



# PACIFIC CENTRAL LINE



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## Pacific Central Region, US Area of Y Service Clubs International

### Regional Calendar

December 2011  
Christian Emphasis

25 Merry Christmas

January 2012  
Brotherhood Fund

28 PCR Board Meeting – Sat. at 10:00 AM  
Pea Soup Andersen Rest., Santa Nella

February 2012  
Time of Fast

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June 2012  
STEP/YEEP/Youth Activities

June 9th PC Regional Conference  
Saturday Sequoia Lake Y Camp

August 2012

Aug 2-5 Intl Convention 2012  
Stavanger, Norway

### Acknowledge the Duty That Accompanies Every Right

### Buck Cox, Regional Director

There could soon be another Y Service Club in the Pacific Central Region – Eden Y in Hayward. I look forward to your support toward their success.

I urge members to read the U. S. Area bulletin and regional bulletin to be informed about what everyone is a part of. I hope the clubs are able to vote internationally and will not pass up the opportunity. Also please participate in area and regional elections, where all clubs are eligible.

I wish all members of the Pacific Central Region and their families a Merry Christmas and a healthy, successful Happy New Year.

...Buck

### Christian Emphasis

Christmas, New Years, Valentines Day

Text: (Mary) brought forth her firstborn son: and (Joseph) called his name Jesus. ...Matthew 1:25

Poem:

#### The Christmas Story

Christmas comes to hearts again,  
Its message old and true:  
The Savior born in Bethlehem,  
The story's told anew.  
The Wise Men trod a pathway  
Beneath a guiding star  
That led them to the Christ Child

In a manger way afar.  
 And now, down through the ages,  
 Wise Men are guided still  
 To keep the birth of Jesus  
 In reverence and goodwill.  
 For Christmas comes to hearts again,  
 There's joy upon the earth,  
 As bells ring out and carolers sing  
 To honor Jesus' birth.  
 ...Virginia Borman Grimmer

**Commentary** – Chrstmas time is a time of gift wrapping, gift giving, sharing and caring and celebrating. On Winter Solstice, our shortest day, we celebrate the day the sun stops moving south. The sun nadir is as far as it gets into the southern hemisphere (Tropic of Capricorn) and starts heading north. Days get longer. A victory for the north!  
 Christmas Day is the centering day in the Western world's Gregorian calendar. It is the center of time. With the first Christmas Day the B.C. ("before Christ") of time's cycle gave way to A.D. ("in the Year of Our Lord"). On Christmas Day the fullness of time had come. We celebrate on December 25 -- Eastern Orthodox celebrate Christmas 12 days later. And there are some of us who celebrate all 12 days! Its Jesus' 2011th birthday and we can celebrate all year long by serving as Jesus taught.

**Prayer:** Dear God, Thanks for your Son Jesus. Thanks for giving us the chance to love, care, share, serve and celebrate as your Son Jesus taught. Help us to show that love to family, to those in our club, YMCA and in the world. ...Amen

...Jerry Zichtermn, RSD CE

### Public Relations

Whenever your club doing anything in public such as fundraising or Community Service, make sure the public knows who is doing it – like a sign or banner and why. You might also consider when meeting at a restaurant to get permission to show who's meeting by display of club banner or sign showing schedule of meetings

...Buck Cox, RSD- PR

### Brotherhood Fund

To quote Charles E. Humel, "Our greatest danger in life is in permitting the urgent things to crowd out the important." The Y's Men's calendar year is passing quickly and it is time to think about your club's donation to the Brotherhood Fund.

The report given at the last board meeting was incorrect--foreign stamps sent to Earl Foster, Canada, generated \$178.18 not \$50.00!! And now we have received a TRUNK LOAD of stamps sent from throughout the U.S. from retired railroad employees.

The Fresno Central Y's Menettes are busy sorting in preparation for soaking and bundling. They also in lieu of a past presidents gift, donated \$40.00 in my honor to the Brotherhood Fund!!

Donations toward a \$1400 goal for this year include:

East Valley	\$50.00
Y's Menettes	40.00
Sale of stamps	201.18
Convention Contest	90.00
Total	358.18

Send donation checks made out to:  
*Y's Men International, U.S. Area* to  
**Jan Suydam, RSD-BF**  
 451 S.Armstrong, Fresno, CA 93727-5701.  
 State *Brotherhood Fund* on the notation line.

### Alexander Scholarship Fund

Now is a good time to begin thinking about your Clubs and your individual contributions to the ASF (Alexander Scholarship Fund) and the DFS (Dollars for Scholars) programs. This year's goals are ASF @ \$10 and DFS @ \$10 per member. Congratulations! Last year Pacific Central Region contributed \$1,545 which was 72% of the Regional goal and 86% of the US Area Goal. I feel this was very good during a time of financial setbacks. Thank you to all who contributed this year, these programs are vital if we want to help our YMCA's get stronger leadership.

Dollars for Scholars (DFS) funds are used as grants to assist YMCA professionals and staff to attend seminars, training and certification courses. DFS grants have a maximum of \$500 per person. Thanks to the Northwest Y Service Club, Easton and Clovis-Fresno Clubs who all contributed to DFS last year, please encourage their YMCA professionals to apply.

**Please note:** Clubs will also receive credit for DFS contributions when they give dollars directly to their YMCA for staff to attend training, seminar or

acquire certification. This is a good way to direct your club's giving to your local YMCA's specific needs.

Visit the ASF web site: [www.ysmenusa.com.asf1.htm](http://www.ysmenusa.com.asf1.htm) for information and applications.

...**Dan Eberly**, RSD ASF/DFS  
1620 Magnolia  
Clovis, Ca 93611



### Pacific Central Region Dollars for Scholars 2011 Christmas Wish



The following donors wish all of our Y's Friends  
*A Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.*

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Patricia Baughman          | 19. Dave & Karen Hembree         | 37. Pete and Mary Ann Phillips |
| 2. John and Meme Biek         | 20. Morris and Louise Hosoda     | 38. Dominic Piccolo            |
| 3. Christopher & Angela Brown | 21. Douglas and Doreen Huston    | 39. Dave Pike                  |
| 4. Adriana Butterman          | 22. Rod and Felicia Kellenberger | 40. Ted and Pat Ripplinger     |
| 5. Ray & Ruth Cameron         | 23. Bill and Shari Kerr          | 41. Jorge Rodriques            |
| 6. John Castro                | 24. Karen LaMothe                | 42. Richard Rodriques          |
| 7. Dale and Connie Claes      | 25. Wayne Langdon                | 43. Rubin Rodriques            |
| 8. Marjorie Clark             | 26. Mike Lusk                    | 44. Lois and Buddy Ross        |
| 9. David and Louise Coleman   | 27. Bill and Mercedes McCarty    | 45. Emilio and Marge Sainten   |
| 10. Buck Cox                  | 28. Darel and Diane Mehrten      | 46. John Salsman               |
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| 12. Alvin Davis               | 30. Howard Nielsen               | 48. Caroline Sites             |
| 13. Kim Doty                  | 31. Vlad Novak                   | 49. Janet & son Nate Stevens   |
| 14. Danny and Arlene Eberly   | 32. Tim, Wendy & Ryan O'Conner   | 50. William and Rose Stock     |
| 15. Al and Alice Endter       | 33. Ron and Elaine Ohlfs         | 51. Russ and Jan Suydam        |
| 16. Lily Flores               | 34. Wayne and Eva Orum           | 52. Bill and Florence Ulrich   |
| 17. Richard and Gail Hansen   | 35. Marcus Orum                  | 53. Jerry and Jo Zichterman    |
| 18. Wes and Judy Harrison     | 36. Bruce and Pat Parsons        |                                |



**Note:** The drawing for the (Felicia Kellenberger) Giant-Blanket Raffle (which these are all entered) will be held at the Regional Conference June 9, 2012. Thank you again to Felicia Kellenberger for donating her time and materials. Additional Raffle tickets are available 2 for \$5 or \$3 each as a donation to DFS, these will be sold at the Regional Conference or send your checks to me by June and I will enter your tickets in the drawing.

...**Dan Eberly**, RSD AFS-DFS, 1620 Magnolia Ave., Clovis, CA 93611

### **International Brother Clubs**

I urge all clubs that have brother clubs to send Christmas or New Years Greetings to their fellow clubs Suggested ways of contacting existing brotherhood clubs include e-mails, club bulletins, post cards, and photos of club activities. We were reminded that clubs need to be more active in contacting their existing brotherhood clubs. It was suggested that each club in the region appoint a member to coordinate this activity. A question was raised whether or not PCR has made an effort to arrange a new brotherhood club as a result of the visit of Dr. Jean Joseph Chendjou to our region. The Clovis-Fresno club will follow up with Dr. Chendjou.

Season's Greetings and God Bless,

...**Wayne Orum**, RSD-IBC

### **Time of Fast**

This Winter issue includes February which has the Theme Emphasis Time of Fast. I would like your club to have a special event or fund raising activity for Time of Fast.

Time of Fast planning should be occurring at the club level at the present time. TOF final contributions gathered at the regional convention were received by the US Area treasurer too late for inclusion in the 2010-11 US Area Report, so PCR starts the New Year with a carryover balance of \$449.

Merry Christmas and lets meet at the Conference.

...**Karen LaMothe**, RSD-ToF, (559) 291 2727  
4767 E Norwich, Fresno, CA 93726

### **Public Relations**

One way to increase the growth of membership is to get out to the public who we are, what we do and what the individual can gain by his or her involvement. I would like to suggest the way to improve public relations of Y service image is support of U. S. Area President **Phil Sammer's** project – Meals on Wheels. This can be by financial or time support. hospitality and we want to follow their progress. Perhaps they can become a brother club.

...**Buck Cox**, RSD-PR

### **Membership Conservation**

Currently, the Pacific Central Region has several clubs anticipating new members. These clubs include Clovis-Fresno, Visalia, Northwest Y Service Club, and Livermore. PCR has lost two members at large in Las Vegas due to the dues increase. A thought-provoking article relating to membership conservation related the author's experience traveling internationally; only he among 53 tour members was familiar with the Y's Men. This shows the importance of publicity in promoting goals, activities, and contributions of Y's Men at all levels.

...**Bill Ulrich**, RSD-Mem/Cons

### **Extention**

A new club expecting fifteen initial members may be chartered by March 15, 2012. This nascent club (Eden in Hayward) needs the usual startup accouterments such as a bell, gavel, and banner. A suggestion was offered that current clubs and members locate these items from dormant clubs and make them available to newly chartered clubs. Dan Eberly volunteered to take on this task.

...**Robin McDonald**, RSD-Extention

## Endowment

I have been in contact with ASD Larry Boll, who answered several questions and communicated updates regarding endowment-related matters. The cost of placing a member into the Golden Book has increased from \$100 to \$120. Clubs should take note of this change. The Easton Club will be submitting three candidates to the Golden Book this year.

... **Darel Mehrten**, RSD-Endowment

## International Convention 2012

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2012 International Convention and Youth Convocation in Stavanger, Norway. Register before 1 May 2012 to benefit from the reduced rates!

The Convention will take place 2–5 August 2012. Stavanger is the oil capital of Norway and also the main city in the best agricultural area in the country. The spectacular Lysefjord with the Pulpit Rock is only half an hour away. The County of Rogaland, as you can see, has a lot to interest our visitors.

## Sierra District

**Barbed Y're, Fresno Central** - **Dale Claes**, Editor **Dan Eberly** reported that the Football concession stand earned approximately \$3,600. Our thanks go to **Dan** and his family for cooking breakfast burritos, they have gone over very well at our events. We always give thanks to those who worked so hard to make this a success.



**Dan** also reported that the Wrestling Tournament will be on February 4th. Please mark your calendar.

**John Biek** read the Golden Book pages he received. One was from the Y's Menette's honoring our Club on its 50th anniversary for the combined activities with them. The second was for **Dale Claes** and his past service to the Club.

**Buck Cox** sent information to be signed to make the Y's Men's Club that Dr. Jean Joseph Chendjou attends (forgive me for forgetting to note the clubs actual name) as a Brother Club. The papers will be signed by our president and sent the Dr. Chendjou.

...**Dick Hansen**, Sierra DG

## Mission Lassen District

**Northwest Y Service** **Jerry Zichter**man, Rptr Northwest Y Service Club had a picnic Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at which time they met their new Y Exec, Sue Ball. They were also pleased to have with them two STEP (Short Term Exchange Program) students from Yekaterinburg, Russia, **Julia Sokolova** and **Aleksandra (Sasha) Sharova**, both 16 years old. **East Valley Y's Men** had their annual tri-tip Sandwich fundraiser at the Berryessa Art and Wine Festival.

**Livermore Y's Men** had their annual plastic duck race fundraiser this year. This year they placed the ducks in a river instead of a local swimming pool

...**Jerry Zichter**man, Mission DG

## PCR Y's Menettes

The Fresno Central Y's Menettes has scheduled four events from September thru December, 2011. These are a pot luck salad bar in September, a special speaker in October, and a rummage sale in November. Complementary activities are assisting the Clovis-Fresno Y's Men's Club with their elementary school football tournament in September and annual Christmas caroling in December.

...**Felicia Kellenberger**, Y's Menettes DG

## US Area President's Report

We greet this Christmas season of light with thanksgiving for our successful club efforts these past few months. I am particularly thankful for successful back surgery in October and a continued recovery.

I heard good reports from the Area speakers at Regional conventions this fall. Each one of our nine Regions is unique in culture and experience, yet share the same in purpose and motivation as all the other Regions. We have one new club on Long Island in New York, chartered in October. Our prospects are to charter one in our Pacific Central Region in February and one in Hot Springs, Arkansas, about the same time.

In the coming new year, be enthusiastic about your Y Service Club and its work.  
Be optimistic about its future.

Look for opportunities. This new year, we need your clubs to put together plans to contact local Y's. Many Y's, new or old, have forgotten *how an enthusiastic service club dedicated to their well being can help them meet their fondest goals*. Because one size doesn't fit all, you can propose the beginning of a new club of younger members. Just get it going. Inertia is our worst enemy. We might get some rejection, but we must keep trying.

And make time for visitors. Get together socially with your neighboring clubs and cooperate on work projects. I'd like to visit your clubs. Set up a visit!

Remember, when we do good, we are always walking in the season of light and not walking in the dark. We can expect God's blessings. Count on it.

...**Mary Ann Phillips**, US Area President

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEA