



O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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December 2012

Luncheon / Meeting
December 6, 2012

Waialae Country Club

10:30 AM ARRIVE TO SET UP
11:00 AM CHRISTMAS
SALE OPENS
11:30 - 12:30 MEETING &
ELECTIONS
12:30 PM LUNCH
1:00 PM ENTERTAINMENT
2:00 PM PAU

Cost

25.00

Menu

SALADS

Island Greens w/Condiments and Dressings
Bow Tie Pasta Salad
w/Sundried Tomatoes & Olives
Caesar Salad
Fresh Fruit

ENTREE

Braised Boneless Beef Short Ribs
with Red Wine Ume Sauce

STARCHES

Brown Rice, Mashed Potatoes

VEGGIES

Fresh Vegetable

DESSERTS

Bread Pudding w/Vanilla Sauce
Chocolate Dobash Cake
Fresh Fruit Tartlets

Rolls, Butter, and Coffee and Tea

Reservations/Cancellations

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Reservations/Cancellations must be made by **Friday, November 30**. We are committed to pay for all lunches reserved. No Shows will be charged

The Holidays are here!

That means, family, good friends and good food.

This is a time of thanksgiving, joy, praise, forgiveness and reflection.

Spend time with those you cherish and surround yourself with merry celebrations.



We will continue to be accepting donations for The Food Basket at our December Luncheon and Party.



Merry
Christmas!



Pat Lewis



The Pres Says...

We are all in a bit of a funk after these elections. However, let's reflect on the fact that the Republican Party's core belief, since its inception, is in the primacy of individuals, not groups. It is the Republican Party which has been at the forefront of the fight for individuals' rights in opposition to the meddling of a large, intrusive government." (RNC website). This core principle will not change as it is an eternal value grounded in our country's founding father's firmly held belief that each one of us is endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights, among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

What can the League do to help the Party promote this message? Sixty-six years after our founding, and light years beyond what those women could have imagined in communication, we need to continue our move into the future and enlist more and younger women to join in the effort to promote this message. The voters of Hawaii will elect Republicans, but after these last elections, it is clear we need to inform them of what we stand for, what we are fighting for, and why we are so passionate in a more purposeful, personal, yet public process. The League must keep the momentum moving forward in renewing the vision to promote the ideals of the Republican party. Let us together tap the talent in the League to present new faces to implement new ideas in new ways. Let us consider:

- Distributing free material detailing unknown historical facts about the Party to enhance our image.
- Creating a Legislative Committee to work with our legislators and have one or more of our members formally representing the League testify about selected issues.
- Sponsoring seminars or speakers open to the public on issues relating especially to women.
- Getting out into the community more visibly to help homeless veterans, abused women, disadvantaged school children and those with other challenges. Our aid to TheFoodBasket has been great PR for the League per Gladys Hays. I am sure there are other great ideas that members will wish to put forth.

Knowing that people don't care how much you know until they know how much you care, let's show how much we do care and come up with innovative ways that demonstrates our commitment to the community. We can start right here, right now, with us taking the lead in the heart of Obamaland. By our own example, we can change the narrative. We have no choice but to keep on keepin' on. In the face of our funk, I am reminded of Winston Churchill's words: "I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use to be anything else."

Let's all take a break from the drama we lived through and enjoy the Christmas season, meditating on the fact that, no matter the differences in approach, we are all united in purpose to achieve the best for our state and the nation.

Merry Christmas!

Everything Political, with Willes Lee

Another Election, More Action

November 2012

Writing in advance of the November 6 election gives us an opportunity **to reflect on this past cycle and the direction forward**, regardless of who won, by the time you read this, national or local races. **We've worked hard this past two years.** *Our work continues.* The Hawaii Legislative session begins in only two months - an opportunity to help Hawaii become a better place to raise our families or to stop the Democrats from making it worse.



Each month for the past year with about 500 words at a time, *we have together followed the election cycle and local campaigns* and even Hawaii Republican Party 'situations.' The articles have provided analysis but most often we discussed suggestions to help understand the issues, your candidate and our opponents, and 'how to' be more politically informed and involved.

From websites which show the finance reports of federal and state campaigns; to candidate websites to see positions and contribute; to assessing the strength of a campaign; to specific appeals to support our OL PAC . . . we've discussed it all.

Thank you for this opportunity to *assist OL initiate and employ a modern website, meet superb luncheon guest speakers and help set a positive direction for our Political Action Committee (PAC).* **You can be proud of many achievements.** Our PAC provided local Republican candidates with more than \$8,000 in direct contributions. While we can improve, that total is more than any other Republican-supporting PAC provided to candidates this cycle including the Hawaii Republican Party or any of the four county organizations. For several candidates, our OL contribution was the largest or tied for the largest donation they received this cycle which shows how critical our funds were to their campaigns. Oahu League members supported the Hawaii Republican Party and several campaigns with **many** volunteer hours and took the lead for the HRP at the annual Senior Fair booth. *We have again become a mainstay for the Hawaii Republican Party.*

I also write another more politically oriented report and commentary. The focus is on the Hawaii conservative movement and the Hawaii Republican Party, along with national and democratic party politics. As I wrap up this year of article writing exclusively for the Oahu League, *you can follow me to a more advanced discussion.* If you do not already receive my email reports and care to do so to continue our discussion of politics involving Hawaii, *please send your name and email to Willeslee@aol.com.*

Oahu League elections are during the December meeting. The challenge for leaders during the 2014 election cycle will be to not only **maintain the momentum** the OL has established but to also continue to **build a new generation** of active, participating members who are determined to continue the OL tradition of helping to elect Republicans in Hawaii.

I have enjoyed analyzing, teaching and writing for the Oahu League of Republican Woman newsletter and website. In basic and user-friendly terms, we broke down the election process, our candidates and their races. Thank you to OL President King and the Board for having the foresight to begin providing political information to members of HRP's primary partner. If this innovative teaching technique continues, I look forward to passing my notes to the next writer.

Get involved. Be involved.

Aloha. Mahalo, Willes

November Luncheon Pictures



In Memoriam

It is with much sadness that we note that 3! members lost their spouses in the last 2 months! Norann Neet's husband Lou passed away on October 31. Barb Marumoto's husband, Dick passed on Thanksgiving Day, the 22nd and Patty Reese's husband died unexpectedly the next day, the 23rd. It is never a good time, but to have this occur during the holiday season is especially difficult. Please keep these members in your prayers, for strength and guidance and peace.

Announcements & Birthdays

Thank you to all of our Oahu league members for all the many hours they spent helping candidates

Thank you to the candidates that ran for office

Congratulation to our new legislator Oahu League member Beth Fukumoto Chang

December Birthdays Hau`oli La Hanau

Dec 1 Janice Pechauer
Dec 2 Angie Stephen
Dec 3 Susan Hahn
Dec 4 Kathi Thomason
Dec 6 Judith Scheu
Dec 10 Barbara Pang
Dec 17 Maureen Muraoka
Faith Badeaux
Dec 18 John Carroll
Dec 26 Shirley Gibbs
Dec 28 Linda Cuhney
Dec 31 Jaynel Hirakawa



Kay Tompkins was out November 50/50 Winner.



November Luncheon Pictures



Pictures from 2012

