



# O.L.R.W. Newsletter

Oahu League of Republican Women

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June 2011

Luncheon / Meeting  
June 2, 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

Chicken & Eggplant  
Parmesan  
(Panko crusted  
chicken & eggplant)

Garlic Linguine  
Mixed Vegetables

Fresh Baked Rolls w/butter

Chocolate Mousse Pudding

Coffee or Tea

Reservations/Cancellations

**Cindy Vaillancourt**

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Or

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Reservations/Cancellations must be made by Sunday, May 29. We are committed to pay for all lunches reserved. No Shows will be charged for their lunch.

Please - no walk-ins.

## Senator Sam Slom

Sam Slom is a private consulting economist in Honolulu and president/owner of SMS Consultants (since 1982). He has been quoted in national publications: Forbes, The Economist, Money, USA Today, CNN, US News, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal and Investor's Business Daily. An SMS affiliate, Convention Speakers of Hawaii, provides professional speakers to Hawaii and Mainland forums. Sam has spoken in the U.S., Canada, Australia and New Zealand.



Originally from Allentown, Pennsylvania, Sam moved to Hawaii in 1960. He earned a B.A. in Economics & Government from the University of Hawaii Manoa (1963) and an LL.B. from LaSalle Law School (1966). He completed financial management and business condition forecasting with the American Institute of Banking (AIB), and Free Market Economics from the Foundation for Economic Education (FEE).

Running for public office for the first time in 1996, Sam defeated a powerful 22-year incumbent and was elected as a Republican to the State Senate 8th District, Hawaii Kai, Niu, Aina Haina, Waialae to Diamondhead. He served as Minority Floor Leader and member of the Commerce & Consumer Protection, Economic Development, Education & Technology, Labor & Environment, and Transportation/Intergovernmental Affairs Committees, and member of the Joint Long Term Care Financing Committee and Joint Legislative Committee on Early Childhood Education and co-chair of the bipartisan Legislative Small Business Caucus.

Re-elected in 2000, he was chosen as Minority Leader. Sam was re-elected in 2002 serving on the Ways & Means, Labor, and Tourism Committees and was one of 12 Senate-House Felix Special Education Investigation Committee members. He was re-elected in 2006 and was a member of the following committees: Judiciary & Government Affairs, Labor, Higher Education, Economic Development & Technology, Transportation & International Affairs, and Tourism. He served on the 2008 Hydrogen Contract Investigative Committee.

In 2010, Sam was re-elected and is now the only Republican in the 25-member Hawaii State Senate. He is Minority Leader and serves on all 14 committees.



# The Pres Says...

The Hawaii Republican State Convention was held on Kauai this year. I attended as a delegate from HD 17 (East Honolulu), one of 192 delegates that were seated, and as President of the League. As a recognized affiliate of the State Party, with a vote on the State Central Committee, the League gives a report at each convention on our status. This year, with the fiscal crisis facing the Party, my report gave a brief overall history of the League and how it came to be partnered with the Party in the purchase and ownership of the HQ on Kapiolani Blvd. As reported by now former Treasurer, Kathi Thomason, the Party's financial situation has jeopardized its ability to make the June mortgage payment. Kathi further reported that the Party was \$70,000 in debt. I related that past Party chair Donna Alcantera, and League President, Helen Kekuna, came up with the brilliant idea of using the \$326,500 bequeathed to the League from Miss Martha Jeanette Daniels, to partner with the Party in securing the HQ. The Party at the time could only come up with \$10,000 cash, but was able, at that time, to secure a \$300,000 loan. The result was that 24 years after Sen. Fred Rohlfing proposed the Party procure a permanent HQ, it was finally done, by the women of the League. No longer would either entity have to lug boxes and file cabinets from one garage to a rented office to another garage to a store front. The League owns the building 50/50 with the Party, which is responsible for the mortgage (of course, because they had taken out the loan), the maintenance, taxes etc. The League got our small office within the larger HQ facility. Many people came up to me afterwards and were grateful to hear the story of which they had no knowledge. Their understanding of the history is critical to their support to resolve this problem.

Now, the threat of losing our biggest asset is real and near. For the last 13 years, the Party paid its bills and paid a mortgage which had been refinanced once or twice. The past Chair, Willes Lee, left office with \$225,000 in the bank. Unfortunately, in the current Chair's zeal to support campaigns, provide for staff and whatever else this past year, the reality of failure to provide for the payment of contractual obligations was not considered.

Well, us women are coming to the rescue— again!

League member and National Committeewoman, Miriam Hellreich, has volunteered to take the responsibility to organize a capital campaign to pay off the mortgage, about \$200,000, and aiming to raise enough to insure payment of the maintenance fees and taxes for the foreseeable future. League Member Kathi Thomason, has agreed to serve as treasurer of the campaign. League past President, Helen Kekuna, and your current President will also serve on the committee. Mrs. Hellreich has secured Lee Greenwood ("God Bless the U.S.A"), to perform at a special "Red, White and Blue, Burn the Mortgage" event on August 16 at the Koolau Ballroom. Ticket prices have yet to be fixed. We are looking for other people to serve on the committee. We ask each of you to contribute to saving our asset and thus relieving the party of the burdensome distraction of the expenses for our HQ so the Party can concentrate all its efforts on those things it deems more important. Please contact me, Helen Kekuna or Kathi Thomason on how to contribute to this effort. **Do not send any money to HQ for this campaign.**

This has not been an easy year for the Party or us Republicans in Hawaii. The next year will show whether the successes we had in a few elections last year are lasting, and we support the Chair's continuing work in expanding that success in the recruitment of more Party members and winning candidates for 2012.

Adrienne

## **RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF KATHI THOMASON**

**WHEREAS**, the Hawaii Republican Party would like to acknowledge and express deep appreciation for Katherine Hoffman Thomason and her service to the party;

**WHEREAS**, Katherine Thomason, a Fifth generation Army Daughter and Army Wife who has traveled the world and lived in Europe, Latin America, Korea, throughout the Mainland and Hawaii, is the proud mother of two daughters and eight grandchildren.

**WHEREAS**, Katherine Thomason, a graduate of George Mason University in Virginia with a bachelors degree in accounting and a C.P.A. has worked as an accountant at all levels of business from Fortune 500 companies in Washington, D.C. to small and mid-sized businesses in Hawaii.

**WHEREAS**, her commitment to the Hawaii Republican began with the 1998 Lingle gubernatorial campaign as a scheduler and campaign accountant. She served again in the 2002 Lingle campaign as the campaign treasurer and also as the accountant for the Hawaii Republican Party. Since then, she has served as accountant for numerous GOP state and federal candidate election campaigns. She has also served two terms as the Treasurer of the Hawaii Republican Party from 2007 through 2011.

**WHEREAS**, her service to the Hawaii Republican Party and dozens of GOP candidates has been marked by her extraordinary knowledge of federal and state campaign finance rules and her unmatched record for accuracy in financial accounting. Over her many years of service, she has gained the respect and admiration of campaign finance compliance officials at both the federal and state levels.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this day, May 14, 2011**, that the Hawaii Republican Party officially extends its deepest appreciation to Katherine Hoffman Thomason for her 13 years of exemplary service to our country, state, the Hawaii Republican party and its candidates.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** , that the Hawaii Republican Party expressed its deep gratitude for her friendship and her commitment to the Republican Party and its principles.

**This resolution was passed unanimously at the 2011 Hawaii Republican Party convention.**

# May Luncheon



# More June Luncheon Photos



## Summer Birthdays

RUTH TERNA	Jul 1	MARK TORREANO	Aug 2
BETTY VIERS	Jul 2	BEVERLY PERRY	Aug 4
LORIMEGAN BLACK	Jul 4	MARGARET (COOKEY) YOUNG	Aug 4
IONE L. GUMPFER	Jul 4	RACHEL ZANE	Aug 7
EMILY AUWAE	Jul 7	MARCIA J. KLOMPUS	Aug 8
JUDY JORDAN	Jul 11	JO DOWLING	Aug 9
JACQUELINE S. LOWE	Jul 12	JULIE F. LEE	Aug 3
MIRIAM HELLREICH	Jul 13	LAVONNA YOUNG	Aug 15
JANE AU	Jul 17	PHYLLIS HUNT BROWN	Aug 18
JULIA MCCULLEN	Jul 19	HELEN SWEATT	Aug 18
REP. BARBARA MARUMOTO	Jul 21	ANDREW VIERS	Aug 18
CAROLYN TOBIAS	Jul 23	SAM AIONA	Aug 19
CELYN CHONG KEE	Jul 28	SALLY T. ISHIKAWA	Aug 20
CAROLE CRUZE	Jul 29	HELENE WEBSTER	Aug 22
JULIE D. SCHROEDER	Jul 29	BARBARA WILCOX	Aug 23
DONA STRODE	Jul 29	REP. CORINNE CHING	Aug 31
CY BARKER	Jul 31		

# Announcements

Note the new Executive Committee is

State Chairman- Jonah Kaauwai

Vice Chair of Coordinated Campaigns- Beth Fukumoto

Vice Chair for Candidate Recruitment and Training- Gene Ward

Vice Chair for Communication- Liz Dorn

Vice Chair for Coalitions- David Chang

Vice Chair for Community Service- Lisa Coluccio

Secretary- Laakea Makaanani

Treasurer- Marsha Klompus

**Please remember that OLRW will go dark in July and August and we will meet again on Thursday, September 1 at Hee Hing Restaurant**

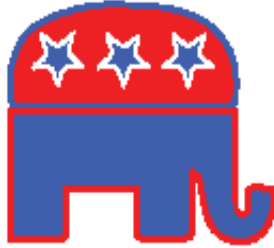
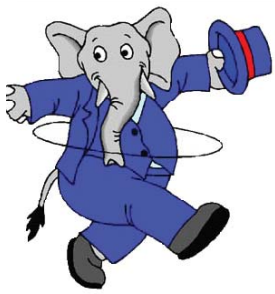
Happy Birthday  
June Babies

HAU'OLI LA HANAU

Alice Kealoha	June 2
Governor Linda Lingle	June 4
Cynthia Rosebrough	June 18
Bonnie Driskill	June 19
Helen Peil Baker	June 26
John Henry Felix	June 26
Gail Dukes	June 28
Golden Wheelden-Davis	June 29
Susan Krueger	June 29
June Lee	June 29

GET WELL  
WISHES

*To any of our  
members that  
are under the  
weather*



### 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!!**

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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