

Na Kilohana 'O Wahine
The Superior of Women

Honolulu, Hawaii

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American Business
Women's Association
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BUSINESS AS UN-USUAL: The Importance of Constantly Reinventing Your Business

NKOW Member's Education Event

Saturday, November 10, 2012

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Kaka'ako Conference Room – Ward Warehouse (8:45 am Registration)

\$15 NKOW members / \$24 non-members

Continental Breakfast Served



Susan Yamada

NKOW Chapter hosts Ms. Susan Yamada of the PACE program at UH Manoa Schidler College of Business.

Learn key strategies to build and maintain your business. In this fast-changing world, the need to constantly reinvent ones business to take advantage of new technologies, competition, and other business dynamics is more important than ever.

Ms. Yamada has extensive entrepreneurial experience, leading start-up companies both in California and Hawaii. At the UH, PACE provides students and faculty who are interested in starting their own businesses both hands-on, experiential, and mentoring programs.



*Sending to you and your family
our best wishes for Happy
Thanksgiving Day and a Joyous
Holiday Season.*

Chapter's Fundraising Events:

- Entertainment Books
- Subway Coupons
- "Festival of Giving" Ward Center (Nov. 2-4)
- Garage Sale – Nov. 17 (details on pg 4)

Fundraising Co-chairs:
Roeana Alexander (223-2942), or
Leilani Alcover (497-3238).

Best Practices Awarded to Na Kilohana O'Wahine Chapter

"Congratulations to Chassidy Shinno, the Executive Board and members of the Na Kilohana O' Wahine Chapter. Your chapter has achieved Best Practices, Level III for the 2011-2012 Award Year! Your programming, newsletters and events were stellar and you should be proud of your accomplishments. Kudos on a job well done!" (Quote by Rene' Street, Executive Director, ABWA)



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:



Dear Na Kilohana 'O Wahine members:

We are back from Memphis and it has been a bear getting back on track. Thank you to Iris for refreshing our minds on meeting skills and helpful pointers to be successful in all we do. Be sure to take the time to speak with our Ms. Aloha – Leilani who will gladly share her experience with you as a 1st time conference attendee!

Anyway, November's calendar is so full! Don't forget; invite your guests to our "Business as Un-Usual" member education event at Ward Warehouse Kaka'ako Conference Room to be held on November 10th. So far, only Lena and I have rsvped!!! Forward the e-vite invitation or the awesome flyer out to your friends, family or others that can gain from the presentation to help those in business stay in business!

At our meeting on November 14th, Myrtle Ching-Rappa will be presenting our "Team Building Session" – it will be an interactive fun event. We will also continue on with our Earn as you Learn coin exchange for valuable prizes – work on your WIN modules!

Then, we have our 1st Garage Sale for this chapter year at Myrtle's house in Hawaii Kai on the 17th. Members have already been dropping items off and so we anticipate a successful sale.

December 1st is our community service project with Family Programs Hawaii at the Blaisdell and we do need our volunteers to greet the anticipated 600 kids at their annual Foster Children's Holiday Party. It is from 9 a.m. (set-up) – 2:30 p.m.

Keep Smiling!

Patti Ann Hokama, President



Cordie Fukuhara on her trip to Europe!



European Royal Adventure submitted by Cordie....

After 8 years of care-giving my Dad, one of my doctors recommended a break. I decided it should be somewhere I haven't gone to, yet. This meant Europe and the "Grand European Tour," 18 days and 10 countries - London, Brussels, Amsterdam, Germany, Lucerne, Liechtenstein, Austria, Venice, Rome, Tuscany, Pisa, Monaco, Nice, Lyon & Paris.

We departed for Los Angeles and onward to New York. After a 4 hour layover, we boarded the red-eye to London. The tour started upon arrival in London that meant between Hawaii and London, it was important to sleep at least 21 hours.

There were 2 bullet train rides, London to the Brussels and Lyon to Paris. There were several river boat rides and an open ocean ride to Venice. We travelled from country to country in a new and comfortable Mercedes Benz motor coach. The country side was beautiful, historical, and interesting.

The food and water are good. The American hotels were good. The "European" hotel rooms were very small. We were blessed with blue skies and a very compatible group of 38 fellow travelers. The history books came alive on this tour. I learned a lot and laughed a lot. Oh, my favorites: Venice, the city. Italian Gelato. Yummy salmon and herring in Amsterdam.

Highlights...National Women's Leadership Conference

NKOW delegates in Memphis, Tennessee – Yvonne Ako, Leilani Alcover, Patti Ann Hokama (Pres.) & Lee Ann Matsuda



Message from Ms. Aloha – Leilani Alcover as a 1st time delegate at the National Women's Leader Conference

"AWESOME! Approximately 652 women nationwide in attendance. A lot of hormones and estrogen in those three wonderful days. Many wonderful enthusiastic, energized, encouraging women. EMPOWERMENT.

Yvonne took center stage to get her award from KU and Lee Ann a great Goodwill Ambassador. Patti made sure everyone was on queue

Signed up for seminars track "B" and learned interesting tools necessary to become more effective in career building. Personally it was okay, maybe because when I was working at ML, the seminars I attended featured speakers and authors ie. Steve Covey and Rudy Giuliani.

ABWA is a great vessel..., takes the individual supporting you in continuing education, other career opportunities, and community service. You'll get whatever you put into it.

What I take away from this conference are opportunities to promote open communication, encourage members to attend conferences to increase our local chapter membership, using (WIN) Women's Instructional Network, networking and building your personal and professional goals."

***ABWA Western Regional Conference
Districts II & VI
March 14-16, 2013
San Diego Marriott Mission Valley***



ABWA Annivrsaries:

Donna Miyashiro – 34 years
Yvonne Ako – 18 years
Roberta Takamoto – 16 years
Gerri Migita – 5 years

Birthdays:

Nancy Peicich – 10/17
Gerri Migita – 10/14

Sharon Ito-Matsuo – 11/15
Nancy Walter – 11/22
Myrtle Ching-Rappa – 11/27

Announcements:

We need help for the upcoming GARAGE SALE on the following days:

November 16 (Friday) – Set-up at 4:00 p.m.
November 17 (Saturday) – 6-7:00 a.m. till closing

If you are available for any or both days, PLEASE CONTACT Leilani or Roena to SIGN UP! We certainly appreciate the time involved with this fund raising project.

Household goods, clothing, and plant donation may be dropped off at Myrtle’s residence at 374 Kaumakani Street in Hawaii Kai.



UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

November 6: General Election Day

November 10: Member’s Education & Fall Enrollment Event at Kaka’ako Conf. Room, Ward Warehouse

November 11: Veteran’s Day

November 14: Monthly Meeting at Japanese Cultural Center featuring Speaker- Myrtle Ching-Rappa on “Team Building”

November 17: Garage Sale at 374 Kaumakani Street in Hawaii Kai (Myrtle’s home)

November 20: Newsletter Deadline for December issue. Send to gloriakelly3@gmail.com

November 22: “THANKSGIVING DAY”

2012-2013 ABWA Annual Theme


Let this year’s annual theme—Together We Can, Together We Will—serve as a reminder of ABWA’s mission: 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.

As women, we need a strong and vital community of ABWA members like you—so we stay strong together. Members who are committed to learning, mentoring, and growing our ABWA community. It may be a cliché to say, “there is strength in numbers,” but clichés often hold great truths. Commit to growing ABWA and use the annual theme as your mantra. We can—and we will—grow stronger together!

2012-2013 Team Vision Statement: Na Kilohana ‘O Wahine is a thriving garden with seeds planted in recognition of the diversity of our members’ unique talents and abilities. We will grow and blossom through mentoring and supporting each other.

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.

<p><u>2012-2013 Committee Chairs</u></p> <p>Publicity & Program: Executive Board Professional Development: Chas Shinno & Brandon Toro Hospitality: Lena Yafuso & Donna Miyashiro Membership: Anastasia Keller-Collins Newsletter: Gloria Kelly Fundraising: Roena Alexander & Leilani Alcover Community Service: Claire Arakawa & Gerri Migita Scholarship: Executive Board</p>	<p>Patti Ann Hokama Chapter President</p> <p>Gloria Kelly, Editor Na Kilohana ‘O Wahine 10428 Britton Hill Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89129</p> <p>Phone: 702-505-7485 gloriakelly3@gmail.com</p>	<p><i>A Chapter of the American Women’s Business Association</i></p> 
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