Aloha EWI of Honolulu! Happy Spring!

Spring is a time to clear out the past and move on to the future. Many people do this through cleaning physical things like their homes, offices, cars or they clear their lives of something emotional or personal. This year I’d like to spend the time to create a new habit or ritual that will allow me to have more positivity in my life and clean out the negative. What will you spend your time “cleaning”?

We made some adjustments to the meeting schedule in March and April so our wine tasting has been pushed back to April 4. For March, we will be showcasing member firm Archipelago Hawaii. Please join us at Ferguson Bath, Kitchen & Lighting Gallery on Wednesday, March 14.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Michelle Nakahara
2017 -2018 EWI of Honolulu President

Be True to Yourself
You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself
Any direction you choose.
You’re on your own. And you know what you know.
And YOU are the guy who'll decide where to go.
~ Oh, the Places You’ll Go!
March Dinner Meeting

Ferguson Bath, Kitchen, & Lighting
Gallery 925 Kokea St
Honolulu, HI 96817
Parking Available

Wednesday, March 14, 2018
5:30 pm Registration
6:00 pm Program

Maki and Oshi Sushi
Potato/Macaroni Salad
Namasu (pickled cucumbers)
Pork Chow Mein
Fried Chicken
Shoyu Pork
Sweet Potato Tempura
Nishime

RSVP by March 7, 2018
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Mail Payment to Ariel Moniz
C/O Infinium Interiors
850 Mililani St
Honolulu, HI 96813
Mission
Executive Women International (EWI) brings together key individuals from diverse businesses for the purpose of promoting member firms, enhancing personal and professional development, and encouraging community involvement.

Vision
To be a global women’s organization of 5,000 engaged members empowering others for positive change

Values
Integrity | Excellence | Respect | Collaboration

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Honolulu Chapter Board Meeting Highlights

January 31, 2018

Treasurer’s Report:
• December 2017 financials were disbursed, reviewed and approved by the board.

Committee Reports:

ASIST – Candace Yuen and Kim Oshiro
• Updating school contacts list
• Committee meeting will be scheduled in February 2018

Communications and Marketing – Abigail Jacinto
• 01/29 – Newsletter goes on website and out to membership
• 02/07 – Email reminder to Board that articles are due by 02/14/18.
• 02/14 – Articles due for March newsletter
• 02/19 – Submit articles to Mayuki
• 02/22 – Mayuki will send draft for approval.
• 02/23 – Revisions and updates to Mayuki
• 02/26 – Final Draft from Mayuki for C&M committee and President to proof
• 03/01 – Newsletter goes on website and out to membership
• 03/14 – Articles due from committees for April newsletter
• Website updates due to C&M by February 15.

EWISP – JaDawn Perez
• Corporate conference call on February 8th

Retention & Recruitment – Karen Mendes
• Replacement Reps: Better Business Bureau, Jason Kama and Where Hawaii, Sherry Mae Ravago
• Non-Renewals:
  o Aqua Aston - Shelley Okubo
  o Central Pacific Bank – Melita Jean Racadio
  o Coldwell Banker Pacific Properties – Joan Graham
  o Outrigger Enterprises – Stephanie Nojima
  o Roberto Cavalli – Donna Barnett
• New Member Firms: none
• Current Fiscal Year Total:
  o 0 new firms / 56 total firms
  o 2 replacement reps over 58 total reps
  o 11 renewals completed by December 31, 2017
  o 0 new members introduced at December meeting

Philanthropy – Leslie Ikei
• American Heart Ball volunteers recruited for February 24, 2018
• Wish List for 2017 – 2018
  o Aloha United Way, American Cancer Society, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Easter Seals Hawaii, Project Hawaii, Susan G. Komen
• Monetary Donation Wish List 2017 – 2018
  o American Red Cross, Blood Bank of Hawaii, Hawaii Foodbank, Make a Wish

Programs – Francine Lee-Kadota
• February meeting to be held at Mandalay Restaurant. Cost is $35 for members/$45 for non-members for a 7 course dinner. Guest speaker will be from Accuity LLP who will speak about the new tax law changes
• Possible firm night with Howard Hughes or Hawaii Theater.
• Recommend amending the $10 guest fee. Discussion tabled.

2017-2018 Officers & Directors

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Starwood Hotels in Waikīkī

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Aston Waikīkī Beach Hotel

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Meridian Properties Inc.

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Roseann Freitas
Archipelago Hawai'i

EWISP Director at Large
JaDawn Perez
American Carpet One

Appointed Positions

ASIST Chair
Candace Yuen
Aston Waikīkī Beach Hotel and
Kim Oshiro
Hilton Waikīkī Beach Hotel

Philanthropy Chair
Leslie Ikei
Hawaiian Electric Company

Bylaws/Parliamentarian
Brenda Kanno
The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii

Advisor
Wanda Sanchez
Hawaiian Dredging Construction Company, Inc.
**Sergeant-at-Arms – Ariel Moniz**
- 25 member representatives and 6 guests attended the January 10 meeting at member firm Pagoda Hotel.
- 41% member representatives were in attendance.

**Ways and Means – Roseann Freitas**
- Theme – Tee Up For Scholarships
- #EWIGOLF18 – official hashtag
- Actual cost of green fees has increased by $2/person; $288 for 144 golfers.
- Brochure will include membership list as of 1/8/2018
- Rest stations: one to have specialty item made by chef from Tiki’s Grill & Bar; the other to have chili dogs.

**Unfinished Business:**
- Wine Tasting Fundraiser – Board voted to move event from March to April (first Wednesday). Increased pricing to $80 pre-sale and $85 at the door
- March will either be a networking event with no speaker or firm night with Archipelago. Possible Venue – Ferguson’s showroom.

**New Business:**
- New representatives will be assigned to the Ways & Means Committee.

**Next Meetings:**
- February 7, 2018: chapter meeting at Mandalay Restaurant
- February 28, 2018: chapter board meeting at Sheraton Waikiki Leahi Board Room

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**Directory Changes**
Please notify Retention & Recruitment Director, Karen Mendes, of American Solutions for Business of any changes in your address, email, telephone number, etc. so the change can be made in the directory. kmendes@americanbus.com or (808)723-4577

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**Dates to Note**

**Wednesday, March 14, 2018:** Chapter Meeting at Ferguson Bath, Kitchen, & Lighting Gallery. Firm Night Archipelago Hawaii

**Wednesday, April 4, 2018:** DATE CHANGE! EWI of Honolulu Wine Tasting Fundraiser at The Plaza Club

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**Happy Birthday!**
JaDawn Perez Mar 11
Taryn Kabei Mar 23
Samantha Condry Mar 29

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Share your news and photos in the monthly CONNECT Contact: Abigail Jacinto at abigail.jacinto@accountemps.com or (808)531-8056
Submission deadline for April issue: March 14, 2018
FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING RECAP
MANDALAY RESTAURANT HONOLULU, HI

HAPPY NEW YEAR
YEAR OF THE DOG
2018
Kim Jones and Joan Fujita from Accuity LLP were our guest speakers. They spoke about some of the new tax law changes.
Mahalo to Kim Jones and Joan Fujita of Accuity LLP, our guest speakers who shared information on the tax reforms as a result of the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017.

For copies of their Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017 presentation, please contact Francine Lee-Kadota at francine.leekadota@gmail.com or Abigail C. Jacinto at abigail.jacinto@accountemps.com
Welcome to our new Member Reps:

**Member Rep: Sherry Mae Ravago**  
**Member Firm: Where Hawaii**

Currently the Marketing and Circulation Manager at Where Hawaii/Morris Visitor Publications. I've worked in the Marketing, Advertising or Events positions for various companies such as Maui Divers Jewelry, Canadian-based brand, Kit and Ace and Modern Luxury Hawaii. Along with working, I enjoy coordinating weddings, volunteering my time for the non-profit, Women Speaking Out, and growing my succulent garden. One of my year-end goals is to create a living wall in my backyard.

**MEMBERS:** Please remember to send a current photo to Karen Mendes for our Membership Directory. Email to: KMendes@americanbus.com
Update

- Week of February 12, 2018: Application information was sent to high school counselors (EWISP & Lynette Tamaye Notebook Award).
- March 31, 2018: Deadline to apply.
- May 9, 2018: EWISP Awards Program, location tbd.

For more information please contact:
JaDawn Perez
American Carpet One Floor & Home
EWISP 2017-2018 Director
808-224-1326 (cell)
808-832-2034 (office)
EWI OF HONOLULU PRESENTS

Italian Asian Fusion

WINE TASTING EVENT

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 2018
@ 5:30 PM
THE PLAZA CLUB
900 Fort Street, 20th Floor

RESERVATIONS NOW AVAILABLE
TICKETS - $80 presale / $85 at the door

Thank you to Mr. Jason Fukeda, Manager of Fujioka’s Wine for securing the wine vendors.

All RSVPs and payments to be sent to Ariel Moniz by March 23, 2018.
Please contact Ariel at 808-777-5490 or amoniz@infinium-interiors.com for payment.
**Pre-payment required**

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT EWI OF HONOLULU’S NA WAHINE LEADERSHIP AWARDS. These awards will allow some of our members to attend EWI’s Leadership Conference, known as LCAM, in Raleigh, North Carolina in September 2018. LCAM provides professional development opportunities for our members.
SAVE THE DATE

23rd Annual EWI of Honolulu Golf Tournament

Friday, August 3, 2018
Hawaii Prince Golf Club
91-1200 Fort Weaver Rd
Ewa Beach, HI 96706
Creating Connection
Through Effective
Communication

Presenter: Dane Bauerle

Tuesday, March 6, 2018
3:00 PM EST / 12:00 PM PST

In a day and age with more and more ways to communicate, why is it that we have so many misunderstandings and disagreements? We will examine two fundamental concepts that will give each participant an opportunity to improve their connections through more effective communication.

Dane Bauerle has been helping individuals and business teams improve their performance, results and quality of life since 1995.

He is an accomplished speaker, workshop leader, facilitator and businessman. He is the founder and President of The San Antonio Business Leadership Academy, a company dedicated to helping leaders bring out the best in themselves and those they lead.

Dane Bauerle attended Texas Lutheran University and is a graduate of Texas State University. He spent 13 years as a sales and marketing manager for a multi-billion dollar company. As an executive-level manager, he excelled in developing leaders, improving customer service, increased market share and implementing effective strategic organizational planning programs.

Dane and his family live in San Antonio and are active in the community. He serves as President of Business Networking International- San Antonio Chapter and is an elected official on his church council. Dane is a proud father of Addison and Landon.

Join the meeting!

Register at http://ewiconnect.com/professional-development/webinars/
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018
10:00 – 2:00
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