

83rd Hawaii Region Convention Highlights

The 83rd Hawaii Region Convention was held from May 3rd to the 5th at the Ilima Hotel. Friday evening's Endowment dinner at the Hale Koa Hotel was reported as being spectacular! YMCA of Honolulu CEO and President, MICHAEL BRODERICK, was the evening's keynote speaker. The Nuuanu club recognized SHEILA FREITAS from Taro Brand Foods of HPC Foods, Ltd to be honored in the Y's Men International's Golden Book. Sheila has been a long time supporter of the Nuuanu club through her company's donations to our annual Senior Citizens' Thanksgiving Dinner.

At the Saturday morning business meeting, reports were given and resolutions were presented. The Saturday Awards luncheon recognized WEST OAHU and WINDWARD Y Service Clubs as small and large Clubs of the Year respectively. Member of the Year was awarded to Windward's JOEANN MCCARTHY, and the Order of the Red Triangle was presented to RICK LAU from Central and PHYLLIS SAKANE POPOVICH from Nuuanu.

Hawaii's own BOBBY STIVERS-APIKI, 2018-2019 US Area President-Elect, honored us as the US Area representative to our convention and reported on the Paul William Alexander Legacy Fund. The Paul William Alexander Legacy initiative is a series of projects to honor the founder of Y's Men International as we approach the 100th anniversary of our Movement in 2022.



New members and Regional and Club Officers were inducted and installed at Saturday's dinner held at Kapiolani Community College. Sunday morning concluded the convention with remembrances for recently departed Hawaii Y's Men, RUSS LYNCH and BOB KUWAHARA, ending with "lifestyle" workshops for learning the ukulele and making haku wristlets and kukui nut leis.

A big MAHALO to convention chairs, EDDIE MIWA and JOEANN MCCARTHY for an outstanding Convention and to all attending!

Our Hawaii Region's Y's Men Leadership Team:

Hawaii Regional Director:	Phil Sammer (Central)
Hawaii Regional Director-Elect:	Sharon Ishida (Kaimuki)
Metro District Governor:	Melanie Ka'aihue-Yoshida (Kalihi)
Metro District Lieutenant Governor:	Karla Redding (Windward)
OVG District Governor:	Ken Okimoto (Hilo)

MAY EMPHASIS CONVENTION

Regional Co-Service Directors
**EDDIE MIWA &
 JOEANN MCCARTHY**
 Kalihi & Windward Y Service Club

MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 3-5 ... 83rd HAWAII REGION CONVENTION

MAY 3 ... Endowment Dinner

MAY 4 ... New Member Induction

MAY 6 ... CLUB MEETING

NU'UANU Y'S MEN & WOMEN'S CLUB

OFFICERS:

ISAAC SAKAMOTO President
 ALBERT LEE Vice President
 PHYLLIS SAKANE POPOVICH Secretary
 STEPHEN WONG Treasurer

MEMBERS:

KATHY AHLO
 NAOMI AIMOTO
 CELINE ALLOUCHERY
 JAMES CHONG
 CHERYL DACUS
 GARY HIGASHIONNA
 LARRY HIRANAKA
 ANALEE KINNEY
 GLENN MATSUKAWA
 WESLEY NAKAMURA
 JAMES OUCHI
 MAURICE SHIMONISHI
 ABI TAN

HONORARY MEMBERS

SUSAN KUWAHARA
 GEORGIA NIIMOTO

Hawaiian Region . US Area
 Chartered May 29, 1964

Brother Clubs
 Y's Men's Club of Osaka Centennial
 Y's Men's Club of Bauhinia

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KATHERINE HALL
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ALINA PIUNNO
Residency Director

MAY HOLIDAYS OF NOTE

MAY 1... MAY DAY
MAY 12 ... MOTHER'S DAY
MAY 27 ... MEMORIAL DAY

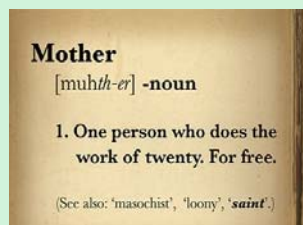
US AREA LEADERSHIP TEAM

AP TIBOR FOKI
A-SEC NANCY LIBBY
CFO GENE KOESTER
IPAP CHARLEY REDMOND
AP-ELECT BOBBY STIVERS-APIKI

A LITTLE INSPIRATION



A LITTLE HUMOR



YMCA NEWS

NUUANU YMCA MAKES THEIR 2019 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN GOAL!

Kathy Ahlo reports the Nuuanu YMCA made their Annual Campaign Goal of \$210,000! "We want to thank EVERY-ONE for all your hard work and diligence and hanging in there making phone calls, emailing, sending letters, etc. All your hard work paid off.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

From Y's Men International

EMPHASIS Month—MAY > Spotlight on Y'S MENETTES and BRANDING & IDENTITY

Y'S MENETTES

Before 1973, all wives of Y's Men's Club members were considered "Y's Menettes." Today, a woman has the choice to become a Y's Woman or a Y's Menette, and becoming a Y's Menette is no longer contingent on being a spouse of a Y's Man. The Y's Menettes is the all-female partner organization committed to serving Y's Men International (YMI) and the YMCA, as well as running their own independent programs.

BRANDING & IDENTITY

May is also the month to focus on the development of our Y's Men brand and our collective identity. Part of meeting the YMI TOWARDS 2022 Goals includes sending our legacy story to IHQ (to not exceed 200 words) describing the most significant service to the community or YMCA our club has provided since it began by September 2019, and sharing two of the club's most significant community service engagements this year (100-200 words ideally accompanied by at least one activity picture and current group photo of our club members) by December 2019. This is meant to improve global awareness of who we are and what we do.

US AREA NEWS

REMINDER

The Joint USA/CAC Area Convention will be held on August 15-18, 2019, in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Accommodation and meeting site will be at the University of Ottawa. Registration is \$275 CAD. Includes all meals from Thursday, August 15 supper to Sunday, August 18 breakfast. Youth program for ages 18-26. More US Area information can be found at yserviceclubsususa.org. Current US Area President is Tibor Foki; US Area President Elect is Bobby Stivers-Apiki.

HAWAII REGION NEWS

The well attended 83rd Hawaii Region Convention was held earlier this month and it is never too early to think about next year's convention. Venues being decided on are Las Vegas or a neighbor island. More Hawaii Region information can be found at www.ysmenhawaii.org.

METRO DISTRICT NEWS

A Metro District Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 18, 2019, 6pm at Kalihi YMCA 4th Conference Room, led by Metro District Governor, MELANIE KA'AIHUE-YOSHIDA.



CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS

From [HTTP://WWW.AKRONYMCA.ORG/ABOUT/CHRISTIAN_EMPHASIS/](http://WWW.AKRONYMCA.ORG/ABOUT/CHRISTIAN_EMPHASIS/)

CHRISTIAN EMPHASIS & OUR Y

YMCA Mission: To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

George Williams founded the Young Men's Christian Association in 1844 to improve the "spiritual condition of young men" in a London, England that was rife with temptations and negative influences. The Y's earliest programs were Bible study, establishment of reading rooms and providing a reference list of reputable boarding houses where someone could find a comfortable bed and a good meal.

While founded with a Christian worldview, YMCA doors are open to people of all faiths or none. We feel that we are called to inclusion by our faith-based roots. Our values are held in our hearts, not worn on our shirtsleeves. People of all faiths are welcome to work, play and volunteer at the Akron Y.

Each Y branch expresses our Christian heritage in unique ways. One branch might host a non-denominational Bible study while another sponsors a prayer breakfast on Good Friday. Many Y child care programs partner with churches.

YMCA's are about bringing together people of faith with people of good will in order to develop strong children, encourage healthy living and give back to the community.

The great historian of religion, Martin Marty, once said that every religion serves two functions: First, it is a message of telling us how to get right with God; and second, it is a lens for interpreting the world. At the Y, we attempt to remain true to our Christian roots and allow our members to interpret the world around them.

To ignore our heritage is to forsake what has gotten us to this point in our journey. The Y runs the chance of becoming indistinguishable from other community recreation centers and social service agencies unless we remain true to our mission.

Our mandate is compelling. Love God and love our neighbors as ourselves with thereby strengthening the community through a set of common values - intentionally involving ourselves in acts of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility, in our homes, in our places of worship, in our organizations and in the world.