

# Ka Lono Kilohana

"The Superior of Messages"

**Na Kilohana O'Wahine Chapter #6289 District VI**  
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*The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.*

## Presidents' Message

Happy New Chapter Year!!!

August 1<sup>st</sup> marks the beginning of a new ABWA chapter year and we are excited to kick it off with a bang! A new year is a time to embark on new beginnings while reflecting and learning from the past.

ABWA has been a strong & vital women's organization for over 60 years; however, in order to stay around for another 60 years, the organization must continue to change and evolve to meet the needs of TODAY'S working woman, not the woman of 30 or even 10 years ago.

Na Kilohana O' Wahine, along with the national organization will continue to evolve and grow with all of your support. The executive team is committed to growing a stronger chapter while maintaining our core values. Let's all be open minded and flexible as new concepts are "tried out" and perhaps some old traditions retired.

Change is the only constant in life, yet it is one of the most uncomfortable things to deal with.

Co presidents Patti Ann Hokama & Lee Ann Matsuda with Carolyn Bufton Elman



We all get comfortable in our favorite place on the sofa, but it eventually gets worn out if we don't change it up!!

Please don't be shy about speaking up and sharing your ideas. Be sure to bring your fish! (F.I.S.H. - Fresh Ideas Start Here!) Let's all be supportive and not judgmental when new ideas are experimented with. Remember that PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES is a core piece of our mission, so let's provide a safe environment for members to grow. ABWA gives all permission to make mistakes.

At each meeting, let's leave all the worries of the day at the door and bring only positive energy to the gathering. We've planned many innovative activities this year.

An essential piece of keeping Na Kilohana O Wahine truly "the superior of women" is to recruit new members. We encourage each of you to bring one new member aboard this year. We are planning many fun activities to encourage members to share the ABWA message with prospective members.

Be sure to check out the proposed Standing Rules (same), refresh yourself on the ABWA Code of Conduct and the Executive Board will also be finalizing the proposed budget and placing all on WIN! Help complete the member surveys - there is one on the Best Practices, too. Check out some of the photos from our recent events - awesome times ahead! See ya!  
*Lee Ann and Patti Ann*

## Our 2010-2011 Team Vision Statement

The Na Kilohana o Wahine Executive Board has adopted the following Vision Statement :  
**Na Kilohana O' Wahine believes in giving back as we develop and support our women both personally and professionally and relish in how it is paid forward!**

*Editors' Note: "The term "pay it forward" is used to describe the concept of asking that a good turn be repaid by having it done to others (pay forward) instead of being "paid back".*

## 2010 National Women's Leadership Conference

October 28 -30 in Chattanooga, TN!

Check out the conference links on: [ABWA.org/Events/upcoming](http://ABWA.org/Events/upcoming)

This year's National Women's Leadership Conference features nationally acclaimed authors, presenters, and business experts presenting on topics that are timely, integral, and invaluable to women who want to succeed in any environment. Learn more about:

- Strategic Marketing Development and Planning
- Championing Diversity
- Leading with Integrity
- Design Thinking in Leadership
- Career GPS

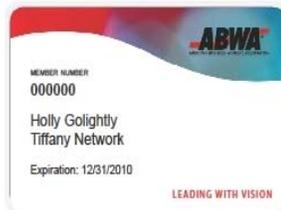
If you are in business—as an employee, employer, business owner, service provider, consultant, or looking for the next thing—this conference is designed to challenge you!

Register today for this *do not miss* event.

Cost: \$479 before 9/15/10 (plus airfare). Some events require extra fees.

The headquarters hotel is the [Chattanooga Marriott](#).

**Register online  
now for 2010  
National Women's  
Leadership  
Conference**



### New Renewal Cards Coming Soon!

This year, National is giving our renewal cards a little bit of pizzazz! We have redesigned the cards with the look and feel of the 2010-2011 Annual Theme, Leading With Vision. Every year, upon your renewal, the cards will match the theme for that period. Look for your 2010-2011 renewal card in the mail soon!

## ABWA 2010-2011 Theme : "Leading With Vision"

Each year, a theme is chosen to represent the efforts of the Association. ABWA's annual theme coincides with the award year (Aug. 1 to July 31), enabling officers to plan Chapter events and materials around it.

The theme is intended to provide a focus point each year for the chapter, network or council. The theme may be

used in all communication vehicles alongside ABWA's trademarked logo(s).

The kaleidoscope was chosen as our *Leading with Vision* icon because it uses "mirrors and colored glass shapes working together to create beautiful, shifting symmetrical patterns" much like ABWA's National Team, members, chapters, networks and

councils work in unison for the continued success and perpetuation of the American Business Women's Association.





# JULY 2010 ~ Committee Events

## Scholarship Committee event:

The 2010 Stephen Bufton Memorial (Outright) Scholarship  
\$1500 award goes to  
Akiko Ogawa



Ms. Ogawa is a senior at the University of Hawaii, majoring in Finance. She will graduate in December. We look forward to greeting her as our new student member.

## Education Committee event:

Chair Claire Arakawa organized a highly anticipated tour of the  
historic Manoa Heritage Center.  
Featuring the Cooke Estate, with tales of menehune, local legends, and the restored Kūka'ō'ō Heiau



Members and guests weath-  
ered the traditional Manoa  
"blessing" for the chance to  
see this local treasure.

## International Night event:

"A Korean Experience"



Chair Eliza Kim , a 3rd degree black belt , gave us Tae Kwon Do lessons on Korean Night.

Members were enthusiastic to learn basic punches and kicks to work off the delicious Korean dinner!

...plus we learned how to make authentic kim chee!



## Woman of the Year event:

President Iris Yafuso was honored as the top vote-getter for  
both Woman of the Year and our Top 10 nominee !



Members celebrated Iris' accomplishments with a fun-filled luncheon at the Waioli Tea Room in Manoa



## Member Transitions

*We bid a fond ALOHA to our departing members who are each relocating to various parts of the world.*

*You now become our ABWA ambassadors of Na Kīlohana o Wahine.*

*With our warmest wishes for your continued success !*



*Gloria Kelly*  
*Member: 13 years*



*Laetitia (Tis) Eden*  
*Member: 1 year*



*Liz Robinson*  
*Member: 5 years*

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**"The Superior of Women"**

**Founded 1977**



*Our Chapter Emblem  
is an original  
Hawaiian  
interpretation of  
ABWA's traditional  
flower~ the  
white carnation.*



## ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness, and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.

## 2010-2011 Executive Board and Committee Chairs

### Executive Board

Co-Presidents: Lee Ann Matsuda & Patti Ann Hokama

Vice-President: Cordie Fukuhara

Secretary: Iris Yafuso

Treasurer: Claire Arakawa

### Committee Chairs

Fundraising:	Yvonne Ako
History:	Exec Board
Hospitality:	Donna Miyashiro
Int'l Night:	Nancy Walter
Member Ed:	Chassidy Shinno
Membership:	Roeana Alexander & Vendy Goroza
Newsletter:	Lynn Miller
Prof. Development:	Chassidy Shinno
Programs:	Sharon Ito-Matsuo & Karen Yonemoto
Progressive Dinner:	Sharon Ito-Matsuo
Protégé Leader:	Leilani Alcover
Publicity:	Exec Board
Scholarship:	Exec Board
Technology :	Lena Yafuso
Website:	Exec Board

### Committee Chairs

Audit:	TBD
Business Assoc:	Exec Board
Community Service:	Linda Yamashiro
Enrollment Events:	Karen Yonemoto & Nancy Walter
WOY/Top Ten:	Iris Yafuso
Forever 10:	Myrtle Ching-Rappa & Lee Ann Mastuda