

August 2012

Luncheon / Meeting

August 2, 2012 Waikiki Yacht Club

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

> Cost 25.00

Menu

House Salad w/Lilikoi Vinaigrette Panko Crusted Chicken & Eggplant Parmesan Marinara Sauce, Mozarella & Cheddar Cheese Garlic Linguine, Mixed Vegetables Fresh Baked Rolls & Butter Beverage Coffee or Iced Tea Dessert: Lime Flan

Reservations/Cancellations Carol Thomas 261-1146 kaneohecarol@hawaii.rr.com

Reservations/Cancellations must be made by **12** Noon, Monday, July **30**. We are committed to pay for all lunches reserved. No Shows will be charged for their lunch.

Please -no walk-ins.

O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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INTRODUCTION OF VARIOUS CANDIDATES

These are not incumbents but others who are running for various state offices.

In addition, Tom Berg and Kym Pine, both running against each other for City Council, have been invited as has Kevin Takata who running against Keith Kaneshiro for Prosecuting Attorney.

The latter races are non-partisan. Depending on who shows up and how the time goes will determine how long any of them will get to speak..looking at 1-2 minutes. We will be flexible.

Promises to be another interesting and informative luncheon meeting! Hope to see you there.





The Pres Says...

Adrienne has been off Island this month. Her column will return in the next newsletter.



Announcements & Birthdays

Mahalo to Some of our Many Volunteers

Republican Headquarters for Mailers for Charles Djou - June 25, 2012

Barbara Pang, Edna Fujiwara, Jerilyn Jeffryes, Cynthia Rosebrough, Kari Akini, Carol Thomas & Ione Gumpfer

4th of July Parade in Kailua - OLRW & Linda Lingle volunteers served hot dogs, watermelon, water, juice and soda Bev Toomey, Allan Silva, Carol Thomas, Ione Gumpfer

Upcoming Luncheons

September - Embassy Suites - Speakers: Fritz Rolfing and David Chang October - Waialae Country Club - Speaker: Linda Lingle November - Hale Koa Hotel December - Waialae Country Club



August Birthdays -Hau`oli La Hanau

- Aug 2 Mark Torreano
- Aug 3 Julie Lee
- Aug 4 Beverly Perry
- Margaret (Cookey) Young
- Aug 5 Camille Neves
- Aug 7 Rachel Zane
- Aug 8 Marcia Klompus
- Aug 9 Jo Dowling
- Aug 18 Phyllis Hunt Brown Helen Sweat Andrew Viers Aug 20 Sally Ishikawa Aug 22 Helene Webster Aug 23 Barbara Wilcox
- Aug 27 Therese Henrion
- Aug 31 Rep. Corinne Ching



Jane Au won the Calabash & donated a portion to the PAC.

OLRW 100 Club

- Faith Badeaux Loren Butler Jane Butler Evelyn Cass Golden Wheelden Davis Miriam Hellreich Anne Keamo George Kekuna Helen Kekuna Adrienne King
- Nancy Lynn Teresita Lilker Beverly Meiers Janice Pechauer Cynthia Rosebrough Anne Sutton Carol Thomas Bev Toomey Jeanette Templeman Kathleen Watson

Scurry

Phone calls, events, fundraisers, rallies and mail appeals! From County Council to President of the United States, they are making the "ask." They are asking for your time, support, vote, money, yard, donations, energy and sweat. June and July bring the beginning of summer and *everything is political as candidates scurry for money*.

Money isn't everything in a political campaign, as long as you have it. Without it you lose your voice. We already discussed reasons (tens of thousands for a state House race, double for the Senate) why candidates should not wait until summer to decide to compete. Candidate funds become more important this year with the state Party in debt and the focus on top-of-ticket races. <u>We want to support our candidates</u> but the economy and legislative session has been tough on us. Like many of us try when we go to Las Vegas, you should determine in advance how much you are willing to commit to candidates or PACs. *Devise a strategy.* Do candidate positions on issues matter? Do you support anyone who runs as a Republican? Do you meet a candidate before you give? Does electability matter? How did the candidate do the last time or is the candidate inexperienced to the process? Do you give a little amount to many candidates or focus on two or three likely to be competitive? Do you only support candidates running in your district? Does it matter whether the candidate works hard to get elected? Did the candidate answer your questions? Can you trust the answers? Can you trust that your donation will go where you intend it to go, to the election of that candidate?

Candidate Campaign Spending Commission (CSC) reports are due in July. Please go to http://hawaii.gov/campaign/ and look at the reports of the candidates you intend to support, or look afterwards at how your contribution helped. Next month, I'll give an overview of fundraising and spending from the CSC reports.

Candidates don't scurry just for money. Candidates are going door-to-door and calling voters. They are showing up at neighborhood events and board meetings. Even if the Party begins voter registration, candidates have to conduct their own. Here's a hint for watching campaigns – when there is an event at headquarters or some other central venue, *take note of who is NOT there*. They may be the candidates on the ball. Meetings, rallies, photo opportunities, or a trip to the National Convention may be valuable but for a local race in Lahaina, or Hilo or the Oahu North Shore, probably not. **Your candidates need to be in their districts meeting voters.** When candidates leave their district, look to see if there is a value to that candidate doing something other than reaching voters. Did the candidate recruit new volunteers to the campaign? Did the candidate get new donors? *If a candidate is doing anything other than reaching his or her voter, they are not using their limited time, or your contributions, wisely.*

The election season brings new excitement and new people into our lives. There are many fresh faces running for office, there are many important issues at stake. *Join a campaign*. Find the candidate you can best support and offer your time to win in November. We have all generously contributed this cycle to our OL PAC http:// oahuleague.org/olrw-pac. Your PAC leaders are looking now at candidates and campaigns, positions on issues, fundraising, door-to-door energy and campaign building. Your PAC leaders are doing their due diligence to determine where our PAC money will have the best impact. <u>Get involved, be involved.</u>