

PRESIDENT CORNER

Shauna Jones

What is the DOK Hawaii Diocesan Assembly?

The aloha spirit is alive, active and thriving among the Daughters of the King throughout Hawaii. We are putting out the call to encourage and support one another in our walk with Jesus and our daily rule of life.

The Daughters of King in the state of Hawaii live in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, scattered among four islands: Kauai, Maui, the Big Island and Oahu. Currently we have six chapters in our Assembly: four chapters on Oahu, one on Kauai, and one Bishop's chapter for the Daughters-at-Large. Each chapter has been formed from women of a local Episcopal congregation. The memberships run between four to eight in a chapter. Together, we are the Diocesan Assembly of Hawaii.



We are part of Province VIII, which includes California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Idaho. It also includes Navajoland and Taiwan (we are an international order).

We are connected through the National Executive Office and National Council. Each province connects to Diocesan assemblies in their area, and each Diocesan assembly connects with each chapter in their area. These connections bring inspiration, information, and fellowship to each Daughter through prayer, evangelism, and service, and remind us that we are part of a much bigger world picture, just as we serve the God who holds this world in His hand.

What is the role of the Diocesan Assembly? The assembly's responsibility is to develop a strong and effective network with the chapter presidents throughout the area and to encourage new chapters. The assembly is responsible to find ways, material, etc to encourage the growth of present and future members of existing chapters. By visiting as many chapters as possible, the assembly officers will encourage, support, and answer the concerns of each chapter president and their members.

The DOK Assembly of Hawaii supports the prayer life of every Daughter, the evangelism of all women, and service within our churches and communities. The Assembly board usually arranges twice a year assemblies and a yearly quiet day for the Daughters in the area.

I encourage all Hawaii DOK to check out the DOK national website http://www.doknational.org/ regularly. The member resource page links to other resources such as the Spirited Walk, Walking in the

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THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING OF THE DIOCESE OF HAWAI'I EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

See our <u>webpage</u> on the <u>Episcopal Diocese of Hawaii</u> <u>website</u>

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The Assembly Board consist of these officers plus all Chapter Presidents.

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Light, the Community Blog, and Cross+Links Newsletter. These cover a variety of material on prayers, ideas for service projects and for bringing members into your chapters. Find an idea that speaks to you and run with it!

On May 30, 2015, the DOK Hawaii Diocesan Assembly held elections for new officers for 2015-2017. The elected officers who will take office on September 1, 2015 are Shauna Jones, president; Brandy Donaldson, vice president; Vicki Millard, secretary; and Debra Heston, treasurer. These officers will be part of the Diocesan assembly executive board. The chapter presidents round out the assembly board. We want to help put legs on each Daughter's prayers and group bible studies and turn them into evangelism and service throughout Hawaii.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2015-2017



Shauna Jones President:



Brandy Donaldson, Vice President;



Vicki Millard, Secretary



Debra Heston, Treasurer

"LUNCH BUNCH"

By Vicki Millard St. Timothy's DOK President

The Daughters of the King chapter at St. Timothy's has begun a program we call "Lunch Bunch" as a service project to all the churches of West Oahu. We have coordinated two lunches with two more on the church calendar (in July and October). The premise originally was to give the regional clergy an opportunity to socialize with church members informally and not be rushed. For everyone, it is an opportunity to meet others from all four churches.

The next "Lunch Bunch" is scheduled for Thursday, July 23, at Makino Chaya Restaurant across from Bed Bath & Beyond in Pearlridge. There is a coupon in the Sunday restaurant section, so with tax, tip and sharing expense of clergy, cost comes to \$15 each. In order to make seating arrangements with the restaurant, please be there at 10:45 a.m. (doors open at 11 a.m.). If this date isn't available on your calendar, mark Thursday, October 22. Maybe the same place; maybe we'll try something new.

No one is too old or too young to join the "Lunch Bunch." Pass it on!

The order of the Daughters of the King Retreat In Ewa Beach, Oahu

By Luella Windisch

On Saturday, May 30, 2015, The Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) held a retreat at Ewa Beach Japanese Room. The theme of the retreat was *Women of the Bible: Ancient Words, Contemporary Wisdom*, with featured guest speaker, the Rev. Lindsay Hardin Freeman.

Rev. Freeman, a Minnesota-based Episcopal priest for 29 years, has won over thirty awards for journalistic excellence and is the author/editor of six books. She is a popular speaker and retreat leader on Bible women and contemporary spirituality. Freeman has served congregations in Massachusetts, Philadelphia and Minnesota, and was a longtime editor of *Vestry Papers* (2001 - 2010). She currently serves as a ministry developer for the Episcopal Church in Minnesota, and as adjunct clergy for St. David's, Minnetonka. For the last four years, she has worked with a research team to explore in detail the lives of women of the Bible. Her work takes her around the country, speaking to groups about the accomplishments and struggles of Bible women. She enjoys finding humor and grace in the Bible, and shares it fully, and, often irreverently.

The five-hour retreat went by quickly as participants engaged in Bible study, a game, and conversations about being women in the ancient and modern world. The women at the retreat also painted a picture of today's reality where our stories intersect with the voices and struggles of women and girls speaking through Scripture. There are over 1.1 million words in the Bible but only 1.2% are spoken by women.

Participant Evangeline Barney, who attended a women's group trip to the Holy Land guided by



Mother Jodene Hawkins, shared that they would not let her (Mother Hawkins) celebrate in the cathedral in the Holy Lands because she was a female priest.

Tusi Mayer wanted to meet Rev. Lindsey. "It looks like a powerful book," said Tusi, "we don't talk about women in the Bible.

The one thing Reverend Lindsey wanted us to remember was to "be bold and speak out" and we



discussed the repercussions of being bold. The Rev. Debra Vanover, DOK Chaplain, discussed how assertive women are seen as aggressive. "We must find a way to speak out respectfully," said Vanover.

The retreat ended with reflections and Eucharist. The participants went home with a new appreciation of women through the ages. The influence of women in history and families is easily dismissed, but look deeper; women hold a lot of power. We need to use it more

often.

From left, the Revs. Leonard and Lindsey Freeman chat with the Rev. Debra Vanover, Simeona Geston and Ruth Merz, while they look through some of the books she authored. (Photos courtesy of David Jones and Luella Windisch)

Chapters

All Saints' Episcopal Church, Kapa'a, Kauai

Meeting Thursday evening
See www.allsaintskauai.org
Contact President Linda Crocker Lmc1va@aol.com

Bishop's Chapter Daughters at Large DAL

See our webpage at <u>dalhawaii.org</u>
Contact President Rose Mary Thompson rose.mary.thompson@mac.com

Holy Nativity, Honolulu, Oahu

See our webpage at Holy Nativity DOK Contact President Bonnie Stevens bonnie95321@icloud.com

St. Andrews Chapter, Honolulu, Oahu

Meetings Sunday after morning service See <u>www.thecathedralofstandrew.org</u> Contact President Rose Mary Thompson rose.mary.thompson@mac.com

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church Kapolei, Oahu

Meeting Monday, twice a month 10AM to Noon See our webpage <u>At St Nicks DOK</u> Contact President Shauna Jones CelticLady@hawaii.rr.com

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Aiea, Oahu

See St Timothy for more information
Contact President Vicki Millard
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St. Timothy's sets their meetings for 1st and 3rd Thursdays
at 7 p.m. at the church (various rooms as they figure out
new configuration). Sometimes the Thursday moves due
to people's conflicts and sometimes meetings are
canceled for same reason.
Best to contact Vicki at 422-2286

CALENDAR

July 23—Aiea Chapter "Lunch Bunch" Makino Chaya Restaurant Pearlridge.

October 22-Aiea Chapter "Lunch Bunch" Makino Chaya Restaurant Pearlridge.



New DOK Chapter on Kauai

By Linda Crocker, All Saints DOK President

We have a new chapter of the Daughters of the King on Kauai. The chapter was welcomed by Shauna Jones at a ceremony at All Saints Church in Kapaa where the group meets twice monthly for prayer. The chapter's name is Mana O' Lana (Hope).

Pictured left to right Robin Song Putman; Father Ryan Newman; Linda Crocker; Shauna Jones; Mable Antonio; Jan Hashizume (not pictured, Mary Schulz).

Just for Laughs

A woman had just returned to her home from an evening of church services, when she was startled by an intruder.

She caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables and yelled: 'Stop! Acts 2:38!' (Repent and be Baptized, in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins may be forgiven.)

The burglar stopped in his tracks.

The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done.

As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar:

'Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a scripture to you.' 'Scripture?' replied the burglar. 'She said she had an Ax and Two 38's!'