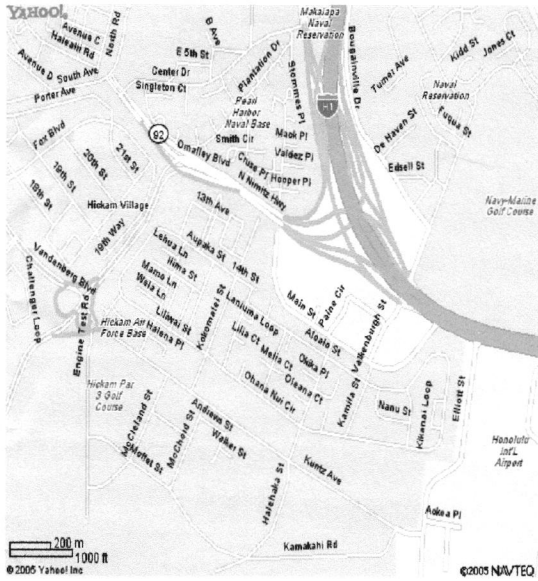


# INVENTORY

## St. George's Episcopopol Church Hall

## January 21 & 22, 2006

## Hosted by Waianae District



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Transportation : Corrina [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Registration: Tanya [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Homestay: Bridgette [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

DCM: Amber [REDACTED]

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8:00	BREAKFAST & REGISTRATION	SUNDAY JANUARY 22
9:00	CALL TO ORDER	
	<del>SERENITY PRAYER-READING OF LITERATURE</del>	
	<del>HOST DCM ANNOUNCEMENTS</del>	
	<del>ACCEPTANCE OF RECORDING SECRETARY'S MINUTES -VOTE</del>	
	<del>ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT-VOTE</del>	
	AREA OFFICERS REPORTS	
	a. RECORDING SECRETARY	
	b. REGISTRAR	
	<del>c. ALTERNATE DELEGATE</del>	
	<del>d. ALTERNATE AREA CHAIR</del>	
	<del>e. TREASURER</del>	
	<del>f. AREA CHAIR</del>	
<del>10:00</del>	DELEGATE REPORT	
<del>10:15</del>	STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS	
<del>10:30</del>	BREAK	
<del>10:45</del>	STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS	
<del>11:30</del>	DCM REPORTS	
	<del>INTERGROUP REPORTS</del>	
	<del>HICYPAA, ICCYPAA REPORTS</del>	
<del>12:00</del>	LUNCH	
<del>1:00</del>	REPORTS CONTINUED	
<del>1:15</del>	<del>OLD BUSINESS</del>	
	<del>AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ARCHIVES</del>	
	<del>NEW BUSINES</del>	
	<del>PROPOSALS - LIMIT SPENDING ON UNBUGETED LINE ITEMS</del>	
<del>2:00</del>	TANYA- THE ROLE OF MINORITY OPINION	
2:15	BREAK	
2:30	WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND? QUESTIONS, ISSUES CONCERNS, CONITUNE	
	INVENTORY ITEMS IF NEEDED	
4:00	AJOURN-PRAYER	

**NOTE: AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE BECAUSE OF TIME MANAGEMENT**



**Hawaii Area #17 Inventory Assembly  
January 21-22, 2006  
Waianae District**

**Saturday, January 21, 2006**

**Meeting opened @ 9:00 am with the Serenity Prayer.**

**Reading of Literature – Unity Statement by Nick**

**Opening Remarks – Area Chair Vernon**

Introduction of new GSRs, DCM's and Standing Committee Chairs

Introduction of Area Officers

New Members, please update your information with Registrar, T.

Recording Secretary apologizes for being late with the agenda and inventory documents.

Assembly broke up into Roundtables: DCM's, GSRs, Standing Committees and Intergroup Chairs.

**GSR Roundtable:** GSR Checklist Read and discussed by Scotty C., past Delegate. GSRs participated, responding to some of the questions and sharing experience, strength & hope.

**Inventory: Broke up into 4 groups for the Inventory process.**

**Back as a big group: All groups had a very productive session. Recorders from each group gave a summary of results of the inventory. \*\*Summary is attached to these minutes\*\***

**Open Mike:** I have a concern that fliers are not allowed to be posted on web site but are allowed to be handed out at Assemblies. I would like to see an Ad Hoc Committee formed to see how we can improve our Standing Committees.

**Acceptance of Secretary's minutes** – Dates of the February Committee Meeting to be changed from June 24 in the minutes, to June 17. The Inventory Assembly is being hosted by Waianae District, and the February Committee Meeting by Kihei. Motion to accept as amended, seconded and approved.

**Acceptance of Treasurers Report** – Everyone given full copies, asked to review before approval. Q. Why is there a discrepancy between the Oct. 2005 report and the current 2005 Year End reports in Grapevine, Treatment and International Convention line items? A. The GV October was a mis-posting, the International Convention was also a mis-posting and I will investigate the Treatment difference. Motion to accept, 2 opposed. I don't feel comfortable approving this report as there is a discrepancy. There are many other discrepancies. Voted to revote, discussion opened and there was a decision to table.

**Registrar – T** – No written report submitted.

**Sunday January 22, 2006**

**Meeting opened @ 9:00 am with the Serenity Prayer.**

**Serenity Prayer and Literature Reading: The Area Committee, Chapter 5 of the Service Manual.**

**Host DCM Announcements.**

**Role of the Minority Opinion – Tanya E. - Past Delegate**

Going to talk a little about Concept 5, and then about all the Concepts, as what I heard at the Inventory yesterday in response to "Are We Informed on the Concepts" was a resounding NO. This is based with my own personal experience with the Concepts, of which I studied at length during my second year as Delegate. As a result of this studying, I had a sort of spiritual awakening. Since then I have tried to applied these Concepts in my service work. Everyone seems to be somewhat familiar with Concept 1, as it relates to the Group Conscious and is closely related to Tradition 2. What a lot of people overlook, is that the next 11 Concepts deals with how to delegate these responsibilities. As a past delegate to the Hawaii Area I still recall the spiritual power of participating in the General Service Conference. Today I often get that same feeling when I participate in a group conscience at an Area assembly, or in my own home group. It seems to me that this very democratic process set out by Bill W. in Tradition II and Concept V so many years ago does, in fact, operate exactly as Bill envisioned – ensuring that AA remains democratic in thought and action. Tradition II provides the spiritual basis for our decision making. Through *informed* discussion and voting our individual conscience our Higher Power speaks to us. Concept V ensures that the minority opinion is given a fair hearing, and provides that petitions for redress be given careful consideration. Bill writes in his Concept V essay that if

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we protect the minority's right to be heard "...we shall never be subjected to the tyranny of either the majority or the minority ... (Service Manual, p. 25). As a frequent member of the minority, it is sometimes difficult for me to know when I have had a full and fair hearing, been given ample opportunity to make my case, and when it is time to let go and let the group move on. One of the dangers, as a minority member, is being unwilling to accept the group conscience, and instead to continue to press my point of view using any maneuver I can muster – essentially holding the group hostage by being unwilling to accept that I have been unable to sway them to my way of thinking. Such actions fly in the face of the spirit of humility and sacrifice that are basic principles of the 12 Traditions. Sacrifice of my personal ego is vital not only for my own spiritual development, but also for the sake of AA's long term survival. I must sometimes sacrifice my best thinking, my best opinion for the sake of AA unity. I've had to learn to cease my efforts to lobby, cajole, harass, and beat the group up with endless new and creative motions to push my personal agenda, and accept the decision of the group. To do otherwise puts me in conflict with others and with that Power greater than myself whom I trust has a plan for me and for AA. Being a member of the minority involves more than making sure that I'm endlessly heard—being in the minority also means that at some point I am responsible to let go, move on, and let the group do likewise. After all, nowhere in Tradition II or Concept V does Bill say that simply being a minority voice means that I am automatically right! I cannot simply talk about unity; I must behave in such a way as to be a force for unity. This means keeping an open mind, listening to others, and remembering to step aside and have the grace to let go and let God. Attitudes not easily cultivated by this alcoholic

**Area Chair: Plan to have a Concept presented each Assembly and Committee Meetings.**

**Area Officers Reports**

**Treasurer – Jerry -** Discussion: we went over the report line item by line item. The current budget you have is accurate, the October one is incorrect. I would ask for a corrected report. Jerry: I think it would be difficult to amend a previous report. Motion to accept report, seconded, all in favor.

**Alt. Delegate – Francesca** – The first thing to address is the Structure and Guidelines. Just a little note, this is a tool to help the Area do business, it is not meant to be a hammer to beat someone over the head with. So moved by the Area Assembly in August Appendix C in regards to the Convention Steering Committee found on C-1. 3rd line in paragraph 1. Where it reads, "A quorum shall be 5 out of 7 members." Change it so it reads, "A quorum shall be 5 out of 6 members present." The last line in number 2 which reads "The Facilities Coordinator Chair for one year." Delete that line. I continue to serve on the Convention Steering Committee. I'd like to thank those of you who had the opportunity to attend the 2005 Hawaii Annual Convention and encourage those of you here today to register early for this year's event as expenses have already begun to incur. Thank you for all your comments on question 18 of the inventory in regards to the website fulfilling its purpose. Read the purpose of the Website. Remember, this is a tool to help enhance the relationship, not to relieve anyone of their duties and responsibilities as a trusted servant in providing the necessary information eliminating the face to face or phone conversation. There has been misinformation flying around about the Hawaii Area Archives. DCM's & GSR's please remember that when taking information back to your home groups, ideas, recommendations and discussions that come from the floor are just that. Noting that action is only taken after a written proposal or recommendation is brought to the Assembly and thoroughly discussed and voted on. At the October Committee Meeting there was discussion where I stated that in a conversation with Ted that he would be willing to let go of the archives if the Area found an adequate facility to house the archives and that he would be willing to step down as the permanent archivist and serve in any capacity that the Area deemed necessary. I have a few who have shown interest in sitting on this committee and would like to invite anyone who may be willing to sit on this AD-Hoc committee to join us for our first meeting today at lunch to define our purpose and how we will go about achieving that objective. I do have a letter from Ted to Sandy stating his intentions and vision for the Hawaii Archives. Finally, my sincerest apologies to Hawaii Area 17; as I am unable to fulfill my commitment as Alternate Delegate. It will be necessary for me to step down in June. I am leaving the island to join my son and his wife in Tucson, Arizona where they have opened up a store. Epic Mobile Communications. It was not an easy decision to make and in discussions with my son I expressed to him about my A.A. commitment here. His response, "We have AA here, too. You can do it here." Ad Hoc Committee is a committee that is formed to do research on an issue and report back to the Assembly. I will be unable to fulfill my commitment as Alt. Delegate, as I am moving to Tucson, AZ. I will be stepping down in June.

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**Alternate Area Chair – Nick -** Finance Committee: Enjoyed the commitment, will be working toward 2007 budget. Convention Steering Committee: Cost incurred for travel for me to attend monthly meetings, added to extra 2005 expenses for Area. Great experience, learning more, seeing this year as a pivotal year regarding attendees, revenue and expenses. Need support from everybody. Area Officer: Inventory enlightening and I have taken feedback to heart. Reviewed common points of interest and will talk to Area Officers. Lastly, need for districts hosting committee meetings or Area Assemblies to send me the registration forms before distributing for my review. Hawaii Area contact sheet is confidential; the email addresses listed on the sheet are for AA business only. I would hope that persons would not violate this confidentiality. Please no forwards!

**Area Chair – Vernon – Area Chair – Vernon –** Welcome all new GSRs and DCMs to your first Assembly. It's great to be back together again. I have missed getting together with Are and the unity and fellowship that our Assemblies and Committee meetings foster. For many of us we are entering our second year in our service positions. In the past I have been challenged to maintain the same level of enthusiasm and excitement in the second year. So I am excited about starting out 2006 with out Inventory Assembly and hope it will benefit all of us by taking a look at where we are, where we are going and what changes need to be addressed. I had asked input form all the Area before creating the Inventory as it is. I hope I have included all of your suggestions in one form or another. AS the Inventory took shape I saw some questions were repetitive or covering the same ground with different wording. Some subject matter was more relevant to the group, district or individual. I have tried to adapt those to Area where possible. For the sake of time management I had to keep the Inventory to a certain length so we could practically move through it. I borrowed the best from all the sources I could find and appreciate everyone's contribution. Beyond this weekend I am looking forward to PRAASA and participating with other Area chairs and those in all levels of General Service. I learned a lot and came back very excited and challenged. In our February Committee meeting we will be receiving from our Delegate all the agenda items for the next General Service Conference and will begin our preparations. I attended the Hawaii Convention, and saw many of you there and enjoyed the fellowship and hearing the experience, strength and hope from all those who participated. I love the big events that bring us all together and remind me of the bug picture of AA. I felt honored to speak briefly and welcome all of the attendees. I am grateful for my sobriety and new life that AA has given me. I am excited about serving as Chair for the Area in 2006. I thank Waianae District for all the hard work they have put into making this event happen. As a new DCM three years ago, hosting an Assembly in District I remember the great challenge we were faced with and the unity it brought to our District. Again I welcome all new GRS and DCMs to the Area and look forward to 2006 and fulfilling our primary purpose. For those in attendance for their first Assembly, seeing AAs unique process in action while conducting Area business is one of the joys of service. Seeing us bring up the issue of the day, facing our Area, discussing, voting, listening to the Minority Opinion and coming to a group conscious gives me hope for us humans and an example for the rest of my life and affairs. I trust we will treat each other with the honor and respect we deserve as sober men and women. In April we will have a special election for Alt Delegate. DCM's: You are the vital communication link! Please, please get the information out there to your GSRs in time for them to be informed for the assemblies. My responsibility is to get the agenda out 30 days in advance. Special Election for Alt. Delegate will be at our next assembly in April. Qualifications for the Alt Delegate position read from the AA Service Manual.

**Delegate – Keith -** I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable New Years filled with family and friends. I want to express my deep appreciation for you all who have worked so hard to help the next alcoholic. It is incredible how fast time flies. It has been the most amazing privilege to serve this past year. The rewards of serving are beyond anything I can describe. **General Service Board Weekend January 26<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>**: Last year at the GSC I was elected to serve as Delegate Chair of a Conference Committee on Agenda. This allows me the privilege to attend one of the General Service Board Meetings which is held quarterly. I will be in New York from 25 – 31 of this month. Attending will give me the opportunity to participate in the Trustees Committees and to observe more about our fellowship. **PRAASA (Pacific Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) March 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> 2006** PRAASA will be held in Woodland Hills CA. I have flyers available for you to take back to your groups. If you have not been to a PRAASA, this is an experience you must not miss. It has rejuvenated me in the past and encouraged me to become a more informed servant. You will get an opportunity to hear how other Areas are carrying the message. In the sharing sessions you also hear how other people are dealing with adversity that may be similar to situations you've encountered. This year we are bidding for the 2009 PRAASA to come to Hawaii. It would be incredible if we had a large number of members from Hawaii in attendance to support our intent to bid. Elizabeth, our recording secretary, has been very instrumental in preparing our bid. I want to publicly thank her for her hard work and service. I am compiling a list of all who have registered and

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would like to participate in the PRAASA program. Please see me at the break or at lunch. **The 56<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference April 23<sup>rd</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>** The theme of this years GSC will be: "Sponsorship, Service, and Self-Support in a Changing World." I am already looking forward to some of the presentations that will arise from this theme which include "Changes in the Alcoholic Coming to AA" "Responsibility with Accountability" and "Gratitude Through Self-Sacrifice" to name just a few. The full Conference Agenda will be available after February 15<sup>th</sup>. At the February Committee Meeting I will distribute a final Agenda to all Committee members.

This is one of my favorite Assemblies because we get to see how we can improve on carrying the message to the fellow sufferer. My hope for this Assembly is that we can come up with ideas that we implement into a course of action for the present and future of AA. Our 9<sup>th</sup> concept talks about vision being an all important attribute. I know this is hard for an alcoholic like me to think about the future when I have been trained to think "one day at a time." Bill W. wrights "Vision is therefore the very essence of prudence, an essential virtue if ever there was one." He goes on to say "we shall often miscalculate the future in whole or part, but that is better than to refuse to think at all." So I ask you in this Inventory Assembly to be visionaries, to think about our future, and how we can better carry this life saving message. We all know that there are plenty of us still walking in the darkness of this deadly disease. Thank you again for this amazing opportunity to serve.

**Intergroup & Other Reports**

**Kauai Intergroup – Mathea –** Purpose: To handle local AA issues for the island of Kauai including schedules, phones, activities, literature and issues of island unity. Our Island now has a newsletter. It's produced as a joint effort of Intergroup and District. Two issues have been published and were well received. More and more events have been suggested as appropriate for this handsomely made document. Our new AA schedules are about ready to be published. We have 54 meetings on Kauai. 2006 sees the return of the Kauai Round-Up. The dates are: May 27-29 at Camp Slugget in Kokee. The capacity is 50 places, so make reservations early. The activities committee is planning a Valentines event. The committee has enough money from its previous events to be self-supporting. Fliers for a day hike are also being circulated. Our new Intergroup office has been in existence almost two years. Both district and Intergroup meet in the Intergroup rooms, as do four AA meetings. We have graduated from a month-to-month lease to a yearly lease and are operating in the black.

**West Hawaii Intergroup – Mike –** Contact number: 936-3063. Thanks for the Intergroup Round table at this Area Assembly. Events since August: East-West Softball game in Waimea coordinated by both East & West Hawaii Intergroups. Halloween Party; Christmas Alkathon put on by Koloa group; New Years Alkathon by KKAA; Thanksgiving Party by Aloha Ohana. Future events include softball game February 12 at the Old Airport and St Patrick's get together on March 19. Idea of raising prudent reserve from 3 to 4 months has been put out for the groups to give feedback. Intergroup currently updating 12-step lists, our tele-service program is going very well with phones manned by "live" alcoholics 7 nights a week.

**East Hawaii – Ben –** I am honored and grateful to serve as the new Co-Chair of east Hawaii Intergroup. We just had a re-election of officers. Francis M. is the new Chairperson. Intergroup is alive and well. We are in the process of re-organizing and staying active.

**Oahu Intergroup – Zeke –** Good news we are staying put central office is not moving. We want to thank the following for assistance in acquiring this building with all your hard work we have a place to go. Na Po Pakiki; Sick Ones; South Side; Black Experience and Danny O for all the community service. We are having an inventory on February 25, 2006 in front of McCoy pavilion at 10am. We will be covering our by-laws, web site policy. Please send your representative. Intergroup meeting will be moved once quarterly. March 18, 2003 11am St Georges (Saturday). Founders Day will be held on June 10th, 2006 on the west side. We are planning a camp out in August during Admissions Day 18-20<sup>th</sup>. Would like to see if the fellowship is up for an island wide Alkathon held here at St Georges, that means we would ask all districts not to hold an Alkathon during Thanksgiving. We still need volunteers for to man the phones at night contact central office. We have a new webmaster things will updated on a regular basis. We apologize for an inconvenience this may have caused anyone. Comment: February 25 is the Committee Meeting. The inventory date will be changed. Q. We have talked about a multi island Intergroup event, is that in the works? A. We have talked about this, but nothing has been set yet. I would like to see a state wide camp out or round up, uniting all Intergroups.

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**Maui Intergroup – Nicky** – Maui Intergroup is staying productive and interactive. I am grateful to be here this weekend sharing with you our progress and what we've been doing to support our efforts for Central Office and the newcomer. **Central Office Report:** Bob C attended a seminar for Central Office Managers, nationwide in October 2005. One of the topics was selling AA related materials through Central Office. After taking this topic to our home groups it was decided that the selling of chips and other items such as "drunk junk" and non conference approved literature was not approved. There are 124 timeslots needed to answer phones at Central Office. At present 50-60% of these slots are filled. We need more "phone angels" to be of service. Literature Sales have been slow as we have had lapses from receiving material from GSO. We are looking for a solution to this problem. 1,000 schedules are being printed monthly as they are now free to take on a 3 month trial basis. Intergroup is absorbing the 6% copy cost to print them. The group conscience arrived at this decision due to the importance of having an abundance of schedules available. This compared to the 500 a month that we were printing and charging 15 cents before. **GAZETTE:** The Gazette is a success! Our editor Jule is looking for support with a larger staff. The Gazette is online and subscriptions are available. The Gazette which runs \$400 a month for 500 issues includes mailings to Lanai, Molokai, Hana and various subscriptions. **Treasurers Report:** Our total income to date for the year 2005 was \$30,349.98. These are contributions from 45 groups. Our expenses were \$29,718.32. Leaving Intergroup with \$631.66. **Upcoming Events:** Central Office Bash is Sunday, March 5, 2006. Can do Maui Men's Stag Retreat and Golf Tournament - March 2 – March 5 at Camp Oluwalu. If you are attending Prassa in California March 3-5, I will be seeing you there also. Maui Women's Retreat – April 7 – 9 at Camp Kaenae. I have flyers and registrations forms with me. Maui Fest #3 – May 31-June 4th at the Sheridan Maui in Kaanapali. **Maui Intergroup Inventory:** We have printed up copies of: The Central Office Purpose; The Maui Preamble and the Responsibilities of our Group; An Intergroup Inventory. The purpose is to keep our group informed and find ways to become more effective in being of service to the newcomer. I thank you for letting me be of service of service. I am a responsible member of AA and always desire to be helpful in carrying the message.

**ICYPAA – Keith** – Meets on Maui at Kalama Park, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, pancake breakfast at 9:30 am and meeting at 10:30 am. In February, we will be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday due to a scheduling conflict.

**Standing Committee Reports**

**Convention Steering – Frank** – It is my pleasure and an honor to serve as the new incoming steering committee chair for the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention. I am excited and look forward to making new friends and relationships in service, (both at the convention and here at area) and renewing old ones. Before I give my report I'd like to say mahalo to Lena R. who rotated off of the steering committee, for her service over the years to the Annual Hawai'i Convention and its steering committee. I'd like to congratulate Dee Dee C. for a job well done, as our steering committee chair last year (she did a great job) and also mahalo, for her kokua and support in my transition as the convention steering committee chair. Now for my report: **44<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention:** Mahalo to Aike and everyone who was in service last year for a great convention. Not a prosperous one, but a great convention. **Attendance:** Although registrations were slow in the beginning, registrations peaked at the last minute, leaving our final count at 2000 paid registrations. Considering the International AA and World NA conventions being held last year, along with a bulk mail problem, those registration numbers were actually pretty good. At one week out from the convention, we were actually at 1400 registered and ended up with 2000 at convention time. **Financial:** Financially speaking, we did not do very well last year. In fact, because registrations were so slow last year we were forced to tap into the prudent reserve. Unfortunately, we were not able to recover the prudent reserve and as a result are without a prudent at this time. We are also still waiting for a couple of outstanding bills (security and nurses on call) to be submitted for payment. A detailed financial report will be forthcoming to the Hawai'i Area in March. **Souvenirs:** Not helping the financial part in any way, there were 200 shirts and mugs left over from last year. So, if you didn't get a shirt or a mug last year, Aike can probably give you a good price for one now. **Forum:** The forum was a mixed bag of everything, from the toilet paper being under, instead of over, to the tables that weren't ready for decorations. There were two words that rang out loudly during the forum, as always. They were: "COMMUNICATION & GRATITUDE!" **45<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention: Chair:** Congratulations to Charley R. who will be our next fearless leader as our chair for the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention. He is already hard at work putting his committees together, while finishing up his registration flyer. Please come out and support Charley and the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention by getting into service and registering early. **Registration/Flyer:** The steering committee has again come to that difficult task of having to raise our registration fees due to cost increases coupled with income/expense imbalances. The flyer itself is just waiting



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for hotel room & price confirmations. **Budget:** A tentative budget has been drafted, but has not yet been passed. Our Jan 15, 2006 steering committee meeting was cancelled because we didn't have a quorum. **Facilities Coordinator:** Walter H. has been kept on as facilities coordinator after a motion was made and passed to do so, at the November 12, steering committee meeting. He did not serve a full term the previous year. **Secretary & Treasurer:** There was a single resume' submitted by Evon S. for the secretary & treasurer position. At the Nov.12, steering committee meeting, after much discussion, the steering committee decided to retain the services of Kunane D. as secretary and Patti L. as treasurer and to keep Evon S's resume on file for future references. A motion was then made and passed, with the following stipulations: That the secretary and the treasurer's contract would be staggered so as to not have both positions ending in the same calendar year. Example: the treasurer's contract is for one year and the secretary is for two. At the end of the year, the treasurer's next contract would be for two years, leaving one year left on the secretary's contract. The following year the process continues, always alternating between the secretary and the treasurer. Also included in the motion was: the secretary and treasurer would have a year to draft their job descriptions, policies and procedures for future references. **I-Anon:** Congratulations to Tanya M. as she is the new AI-Anon convention chair this year. **Old Business:** Puna Proposal – In October of last year Dee Dee, Francesca, Nick, myself, along with the big island group had the opportunity to tour the Waikoloa site and to look at some proposals. After discussions at the steering committee meeting it was decided that we needed more information from the Waikoloa. We are currently on stand by, as Dee Dee is working with Mark from Waikoloa on getting that information. This concludes my report. Before I close, once again, I ask all of you here today to support Charley and the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawai'i Convention. Spread the word, **we need your support!** Get into service and register early. Also, if there's a bulk mail expert here today, I'd like to talk to them. Q. Can you tell us the dates? November 2 – 5, 2006. Q. What will the registration cost? A. We will have that amount set in March when we approve budget. Q. Can we register now online? A. Yes. Q. If price hasn't been set yet, how can we register? A. Actually we can give out the registration cost – its \$50.00 (clarification from Dee Dee). Q. When are the meetings for Convention held? A. Last Wednesdays of the month at Kaumakapili Church in Honolulu.

**Cooperation with the Elderly – Marion –** October was an extraordinary month for our "chronologically gifted" activities. Saturday, October 8, 2005 Area Committee Meeting, Kailua-Kona, submitted Area CEC report and invited area officers, committee chairs and interested members to attend Kupuna Day event. Many off island folks stayed on to share their ESH. Sunday, October 9, 2005 Kupuna Day, held at the Palisades Recreation Center. During the course of the day over 60 people attended. The theme "Are we carrying the message to the elder community?" After intro by Marion B., co-chair of the event, Stan B. presented slides of the Resource Review. Keith H., area delegate, "Are we carrying the message to the country via GSO?", Vernon G., area chair, "Are we carrying the message to our area?", Marianne F., CPC area chair and Diana, PI area chair, "Cooperation amongst the Area Committees". "How can Grapevine Help?" Keith K., area Grapevine Chair. "Finding Sobriety after Sixty" presented by Steve. S. "Better Late than Never" presented by Marilyn D. "Senior Sober a While – now what?" presented by Maggie. Lunch and Photo ID game chaired by Jeff F. – a delicious and fun event. "Chronologically Gifted Couple Share Their Story – Bob J. A.A., Judy J. Alan. "What's on your mind?" session- open mike and finally a SOBER OVER SIXTY meeting led by Stan B. KUPUNA DAY was an outstanding success and we are very grateful to all the folks who provided service.....Bob S., Chuck R., Carie, Marianne, Jeff, Liz, et al. Saturday, October 22, 2005 – Presentation at the Hawaii Convention "Serenity not Senility – Are we carrying the message to the elder community?" Literature distribution, well attended. Presenters, Marion B., Stan B., Vernon G., Keith H., Griff – lively discussion from the open mike.....much interest nationwide in getting SOS meetings started and forming a CEC committee. Friday-Sunday, October 28-October 30, 2005 – Sober over Sixty second annual retreat at the Ahu Lani Sanctuary, Big Island – Meetings, meditation, 4<sup>th</sup> step inventory work, yoga, hula lessons, and fun. 11 participants all enjoying the experience and ready to return next year. 3 off island participants! A wonderful weekend despite some rainy weather. May 2006, Sober over Sixty first annual conference second mailing out in January. Steering committee hard at work. Next meeting February 18 12:30 p.m. at the Berliners. Anyone wishing to be of service contact Marion B., 329-0729. Communications from the Southern California CEC and in Arizona indicate much activity in carrying the message to the elder community – very gratifying indeed. Name change: SOS Sober over Sixty meeting name change to **"SENIORS IN SOBRIETY"** . New name will make the meeting more inclusive and give greater personal choice. Caravan to the meeting scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2006, 1-2 p.m. Lutheran Church, Lako St., Kailua, Kona. Carol G. CEC member plans to meet on one-to-one basis with head nurse of the various departments at Kona Hospital to describe what is available to the senior with an alcohol problem in A.A.

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**Archives – Sandi** – Read page S 73 of Service Manual – Description of Archives. Letter from Ted K. read in summary. No written report submitted.

**Public Information – Dianna** – Purpose of Committee: From Service Manual. Can't believe a year has gone by already, and looking back, what an awesome year it was. I would like to thank Area for allowing me to be of service. PI was able to go to Kapolei, Queen Emma and Mililani High Schools, as well as the drug & alcohol awareness week at UH Manoa. We participated in several workshops on Oahu and the Big Island, & enjoyed Kupuna Day. Marion: next year I will be ready with picture in my wallet. PI also took part in Founders Day in June and had a display table at the Hawaii Convention in October. We have regular committee meetings each month. I would like to thank all who have worked with the PI committee to make this last year a success. I am looking forward to being a part of Area again this year.

**Corrections – Rick** – Committee Purpose: To carry the message of AA to alcoholics incarcerated. This being an Inventory Assembly, I thought it would be appropriate to ask some questions of myself. Now for me, it seemed that 21 questions would be an exhausting task; so I opted for two. First, am I personally and is this committee fulfilling our responsibility to this Area of carrying the message of recovery behind our prison walls? Well, this committee has faced many challenges. First off, there's the constant challenge of being of service to volunteers and inmates on all of the neighbor islands. I have found it to be easier to speak of Area unity for this committee than to actually achieve it but I am committed to keep trying. Also, we've had trouble getting information on upcoming trainings. We've had trouble getting into some facilities due to staffing and other problems. We've had trouble getting some of the few new volunteers through the approval process. We've also had trouble getting many of our guest speakers approved. There's always more of a demand for literature than what's actually available. And since there is not an abundance of volunteers at any one facility, we are sometimes faced with volunteer burnout. With that being said, I am happy to tell you that this committee continues to carry the message into facilities statewide. These committee members are all doing awesome service work. As for me personally, I can only say that I hope I am fulfilling my service responsibility and I trust you to let me know if you believe that I am not. My second inventory question is "what can I and this committee do better in our area of service?" The answer to that is everything; everything that this committee does can be done better. We could have more volunteers, more meetings going into more facilities, more trainings, offer more literature, be more enthusiastic about our service (after all, it is attraction for this service that helps to bring in new volunteers), and we could certainly be more united. That means that we have a lot of work yet to do. However, I believe this committee has grown and progressed tremendously over the past three years and I also believe that we are doing work that will lead to continued progress over the years to come. You know, I had no idea when I first began this type of service that it would be so fulfilling. I believe there are many people in this room and certainly in this Area that would find this type of service work just as fulfilling. All of you probably know at least one person going into the prisons. Ask them to share their experience with you. Ask Susan or Carol who go into OCCC, or Becky, Kathleen, Lena or Andrea about WCCC, or Frank about going into the Federal Detention Center, or Clarence and Rose from Malia discussion who also go into the FDC, ask Ernestina who goes into both State and Federal Facilities. Ask Terry about Halawa, or Carlos about Wahiawa. Many people like Dave, Jesse, Laurie, Valerie, Lyla, Jason, Judy, Mike, and Marion volunteer by writing to inmates as part of our Bridging the Gap for Corrections Program. We also have Albert on Maui going into MCCC, on Kauai, we have Diane, Norman and Billy, we have Addie and Bob who continue to do a great job in Hilo and also hope to have a couple of new volunteers from the Hilo side. I'm sure that any of those people would be glad to share their corrections experience with you. As for me, yes, there was the fear of the back-round check, the four-page application, the two-day training, and those big doors locking behind me. I was really scared the first time I went into Halawa and shared my story to about forty inmates in a small room. Some of those guys were actually rolling on the floor laughing at some of the dumb stuff that I did in my disease. When I got around to what happened and what my recovery is like, that room was totally silent and they seemed to be as amazed as I am that my life could have changed so much. One guy came up to me afterward and reminded me that when he knew me before that I was much worse than he had been. I just smiled and said, "I know." Sometimes I go to as many as three prisons meeting a week and since they all know my story, they generally share their experience with me and that's the most rewarding part of my day. It is an awesome experience to walk into a facility, see an inmate who has been there for fifteen years, has six years sobriety, and expects that he will never get out. Then watch that inmate as he has nothing but big smiles, shares nothing but kind and loving words, and mostly talks about his gratitude for his sobriety. He has the kind of sobriety that I want. As a matter of fact, I will tell you like I often tell the inmates,

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when I am in a prison meeting there is no place that I would rather be than where I am at that particular moment. And my sincere hope is that many of you will take a chance, walk through some fears, and open yourselves up to the possibility that this type of service work might be for you. So please check out the Corrections display in the back, pick up one of our prison issue grapevines, and sign-up for our Area 17 Corrections Committee. I would be thrilled to add your name to that list of people enjoying this awesome service.

**Mynah Bird – Michelle** – The Purpose of the Mynah Bird: Publishes newsletters that focus on AA topics including actions decided by the area. Special editions may be published as needed. A limited number of copies were printed and given to DCMs to take back to their districts. An Adobe PDF version is available by emailing a request to [MynahBird@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:MynahBird@hawaii.rr.com). The next issue will be “what next?” Please make submissions about 400 words and email in word format to [MynahBird@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:MynahBird@hawaii.rr.com). The deadline is April 5, 2006.

Q. Looking for the map of the districts? A. I will include it next issue.

**Cooperation with the Professional Community – Marianne** – C.P.C., along with Diana, our P.I. Chair, Delegate, Keith, and our Chairperson, Vernon, participated in the Kupuna Day event, which took place on Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2005 in Kailua-Kona on the Big Island. On Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005, East Hawaii and Puna Districts hosted a C.P.C./P.I. workshop at the Ola’a Community Center in Kea’au, which was very well attended. Tony K., C.P.C. Chair for Puna District put together a packet of information for members interested in being on the C.P.C./P.I. committee. The packet included G.S.O. Guidelines for C.P.C., P.I. and Cooperating with Court, D.W.I. and Similar Programs, The Importance of Anonymity, the A.A. Fact Sheet, and Cooperation with the Professional Community taken from the C.P.C. Workbook. West Hawaii District C.P.C. Chair, Sandra S. and her committee are planning two luncheons for professionals in the spring. One will be held in Waimea and the second some where close to Kona Hospital. Kihei District’s C.P.C. Chair, Colin H. reports his committee takes a panel to two DUI classes each month. Colin also distributes literature and meeting schedules. Mike B., Diamond Head District is continuing to supply the A.A. literature rack at Kaiser-Behavioral Health Services in the Ala Moana Building. The current Holiday issue of Box 459 has an interesting article regarding C.P.C/P.I in North Carolina, which talks about “so many of the professionals in training or in continuing education who, often as not, confuse A.A. with Triple A. How will they learn about us if we don’t tell them?” I apologize to the other Districts whom I have not contacted since October. I will be contacting everyone in the near future. I am anxious to speak with anyone interested in serving on the C.P.C. committee. Thank you for letting me be of service.

**Hospitals –Bridgette** – We get literature into Hospitals for alcoholics, still suffering or sober. We set up visits to sick AA’s in the Hospital. Here we are trudging along on the start of year two in our term. Let’s update on what hospitals have been up to. Oahu: We have held three committee meetings with little to no support. So we as a committee have decided that formal monthly meetings are pointless. We will instead hold quarterly meetings, or bi-yearly, which ever gets the best response. SO check our website for that information. We visited three AAs in the hospital, one a repeat offender. We received two calls in connection with the intergroup phone line. The meeting that was started in the Queens Hospital Adolescent ward is a fabulous success, other than a small staple problem. They just rave about it. Jolene from Downtown Lunch who facilitates this meeting is awesome. She will be doing this position until June. If you’re interested in this type of work please let me know. I would love to hook you up. Wahiawa, Castle, Waianae Comp, St. Francis, Queens and Tripler are just a few of the hospitals receiving constant care from us. Kaiser has a new volunteer and happy to have her. Kauai: Trucking along, mahalo to all those who put their best foot forward in this endeavor. Maui: Doing well. Big Island: Has a great strong committee with Carol taking the lead there. A workshop spearheaded the work and communication is building within the hospitals with the medical community. Another district on the Big Island is in the forming stages and I await their call. Eager to be of service. If you would like to help in service work for hospitals, positions like: filling literature racks in waiting rooms; calling sick AAs on telephone; visiting sick AAs in hospital; taking a meeting into a facility; joining us as the contact person for your district; (Steering Committee) placing Grapevines on waiting area tables; being a committee member and 12<sup>th</sup> step work, please come and be of service. ██████████

**Treatment – Steve** – Our committee purpose: bridging the gap between the treatments facilities in Hawaii and AA. No written report submitted.

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**Web Site Committee – Francesca** – When I was appointed Alt Delegate and realized I would chair the Website Committee I had visions. I designed a new look and new ideas on how to improve the site. After the first meeting, and the comment of the webmaster was that we get it updated and all the links working first. Let's try and work with what we got. By the third meeting I knew my vision would take some time and began to realize it was not going to happen immediately, and hopefully it would happen by the time I rotated out. Now, that I am leaving my position six months earlier than intended. I need to leave that vision with the committee members as they will have this year and next year to continually improve our website to enhance the relationship between the Area and the Fellowship. Yesterday, we had a meeting during lunch and most of the concerns that came up in the inventory were discussed at that meeting. The conclusion reached is that the current structure as outlined in the Structure and Guidelines and your input makes it quite clear that whatever we are doing or not doing; "It's not working." At least, to most of our expectations. We believe it would benefit the committee if we had two webmasters instead of one with both of them functioning as content managers, as well. In the hopes that this will help speed up the time consuming process of getting information posted on the website. I believe we were telling some of you that it takes about two weeks to get something to appear on the website and some of you have experienced even longer time lapses if it appears at all. I recall that Dennis, the webmaster, was affected by Hurricane Katrina as the server he uses was located in New Orleans which had an affect on getting information to him for our website and his ability to post and update it in a timely manner. We will begin the phase of the new look to accommodate easier navigation. Jim will begin working on a storyboard and mock up version of the new website. I will be putting together an Excel worksheet of the documents that should appear, such as Assembly minutes, treasurers report and so forth so there will be some accountability record as it seems that items get emailed back and forth and the question "Did you get my email?" "I'll send it, again." And realized it looks like something I already forwarded on. We will look into space availability to see if the Standing Committees can have a forum; like a discussion board, to post items and open up communication between the island reps. This would have a password encryption that only committee members would have access, too. So, it is a work in progress and we do have a vision. Once again thank you for your input from yesterday's inventory, as this committee begins its second year in maintaining the Area website.

**Grapevine – Keith** – 808-948-2115; [grapevine@hawaii-aa.org](mailto:grapevine@hawaii-aa.org) Purpose: attract awareness of Gv / Lv magazine and related items as tools for recovery and carrying the message. New GvR register at <http://www.aagrapevine.org/reps/> / Charles S. 215-215-2155 [gvrca@aagrapevine.org](mailto:gvrca@aagrapevine.org). Jan issue tools of recovery; Feb issue raising kids in sobriety; March issue conversations with AAs celebrating 50+ years. I am available for workshops & district meetings a few days before or after. I participated in Kupuna Day and had a GV Table at Hawaii Convention. I am registered for Sober after Sixty New books, spend more money. My display destroyed by rain. When I look at the list of my responsibilities in the GV/LV handbook, I feel I have a long way to go. The list is quite large and daunting to me. Most likely, this is because the one area in which I have the most work yet to do is in Committee building. At this assembly I have gotten many gentle reminders that district chairs and group GVRs need to hear from me more often. In most cases there has been little or no contact after the initial welcome call, and in the case of some people. If you indicated interest in Grapevine service and you haven't heard from me, please help me out by giving me your contact information again.. (name, e-mail, phone, service position) But I do have some significant progress to report. After a year of my prodding my home group, Primary Purpose in Kihei, now has a Grapevine Rep. At a recent Homegroup meeting we voted to get three new subscriptions: one Grapevine subscription for our home group and one Grapevine subscription as well as a La Vina subscription for the Kihei Library. We also voted to give the local Hospitals committee a \$50 donation with the suggestion (but not demand) that they consider using part of it to purchase a carton of 50 back issues. As a result the number of La Vina subscriptions state wide increased from 12 to 13 statewide for the Sept / Oct issue and has remained at 13 for Nov / Dec and Jan /Feb issues. This is up from 4 when I started. Grapevine is now offering a limited time attractive holiday offer. Buy one gift subscription get one for half price... 2/ \$27. Subscription numbers seem to reflect that we are taking advantage of this offer. GV Subscriptions: Dec 2005 399; Jan 2006 462; Feb 2006 465 numbers were vague but I have been using 340-350 as an estimate for numbers when I started. Increase of 7.5%. Copyrights: Page S37 of The A.A. Service Manual grants blanket permission to A.A. entities to print only certain items from the Grapevine, provided we scrupulously follow certain rules set forth in *A Guide to the A.A. Grapevine* entitled *General Guidelines for Reprinting Art and Articles*, as well as on the web at: <http://www.aagrapevine.org/about/reprints.php>

**Announcement: Nick Alt. Area Chair** - The finance committee met at lunch, and we are going to attempt to

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have the Proposed 2007 Budget ready to send to the groups at the April Assembly. Standing Committees, please have your budget for 2007 ready at the February Committee meeting.

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#### DCM Reports

**Kauai – Bart** – It is both an honor and a privilege to serve Kauai, District 6 as their DCM. Since my last report at the August Budget Assembly in Kauai, there have been a few mile stone developments in our island fellowship that were all very proud of. The first, Kauai AA's have formed a new special committee for Island AA activities, chaired by Michael B. They meet twice a month in our intergroup office. They have been instrumental in the planning all of our special events including our yearly "Thank a thon" last November, as well as keeping our Intergroup Office open 24 Hrs on Christmas & on New Years. They provided food entertainment and fellowship for all that stopped by. They have held a golf tournament that was well attended by both Island and visiting AA's and have held monthly hikes as well as a Halloween costume party with food and prizes for the all the keikis. We are very proud of the folks that have given their service to bring our Island fellowship closer together. They are currently planning a Round Up for Memorial Day weekend at Camp Slogget in Kokee, All are invited to attend and details and flyers will be forth coming. The second milestone that we are very proud of is a Monthly Kauai News letter (Garden Island Sobriety) This is edited and produced by Linda B. & Jannene B. who has both worked tremendously hard on both its content and distribution. It contains District and Intergroup news as well as upcoming Kauai AA Activities and a 12 step corresponding to the month, quotes from the grapevine and our founders and more. We, at district have approved a one time Island wide full color Printing and distribution. It's first release in December was aimed at getting as many members as possible to submit requests to be on the monthly e-mail distribution list. This will help keep printing costs to a minimum. We are currently discussing a limited budget for monthly printing for those without computers and internet connections and for Visitors as well. We are also trying to encourage groups to print out copies to pass out to those without such access at there meetings. If you would like to be on the email distribution list send your request to: [district6newsletter@hotmail.com](mailto:district6newsletter@hotmail.com). We have a new Meeting, (Happy Hour) they meet 5 days a week at Kalapaki Beach Park at 5pm. They are well attended and growing. A note to ALL Area Standing Chairs: All of our Kauai district standing chairs could ~~use help and~~ support from their Area counter parts, so if you have not talked to your corresponding chair in Kauai please give them a call and ask them how you may assist them in this new year ~~with their service work~~. Our District Treasurer, Carl K. resigned in December and is replaced by David J. who is just getting his bearings and the scope of this new service position. There is a proposal for adopting and funding a Kauai AA web site that has already been developed by Danny L. This is going to be presented to Intergroup in their next monthly meeting..More will be revealed

**Honolulu – Chris for Patti** - My sincere apologies for not being able to give this report myself, however I came down with a bug or something and not feeling very good at this time. I have my devoted Alt. DCM to rely on and she's giving our District's report at this time. I'm sad to report that 2 of our home groups had to close their doors due to lack of participation: Safe Haven in Papokolea and St. Francis Women's. Thus leaving us with 9 active groups. Came To Believes GSR stepped down as she was the GSR for a period of 3 years and thought it was time for someone else to step up to the plate. Our District continues to meet monthly to look at upcoming events and to see how we could benefit or improve the District. We held a New Year's Alkathon, which was a success. We just need to work on getting a better DJ this year and possibly another location as the bus stop was too far from the event. We want to thank everyone that participated in volunteering and attending this annual event. As for the groups, Downtown Lunch had their service workshop yesterday to talk about General Service and Black Experience held a Christmas raffle of food baskets to those that were there after the meeting. They also had a Martin Luther King's potluck picnic at Kapiolani Park on January 16, 2006, gearing up for Black History Month's meeting and dance on February 18, 2006 and home group's camp out on April 7 thru 9, 2006. No other activities in our district at this time. We held a service workshop in November, thanks to those whom attended from Area.

**Puna – Chris-** We have two new GSRs at this assembly, Lori who is representing Pahoia Friday Night Reflections Group and Charles from Pau Hana. The other GSRs in attendance are Lehua, Julie, Stephanie and Terry. Our CPC / PI workshop was a great success with 10 – 12 people from Puna, and two people from East Hawaii attending. Diana and Marianne brought literature and packets, held their awesome presentation and guided us in the role playing on attracting the professionals rather than promoting AA. Also a committee formed and we are having another meeting on January 25 for more role playing and how to engender help

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from our AA community in Puna. In addition, Ho'ohana volunteered to go into Kulani (the men's prison) to bring literature at the group level and also to start a meeting with the inmates. We have a Grapevine Rep, Sharon and we are looking for a Corrections Chair to bring meetings to Hale Nani, as Addie is resigning after a year of service there. Ho'ohana will be holding the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ho'ohana Day on March 25 at the Hot Ponds in Kapoho from 12 – 6 pm, \$10.00 for the luau dinner. WE are still searching for a place to hold the November Assembly with a few possibilities in the works, looking for a place that is centrally located and can comfortably accommodate 125 people. I am getting ready to attend PRAASA, and am really looking forward to it.

**Manoa – Debbie-** Manoa District has participated in a couple of activities since my last report in October. A few of us showed up at the post convention picnic and contributed where we could. And we participated in the Christmas Alkathon this year with Diamond Head and Waikiki Districts by coordinating the meal on Christmas Day. Attendance at district meetings is fairly consistent at 5 or less, and committee work is pretty much non-existent. The GSRs who do attend the district meeting have reported that their groups are not really interested in the potential elimination of the Manoa District. I have not received much input on this subject from the groups that are not represented; either when I have attended those meetings or made announcements. The feeling of the GSRs who are active is that we should proceed with making plans to dissolve the district structure since we are not providing much service to any of our groups. I will be meeting with DCMs from surrounding districts and talking to some of the area committee members for information on how to proceed with a plan and bring it to the assembly for a vote. In the meantime, we continue to trudge the road of happy destiny – we are starting our caravans again after the holidays and will visit Alii Speakers next Saturday. Several of us attend HICYPAA events on Oahu, or occasional intergroup meetings to stay informed and involved. I am going to PRAASA again this year and looking forward to that event. And we'll assist in other events that occur this year as we can. I am fortunate to have served this district with a core group of GSRs who always come through when action is needed. And the miracle is that we all continue to stay sober and live fulfilling lives as a direct result!

**Leeward – Erin-** The district has been recovering over the past few months. Mary, our Alt DCM had to resign due to health issues. One GSR has been recovering from knee surgery, one is on the Big Island caring for an ailing mother, and yet another was sent to New Orleans for work. We did hold elections for Alt DCM and two stood for that position. I would like to introduce Lee as our new Alt DCM. We also have a new GSR from The Eating Meeting, which was sparked by the district caravan. We are planning a caravan to Makalapa Miracles this month, and working on finishing up our budget for 2006. We have a new meeting "Links for Sobriety" which meets at St. Phil's on Saturday mornings at 9:00 am.

**C. North Shore – Hugh –** The Central North Shore district, over all has been doing very well; the meeting is still on the third Thursday of each month, and all are welcome to attend. Currently we do not have an ALT DCM. Mililani Women's Steps and Traditions meeting has moved temporarily, due to the rent for the church was raised. Meeting place has been moved to a home group member's residence. Actions to find a new meeting place are in progress, the new Trinity Lutheran Church located at Mililani Tech Park is currently being looked at. They are awaiting final decision from Church group. Saturday Night Meeting Big Book Study in Waiialua has shut its doors due to lack of participation. Location for June 17th 2006 Committee Meeting has been reserved. The meeting place will be the multi-purpose building located at Mililani District Park. Softball game will be February 18, noon – 6pm at Wahiawa District Park.

**West Hawaii – Archie –** We've been busy as usual. We have Tom for our P. I. Committee Chair now and he already has a lot of projects started. He wants to do a lot of work with the school kids which is needed in West Hawaii. On the C.P.C. side we are still planning an informational luncheon for the professionals, keeping in mind a prudent budget is not an easy task. Our C.E.C. committee is busy with its first Elderly Community Convention on May. 18th-21st held at the Keahou Beach Hotel. Tommy G. our Corrections guy is trying to get more unity and cooperation between the other districts on our island so we can get more people and books for meetings in prisons where it's needed. Liz with Mynah Bird and Steve with Grapevine always remind us of our periodicals and ask for suggestions, so we always come with some. Our Internet guy Donnie, like the hand of A.A. always helps those who ask for it. Our Hospital racks and literature will get there January 2006 once over by Carol G. As for me, my computer and D.C.M. skills have been coming along and my sponsor says I should grasp the full understanding of my position in about another year. Thanks for letting me grow and Happy New Year.

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**Kihei – Kathie** – Our district is excited to have several new General Service Representatives. Clair S. is the GSR & Old School Mike is the alternate GSR for the “Friday Night Young People’s Meeting.” Amey B. is the new GSR for the Thursday night women’s meeting “The Step Sisters.” Erik is the new GSR for “Sunset Sunday Night.” We are in the process of implementing a GSR travel fund for GSR’s from small groups who don’t have the funds to send their GSR’s to assemblies. We have two GSR’s and one alternate GSR present for this assembly. Betsy B. for Kihei Morning Serenity; Colin H. For Kalama Park Happy Hour and Old School Mike for the Friday night young people’s meeting. We are taking a concept a month to talk about at our district meeting. The district is looking forward to hosting the February 25th committee meeting, which is going to be held at the Wailuku Union Church. Danny R. our District Treatment chair is continuing to take a meeting to the resource center every Weds night at 8:00 p.m. He is filling literature racks at the various Kihei medical clinics. Colin H. District CPC chair and Matt H. continue to take a panel to the DUI class two to three times a month a month.

**Maui No Ka Oi – Cliff** –Currently we have service positions open and available in our district and we are actively trying to fill these positions. We do have a Hospital Literature Chair who is on fire for service right now and is filling every rack in our district and has added several new ones. We are still caravanning to Hana with good attendance monthly. Financially we are in good shape with a full prudent reserve and PRAASA fund. I will be attending along with 5 GSRs at this time. After much discussion in our district and at the group level to make sure we had thoroughly covered the subject, a vote was taken and our Archives are currently being held with Area’s. Storage costs were around 2/3 of our total standing committee budget and it was felt it could also help with the history of AA in Hawaii. No Ka Oi is holding a workshop. Call 573-2838 for program and outreach. Our neighbor district, West Maui #13 is back on the map with a DCM Jim and a PI Chair, Joe. They are also on fire, doing outreach to the Treatment center on their side, going to the jail and planning outreach to Lanai and Molokai. I’ve heard that the Molokai Round-Up is on for this year! All groups on Maui working closely together and it’s awesome.

**Diamond Head – Floyd** – The Diamond Head District over all has been doing well; the district meeting has been holding study, like all other district we are striving to keep our district meeting going and our GSR’s attending the district meetings. We have suspended our caravan meeting for now, our district has not set a new time or date to re-start them again, and I hope to have this topic on the next agenda. I am very sorry to announce that one of our district members has had a deaf in his family Richard our recording secretary’s father passed away last week, he is now on the main land and we do not know when he will return. The district has address and I believe we have solved the problem we have with our treasurer, he has stepped down to make room for the new treasurer, we have someone who has stepped up to the plate that is willing to fill the job until the end of this panel. Over the holidays Waikiki, Moana, and the Diamond Head got together for the first time to put on a Alkathon that went very well, as for the Diamond Head district I would like to take this time to thank the Moana, Waikiki and Diamond Head districts for all of their hard work that went into making this Alkathon a fun and safe place to be over the holidays and for all who attended I would like to thank them for keep things clean and not parking in wrong areas and abiding by the rules of the school thank you. We are on the back side now the two years are almost up, there is still so much work that stills needs to be done, it always happen, just when you think you understand what’s going on, your time is up. With the help on the GSR’s that attend our district meeting regularly and Gods, will I hope to do much more as we can before our time is done. Thank you all for letting me be of service

**Waikiki – Ken**- Thank you Waianae district for your hospitality and service. From our last meeting in August till the end of the year, we have had the opportunity to place our gratitude to the fellowship and to serve with much love. Both our Thank-a-thon and Christmas Alkathon held at the Waikiki Elementary School turned out of great success in many ways. Graciously given the opportunity to utilize a facility by the principal and to know of the love and affection of those in society of Alcoholics Anonymous, they had given their time and effort for the event to be successful. We were given a reminder during the Thank-a-thon, where a gentleman was stopped in the parking lot of the school, given a sobriety test, and the result was a ride in a blue and white and an officer as a driver for his vehicle, all this while a meeting continuing on. Thank you to Manoa and Diamond Head District for giving us the opportunity to participate along with your districts in a successful Christmas Alkathon and to pass on, that the Waikiki Elementary School was pleased to have been able to facilitate our event and their thanks to pass on to you. A “warm” event served by members to offer those that needed a safe haven in Waikiki for the New Years holiday in Kapiolani Park. Meetings to fill- in between scheduled meetings, a breakfast, and lunch on New Years Day. A couple of members had put on a successful “pot luck” picnic post

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the Hawaii Annual Convention at Magic Island. My thanks to the Waikiki District members for the love and support given and the gift that a member has stepped up to serve as our Alternate DCM Michael H. Thank you all for the opportunity serve with all of you.

**East Hawaii – Arthur –** Need male prison chair. Alkathons were successful. There are three new meetings that began recently. We are prepared for April Assembly. Changed time of District meetings, still poor attendance, but working on getting more participation.

**Waianae – Amber –** The Ewa Beach Big Book Study which meets on Friday nights at 7:00 pm in Ewa Beach has folded. If you're in the district on Friday night and need a meeting Friday Night Ohana is still going strong and meeting at Waianae Satellite City Hall at 8:00 pm. Hooray! District 17 is hosting Founders Day and bringing it to Waianae in June 10, 2006. People interested in getting into service need to see Steve. The district meeting has great support but as always, more support would be greater. Last but not least. We are looking to put on a workshop sometime in late March, early April. Don't get too excited, we're just in the planning stages. We'll keep you all informed.

**Windward – Sue –** It's been so long since the last Assembly! Five months have passed since the August Assembly in Kauai. Our district has been busy over the holidays. The workshop "What District Does for YOU" was held as planned in September. We had 21 people in attendance, and tweaked the agenda to meet the interests of those that were there. We shared and learned a lot about our district, and what other districts do as well. A big thank you to DCMs Steve from Waianae, Patti from Honolulu, and Ken from Waikiki for being guest speakers and sharing their experiences at our workshop. Windward District hosted a Christmas Alkathon at the Waimanalo Health Center. Roberta A. was the Christmas Alkathon Chair, and it was very well organized. There were round-the-clock meetings, lots of food, and hosting groups had regular drawings for literature. Hang Loose hosted dinner on Christmas Eve (great spaghetti, Kunane!), and TYG hosted a full Christmas dinner – Turkeys and Hams, enjoyed by all. We also hosted a New Year's Alkathon at the Waimanalo Health Center. Jacque T. was the New Year's Alkathon Chair. It included a New Year's Dance from 9 pm to 1 am, which did not interfere with the round-the-clock meetings. Music for the dance was provided by Jeff Ilardi, from Foreward, an HPR morning show. We charged \$5 for entry, \$3 for treatment center attendees. Plus we had many helping hands tickets so that no one was turned away. All in all, we sold over 100 tickets. Our district is starting the New Year with a bang and planning an inventory in the near future – inspired by the area inventory. I will be attending PRAASA this year for the first time, and really looking forward to it. I know that some of the GSRs in my district are also attending. After PRAASA, I intend to start a Tradition Study at my house, meeting once a week, probably Wednesday evening, 6 pm. The plan is to follow it with a Concept study. (Then maybe a Warrantee study!) When reading the inventory questions, I realized that I don't know as much as I would like about the traditions and concepts, so if I invite some of my friends to have a study, I can learn from them. So, anyone within driving distance of Kaneohe that is interested in joining please let me know.

### **New Business**

**Proposal – Limit Spending on Unbudgeted Line Items. This proposal originates from Aloha Friday Night. Lisa presents.**

**#1 To add to the S & G: "Unbudgeted housekeeping items totaling \$250 or more must be taken to the Groups for decision. (Maybe somewhere in the Finance Committee section)**

**#2 To add to the S & G "Unbudgeted line items totaling \$500 or more must be taken to the Groups for decision" (Maybe somewhere in the Finance Committee section)**

**Discussion:** It is my understanding that our budget is not a line item budget? I find this to be contrary to what the budget is all about. I was there when we approved the computer, and I remember that the body asked the Treasurer if we had the money for this, and he says yes. The body acted in what we thought was best. We need to purchase QuickBooks 2006 soon, it's about \$270. This would means we would need to wait until it went to the groups and back before we could make the purchase. Are we going to purchase new software\ev every two years? I consider this an unworkable concept. Unbudgeted line items is a contradiction of terms, as if it is unbudgeted, it is not a line item. This proposal is ambiguous. I agree with what the proposal is attempting



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to accomplish. The groups' need to be brought into the budgetary process. These expenses need to be budgeted ahead of time. In my experience, what should be compiled with the Profit & Loss Statement is a Balance sheet, which we don't have. To put any limits on this is a disservice to the area. We have trusted servants they are not going to be spending our money foolishly. Excerpting from the 3<sup>rd</sup> concept, Right of Decision. We have been discussing this basic concept since January of last year, it's been a year! Time to lay this issue to rest. This is exactly what Tanya was speaking to us in her talk yesterday on Concept 5, the role of the minority. As far as the laptop goes, we spent a few meetings speaking about it, it was not a rush decision. Q. Did the spending on these items negatively affect the budget? A. No. Q. Were these items needed for Area business? A. Yes.

**What's on Your Mind?**

Maui Fest Registration forms in the back. Groups not contributing due to the fact that they do not like the way Area spends money? Chris from Head Start – "Tradition One: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on AA unity. Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole. Subject: Groups not contributing to district or area because they do not like how district / area spend the money. Question 1: Does groups choosing to no longer send money to district / area affect AA unity? Question 2: Does one group not contributing affect other groups of AA as a whole? By a group choosing not to contribute, they are being autonomous, but what is being missed by their choice? Districts paying for the airfare of GSRs who are unable to afford the airfare, DCMs missing assemblies or committee meetings because of not enough money, possible workshops etc. By a group choosing not to contribute, they are going against AA unity by saying "I don't like what you are doing and will not support it". This affects not only AA unity, but also AA as a whole. AA has a history of not "policing" meetings and groups, giving them the potion of being autonomous. Policing groups and meetings would cause serious problems within AA and would possibly affect our unity as a whole. Possible thought, when groups choose not to contribute how often is this because of one or two people in control of a group. Or is this one or two people bulldozing newcomers into what they want."Thank you all for this weekend. I want to remind you all about the Steps, Traditions and Concepts workshop happening on Maui on February 4. If you are traveling off island loss be covered by Area as well. , we do have home stay available. Friday Night.Young Peoples Meeting on Maui will be the evening before the February Committee meeting. The Oahu Intergroup website is incorrect on the Area contact sheet. The correct address is: [www.oahucentraloffice.com](http://www.oahucentraloffice.com). My home group has a timer, and anyone can speak for 3 minutes. Founders Day 2006 will be June 17 in Waianae, at Poki Bay where Courage to Change meets. I am very concerned about the way we finance the Area Assemblies and let the District keep the profits. I think the profits should be returned to Area, and conversely the Area covering any loss as well. I would like to see us go back to having a recap of what the GSRs should take back to the group at the end of each assembly.

Adjourned at 3:17 pm.

## 2006 HAWAII AREA 17 INVENTORY SUMMARY

January 21, 2006

**\*\* Note from Recording Secretary:** These are the results of 4 separate groups that met and discussed these questions at length. I have tried to capture the essence of the conversation that each group had. I could not record each and every word written by the group's recorder. A special thank to Joann, who began this document, which I then used as a template \*\*

### 1. What is the purpose of Area? Are we fulfilling that purpose?

- a. Carry the message and protecting the integrity of that message; for growth and harmony of AA fellowship;
- b. Conduit between GSRs, DCMs and GSO
- c. Using our input to help make decisions with GSO
- d. Service of any kind
- e. Elect, Inform and Support the delegate; informing the groups & assisting the group conscious
- f. Support / fund the Standing Committees
- g. Link to the groups; Communication between General Service Board, General Service Conference and the Delegate
- h. Structure and Guidelines, p. 12: Service
- i. If this is an upside down pyramid, we should be carrying the message from the groups to the Area
- j. Area is the "business" side of AA: money, records, Standing Committees
- k. We are participating, but not 100% fulfilling our purpose
- l. Work on a way to better communicate from Area to the individual groups. However, this panel has done a good job

### 2. Do the Groups know what Area is and what it does?

- a. Challenge, but we keep trying
- b. Communication depends on the GSR, some do and some don't
- c. Need to get out and talk to all groups about Area
- d. Service is for those who want it
- e. Some confusion between Intergroup and Area
- f. Some groups not interested, especially old-timers
- g. No. (This is a question for the groups to answer)
- h. Carry message into meetings that have no GSR. Need GSRs to "adopt" them until the get representation. Area can provide community support
- i. Invite others to business meetings as non-voting members
- j. DCM go to each group in district to keep them informed
- k. Throw out information at general announcement time; give highlights of the highlights; met with blank stares at business meetings
- l. If it wasn't for the groups, Area wouldn't exist

### 3. Do we ask for Group conscience enough? When is it appropriate to send an issue back to the Group?

- a. We should take back everything to the groups.
- b. WE are trusted servants for impromptu items
- c. District meetings and DCMs should be giving out the info is plenty of time
- d. We need to get info to the groups earlier for discussion
- e. Has to operate like GSO and trust our trusted servants
- f. Anything that would affect AA as a whole needs to go back to the groups
- g. Ideally should consult the groups, but not enough time for general housekeeping items
- h. This is a time of transition where our founders are gone; we need to protect AA from “institutionalism”
- i. Is this question asking if we get the group conscience from the groups before we make a decision?
- j. When Area needs input to come to an informed group conscious; when consensus of the Assembly is not clear, like a 50-50 split; controversial issues
- k. 12 Concepts
  - i. apply at the *world service level*
  - ii. apply at the Area level as well
  - iii. Must carry the message back to the group to get them to do what Area decides

VOTE – Yes: 20; No: 7

**4. Is the Area well informed before taking a Group conscience?**

- a. Generally we are not informed
- b. Yes
- c. Calling the quest a bit early at times
- d. Information arrives too late
- e. We need to get it to the GSR in enough time to get the group’s input
- f. Area allows for full discuss at Area level
- g. Financial Report is not handed out prior to the Assembly
- h. How can we be well informed if we are supposed to be *informed by the groups* when we are handed the information *at the Assembly*?
- i. Real needs is to have an informed GSR; have Orientation at each Assembly; have a service sponsor

VOTE – Yes: 21; No: 4

**5. Does our Agenda meet the needs of our Area Business?**

- a. Spend less time on Structure & Guidelines and more time for the Committees

VOTE – Yes: 25

**6. What topics would you like to see the Area discuss?**

- a. Are there enough newcomers’ meetings?

- b. Service Sponsorship
- c. How to hold a successful workshop
- d. Intergroup / Area Cooperation
- e. What can Area do to help Districts stay effective
- f. How to apply PRAASA
- g. Spirituality, Traditions & Concepts
- h. Techniques on attraction to service
- i. More discussion on the Area Structure & Guidelines, review for new GSRs & members
- j. Service Manual and Concepts
- k. What can we do to provide more information to the newcomers?
- l. More time for Steering Committee work and reports

**7. Do we reach out to those with special needs?**

- a. Are we reaching the needs of women?
- b. We are starting to
- c. Is our message gender neutral?
- d. Central Office is not wheel-chair accessible.
- e. Are the committees going out to those with special needs, e.g., Hospital Committee and Prisons Committee
- f. Sometimes addressed only after the need arises

VOTE – Yes: 15; 7 No

**8. Are we inclusive or exclusive?**

- a. Need people to announce at meetings that the Assembly meeting will be taking place
- b. One groups was split 50/50 % on this question
- c. All members are invited to participate
- d. Nick volunteered to give area orientation to newcomers GSRs
- e. If people didn't have to pay to register (with food), maybe we would be more inclusive and attract more participation

VOTE – Yes: 28

**9. Is the minority voice heard? Is it heard too much? What is the role of the minority voice at the Area?**

- a. Yes. Area does a good job to hear the minority.
- b. Generates the informed decision
- c. January 1999 there was a motion that there will be only one vote after the minority is heard. Prior to January 1999 the voting process would go on and on
- d. Sometimes the minority is given too much time

- e. Because we are a democracy, we will preserve the group from the tyranny of the majority
- f. Can live with defeat if given a fair hearing

**10. Are people given enough time to speak at the mike while giving reports?**

**DCMS? GSRs? Committee Heads? Area Officers?**

- a. Generally, if the persons are prepared, there is sufficient time. Those who do not appear to have enough time are those who are not prepared and try to “wing it”
- b. Committee Chairs and Area Officers could be given more time
- c. Time limit is important
- d. Yes

**11. Are we adhering to the traditions? Are we informed about the Concepts?**

- a. Traditions – yes; Concepts – no
- b. Incorporate a Concept at each Assembly
- c. See pamphlet “12 Concepts Illustrated”
- d. We have totally voided out the group conscience at the District Level, such as caucuses or ad hoc meetings
- e. Study a concept a month at District meeting
- f. Need education from Area on Concepts
- g. Concept checklist can be helpful & should be used

VOTE – Yes: 14; No: 9

**12. Are the Standing Committees fulfilling their purpose? Can the committees be more effective? How?**

- a. Chairs are doing well; they need more participation
- b. We should track money by the purpose of the committee and the administration of the committee
- c. Amount spent is all itemized in the budget
- d. The Committee can be more effective
- e. Communication amongst islands needs to improve
- f. Website needs to get better; information on purpose on each Committee should be in the site.
- g. Consider electing Chairs, rather than appointing
- h. Requesting that Chairs give: purpose, mission and goals at their reports at Assemblies. Their reports should be earlier on Assembly agenda
- i. When Chair is from Neighbor Island, work on Oahu is much less. A sub-chair on each island may improve our work
- j. Need to inspire district participation on neighbor islands
- k. Assemblies are instrumental in making contact with Committee Chairs

**13. Should any Committees be combined? Deleted?**

- a. There is overlap between the some of the Committees, and there should be
- b. Hospitals and Treatment Committees could probably be combined
- c. PI and CPC could be combined

VOTE – Yes: 2

- d. We may need more committees: Special Needs, Bridging the Gap

VOTE on more committees – Yes: 6

**14. Are we informing our GSRs/Groups about our General Service Conference Agenda items & workshop questions? Do we know how the Committee process works at the Conference?**

- a. Yes, it was discussed at the District level; there were several Delegate feedback sessions held; a portion of the Assembly was dedicated to it
- b. Some groups have not GSR; it is important if there was a prior GSR that there be a transfer of information
- c. Delegate did a good job of informing us on how the Committee process works, but sometimes we still don't understand it
- d. It was explained that delegates are randomly assigned to Committees, and that the work of the conference is done through committees

VOTE – Yes: 25

**15. Is the process to inform the Delegate effective? How could it be improved?**

- a. The items which fall within the subject matter of the Delegate's committee should be presented by ALL districts so that the Delegate gets area-wide feedback (not just the feedback from one or two Districts)

VOTE – Yes: 25

**16. How well is information shared? Assembly/Committee Agendas? Meeting time/place? Upcoming Area Business?**

- a. Yes for the Assembly; No for some of the committees
- b. This panel information is better
- c. The Committee reports are available on the website
- d. All GSRs should be on the contact list
- e. Sharing of information is on a case-by-case base; sometimes it is not timely; the timeliness seems to depend on the DCM

**17. Does the Budget process work?**

- a. Have the proposed budget distributed at the Assembly prior to the Budget Assembly
- b. What would process be if the budget was defeated at the Budget Assembly?
- c. Resounding yes

VOTE – Yes: 25; No: 1

**18. Is the Website effective in fulfilling its purpose?**

- a. Financial reports are not posted on the site

- b. No, needs help
- c. Consider paying a professional for the web site
- d. Site is not updated frequently; keep it current
- e. Add HICYPAA to the website
- f. Could be formatted better; it is sometimes difficult to find information
- g. Has been effective; could be improved
- h. Suggestion: review websites of other Areas for ideas on how to improve our website
- i. Has improved lately, but needs to be more timely and updated

VOTE – Yes: 25; No: 13

**19. Our Treasurer has shared that Area Contributions are declining. How can we increase our contributions?**

- a. Align District Theme with Area Theme
- b. Need more discussion
- c. Some groups express that they cannot find the Area Treasurer's Address
- d. Areas should possibly do workshops on the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition; we need to talk about money at the District level
- e. AA is not in the business of raising money; they basket is a way of expressing gratitude
- f. God gives us what we need. We will be alright no matter what we collect. If we don't get enough money, we will trim. If a group does not get enough money, it folds!
- g. Some groups not contributing because they do not agree with the way in which Area spends money (travel); i.e. Standing Committee money not a high priority v. travel
- h. GSR could talk to Treasurers about pie-split, and make sure checks are sent out
- i. Let groups know it is ok to send a small amount of money
- j. DCMs could inform the non-contributing groups of how the money is used
- k. Contribute \$1.00 for yourself, and \$1.00 for the still suffering alcoholic

**20. Are our Committees adequately funded? More money? Less money?**

- a. Could be allocated more funds

VOTE – Yes: 21; No: 2

**21. Does Area meet too much? Not enough? OK, the way it is?**

- a. CONSENSUS: It is OK the way it is.
- b. Suggest one meeting per year per island, or district on the island
- c. Standing Committees suffer communication break-down when we don't have 4<sup>th</sup> Assembly in odd numbered years and GSRs fall out of Committee work

# Inventory Assembly

Delegates Report

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Waianae

Welcome new  
D.C.M's GSR's AND Committee Chair.

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable New Years filled with family and friends. I want to express my deep appreciation for you all who have worked so hard to help the next alcoholic. It is incredible how fast time flies. It has been the most amazing privilege to serve this past year. The rewards of serving are beyond anything I can describe.

## General Service Board Weekend January 26<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>

Last year at the GSC I was elected to serve as Delegate Chair of a Conference Committee on Agenda. This allows me the privilege to attend one of the General Service Board Meetings which is held quarterly. I will be in New York from 25 - 31 of this month. Attending will give me the opportunity to participate in the Trustees Committees and to observe more about our fellowship.

## PRAASA (Pacific Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly) March

2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> 2006

PRAASA will be held in Woodland Hills CA. I have flyers available for you to take back to your groups. If you have not been to a PRAASA, this is an experience you must not miss. It has rejuvenated me in the past and encouraged me to become a more informed servant. You will get an



opportunity to hear how other Areas are carrying the message. In the sharing sessions you also hear how other people are dealing with adversity that may be similar to situations you've encountered.

This year we are bidding for the 2009 PRAASA to come to Hawaii. It would be incredible if we had a large number of members from Hawaii in attendance to support our intent to bid. Elizabeth, our recording secretary, has been very instrumental in preparing our bid. I want to publicly thank her for her hard work and service. I am compiling a list of all who have registered and would like to participate in the PRAASA program. Please see me at the break or at lunch.

The 56<sup>th</sup> General Service Conference April 23<sup>rd</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>

The theme of this years GSC will be: "Sponsorship, Service, and Self-Support in a Changing World." I am already looking forward to some of the presentations that will arise from this theme which include "Changes in the Alcoholic Coming to AA", "Responsibility with Accountability" and "Gratitude Through Self-Sacrifice" to name just a few. The full Conference Agenda will be available after February 15<sup>th</sup>. At the February Committee Meeting I will distribute a final Agenda to all Committee members.

This is one of my favorite Assemblies because we get to see how we can improve on carrying the message to the fellow sufferer. My hope for this Assembly is that we can come up with ideas that we implement into a course of action for the present and future of AA. Our 9<sup>th</sup> concept talks about vision being an all important attribute. I know this is hard for an alcoholic

like me to think about the future when I have been trained to think "one day at a time." Bill W. writes "Vision is therefore the very essence of prudence, an essential virtue if ever there was one." He goes on to say "we shall often miscalculate the future in whole or part, but that is better than to refuse to think at all." So I ask you in this Inventory Assembly to be visionaries, to think about our future, and how we can better carry this life saving message. We all know that there are plenty of us still walking in the darkness of this deadly disease.

Thank you again for this amazing opportunity to serve.

Keith H. Hawaii Area 17 Delegate panel 55

**HAWAII AREA # 17**  
**Treasurers Report**  
**January 18, 2006**

**TO: Officers Area 17**

**From: Jerry [REDACTED] Treasurer**

**Subject: 2006 and forward**

**I have some observations that I would like to share with you.**

**The following are revenue and expense figures for the last four years.**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Net</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>\$21,146</b>	<b>\$19,121</b>	<b>\$3,372 gain</b>
<b>2003</b>	<b>\$24,382</b>	<b>\$18,033</b>	<b>\$6,349 gain</b>
<b>2004</b>	<b>\$20,882</b>	<b>\$17,975</b>	<b>\$3,388 gain</b>
<b>2005</b>	<b>\$22,087</b>	<b>\$26,386</b>	<b>\$4,299 loss</b>

**2005 was the second highest income at \$22,087.**

**2005 had the highest expenses at \$26,386**

**We ate up \$4299 from our carryover from last year which was over \$17,000 at the start.**

**I suggest we consider only 3 area assemblies for 2006 and 3 committee meetings for 2006.**

**Every committee was under budget except for corrections which was \$36 over and coop w elderly community which was over \$6.92.**

**We have money in our prudent reserve and \$12,747 in carryover from last year. The above are simply a wake up on where we stand and where we are going.**

**Respectfully,**

**Jerry [REDACTED]  
Treasurer**

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<b>Cash on Hand January 1, 2006</b>	<b>\$ 12,747.28</b>
<b>Prudent Reserve (Savings)</b>	<b>\$ 3,474.79</b>
<b>Total January 1, 2006</b>	<b>\$ 16,222.07</b>

<b>Revenue January 1, 2005 thru December 31, 2005</b>	<b>\$ 22,087.48</b>
<b>Expenses January 1, 2005 thru December 31, 2005</b>	<b>\$ 26,386.59</b>
<b>Net Loss for Year 2005</b>	<b>\$ - 4,299.11</b>

**Observations**

1. We had some extraordinary expenses for 2005 that should not appear for the next few years. A computer purchase and an International conference for our delegate. The total for the two is about \$2600. We are budgeting \$250 per year for the next International conference so that it is not a big hit for any one year.
  
2. To reach a balanced budget we need to increase our seventh tradition contributions by \$1700 per year or reduce our expenses by an equal amount. Some combination of the two would be good. We have a very health reserve so I do not anticipate any problems unless our spending habits continued at a very high rate for the next three to four years.
  
3. We are not in trouble financially but it makes sense to know where we stand.
  
3. We have a very healthy reserve however, as caretaker for our funds it is my responsibility to keep you apprised of our financial situation.

**Attachments**

**Profit & loss Statement Year 2005**  
**Profit & loss overview Year 2005**  
**(spent versus actual budget)**  
**Approved Budget Year 2006**

Respectfully,

**Jerry [redacted]**  
**Area Treasurer**

**Hawaii Area Committee**  
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**Ordinary Income/Expense**

**Income**

<b>Aloha Roundup</b>	<b>415.80</b>
<b>Contributions Income (Dist.)</b>	
<b>District #01 Diamond Head</b>	<b>2,570.84</b>
<b>District #02 Honolulu</b>	<b>648.03</b>
<b>District #03 Leeward</b>	<b>700.28</b>
<b>District #04 Windward</b>	<b>1,856.17</b>
<b>District #05 No Ka Oi</b>	<b>1,692.23</b>
<b>District #06 Kauai</b>	<b>1,609.50</b>
<b>District #07 East Hawaii</b>	<b>260.00</b>
<b>District #08 West Hawaii</b>	<b>2,294.19</b>
<b>District #09 Central N. Shore</b>	<b>1,064.78</b>
<b>District #10 Waikiki</b>	<b>4,259.26</b>
<b>District #11 Kihei</b>	<b>2,140.83</b>
<b>District #12 Puna</b>	<b>521.62</b>
<b>District #13 West Maui</b>	<b>960.72</b>
<b>District #14 Manoa</b>	<b>384.95</b>
<b>District #17 Waianae</b>	<b>584.28</b>
<b>Contributions Income (Dist.) - Other</b>	<b>124.00</b>
<b>Total Contributions Income (Dist.)</b>	<b><u>21,671.68</u></b>

**Total Income** **22,087.48**

**Expense**

**Hawaii Area As A Whole - Detail**

<b>Area Assemblies</b>	<b>935.00</b>
<b>Area Meetings</b>	<b>1,050.00</b>
<b>Computer and programs</b>	<b>1,156.18</b>
<b>General Service Conference</b>	<b>1,867.33</b>
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Interisland Airfare - Area Meet</b>	<b>11,692.77</b>
<b>International Convention</b>	<b>1,222.00</b>
<b>Office Supplies</b>	<b>279.19</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>114.18</b>
<b>PRASSA</b>	<b>2,576.63</b>
<b>Printing</b>	
<b>2004 Year end report</b>	<b>132.28</b>
<b>Printing - Other</b>	<b>1,253.06</b>
<b>Total Printing</b>	<b><u>1,385.34</u></b>
<b>Trustee Visit</b>	<b><u>388.50</u></b>

**Hawaii Area Committee**  
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	<u>Jan - Dec 05</u>
<b>Total Hawaii Area As A Whole - Detail</b>	<b>23,167.12</b>
<b>Hawaii Area Standing Committies</b>	
<b>Archives</b>	
Storage & Access	348.74
<b>Total Archives</b>	<u>348.74</u>
<b>Coop/Elderly Community</b>	626.92
<b>Corrections</b>	
Books/Videos/Literature	556.90
Postage/PO Box/Printing	9.06
<b>Total Corrections</b>	<u>565.96</u>
<b>CPC</b>	
Literature/Videos	175.14
Travel	127.40
<b>Total CPC</b>	<u>302.54</u>
<b>Finance</b>	
Printing	189.77
<b>Total Finance</b>	<u>189.77</u>
<b>Hospitals</b>	
Literature	214.94
Postage	5.00
Printing	6.30
<b>Total Hospitals</b>	<u>226.24</u>
<b>Mynah Bird</b>	
Misc./Internet	21.13
Printing (6 Issues)	384.79
<b>Total Mynah Bird</b>	<u>405.92</u>
<b>Public Information (PI)</b>	
Literature	154.88
Workshops/Travel	396.00
<b>Total Public Information (PI)</b>	<u>550.88</u>
<b>Total Hawaii Area Standing Committies</b>	<b>3,216.97</b>
<b>Uncategorized Expenses</b>	<b>2.50</b>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u><b>26,386.59</b></u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<u><b>-4,299.11</b></u>

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	Jan - Dec 05	Budget
Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg.	2.50	-10.00
HASC - Archive -Ted [REDACTED]		
Storage/Supplies	348.74	-500.00
<b>Total HASC - Archive -Ted [REDACTED]</b>	<b>348.74</b>	<b>-500.00</b>
<b>HASC - Archives</b>		
Display Materials	0.00	-100.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Printing/Postage	0.00	-115.00
Supplies	0.00	-100.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
<b>Total HASC - Archives</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-495.00</b>
<b>HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.</b>		
Litterature	12.50	-325.00
Paper,Printing, Copying	427.52	-275.00
Phone	20.00	-20.00
HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm. - Other	166.90	
<b>Total HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.</b>	<b>626.92</b>	<b>-620.00</b>
<b>HASC - Corrections</b>		
Books/Videos/Literature	556.90	-300.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage & Printing	9.06	-50.00
Workshops	0.00	-160.00
<b>Total HASC - Corrections</b>	<b>565.96</b>	<b>-530.00</b>
<b>HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional</b>		
Literature/Videos	154.32	-162.00
Postage/Phone	0.00	-57.00
Printing	0.00	-50.00
Travel	127.40	-160.00
HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional - Other	20.82	
<b>Total HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional</b>	<b>302.54</b>	<b>-429.00</b>
<b>HASC - Finance Committee</b>		
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage	0.00	-37.00
Printing & Next Yrs. Bdgt.	189.77	-300.00
<b>Total HASC - Finance Committee</b>	<b>189.77</b>	<b>-357.00</b>
<b>HASC - Grapevine</b>		
Display/Literature	0.00	-100.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Printing/Postage	0.00	-40.00
Subscriptions to give	0.00	-40.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
<b>Total HASC - Grapevine</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-360.00</b>

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	<u>Jan - Dec 05</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>HASC - Hospitals</b>		
Literature	214.94	-150.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage	5.00	-12.00
Printing	6.30	-50.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
Workshops	0.00	-50.00
<b>Total HASC - Hospitals</b>	<u>226.24</u>	<u>-442.00</u>
<b>HASC - Mynah Bird</b>		
Misc., Postage, Phone, etc.	21.13	-100.00
Printing (100 copies per issue)	384.79	-500.00
<b>Total HASC - Mynah Bird</b>	<u>405.92</u>	<u>-600.00</u>
<b>HASC - PI (Public Information)</b>		
Literature/Public Service Anns.	154.88	-350.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage/Correspondence	0.00	-37.00
Printing/ Stationary	0.00	-50.00
Workshops/Travel	396.00	-160.00
<b>Total HASC - PI (Public Information)</b>	<u>550.88</u>	<u>-617.00</u>
<b>HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)</b>		
Literature	0.00	-150.00
Phone	0.00	-20.00
Postage & Stationery	0.00	-50.00
Printing	0.00	-90.00
Travel	0.00	-160.00
Workshops	0.00	-50.00
<b>Total HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-520.00</u>
<b>Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole</b>		
<b>Area Mtgs</b>		
Area Committee Mtgs. Fees	1,050.00	-1,280.00
Assembly Registration Fees	935.00	-1,280.00
<b>Total Area Mtgs</b>	<u>1,985.00</u>	<u>-2,560.00</u>
<b>Area Phone</b>		
ALT Area Chair	0.00	-20.00
Alt.Delegate	0.00	-20.00
Area Chair	0.00	-20.00
Area Officers (other)	0.00	-60.00
Delegate	0.00	-60.00
<b>Total Area Phone</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-180.00</u>



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	Jan - Dec 05	Budget
<b>Area Postage</b>		
Alt Chair	0.00	-15.00
Area Chair	0.00	-30.00
Area Postage	15.00	
Delegate/Alt.Delegate	14.80	-60.00
Financial (incl budget)	78.78	-37.00
Other Area Officers	5.60	-25.00
<b>Total Area Postage</b>	114.18	-167.00
<b>Area Printing</b>		
2004 Year End Report	132.28	-75.00
Agendas , Minutes & Registration	170.82	-75.00
Area Chair & Alt. Chair	84.50	-150.00
Delegate/Alt.Delegate	550.77	-375.00
Finance Committee	0.00	-300.00
GSR Guide	300.00	-75.00
Misc.	140.72	
Special Reports	6.25	-75.00
Structure & Guidelines	0.00	-150.00
<b>Total Area Printing</b>	1,385.34	-1,275.00
<b>General Sv Conf</b>		
Add GSO Support \$400. if able	400.00	-400.00
Hotel	498.00	-500.00
Meals	118.33	-100.00
Min. Registration	800.00	-800.00
Transportation & Misc.	51.00	-50.00
<b>Total General Sv Conf</b>	1,867.33	-1,850.00
<b>Insurance</b>	500.00	-450.00
<b>Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs</b>		
Area Off. & Stand,. Com. (est. 8x9)	9,380.75	-9,600.00
Assist Districts Air Fare	343.00	-320.00
Conv. Steering Air Fare	1,473.74	-1,920.00
Delegate's Report 1.5	321.28	-320.00
Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs - Other	174.00	
<b>Total Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs</b>	11,692.77	-12,160.00
<b>Office Supplies</b>		
Computer	1,393.67	-50.00
Officers	0.00	-30.00
Registra	17.78	-15.00
Secretary	0.00	-15.00
Treasurer	23.92	-25.00
<b>Total Office Supplies</b>	1,435.37	-135.00

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	<u>Jan - Dec 05</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>PRASSA</b>		
Airfare 2 @ \$600	1,789.50	-1,200.00
Banquet 2 @ \$25	25.00	-50.00
Delegate Lunch 1 @ \$20	35.00	-20.00
Hotel 2@200	604.45	-600.00
Meals	32.68	-200.00
PRASSA Tapes 1 set @ \$70	75.00	-70.00
Registration 2 @ \$15.	8.00	-30.00
Transportation/ Misc. 2 @ \$25	7.00	-50.00
<b>Total PRASSA</b>	<u>2,576.63</u>	<u>-2,220.00</u>
<b>Trustee Visit</b>		
Airfare	388.50	-600.00
Room, Board & Expenses	0.00	-150.00
<b>Total Trustee Visit</b>	<u>388.50</u>	<u>-750.00</u>
<b>Web Site</b>	0.00	-120.00
<b>Total Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole</b>	<u>21,945.12</u>	<u>-21,867.00</u>
<b>International Convention</b>	1,222.00	
<b>Taxes</b>	0.00	-200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>26,386.59</u></u>	<u><u>-27,547.00</u></u>

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<b>Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg.</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>HASC - Archive -Ted K██████████</b>	
<b>Storage/Supplies</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>Total HASC - Archive -Ted K██████████</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>HASC - Archives</b>	
<b>Display Materials</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Printing/Postage</b>	<b>115</b>
<b>Supplies</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Travel</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Total HASC - Archives</b>	<b>495</b>
<b>HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.</b>	
<b>Litterature</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Paper,Printing, Copying</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Travel</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Total HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.</b>	<b>840</b>
<b>HASC - Corrections</b>	
<b>Books/Videos/Literature</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Postage &amp; Printing</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>Workshops</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Travel</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Total HASC - Corrections</b>	<b>640</b>
<b>HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional</b>	
<b>Literature/Videos</b>	<b>162</b>
<b>Postage/Phone</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Printing</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Travel</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Total HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional</b>	<b>589</b>
<b>HASC - Finance Committee</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Printing &amp;Next Yrs. Bdgt.</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Total HASC - Finance Committee</b>	<b>207</b>
<b>HASC - Grapevine</b>	
<b>Display/Literature</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Phone</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Printing/Postage</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Subscriptions to give</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Travel</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Total HASC - Grapevine</b>	<b>420.00</b>

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<b>HASC - Hospitals</b>		
Literature		250
Phone		20
Postage		12
Printing		50
Travel		160
Workshops		50
<b>Total HASC - Hospitals</b>		<b>542</b>
<b>HASC - Mynah Bird</b>		
Misc., Postage, Phone, etc.		100
Printing (100 copies per issue)		600
Travel		160
<b>Total HASC - Mynah Bird</b>		<b>860</b>
<b>HASC - PI (Public Information)</b>		
Literature/Public Service Anns.		350
Phone		20
Postage/Correspondence		37
Printing/ Stationary		50
Workshops/Travel		160
<b>Total HASC - PI (Public Information)</b>		<b>617</b>
<b>HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)</b>		
Literature		150
Phone		20
Postage & Stationery		50
Printing		90
Travel		160
Workshops		50
<b>Total HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)</b>		<b>520</b>
<b>Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole</b>		
<b>Area Mtgs</b>		
	Area Committee Mtgs. Fees	1280
	Assembly Registration Fees	1280
<b>Total Area Mtgs</b>		<b>2560</b>
<b>Area Phone</b>		
	ALT Area Chair	20
	Alt.Delegate	20
	Area Chair	20
	Area Officers (other)	60
	Delegate	60
<b>Total Area Phone</b>		<b>180</b>
<b>Area Postage</b>		
	Alt Chair	15

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	<u>2006 budget</u>
<b>Area Chair</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Delegate/Alt.Delegate</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Financial (incl budget)</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Other Area Officers</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Total Area Postage</b>	<b>167</b>
<b>Area Printing</b>	
<b>Area Chair &amp; Alt. Chair</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Delegate/Alt.Delegate</b>	<b>1100</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>Treasure</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Total Area Printing</b>	<b>1750</b>
<b>General Sv Conf</b>	
<b>Add GSO Support \$400. if able</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>Hotel</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Meals</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Min. Registration</b>	<b>1200</b>
<b>Transportation &amp; Misc.</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Total General Sv Conf</b>	<b>2250</b>
<b>Insurance</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Interisland Airfare for Area Mtgs</b>	
<b>Area Officers &amp; Standing Committees</b>	<b>6282</b>
<b>Assist Districts Air Fare</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Officer travel conv/strng/committee</b>	<b>960</b>
<b>Delegate's Report Back</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Total Interisland Airfare</b>	<b>8242</b>
<b>International convention</b>	
<b>Yearly set aside</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Office Supplies</b>	
<b>Computer</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Officers</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Registra</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>Total Office Supplies</b>	<b>445</b>
<b>Pacific Forum</b>	
<b>Airfare 2 @ \$600</b>	<b>1200</b>
<b>Food 2 @ \$150</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Hotel 2 @ \$300</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>Transp 2 @ \$30</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Total Pacific Forum</b>	<b>2160</b>

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		<u>2006 budget</u>
<b>Prassa</b>	<b>Airfare 2 @ \$600</b>	<b>1200</b>
	<b>Banquet 2 @ \$25</b>	<b>50</b>
	<b>Delegate Lunch</b>	<b>25</b>
	<b>Hotel 2@ \$300</b>	<b>600</b>
	<b>Meals</b>	<b>200</b>
	<b>PRASSA Tapes 1 set @ \$70</b>	<b>70</b>
	<b>Registration 2@ \$25</b>	<b>50</b>
	<b>Transportation/ Misc. 2 @ \$25</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Total Prassa</b>		<b>2245</b>
<b>Trustee Visit</b>	<b>Airfare</b>	
	<b>Room, Board &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Website</b>		<b>120</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>27,009.00</b>