



The Y'S OBSERVER

APRIL 2022

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB, HAWAII REGION,
US AREA, Y SERVICE CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

President's Message



Thank you to all who joined in at the Kaimuki Club meeting the other month. Even though their club attendance was low that day, it still felt good to be participating in a larger group. Was refreshing to hear the different things that they are doing with the Atherton club. Definitely a possibility for our club to do something like that also. With Rick, Phil, Ray and Sharon in the same room, the Y's Service aura was oozing. Their president, Kent, did a great job managing the meeting.

At our next meeting, I would like us to take a closer look at the projects that Atherton is doing and seriously consider joining up with them. Some projects seem very interesting and doable for us. With most of the restrictions being lifted, we'll be meeting in person at the YMCA for our next meeting. *Aloha, Troy*

Club Activities

Members of the club met with the Kaimuki club on March 17 at the Kaimuki Y. It was a small but very friendly meeting which all enjoyed, Since the meeting PRD **Sharon Ishida** has asked us to join an activity as follows: Please join in a potluck dinner and lei-making project (to benefit the Atherton YMCA) on Saturday, April 23rd at the Atherton Y Branch. A Google invite will be sent to you shortly for distribution to your club members for a headcount. We're asking if Central YSC can provide a tossed salad with dressing; Kaimuki YSC can bring dessert and dinner rolls or garlic bread; Atherton YSC to provide beverages, utensils, snacks and set-up at the branch; and I'll make a big pan of Baked Spaghetti. Keeping it simple.....All current and some former club members were on hand to help out with **Eunice's** celebration of life which took place on March 9 (see page 2). We checked people in and also helped distribute the bento lunches served after the ceremony. **Phil** delivered a short eulogy on behalf of the club....As indicated in President Troy's message the club will meet **IN PERSON** at the Y to talk about our participation. **Date is April 11 at 5pm (NOTE TIME CHANGE).**

Brotherclub News:

Bendigo YSC reports that the Annual General Meeting is with us again this month. Thursday 28th April will be the day our executive changes and we reflect on the year just passed. Names have been received for all positions, but applications do not close until the week prior for those who wish to nominate....**Helena YSC** reports that the YMCA is partnering with the Helena Lions Swim Team to offer swim lessons for kids 5 years to 13years. The sessions will be Saturdays: April 9-30 or Sundays, April 3-24. Registration ended on March 31.

Virus Update:

Most of the rules about meeting sizes have expired and we can once again get together as a group whether it be a YMI gathering or sports event. Also expired as of March 26 were the rules governing Safe Travels Hawaii'i, the state's program to limit the spread of COVID in the 50th state, that applied to traffic from the US continent to Hawaii'i. Individuals are given the option of wearing masks or not although some businesses still require one.

Humor: Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine... The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.....Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.

Officers 2021-2022

President: Troy Tomita
VP Phil Sammer
Secretary Jennie Scott
Treasurer Rick Lau

Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Roy Tateishi

Club Service Directors:

ASF/BIDFS: Phil Sammer
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
Community Service: Rick Lau
Christian Emphasis: Rick Lau
Membership/Conserv: ALL!
YMCA Liaison: Troy Tomita
Endowment: Troy Tomita
Time of Fast: Phil Sammer
Public Relations: Jennie Scott

Hawaii'i Regional Director:
Joe-Ann McCarthy (Windward)
Hawaii'i Regional Director-elect:
Melanie Ka'aihue-Yoshida (Kalihi)
Metro District Governor: Karla Redding (Windward)
OVG District Governor:
Ken Okimoto (Hilo)

US Area President: Shaju Sam (North Atlantic)
US Area President-elect: Doug Jones (Pacific SW Region)
International President: Kim Sang-chae (South Korea)
International President-elect:
K.C .Samuel (India)
Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

Serve and Make a Difference

Y's Words:

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless".

Mother Teresa

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2022

Emphasis: Leadership Training
Co-RSDs: **Cassidy Inamasu & Keahi Kaawa** (Atherton/Kaimuki)

11 Club business meeting Central Y 5pm
21 Metro District Conference via Zoom

MAY 2022

Emphasis: Regional Convention

17 Club Meeting at Kaimuki Y 6:30pm
28 Regional Convention via Zoom 8am

Christian Emphasis

The crucifixion was marked by sudden darkness, silent angels, and mocking soldiers. At the empty tomb the soldiers are silent, an angel speaks, and light erupts like Vesuvius. The one who was dead is said to be alive, look as if they are dead. The women can tell something is up . . . The angel informs them: "He isn't here! He has been raised from the dead" . . . Heaven unplugged the grave's power cord, and you and I have nothing to fear. Death is disabled.

News from the YMCA of Honolulu

The YMCA of Honolulu reached its Annual Campaign goals this year including \$55,761 from Central representing 101% of our goal! This success means that more deserving children will benefit from the Y's numerous programs oriented toward youth. Congratulations to all the branches for their hard work and success!

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International (ysmen.org)

From IHQ: STRATEGY 2032 provides a 10-year blueprint to build YMI into an organization eminent in fellowship and community impact, collectively inspired and working collaboratively to help build an equitable and sustainable world. It affirms our desire to thrive collectively and to make an enduring and positive difference in the world as we enter our second hundred years of service.

US Area (yserviceclubsusa.org)

Clubs around the country will be organizing projects for the International "Week for Waste" that runs from April 17-24, 2022. Last year Central did a cleanup Ala Moana beach park and is looking forward to another such project this year.

Metro District:

The next Metro meeting is the annual district conference which is required by regional bylaws and is scheduled for April 21, 2022 at 5pm via Zoom. We hope this will be the last virtual meeting!

Hawai'i Region (www.ysmenhawaii.org)

The Regional Convention will again be via Zoom this year. The program begins at 8am and runs to Noon. We'll be conducting the usual business sessions as well as honoring those YMI Hawai'i members who are celebrating 50 years of membership. We will also be mourning some of our departed members including our own **Eunice Delacruz**. **CENTRAL** is charged with producing this part of the meeting. The program will also feature program updates from the YMCAs of Honolulu and Hilo. US Area President-elect **DOUG JONES** will also update us on happenings at the Area level as well as installing our new regional officers.

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To Acknowledge the Duty
That Accompanies Every
Right.

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Brother Clubs

Seoul Y's Men's Club
(South Korea)
Helena YSC (Montana
USA)
Kyoto Palace Y's Men's
Club (Japan)
Bendigo Y Service Club
(Australia)

The Mission of the Central
Y Service Club is to
perform group volunteer
work that directly or
indirectly supports Central
YMCA and the community
it serves.

Club meets 2nd Monday
at 5pm at the Y.

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Aloha, Eunice