



HAWAII WOMEN LAWYERS NEWSLETTER

December 1993

WOMEN'S FORUM

Date: January 28, 1994
Time: 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Place: Plaza Club, 900 Fort Street Mall, 20th Floor
Speaker: Cheryll Vasconcellos

The HWL Women's Forum will begin again in January, 1994. Our first speaker of the year will be Cheryll Vasconcellos, the Executive Director of Planned Parenthood. Ms. Vasconcellos will be addressing Planned Parenthood's agenda for the 1994 year. Please come and bring a friend and some questions for our guest.

Lunch is \$10.00 for members, \$12.00 for non-members and \$14.00 for walk-ins. Make reservations with Mary Houghton at 395-9743.

1994 HWL OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The 1994 HWL Officers and Directors are:

President: Laura Thielen
Vice-President/
President-Elect: Pamela Berman
Secretary: Susan Orlando Liu
Treasurer: Judith Sterling
Directors: Lindley Chang
Sara Harvey
Na'unanikinau Kamalii
Cori Lau
Pat McManaman
Lynne Wasson

ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY AND INDUCTION OF 1994 HWL BOARD

Our annual awards ceremony and induction will be held on Thursday, January 13, 1994, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.. The recipients of the Women Lawyer of the Year and the Community Service awards will be honored, and the members of the 1994 HWL Board will be announced.

Come and take part in the good company and food and meet the new directors of HWL. (Thank you for voting.) Please make reservations with Mary Houghton at 395-9743. Tickets are \$15.00.

HWLF ANNOUNCES GRANT AWARDS

The Domestic Violence Legal Hotline and Planned Parenthood of Hawaii are among the organizations that have been awarded grants by the Hawaii Women's Legal Foundation (HWLF). HWLF also has awarded an emergency childcare assistance grant to paralegal student Carolyn Costain. The grant awards were approved at the September 23, 1993 meeting of the HWLF Board of Directors.

The purpose of HWLF is to raise, manage and distribute funds for various activities and projects that empower women in the legal profession; influence the future of the legal

profession; improve the status of women, and advance equal opportunities for all women.

Through its grant distribution committee, HWLF awards grants to individuals and organizations whose activities are consistent with the HWLF mission. HWLF makes its grant distributions three times a year.

The Family Peace Center, the Hawaii State Committee on Family Violence, the Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children, the Hawaii Supreme Court's Committee on Gender and Other Fairness and the Girl Scouts 1993 Teaming for Tomorrow program also received HWLF grants this year.

HWL AMENDS POSITION STATEMENT ON CIVIL RIGHTS

The HWL Board unanimously approved the following amendment to the HWL Position Statement on Civil Rights:

CIVIL RIGHTS. HWL supports the vigorous expansion and enforcement of civil rights under state and federal law and seeks to improve the protection of these civil rights particularly for women. HWL also supports these rights for racial and ethnic minorities, individuals subject to discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and others historically subject to discrimination.

*Best Wishes for
the Holiday
Season*



HWLF PRESIDENT LOUISE ING

As outgoing president of the Hawaii Women's Legal Foundation, I want to take this opportunity to thank those who supported the Foundation in 1993 through monetary donations and volunteer efforts. Thanks to your invaluable assistance, the Foundation broke its prior records by raising over \$75,000 so far in 1993 (including gross receipts of over \$73,000 from its September fundraiser "A Conversation With Our Mayors: Triumphant Over Tough Times") and making grants of over \$43,000 to projects fighting domestic violence and sex abuse, ensuring quality childcare, promoting reproductive rights, and educating women about their legal rights.

You can continue to help the Foundation fund such projects in the future in the following ways:

1. Make a tax deductible donation to Hawaii Women's Legal Foundation at P.O. Box 2576, Honolulu, Hawaii 96803-0576.

2. Purchase a copy of *Called From Within: Early Women Lawyers of Hawaii*, a biographical anthology of Hawaii's "pioneer" women lawyers. As a co-sponsor, the Foundation receives a portion of royalties from book sales. Call Mary Houghton at 395-9743 or the University of Hawaii Press for more information or to place an order.

3. Designate the Foundation as a recipient of your Aloha United Way donation. Donor

designation forms can be obtained from AUW.

4. If you are a woman, join the Plaza Club and say you learned about membership through the Foundation or Hawaii Women Lawyers. A portion of your initiation fee will constitute a tax-deductible donation from you to the Foundation.

5. Volunteer your time and help plan the Foundation's 1994 mayors' dinner and forum. Call Vice-President Bernice Littman at 521-9200 to sign up.

Thank you again for your support.

YOUR ARTICLES ARE APPRECIATED

The HWL Newsletter Committee would like to thank all of you who contributed articles to the monthly HWL Newsletter. Our special thanks to the following regular contributors who somehow found the time from their busy schedules to submit articles:

Cori Lau—author of the imaginative "Mommy-Esq." articles, lawyer lifestyle articles and articles on civil rights, among other topics.

Laura Thielen—HWL Forum announcements and HWL activities.

Louise Ing—HWLF activities.

Special thanks are also extended to Jeanette Nagaue who takes care of the assembly and mailing of the monthly issues.

The HWL Newsletter Committee remains interested in the views of its readers and continues to invite your opinions for publication under the guidelines published in the April 1993 Newsletter.

HWL MEMBERSHIP

HWL invites you to become a member, or to renew your membership dues, if you have not already done so. Please send the following form to P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805. Dues are as follows:

Regular member \$40 Out-of-state members \$20 Student members \$10
New admittees (within 1 year of Hawaii admission) \$20

HWL President's Circle: \$100 \$500 \$1000 (circle one)

Name _____ Phone (day) _____ (night) _____

Mailing Address _____

Please indicate if you are interested in information about serving on the HWL Board or Committees

Yes _____ No _____

Please note any topics or projects in which you would be interested in assisting

Moved? Name change? Receiving duplicates? Please send old mailing label with corrections to HWL, P.O. Box 2072, Honolulu, Hawaii 96805. If you have any announcements you wish to submit for the monthly newsletter, please call Rhonda Nishimura at 537-6119 or Kathy Young at 537-4541, or send a copy to HWL by the end of the month.

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