



# O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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## Luncheon / Meeting

August 4, 2016

Oahue Country Club

11:00 A.M. Social Hour

11:30 A.M. Meeting

12:00 Noon Lunch

12:30 P.M. Speaker

Cost

\$30.00 Members

\$35.00 Guests

## Menu

House Salad

Fresh Baked Rolls

Choice of

**Pan Roasted Mahimahi**

with Lemon Butter, Caper  
Oven Roasted Garlic Potatoes  
Steamed Seasonal Vegetables

OR

**Portabella Mushroom**

**Ravioli**

Tomato-Basil Cream

Pesto Dressing

Grilled Asparagus

Parmesan Cheese

Macadamia Nut Ice Cream

Beverages

Reservations/Cancellations

**Celyn Chong Kee**

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**Reservations/Cancellations must be made by July 29<sup>th</sup>** all lunches are reserved, so **No Shows will be charged for their lunch.**

Please - no walk-ins.

## Charles Djou

### Honolulu Mayoral Candidate

Charles is a husband, a dad, a son, and a public servant. Charles' priority at every level of his life and career is to take care of people. From his family, to his city, state and country, Charles is committed to doing his very best for people. His family comes first every day and he loves his wife Stacey and kids Nick, Tori and Alli more than anything.



Charles served his city in the Honolulu City Council from 2003 to 2010.

He served his state in Hawai'i's First Congressional District from 2010 to 2011 and the Hawaii State House of Representatives, where he was Minority Floor Leader. He serves his country as a Major in the U.S. Army Reserve and is a combat veteran who served with the U.S. Army in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan during the "surge" of coalition forces in 2011-2012.

A child of immigrants, Charles' parents emigrated from China and Thailand. Charles grew up in Hawai'i and graduated from Punahou School. He attended the University of Pennsylvania earning degrees in Political Science and Economics from the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce and received his juris doctor from the University of Southern California Law School. Charles has taught at the University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law, the University of Hawaii West Oahu, and Hawaii Pacific University. Charles is married to Stacey Kawasaki Djou. Born and raised in Hawaii, Stacey graduated from Kalani High School and the University of Hawaii at Manoa. An attorney, Stacey earned her law degree from the University of Hawaii, William S. Richardson School of Law. Together they raise their three children on Oahu.



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# The Pres Says...

Carol Thomas, President

TRUMP! TRUMP! TRUMP!

The convention in Cleveland is well on its way as this is written. Quotes from convention resonate

- **RISE UP AND TAKE CONTROL OF OUR COUNTRY!**
- **EDUCATION FOR ALL CHILDREN**
- **SCHOOL CHOICES FOR PARENTS.**
- **TAKE RISKS AND MAKE AMERICA WORK AGAIN FOR ALL AMERICANS.**
- **IMPOSSIBLE IS A STARTING POINT!**

Donald Trump, Jr. is the face of the future Republican Party as are Tiffany, Eric, and Ivanka. They are amazing young adults with great work ethic and appeal to the young and blue collar electorate.

We must be inspired by this family who believes and loves our country and its guiding principles and willing to take on this most important role. They are mentioned frequently as the new "Camelot".

Melania brings the grace and elegance that Jackie O personified. Amazing! The speakers were spot on in their presentation and showed the nation the difference with a Hillary administration and a Trump administration. Can't wait to see Christie get the attorney general appointment and go after Hillary. They'll be no secret meetings on the tarmac anywhere.

It was wonderful to see our Hawaii contingency make their presence known. Let's stand with our presidential nominee, Donald J. Trump, not Donald Day Trump, and work to elect him and bring America back to its highest respect by strong leadership, truthfulness, and integrity.

Carol



## BOD Elections in November

You should all start thinking about the leaders you want to put in place for the 2017-2018 term for your OLRW.

Most of our current officers will be termed out this year and will be moving into ordinary member status.

If you are interested in becoming an officer of OLRW please contact Carol Thomas to discuss the responsibilities of the position.

The officers are:

- President**
- 1st Vice (speakers)**
- 2nd Vice (luncheons & venues)**
- Secretary**
- Treasurer**
- Corresponding Secretary**

## Luncheon Schedule

- September 1 The Willows**  
Candidates
- October 6 Waialae Country Club**  
Candidates
- November 3 The Willows**  
OLRW Officer Elections
- December 8 Waialae Country Club**  
Christmas Party, Installation of new officers

## Get Well

Lu Flemming

You are in our thought and prayers



# HELP NEEDED

### Feature Writers

We need people that are willing to write stories about current events and biographies of OLRW members. Professional credentials NOT required.

No need for a monthly commitment. Contact Pam Smith for more information.

### Is one of our members ill?

If you know of a member that is sick or has had a death in the family please let us know so we can send them get well wishes or condolences. Call **Corresponding Secretary Jane Au** at 373-3820

### Advertisers

If we want to expand the newsletter to include more content we need to get advertisers to cover the cost. Please contact Pam for details.

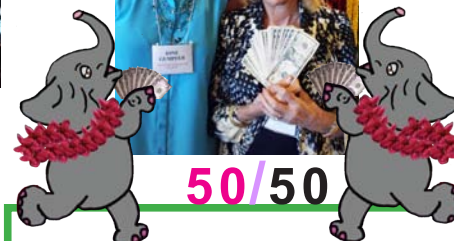
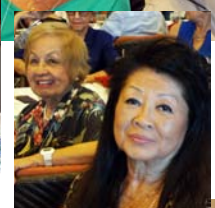
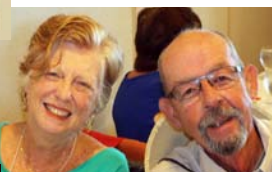
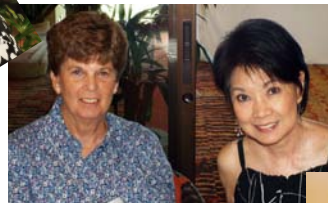
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# July Luncheon Waialae Country Club



Thanks to Sam Slom for his Legislative Wrap up.



Diane Conner won the 50/50 drawing in July. Diane generously donated a portion of her winnings to the Shirlene Ostrov. Diane Yri won rum cake donated by Bev Toomey.

# Aloha George Kekuna

Lt. Col. (Ret.) George Lulu'upuakauikawekiu Kekuna

George Kekuna 84 of Mililani, Hawaii  
Born Sept 24, 1931 in Hilo Hawaii to the late Solomon and Annabelle Manu Kekuna  
His First Wings June 10, 1959 USAF base Laredo Texas  
His Final Wings 57 years later June 9, 2016 Honolulu, Hawaii  
After a long courageous battle with cancer.  
Wife Helen with him as she has been for 55 years.

Served in the United States Air Force 1952-1981.  
George accumulated 6454 hours flying T-33,  
H-19, H-21, H-43, H C-1, HC-3, HH-3 and HH-53.  
Command Pilot, 3 Air Medals and others  
Viet Nam Veteran

Graduated Punahou School Class of 48,  
Chaminade Univ. BGS and Central Michigan Univ. MA.

1983-1994 Deputy Director Designate, Oahu Civil Defense,  
Executive Asst. Office of the Mayor and Deputy Director, Dept of Auditoriums.

Commercial Pilot License, MOAA Hawaii Aloha Chapter, Elks Lodge #616  
USAF Helicopter Pilots Association, Marine Memorial Association (Benefactor Member)  
Oahu League of Republican Women (Life Member) and American Legion Hawaii

Mililani Neighborhood Board (Past) and POP Warner Football (Past President)

George was so lucky to have the love of two families.  
His Wife and Children And the USAF Helicopter Family

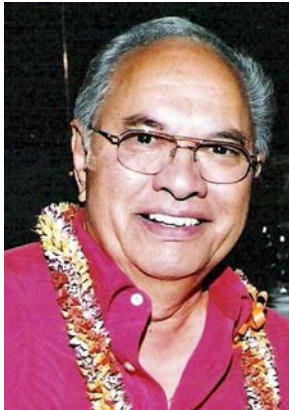
George and Wife Helen loved music, Broadway shows dancing, travel and lots of romantic dinners.  
George was such a Brilliant, Handsome, Talented, Loving man with a Great Smile.  
Devoted Husband, Father, Grandfather and Great-grandfather.

Survived By wife, Helen L Kekuna, Children, Denise Kapikookalani Kekuna,  
Debra Uilani Kekuna Chun (Greg) Betty Ipo Kekuna Tomisato (Glenn)  
George L. Kekuna, Jr. Grandchildren, Kawai'olu (Sarahlea) Kailanamalie (Marissa)  
Kawehioka'ala Kamanaonahiku (Jenna) Kawekiulani Great-grandchildren  
Kapikookalaniki'eki'e Kalamaola Kamanuweluwelo Lulu'upuakauikawekiu  
Ko'iaweawe Kaiaumalie.

Visitation 9:30 -11:00 am Friday (August 5 ) at Mililani Mortuary Mauka Chapel.  
Service 11:00 am. Burial 3:00 pm at National Cemetery of the Pacific, Punchbowl.  
In Lieu of flowers you may make donation in the name of George Kekuna to the  
Oahu League Of Republican Women PAC

"I'm an American of Hawaiian Ancestry"

**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

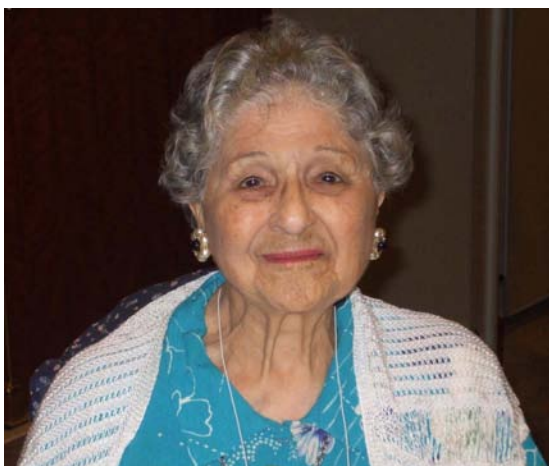


George will always be the one I think of when I hear God Bless America. His rich, beautiful voice would resonate throughout the room as everyone else sang along at our OLRW meetings.

George was the first elected male officer in OLRW history. His common sense way of looking at problems we faced as a club made his input invaluable on the board of directors.

We send love and condolences to the love of his life, Helen and their entire family.

We miss you George.



# Aloha Harriet Gray

October 12, 1917 - June 25, 2016

Aloha to our friend and life member since 1987, Harriet Gray

Harriet passed away on June 25 at the age of 98.

She worked for Judiciary as a secretary and was a lifelong learner- earning her degree after she retired.

She is survived by her sons, Walter G. Gray, Jr., Thomas M. Gray, Noel W. Gray; sisters, Marie Dias and Ann Cabrial; 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on July 6, 2016 at Sacred Hearts Academy



# Letters to the Editor

that you want to speak out on, but don't know how to write a letter Garry Smith is willing to help our members to write letters to the editor. You can call Garry at 392-5559 or email him at [garrysmith01@gmail.com](mailto:garrysmith01@gmail.com).

We encourage our members to write letter to the editor. As akamai members of the community, we should be commenting on the issues of the day to educate people that lack our perspective. If you have an issue

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Following are the rules for The Star Advertiser and MidWeek Letters:

The Star-Advertiser welcomes letters up to 150 words and guest columns of 500-600 words. The Star-Advertiser reserves the right to edit letters for clarity and length. Please direct comments to the issues; personal attacks will not be published. Include your name, address and daytime telephone number.

Letters must

- (a) be signed and include your area of residence and
- (b) include a daytime telephone number (not for publication).

**Below are letters from OUR MEMBERS printed by the Star Advertiser and Midweek in the past month.**

**We should aim for at least 3-4 letters per month from our members in print.**

**You can't change peoples' minds if you don't speak out.**



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## Rail can't burden taxpayers endlessly

*'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2016-06-28*

Sunday's Insight section provides the clearest reasons why rail needs to stop at Middle Street. The editorial, "Rail builders need to detail soaring costs" (Star-Advertiser, Our View, June 26), is absolutely astute in acknowledging that no matter what, "the taxpayer is footing the bill."

The nonsense that the federal government and tourists are paying for rail was long ago proven false.

It's Honolulu's taxpayers, with a higher general excise tax for food, medicine, rent and so on, who are paying for rail.

But the politicians just can't stop themselves.

House Speaker Joe Souki says, "Find the money; the money is there" — from taxpayers.

City Council Chairman Ernie Martin, says, "There are sources of funding other than raising property taxes" — from taxpayers ("Many sources of funding available to complete rail project as planned," Star-Advertiser, Island Voices, June 26).

Certainly with a looming \$10 billion rail transit system that does not reduce traffic congestion, the only question should be: Why?

Pam Smith

## Fmr. Congresswoman Pat Saiki

### Why She Endorses Keli'i Akina

### Urges Everyone to Vote in OHA Race

HONOLULU, HAWAII

July 17, 2016

Former Congresswoman Pat Saiki has issued the following message for all registered Hawaii voters:

**If you want improvement in how our government is run, there is a leader I want you to consider. He is Dr. Keli'i Akina. As the head of Grassroot Institute, Keli'i is at the forefront of bringing common sense solutions to Hawaii's problems.**

**This election, will you help me get Dr. Akina into public office?**

**Akina is for fiscal reform and government accountability. He knows how to fix Hawaii's economy, housing needs, and the problem of homelessness.**

**Akina is the leading voice for preserving the Aloha Spirit, as he has boldly stood to prevent the separating of Hawaii into race-based nations. Akina stands for UNITING Hawaii, rather than dividing.**

**And guess what? EVERY CITIZEN ON EVERY ISLAND CAN VOTE FOR AKINA! He is running in the state-wide race for OHA Trustee-at-Large. OHA is YOUR state government office that impacts virtually every decision involving land and people in our state.**

**I urge you, for a better Hawaii where the economy works and we preserve the Aloha Spirit, vote Keli'i Akina for OHA Trustee-at-Large. AKINA - Uniting Hawaii!**

**To volunteer donate or learn more, visit [www.keliiAKINA.com](http://www.keliiAKINA.com).**

For a better Hawaii,

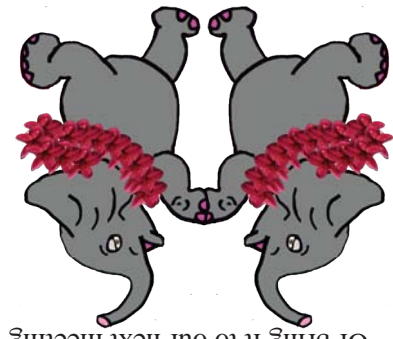
**PAT SAIKI**

Former Member of Congress



OLRW PAC has endorsed Charles Djou for Mayor of Honolulu and presented him with a check for \$4000.00

It is YOUR contributions to the PAC for the past two years that has mad this donation possible. Good Luck Charles!



Or bring it to our next meeting

Mail your check to:  
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**Oahu League of Republican Women Membership Application**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

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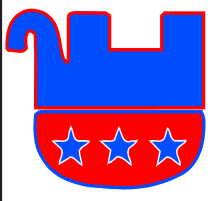
E-mail Address\* \_\_\_\_\_

Dues \$25.00\* Yearly \$200.00 Lifetime

\* Your e-mail address will be added to our OLRW email list for events and PAC requests.  
\*\* \$5 goes to the PAC, \$20 to administrative costs.



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**Upcoming Events**

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