



O.L.R.W. Newsletter

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March 2013

Luncheon / Meeting
March 7, 2013
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

Clam Chowder

Corned Beef & Cabbage
with Potatoes and Carrots

White Cake
with Mint Sauce and Garnish

Coffee or Iced Tea

Reservations/Cancellations

Celyn Chong Kee

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Reservations/Cancellations
must be made by March
4th. We are committed
to pay for all lunches
reserved, so **No Shows
will be charged for their
lunch.** Please - no walk-
ins.

Guest Speaker

Lowell Kalapa

President of Tax Foundation of Hawaii

“Taxes in Hawaii”



Among the many educational activities undertaken by Mr. Kalapa, he has assisted numerous nonprofit organizations in understanding the roles and responsibilities of board members of those organizations and where the line begins and ends insofar as oversight and governance of those organizations. Unlike corporate boards, members of nonprofit organizations must remember that they are not responsible to stockholders/investors, but to the community at large. Often volunteers on nonprofit governing boards misunderstand their roles and lack the broader picture of what they are accountable for and to whom they remain accountable.

An advocate of community building, Mr. Kalapa has provided leadership and guidance to numerous community groups and nonprofit organizations in the area of board governance, fiduciary responsibility, and strategic planning. Of particular interest to Mr. Kalapa have been the challenges that face the Hawaiian community and he has facilitated board training and strategic planning for agencies such as Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center, the Native Hawaiian Educational Council, Papa Ola Lokahi, and the Board of Trustees of Kawaiaha'o Church. He has given guidance to many of the member agencies of Aloha United Way as part of the Community Building Evaluation Committee and in his advisory capacity on the Steering Committee of the Weed & Seed Initiative.

The Tax Foundation is a private, nonprofit, non-partisan, educational organization established to research issues confronting governments in the area of public finance, taxation, and public administration. Although the Foundation is often mistaken for a state or county agency, it is supported entirely by private contributions.

SAVE THE DATE!

June 8 Weekend

Extraordinary Sidewalk Sale
By Hawaii Republican Party.
We need donors, volunteers
To make this a great success!
Please save your slightly used
or never used articles. Jewelry,
Household items, small appliances,
Designer clothing and accessories,
rugs, furniture, art, sculptures, china,
silver...

more to follow!

Happy Birthday March Babies

HAU'OLI LA HANAU To

Chita Stewart 3	Lois Miller 15
P. Pasha Baker 5	Mimi Torreano 15
Anne Keamo 6	Jerilyn Jeffryes 17
Lee Champion 7	Allan Silva 21
Colleen Meyer 8	Michael Greco 23
Rep Gene Ward 9	Norann Neet 23
June R. Anderson 11	Louise Fleming 25
Evelyn Cass 11	Elwin Spray 25
Kitty Lagareta 11	Marissa Capelouto 27
Sen. Sam Slom 13	Beth Fukumoto Chang 30
Carmen Doring 15	Terry McCabe 30





The Pres Says...

Carol Thomas, President



After hearing President Obama's State of the Union address, I am left with my personal thoughts and questions. There was the same rhetoric of years past about tax cuts for the rich and scare tactics to appeal to middle income Americans and blue collar workers. The Star Advertiser's front page quoted our President "We have cleared away the rubble of crisis, and we can say with renewed confidence that the state of our union is strong." REALLY!

Did he discuss plans on job creation to offset unemployment, the economy, a balanced budget, or our \$16.5 trillion debt that is growing by the hour?

Our President is now pushing for universal pre-kindergarten education and \$9 minimum wage. As noble as this sounds, who will pay for this? Will his push for higher taxes on wealthy Americans and fewer tax breaks for corporations offset these programs?

WHY does the President board a plane one day later to campaign his ideas to states instead of walking the corridors of Congress to meet with the Congress that we, the people, elected?



Pearl Harbor employees have already been alerted that one-day a month furloughs may begin in March. This impacts middle income, not the highly paid.

In conclusion, our President is an eloquent speaker, "long on rhetoric, short on constructive ideas" as quoted by Rep. Joe Barton from Texas. He touched your heart by elaborating on gun violence and recognized victims of such violence in the audience, mentioned our broken immigration system, and championed for pre-kindergarten education. He talks a good talk.

I don't see any hope for bipartisanship on Capitol Hill. Do you? Down at our State Capitol, the insanity continues: proposed higher General Excise, Conveyance, Transient Accommodation, Liquor, Tobacco, "sugary beverage" and other taxes; a Bill to make it illegal to smoke in your private condo but another Bill to legalize marijuana for recreation use. DUH?

Want to get married? The Health Department wants to raise the Hawaii license fee from the current \$60 to \$100. Hang on to your nickels and dimes...Abercrombie is out to grab them!

Remembering Martha

Martha Daniels, who joined Oahu League in 1954, became a Life Member in 1974. It was always her dream to have a permanent home for the Oahu League. In her trust she stated that it was for a building only so the League needed a partner. She gave Oahu League 10 years to find a home after her passing in March 1989 at the age of 99 years. In 1999, ten years after her passing, her generous gift to the Oahu League of Republican Women became a reality with our partnership with the Hawaii Republican Party and the purchase of our home at 725 Kapiolani Boulevard.



We couldn't agree more...

"The fact that we are here today to debate raising America's debt limit is a sign of leadership failure. It is a sign that the US Government cannot pay its own bills. It is a sign that we now depend on ongoing financial assistance from foreign countries to finance our Government's reckless fiscal policies. Increasing America's debt weakens us domestically and internationally. Leadership means that, 'the buck stops here.' Instead, Washington is shifting the burden of bad choices today onto the backs of our children and grandchildren.

America has a debt problem and a failure of leadership. Americans deserve better."

Senator Barack H. Obama
March 2006



Far away, but still in touch

This is a note we received from Jackie Lowe, a member that has moved to Florida, but still keeps up with what is going on with OLRW.



OLRW President and members:

Thank you so much for sending your monthly newsletter. I have enjoyed reading it so much.

We want to thank Jackie for her generous donation to the league.



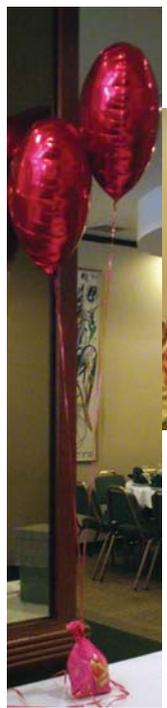
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YEAR OF THE SNAKE

February Luncheon

Thank you to our speaker Hong Jiang for a very informative talk about Chinese culture.



Vanita Rae Smith won the 50/50 drawing. \$45 went to Vanita and \$45 went to the PAC.

Finger Puppets for Kids

Thank you to the Oahu League volunteers that made snake finger puppets for the kids at Shriners' Hospital. Lone Gumpfer and Nancy Gallagher put these little guys together including a sticker on the back saying they are from OLRW.





Questionnaire

Name _____

Born at _____

Born month _____

of siblings. ____/bro. ____/sis

Gradeschool _____

HS _____

College _____

Married? _____

Kids _____

One thing most people do not know about you.



Last month's Mystery Member was Edna Shea there were ??correct guesses.

Janice used her sleuthing skills to win a three-bag assorted pack of Harry & David's Moose Munch caramel popcorn.



Our Mystery Member for this month was born in Chicago in the month of November.

She grew up with two brothers.

She went to SST. Peter & Paul Cathedral Grade school and Sacred Heart High School. She attended Indiana University.

She is married with 2 children.

This member was once a neighbor of Tom Selleck.

The Battleship Missouri Memorial honored our Mystery member in 2008 for her volunteer dedication.

If you want to guess who our Mystery Member is please e-mail your guess to olrwnews@gmail.com or mail to our Kapiolani HQ address

Please include your name and a contact phone number or e-mail with your guess. Only members of OLRW are eligible to win prizes.

Answers for this month must be RECEIVED by February 6th or turned in at the luncheon.

YOU'RE INVITED

Please join fellow Republicans and Coalition Members on Thursday, February 28 at our first Coalitions Potluck 6:00 PM

OLRW PAC Activity

Our PAC had a total of \$3,350.75 at the end of December. In January we added a total of \$238.55 for a year-end total of 3578.30.

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The following information helps us comply with campaign spending laws:

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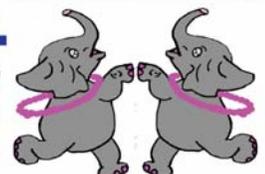
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Girl's Day

3/3 or March 3rd is Hinamatsuri or Girl's Day in Japan. It's also referred to as Momo no Sekku or Peach Festivities. Sekku, was an occasion borrowed from China to signify the change of seasons. Girls' Day celebrates and prays for a young girl's growth and happiness. Coming from a family of five girls, I think it's a wonderful tradition to have a special day for girls, regardless of what nationality you are!

Why do they use the peach to symbolize this day? March is when the peach flower blooms and the pink flowers are perfect for the young girls. It is a tradition that the maternal grandparents give Japanese dolls called Hina ningyo to the baby girl. These dolls are dressed in elaborate kimonos and accessories, as you can see from the photo above. Today, there are such a variety of dolls from the very simple to elaborate.

The above photo shows a most elaborate 7 tier version. At the top is the Emperor, odairi sama, and Empress, ohina sama. The second tier has three court ladies, san-nin kanjo, the third include five court musicians, go nin bayashi, the fourth tier has two ministers on either side, called daijin sama and the fifth has three jicho or deputy chiefs. The last two tiers have various lacquered traditional items and accessories that would be used by the imperial court.

These full sets of Hina dolls can cost thousands of dollars and are often passed down through generations. If one decides to begin this tradition in their home, they often buy the emperor and empress first and every year will add one doll and maybe a few accessories each year. This becomes the new family heirloom.

This is also a fun time for little girls to dress in their kimonos and enjoy Japanese sweets. In Hawaii, since the traditional Japanese foods are not as readily available, they often make sweet mochi, rice cake, what the locals call Chi Chi Dango, using mochiko, which is rice flour, and coconut milk.

The Party Line by David Chang

Republican Party Chair

Aloha!

Thank you to all of you that have volunteered to help with our district caucuses. The OLRW has proven time and time again to be the top organization to help our party! It was great to see many of you at the district caucuses. I also look forward to seeing many of you again at our Oahu County Convention at Moanalua Middle School on March 16th at 10am. Our State Convention will be held at Koolau Ballrooms on May 18 this year. We will also hold our Lincoln Dinner Fundraiser at Koolau Ballrooms on April 16th. We look forward to honoring the Oahu League of Republican Women for their years' of service! Please visit www.gophawaii.com for more information or contact Nacia our executive director at nacia@gophawaii.com.

Your financial support is greatly appreciated and critical to your success. I have been meeting with local community and business leaders in Hawaii and will be launching our strategic and communications plan soon to build our party and prepare for 2014. We With your continued support I truly believe that our best days are ahead of us. Thank you again and please do not hesitate to contact us if we may be of service to you!
Mahalo!



From Mike Palcic

Hi there!

Julia is headed home today after four glorious days in San Diego. We have had a delightful time with family and friends and have sampled a bit of what this very livable city has to offer.

I gave her a BIG KISS goodbye and will be on a plane myself in 6 weeks.

As I finish the post-op protocols I have been named the POSTER BOY for liver transplantation at SCRIPPS GREEN HOSPITAL at Torrey Pines, La Jolla.(Eat your hearts out, Jerry's Kids.)

BTW, the "GREEN" is not for the enviro- nutcase green, but for IDA & CECIL GREEN, lead donors among an army of prominent San Diegans who gave MILLION\$ to build and operate this fantastic facility and whose many portraits adorn the lobby and hallways.

A BIG CHEER for liberty and PRIVATE action to advance society's goals.

We both feel truly blessed to have shared this experience.

Best wishes to all,

Michael

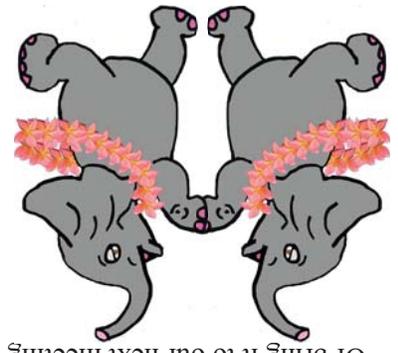
**Now I'm being blogged about.
Better than being flogged, no doubt.
I will survive this wave of approval,
And come out criticized, as usual.
So, waste no time as I flout,
Just click below and check it out.**

<http://www.ronmartin.net/blog/index.php>

Editor's note:

Big Mike Palcic has been in San Diego since September 25 of last year. He received a new liver on January 7th and has been recovering nicely since then. Mike's wife, Julia Allen works for Senator Sam Slom and has been able travel to San Diego a few times to visit.





Or bring it to our next meeting

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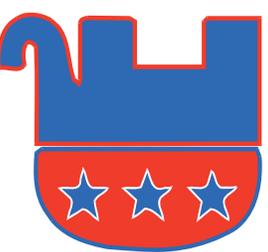
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Happy St Patrick's Day



For more information call 808-593-8180 or online at <http://www.gophawaii.com>

HRP Sidewalk Sale June 8th.

State Convention - May 18 at Koolau Ballrooms

Oahu County Conventions March 16 at Moanalua Middle School

Lincoln Day Dinner - April 16 at Koolau Ballrooms

Upcoming Events

