



O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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January 2011

Luncheon / Meeting
January 6, 2011
Waikiki Yacht Club

11:00 A.M. Social Hour
11:30 A.M. Meeting
12:00 Noon Lunch
12:30 P.M. Speaker

Cost
20.00

Menu

Cabbage & Tomato Salad
with Miso Dressing

Tonkatsu & Teri Chicken
"Bento Plate"

Coffee, Tea or Iced Tea

Dessert

Reservations/Cancellations
Cindy Vaillancourt

703-597-6004

CC.Vaillancourt@gmail.com

Or

www.oahuleague.homestead.com

Reservations/Cancellations
must be made by January
3rd We are committed
to pay for all lunches
reserved, so No Shows
will be charged for their
lunch. Please - no walk-
ins.

Guest Speaker Charles Memminger



Charles Memminger is a national award-winning newspaper columnist, screenwriter and author currently living in Honolulu, Hawaii, with wife, Margie, daughter, Sarah, dog, Boomer, cat, Mac and various geckos, mongooses and island creatures. His most recent success was taking third place in the 2010 National Society of Newspaper Columnists national columnists contest in humor division for newspapers over 100,000 circulation. Previously, he was twice been named top humor columnist in the country by the NSNC for newspapers under 100,000 circulation.

His latest book, "Hey, Waiter, There's An Umbrella In My Drink! (Tales From The Tropics By Hawaii's Favorite Humorist)" was published by Watermark Publishing and contains blurbs of support from the likes of legendary travel writer and novelist Paul Theroux, A.J. Jacobs, editor-at-large of Esquire Magazine and Wally "The Cookie Man" Amos. (You can order the book on Amazon.com or at a discount by emailing him at cmemminger@hawaii.rr.com). He also is the author of the book, "Hey, Tourist, Buy This Book!" and was the only writer in Hawaii to contribute to "Chicken Soup for the Soul of American," written in honor of those who perished in the 9-11 attacks. He recently completed a novel "Kahala Road."

He appears often on local TV and radio, does some standup comedy from time to time and currently is the community outreach coordinator for a national company that builds Mainland prisons that hold Hawaii inmates.

His essays and columns have been distributed by the New York Times News Service and he has been published in Newsweek, Better Homes & Gardens, OMNI and other national publications. He also is an award-winning screenwriter who was staff writer on "Baywatch Hawaii," the most popular TV show of all time which was canceled shortly after he was hired to write for it. He claims that was just a coincidence.



GET WELL WISHES

To any of our
members that are
under the weather.

Happy Birthday January Babies

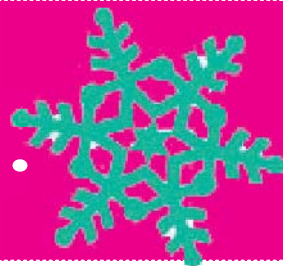
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Donna Alcantera,	Jan ?
Laura Kessler,	Jan 1
Eve Anderson	Jan 2
Marleen Adachi,	Jan 4
Jane Tatibouet	Jan 4
Francine Aiona Kenyon,	Jan 9
Terry Crenshaw	Jan 14
Jeanette Templeman	Jan 14
Christopher Wong	Jan 15
Margaret Martin	Jan 15
Carmen Doring	Jan 15
Rita Kama-Kimura	Jan 16
Sheila Leas	Jan 16
Pam Smith	Jan 16
Kathleen Watson	Jan 21
Sonia Trimble	Jan 24
Bonnie Pestana	Jan 26
Cindy Lee Meiers	Jan 28





The Pres Says...



Happy New Year! I am excited about assuming presidency of this organization at such a critical time in the history of the League and the GOP in Hawaii. I have been reviewing the extensive files and learned that the League was founded by Mrs. Elizabeth Farrington, wife of the Territory of Hawaii's congressional delegate. Mrs. Farrington was president of the Washington (D.C.) League of Republican Women and thought Hawaii would benefit from having such a group here. She had no trouble persuading ten women on Oahu to come together to form the Oahu League. A charter was obtained from the Washington group and when clubs formed on the islands of Hawaii, Maui, Kauai and Molokai, the Oahu League joined with them to become one group, affiliated as a state federation. Mrs. Farrington became the first president of the Oahu League, and later, before her death, honorary president for life. We have had 24 presidents since 1946. While the number of members has fluctuated over the years, we currently have over 200 members.

An early accomplishment of the Oahu League was a successful series of "schools of politics." This school trained individuals who were running for precinct president or district chairman, public or party office. Commencement exercises with diplomas were given and signed by the Republican National Committee (RNC).

In 1974 a resolution prepared by then Senator Fred Rolfling authorized the study of means by which the Republican Party of Hawaii could acquire a permanent headquarters. The resolution passed in convention, but by 1976, even the concept itself was abandoned by both the Republican Party and the Oahu League. In comes Martha Daniels, who joined Oahu League in 1954, and became a Life Member in 1974. She wanted to League to have a permanent home so she prepared a trust which provided several hundred thousand dollars to pay for a building only, not land, which then required the League to partner with another organization to secure a place. She gave the League 10 years to find a home after her passing in March 1989 at the age of 99 years.

In March 1998, the Republican Party, chaired by Donna Alcantara, and the Oahu League, presided over by Helen Kekuna, talked over dinner one night and came up with the brilliant plan to purchase the headquarters for both organizations. The stipulation in the trust allowed the League 50/50 ownership with the GOP in the building or space, but the GOP would hold title to the land and is responsible to pay the mortgage. An agreement dated August 14, 1998 specifically states that:

The Republican Party agrees to make all payments due and owing to maintain ownership of the building and the land (meaning they are obligated to make sure they don't default). In consideration of the Oahu League's contribution to the purchase of the building the Republican party will hold the Oahu League harmless from any payments for the support of the building. (They cannot look to us to help them pay the mortgage and overhead to support the HQ). Further the Republican Party will provide permanent office space for the Oahu League within the building. (We get a key.) Neither the Republican party or the Oahu League shall have the right to sell, or transfer any or all of their portion of the property without the agreement and concurrence of the other. (The party was reminded of this last provision when party officials revealed they had been looking to sell and find smaller quarters because of the financial situation that appears to be facing the Party.)

Leave it to the women to come up with this plan, especially since the men in the early years didn't take too well to women getting involved in the smoky backroom political deal making which they regarded as their kuleana! I remember those days back in college, same attitude and the room really was full of smoke!! So 24 years after Fred Rolfling started the idea, and ten years after the passing of Martha Daniels and her generous gift, the Oahu League of Republican Women and Hawaii Republican Party joined together in one place, our home at 725 Kapiolani Boulevard.

Condolences to Adrienne King on the passing of her father-in-law.

Samuel P King

December 7, 2010

Samuel Pailthorpe King, 94, was a federal judge for nearly four decades, distinguished the courtroom with his wit and wisdom and co-authored the "Broken Trust" essay that helped transform Bishop Estate.

Judge King is survived by his wife Anne; son Samuel P. King Jr.; daughters Louise King Lanzilotti and Becky King Stretch; sister, Pauline King, and six grandchildren.

Even though the election results were not encouraging this cycle, we shall keep on, ever faithful to our belief in individual responsibility, limited government and freedom for people to pursue their dreams unhindered by bureaucrats and control freaks who will ever be with us. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance. We women have always been there, usually holding the rear. We are more on the frontlines than we have ever been, and the men now welcome our more outward and public position. The caucuses are coming up the end of January, beginning of February. Find out where they are in your neighborhood and get involved and elected to the county convention and state convention. The battle for liberty is never over. We are all in this fight together. Imua! See you at the luncheon in January!

December Luncheon



Condolences to Lt Gov. Duke Aiona on the passing of his mother.

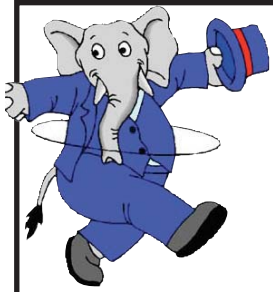
Frances Helena Lum Aiona Nov. 23, 2010
 Frances Helena Lum Aiona, 93, of Pearl City, an educator and tutor. She was born in Honolulu. She is survived by sons Earl Ah Moo and James R. Aiona Jr.; daughters Roberta M. Richards and Jamie H. Omori; brothers William and Thomas Lum; sisters Dora Kaikainohaole, Ella Young and Mildred Lau; 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, donations suggested to Reid J.K. Richards Foundation.



50/50



Carole Kaapu won the 50/50 drawing. \$77 went to Carole and \$77 went to the PAC.

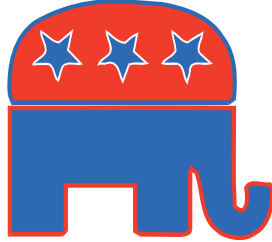


See the current caucus calendar by going to
http://www.gophawaii.com/site/c.5oJFLWPvFdJWG/b.6452657/k.1972/2011_Caucus_Calendar.htm
 OR

Call GOP Headquarters at 593-8180.

Save the date

Lincoln Day Dinner
 February 26, 2011
 Paradise Cove, Ko`Olina



Plan your PAC gifts for the NEW YEAR

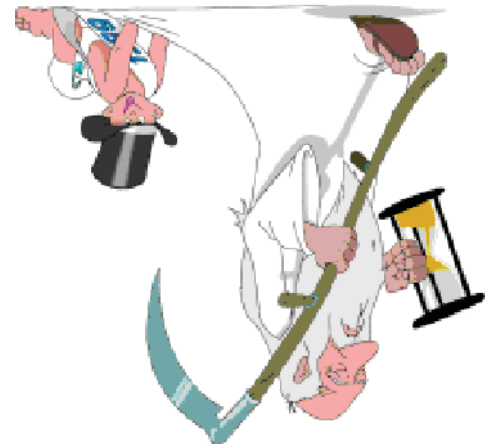
If each OLRW member gave only \$5.00 per month our PAC fund would increase at a rate of \$1000 per month. We could make a real difference in the campaigns of deserving candidates with that kind of money.

This is only \$120 over a two year period. We helped more candidate than ever before during the last election, but we would loke to do more. If everyone makes it a goal to average \$5 per month we could give thousands of dollars to deserving candidates instead of only a couple hundred.

Go to our website to give using a credit card or send a check to our headquarters address.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING OUR PAC A FORCE IN THE NEXT ELECTION!!

Happy New Year



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Or bring it to our next meeting



Oahu League of Republican Women Membership Application

Date _____ Birthday Month _____ Day _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail Address _____

Dues \$20.00 Yearly \$200.00 Lifetime