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December 2015

Luncheon / Meeting

December 3, 2015

Waialae Country Club

11:00 A.M. Social Hour/Sale

11:30 A.M. Meeting

12:00 Noon Lunch

12:30 P.M. Entertainment

Cost

\$30.00 Members

\$35.00 Guests

MENU

Green Salad

with cucumber and tomato

with a vinaigrette

Choice of

Roast Pork

with

Caramelized Apple Cream

Okinawan Mashed Potatoes

Vegetables

OR

Stuffed Portobello

Mushroom

with Seared Tofu, Edamane,

Roasted Tomatoes &

Asparagus

Brown Rice

Truffle Oil & Balsamic Drizzle

Rolls & Butter

Beverages

Red Velvet Cake

Reservations/Cancellations

Celyn Chong Kee

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Reservations/Cancellations must be made by Nov 30th all lunches are reserved, so **No Shows will be charged for their lunch.**

Please - no walk-ins.

Our Christmas Family

Please check out the list of items still needed for our Laulima family. Please call or e-mail Pam with the items you are committing to so we can avoid duplication on major items.

An updated list will be maintained on our website at www.olrw.org.



Entertainment



FRIENDS QUARTET has been singing together for more than 6 years, but we have all been singing for many, many years. We all belong to NA LEO LANI CHORUS a chapter of Sweet Adeline's International here in Hawaii. We sing barbershop, which is a capella 4 part harmony. Carole Wee sings Tenor, Rosie Ramiro sings Lead, Vera Egge sings Baritone and JoAnne Kiriara sings Bass.

We sing all kinds of music including oldies, contemporary, love songs, novelty songs, Hawaiian songs and of course Christmas songs. We have performed at many venues including hotels, hospitals, care homes, private parties and at the Stan Sheriff Center for sports events.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE

As usual we are asking you to bring baked goods and HIGH END used items to sell at our sale. We will also have silent auction items and vendors selling jewelry and handbags. 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.



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Happy Birthday December Babies

HAU'OLI LA HANAU To



Marian Crislip 3
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Barbara Pang 10
Carolyn Kahakelii 12
Faith Badeaux 17
Maureen Muraoka 17
John Carroll 18
Shirley Gibbs 26
Linda Cuhney 28
Kaye Bowman 28
Jaynel Hirakawa 31



The Pres Says...

Carol Thomas, President

Happy Holidays

The recent ISIS terrorist attacks in Paris, France remind us that extremists are real and global in this 21st century. We must be mindful and prepared but we must not give up our freedom to fear. The French responded immediately with no hesitation to be politically correct. They are strong, determined and unified; they called for countries to join them to rid the world of these mad men, not contain them. Not surprisingly, our president leads from behind, prefers to work with Russia and Putin in trying to keep the Syrian president in power. Me thinks HE is on the JV squad!

The DEM presidential debate was a joke. The "MAD SCIENTIST" vs. the "LIAR" with climate change being the top threat for the next administration. I didn't waste my time watching this SNL hee haw show and the reviews validated my decision.

Here in Hawaii, the governor welcomed Syrian refugees while turning a blind eye to our homeless. He reminded us of our culture and spirit of ALOHA but where is the aloha for lack of housing or its high cost for our residents. The median price of a home is \$720,000! Senator Slom, as usual, is correct to state Ige's mumbling rhetoric is premature. He asked where the money is going to come from to care for these Syrian refugees. Do we trust the FEDS to properly vet these people? Did we learn nothing from 911?

We are overwhelmed! We bear most of the costs of Micronesian migrants by Federal agreement. Our children learn in hot, aging classrooms with no proper air conditioning; our highways are in gridlock, the rail is over budget and destroying small businesses in its path, but, E KOMO MAI says Governor Ige. He knows it won't happen but, eh, party lines is what it is.

Don't you want a two-party state? Please get involved. Put our differences aside and let's work to help Senator Slom and our Republican legislators in the House. And YES, let's elect more Republican candidates to office. We can do this one step at a time.

Merry Christmas!



Congratulations to Florence Loebel on her 100th Birthday!

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



Welcome

to our newest members

Judith Kalin and Kathryn Stark-Henski

We are looking forward to getting to know you!

We are Happy to announce

Carolyn Kahakelii became a Life Member

Luncheon Schedule

- Jan 7 Oahu Country Club**
Andrew Waldon - Presidential Caucuses
- Feb 4 Jade Dynasty (limit 60 attendees)**
Percy Ihara - Generations Magazine
Valentine Cookie/Balloon Sale - Chinese New Year
- Mar 3**
Kyle Karioka - Salvation Army
Easter Bonnet Contest

2016 Dues

Your Dues will remain the same for 2016 at \$25, but we will change the way they are allocated.



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)

November Luncheon The Wilows



Thank you to
Kim Kepner-Sybounmy for updating
us on the Jones Act.



Thanks to Riz Almagro for telling
us about our Lulima Family!
What an honor it is to have the
opportunity to make a difference
in this family's life.



Our Stars

Oahu League of Republican Women will celebrate and honor the following members at our Christmas business meeting on Thursday, December 3, for their many years in our League:

NAME:	ANNUAL MEMBER	LIFE MEMBER
Mrs. Anne Sutton	52	24
Mrs. Floraine Van Orden	41	31
Mr. Howard Chong	35	35
Mrs. Jo Dowling	33	27
Mrs. Florence Loebel	32	11
Mrs. Gladys Hayes	31	31
Ms. P. Pasha Baker	30	16
Mrs. Miriam Hellreich	29	16
Ms. Margaret Cookey Young	28	23
Mrs. Helen Kekuna	28	21
Mr. George Kekuna	27	18
Mrs. Edna Fujiwara	20	11



Since moving to Hawaii recently, this ohana has gone through some tremendous struggles. The family moved to Hawaii when Jaime was relocated here for work. Since then, they have been living with limited resources and have had to face many obstacles. The two children have been suffering the most. The kids have been enduring discrimination, bullying (verbal and physical), and theft from peers at school. Ashlyn recently had to be pulled out of her middle school after continual sexual harassment from a male peer. Because of this, Stephanie has started homeschooling her daughter, which makes it even harder for her to find a job here.

They are a hard working family with no problems in their past of any sort and the kids have always been straight A students. This move has hindered them immensely. They have spent the first 4 months with only mattresses and futons on the floor and what few personal belongings they brought with them. Their greatest need is a dining room or kitchen table for the kids to do their homework on.



They also have been living out of boxes and suitcases and are in need of dresser drawers to put their clothes in. Bryan is the last one in the family to get a mattress and would greatly appreciate one to replace the cushions that he currently sleeps on.

Ashlyn is very much a "girly girl" and would love any fun hair accessories, clothes, etc. She also loves to draw and listen to music. Bryan loves football and basketball and could use a new football, as his is getting too old to use. He loves everything that has to do with monsters, like Harry Potter and TMNT. He could really use new shoes right now since he just had to throw out his old shoes due to the fact that they were falling apart. Both of the kids love reading and would love to get new books to read.

This family is very humble and doesn't expect much, but could really use some kokua this holiday season.

People have committed to purchase Items in **RED**
 Please call Pam at 398-5556 or email at pamleesmith@gmail.com if you want to provide an item for our family.

FAMILY MEMBERS

Bryan – Age 10

How to Train your Dragon Book series

Football

Skateboard

Avenger Legos

Chess game

Deck of cards

iPod with ear buds

Twin Size Mattress

Clothes: Pants and Shorts 10/12; Shirt L; Shoe Size 4

Chest of Drawers – plastic ones OK

Ashlyn – Age 12

Drawing Supplies

Skateboard

MUSIC: Taylor Swift

iPod with ear buds

Life board game

BOOKS: Inkheart, Inkspell, Inkdeath book series (TRILOGY) by Cornelia Funke

Dragon Rider, The Thief Lord by Cornelia Funke

Clothes: Tops Junior S; pants Junior 1/3; shoe Size 4.5; hair accessories

Chest of Drawers – plastic ones OK

MOM STEPHANIE: Age 32

Small kitchen table and 4 chairs

Gas Cards

Grocery Cards

Clothes: Tops L; Bottom 10/12; shoe size 8.5

DAD JAIME: Age 35

Shoe Rack

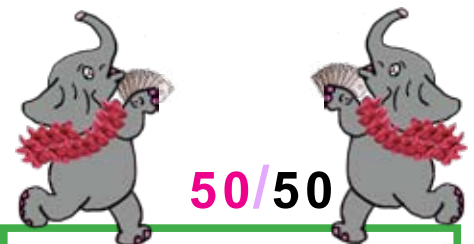
Gas Cards

Grocery Gift Cards

Clothes: Shirts L; Pants 36/32; Shoe Size: 11.5 or 12

The Not Very Funnies

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



Kathryn Stark Henski won the 50/50 drawing in November. Kathryn generously donated her winnings to the PAC.



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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City Council shows disdain for taxpayers

'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-10-25

It's easy to see how the rail project got so far off track ("Proposed limit on rail tax likely to be adjustable," Star-Advertiser, Oct. 22).

City Council Chairman Ernie Martin wants a cap of \$910 million in new taxes, but if rail has more cost overruns, then he wants to be able to raise the cap.

Huh? Then why have a cap? Martin wants to be able to use the "leftover" tax increase, \$690 million, on his pet project of affordable housing.

If you don't need the money, give it back to us. Among many reasons, housing is not affordable because of high property taxes and high general excise taxes.

With such disdain for the taxpayers and the tax-and-spend mentality of the City Council, it's no wonder few can afford to live here.

Pam Smith

Blue Angels provide us the sound of freedom

'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-10-17

Barbara Ikeda complained that the Blue Angels' air show wastes taxpayers' money and fuel, and creates noise and pollution ("Blue Angels pollute and waste resources," Star-Advertiser, Letters, Oct. 15). I wholeheartedly disagree.

The Blue Angels flying overhead is the sight and sound of protecting our many freedoms, one of which gives Ikeda her right of free expression via her letter to the editor.

Lola Arakaki
(daughter of Earl & Evelyn Arakaki)

Rail cost increases can be easily halted

'Honolulu Star-Advertiser' - 2015-10-26

Our beloved City Council wants to stop the bleeding of the rail's death-spiral by capping funding at today's deficit of \$910 million ("Council leader offers a plan to 'stop the bleeding,'" Star-Advertiser, Oct. 20).

Tomorrow, we will see stratospheric costs as construction approaches and starts to cut through our city center.

Council posturing only kicks the 55-gallon drum down the road. The only way to stop the bleeding is to kill the patient.

Michael G. Palcic

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.

Mother Ship. Come in Mother Ship.





Upcoming Events

OLRW Volunteer opportunities: contact Ione Gumpfer, OLRW Volunteer Coordinator, at 262-9788 or igumpfer@aol.com

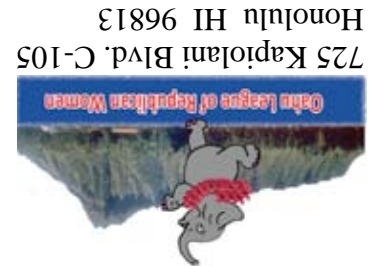
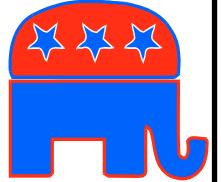


Reminder

**Please bring in your OLRW PAC Change.
The change brought in last month was \$65.32.**

We have jars available that you can reuse every month.

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



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Honolulu HI 96813

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