



The Y'S OBSERVER

JUNE 2020

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

Officers 2019-2020

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

Other Club Members:

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

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: Guy Arakaki
Public Relations: Jennie Scott

Hawaii Regional Director:
Phil Sammer (Central)
Hawaii 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 (Hawaii)
US Area President-elect:
Bobby Stivers-Apiki (Hawaii)
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:

Get your facts first, and then you can distort them as much as you please. Mark Twain

President's Message



Fond Aloha to the officers and members of our great club as this marks my final message as your Club President. Next month the gavel belongs to young and handsome leader **Troy Tomita**. I would like to take the opportunity to sincerely thank each of you for all your support in making our community a better place. I would like to wish the best for **Tupi** for his many years of service to Y'sdom as he needs to spend more time with his family and to **Eunice** and **Guy** who submitted their resignations also. Wish all three of you the best in all your future endeavors. God be with you!

Club Activities

The meeting took place via Zoom and was convened at 6pm. We were disappointed to learn that two of our favorite activities had been canceled: The Special Olympics on May 31 and the Okinawan festival during the first weekend of September. Both will be rescheduled to next year. Right now it is difficult to make any plans since there are still protocols in place restricting social distancing and size of gatherings. We hope to be able to resume in person meetings in August or September.... Last month **Troy** was elected president and is currently recruiting his cabinet. Thanks to **Jennie** for volunteering to be secretary!.....We reluctantly accepted the resignation of three of our members: **Eunice**, **Guy** and **Darryl** effective June 30. All have been hard workers and unfailing supporters of the club and will be sorely missed. Since the Zoom meeting worked pretty well last month so will continue this month. The next meeting will be on Monday June 8, 2020 from **5pm to 6pm (note time change)**. Phil will send out the email with the link later.

Brotherclub News:

The Bendigo *Golden City Bulletin* reports that the Club Council is preparing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Bryan and Gwen Baker and the Club so that they can return to selling their books from Bryan's shop ([The pop up Shop](#) in Hargreaves Mall) as soon as they are all satisfied that it is safe to do so. This matter will be dealt with at the Council and Business meetings on the 4th June...

June Focus: Publicity/Public Relations

As we head into the new YMI year we need to be mindful of the importance of Public Relations in spreading the good news of the work we do. In today's world PR usually means Facebook, Instagram and other social media. Each club should have a PR service director since RDE **Sharon** has an effective plan for assisting all the clubs with their PR headed up by **Joe Ann McCarthy**. Central has **Jennie Scott** to fill this vital role.

Virus Reminders: Wash hands frequently for at least twenty seconds-plain soap will kill the virus....Try not to touch eyes, nose or mouth....Keep six feet away from others as "social distancing"....Wear a mask in situations where you could possibly transmit the virus to another person or receive it from them...Shaking hands is not recommended...

Humor: More signs of the times: I'm so bored! I went outside and knocked on my own door then came back in and said: Who is it? Cop: Is that alcohol that I smell? Driver: No officer it's hand sanitizer...Wearing a mask inside your homes is now highly recommended. Not so much to prevent COVID-19 but to stop eating....

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To Acknowledge the Duty
That Accompanies Every
Right.

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Brother Clubs

Seoul Y's Men's Club
Helena YSC (Montana)
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

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News From Y'sdom

Y Service Clubs International (ysmen.org)

Our incoming AP **Jacob Kristensen** is initiating WEEK 4 WASTE a world-wide clean-up project for June 2021 and is looking for YSC members to help plan this important project. The Hawai'i Region is pleased to submit the name of **Melanie Kaaihue-Yoshida** to serve on the Week 4 Waste Committee. Melanie is a member of the Kalihi Y Service Club, current Metro District Governor and is in mentorship to be a Regional Director in the near future.

US Area (yserviceclubsusa.org)

The spring US Area Council meeting was conducted via computer "Go To Meeting" on Saturday May 16 from 9am to noon thanks to the efforts of AP **Bobby Stivers-Apiki**. Reports were received from the regional directors and some service directors. It was announced that there would be no Area convention in 2021 in preparation for the Centennial International Convention in August 2022. The **Paul William Alexander Legacy** was also discussed noting that the Area is seriously behind in contributions. Suggested solutions include contributions of either \$30 one time or \$10 per year per member, \$100 per club (one time). Our Area goal is \$50,000. Next council meeting will be in August.

Metro District

DG Melanie is looking at combining the next Metro district meeting with the Regional Cabinet meeting currently scheduled for November 7, 2020. Another option is a Zoom meeting.

Hawai'i Region (www.ysmenhawaii.org)

The cancellation of most of the regional events has made for a quiet spring. We look forward to resuming regular activities later this year as RDE **Sharon Ishida** takes the reins. All the best Sharon for the coming year!

Calendar of Events

JUNE 2020

Emphasis: Public Relations
8 Membership Mtg 6PM (VIA ZOOM)

JULY 2020

Emphasis:
Membership/Conservation/Extension
RSD: Eddie Miwa (Kalihi)
13 Membership Mtg Central 6PM

Christian Emphasis

The Word of God (whomever your god is) is essentially a guide for believers ... In addition to providing you the truths about your Creator or Savior, your book also teaches you and gives you hope. We can learn from the experiences of those in your God's word, so that we see how they overcome and how God Rescued them.

News from the YMCA of Honolulu

We've missed you! As we await Governor David Ige's approval for health and fitness facilities to reopen on June 19, know that our YMCA is ready. We have worked very hard to ensure our facilities meet the highest standards for hygiene and safety. Some things to expect once we reopen: Mask and health screening requirements for members and staff, clear signage and realignment of fitness equipment for social distancing, and enhanced and frequent cleaning and disinfecting. Meanwhile, check out our website at www.ymcahonolulu.org for a robust selection of online classes (80+ and counting!) Expect some LIVE classes soon!