

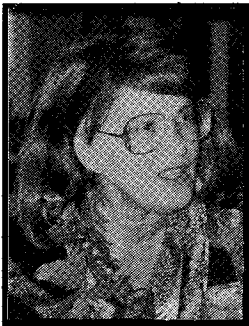
HAWAI'I WOMEN LAWYERS NEWSLETTER

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Multilingual Domestic Abuse Help Cards soon to be available on neighbor islands.

UH's Richardson School of Law celebrates its Silver Anniversary with celebration dinner.



**Remembering
Judy
Weightman**
May 22, 1941 -
March 4, 1998

Calendar of Events

Friday, March 20th 5:00 p.m.
HWL Annual Awards Reception.
Reservations required. (See the box to the right for details)

Friday, March 27th 3:30 p.m.
"How To Get Paid" Practice Management Workshop presented by HBSA. HSBA Conference Room. No charge. To make reservations call 537-1868.

Saturday, April 18th
Richardson Law School Alumni Special Silver Celebration Dinner
Ala Moana Hotel \$100 All graduates and friends of the school are invited. Reservations required. (See page 3 for details)

Nominations Now Open for HWL Board and Officers

The current term of office for HWL officers and directors is coming to a close at the end of June. Nominations for the 1998-99 term are now being accepted. Any attorney whose HWL membership is in good standing is eligible to run. Call Kay Lorraine at the HWL office (545-8055) to check on your membership status, if you're in doubt.

Duties of the Board include attendance at a one-hour noon meeting traditionally held on the first Wednesday of each month. Board members are also expected to voluntarily participate in HWL projects the best of their best abilities.

If you are interested in running for an HWL office or Board position, or in nominating another attorney for that purpose, please submit your nomination by fax to 545-8636 or mail it to HWL Organization Headquarters, 76 North King Street, Suite 206, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817.

Nominations will close on April 30th. After review and consultation with all persons nominated to determine willingness to serve, the Board will draw up a ballot to be mailed to all HWL members with the May Newsletter.

You Are Cordially Invited *1988 Hawai'i Women Lawyers Awards Reception*

Friday, March 20, 1998

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Plaza Club, Fort Street Mall at Merchant Street

Honoring

Gladys Brandt

Honorable Evelyn Lance

Dorothy "Dolly" Ching

Beatrice "Beadie" Dawson

Heavy pupus will be served. Live music by Puamana.

\$15 per person for HWL members and their families;

\$20 for non-members. Children under 10 are free.

Validated parking on the premises will be available at a reduced charge.

To make a reservation, please send your check to:

HWL, 76 North King Street, Suite 206, Honolulu, HI 96817.

The Wind Beneath Our Wings

HWL Remembers Judy Weightman



Last year's award winners
(from left to right) Judy M.
Weightman, Yuklin Aluli,
Rep. Patsy Mink,
Judge Marie Milks



Daphne Barbee-Wooten
presented the Distinguished Service Award
to Judy.



Judy and Andy Mirikitani

On the morning of March 9th, Temple Emanu-el filled to overflowing as hundreds of mourners came to pay their last respects to Judy Weightman.

The list of speakers at the service was as diverse and eclectic as Judy herself. Paying tribute were Rabbi Avi Magid, Intermediate Court of Appeals Chief Judge James S. Burns, Lieutenant Governor Mazie Hirono, 442nd Veteran Don Shimazu, Professor M. Casey Jarman, plus friends, family members and even a former student.

The HWL office has been flooded with calls asking how we can help to carry on Judy's work. Her film "Living with Cancer" is intended to help anyone whose life is touched by cancer. Donations to help complete Judy's film are being taken by Hawai'i Community Television, 1532 Kamole Street, Honolulu, HI 96821, attn: Sheila Kelly. Please note the film's name on the check.

Additionally, a scholarship for students in the Law School's Pre-Admission Programs is being established in Judy's name.

Just a year ago, Hawai'i Women Lawyers paid tribute to Judy with the Distinguished Service Award. The mood that evening was warm, happy and filled with laughter.

We offer these few pictures of that event to remind us of how lucky we were to have had the opportunity to share that evening with each other.

On March 20, 1998, we will once again meet to celebrate our accomplishments with our friends. Judy will be there in spirit, of that we are sure. Please join us.

25 Years of Educating Women Lawyers in Hawai'i

University of Hawai'i's William S. Richardson School of Law Celebrates Its Silver Anniversary

By Carole Mon Lee, Associate Dean WSRSL

Is the face of the law changing? Well, consider this. In 1973 when the state's only law school opened with 53 students, one third of the class were women. At that time there were less than 100 women lawyers in

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School of Law

the state, with a bar association of about 1800 total lawyers.

By the mid 1980's, half of each entering class at WSRSL has been women. (Current HSBA statistics indicate 25% women, or about 1100 among the 4100 active bar members.) When WSRSL opened in 1973 with six full-time faculty, there were no women law professors or deans. Now the law school has 8 full-time women faculty members out of 18, and a woman law librarian. Both the associate dean and the assistant dean are women.

The 1500 graduates of the school include many prominent women. The school's graduates have become judges (Karen Ahn, Riki May Amano, Karen Blondin, Dayna Dias, Marjoria Higa Manuia, Sabrina McKenna, Rhonda Nishimura, Rhonda Lai Loo and Lillian Ramirez-Uy), law professors (Hazel Beh, Susan Conner, Mari Hong, Maivan Lam and the late Judy Weightman), legislators (Carol Fukunaga, Terry Yoshinaga and Cynthia Thielen), general counsels of major corporations (Jackie Erickson and Lyn Anzai), numerous law partners and practitioners, small business founders, business executives and government attorneys. Many of the school's graduates work in the public interest, staffing non-profit organizations and community organizations, all while raising families and doing volunteer work.

Hawai'i Women Lawyers itself has been led by many graduates of the law school, including current president Susan Ichinose and board members Rosemary McShane, Eri Kashiwabara, Donna Mae Gray, Hazel Beh, Suzanne Terada, and Calleen Ching. Hawai'i Women's Legal Foundation has also had its share of WSRSL leaders, including current president Alicia Leonhard and last year's president Linda Martell.

The law school is celebrating its 25th year with a series of events. A special Silver Celebration dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 18, 1988 at the Ala Moana Hotel. The event combines the anniversary dinner with the 20th reunion of the Class of '78 and the 10th reunion for the Class of '88. Tables are \$2500 and \$1500 and individual seats are \$100 per person. The program will include the naming of its Distinguished Alumni award and light entertainment, including dancing to the music of the '70's and 80's. Graduates and friends of the school are invited! If you would like more information, please call 956-8636.

Chop Sui Generis

Gail Robertson attended **Susan Oki Mollway's** second conference hearing of the Senate Judiciary Committee in Washington, D.C. Still no word on the confirmation. Gail can be reached at (202) 776-8754.

Deborah Jackson has joined the firm of Fujiyama Duffy and Fujiyama, bringing to four the number of women lawyers in the firm of 13 associates and partners, or nearly one in three.

Kehau Wall gave birth to a baby boy on February 13th. The child's name is Jack Hershey.

Don't Throw Out That Old Business Suit!

By Calleen Ching

Hawai'i Women Lawyers is teaming up with the YWCA to start a Clothes Line project. Women in transition - those leaving a domestic violence situation, trying to get off welfare, or a similar transitional situation - need a work wardrobe. Business clothes will be available for these women who need them for job interviews, first day of work, etc. Please consider donating your old work clothes to this project.

Our kick-off for the Clothes Line Project will be in May of 1988. Please stay tuned for more information in the coming months.

Planned Parenthood of Hawai'i to Continue Service Under New Name

Family Planning Centers of Hawai'i is the new name of the organization formerly known as Planned Parenthood of Hawai'i. The change comes as a result of Planned Parenthood Federation of America's decision to disaffiliate. Encouraged by letters of support from Senator Daniel Inouye, Congresswoman Patsy Mink and the State of Hawai'i Dept. of Health, the group has announced that they will continue to provide the same reproductive services under the new name Family Planning Centers of Hawai'i. Physicians, staff and management will remain the same. Aloha United Way has indicated that it will forward contributions previously designated to PPH to Family Planning Centers of Hawai'i.

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**Multilingual Domestic Abuse Help Cards
Soon to be Available on Outer Islands**

Three Additional Languages Added on O'ahu As Well

HWL's Multilingual Domestic Abuse Help Cards will be ready for free distribution on Maui, Kaua'i, Moloka'i, Lana'i and the Big Island in six to eight weeks. Vice President/President-Elect Rosemary McShane has been coordinating the project for HWL and Advocates for Immigrant Women, with funding from Hawai'i Women's Legal Foundation. Bowmun Chin, of Na Loio No Na Kanaka, is supervising volunteers who are translating information into a total of nine languages.

The neighbor island versions will each be done in three foreign languages, plus English. They will provide up-to-date, neighbor island phone numbers for shelters, sex abuse treatment centers, child protective services, immigrant relief organizations, and the courts. Several of the organizations provide 24-hour service, and many provide foreign language staffing as well.

O'ahu already has two cards in distribution, each in three separate foreign languages, plus English. A third card is in the new round of development. The overwhelming success of the O'ahu program led to its expansion and the extension of the concept to the rest of the state.

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