



# O.L.R.W. Newsletter

Oahu League of Republican Women  
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November 2022

Luncheon / Meeting  
November 10, 2022

The Old Spaghetti Factory  
3 Aloha Tower Drive

11:00 A.M. Social Hour  
11:30 A.M. Meeting  
12:00 Noon Lunch  
12:30 P.M. Speaker

Cost  
\$35.00

Menu  
Crisp Salad

w/Creamy Pesto Dressing

Choices

(choice made at door)

1. Chicken Marsala

w/Garlic Mizithra Cheese  
Browned Butter Pasta

2. Sicilian Meatballs

W/Marinara Sauce on Pasta

3. White Clam Sauce  
& Mushroom Sauce

Pasta Combo

Hot Rolls

Spumoni Ice Cream  
Beverages

Reservations/

Cancellations

Carol Thomas

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Reservations/Cancellations must be  
made by November 3rd

All lunches are reserved, so *No Shows will be charged for their lunch.* Please - no walk-ins.

## November Speakers

To be Announced



AMAZING HOW WELL OUR  
COUNTRY WAS RUN BY A  
BUSINESSMAN AND HOW  
QUICKLY A CAREER  
POLITICIAN DESTROYED IT.



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2022 Dues  
\$35.00.



HAU'OLI LA HANAU To

November Birthdays

|                       |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| Kuka Malia Broussard  | 1  |
| Diamond Garcia        | 3  |
| Adrienne S.King       | 4  |
| Harriet Pien          | 6  |
| Kaipo Adachi          | 11 |
| Val Okimoto           | 12 |
| Tercia Ku             | 13 |
| Gladys Hayes          | 17 |
| Beverly Sutton Toomey | 17 |
| Steven Olbrich        | 24 |
| Kari Akini            | 26 |
| Jame Schaedel         | 26 |



# The Pres Says... Shirlene Ostrov, President

Dear Members,

It's game time! I can't believe that most of the registered voters have their ballots already. Hope you have already sent yours in. But our work isn't done. It's time to get voters to actually vote! Did you know that only 39.6% of registered voters actually voted in the primaries? Less than 40% of the people are deciding our future!!! That means to truly make a difference, we need people like us!

We need you to be part of the "Get out the Vote" campaign for all of our Republican (and conservative non-partisan candidates). Call everyone you know...your friends, family, co-workers, kids, neighbors...and ask them if they have voted. If they are like-minded, urge them to vote! If they didn't receive a ballot, they are likely not registered. Not to worry! Did you know they can register to vote and then vote in one fell swoop? They can!

Because so few Americans vote, the ones who show up have increased leverage. Successful campaign strategists have increasingly theorized that the way to win elections is not to flip voters from one party to another, but rather to flip like-minded citizens from "non-voter" to "voter." WE NEED TO DO THIS!

So you're probably asking yourself, "How can I help?" Here's how YOU can Get Out the Vote:

1. Direct mail. Some of you aren't tech savvy, so drop a note to a friend via mail. Do it today! This involves mailing flyers that remind voters of election dates, ways they can vote, and the candidate you are supporting.
2. Social Media. This is the contemporary heir to direct mail and tends to be geared toward a younger audience. Younger citizens frequently know less about registration and election dates than their old counterparts, and online GOTV efforts often seek to educate them about the process.

3. Phone calls. Call everyone you know and remind them of their voting options and polling place if they want to do it in person.

4. Text messaging. In the era of cell phones, text messaging has proven to be a notably effective way of reaching people. It's a particularly popular way of connecting with younger voters, who may actively prefer texting as opposed to speaking on the phone.

5. Door-to-door canvassing. Get out and talk to your neighbors! This tactic involves volunteers knocking on doors and asking voters face-to-face to show up and cast a vote (or to send in a ballot by mail).

6. Driving voters to the polls. Some voters lack the ability to get to the polls on their own. This is particularly true among the elderly, who tend to be more politically engaged than other age demographics. It is legal to escort a voter to the voting center, but they must enter the ballot box by themselves.

The bottom line is that you (yes, you!) have the ability to make a difference in this election.

We need you now more than ever!



**One will  
have  
Christmas  
Lei available  
at the  
November  
luncheon.**

**\$40.00 each**



## Welcome

**Jane Winslow  
&  
Laurel Silva**

**Laurel joined as a Life Member**

**We look forward to getting to know you!**

Next Month's Luncheon  
December 15, 2022  
Outrigger Canoe Club

**Christmas Party**

# Oahu Republican Candidates General Election 2022

## U.S. SENATOR

MCDERMOTT, Bob

## U.S. REPRESENTATIVE I

KRESS, Conrad

## U.S. REPRESENTATIVE II

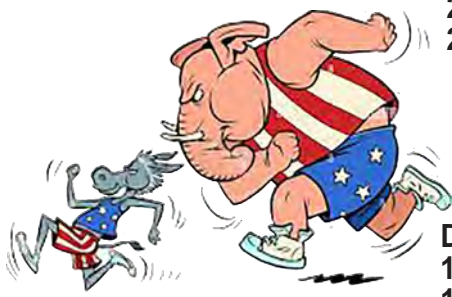
AKANA, Joe

## GOVERNOR

AIONA, Duke

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

TUPAI, Seaula, Jr.



## Let's go Get 'em

Find your Republican Candidates, Learn what they stand for and VOTE on November 8th.

You can find a list of candidate and their email addresses on our PAC website.

[www.OLRW PAC.com](http://www.OLRW PAC.com)



## STATE SENATOR

| Dist | name                       |
|------|----------------------------|
| 9    | PARRISH, Michael L. (Mike) |
| 10   | SOON, Leilani M.           |
| 11   | SAKAI, Benjamin            |
| 12   | BOYD, Blake                |
| 13   | TINAY, Matthew             |
| 14   | RZONCA, Cheryl             |
| 15   | GODFREY, Lorene A.         |
| 16   | BEEKMAN, Patricia Yuki     |
| 17   | HUDSON, Anna Misako        |
| 18   | SMART, Mary                |
| 20   | FEVELLA, Kurt*             |
| 21   | KHAN, Matthew D.           |
| 22   | DECORTE, Samantha          |
| 23   | AWA, Brenton               |
| 24   | FERNANDEZ, Antionette      |
| 25   | LAURO, Brian S.            |

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE

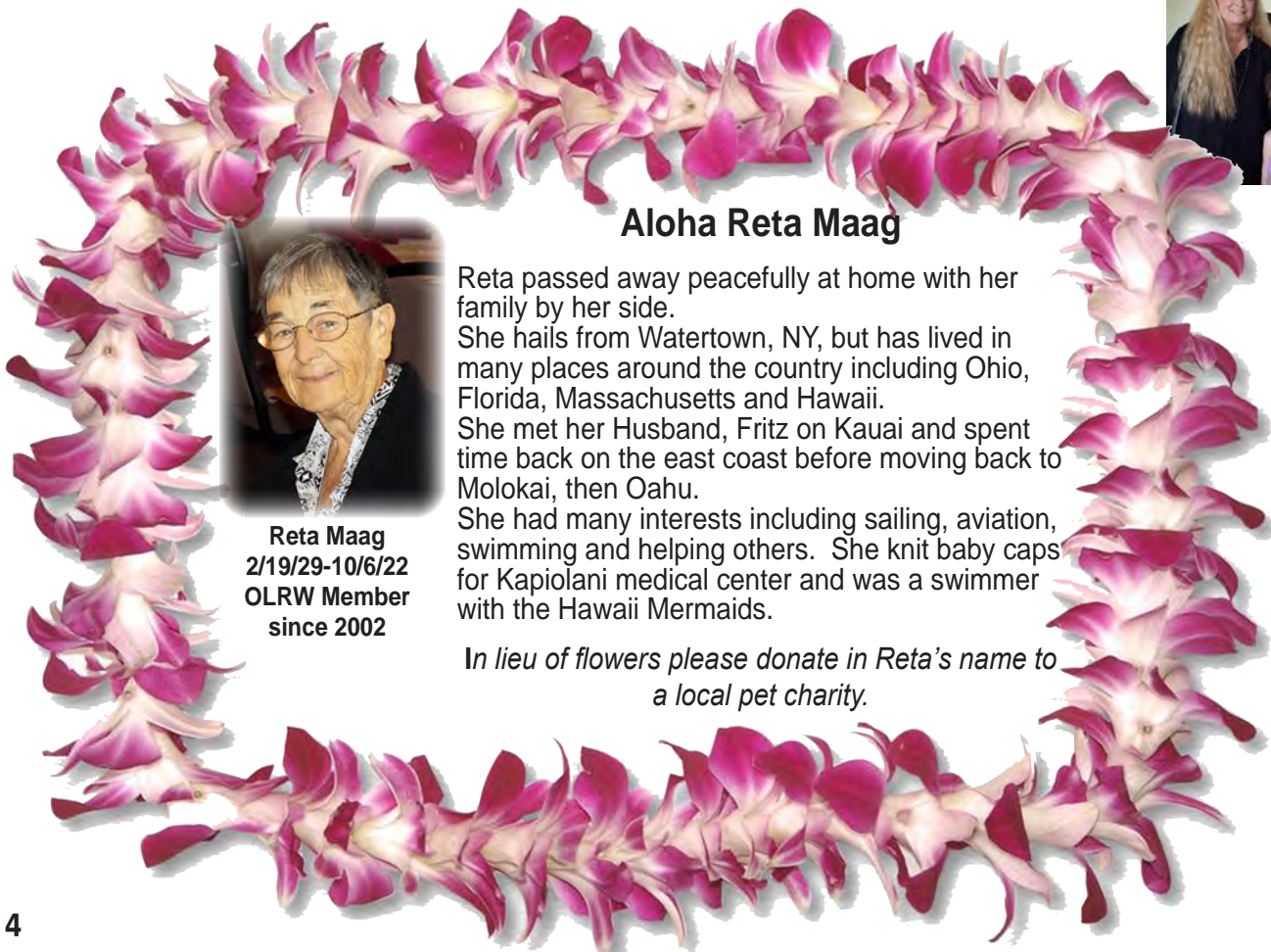
| Dist | name                      |
|------|---------------------------|
| 18   | WARD, Gene                |
| 19   | TEXEIRA, Theresa (Kinsey) |
| 20   | CAIAZZO, Jessica (Priya)  |
| 21   | ALLEN, Julia E.           |
| 22   | IMAMURA, Jeffrey H.       |
| 24   | ANDERSON, Jillian T.      |
| 25   | NOVAK, Rob                |
| 26   | ROSECRANS, Charlotte      |
| 27   | LIM, Margaret U.          |
| 29   | KAAPU, Carole Kauhiwai    |
| 30   | AZINGA, P. M.             |
| 32   | SHIMIZU, Garner M.        |
| 34   | ALLEN, Theodene S.        |
| 35   | ARAKI, Josiah P.          |
| 36   | LAUTAHA, Veamoniti        |
| 37   | DETWILER, Jamie A.        |
| 38   | CHEAPE MATSUMOTO, Lauren  |
| 39   | PIERICK, Elijah           |
| 40   | GUESO, Janie              |
| 41   | ALCOS, David A., III      |
| 42   | GARCIA, Diamond           |
| 43   | SOUZA, Kanani             |
| 44   | KOPETSEG, Kimberly        |
| 45   | WILBUR, Tiana             |
| 46   | MILLER, John E.           |
| 47   | TALAEAI, Mark             |
| 48   | ELENTO, Wendell A.        |
| 49   | DANNER, Kilomana          |
| 50   | THURSTON, Kathy           |
| 51   | KAMA-TOTH, Kukana K.K.    |



Democracy is very fragile. Be careful with it! Stray but a little and democracy shall fail.

Here are 15 things that put democracy itself in jeopardy every day:

1. Democracy: We can't let democracy get in the way and ruin our perfect democracy.
  2. Independent journalism: Truth can only come from state and corporation-approved sources.
  3. Voter ID: This is Jim Crow supersized times a billion trillion on mega-steroids. Everyone knows the freest, fairest, and most secure elections involve ZERO forms of ID.
  4. The Constitution: It was written by slave owners who wore white wigs. Disgusting.
  5. Questioning the results of any election democrats won: Scary to think about.
  6. Accepting the results of any election Republicans won: Even scarier to think about!
  7. Squirrels: They've got to be up to something.
  8. Only getting four COVID boosters: Your lack of compliance is disturbing.
  9. Criticizing runaway inflation: Shame on you. It's your patriotic duty to pay more for everything.
  10. Not giving all our money to Ukraine: Just how committed are you to defending democracy?
  11. 74 million+ people who voted for Trump: That's right, nearly half of voters are a direct threat.
  12. Red meat: Every bite brings us one step closer to the precipice of destruction.
  13. People praying in front of abortion clinics: Someone needs to call the FBI before democracy collapses!
  14. People talking without Mark Zuckerberg being there to censor their conversation: Already happening in hundreds of coffee shops across America.
  15. Tucker Carlson - REEEEEEE!
- Well, there you have it, folks! Do your part to defend democracy, and report anyone who has done anything on this list directly to the Department of Justice.



## Aloha Reta Maag



**Reta Maag**  
**2/19/29-10/6/22**  
**OLRW Member**  
**since 2002**

Reta passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side. She hails from Watertown, NY, but has lived in many places around the country including Ohio, Florida, Massachusetts and Hawaii. She met her Husband, Fritz on Kauai and spent time back on the east coast before moving back to Molokai, then Oahu. She had many interests including sailing, aviation, swimming and helping others. She knit baby caps for Kapiolani medical center and was a swimmer with the Hawaii Mermaids.

*In lieu of flowers please donate in Reta's name to a local pet charity.*



# October Luncheon Matsunoya Tea House

Thank you to Val Okimoto and  
Sam King for letting us know  
more about their campaigns



Thanks to all who turned out to hear what  
our speaker had to say!  
**THANKYOU** to  
Carolyn & Rita for sending pictures.





# OLRW Political Action Committee

## 2022 PAC Contributions

| Governor                | Amount    |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Duke Aiona              | \$3500.00 |
| State Senate            |           |
| Lorene Godfrey          | \$400.00  |
| Anna Hudaon             | \$400.00  |
| Mary Smart              | \$400.00  |
| Samantha Decorte        | \$400.00  |
| Brenton Awa             | \$400.00  |
| State House             |           |
| Julia Allen             | \$400.00  |
| Jamie Detwiler          | \$400.00  |
| Lauren Cheape Matsumoto | \$1500.00 |
| Janie Gueso             | \$400.00  |
| David Alcos             | \$1500.00 |
| Diamond Garcia          | \$1500.00 |
| Honolulu City Council   |           |
| Val Okimoto             | \$400.00  |

Your support over the past two years has allowed us to give contributions to these candidates.

We gave a total of \$11,600.00.

Over the next two years we would like to reach a goal of \$20,000.00 so we can give even more to deserving candidates.

This is an easier goal to reach than you might think. If each of our members committed to giving only \$5 per month - less than 17cents a day - we could exceed that goal.

**Please make your committment today.**



**50/50**

Samantha DeCorte won the 50/50 drawing in September. Half of the pot went to **Samantha**, the other half goes to the OLRW PAC. Thank you to all who contributed.

### PERSONAL Contributions Only Oahu League of Republican Women PAC

The following information helps us comply with campaign spending laws:

Individual Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer & Occupation information is required for anyone contributing more than \$100 since November 3, 2020  
 Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  Retired

### Political Action Committee or Company Contributions Only

Corporate Contributors - Do you have a contract with the State of Hawaii or any of its counties?  Yes  No

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 Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

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# Editorial Page

# Get Involved

## Letters to the Editor

*You can't make a difference if you don't speak out*

9/27/22

### Hawaii law already preserves abortion right

Josh Green's political-pandering promise to "issue an executive order ensuring that women in Hawaii have access to abortions" is the worst straw man yet ("Stand on abortion issue thrown into governor's race," Star-Advertiser, Sept. 20). There is absolutely no need for an executive order on abortion to preserve the legal standard from *Roe v. Wade*.

In 2006, when Gov. Linda Lingle was in charge, she signed into law House Bill 1242, House Draft 1. Entitled "Intentional Termination of Pregnancy," the law prohibits the state from denying or interfering with a female's right to choose or obtain an abortion under the *Roe v. Wade* standard, and further repealed the residency requirement for abortions and legalized performance of abortions in clinics and physicians' offices. That is still the current law.

An executive order on abortion is futile except for crass political motives. Before an executive order could be needed, the membership in both houses of the state Legislature would have to change that statute. In Hawaii?

Jim Hochberg  
Downtown

9/25/22

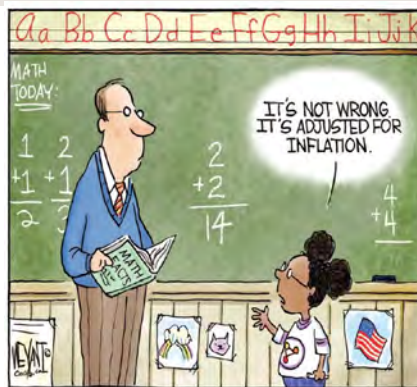
### Homeless kupuna need help, not talk

As I was making my daily walk downtown, one particular homeless person stood out among the many others I've encountered: a wahine kupuna. My heart sank as I watched this precious life walk back and forth with only a dirty small aloha handbag, swollen legs and her beautiful gray hair. Emotion overtook me.

Our kupuna have left a legacy of the true gift and spirit of aloha unrivaled for the world to experience. How can our elected officials campaign on such a crucial life-and-death issue, only to allow it to ripen to a point of no return?

Hilahila 'ole on them. They promise to make these people a priority, but when they get into elected office leave them destitute. Let's not go through the countless reason why — drugs, mental illness, they chose this — they are still people who deserve our love and care. How many more of those, who have raised us in the beautiful land of aloha?

Janet Hochberg  
Downtown Honolulu



9/24/22

### Not all distasteful speech is unlawful 'hate speech'

Reader Daphne Barbee-Wooten is correct in her assertion that the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution does not protect "hate speech" ("Hate speech is not protected free speech," Star-Advertiser, Letters, Sept. 20). There's one small problem with that argument, as it might be made with regard to individual liberties, and that is that arbitrary rules have no application. The First Amendment absolutely protects free speech, not just any one interpretation of speech, no matter how distasteful or objectionable, as it might meet the test of being unrestricted. In her model, any speech that contradicts a given narrative can be viewed as unlawful "hate speech" — and that is a very dangerous precedent that effectively eliminates the marketplace of the exchange of ideas.

Stephen Hinton  
Waialua

10/17/2022

### Federal funds aren't free money; we will pay

I recently saw a big flashy ad by U.S. Sen. Brian Schatz, telling the people of Hawaii how much federal money he's brought into the state. I feel a need to remind everyone: There ain't no such thing as a free lunch.

Schatz owes somebody something for all those dollars coming to the state. That means we the voters and constituents eventually will have to pay that bill. I wonder what it will cost.

James Pritchett  
Pahoa, Hawaii island



### 2022-24 OLRW Board of Directors

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# Reading Suggestions

Links are also available on our website at [olrw.org](http://olrw.org)



## Grassroot Institute of Hawaii

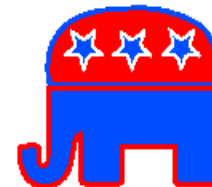
Kelii Akina explains the tragedy and human suffering caused by Hawaii's doctor shortage.

## The Tax Foundation of Hawaii

Tom Yamachika explains how State tax policies of affect migration from one state to another.



Go to [www.OLRW.org](http://www.OLRW.org) for articles and links to reading recommendations



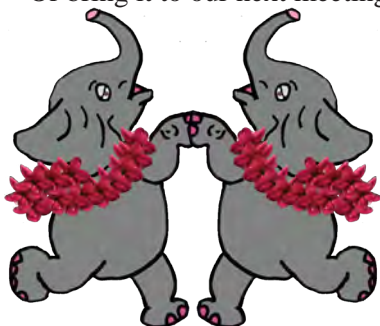
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Or bring it to our next meeting



## Oahu League of Republican Women Membership Application

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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Dues \$35.00 Yearly \$200.00 Lifetime

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