




where the couple now lives with their two young daughters. Castagnaro had been working on special events for the March of Dimes when she met David McClain, the dean of the business school at the University of Hawaii, and the chairman of the council's board of trustees.

▲ **BANK ON IT:** As director of a Honolulu-based nonprofit, Castagnaro helps kids as well as adults learn to make good financial decisions.

"Kristine is a self-starter, remarkably creative and an out-of-the-box thinker," says McClain, now the president emeritus of the University of Hawaii system. "She is able to bring people together from a wide variety of professions and from all ages, and to catalyze their energies in support of a common goal."

For now, that goal is to continue expanding the Council's services, its reach, and, Castagnaro adds, planning for another, even larger expo in 2011. 

In the News

JIMMIE REYNA '75 HONORED BY MEXICAN GOVERNMENT

Jimmie Reyna '75, a partner in the international law section of the Washington, D.C., office of Williams Mullen, has received a 2009 Ohtli Award from the government of Mexico, the highest honor awarded to non-Mexicans. The Ohtli awards—ohtli means "pathway" in Nahuatl, the language of the Aztecs—recognizes people who have helped to advance the Mexican and Latino communities abroad. Reyna is a past president of the Hispanic National Bar Association.

DORIAN DENBURG '76 ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Dorian Denburg '76, general attorney at AT&T, was elected president of the National Association of Women Lawyers at its annual meeting in July. An expert in law related to public and private rights-of-way, Denburg is the past vice president of the organization, founded over a century ago to advocate for women's legal equality and women in the legal profession.

RICHARD MELTZER '69 APPOINTED POLICY DIRECTOR FOR HOUSE SPEAKER

U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of California has appointed **Richard Meltzer '69** as her policy director. Meltzer was most recently a principal at Washington Council Ernst and Young, and had served as a transition coordinator for Pelosi in 2006, when she assumed the speakership after the election of a Democratic majority to the House.

ATHLETICS ADMINISTRATOR JACKIE BLACKETT '81 RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD

Jackie Blackett '81, an associate athletics director at Columbia University, was one of eight women named Administrator of the Year by the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators this fall. Now in her 19th year at Columbia, Blackett was honored for her work as campus liaison for student-athletes. At Rochester, Blackett was a three-time MVP on the women's track and field team, and after graduation, she coached the women's track and field and cross country teams.