



# The Y'S OBSERVER

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

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## Officers 2009-2010

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## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio  
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Troy Tomita

*"Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality the guarantees the others".*

Aristotle

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone! Hopefully you all enjoyed Valentine's Day with your loved ones. As usual, the females in my family get all the attention this day, just like Girls Day, and Mothers Day to name a few, not to mention all their birthdays. I guess it's worth every penny, especially now, in my golden years, and possibly being looked after. Well, it was just a day's rest for my girls, munching on candies, watching a rented movie, while dad's busy grilling some meat with his pal, "Bud Light." As you all know, February through early March was a busy month for many of our club members seeking donations in support of our YMCA Annual Support Campaign. It started off with a training session early February, which included First Giving, whereby a volunteer creates his own fundraising page to start raising money for the YMCA via the Internet. It is a new concept started by the YMCA this year, making it another tool for volunteers to seek donations from friends and fellow workers. Once a week on Tuesdays we had report night, attended by members of our club, along with other team members, handing in their pledges and donations collected earlier. I must say, the catered food and desserts provided by the YMCA were just yummy. There was always extra food taken home by the volunteers attending the meeting.

In appreciation, **Phil Sammer**, ASC Campaign Chair, and **Captain Tupi**, would like to thank the following club volunteers: **Ted, Marilyn, Mary, (plus Courtney), Eunice, Garret, Ed Lee and Rick Lau**, leader of our team in donations, for their unselfish efforts, seeking donations up to the final week of the campaign. Tuesday March 2 is the final report night for pledges and donations at Dave and Buster's, with a celebration to follow, starting at 5:30PM. Several prizes will be given out, including some extra \$\$\$\$ to a lucky winner as the biggest prize that evening. Reminder, our next monthly meeting is on Monday March 8 and members are encouraged to be there to help plan future activities. *Darryl*

## Brother Club News

March is International Brother Club (IBC) month in the Hawaii Region. The RSD (Regional Service Director) for IBC is **James Chong** (Nu'uauu), the ASD (Area Service Director) is **Hany Girgis** of Kankakee (Illinois) Y Service Club while the ISD (International Service Director) is **Lambert Okure** of Jinja (Uganda) Y service Club. The goal of IBC is "to join in partnership clubs located in different countries for their mutual benefit and better understanding. It is designed to assist fellow Y's Men and Women and their families to learn about and exchange ideas between clubs, whether they are just over the border or right across the world". Central Y Service Club has six IBC affiliations four of which form a *quadrangle* relationship, meaning, each is brother club with the other. The quadrangle is made up of Bendigo (Australia) Y Service Club, Northwest Y Service Club (Cupertino, CA), Westchester Y Service Club (Los Angeles) and Central Y Service Club. Our other IBC clubs are the Y's Men's Club of Kyoto Palace (Japan), the Seoul (Korea) Y's Men's Club and the Thika (Kenya) Y's Men's Club. We are currently in the process of forming a *triangle* with the Northwest Y Service Club and the Y's Men's Club of Kyoto Palace. We receive regular bulletins from three of the clubs and send our bulletin to them as well. We hope to see many of our brother club members at the International Convention in Yokohama in July.

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

## News From Y'sdom

### Y Service Clubs International News

International headquarters is looking for a new Youth Intern to succeed **Paska Kinuthia** of Kenya. Candidates must be between the ages of 22 and 27, fluent in English and able to spend eleven months at IHQ in Geneva. More information is available on the International website [www.ysmen.org](http://www.ysmen.org).

### US Area News

The US Area Council has chosen a new Area Corporate Secretary: **Anne Stuckle** of the Carondelet Y Service Club in St. Louis, Missouri. Anne is the current president of the club and is the daughter of past international president **Rachelle Reeg**. Anne will assume her duties on July 1, relieving **Debbie Redmond** who is completing six years as Secretary.

### Hawai'i Region

RDE Russ Lynch, chair person for the Meals on Wheels *March for Meals 2010*, suggests supporting this event to generate public awareness for our hungry seniors. This will be a national event. We will participate in an organized walk from Honolulu Hale to the State Capitol on March 23rd starting at 11:00 AM. Russ also suggests tying in the March with continuing actions such as donating home necessities, delivering hot meals to lonely seniors, donations online and entertaining and conducting classes for the seniors at one of the 19 Kupuna Wellness Centers on the islands.

### Metro District

At our recent Metro Council meeting, all clubs agreed to install our incoming Metro District Club officers at the Metro Assembly, set for Saturday, April 10, with the West O'ahu Club coordinating the event. The induction of new members will take place at this year's Regional Convention as planned.

## Calendar of Events

### MARCH 2010

Emphasis: International Brother Clubs  
RSD: James Chong (Nu'uauu)

2 ASC Victory Dinner: Dave & Busters  
8 Business Meeting Central Y 6:30 PM  
23 March For Meals: Honolulu Hale 11 AM

### APRIL 2010

Emphasis: Leadership Training Co-RSDs:  
Linda Chung (W. O'ahu) & Paul Kuromoto (Kaimuki)  
10 DG Training via Webinar  
12 Business Meeting Central Y 6:30 PM

### Christian Emphasis By Rick Lau

*"When we have the opportunity to help anyone, we should do it"* Galatians 6:10

Kind hearts are quietly kind. They let the car cut into traffic and the young mom with three kids move up in the checkout line. They pick up the neighbor's trash can rolled down into the street. And they are especially kind at church. They understand that perhaps the neediest person they'll meet all week is the one standing in the foyer or sitting in the row behind them in worship.

### News From Central YMCA

The 2010 Annual Support Campaign is drawing to a close. We have raised \$52,688 so far or 81% of our goal of \$65,000. We hope to go over the top at the Victory celebration on Tuesday March 2 at Dave and Buster's at the Ward Shops from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Now's the time to make your final calls and get pledges!

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