



# The Y'S OBSERVER

JUNE 2009

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL Y SERVICE CLUB, HAWAII REGION,  
US AREA, Y'S MEN INTERNATIONAL

## Officers 2008-2009

President: Darryl Tupinio  
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Eunice Dela Cruz, Garret Ho, Ted Isekawa, Jimmy Ishimoto, Rick Lau, Ben Makaea, Mary Nakamura, Marilyn Nakayama, Phil Sammer, Reggie Takaki, Roy Tateishi, Troy Tomita

## Club Service Directors:

ASF/DFS: Darryl Tupinio  
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Rick Lau (Central)  
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Troy Tomita (Interim)

*"You miss 100% of the shots you never take".*

*Wayne Gretzky*

## President's Message

Well another month gone and we're almost half way through the Year 2009! Attending the Hawaii Regional Convention was a first for me and I must say it was a learning experience. Besides our leaders **Phil** and **Rick**, club members **Roy H**, **Reggie** and **Darryl** attended the business sessions on Saturday and, on Sunday, at the academy, fellow members **Eunice** and **Roy T** joined in. Our cook book sale at the convention was a success thanks to Eunice and **Garret** setting up and manning the booth and, of course, our salesmen, Phil, Rick, Roy H, Roy T, for circulating at the convention selling cook books to other club members and guests. Rick, Roy H and Darryl also donated items for the auction and early bird prizes. Thanks to **Tina** for getting our club donation/prizes that were raffled off during the convention. Food and drinks were available at the hospitality room to relax and meet with other club members. Mahalo to Phil for hosting Saturday's convention at his 'Ilima Hotel, giving members large and beautiful rooms at reasonable rates, a hospitality room to mingle with others, and providing transportation when necessary. Rick did his usual routine as MC, lots of laughs, with some magical demonstrations to boot.... Central received regional awards for **World Service, Membership and Conservation** and **Bulletin**. The Endowment Dinner was an enjoyable evening attended by many of our club members although **Reggie** and wife **Laura** were unable to attend the function. **Carl Takamura** and **Grant Kagimoto** represented **Temari** at the dinner function and made a donation of \$200 to Central Y in honor of Reggie. **Yuko** and **Hitoshi Inoue** from Kyoto Palace, our brother club, attended the weekend function as usual. Thanks to **Jimmy** for getting the lei that were given to our honoree Reggie and his wife Laura as well as lei to our honored club members and guests that evening.... Phil, Rick, Roy T and Darryl will be attending the Kaboom Project at Camp Erdman Thursday June 4th from 8:30AM to 3:00PM to help build a new play ground. Next service project will be Friends of the Library of Hawaii on Saturday June 20th from 8:00AM - 2:00PM providing assistance as adders. *Darryl*

**Editor's Note:** Congratulations to **Darryl** for being selected **Club President of the Year** for the Hawaii Region! He's too modest to take credit but our club couldn't have made it through the year without him! Congratulations also to **Kathy Ahlo** of **Nu'uano** who was honored with the Milton Hakoda Trident Award for outstanding service to Y'sdom in her first three years of membership.



Club President of the Year!



Rick thanks Area rep Wayne



Trevor Jones' Mystery Basket



We always find the lunchroom...



Darryl helps induct Ben and Eunice

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To Acknowledge the Duty  
That Accompanies Every  
Right.

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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 children it serves

## News From Y'sdom

### Y's Men International News

The meeting of the International Council will take place as scheduled in Sri Lanka from July 25 to 30, 2009 followed by the Asia Area Convention. APE **Phil Sammer** will attend.

### US Area News

The US Area Council meeting in July will focus on membership development and extension with the aim of putting the ideas gleaned from the November forum in Minneapolis into practical use by all clubs. It promises to be a very productive session with the majority of the Area's leaders planning to attend.

### Hawai'i Region

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Regional Convention was a great success by all measures thanks to the hard work of chair **Walter Osakoda** and the organizing committee. Splitting the venues worked well with the business sessions and hospitality at the 'Ilima Hotel and the meals and Academy at the Miramar Hotel. There was a lively discussion about the future of the convention but it was agreed that it must be held yearly. **East Kaua'i** will host the 74<sup>th</sup> convention while also celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. **Duke Chung** will chair the event and will call on assistance from all of the region's clubs. Special thanks to **Paul Kuramoto** and **Linda Chung** for a very informative and lively Academy and to **Wayne** and **Grace Smith** for representing the US Area.

### Metro District

The Metro District held its annual Endowment Dinner and officer and new member installation on Monday May 18 at 6:30 PM at the Japanese Cultural Center's Manoa Ballroom. **Reggie Takaki** was honored in the Golden Book while **Eunice Dela Cruz** and **Ben Tateishi** were inducted as our newest members. Also installed were club president **Darryl Tupinio** and treasurer **Roy Hiyama**.

## Calendar of Events

### JUNE 2009

Emphasis: Public Relations RSD: Donna Saito (Windward)

4 Camp Erdman Work Project 8:00 AM-3PM  
8 Business Meeting Central YMCA 6:30 PM  
20 Friends of the Library-McKinley HS 8 AM

### JULY 2009

Emphasis: Membership & Conservation and Extension. RSD-MC Duke Chung (W.O'ahu), RSD-Ext. Brad Ishida (Kaimuki)

13 Business Meeting Central YMCA 6:30 PM  
7-9 US Area Council Meeting Santa Barbara

### Christian Emphasis by Rick Lau

*"The good man brings good things out of good stored in his heart."* Luke 6:45  
Strength in Unity

When you are offered a morsel of gossip marinated in slander, do you turn it down or pass it on? That depends on the state of your heart. The state of your heart dictates whether you harbor a grudge or give grace, seek self-pity or seek Christ, drink misery or taste God's mercy.

### News From Central YMCA

The YMCA Island Y Adventure enriches the summer months with a range of activities and plenty of time for friendships and adventure! It's become an island tradition for keiki to come to our Summer Programs to enjoy summer time fun with nature, games, excursion, and arts & crafts. Call 941-3344 for more information and to enroll.

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