE, Poul Thomsen of Denmark, becomes president on the first of July 1. Philip Mathai of India remains International President until then.

The name-change vote was aimed at the legal name of our parent organization, which is still

Y's Men International, with Y Service Clubs International as an alternative.

We can continue to call ourselves Y's Men's Clubs, Y's Women's Clubs, Y's Men and Women's Clubs or Y Service Clubs. The negative vote on the name change was close, 48.5 percent against, 47.1 percent for with 4.4 percent blank ballots.



Windward's Russ Lynch had a chance to meet with International President Philip Mathai of India, right, on February 5, during a mid-year-meeting of international officers in Honolulu.

Smile time -

It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.

What lies at the bottom of the ocean and twitches?

A nervous wreck.

The only time the world beats a path to your door is if you're in the bathroom.

Why did the student nurse tiptoe past the medicine cabinet?

Because she didn't want to wake the sleeping pills.



Dis-n-Dat from Jim

Congrats to Ray Seto and committee for a well run, successful Roll Back Malaria golf tournament. Ray reported there were 38 golfers, all of whom received a prize. About \$2,100 was raised for the project. At least 15 non-golfers were there to give support and volunteer for needed tasks.

Congrats to Kalihi Y Service Club for a fun-filled, exciting successful Casino Night held on Saturday, February 16th at Kalihi Y. Food was ono and plentiful, attendance was great, games were fun and exciting just like in Vegas, and items galore were purchased to finalize the event.

Congrats to two dedicated and experienced YMCA staff members on their early retirement after serving close to 30 years in program capacities. One is Dave Endo, a member of the Kalihi Y Service Club, and the other is Donna Ika Kranz. Although Donna is not a Y's Men member, she served as our Program Resource person at our last two Y's Men/YMCA Pacific Youth Convocations. Best wishes on their new endeavors.