

HAWAII AREA ASSEMBLY
NOVEMBER 20TH & 21ST, 2004
LEEWARD DISTRICT #3

Where on the beautiful island of Oahu
St Philomenas Catholic Church
3300 Ala Lualani
Honolulu, HI

Day of the event contact Erin R. [REDACTED]

Registration

Erin R.

[REDACTED]
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Transportation

Mary H.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Homestay

Susan B.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

DCM - Darwin W. [REDACTED] cell [REDACTED]

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Group: _____ Position: _____

Email: _____

Airline: _____ Flight: _____ Arrival: _____

Departure: _____

Transportation: Yes _____ No: _____

Home Stay: Yes: _____ No: _____

Vegetarian: _____ Carnivore: _____

\$ 25.00 registration fee please

Mail to: Erin [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Honolulu, HI [REDACTED]

**ELECTION ASSEMBLY – LEEWARD DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 20 & 21, 2004**



Saturday

- 08:00 Breakfast and Registration
- 09:00 Meeting Call to Order
Host DCM announcements
Reading from Service Manual:
* What Makes an A.A. 'Leader' by Bill W.
* Concept IX – speaking to the voter's about service workers
Acceptance of Recording Secretary Minutes – vote
Acceptance of Treasurer report – vote
- 09:20 Delegate's report
- 09:30 Standing Committees report
- 10:00 Explanation of voting process:
Election Assembly will be turned over to Delegate – Don A.
- Note:* Delegate (Don A.) will determine breaks
- 12:30 Lunch
- Note:* If time permits – reports will be given
- 4:00 Host DCM announcements – Adjournment
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Sunday

- 08:00 Breakfast and Registration
- 09:00 Meeting Call to Order
Host DCM announcements
- 09:10 DCMs report
Intergroups report
Others

- 10:00 Area Officers report
- 10:20 Break – **All 2005 Officers** please report to Area Chair at this time
- 10:30 **Motion:** Marion B. - To make the “Cooperation with the Elderly Community” a Standing Committee of Hawaii Area 17 – vote
- Motion:** Jan D. - “Hawaii State Annual Convention Standing Committee” to be removed from Structure & Guideline to be independent and function on its own – vote
- 12:30 Lunch

Take from the Table:

Motion: Francesca P. – “to add to the current (8.21.04) Structure & Guidelines for the Hawaii Area Assembly Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous section 3.7, Standing Committees where appropriate to read: ‘Literature – responsible for communications and the review process associated with Literature Trustees and Conference Committees’ at GSO. Revise and update local flyers and literature. Update and revise and Structure & Guidelines, as needed.”

Motion: Francesca P. – Motion is in the Structure & Guidelines to read: “Treatment Facilities: Coordinates the service work of individual AA members and groups who carry the message to alcoholics in treatment, hospitals, and medical clinics, set up means of bridging the gap from treatment to AA and works to clarify what AA can do and cannot do, within the Traditions, to help alcoholics in treatment, hospitals and medical clinics.”

Motion: Francesca P. – “I make a motion to add to the GSR Orientation Informational Handbook under odd-year assemblies a second paragraph to read: At this assembly, GSR’s will be assigned to serve on one of the standing committees. This will encourage GSR’s to participate in committee work and establish a committee for the incoming standing committee chairs, thereby increasing communication between the home groups and the Hawaii Area.”

- 2:30 Aloha Time
- 4:00 Host DCM announcements – Adjournment

Note: Breaks will be determined by Area Chair as day goes on

***** Agenda is subject to change for time management *****

Election Assembly
Leeward District
November 20 & 22, 2004

Call to order - 9:20 am

Host DCM announcement

Reading from the Service Manual -

What Makes an AA "Leader" by Bill W. - Beth

Concept IX - speaking to the voter's about service workers - Archie

Acceptance of Recording Secretary's Minutes - Marcy

Sandi asked that we put in the minutes as an addition, the consensus that at the August assembly all were in favor that we bring the convention to the Big Island. Correction to the Motions page of minutes to reflect the change from "Appendix A" to "Appendix C" in three places. Acceptance of the minutes will be voted on tomorrow when those who did not receive a copy of the minutes

Acceptance of Treasurer - Lyda

Review of budget report to group. Question: *area printing went over the budget. We allowed a lot more for printing this time. Can we who the \$5 amount for the inactive status? It's in there.* Moved, seconded and voted to accept treasurer's report.

The registration form for the 2005 Orientation Assembly is on the website.

Don A. - introductions of visiting AA "dignitaries"thanks for coming.

Don reads the 3rd legacy procedures and who's qualified to vote. Those who can vote are GSR's, DCM's, Area Officers, Standing Committee Chairs, Intergroup Chairs. In selecting your officers, you should remember to put principles before personalities. You need to make sure that if you stand for a position you can make the commitment to come, be on time, and follow the Structures and Guidelines. It's important to make the commitment not to leave before the end of the assemblies and meetings. This has been a problem in the past and with this group as well.

1st position voted for is **Representative for Trustee-at-Large** - duties and qualifications are shared. George Dorsey, past trustee and past General Service Office General Manager shared information. 4 attempts at voting were tried but no 2/3rd vote was achieved. 5th ballot was not approved. Vote goes to the hat. *Tanya E.* gets selected.

Next position is for **Delegate**. Don A. reads Delegate duties and qualifications. After 4 votes with no clear 2/3rd majority, a motion was made to conduct a 5th vote and seconded. We move to the 5th ballot. Still no 2/3rd vote so it goes to the hat. *Keith H.* is the new Delegate.

Next position is for **Alternate Delegate**. Keith H. (current alternate delegate) shares about the requirements of the position and qualifications. *Francesca* is elected as new Alternate Delegate.

Next position is **Area Chair**. Don A. reads the duties and qualifications of the position. After 4 votes there was a motion and second to have a 5th vote. Vote does not pass so it goes to the hat. **Vernon** is the new Area Chair.

Next position is **Alternate Area Chair**. Don A. reads the duties and qualifications of the position. **Nick** is Alternate Area Chair.

Next position is **Treasurer**. Don A. reads the duties and qualifications of the position. After 4 votes there was a motion and second to have a 5th vote. Vote does not pass so it goes to the hat. **Jerry** is Treasurer.

Next position is **Recording Secretary**. Marcy read the duties and qualifications of the position. After 4 votes there was a motion and second to have a 5th vote. Vote does not pass so it goes to the hat. **Elizabeth** is the Recording Secretary.

Next position is for **Registrar**. Peggy Sue read the duties and qualifications of the position. After 4 votes there was a motion and second to have a 5th vote. Vote does not pass so it goes to the hat. **Sam** is the Registrar.

Closes at 4:30 pm

Sunday November 21, 2004

Open at 9:10 am with Serenity Prayer

Standing Committees Reports

Public Information- Paul

There's a new display here today. This is what I use when I go on tour. PI is about letting people know that we exist and how to get in touch with us. (Explanation of the specifics of the position and a listing of all of the locations and agencies that have received information). I've fallen short of keeping current with the neighbor island PI folks. We need help to do this committee work. "I ask you who are coming in, staying around, and rotating out to talk up the standing committees work and give that chairperson some helping hands with which to work and wondrous things can happen in our attempt to help the alcoholic who still suffers find what we have found, hope."

Cooperation with the Elder Community - Marion

We've had an explosion of activity. We get 3-4 emails every week from people all over the country asking us for more information about our workbooks and how to carry the message to the elder community. We had an experience at the Hawaii State convention where over 100 people came to a workshop. Lots of thanks to us for the work we are doing. We presented at the AARP in Kona. The SOS meeting is going well. Grapevine has decided to do a sober over sixty feature in their magazine. We'll be giving them this information when

I go home today. I'll be making a motion to making this ad hoc committee a standing committee. The enthusiasm at the GSO was wonderful. We were treated like royalty.

Corrections - Rick

I'm excited to tell you that I've seen a huge change in corrections. There were a lot of concerns, but we have an awesome committee and a lot of them are here today. So happy to be working with these folks, they are all service junkies. Susan B is doing a great job carrying the message into OCCC's module 20, Valerie V is doing fantastic as our Bridging the Gap chair and as the secretary for our committee. Mati K is extremely helpful and efforts to carry the message into OCCC are very much appreciated. Laurie carries the message into WCCC. Still have a lot of challenges. We're still trying to bridge that gap between us and the neighbor islands. We decided to use the last \$300 to set up a trip to go to a couple of the neighbor islands and talk to them about what we can do for them. We need your support to help visit the women's prisons and have signed up to correspond with women alcoholics who are on the outside.

Grapevine - Duane

The good news is still I have a little willingness to do the hula. We never made the goal however. We got about 565 new subscriptions out of the goal for 850. Nov. issue is Daily Reprieve. Good topic for the holiday season. Grapevine circulation is falling and I need your help. It's down in this state by about 20,000 and that means that a lot of people are missing out on this. It's up to us to pass it on. It's been an honor and a privilege to be a part of this.

CPC- Francesca

Pamphlets to clergy and churches listed in the yellow pages are going out. So far 70 have gone out. Letters and pamphlets to the medical field have been sent out as well. The basic function of my committee is to let people what we do and don't do. UH school of dentistry got a presentation. The Driver ed program and adult probation will be the next target in trying to implement an informational meeting for the judicial system to be held at least twice a month for those they would like to refer to AA.

Mynah Bird - Elizabeth

I'm the outgoing chair. Thanks for letting me be of service. It's been a growing experience. I distributed the issue yesterday. If you're a standing committee chair and didn't get it let me know. I didn't put contact information on the most recent newsletter, but if you want to contact someone.... the mynah-bird@hawaii.rr.com. Next topic is *Incoming Panel*. Encourage all the new folks to write a little something.

Convention - Lena

First I must apologize to Puna district for not responding in a timelier manner. The steering committee wishes to convey its gratitude and appreciation for those in service and who attended the Convention. We had a final count of 2498. Steering Committee is reviewing the coordinators position for adjustment of duties. There was a concern that Steering Committee is not present at the assemblies. Thanks to Jan for bringing up the idea of not having the convention be a part of the Area. This made us really look at what we need to do

in a better way. Please let us stay in the Area because we need to keep ourselves on our toes.

Archives - Jan

Thank you for the privilege of being able to serve you. AA means so much to me and it's wonderful to be included in service. I'm not just a pretty face. I have energy and information to work for you. I really think that Ted, our real archivist is unappreciated in the State of Hawaii. He is a tireless worker for us. He has a passion for archives and he does it out of love. He built a building for us to house our archives.

Hospitals - Joe

The growing experience is the most awesome one for me. I'm proud to have been able to serve as a trusted servant. Nothing has been happening because of all this focus on combining committees. I'm am upset about what's happening to the racks at Wahiawa General but I am getting help with this. I have a person in the State Hospital who wants to learn more about Bridging the Gap. We still suffer the idea that we as AA are trying to solicit people to AA by putting our literature in hospitals. To me it's always about carrying the message. Thanks for my sobriety and allowing me to serve.

DCM reports

Vernon - Kihei

We learned about Unity day and we started doing it. It was held on 9/19 and it was a great success. About 100 people there. We had amazing talent and it was a cooperative effort between No Ka Oi, West Maui and Kihei. We decided to have our elections after the Area elections. Maui has lost a wonderful AA member, Jack, who was very active in CPC and other AA work and he will be sorely missed. This has been challenging, rewarding and empowering. I'm very grateful to the members of our island who are in service. We're going to have the Maui Fest coming up, I have flyers here. This has been a very rewarding two years for me and I look forward to serving here for the next two years.

Puna - Sandi

I don't want to stand up here and cry so I wrote an article to the Mynah Bird. We had our elections and it's been brought to our attention that we have someone that's working with the committee for the elder community. We have 6 GSR's here and will be introduced to this group. We all usually wear two hats in this district.

Manoa - Sam

It's been an honor and a privilege to serve as Manoa's DCM for the last 2 years plus. . We were scheduled to hold elections but due to many things only four people showed up. We decided to hold elections until December. I try not to take things personally but it seems like as a district we haven't accomplished much. Attendance has gone up and down but we are better off financially than before. We have suspended the caravans because of the holidays. Plans continue for the January assembly. We have secured a location at Manoa elementary. Hopefully the registration flyer will be available soon on the area web site.

Diamond Head - Darryl

Two years goes by quickly. I'm grateful for having the opportunity for spiritual growth in the last two years. Floyd M. is the new incoming DCM. This was not a set up. ☺ Justin is new Alternate DCM. Wish the best to all incoming area officers.

Honolulu - David

Malia Discussion group will be hosting their annual Thanksgiving Dinner along with entertainment and a meeting. The district will be hosting the New Year's Alcathon from 3pm New Year's Eve to 3 pm New Year's Day. Any home group that would like to get into service please feel free to contact Sandy and David P. We'll be holding elections on Dec. 7th. We'll also be hosting the February committee meeting. Flyers will be sent to all new DCM's, Standing Committee members, and Area officers. I'd like to thank my higher power and my GSR's as well. I have 9 GSR's that attend regularly and they're beautiful people.

Kauai - Jerry

We're continuing service by supporting our standing committees. Our PI has distributed literature to all libraries, hospitals and other agencies. We keep trying to fill the racks. We are speaking at the DUI meetings. We have a new head of corrections meetings. Some improvement is noted in this area. Our delegate came to Kauai and gave us his report. We are holding our elections this coming Saturday.

Waikiki - Ken

Kevin, our DCM, is spending some quality time with family and friends back in the states, so I am here in his absence. Fellowship potluck picnic was held Nov. 14th at 12-coconuts. It turned out good. We also had our elections and our incoming secretary is Robert, alt. DCM Glen, and I am your new DCM. Our upcoming event is thankathon at Waikiki community center on Thanksgiving. The Christmas and New Year Alcathon are coming up. All events will be at the Waikiki Community Center. I want to thank all the outgoing members of the area and I want to congratulate the new ones too and excited to work with you all.

No Ka Oi - Wayne

We had our elections. Our new DCM is Cliff C. I'd like to congratulate Nick for his election as Alt. Area chair. This past Sept we had our 2nd annual Unity Day. (Vernon talked about this already) Thanks for everyone's help. We carried the message and had a lot of fun. Recently our district's CPC chair Jack P. passed away. He touched a lot of lives in our fellowship on Maui and he will be deeply missed.

Leeward - Darwin

Leeward has been somewhat busy lately. Elections held last month and Erin is DCM, Mary H. is alternate DCM, and Suzie S. is our secretary. We did our proposed budget which we'll vote on next month. Our annual softball game with CNS district has turned into a monthly event. Grateful for the opportunity to host this assembly. Lots of people have worked really hard to pull this off. It's been an honor to serve as DCM for the last two years and I know that our district has some very capable people to serve for the next two years.

Waianae - Bridgett

Steve K. is new DCM, Alt. DCM, Peter, Treasurer is Glenn, Sec. is Tony. Joe and Lisa gave us a pep talk on service at the last district meeting. Alcathons are on again this year for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. They'll be at the Satellite City Hall in Waianae again this year. Every group in the district has a two hour slot all drawn from the hat. No one can argue with God's choice of their slot. I'd like to thank all GSR's who participated this last two years. I could not have accomplished anything without them as my backbone.

Central North Shore - Diana

I can't believe that two years has already passed and it's time to move on. It was a good two years with all the baseball games, workshops dance, potlucks, etc. We had elections. Val is DCM, Alt. Hugh, Sec. Jack, Treasurer is Loreen. The cottage has closed in Haleiwa. Those meetings have moved. Look in the schedule. There is a Thanksgiving potluck, flyers are on the table. I would like to thank everyone for giving me support and friendship this last few years and hope to see all of you next year.

West Hawaii - Marianne

We held elections on Nov. 17th: Archie - DCM; Alt. DCM Peter; Sec. Cheryl; Treasurer is Bob S. CPC and CEC committees are actively spreading their message. PI committee has been mailing Big Books to Big Island business employers, government agency heads, and school principals in West Hawaii with a brief letter suggesting the employer read Chapter 10, To Employers. Bridging the Gap is continuing to visit treatment facilities. There were 3 caravans since last report and all were well-received. I'm feeling sad that my two years is over. This has been a wonderful experience for me.

East Hawaii - Alan

Our DCM Laura went to graduate school. Our alternate Stephanie resigned because of school responsibilities. Elections have been held and Melissa is DCM, Ruth is PI and Bobbi will be our new Archivist. We'll be holding more elections until the rest of the positions are filled. Our Halloween dance that we put on as a promotion for HICYPAA to bring a conference to the island was lots of fun and well received. They are planning a karaoke session and a resentment bonfire campout next. We also have been involved in 3 GSR's here today.

Windward - Pat

Denny couldn't be here today and sends love and aloha. There are 9 GSR's here today. Lots of activity and participation in the district. Our new DCM is Sue, Alt. Dancette, Sec. Kunane, Treasurer, Pat. Special mention to Fred who's moved out of the district but continues to come no matter what. We have workshops coming next year and we're having alcathons on Christmas and New years. We also do regular caravans. Gropers was last month's caravan destination. We are grateful to be apart of Hawaii area.

West Hawaii Intergroup - Valerie

We'll be joining for east meets west softball on Nov. 28th in Waimea. We held elections for our new steering committee - two long term office volunteers were elected. The new Chair

is coming to the next assembly. Intergroup voted to send me to Denver to seminar so I'll have plenty of information to share. Mahalo.

Maui Intergroup - Collin

October phone calls = 237 phone calls, 6 were 12 step. We're having difficulty filling the phone slots. People are coming from the court system to do community service. Events coming up are Thanksgiving Alcathon, Gratitude night on Nov. 28 @ Pukalani Community Center from 6-9 pm. All intergroup positions were filled. Serenity Gazette has been put on hold and the first publication will be out in January 2005. Thank you all for allowing me to be of service.

Intergroup Kauai - Matthea

New office has been up and running for 6 months. Money has been appearing from mysterious places and our bank balance has been staying around \$3,000. Phones are entirely handled by AA volunteers. For the 1st time we have 24/7 coverage on our phones. We have new t-shirts with the circle and triangle on the front and the island of Kauai on the back. The back has the serenity prayer in Hawaiian. Our island has been enormously invigorated by the new Intergroup system.

Intergroup Hilo - Suki

Our phones are running really well. Our communications are happening from Intergroup. We're putting on a thankathon. We'll be attending the east meets west. Positions have been filled.

Intergroup Oahu - Robert

Today I am standing for the Oahu Intergroup Chair. The district has done a fine job of hosting the assembly. The Intergroup website has a new master and the website is being updated, improved and will be more complete. The election of new Intergroup officers will take place on Dec. 8, 2004 at Kilauea rec Center in Kaimuki, commencing at 6 pm. Be there if the interest strikes you. Telephone volunteers are always needed at the office between 9 am and 9 pm as well as overnight from your home from 9 pm to 9 am. Call 946-1438 to express your interest. Please give assistance to your group's intergroup rep to encourage more volunteers. Oahu intergroup meetings will start at 6:30 pm starting January 12, 2005. Other potential changes may be voted on shortly.

HICYPAA - Wayne

The 9th annual HICYPAA was held at Kahili Mountain Park on Kauai over labor day weekend. It was a great even with good weather and good attendance of 75 +. Officers elected. Website is www.hicypaa.org. We have two new positions on advisory mailing list and webmaster. Advisory will be taking their inventory at the 10th annual HICYPAA. The Bid was awarded to Maui. If you want to be on the mailing list there are cards here. Treasurer report from Stephanie read to group.

ICCYPAA - Tim

Read about ICCYPAA, its inception and conference history. Applications for next year on the table. The next ICCYPAA will be held on Sept 1-4, 2005 in New Orleans, Louisiana. A

bid committee has been formed on Maui to bring ICYPAA back to the Hawaiian Islands. Any and all support from our Area and State will be greatly appreciated. Please contact tim_lara@hotmail.com

Delegate - Don A.

This is the final report for GSO so if you want to give one to your new GSR's, get one. Our Region Trustee's report on the General Service Board Weekend is attached. Theme and workshop topics can be presented to GSO through me. 55th panel's theme is "Basics of our home group, recovery, unity and service." Workshop topic is "Do I carry the AA message or my own." PRAASA applications are available for March 11-3, 2005 in Tucson, AZ. It's not too early to start planning for this important service assembly. The International Convention is in Toronto. Well my friends, it's time for me to rotate out of my position as your Hawaii Area 17 Delegate. What an honor you bestowed on me two years ago. It has been a privilege to represent you at the General Service Conference in New York and bringing back the message to you in my "report-backs" to the districts and homegroups and workshops. It's been a wonderful road we have been on together. You all helped me in my work, I could not have done it without your support. In love and service. Don A.

Alt. Delegate - Keith

I can't thank you folks enough for allowing me to be in service. I want to thank someone who doesn't get a lot of recognition, Sally T. for her hard work. Structures and Guidelines committee has been amazing and my hat's off to them too. I also got an opportunity to go to GSO when I was in New York and they treated me like a king. I look forward to continuing to serve you in the next two years.

Alternate Area Chair - Arne

We had a successful convention. I want to thank you so much for allowing me to give back what's been given. If the opportunity arises that you think I can be of service, please ask me.

Treasurer - Lyda

I remember when I was elected as Treasurer I didn't know what to do and I panicked. Then I knew that God would help me and I want to thank you all. I waited until I was almost done with this thing and then took a class in how to make this job easier. Typical alcoholic! I want to thank you all so much. Even just opening the envelopes was a great thing. I have boxes for archives for Ted. It's been fun and it'll be fun to watch you in the next couple of years.

Secretary - Marcy

I can't tell you enough what an honor it has been to serve you these last two years. Just to continuously see you all come to the mike and tell us all the wonderful things you're doing day in and day out; the workshops, baseball games, meetings, hospital service, public information....it's beautiful and amazing. And here's what I've learned in the last two years; it doesn't matter what you discuss and what you vote on, what really matters is how you conduct yourselves while you're deciding these things. I'm really excited about the next team of Area Officers; they're going to be great. Thank you again.

Registrar - Peggy Sue

Thanks for all your help and support. You've elected an awesome registrar for the next two years. The benefit has been for me the ability to see my AA buddies four times a year. If you come to Maui please look me up because I'll not be doing so much interisland travel. I'll be spending some time in West Maui so maybe I'll be able to jump into service there and revive that side of the island.

Area Chair - Joe

Thank you for letting me serve.

Cooperation with the Elder Community - Stan

Stan showed slides for the group. After this we will go into a motion they will make and then discussion. Slides dealt with percentages of elderly who are alcoholic in different areas e.g. community, hospitals, psychiatric facilities; common causes of alcohol use in the elderly; treatment needs; etc. This is not an area of "special" needs, it is a universal need.

Marion:

If you want to come and visit, we can share a good hour of slides. We're happy to go wherever asked. This is a growing problem worldwide and senior alcoholism is under-diagnosed and under-treated. Let's be in the forefront of AA.

Motion made by Marion: To make a Standing Committee of Cooperation with the Elder Community for Area 17. Seconded.

Discussion: I've worked in a hospital and the elderly come with all kinds of alcohol related symptoms that were very hard to address, I support this motion; I've worked with elderly alcoholics in the past and in that time there was not a single treatment center in the country that would take someone over 65, I hope that we can support this motion; thanks to Stan and Marion, but I'm not sure we need another standing committee to deal with this. I think it could be held within CPC or another committee; I don't think this is a good idea. I don't think this is something that AA should do. Yes I want to help alcoholics, but I want to do it within AA's traditions; I think this is a good idea and we all need to outreach this population; I discussed this with our district and we're not for this motion because we believe that this is a special population. If we do this we'll have to have a committee for the handicapped, for teens, etc. We do have standing committees that are supposed to reach out to these populations; there are a lot of senior alcoholics out there and it is a big problem and Stan's right, this is an invisible problem. We haven't done anything about this up to now so it's time for a standing committee; We have more people retiring here than anywhere else in the nation and looking at this is very relevant, give it a chance; in another 10 years I'm going to be in this "specialty" group and so are all my peers; thank you for bringing it to our attention, and if you are to have a standing committee it is to educate me. The application and the techniques will need to change. It's so I can be more aware to help the suffering alcoholic and I'm willing to learn; I don't believe we need this but there is a problem with mobility for the elderly; I think CPC could handle this; I think more alcoholics will stay sober as a result of this committee, and it is supporting our primary purpose, I am

in support of this motion; AA was started because they were a 'specialty group' that was in need; when I came into AA, people thought I was kind of young to get sober - let's do this; I don't think this population falls under CPC.

Call the question. This is whether or not to continue the discussion. It needs 2/3rds of the total registered members to pass. There are currently 96 registered members. 84 for calling the question, 1 opposed. Minority does not wish to speak.

The original motion was read.

For the motion= 68

Opposed = 17

Minority speaks: *Do young people and gays and lesbians have their own committees? I don't like it because it's setting one special population over another; more effort needs to focus on improving the committees we already have; I don't need to not find the separateness between us and I don't believe we need this special category.*

A member wishes to change their vote and makes a motion for reconsideration. If the motion passes, we return to discussion. If not, the original motion for the committee is passed. 18 for reconsidering, majority votes to make the Cooperation with the Elderly Community a formal committee.

Jan D:

I love the convention but I have seen an erosion of this convention and it bothers me completely. I was forced to make this motion. I did my homework about the status of the convention. The convention committee became a 501©3. The Steering Committee took it upon themselves removing it from the Area, so I don't know why we're having this conversation. Continued reporting of what the convention committee has not done in keeping with the requirements of their 501©3 status. A lot of mistakes were made because they didn't know, but they should have known. There were problems with tax filing, contractors, etc. I love the conference and it pains me greatly to have to do this.

Clarification: Area is the governing part of Appendix C.

Motion by Jan: To remove the Annual Hawaii Convention from the Hawaii Area Service Structure including Appendix C from the Structures and Guidelines. Seconded.

Discussion: *Why take all this time to focus on the problem instead of helping fix it, let's not jettison the convention; the committee has to be responsible to someone and my home group votes that they are against this motion; we are opposed to this from the convention committee and we would love to sit down with the new officers and work better together. We will bring reports to the assembly. We have not had a lot of people on the committee and this committee has fallen apart. We want help to put this back together; When there's a problem we should look for solutions; my home group came out in favor of this motion because it's a good time to break the convention from the Area because they are already standing on their own. Maybe it is time; Our district voted in favor of the motion. One of these reasons is that we're responsible and we need to be responsible to the Area;*

Motion to table. Seconded.

Majority voted to **not** table this discussion.

Continued discussion: *I understand there are a lot of problems and that there are disputes. Have the home groups been informed? Whether yes or not, I don't know. The Area is supposed to guide us, not crucify us; I don't think it's their fault or our fault. We are at risk by the IRS if the Convention is connected to us and they get into trouble. We are the people that should be watching over this; We were really concerned about putting forth a proposal for a convention on the Big Island and having no one communicate with us about this. We would like to see more accountability and a trial period to see as a group how this is going to work itself out.*

Call the question. Seconded. This requires substantial unanimity.

For = 61

Opposed = 19

Discussion ceases and we vote now for the motion:

For = 13

Opposed = 69

Minority speaks: *I'm concerned that character defects continue to happen over and over again. The Convention chair needs to be here and be responsive, but it is separate; we're responsible for any tax problems but our structures and guidelines don't allow us to remove "misbehaving" members from the convention committee; convention has 501©3 so they are not for profit, when they incorporated themselves without coming to the Area they have already severed the ties. I think we're enabling the convention to continue screwing up.*

Anyone wishes to change their vote? Yes. Seconded. Vote to reconsider.

For reconsideration = 20

Opposed = 56

Simple majority we will not consider so the motion is defeated.

Back to regular business:

Francesca makes a motion to take prior agenda items from the table for discussion.

For = 42

Opposed = 26

Motions will be discussed.

Francesca moves:

1) To add to the current (8.21.04) Structure & Guidelines for the Hawaii Area Assembly Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous section 3.7 Standing Committees where appropriate to read: "Literature- responsible for communications and the review process associated with Literature Trustees and Conference Committees' at GSO. Revise and update local flyers and literature. Update and revise and Structure & Guidelines, as needed.

Discussion: *my group votes against this.*

For = 21

Opposed = 40

Minority opinion: *I think it's a good motion. Let's say we pass something here today that needs updating. Who's responsibility is this? My group voted in favor of this proposal. It is to align these committees with GSO.*

Does anyone want to change their vote? No

Motion defeated.

Motion and seconded:

Motion is in the Structures and Guidelines to read: "Treatment Facilities: Coordinates the service work of individual AA members and groups who carry the message to alcoholics in treatment, hospitals, and medical clinics, set up means of bridging the gap from treatment to AA and works to clarify what AA can do and cannot do, within the Traditions, to help alcoholics in treatment, hospitals and medical clinics."

Discussion: *how many of you will really do the work of the committee? We can come and talk about how we like to do this and that, but if no one volunteers it doesn't matter; it's a good idea for everyone who says we don't have enough people to take care of specific populations; we discussed this and currently our treatment facility person is working the entire island of Hawaii. They think it's too big to put them together; I think it's too great for one to carry; I think it's too confusing to mix these together; it brings more people into service.*

For = 21

Opposed = 53

Minority speaks: *no matter how it goes, the work will get done; This is to align us with GSO so that I can have someone to talk to and am not out there on my own; if people were as dedicated to helping others as they were to themselves, we wouldn't have this problem.*

Anyone wish to change their vote? Yes, one changes vote. Seconded.

Request to reconsider = 26

Opposed = more than 51%

Motion and seconded:

"I make a motion to add to the GSR Orientation Informational Handbook under odd-year assemblies a second paragraph to read: At this assembly, GSR's will be assigned to serve on one of the standing committees. This will encourage GSR's to participate in committee work and establish a committee for the incoming standing committee chairs, thereby increasing communication between the home groups and the Hawaii Area."

Discussion: *my group didn't have a clear vote on this, but my initial reaction is no, this is too much; this is happening at other Areas where the GSR's are assigned to certain committees so this is just a suggestion; I believe in assigning service positions in AA but believe it is the job of a sponsor; as a GSR I served for 2 ½ years and I was so nervous at the assembly and I thought that everyone was superior to me. I always wanted to feel needed and if I was assigned to a committee I would have felt a part of and there were times as a Standing Committee chair that I could've used the bodies and I wouldn't make people do things that would make them go back out or feel overwhelmed; at least give this a try I think it's a great idea; our group had a problem with the word "assigned" so maybe we could have GSR's names in a hat and God could pick where they go; GSR's represent the groups not the Area; I'm against it because I'm the GSR and it's foreign to me and it's another commitment I have to make and it's not rational.*

Carl calls the question, seconded.

For = 58

Opposed = 7

Vote for the motion.

For = 31

Opposed = 35

Minority speaks: *for this motion because I think it will strengthen the standing committee structure and this is our strongest way to carry the message. Now for the new GSR it will help focus them to at least one committee structure; if I'm to become a better servant this will break the fear factor for me; I'm willing to go to any length to stay sober so I'll do this and I'm strong enough to say something if I can't do it; what if this is the missing link that we've been talking about, what do we have to lose by trying this? I asked to put this in the informational handbook so it's not etched in stone.*

Anyone wish to change their vote? One member.

Reconsider = 30

Opposed = 30

Pulled answer from the hat. Motion defeated.

Recap of what this body has done in the last two years. Rules of debate, S&G, GSR handbook, motion information, area paying all expenses for the delegate, contributions went up, informational website, bought new speaker system, attended special forum, airline credit card challenge, marriage birth and death, dark district problem solved, all issues that was brought to our attention was addressed, inventory was done on ourselves, utilized past delegate experience, all hosting districts did their jobs, met all challenges and the archive budget became a permanent line item. Before we close thanks for putting up with me.

Closed at 4:05.

**ELECTION ASSEMBLY – LEEWARD DISTRICT
NOVEMBER 20 & 21, 2004**



Saturday

08:00 Breakfast and Registration

09:00 Meeting Call to Order
Host DCM announcements
Need people to provide homestay
Reading from Service Manual:
* What Makes an A.A. 'Leader' by Bill W.
* Concept IX – speaking to the voter's about service workers
Acceptance of Recording Secretary Minutes – vote - accepted
Acceptance of Treasurer report – vote - accepted

09:40 Explanation of voting process:
Election Assembly will be turned over to Delegate – Don A.
Read third legacy.
Explained who can vote: GSRs (or alt if GSR not here), committee chairs,
DCMs (or alt), Area officers.

Position	Candidates	Ballot 1	Ballot 2	Ballot 3	Ballot 4	Ballot 5
Trustee at Large	Scott	53	55	48	52	Lost by hat
	Tanya	49	46	42	44	Won By Hat
Delegate	Sam	7 (100)	4 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Keith	28	35 (106)	37	59 (101)	59 (100) won by hat
	Jan	6	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sally	4	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Joe	26	31	31	42	41
	Francesca	20	29	30 (98) <1/3	with-drawn	
	Lyda	9	3 <1/5	withdrawn		
Alt. Delegate	Vern	11	7 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Nick	16	18	27 (99)		
	Doug	2	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Lisa	7	(101) 4 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Lyda	(100) 4	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sally	5	4 <1/5	withdrawn		

	Diana	1	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Bridgette	6	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Francesca	31	53	72	Won by vote	
	Christi	3	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sam	11	7 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Jan	3	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
Area Chair	Lyda	10	5 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Diana	2	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Arn	19	19 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Denny	12	9 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sally	3	4 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Jan	4	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Vernon	21	33	54	54	Won by hat
	Nick	26	31	48	47	
	Sam	6 (103)	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
Alt. Area Chair	Nick	44	56	66	Won by ballot	
	Darrell	4	3 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Jerry	18	(03) 22	30		
	Doug	1	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sally	2	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Diana	3	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sam	10	8 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Jan	(101) 4	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Bridgette	6	3 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Lyda	9	6 <1/5	withdrawn		
Treasurer	MaryAnn	27	33 (99)	38 (99)	49	Lost by hat
	Elizabeth	25	26	26 <1/3	withdrawn	
	Charlie	3	1 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Arn	5	1 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sally	12	8 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Jerry	26 (98)	30	35	50	Won by hat
Secretary	Tim	26	27	23 <1/3	withdrawn	
	Mike	12	6 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Bridget	28	29 (98)	27	32	Lost by hat
	Elizabeth	30 (96)	36	43 (93)	60 (92)	Won by hat
Registrar	Marianne	(98) 21	30	53	51	Lost by hat
	Joe	7	2 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Doug	2	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Dianna	1	1 (97) <1/5	withdrawn		
	Bridget	14	17 <1/5	withdrawn		

	Lyda	9	6 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Christi	1	0 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Fred	4	3 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Connie	11	10 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Tim	11	7 <1/5	withdrawn		
	Sam	17	21	41 (94)	46 (97)	Won by hat

4:00 Host DCM announcements

4:30 Pizza and adjournment

Sunday

08:00 Breakfast and Registration

09:00 Meeting Call to Order
Host DCM announcements

09:10 Standing committee reports
 PI: Paul – still need district reps – Sally volunteered for Windward.
 Elderly – Marion gave a great report.
 Corrections – Rick – needs women to correspond to women in prison
 Grapevine – Duane
 CPC – Francesca
 Mynah Byrd – Elizabeth – your DCM should have your Mynah Byrd. It's also available on the web site. Mynah-byrd@hawaii.rr.com. Don't know who the next incoming chair is. Topic for next one is incoming panel.
 Convention Committee – Lena – working with Puna district for location change. This year was a record year. Reviewing facility coordinator's position. Apologize for lack of attendance at assemblies. Thanks Jan for bringing up the issue of taking the convention out of the area umbrella. Asks to stay here because they want to be kept on their toes.
 Archives – Jan – gave kudos to Ted, the “real” archivist. She needed to do her business report first.
 Hospital – Joe – there has been the motion to combine treatment facilities with hospitals, but he still has gone into the hospitals – Laurie has been going into Castle every week for him. Note to self – ask her to be Windward Hospital committee chair.
 DCMs report
 Kihei – Vernon
 Puna – Sandy - 5 GSRs here today – all self-supporting

Manoa – Sam – not much has happened and didn't have elections yet due to low attendance at district meetings

Diamondhead – Darrell

Honolulu – David - Melia Disc will have thanksgiving dinner – new years alcathon.

Kauai – Jerry

Waikiki – ADCM - hosted fellowship potluck picnic after convention. Had district election. Christmas alcathon.

Nokoe – Wayne – had district elections – new DCM is Cliff. Did Unity Day with Kihei and West Maui.

Leeward – Darwin

Wainaiie – Bridget – Elections, Christmas and new years alcathons.

Central North Shore - Dianna – Valerie is new DCM. New meeting at Kaala district park.

West Hawaii - Marianne – Archie is new DCM. CPC committee workshop luncheon event.

East Hawaii – Alan – stepping in for DCM and ADCM. New DCM is Melissa. 3 GSRs here today.

Windward – Pat – ADCM – Elections. Sue is DCM. Dancette new ADCM. Kunane new Secretary, Pat new treasurer.

Acknowledge Fred for dedication and service. Planning workshops. Alcathons at Kokokai for Christmas and New years.

Intergroups report

West Hawaii – Valerie - Went to seminar in October in Denver

Maui - Colin – problems filling phone slots. Hosting thanksgiving alcathons, gratitude night.

Kauai – Mateo – big bank balance – lots of phone volunteers.

Using call forwarding. 24/7 coverage. Selling t-shirts, tanks, and spaghetti-tops.

Hilo – Suki – changing – central office up and running. Phones running well. Mike handling calendar. Thankathon.

Oahu – Robert – intergroup web site has a new master. Officer election will take place in December. Phone volunteers needed.

Give assistance to intergroup reps. Meetings will start at 6:30 pm starting Jan 13.

HICCYPA – Wayne, Tim

10:40 Break – **All 2005 Officers** please report to Area Chair at this time

10:55 Area Officers

Delegate report – Don gave copies to DCM.

Alt Delegate – Keith – Gave thanks to Sally.

Alt. Chair – Arn

Treasurer – Lyda

Secretary – Marcie

Registrar – Peggy Sue

Chair – Joe

11:30 Lunch

12:30 **Motion:** Marion B. - To make the “Cooperation with the Elderly Community” a Standing Committee of Hawaii Area 17 – vote - Stan and Marion gave an

informative and moving presentation. Motion was passed and it is now a standing committee.

Motion: Jan D. - "Hawaii State Annual Convention Standing Committee" to be removed from Structure & Guideline to be independent and function on its own – vote – motion was defeated

Take from the Table:

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3:55 Aloha Time – Joe summarized what we did in the past 2 years. Rules of debate incorporated in S&G. updated S&G. Area paid all of the delegate expenses. Contributions went up. Webmaster working well. New PA system. Solved dark district problems. Addressed all the issues. Did an inventory.

4:00 Host DCM announcements – Adjournment

HAWAII AREA 17
ELECTION ASSEMBLY
LEEWARD DISTRICT #3 - NOVEMBER 20-2012, 2004
DELEGATES REPORT

Aloha Friends in General Service

PACIFIC REGION TRUSREE'S REPORT NOVEMBER, 2004

Our Region Trustee's (Phyllis Healey) report on the General Service Board Weekend is attached. This report includes notes from the AAWS Board Meeting, the AA Grapevine Board Meeting, the General Service Board Meeting and summaries of eight trustees' committees.

CHAIRPERSON ELECT OF THE GENERAL SERVICE BOARD

Class A Trustee, Leonard Blumenthal, LLD

LITERATURE COMMITTEE QUARTERLY UPDATE FROM GSO

Eva Sanchez, Literature Coordinator gives us an update.

REQUESTS FROM GSO

Theme and Workshop Topics for the 2006 General Service Conference.

Speakers for the 2005 International Convention

THEAM AND WORKSHOP TOPIC FOR 2005

“BACICS OF OUR HOME GROUP ---- RECOVERY, UNITY, SERVICE

“DO I CARRY THE AA MESSAGE OR MY OWN

A.A.W.S. HIGHLIGHTS SEPTEMBER 2004

SELF SUPPORT – BIRTHDAY PLAN/ANNIVERSARY PLAN

Please find attached letter from GSO regarding Self-Support and the Birthday Plan. I have with me envelopes for all members, Districts and Groups.

PRAASA 2005 March 11-13, TUCSON, AZ

I have the application forms and brochure for you to give to your groups. Its not too early to start planning for this important service assembly.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION June 30-July 3, 2005

Well my friends, its time for me to rotate out of my position as your Hawaii Area 17 Delegate. What an honor you bestowed on me 2 years ago. It has been a privilege to represent you at the General Service Conference in New York and bringing back the message to you in my Reportbacks to the Districts and Homegroups and Workshops.

It has been a wonderful road we have been on together. You all helped me in my work, I could not have done it without your support.

Thank you.

In Love and Service,



Don A.

Hawaii Area 17 Delegate, Panel 53

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Proposal to merge the Hawaii Area Hospitals Standing Committee with The Treatment Facilities Standing Committee

The S&G currently reads (08.21.04):

Section 3.7, Item G

HOSPITALS*: Coordinates the service work of A.A. Groups and individuals who carry the message to alcoholics in hospitals and medical clinics.

Section 3.7, Item J

TREATMENT FACILITIES*: Coordinates the service work of individual A.A. members and groups who carry the message to alcoholics in treatment facilities, sets up means of bridging the gap from treatment to A.A. and works to clarify what A.A. can and cannot do, within the Traditions, to help alcoholics in treatment.

To read:

Treatment Facilities*: Coordinates the service work of individual A.A. members and groups who carry the message to alcoholics in treatment, hospitals, and medical clinics, set up means of bridging the gap from treatment to A.A. and works to clarify what A.A. can and cannot do, within the Traditions, to help alcoholics in treatment, hospitals and medical clinics.

Proposal to form a Hawaii Area Literature Standing Committee

Proposal is to establish a new standing committee for Literature.

The purpose would be to work with the Literature Trustees' and Conference Committee's at GSO. They work year round and send out reports quarterly informing our Area of developments regarding Literature.

Responsibilities will include revising and updating all local flyers (for example, So You Have To Go to A.A. and Hate the Idea and Bridging the Gap) and the Structure and Guidelines for the Hawaii Area Assembly Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Motion to add to the current (08.21.04) Structure and Guidelines for the Hawaii Area Assembly Committee of Alcoholics Anonymous section 3.7, Standing Committees where appropriate to read:

Literature – Responsible for communications and the review process associated with the Literature Trustees' and Conference Committees' at GSO. Revise and update local flyers and literature. Update and revise the Structure and Guidelines, as needed.

Proposal to add to the duties of the GSR's of the Hawaii Area.

Add to the GSR's Orientation Information Handbook under Orientation Assembly.

Currently reads under Odd-Year Terms

Orientation Assembly – This is the first assembly of the new panel/term for the incoming G.S.R.s. The purpose of this assembly is to familiarize the G.S.R.s with their duties and how Hawaii Area 17 functions. At this assembly, they will become acquainted with other members who will be working with them during their two-year term. To achieve this purpose, G.S.R.s participate in sharing sessions, also known as, Roundtables. The orientation facilitator is the incoming alternate delegate. G.S.R. responsibilities, introduction to the function of the Hawai'i Area, the roles that the 12 Traditions and the 12 Twelve Concepts play in area decision-making are a few of the topics that may be discussed in the G.S.R. Roundtables.

Regular area business items like various reports from service workers other than the G.S.R.s are, also on the agenda. So, the new G.S.R. would benefit best by listening first, then asking questions about issues that are still unclear to him/her. The pace is usually medium to fast. If a G.S.R. finds himself "lost," hang in there. Just as you were confused in the beginning of your sobriety when you first got here, chances are you will feel that way again. Do not be discouraged, because like your beginning, you'll catch on and everything will fall into place, if you continuously attend your district meetings and area assemblies. Also, feel free to ask for help.

Add a second paragraph.

Motion to add to the G.S.R. Orientation Informational Handbook under Odd-Year Assemblies a second paragraph to read:

At this assembly, G.S.R.'s will be assigned to serve on one of the standing committees. This will encourage G.S.R.'s to participate in committee work and establish a committee for the incoming standing committee chairs. Thereby, increasing communication between the home groups and the Hawaii Area.

MOTION: *Remove the Annual Hawaii Convention from the Hawaii Area Service Structure including Appendix C from the Structures and Guidelines.*

(Annual Hawaii Convention will become an activity of its own standing.)

WHAT IT WAS LIKE: Prior to July 25, 1976 the Annual Conference (now the Annual Hawaii Convention) was a committee of the Oahu Intergroup. Prior to January 1976, the Hawaii Area (as we know it today) did not exist. The first Hawaii Area Assembly was held at the Hawaii State Hospital Sunday January 25, 1976. At the Area Committee Meeting held February 15, 1976, an ad-hoc committee was formed to study and recommend the feasibility of the State taking over functions of the Oahu Intergroup that included:

- Operation of Central Office (Meeting room, Phone Service, Public Information)
- Publishing the Mynah Bird
- Book Bank
- Annual AA Conference headed by a Steering Committee; two Round-Ups per year.

Although there are no minutes available from the Hawaii Area or Oahu Intergroup on the actual changes recommended by the ad-hoc committee, the Mynah Bird reports the following was agreed to"... that Intergroup limit its functions to the effective and efficient operation of the Oahu Central Office. This would include providing centralized phone service, 12th step call referrals, the book bank, "AA contact with the community," and financing for all of the above."

"The State Committee in turn would take responsibility for Assemblies, the Annual Conference (now the Hawaii Annual Convention), the Round-Ups, the Public Information and Hospitals & Institutions activities, and the publication of the MYNAH BIRD. All are considered vital AA service activities for the entire State. Many of these had been coordinated through Intergroup before the Area Structure was developed."

At the July 25, 1976, Hawaii Area Assembly, it was noted in the minutes that the ad-hoc committee report was accepted in total by Oahu Intergroup. "The Hawaii Area has now assumed responsibility of the publishing of the MYNAH BIRD, Round-Ups and the Annual Conference. The chairmen of these committees are to sit as voting members of the Hawaii Area Assembly."

WHATS HAPPENED:

Hawaii Area's purpose is two-fold:

- Informing the delegate
- Carrying the message to the suffering alcoholic through committee work.

- 1) Too much time is being spent on discussing what the Annual Hawaii Convention Steering Committee and the Convention is doing or not doing taking away from the Area's primary purpose.
- 2) The Annual Hawaii Convention Steering Committee has not done what was asked of them by the Hawaii Assembly with respect to reviewing, researching and reporting on the Puna proposal to have the Convention rotate between islands.
- 3) The passage of Appendix C of the Hawaii Area Structures and Guidelines in August 2004, effectively deletes the Area's participation in the Steering Committee (by changing the Steering Committee membership from six to seven members.) The quorum remained five, possibly removing the roles of the Alt Area Delegate and Alt Area Chairman as the overseer of the Traditions and Concepts and their Principles. Since the area officers are not required to be in attendance to have a quorum, therefore, they will not be required to vote.
- 4) Appendix C, paragraph 5.15 states, "Any overage (so called profit) shall be reinvested into the Convention if necessary to reduce ticket prices and/or divided among Hawaii Area and all island Intergroups." The 2001 Convention profit was shared among the Intergroups, by vote of the Convention Steering Committee a share was not provided to Hawaii Area. No allocation of monies has been made by the Convention since 2001.
- 5) For the last three years the Convention Steering Committee Chairmen have not fulfilled their commitment as a Hawaii Area Standing Committee. They rarely show up to the Assemblies or Committee meetings, or they provide a report and leave. As Standing Committee Chairmen, they are required to be available throughout the Assembly to provide information about the Convention, and to participate fully in their service commitment including voting on all motions.
- 6) The Annual Hawaii Convention became a separate entity by incorporation on September 16, 2003. The Steering Committee filed Articles of Incorporation documents with the State of Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Business Registration Division as a not for profit organization. Naming the corporation "The Annual Hawaii Convention, Inc. making the Steering Committee, or the Convention a separate business entity unto themselves (not part of the AREA). After filing the new corporation documents, **NO** appropriate 501(c)3 name change documents were filed with the I.R.S. So **neither** the "**THE HAWAII AA STATE CONFERENCE**" **NOR** "**THE ANNUAL HAWAII CONVENTION, INC**" are legal entities with **both** government offices.
- 7) The new name has **not been registered with the IRS** as of 10-28-2004.
- 8) Hawaii form D-6 **has not** been filed for exemption of General Excise Tax. How many years are owed?
- 9) The Convention filed the state annual tax exemption information return due September 30, 2004; it has been returned to the Convention as not being filed properly.

10) Is the registered agent on the Business Registration paperwork, the only responsible agent for the corporation, or was Appendix C filed with the State making the "Steering Committee" as a whole responsible for the Convention? Have we screwed over another trusted servant?

WHAT WE WANT IT TO BE:

All of the above information was obtained from PUBLIC RECORDS; my question is this the tip of the iceberg or are there more problems with the Convention? Therefore, I and many other AA members request the removal of "**THE HAWAII AA STATE CONFERENCE**" OR "**THE ANNUAL HAWAII CONVENTION, INC.**" from the Hawaii Area along with its Appendix C.

HAWAII AREA # 17
Treasurers Report
November 20, 2004

Balance Sheet

ASSETS:

First Hawaiian Bank, Checking	\$17,596.99
First Hawaiian Bank, Savings	\$ 3,508.18
Total Checking/Savings	<u>\$21,105.17</u>
Total Current Assets	\$21,105.17
Total Contributions Income	\$19,362.85
Total Expenses	<u>\$16,406.37</u>
Net Income	\$ 2,956.48

Aloha Hawaii Area # 17:

It has been a pleasure working with all of you for the past two years. As you can see we are healthy and will be going into the next year solvent.

Mahalo,

Lyda J. [redacted]

11/16/04

**Hawaii Area Committee
Balance Sheet
As of November 21, 2004**

Nov 21, 04

ASSETS**Current Assets****Checking/Savings**

Bank Card Center 5.00

First Hawaiian Bank, Checking 17,596.99

First Hawaiian Bank, Savings 3,508.18

Total Checking/Savings 21,110.17

Total Current Assets 21,110.17

TOTAL ASSETS 21,110.17

LIABILITIES & EQUITY**Equity**

Opening Bal Equity 9,963.28

Retained Earnings 8,190.41

Net Income 2,956.48

Total Equity 21,110.17

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 21,110.17

1:40 PM

11/16/04

Accrual Basis

**Hawaii Area Committee
Profit & Loss
January 1 through November 21, 2004**

Jan 1 - Nov 21, 04

Income

Contributions Income (Dist.) 18,881.92

Other Contributions 480.93

Total Income 19,362.85

Expense

Bank Service Charges 35.45

Hawaii Area As A Whole - Detail 14,485.35

Hawaii Area Standing Committies 1,208.50

Uncategorized Expenses 677.07

Total Expense 16,406.37

Net Income 2,956.48

**Hawaii Area Committee
Profit & Loss Budget Overview
January through December 2004**

	<u>Jan - Dec 04</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg.		
Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg. - Other	0.00	-100.00
Total Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg.	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-100.00</u>
HASC - Archive -Ted Kramer		
Storage/Supplies	0.00	-500.00
Total HASC - Archive -Ted Kramer	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-500.00</u>
HASC - Archives		
Display Materials	0.00	-100.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Printing/Postage	0.00	-300.00
Supplies	0.00	-50.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
Total HASC - Archives	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-630.00</u>
HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.		
Litterature	130.43	-325.00
Paper,Printing, Copying	151.79	-275.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Total HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.	<u>282.22</u>	<u>-620.00</u>
HASC - Corrections		
Books/Videos/Literature	110.00	-300.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage & Printing	0.00	-50.00
Rent	0.00	0.00
Workshops	0.00	-160.00
Total HASC - Corrections	<u>110.00</u>	<u>-530.00</u>
HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional		
Literature/Videos	51.00	-162.00
Postage/Phone	0.00	-94.00
Printing	24.00	-75.00
Travel	0.00	-320.00
Total HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional	<u>75.00</u>	<u>-651.00</u>
HASC - Finance Committee		
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage	0.00	-36.00
Printing &Next Yrs. Bdgt.	0.00	-100.00
Total HASC - Finance Committee	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-156.00</u>
HASC - Grapevine		
Display/Literature	0.00	-100.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Printing/Postage	0.00	-40.00
Subscriptions to give	0.00	-50.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
Total HASC - Grapevine	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-370.00</u>

**Hawaii Area Committee
Profit & Loss Budget Overview
January through December 2004**

	<u>Jan - Dec 04</u>	<u>Budget</u>
HASC - Hospitals		
Literature	12.00	-150.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage	0.00	-37.00
Printing	0.00	-75.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
Workshops	0.00	-50.00
Total HASC - Hospitals	<u>12.00</u>	<u>-492.00</u>
HASC - Mynah Bird		
Misc., Postage, Phone, etc.	13.00	-100.00
Printing (100 copies per issue	315.75	-500.00
Total HASC - Mynah Bird	<u>328.75</u>	<u>-600.00</u>
HASC - PI (Public Information)		
Literature/Public Service Anns.	151.82	-350.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage/Correspondence	37.00	-37.00
Printing/ Stationary	41.65	-50.00
Workshops/Travel	0.00	-320.00
Total HASC - PI (Public Information)	<u>230.47</u>	<u>-777.00</u>
HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)		
Literature	92.75	-210.00
Phone	39.99	-20.00
Postage & Stationery	35.25	-37.00
Printing	108.30	-14.00
Rent	0.00	-120.00
Travel	0.00	-320.00
Workshops	0.00	-100.00
Total HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)	<u>276.29</u>	<u>-821.00</u>
Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole		
Area Mtgs		
Area Committee Mtgs. Fees	900.00	-1,200.00
Assembly Reg. Fee	300.00	-1,500.00
Assembly Registration Fees	300.00	
Literature	0.00	-75.00
Area Mtgs - Other	41.23	
Total Area Mtgs	<u>1,541.23</u>	<u>-2,775.00</u>
Area Phone		
Alt.Delegate	0.00	-25.00
Area Chair/Alt.Area Chair	0.00	-25.00
Delegate/Alt.Delegate	0.00	-25.00
Total Area Phone	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-75.00</u>
Area Postage		
Agendas & Minutes	0.00	-150.00
Alt Chair	0.00	-15.00
Area Chair	0.00	-30.00

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	<u>Jan - Dec 04</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Area Postage	39.96	
Delegate	21.70	-20.00
Delegate/Alt.Delegate	19.03	
Financial (incl budget)	37.00	-26.00
Other Area Officers	0.00	-15.00
Total Area Postage	<u>117.69</u>	<u>-256.00</u>
Area Printing		
2003Yr.end rpt.	153.05	-70.00
Agendas , Minutes & Registration	43.20	-150.00
Area Chair & Alt. Chair	0.00	-50.00
Delegate/Alt.Delegate	1,104.07	-200.00
Financial	0.00	-200.00
GSR Guide	0.00	-100.00
Misc.	88.05	
Structure & Guidelines	28.33	-85.00
Area Printing - Other	34.37	
Total Area Printing	<u>1,451.07</u>	<u>-855.00</u>
General Sv Conf		
Hotel	0.00	-500.00
Meals	0.00	-100.00
Min. Registration	0.00	-800.00
Transportation & Misc.	0.00	-50.00
General Sv Conf - Other	1,200.00	
Total General Sv Conf	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>-1,450.00</u>
Insurance	400.00	-450.00
Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs		
Area Off. & Stand., Com. (est. 8x9)	4,498.60	-6,400.00
Delegate's Report 1.5	338.78	-320.00
Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs - Other	1,241.45	
Total Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs	<u>6,078.83</u>	<u>-6,720.00</u>
Office Supplies		
Computer	0.00	-40.00
Officers	8.28	-40.00
Registra	0.00	-15.00
Secretary	0.00	-50.00
Treasurer		
Treasurer - Other	254.16	-40.00
Total Treasurer	<u>254.16</u>	<u>-40.00</u>
Total Office Supplies	262.44	-185.00
Pacific Forum		
Airfare 2 @ \$600.	725.34	-1,200.00
Food 2 @ \$150.	115.00	-300.00
Hotel 2 @ \$300.	310.50	-600.00
Transp/Misc 2 @ \$30	20.00	-60.00
Total Pacific Forum	<u>1,170.84</u>	<u>-2,160.00</u>

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PRASSA		
Airfare 2 @ \$600	749.49	-1,200.00
Banquet 2 @ \$25	47.00	-50.00
Delegate Lunch 1 @ \$20	0.00	-20.00
Hotel 2@200	1,080.53	-400.00
Meals	130.00	-250.00
PRASSA Tapes 1 set @ \$70	79.00	-50.00
Registration 2 @ \$15.	0.00	-30.00
Transportation/ Misc. 2 @ \$25	71.00	-50.00
Total PRASSA	<u>2,157.02</u>	<u>-2,050.00</u>
Trustee Visit		
Trustee Visit - Other	0.00	0.00
Total Trustee Visit	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Web Site	0.00	-120.00
Total Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole	<u>14,379.12</u>	<u>-17,096.00</u>
Other	677.07	
No name	35.45	0.00
TOTAL	<u><u>16,406.37</u></u>	<u><u>-23,343.00</u></u>

PROPOSAL TO MAKE THE "COOPERATION WITH THE ELDER COMMUNITY" A STANDING COMMITTEE OF AREA 17

Proposal:

The disease of alcoholism in the senior population is under-recognized, under-diagnosed, misdiagnosed, and under-treated. It is a growing problem worldwide.

Elder alcoholics are unlikely to seek help because of stigma, shame, cost and transportation issues. They are often called "invisible" alcoholics and tend to hide their drinking. Older folks who have bar hopped for years and years claim they do not want anyone to know they have joined A.A. Even those with years of recovery are reluctant to share their story for fear of being ostracized by the community.

Under diagnosis and misdiagnosis of alcoholism in the elderly is rampant. It may be diagnosed as another illness: depression, dementia, fatigue, insomnia, falls, chronic pain, and impotence. The danger of alcohol and medication interaction is heightened in the senior population. Physicians fix the broken leg after a fall but tend not to investigate why the patient fell. Often it was because the patient was drunk.

Family members are ashamed of, or unaware of the problem, and often do not address it. Let Grandpa Henry have his booze, after all how many more years does he have. Recently we heard about the recovering alcoholic who came into the program at the age of 83. He died at 89 and let one and all know that the last six years of his life was the very best yet.

All around us are seniors whom alcohol has robbed of hope, dignity, and the ability to cope. The A.A. program, as set forth in the Twelve Steps to recovery, offers the alcoholic an opportunity to develop a satisfying way of life free, from alcohol.

We, "chronologically gifted" folk are sometimes "chronologically challenged". We prefer to move at a slower pace. We may have hearing problems and transportation problems. We may abhor bad language. We may have difficulty relating to the "issues" at younger folks meetings.

Tailoring groups to older adults is a beneficial way to address some of the problems described. "Sober over Sixty, (SOS)" is the name of a group we launched in our West Hawaii district to provide an opportunity for older folks to explore our program in a comfortable, safe, and hospitable environment.

The purpose of this committee is to carry the message to the older alcoholic. The workbook and resource review is attached to describe the efforts to be made.

Motion:

To make the "Cooperation with the Elder Community" a standing committee of Area 17.

Budget for the year 2005 not to exceed \$500 and will be used for literature, printing, postage, phone, slides.