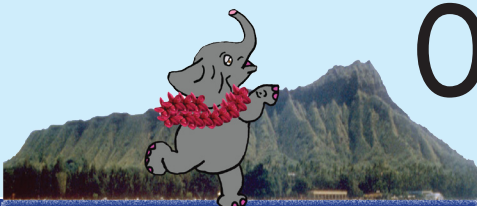


# O.L.R.W. Newsletter



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October 2015

Luncheon / Meeting  
October 1, 2015  
Waialae Country Club  
11:00 A.M. Social Hour  
11:30 A.M. Meeting  
12:00 Noon Lunch  
12:30 P.M. Speakers

Cost

**\$30.00 Members**

**\$35.00 Guests**

## Menu

Green salad with  
cucumber and tomato  
with a vinaigrette

Chicken Marsala  
Steamed Rice  
Steamed Veggies

Rolls and butter

Bread pudding  
with vanilla sauce

## Beverages

Reservations/Cancellations

**Celyn Chong Kee**

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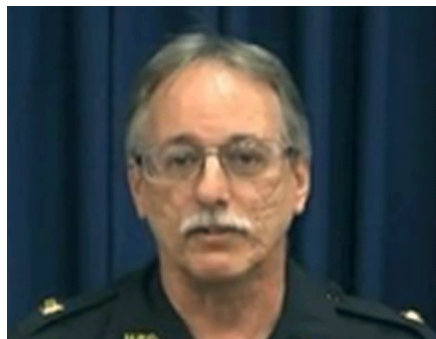
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Reservations/Cancellations must  
be made by **Sept 25<sup>th</sup>**. We are  
committed to pay for all lunches  
reserved, so **No Shows will be  
charged for their lunch.**

Please - no walk-ins.

## Speaker Lt. John McCarthy Honolulu Police Department Financial Crimes



## Reminder



Please bring in your OLRW PAC Change.  
The change brought in last month was  
\$36.58.

We have jars available that you can reuse  
every month.

Remember: Your Small Change can mean  
Big Change in Hawaii!



Oahu League of Republican Women  
Political Action Committee

Total PAC contributions last month  
were 149.94.  
The total in our PAC is 4569.56.  
We are at 23 percent of goal with  
only 10 months before we distribute  
funds.



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# The Pres Says...

Carol Thomas, President

The 2016 Republican presidential candidates had their second debate on Wednesday, September 16 hosted by CNN. It's been described as a WWE event, a food fight and a reality show. CNN wanted a free-for-all brawl at our Republican Party's expense with some of the questions asked. Let's see what happens on October 13 when the Democrats debate.

My observation: Three hours is too long for a debate; excess "he said, she said"; not enough substance with the real issues facing America.

Carly Fiorina stole this debate as she did the first. She was articulate and knowledgeable and never faltered in her answers. She was even stronger when she provided her military list to return our military to the strength they need. She never hesitated to get her viewpoint in when she was being ignored.

Ted Cruz came away as a solid conservative and Chris Christie had a big night, no pun intended.

Donald Trump will always be DT even though he tried to soften his tactics. The man will never apologize, never admit he was wrong on anything, and will always flaunt his wealth to everyone. The polls may show he is leading; people like his brash talk but will they actually vote for him?

Dr. Ben Carson had a good night and showed a humorous side when challenged by Trump. Lindsey Graham had a solid performance, especially in foreign affairs.

Media reported that Marco Rubio was excellent and I think he will appeal especially to the Hispanic voters and the millennials.

PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN DINNER, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2015

I am asking all members to please join me and other OLRW members in attending this event, which will be held at the Ko'olau Ballrooms, Kaneohe. Keynote speaker is New Mexico's Governor Susana Martinez, Governor Martinez's name is being talked about in many circles as a possible VP presidential candidate in 2016.


This dinner is a fundraiser to pay off the HRP mortgage of \$118,000. OLRW is co-owner of this property and we would like to "burn" the mortgage once and for all. Please call me at (808) 261-1146 to make a reservation. Tickets are \$200 and VIP tables are \$2,500, \$5,000, \$10,000.

If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, please contact me or mail your checks to OLRW at 725 Kapiolani Blvd, C-105, Hon., HI 96813. Checks or credit cards should be payable to Hawaii Republican Party, use code CCHQ.

MAHALO, I really appreciate your participation at this event.



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



**Susana Martinez**  
Governor of New Mexico

- Named by Time Magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world
- Turned New Mexico's largest deficit in history into a surplus
- Worked with a Democrat legislature to pass landmark reforms in education and the economy
- Twice named New Mexico's prosecutor of the year
- Governor Martinez is being talked about in many circles as a possible Vice Presidential candidate for 2016.

Click here to purchase tables

- \$10,000 Illuma Sponsor
- \$5,000 Maile Sponsor
- \$2,500 Pihake Sponsor
- \$200 Individual Tickets

You are invited to the  
**Proud To Be An American Dinner**

Keynote Speaker  
**The Honorable Susana Martinez**  
Governor of New Mexico

**Tuesday, October 27, 2015**  
Ko'olau Ballrooms at Ko'olau Golf Course  
45-550 Kionaole Road, Kaneohe, Hawaii


VIP Reception & General Reception at 6:00 pm  
Dinner at 7:00 pm

RSVP by **October 19, 2015**  
Price increases \$10 per person after that date

**Aloha Attire • Free parking**

All proceeds go toward the building fund to pay off the mortgage for the HRP Headquarters

Register online  
at <http://tinyurl.com/Gov-Martinez> or call  
GOP at 808-593-8180 for more information  
contact: Miriam Hellreich 808-284-5255  
or [mhellreich@gmail.com](mailto:mhellreich@gmail.com)



## Welcome



to our newest member:  
**Marcia Tagavilla**

**Ellie Giles**

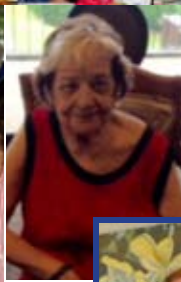
We are looking forward to getting to know you!

# September Luncheon

## Oahu Country Club



Thanks to Fritz Rholving for speaking to us about the future of the Hawaii Republican Party.



Nancy

Gallagher won the 50/50 drawing in September. \$78 went to Nancy and \$78 went to the PAC.



Thanks to Mike Palcic for bringing Ben Carson to our luncheon.



# Columbus Day

A U.S. national holiday since 1937, Columbus Day commemorates the arrival of Christopher Columbus in the New World on October 12, 1492. The Italian-born explorer had set sail two months earlier, backed by the Spanish monarchs King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella. He intended to chart a western sea route to China, India and the fabled gold and spice islands of Asia; instead, he landed in the Bahamas, becoming the first European to explore the Americas since the Vikings set up colonies in Greenland and Newfoundland during the 10th century.



Contrary to popular belief, most educated Europeans in Columbus' day understood that the world was round, but they did not yet know that the Pacific Ocean existed. As a result, Columbus and his contemporaries assumed that only the Atlantic lay between Europe and the riches of the East Indies.

Later that month, Columbus sighted Cuba and believed it was mainland China; in December the expedition found Hispaniola, which he thought might be Japan. There, he established Spain's first colony in the Americas with 39 of his men. In March 1493, the explorer returned to Spain in triumph, bearing gold, spices and "Indian" captives. He crossed the Atlantic several more times before his death in 1506; by his third journey, he realized that he hadn't reached Asia but instead had stumbled upon a continent previously unknown to Europeans.

## Columbus Day in the United States

The first Columbus Day celebration took place in 1792, when New York's Columbian Order—better known as Tammany Hall—held an event to commemorate the historic landing's 300th anniversary. Taking pride in Columbus' birthplace and faith, Italian and Catholic communities in various parts of the country began organizing annual religious ceremonies and parades in his honor. In 1892, President Benjamin Harrison issued a proclamation encouraging Americans to mark the 400th anniversary of Columbus' voyage with patriotic festivities, writing, "On that day let the people, so far as possible, cease from toil and devote themselves to such exercises as may best express honor to the discoverer and their appreciation of the great achievements of the four completed centuries of American life."

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed Columbus Day a national holiday, largely as a result of intense lobbying by the Knights of Columbus, an influential Catholic fraternal benefits organization. Originally observed every October 12, it was fixed to the second Monday in October in 1971.

# Halloween Superstitions

Halloween has always been a holiday filled with mystery, magic and superstition. It began as a Celtic end-of-summer festival during which people felt especially close to deceased relatives and friends. For these friendly spirits, they set places at the dinner table, left treats on doorsteps and



along the side of the road and lit candles to help loved ones find their way back to the spirit world. Today's Halloween ghosts are often depicted as more fearsome and malevolent, and our customs and superstitions are scarier too. We avoid crossing paths with black cats, afraid that they might bring us bad luck. This idea has its roots in the Middle Ages, when many people believed that witches avoided detection by turning themselves into cats. We try not to walk under ladders for the same reason. This superstition may have come from the ancient Egyptians, who believed that triangles were sacred; it also may have something to do with the fact that walking under a leaning ladder tends to be fairly unsafe. And around Halloween, especially, we try to avoid breaking mirrors, stepping on cracks in the road or spilling salt.



# The Not Very Funnies

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





# Letters to the Editor

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

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.

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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## Cost of rail construction impossible to calculate

*'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-08-23*

Anyone interested in seeing what rail construction will do to a community should come into Waipahu and Pearl City to see the devastation of businesses and the traffic jams created.

Cliff Slater pinpointed the huge cost overruns of rail ("Where are we with rail? Way over budget, as predicted," Star-Advertiser, Island Voices, Aug. 19) but the true costs cannot even be calculated. It will disrupt hundreds of businesses and cost thousands of hours for motorists stuck in construction traffic.

The City Council proposed legislation to mitigate costs to businesses due to construction of the project. The problem is it did not specify how much and where the money will come from.

As Slater pointed out, rail will remove two of every 100 cars coming from West Oahu, assuming no more housing development such as Ho'opili, which will add 11,000 homes.

It seems like Slater's predictions were right on the money.

Earl Arakaki

## Just let PRP run city's rail board

*'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-08-21*

When voters in 2010 overwhelmingly passed Article 17, the City Charter amendment that created the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation, they were led to believe it was to create a semi-autonomous agency that would be independent of political influence.

It seems that distinction has been violated by the Caldwell administration, HART and Pacific Resource Partnership ("HART, advocates keep in sync to promote rail-tax extension," Star-Advertiser, Aug. 16). Discussing legislative tactics and strategizing by HART with a group that greatly influenced the 2012 mayoral election would seem to be not only unethical but possibly illegal in that it violates the charter amendment.

Why don't the city and HART just appoint PRP union leaders to the HART board so they can run the project directly without having to go through a middleman?

Garry P. Smith

## More investigative reporting needed

*'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-09-15*

David Shapiro reveals some of the corruption of our politicians in bed with developers in our Honolulu, but barely scratches the surface ("Complaints reveal the grip developers have on Council," Star-Advertiser, Volcanic Ash, Sept. 13). Politicians have provided for their own protection from prosecution through legislation, handcuffing the ethics commissions and passing campaign contribution laws in their favor.

They are only caught when their arrogance exceeds their greed.

In June 2015, attempts were made to muzzle the city Ethics Commission Executive Director Chuck Totto, requiring that he not deal with the media without permission.

The only solution is for the Star-Advertiser to hire a full-time reporter to monitor city and state ethics and campaignspending violations and accurately report the information so the voters can decide.

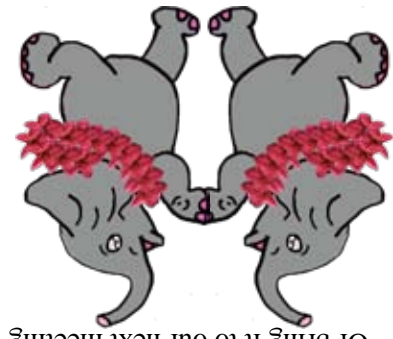
Pam Smith

## Luncheon Schedule

**We are dark July & August this year.**

- Nov 5 The Willows
- Dec 3 Waialae Country Club
- Jan 7 Oahu Country Club
- Feb 3 Jade Dynasty





Or bring it to our next meeting

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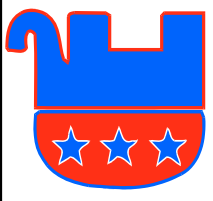
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**Oahu League of Republican Women Membership Application**



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OLRW Volunteer opportunities: contact Ione Gumpfer, OLRW Volunteer Coordinator, at 262-9788 or [igumpfer@aol.com](mailto:igumpfer@aol.com)  
October 27 Koolau Ballrooms in Kaneohe PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN Burn the Mortgage event  
Speaker Susana Martinez, Republican Governor of New Mexico

For more information call Carol Thomas at (808) 261-1146



**Upcoming Events**