



O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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December 2016

Luncheon / Meeting

December 8, 2016
Waialae Country Club

10:30 Bake Sale
12:00 Meeting
Installation of Officers
12:30 Lunch
Entertainment

Cost
\$35.00

Members & Guests

Menu

Our Buffet

line will include

Assorted Salads

ShortRibs

w/Ume Sauce

Mashed Potatoes

Steamed Vegetables

Rolls & Butter

Warm Apple Crisp

Beverages

Reservations/Cancellations

Celyn Chong Kee

306-5089

olrwreservations@gmail.com

olrw.org

**Reservations/Cancellations must
be made by December 1st .**

*All lunches are reserved, so
No Shows will be charged for
their lunch.*

Please - no walk-ins.



Our New Officers

(L-R) Carol Thomas, President, Shirlene Ostrov 1st VP, Mela Kealoha-Lindsey 2nd VP, Jennifer Anderson Recording Secretary, Gwen Honjo Treasurer

Entertainment The Friends Quartet

Installation of our new
Board of Directors



Bake Sale & Silent Auction

Bring your baked goods and other
quality items for sale to benefit our
Political Action Committee.
See more details inside.



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December Babies

Marian Crislip 3
Kathi Thomason 4
Andria Tupola 6
Tamiko Sequin 8
Barbara Pang 10
Lee Laster 12
Carolyn Kahakelii 12
Faith Badeaux 17
Maureen Muraoka 17
Jocelyn Leihulu Pyne 17
John Carroll 18
Shirley Gibbs 26
Kaye Bowman 28
Jaynel Hirakawa 31



The Pres Says...

Carol Thomas, President

WE WILL MAKE AMERICA STRONG AGAIN!

CONGRATULATIONS REPUBLICANS! With Republican victories in both the Congressional Senate and the House of Representatives, we are assured that the goals that have been outlined by President Elect Donald J. Trump to restore our government and keep our country strong, bring back an economy that will restore jobs and regain our standing as the pre-eminent country in the world will be met. The Supreme Court and our Constitution will be safe from liberals wanting to change the Constitution..

These are exciting times waiting for us. The Oahu League of Republican Women will continue to support our GOP candidates and elected officials in the pursuit of good government at every level. Remember, it was the Republican Party that first made it possible for women to vote in the United States. Our objectives, as outlined in our By Laws are clear.

We will promote the ideals of the Republican Party, support Republican Party nominees, encourage participation and inform through political education.

We are disappointed at the outcome of our Congressional, State and City races. With a Republican President and Congress, our four Democrat congressmen are in the "swamp" to be emptied. But we are resilient and we will move forward and will reach out to Senator Sam Slom, Congressman Charles Djou and all candidates for guidance in rebuilding our party. We must give them our support for the future of our Hawaii Republican Party.

I urge everyone to embrace the excitement that the election on November 8, 2016 brought to our country and the hope for a better future!

GOD BLESS THE USA!

**IF NOT US, WHO? IF NOT NOW, WHEN?
IF NOT HERE, THEN WHERE?**

2017 Dues

**If you pay your 2017 Dues by December 31, 2016 they will be \$25.00
As of January 1 Dues will go up to \$35.00.**

Twenty dollars will pay for our operating expenses, such as our newsletter, website, liability insurance, promotional items, gifts and office supplies.

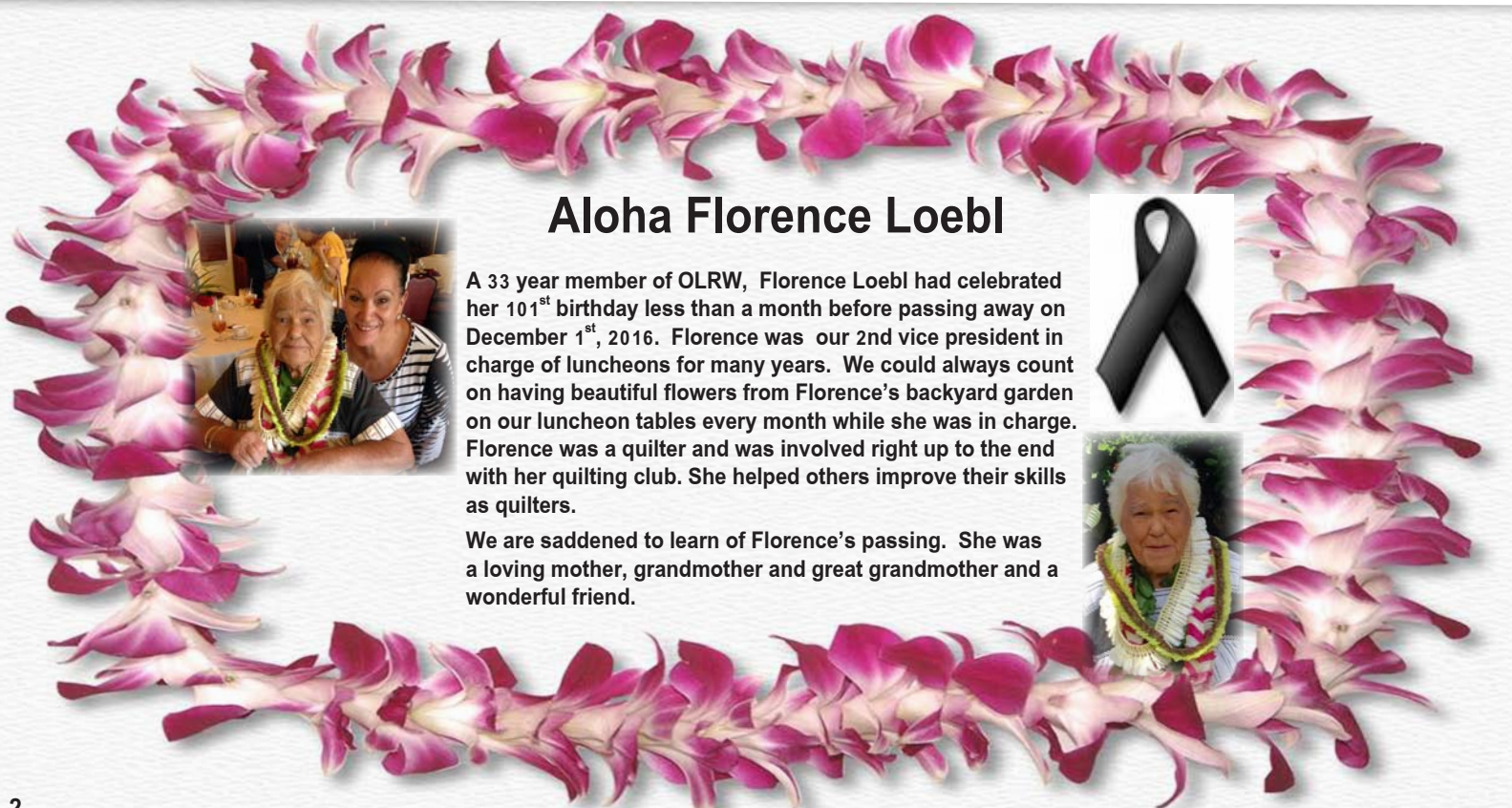


Five dollars of your dues will be allocated as an OLRW PAC contribution from you. Your name will not appear on the campaign spending report unless you donate an additional \$96 during the campaign period. (Campaign spending reports only show aggregate contributions of MORE THAN \$100 from any donor)



Luncheon Schedule

Jan 12 The Willows



Aloha Florence Loebel



A 33 year member of OLRW, Florence Loebel had celebrated her 101st birthday less than a month before passing away on December 1st, 2016. Florence was our 2nd vice president in charge of luncheons for many years. We could always count on having beautiful flowers from Florence's backyard garden on our luncheon tables every month while she was in charge. Florence was a quilter and was involved right up to the end with her quilting club. She helped others improve their skills as quilters.

We are saddened to learn of Florence's passing. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother and a wonderful friend.



November Luncheon The Willows



Our New OLRW Officers



Shirlene Ostrov won the 50/50 drawing in November. Half of the pot went to Shirlene and the other half to the OLRW PAC. Thank you to all who contributed.

SAVE THE DATE TO DANCE AND CELEBRATE! WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2017 You are invited to a Hawaii Pre-Inaugural Gala

Celebrating the Election of
President-Elect Donald J. Trump
and
Vice President - Elect Mike Pence

Guest Speaker

The Honorable Linda Lingle

Ko'olau Ballrooms at Ko'olau Golf Course, Kaneohe
VIP Tables: \$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,500
VIP Individual Tickets: \$300 – includes VIP Reception
Individual Tickets: \$200



Advance reservations will be accepted upon receipt of check or credit card payable to the Hawaii Republican Party, 725 Kapiolani Blvd. C-105, Honolulu, 96813. Checks must have Inaugural Gala in the memo section of check. Corporate and personal donations are permissible. All Proceeds will be shared equally by the Hawaii Republican Party and the HRP Building Fund. For more information, contact: Miriam Hellreich, (808) 284-3235 or mhellreich@gmail.com. Email invitations to follow and online reservations will be made available through Eventbrite.

58th Inaugural Festivity Information

The official Inaugural Committee for the Inauguration of President Trump and Vice President Pence has just been formed. The swearing in ceremony will occur on January 20th, 2017. The RNC has informed us that they expect to have specific information regarding the process of receiving invitations to the Inaugural Events within the next two weeks. We do not know how many invitations or tickets will be available. The Inaugural Ceremony tickets are free and can be obtained through the local congressional offices; however, members of congress are assigned a certain number of tickets to distribute out of their offices in Washington, D.C. on January 18th and 19th. These provide only standing room observation on the U.S. Capitol Front West Grounds. The pre-ceremony starts at 11 a.m. The lines start sometimes at 5 a.m. There are jumbotrons on the National Mall where many people view the ceremony.

There are a number of websites offering tickets and we suggest that you beware of ordering tickets from any group that is not part of the official Inaugural Committee.

If you are interested in attending the Inauguration, please send your name and contact information to me at mhellreich@gmail.com as I am compiling a list of those who would like to attend.

Once we have specific information from the RNC and Inaugural Committee, we will send it out to identified individuals and through County Chairs. We do not, at this time, have information on the various gala balls that are governed by the President-Elect's Inaugural Committee. Each state and their guests are assigned to one of several balls held in hotels, arenas and other venues. There is also a parade, a prayer breakfast and a number of other activities sponsored by private entities. The attendance at the last inaugural was 1.8 million people. The weather in D.C. can be cold, rainy and, at times, snowy. One has to pack accordingly. The observation areas do not have shelter from the elements.

Thanks to all of you who voted and worked in the caucuses, the Primary and General Elections. Our Party made history in the 2016 elections. Our country voted for change. We now control the Executive, and both legislative branches of government. We should each have renewed hope for a two party system in our state based on what occurred throughout the country on November 8th. Our special thanks to RNC Chairman Reince Priebus, who is now the incoming Chief of Staff at the White House. The national victory could not have been possible without his leadership.



Aloha,

Miriam Hellreich
National Committeewoman
Hawaii Republican Party

Won't it be sad when we don't have Barack Obama to make fun of?

Trump Wins!!

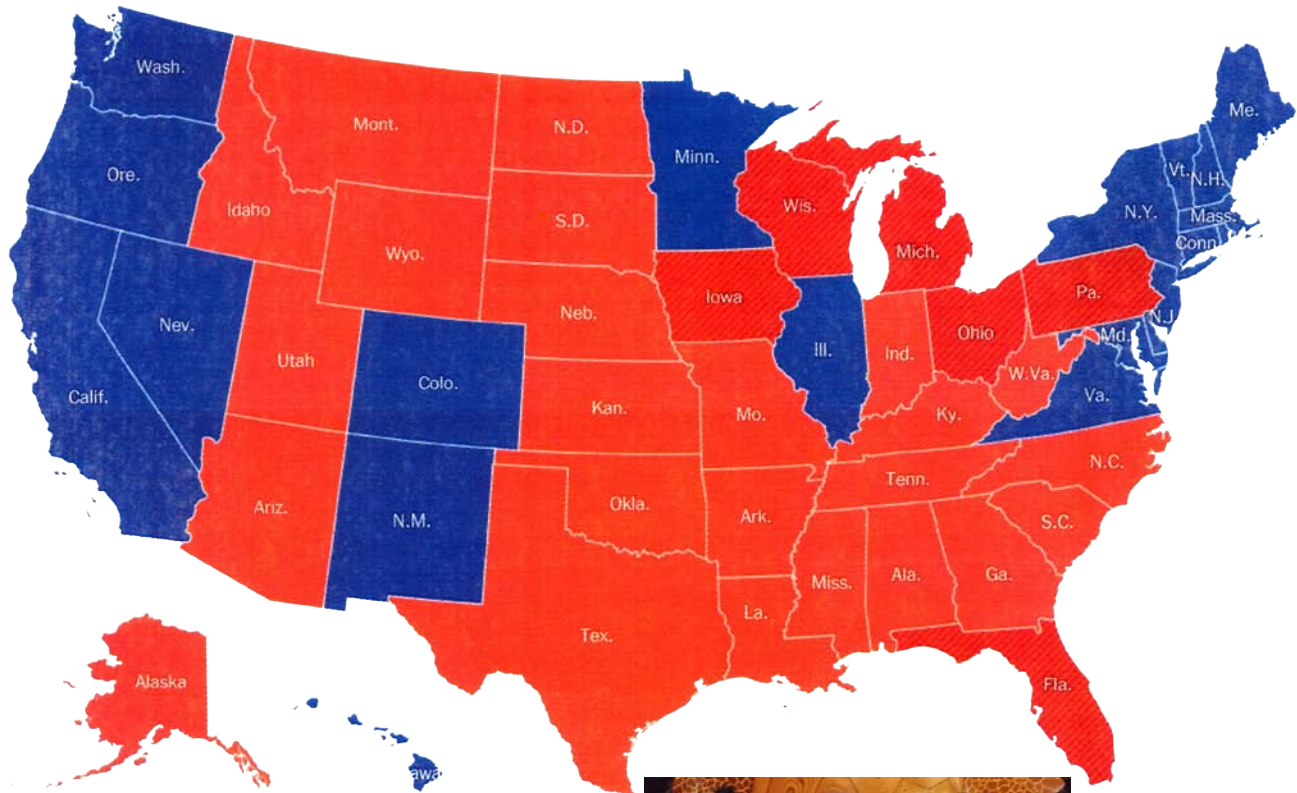
232 Hillary Clinton

64,817,808 votes (48.0%)

Donald J. Trump **306**

270 to win

62,510,659 votes (46.3%)

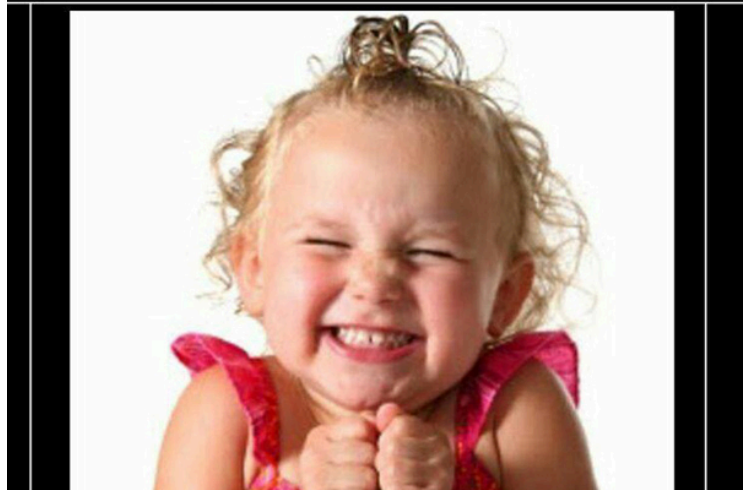


OLRW members

Carol Thomas, Helen Kekuna, and Lone Gumpfer created a festive atmosphere at GOP Headquarters



What Everyday Feels like Without Having Hillary Clinton President





OLRW Political Action Committee

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE

As usual we are asking you to bring baked goods and HIGH END used items to sell at our sale in December. We will also need silent auction items. This is one way that we raise money for our PAC. Each person that brings in an item will need to fill out an in-kind contribution form so that we know who gave us the item and its approximate worth for campaign spending purposes.

For more information about the Christmas Sale please go to www.OLRWPAC.com and click on the fundraiser button or call Mimi @ 941-9350 or Diane @ 808-393-1394

Please bring your pre-priced sale items in early as we will have our sale from 10:30-noon.



New Campaign Season Begins

We are now officially in the 2016-2018 Political Season. We are starting the new season with a little over \$1000 in our PAC account. Our minimum goal for the next season is \$20,000. We would like to be able to spend our PAC funds to help educate our candidates and to give generous contributions to candidates that are well organized and working hard. Reaching this goal is much easier than you might think. We are asking every member to raise \$120. This could include giving the money yourself or asking friends and family to help you meet your goal. \$120 over 2 years is only equal to \$5 per month.

Our PAC gave more money to Republican candidates this year than any other organization and we did two major classes to educate our candidates in campaign compliance. Please help us do more to develop and elect candidates in 2018.

Download contribution forms at http://www.olrwpac.com/2018/2018_contribution_card_3_up.pdf

or call Pam at 398-5556 to have one mailed to you.



Getting Involved

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

Go to <http://www.olrw.org/GetInvolved.html> for more information

Below are letters from OUR MEMBERS printed by the Star Advertiser and Midweek recently.
We should aim for at least 3-4 letters per month from our members in print.

Testimony Submitted to the City Council by
OLRW members regarding the extension of
the Rail Tax.

Better issues for voters to decide

'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2016-10-30

After reading the City Charter Commission's 20 proposed amendments to the City Charter, I find that they are missing several that most Honolulu residents would likely prefer to vote upon. They are:

1. Property taxes cannot be raised more than 1 percent in any one year from property valuation increases.
2. The City Council cannot ban plastic bags for shopping unless it comes up with another way to carry groceries or items out to your car.
3. Honolulu citizens can request a referendum or initiative for the next election with 5 percent of registered voters' signatures.
4. Rail construction costs are capped at \$8 billion.
5. The city has to raise the minimum property tax charged to historic homes to \$1,000 instead of \$300.

Garry P. Smith

M-2681 Allan K. Silva – Opposes.

**M-2683 Carol Thomas,
Oahu League of Republican Women
Opposes.**

M-2687 Darlene Laster – Opposes.

M-2691 Garry Smith – Opposes.

M-2694 James Bowman – Opposes.

M-2696 Kaye Bowman – Opposes.

M-2705 Garry Smith – Opposes.

M-2706 Pam Smith – Opposes.

M-2707 Mark Torreano Sr – Opposes.

Hawaii needs more Republicans in office

'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2016-11-14

As usual, Hawaii's election results go against any semblance of common sense. While the nation goes Republican, Hawaii clings to its Democrats for reasons no one can fathom.

The Star-Advertiser explained how our Democratic U.S. senators could get key assignments to important committees ("U.S. Senate shift could empower Hawaii's senators," Oct. 16). Instead of a balanced delegation, Hawaii has all Democrats in the Senate and the House of Representatives. How much influence will they have now that both bodies and the president are Republican?

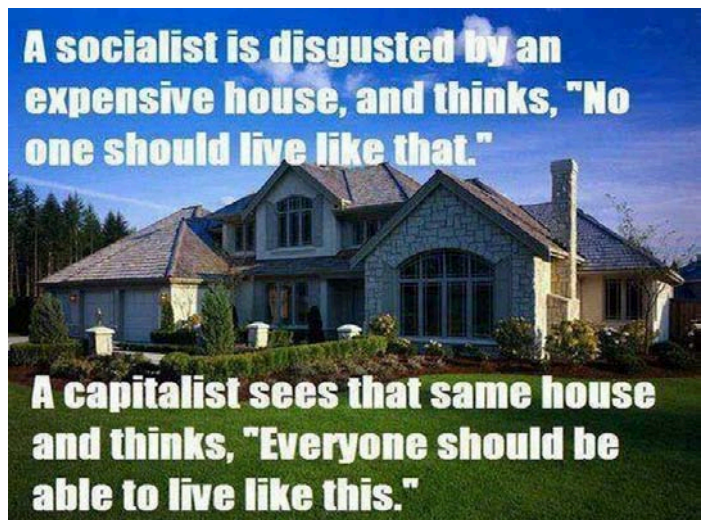
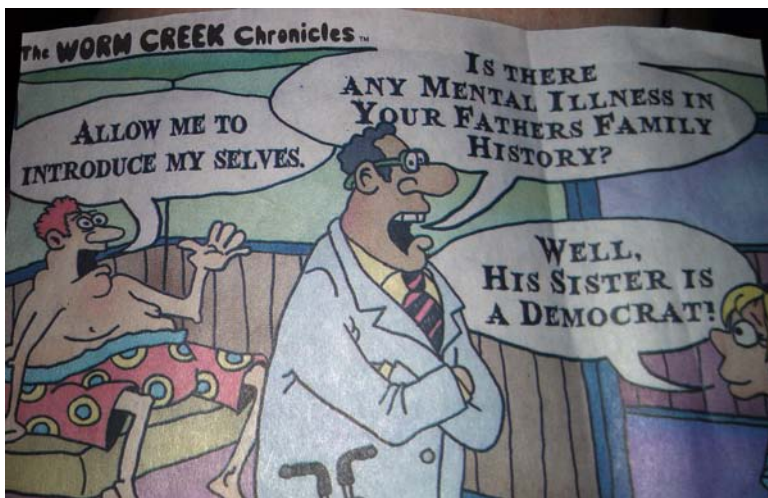
Sam Slom was the last Republican state senator. Now Hawaii has the status of the only state senate with only one party represented. How will a senate of all Democrats have meaningful debate?

Hawaii needs to get over its plantation mentality.

Pam Smith

The ^{Not Very} Funnies

You laugh, because if you didn't you would cry...



Please participate

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Mail your check to:

Oahu League of
Republican Women
#C-105
725 Kapiolani Blvd.
Honolulu HI 96813

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 \$35.00** Yearly \$300.00 Lifetime

* Your e-mail address will be added to our OLRW email list for events and PAC requests.

** \$10 goes to the PAC, \$25 to administrative costs.

