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# May Híghlíghts

Wednesday, May 14, 2008

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Japanese Cultural Center, 5th Floor \* 2454 S. Beretania Street



In 1941, sensing the threat of World War II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt initiated an effort to establish a bridge back home for U.S. troops stationed around the world. The USO (United Service Organizations) was born.

The USO is a non-profit organization and not a government agency. Nicole Darity, Interim Director at USO of

Hawaii will share how the USO continues to support the men and women who answer our nation's call.

A native of Social Circle, Georgia, Ms. Darity married a Marine at the age of 19, and began moving around the world every three to four years. She and her husband have two very active teenage sons. Four years ago, she and her family were fortunate to settle here in Hawaii where she began her career at USO of Hawaii.



USO of Hawaii

### Monthly Meeting Minder

Menu

Lomi Salmon ~ Sweet Potato

Kalua Pig

Chicken Lau Lau

Long Rice / Poi

Chocolate Haupia Pie

#### RSVP by 10 am Monday May 12

through E-vite or to Linda Yamashiro 432-5391(bus) 395-2072 (res) *No Shows will be billed* Cost: \$23 / Parking: \$4 Raffles N-Z



Local Website : www.abwahawaii.org

National Website: www.abwa.org

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#### **ABWA Mission**

To bring together businesswomen of diverse backgrounds and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition.



Na Kilohana O Wahine "The Superior of Women" Founded 1977

Meets the second Wednesday of every month

#### Chapter Emblem

An original Hawaiian interpretation of ABWA's traditional flower, the white carnation.

#### 2007—2008 Executive Board

President Patti Ann Hokama Vice President Iris Yafuso Secretary Linda Yamashiro Treasurer Elizabeth Robinson

#### 2007 Top Ten Business Woman of ABWA

Myrtle Ching-Rappa

Director, Center of Career Development & Student Employment UH Manoa

#### Ka Lono Kilohana

The Superior of Messages

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### Hİ NA KİLOHANA O WAHİNC!

Wow, what a fun Spring Enrollment Event with those crazy games created by Gloria and Lynn! So funny, that I even cried. Thank you all for bringing all those guests as potential members, too! It was great to see Nancy back from Japan as she lead us with the "monkeys jumping on the bed" exercise and we thank her for the goodies she brought to add to our raffle prizes. Thank you for thinking of me also with my special Coke can with the Olympics logo printed in Japanese from Chinatown totally cool!

"A Taste of Italy" to be called "A Taste of France?" next year? Hmmmmm.....As imagined with all the prep work – this year's winetasting was a fantastic event and a successful fundraiser! Thank you each and every one of you for all your effort, enthusiasm and hard work! Special appreciation goes out to Lee Ann's other half – Curtis who did a super job as our MC for the night! It was also great to have Kim's and Chef Donato's support to make it even better!

Our nominating committee has been chosen so be ready to serve when asked by Lynn, Myrtle and Cordie so we can vote next month for our new Executive Board to lead us into our new Chapter year! Remember now, the President represents us at the National Women's Leadership Conference......just got to find us an airline to get us all there!

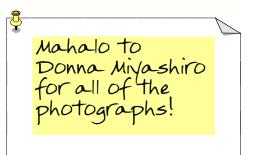
April showers bring May flowers....may you all have a pleasant Mother's Day, too!

The excitement is brewing for the upcoming progressive dinner on May 17<sup>th</sup> – we know that Yvonne will be sure have it be fun and lots of food to fill us all up along the way!

Keep Smiling!

Patti Ann Hokama

President 2007—2008





A Taste of Italy Apríl 3, 2008 Pasta and Basta



Lynn Miller opened the event with a tango.





Kim from the Wine Stop & Chef Donato





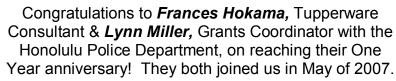
Raffles & a silent auction were evening highlights

Happy group at the end of event

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## ABWA Anniversaries



*Iris Yafuso* celebrates 27 years with ABWA. She joined our Ohana in 1981. Iris is Assistant Vice President & Construction Manager at Bank of Hawaii.



#### ABWA 's Proud Code of Conduct

Ethical dilemmas occur as a result of values in conflict. ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct was developed as a means of guiding all members in making ethical decisions. The broad statements of the code of conduct that are listed below are not expected to cover all conduct for all situations, however. This is why the Proud Code of Conduct was created as a living and fluid code.

- 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.



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