O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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December 2018

Luncheon / Meeting December 13, 2018 The Willows 11:00 A.M. Social Hour 11:30 A.M. Meeting 12:00 Noon Lunch 12:30 P.M. Speaker

Cost \$35.00 Members Guests

Menu You will be choosing from the entire

Willows Buffet

Assorted Salads

Roast Beef Chicken Willows Curry Laulau Kalua Pig Sushi More...

Assorted Desserts Beverages

Reservations/Cancellations

Celyn Chong Kee 306-5089 olrwreservations@gmail.com olrw.org

Reservations/Cancellations must be made by December 5th. All lunches are reserved, so No Shows will be charged for their

lunch. Please - no walk-ins.



* For more information go to pages 5 and 6 of this newsletter

Our December luncheon will be chocked full of fun and entertainment.*

Willows Buffet Thursday, December 13

Greet our 2019-2020 legislators

Cathy Foy entertaining

Bake Sale/ Silent Auction

Salvation Army Toy Drive

The announcement of our 2019-2020 slate of officers



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2019 Dues \$35.00. Due Now





HAU'OLI LA HANAU To December Babies

> Marian Crislip 3 Kathi Thomason 4 Constance Tice 12 Carolyn Kahakelii 12 Faith Badeaux 17 Maureen Muraoka 17 John Carroll 18 Kaye Bowman 28 Jaynel Hirakawa 31



The Pres Says... Carol Thomas, President

Dear Members,

Our November 1 meeting at Waialae Country Club was attended by 58 members and guests. Our keynote speaker was Tiana Elisara, a UH student and founder of #LefttheLeft Movement. She is a former left wing activist who led the protest march against President Trump. She was amazing and led us on her journey of awareness and learned how the left suppresses free thinking and empowerment. Instead of being confrontational she became conversational because she began to research and fact check the arguments the left put out. She was involved with HRP's rally at UH which brought Turning Point USA's Charlie Kirk and Candace Owens to the campus. Now that was a first for UH students to experience!

Congratulations to our five State House Representatives, Bob McDermott, Lauren Matsumoto, newly elected Val Okimoto, Cynthia Thielen and Gene Ward and one newly elected State Senator, Kurt Fevella.

Kudos to Andria Tupola, our candidate for governor, who worked tirelessly and, with facts to support her position, took on the powerful Democrat machine on multiple debates. She won those debates without a doubt. She is a warrior! But sadly the team was divisive, campaigned independently, and her teammate more importantly, embarrassed all of us Republicans in the media.

We are researching venues for 2019 since the Willows will be closed for major renovations in 2019.

Our Board of Directors wishes you a wonderful Thanksgiving and a blessed Christmas filled with laughter, hope, and friendship. We thank you for supporting our League and attending our monthly business meetings.

We are thankful and proud of our President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump who continue to represent the strength and leadership of our country while they embrace and respect the culture of other nations. We are so proud of their genuine respect and concern for our military families and veterans. God bless the United States of America.

Hope to see you at our first 2019 meeting on January 10, 2019, place TBA.

Carl Thomas

Mahalo President Trump

For appointing conservative Supreme

- Court Justices that we can be proud
- of Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh.



Get Well

Anne Sutton and Helen Wagner

You are in our thoughts and prayers.



Welcome

to our newest member

Mark White

We are looking forward to getting to know you!

and Returning member

Jennifer Bruns

Let's get reaquainted!

Next Month's Luncheon January 10, 2019 Location to be announced.





Tiana Elesara Why I #lefttheleft

On January 20th of 2017, I led the anti-Trump rally because everyone around me said that because I am a woman, minority, descendant of immigrants,

LGBT supporter, scientist and lower class that I was under attack. It was this same day my journey to conservatism started. A bystander asked, "Why are you mad at Trump?" and "What specific policies push that agenda?" The second question stumped me and made me realize my feelings were not supported by fact. Since then I've educated myself on basic economics, history, and civics where I realized my views have been manipulated by culture my entire life.

In the 4 short months of becoming a conservative I've started a video series on Facebook called The "Left The Left" Show, that reaches over 6 million people across the globe and founded Hawaii's first Turning Point USA chapter at UHM reaching students on my own college campus.

I have made it a life's mission to keep inspiring others to be free thinkers and educate the next generation in conservative views. I love my community, I love this country, and I will make sure I do my part.

Please consider supporting the movement to keep this momentum going at

www.paypal.me/lefttheleftshow

or email me at

lefttheleftshow@gmail.com

KUDOS TO OUR MEMBERS:

Dr. Jim and Dr. Kaye Bowman



both recently completed their doctorates.

Congratulations!

Allwyn Chao



won a silver medal in Senior Tennis Singles and a gold medal in Senior Tennis Doubles on October 11, 2018 in St. George, Utah

WOW, Way to go Allwyn!!

HONOLULU COUNTY MAKE HAWAII GREAT AGAIN RALLY







Merry Christmas



Entertainment

Cathy Foy singing Christmas

Cathy Foy is one of Hawaii's most versatile entertainers. A recording artist and concert performer, Cathy's career has taken her to the New York stage as well as Hawaii, Japan and Europe. In New York, she was an original cast member of the hit musical "Song of Singapore" and has performed as a guest artist at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center



CHRISTMAS BAKE AND BOUTIQUE SALE:

We welcome all baked goods, jams, jellies, condiments. Silent Auction Items: Gift cards and certificates, designer handbags We will have: Christmas ornaments, Clothing Vendor and Christmas Lei for sale Please call Mimi Torreano 772-1078 or Carolyn Kahakelii at 373-2254





Christmas Community Service Project

Salvation Army

Please bring new children's gifts, unwrapped Checks to SALVATION ARMY-HONOLULU are welcome Contact Nancy Gallagher at 947-1513

OLRW Welcomes Hawaii's 2018-2020 Republican Legislators

Senator Kurt Fevella



Senate District 19 Hawaii State Capitol Room 217 phone: 808-586-6360 fax: 808-586-6361 senfevella@capitol.hawaii.gov

Personal: 808-864-4634 cell Kurt Fevella has followed in the footsteps of Sam Slom as our "Lone Ranger" in the Hawaii Senate.

Kurt will be on every committee and will be the lone voice for Republican values in the Senate. Please check in with his office to find out if there is anything you can do to help Kurt as a volunteer.

We are happy to see our returning Representatives, Lauren, Bob, Cynthia and Gene as well as a new member of the house, Val Okimoto. Val re-took the seat that Beth Fukumoto defected with in 2016. Thank you Val, for returning Republican representation to the good people of Mililani.



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by Dr. Keli'i Akina, President/CEO

At first it would seem like great news that Hawaii moved up a surprising eight places in the latest annual Economic Freedom of North America Index, from 45th among all U.S. states in 2017 to 37th in 2018.

But things are not always what they seem.

In this case, economic freedom in Hawaii actually diminished during the latest measurement period, from 6.3 in the 2017 Index to 5.48 — with 10 being the most free. But economic freedom in certain other states declined even worse during the same period than in Hawaii.

So here we are, wishing we could celebrate but can't.

Yes, we are happy that Hawaii passed Vermont, New Mexico, Mississippi, Rhode Island, Delaware and Ohio to make it to 37th. Our former rank of 45th is now held by Oregon, which was 40th in 2017.

Scrabbling at the bottom of the rankings were New York (50th), Kentucky (49th), West Virginia (48th), California (47th) and Alaska (46th). The five states with the highest levels of economic freedom in 2017 were — from first to fifth — Florida, New Hampshire, Texas, Tennessee and South Dakota.

Again, it's a happy day that Hawaii, for a change, is not scraping along the bottom anymore in this annual index of economic freedom. But that is based on a relative measurement — comparing Hawaii against all the other states.

Going by objective measurements, the sad truth is that economic freedom in Hawaii deteriorated in 2016, the data this year's Index is based on. Here are some of the reasons: >> In the category of "Sales Tax Revenue as a Percentage of Personal Income," Hawaii's general excise tax earned a score of 0.00 — the worst of any state.

>> In the category of "Top Marginal Income Tax Rate," Hawaii tied for 49th with Minnesota. Only California did worse.

>> Concerning state property taxes, normally an area of strength in nationwide surveys, Hawaii took a hit.

>> In the category of "Labor Market Freedom," Hawaii also took a hit, reflecting the state's heavy union presence and minimum-wage increases.

And things are only going to get worse before they get better. The data for this year's Index — produced annually by the Canada-based Fraser Institute, the Mexico-based Caminos de la Libertad and the Grassroot Institute of Hawaii — doesn't include changes to tax and labor laws since 2016 that are likely to lower Hawaii's score in the future.

The good news is that the annual Economic Freedom of North America Index provides a road map to freedom and prosperity. There's no mystery or magic formula to improving our state's economy. It's all there in the Index: Trim government regulations, reduce our infamous tax burden, expand labor market freedom, and more.

With such a road map in hand, and working together, we in Hawaii can successfully work our way toward the top of the economic freedom ranking, no matter how you want to measure it.

E hana kākou! (Let's work together!)

Keli'i Akina, Ph.D. President/CEO

RUTH TERNA (1940-2018)

Ruth was born in Lakewood, Ohio. The only daughter of a beloved small town dentist, she enjoyed an idyllic childhood. She was a loyal alumna of Ohio State, an affiliation that continued throughout her entire life. After graduation she came to Oahu where her fiancé, Cyril "Jim" Terna, was assigned to Tripler Military Hospital to fulfill his dental school military obligation. She taught at Central Union Pre-School and was also involved in Diamond Head Community Theater, playing a lead role in West Side Story. The couple moved to Kaneohe in 1973 where they raised their two children, Scott and Jennifer. Jim died in 1997. Though she was devastated by his untimely death, Ruth did not let his passing dampen her zest for life, heading out daily in her trusty Buick station wagon to meet whatever the day had to offer.

The Republican Party was very important to her. She worked on Linda Lingle's campaign. Her tireless dedication and long hours on the campaign led to a job as guide for guests at the State Capitol. Ruth became a member of the OLRW in 1990 and a life member in 2000. She was a remarkable woman who led a very full life.

Ruth is survived by her children, Scott and Jennifer, and her brother, David. She will be buried at the Kaneohe Veterans Cemetery alongside her husband on November 26.





OLRW Political Action Committee

Campaign 2020

The new PAC committee will come up with their goals for the next election. It has been a real pleasure to help this PAC raise enough money over the past 12 years to help candidates to the tune of nearly \$54,000. In 2008 we gave candidates a total of \$4,000, This year we more than tripled that to \$14,160.

There is a good starting amount in the bank to fund a major fundraiser next year if OLRW members are willing to work hard for our candidates. Please step up and volunteer to help with a major fundraiser or open your checkbook to make a major contribution. Our hard working candidates deserve your support.

Get Involved



- Volunteer for a candidate.
- Donate money to a candidate.
- Participate in fundraising activities
- Talk to your friends and neighbors about what our Republican law makers are doing.
- Write a letter to the editor about a candidate or an issue.
- Donate \$5 per month to the OLRW PAC.
 If each of our members did just this we would have over \$20.000 in our account in 2020.
- Volunteer at the Hawaii Republican Party Headquarters.
- Encourage a Good Republican to run for office.

Oahu League of Republican Women PAC is on FaceBook

Our Facebook feed is also visible on our PAC Website -WWW.OLRWPAC.com

Visit our online sites to see more information about our PAC and our candidates.

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I'm paying by check Please make I'm paying by cash We are required for by the Oahu League of Republican Wom	ired to give you a receipt for a c	cash contribution of \$100 or r	nore.

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

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

Letters to the Editor

Hawaii now more isolated in Senate Honolulu Star-Advertiser November 9, 2018

Getting Involved

Congratulations go to U.S. Sen. Mazie Hirono for her re-election.

The rest of the country followed a different path and retained a Republican- controlled Senate that will have the power to approve hundreds of federal judges and maybe even another U.S. Supreme Court justice.

Hirono may feel some personal satisfaction in voting against Judge Brett Kavanaugh for the Supreme Court, but her comment that America's men should "shut up and step up" may just have been the final straw that energized America's Republicans to step up and and let their voices be heard at the ballot box.

Hawaii has become even more isolated politically. We have no U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye to reach across the aisle to work with Republicans.

Garry P. Smith

Communities chose best candidates Honolulu Star-Advertiser November 12, 2018

It's interesting to note that of the endorsements from the Star-Advertiser for Democrats, it missed the people's choice in two important races. Former Rep. Marilyn Lee (House District 36, Mililani) was endorsed even though Republican Val Okimoto seemed a better fit for the area. Okimoto won by more than 800 votes.

Democrat Rep. Matt LoPresti was attempting a leap from state House to state Senate (Senate District 19, Ewa, Ewa Beach) against a longtime resident and community organizer, Republican Kurt Fevella.

Even after LoPresti demonstrated a lack of ethics by stealing campaign literature and was caught on camera, he was still endorsed as the best candidate. Fevella won by 117 votes out of more than 12,000 votes cast.

It's inspiring to know that the voters of an area know what candidate better serves their needs than a publication pushing its own political agenda.

Pam Smith



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President First Vice President Second Vice President Recording Secretary Treasurer Corresponding Secretary Membership Volunteer Coordinator Newsletter/Webmaster Sergeant at Arms OLRW wants to thank the Members of our club that took the time and effort to run for office in 2018. Whether you won your race or not we are proud of the effort you put forth. OLRW candidates were Julia Allen, Kurt Fevella, Kathryn Henski, Mela Kealoha-Lindsey, Val Okimoto and Cynthia Thielen.

The ladies and men of OLRW are politically engaged and informed like few other groups. We are proud to give our candidates tools to help them succeed. We provide some cash awards, education and exposure at our luncheons. This year three of our six candidates won their races - in 2020 we'll work just a little harder to increase those numbers.



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