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[BUSINESS CALENDAR]

TODAY AND TOMORROW

Seminar: The Hawaii Lumber Products Association hosts a two-day wood design seminar at the Ala Moana Hotel for engineers, architects, contractors and others involved in wood construction. Designed by the American Wood Council, the course will cover design standards for wood-frame construction, provisions for the 2005 National Design Specification and 2001 Wood Frame Construction Manual, and how to design a two-story house. Connect to hawaiiilumber.com or call 541-9663.

THURSDAY

>> **Awards:** Pacific Business News presents the 10th Annual "Women Who Mean Business" awards, announcing the Businesswoman of the Year, Woman Volunteer of the Year, Top Women-owned Businesses and the recipient of the Gladys Kamakakuolani Ainoa Brandt Kupuna award. From 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Hawaii Convention Center, Kalakaua Ballroom. Cost: \$75, \$5 validated parking at the

center. Contact dtavares@bizjournals.com.

>> **Consultation:** The U.S. Small Business Administration resource day, featuring free half hour consultations to address the specific needs and interests of existing business owners, start-up firms and prospective entrepreneurs. Learn about SBA financing programs, counseling, training and technical assistance, government contracting assistance and certifications. Sessions are confidential, no obligations to businesses. Appointments recommended. Online registration at www.sba.gov/hi.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Central Pacific Bank, Keeaumoku branch. Call David Brown at 541-2990 ext. 215 or e-mail david.brown@sba.gov for information.

>> **Seminar:** The U.S. Small Business Administration 8(a) Business Development Program application seminar. Learn about how small business owners can benefit from government contracting opportunities, and SBA contracting certification programs.

From 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the PJKK Federal Building, room 5-208. Limited seating, pre-registration required. Call Joyce Tamayose at 541-2990 ext. 223 or e-mail joyce.tamayose@sba.gov. Online registration at www.sba.gov/hi.

FRIDAY

Workshop: The U.S. Small Business Administration presents the "Business Plans in a Nutshell" series. The second session on "The Importance of Planning" will discuss the different stages of growth a company experiences, strategies to develop a strong set of goals and objectives, and tools to conduct a self-business assessment. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at HWBC, 1041 Nuuanu Ave., Suite A. Cost: \$60 members; \$75 non-members. Advance registration required. Call 526-1001 or visit www.hwbc.org.

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Telecourse: "Take Charge of Your Money" financial education features local professionals sharing their expertise. Series airs Mondays and re-

broadcasts Sundays on Channel 55 for all islands. An optional viewer's guide that includes television schedules, handouts and other information is available to enrolled participants. Call 956-7138, e-mail moneyed@hawaii.edu or visit [www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/tcyou\\$](http://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/tcyou$) for more information.

>> 3 p.m. Sunday: "Medicare and Social Security" rebroadcast on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii.

>> 8 p.m. Monday: "Legal Issues in Caregiving: Deciding, What If?" broadcast on Oahu, Kauai and Hawaii.

MONDAY

Consultation: SBA Day at the Business Action center, providing small business owners information on SBA financing, programs and other resources including (3)a application registration. BAC also will provide assistance with business forms, licenses and permits for entrepreneurs looking to register their business name. From 10 a.m. to noon at the Business Action Center, 1130 North Nimitz Hwy., Suite A-220. Call 586-2545.