



The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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Officers 2019-2020

President: Rick Lau
VP: Troy Tomita
Secretary: Roy Tateishi
Treasurer: Darryl Tupinio

Other Club Members:

Garret Ho, Gary Bautista, Eunice Delacruz, Jon Ikea, Phil Sammer, Guy Arakaki, Jimmy Ishimoto, Jennie Scott, Tiffany Kugiya.

Club Service Directors:

ASF/BIDFS: Phil Sammer
Brother Clubs: Garret Ho
Community Service: Rick Lau
Christian Emphasis: Gary B.
Membership/Conserv: Eunice D.
YMCA Liaison: Troy Tomita
Endowment: Troy Tomita
Time of Fast: Jon Ikea
Public Relations: Jennie Scott

Hawai'i Regional Director:

Phil Sammer(Central)
Hawai'i Regional Director-elect:
Sharon Ishida(Kaimuki)
Metro District Governor:
Melanie Ka'aihue-Yoshida(Kalihi)
Metro Lt Gov: Karla Redding
(Windward)
OVG District Governor:
Ken Okimoto (Hilo)

US Area President: Bobby

Stivers-Apiki (Hawai'i)
US Area President-elect:
Bobby Stivers-Apiki (Hawai'i)
International President: Jennifer
Jones (Australia)
International President-elect:
Jacob Kristensen (Denmark)
Central YMCA Executive Director:
Troy Tomita

Regional Theme:

**E Hana Kakou: Let's work
together!**

Y's Words:

*The most important thing in
communication is to hear what
isn't being said. Peter Drucker*

President's Message



International has some great news: A new resolution just passed and spouses of current members can now join for 50% of dues. So, encourage your spouse to come and take a look at our club. Deepest condolences to the Tomita family for the loss of **Doris Tomita** who had a long history of being a servant-leader of YMCA Honolulu. Elections for new officers is around the corner. Please serious consider filling the slot of President-

elect – value= \$1,000 signing bonus! You get an all expense trip to the next Hawai'i Region Convention in Las Vegas. Call or email as soon as possible. First come – First served. *Aloha, Rick*

Club Activities

Reported by Rick Lau

Members **Gary Bautista**, **Darryl Tupinio** and **Rick Lau** attended club member **Guy Arakaki's** church at the Presbyterian Church at Ko'olau to observe YMCA Sunday on January 19. And thanks to **Gary** and **Phil** for volunteering at the annual Friends of the Library Book sale at Washington Middle School. Central hosted the Metro District meeting on Saturday January 25. Members **Rick Lau**, **Darryl Tupinio**, **Gary Bautista** and **Troy Tomita** represented our club. Condolences to **Troy** for loss of his mother, **Doris Tomita**, a long time YMCA employee and supporter. Out of respect for her funeral, which is on Monday February 10, our regular monthly meeting will be postponed until Monday February 17.

Brotherclub News

Our Brother Club in Bendigo took the time to do some research on the City of Helena, site of our newest joint Brother Club that will soon enter into a triangle relationship with Central and Bendigo. Helena is the capital of Montana and was originally founded as a gold mining camp in 1864. It was the 41st state to join the union and is situated at over 4000 feet of altitude. Helena is a center for outdoor recreation including hunting, fishing, mountain biking and skiing. The population as of 2010 was 77,400 persons while the state of Montana has a population of almost 1.1 million making it about the same as size as Hawai'i.

Monthly Focus: Time of Fast

Time of Fast is a YMI program that raises money for projects around the world that are done in conjunction with the local Y Service Club and YMCA. Past projects have included medical service for the needy in Korea; Teen development programs in Mongolia; improving the socio-economic resilience of youth in Madagascar; midwife training in Nepal and here in the USA career counseling disadvantaged high school student in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Humor: 60 may be the new 40 but 9 is the new midnight....I had my patience tested: I'm negative...My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb...I remember being able to get up without making sound effects...When I say "the other day" I could be referring to any time between yesterday and fifteen years ago...

CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB

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To Acknowledge the Duty
That Accompanies Every
Right.

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Brother Clubs

Seoul Y's Men's Club
Northwest Y Service
Club(CA)
Thika Y Service Club
(Kenya)
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 Central YMCA 6pm

News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International (ysmen.org)

Congratulations to **Shaju Sam** on his election to the International Council.

US Area (yserviceclubsusa.org)

Only six clubs have taken the time to vote for the US Area Corporate Secretary **Nancy Libby**. She is unopposed but still needs to be officially elected.

Metro District

The latest district meeting took place on January 25, 2020 hosted by **Central** at the branch. Among topics discussed were: The Atherton Y Charter ceremony February 2; Camp Erdman work project on March 14, annual Endowment Dinner and new member and officer induction Friday April 17 at Manoa Grand Ballroom (\$45 pp); annual elementary school Peace Project in March; possible Metro work project at Hawai'i Foodbank on May 9 and Kaimuki YSC wine tasting fundraiser at Temple Emanu-El on October 19.

Hawai'i Region (www.ysmenhawaii.org)

The Hawai'i Region welcomed the **Atherton Y Service Club** that chartered on January 31, 2020 with an official celebration that took place on February 2. This is a university based club located in the Atherton YMCA across the street from the main University of Hawai'i campus. However, the building has been sold and the Y will move its activities on campus this spring. Attending the celebration were RD **Phil Sammer**, AP **Bobby Stivers-Apiki** and RDE **Sharon Ishida**....Planning continues for the 84th Hawai'i Region Convention slated for April 24-26, 2020 in Las Vegas with the next committee meeting set for Thursday February 27 at 6:30pm at the Kalihi Y. Central will be in charge of the Slot Tournament. Registration forms have been circulated.

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 2020

Emphasis: Time of Fast. CO-RSDs: **Ray Seto, Ashleeann Rowe, Kent Uyehara** (Kaimuki)

8 YMCA of Honolulu AC kickoff
10 Doris Tomita Memorial Services
17 Membership Meeting Central Y 6PM

MARCH 2020

Emphasis: Brother Clubs. RSD: **Jim Kanehira**(Windward)

9 Membership Meeting Central Y 6PM
14 Camp Erdman work day

Christian Emphasis

You are as close to God as you choose to be. If you don't feel close to God, who moved ?? Definitely not Him!!
James 4:7-10

News from the YMCA of Honolulu

The annual YMCA Youth and Government program took place the weekend of January 18 to 19, 2020 in the Hawai'i State Senate Chambers. Participants learn the functions of lawmakers and how to propose and introduce legislation that they themselves write based on topics of importance to their generation. It is not unusual for many of these young people to enter the legislature later as elected representatives... The Y also celebrated the kick off of the Annual Campaign on February 8 at Dole Ballrooms.

THE ATHERTON Y SERVICE CLUB CHARTERS AS THE 10TH CLUB IN THE HAWAII REGION SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2020



President: **Mary Janell Murro**
Secretary: **Cuong Tran**
Treasurer: **Nainoa Heaston**
YMCA Exec. Director: **Cassidy Inamasu**

