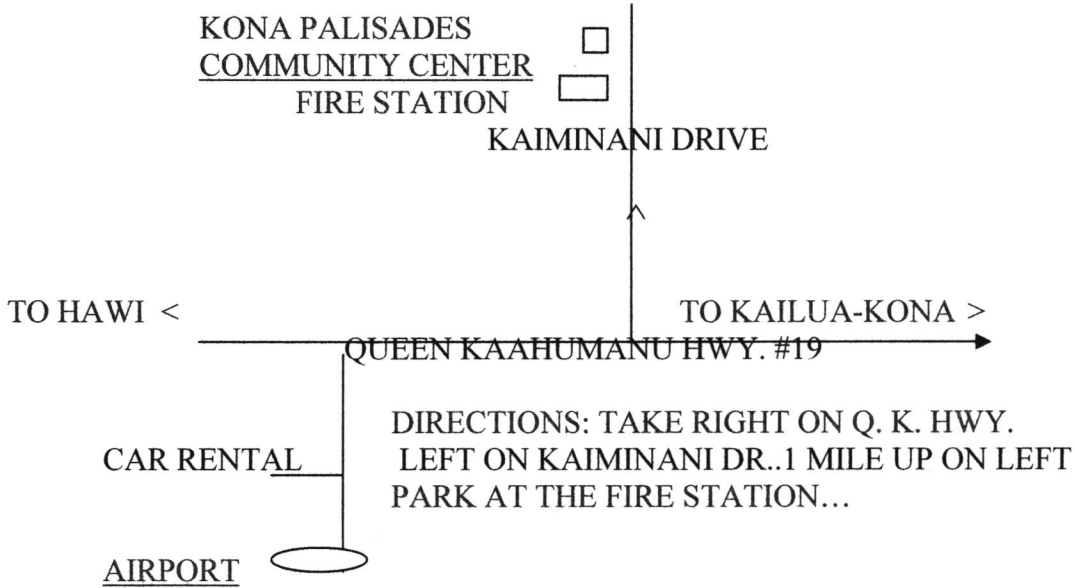


HAWAII AREA #17  
 COMMITTEE MEETING  
 OCT 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2005  
 KONA PALISADES, KONA



REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST

8-9 AM....

NAME:

ADDRESS:

E-MAIL ADDRESS/PHONE

DISTRICT/AREA POSITION

DATE/TIME OF ARRIVAL.....

AIRLINE/FLIGHT#

DATE/TIME OF DEPARTURE..

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SEND REGISTRATION INFO TO: CHERYL..PHONE..324-8223

e-mail [REDACTED]

MAIL TO: [REDACTED]

P.O. BOX [REDACTED].....OCEAN VIEW, HI. 96737

HOME STAY..LIZ. [REDACTED]..e-mail [REDACTED]

TRANS...TOM..[REDACTED].cell [REDACTED]..e-mail [REDACTED]

subject:AREA 17

LUNCH.....CARNIVORE....VEGETARIAN....OTHER (SPECIFY)

OCT 9..KUPUNA DAY..AT KONA PALISADES COMMUNITY CTR.

**HAWAII AREA COMMITTEE MEETING**

**WEST HAWAII DISTRICT**

**10/08/05**

- 8:00-9:00 **BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 **CALL TO ORDER**  
**HOST D.C.M. ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**OPENING READING**
- 9:15 **SECRETARY REPORT-MINUTES APPROVAL**
- 9:30 **AREA OFFICERS REPORTS**  
a. **DELEGATE**  
b. **ALTERNATE DELEGATE**  
c. **ALTERNATE CHAIR**  
d. **RECORDING SECRETARY**  
e. **REGISTRAR**  
f. **CHAIR**
- 10:00 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 10:30 **BREAK**
- 10:45 **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- 11:15 **DCM REPORTS**
- 12:00 **LUNCH -ROUND TABLES**  
**DCM, COMMITTEE HEADS, AREA OFFICERS**
- 1:00 **INTERGROUP REPORTS**  
**HICYPAAA, ICYPAA REPORTS**
- 1:30 **NEW BUSINESS**  
**AD HOC COMMITTEE- ARCHIVES**  
**DISCUSS JANUARY ASSEMBLY**
- 2:15 **BREAK**

HAWAII AREA COMMITTEE MEETING

2:30 OPEN MIKE-WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND

4:00 ADJOURN WHEN PAU

PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT ALL REPORTS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING FOR THE SECRETARY. PLEASE NOTE THOSE ITEMS YOU WISH RECORDED VERBATIM IN THE MINUTES.

2006 ASSEMBLY/COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE 09/04/05

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| INVENTORY ASSEMBLY | 01/21-22 | WAIANAE      |
| COMMITTEE MEETING  | 02/25    | KIHEI        |
| FROM THE DELEGATE  | 04/1-2   | E. HAWAII    |
| COMMITTEE MEETING  | 05/20    | NORTH SHORE  |
| BUDGET ASSEMBLY    | 08/19-20 | DIAMOND HEAD |
| COMMITTEE MEETING  | 10/14    | WINDWARD     |
| ELECTION ASSEMBLY  | 11/11-12 | PUNA         |

DECLARATION OF UNITY

THIS WE OWE TO A.A.'S FUTURE:

TO PLACE OUR COMMON WELFARE FIRST:  
TO KEEP OUR FELLOWSHIP UNITED.  
FOR ON A.A. UNITY DEPEND OUR LIVES,  
AND THE LIVES OF THOSE TO COME.

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| STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS         | 00:00 |
| BREAK                              | 00:30 |
| STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS         | 01:45 |
| DCM REPORTS                        | 11:15 |
| LUNCH-ROUND TABLES                 | 12:00 |
| DCM COMMITTEE HEADS, AREA OFFICERS |       |
| INTERGROUP REPORTS                 | 1:00  |
| HICYPAA/ICYPAA REPORTS             |       |
| NEW BUSINESS                       | 1:30  |
| AD HOC COMMITTEE-ARCHIVES          |       |
| DISCUSS JANUARY ASSEMBLY           |       |
| BREAK                              | 2:15  |

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Hawaii Area #17  
Committee Meeting  
October 8, 2005

Meeting opened @ 9:00 am with the Serenity Prayer

Reading of Literature – Chris – Leadership – AA Service Manual

Approval of June 25, 2005 Committee Meeting Minutes: One correction - page 1 of the Standing Committee Reports, under Achieves, line 5, email should be: ~~francis.hawaii@aa.org~~. Approved as amended.

**Area Officers Reports**

**Recording Secretary – Elizabeth** – I have tried something a little different this time with the minutes by breaking out the reports from the actual business. I look forward to hearing your feedback on this format at the break. Thanks for getting me your reports and for allowing me to serve Hawaii Area.

**Delegate – Keith** – To begin with I want to respond your concerns about the Golf Cost. I know that our thoughts and prayers have been with those members affected by Hurricane Katrina. I have received plenty of requests on how we as AA members can help those in need. I forwarded an email that I received a few weeks after the Hurricane on GSO's response for helping those in affected. I hope everyone got it? I have also been getting updates from the Area 27 Louisiana Delegate Don M. who has shown the most amazing courage and integrity in such a difficult time. In the last email I received he talked about his Areas position on contributions from outside his Area. This was a powerful message. If you would like me to forward his email just let me know. Hopefully you have all received your Box 459 with the special insert about Katrina. It was reported that GSO staff assignment rotations were completed on September 12<sup>th</sup>. If you would like a list of the current assignments please contact me. Every year some seem to think we do not have enough time from the February committee meeting to the April Assembly. Members feel there is no time to go back to the groups to get a sense of how a group feels on each topic. **To attempt to remedy the time crunch, I would like to point out some things that seem likely to be on the 56 General Service Conference Agenda:**

**\* Corrections:**

1. Establishment of a Corrections Correspondence Service in Canada.
2. Review and revise the draft manuscript, *AA in Prison: Inmate to Inmate*.
3. Development of an informational media presentation introducing AA to training academies and in-service training programs for correctional personal.
4. Further development of workshops introducing AA in training programs for Correctional Personal.

**\*Literature:**

1. Review draft manuscripts of the pamphlets "Young People and AA", "Too Young?" and "It happened to Alice!"

**\*Public Information:**

1. Discuss how to get more Delegates involved in the membership survey process in 2007.
2. Select the fourth television public service announcement submitted for consideration.

**\*Treatment Facilities:**

1. Consider possible name change and scope and review actives of Treatment Facilities Committees.

\* This was an e-mail sent to all Conference Members from Milton C, Panel 54 Delegate, Area 64 Tennessee. This may go to the Publications Department.

"The Roman Numerals denoting page numbers in the Preface, Forwards, The Doctors Opinion; and page numbers, in Doctor Bob's Nightmare and the Appendices, in our pocket sized editions of Alcoholics Anonymous, do not match the text in our regular sized editions. In a setting involving Book Studies, or just reading along with the group, it is confusing at times. We have literature studies in many of our Correctional Facility Meetings, and when you ask everyone to turn to page such and such, there are different page numbers involved. The pocket sized editions are widely used in correctional settings, as I'm sure you realize. When time allows, would you research this and see if a simple, and economical, solution can be found? Having the pages numbered alike in all current editions of the "Big Book", even though out of order in the pocket sized copies, would seem to be the simplest route. A footnote explaining the skipped numbers and numerals might be helpful as well." Along with these topics we will also be discussing the theme "Sponsorship Service and Self-Support in a Changing World." The workshop topic will be "Passing it on in a Changing World." This brings us to what I asked of the DCM's at the August Assembly, suggestions for 2007 Conference theme, presentation, and workshop topics. Please make sure you have given me all of your ideas. At the last Quarterly Board Meeting a topic was presented on the subject of "Is the Conference Process Working? Pro and Con." In thinking about our Inventory Assembly, it is vital that we ask ourselves the same question. I was just sent a correction form Donald M. Assistant Treasure. It states that the percentage of groups contributing in Hawaii Area on a comparative basis is:

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|                                  | <u>2005</u> | <u>2004</u> |
| For the six months ended 6/30/05 | 44 %        | 42%         |



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On the topic of self support, Greg M. calls it "A Spiritual Connection." If we are informed how the two dollars we put in the basket is helping Alcoholics all over the world we can see its "Spiritual Connection." It is great pleasure to serve with you all.

**Alternate Delegate – Francesca** - The 2 responsibilities I have are sitting on the Conventions Steering Committee, and the convention is coming up in 2 weeks, and you can still register just not purchase meals. The other is the Web Site Committee, and if you haven't seen the site yet, please check it out. It is going well. Introduced Frank, who is rotating in as the Convention Steering Chair. We just bought a new carrying case for our audio equipment. DCMs please take it home with you if your District is hosting the next Assembly or Committee Meeting.

**Alt. Area Chair – Nick** – Thank you so much for helping me enrich my sobriety by allowing me to serve in this function. I am serving on the Convention Steering Committee, and I brought lots of registration forms, which are up by the registrars table.

**Registrar – T** - I serve as you area registrar. First, if you have not signed in please do so at the back table. Second this is for Area officers and standing committee chairs, there is a white packet at the back table that I need you to complete for Keith. So if you have not filled it out yet please do so at you next convenience. I have really enjoyed this position and I am open to . of improving any and all areas that you feel may be neglected. I feel I have been following along ok yet if you feel I am falling short please let me know. I have updated the Master Contact Sheet this morning. If you have email I will email the update. For those of you who have no email access, I will mail you a hard copy. I will remember to purchase nametags for the next event so that we all can get to know each other. Other than that I am grateful to be of service.

**Treasurer – Jerry** – Report distributed to all and read, highlights are: total contributions income: \$16,097.65, total expenses: \$23,498.81 We are spending more that we brought in for this year, should we include this in the Inventory in January? Yes. Our current prudent reserve is about 13% of our annual expenses, and we may want to increase this. Jerry will come up with a proposal. Q. Regarding GSR approaching Area for money to attend Assemblies, what is the procedure? Shouldn't the first recourse be through the District? A. We will be working on the procedures today at lunch when the Finance Committee meets, and yes, District should be approached first. \$500 has been budgeted for GSR travel for 2006.

**Area Chair – Vernon** – The May Committee meeting needs to be moved. After discussion, is changed to June 17, 2006. I sent out all the Inventory materials so that we can come to a conscious on what questions to include.

## **New Business**

**Ad Hoc Committee – Archives** – When Ted K. can no longer house the area archives, some future panel will have to deal with this. In the S & G it says the Alt Delegate is to head any Ad Hoc Committee. Francesca has talked to Ted, and he is willing to let go of the housing and permanent archivist position. Talks are commencing with Oahu Intergroup to perhaps move with them when they move Central Office. Intergroup has this on their agenda, and they will be discussing this. GSR Adina S from Palolo Discussion has brought this up in District, to Zeke Oahu Intergroup Chair and Ted K. as well, and everyone is enthusiastic about the possibility. Ad Hoc Committee will be looking at all possibilities and aspects and report back at the January 2006 Assembly. Ad Hoc members are: Justin, Bridgette, Dianna, Rick, Adina, Sandi and Francesca.

**January Inventory Planning** - One of the concerns now in Hawaii Area is chanting and rituals that are all over the place in Hawaii. These are really not a part of AA. We have discussed bring Ruth, a formed GSO staff member come and give us a presentation that she has given at PRAASA a couple years ago. Does this committee want to bring her over? Open to discussion: I attended the PRAASA presentation given by Ruth, and it was so powerful, that it impacted me and has affected my home group to the point that we no longer say the Lords Prayer, or chant at al in our meeting. I am also very much in favor of this, I have been to meetings where the chanting was such that I wanted to leave the meeting because I felt so uncomfortable. I think that it would be very valuable, but would be more so directed to a larger audience. I don't want anyone coming to my home group and telling us not to chant. The ones who chant the loudest and the newcomers, and when they gain a little bit of time, the mellow out, and it take care of itself. It's not Area's business. I heard that each group is autonomous, but this does affect AA as a whole. The 3<sup>rd</sup> tradition can sometimes be misconstrued. I think we can discuss this more as a group at an assembly. I had a vote, I would say yes, lets do it. I have no opinion either way, the first time I heard the chanting on Oahu, I was awed at the powerfulness of the being a part of. I am concerned about the newcomer. Reminder from Chair that we are not discussing whether chanting is good or bad, we are asking if we

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want to bring Ruth over to the January Assembly. Yes, it's a great idea. We send you folks to PRAASA so you can come back and share with us what you learned. Why should we send for someone when there are those of you who heard her have the knowledge? Can't you share this with us? Our fiscal situation may not be such that we should do this. I am worried also setting a precedent for future panels. This has been discussed at the Finance Committee, and the Committee says no, it would not be prudent. Area is lacking in support, particularly this panel and it's in part on what we are spending our money on. I think we should be careful in what we spend money on. I am not against bringing this lady to Hawaii, but I am against the Area paying for her to come over. When I attended that PRAASA with my home groups GSR, we went back and discussed this at my home group and my district, and now I do not chant at the end of the Lord's Prayer and that is my job – to carry the message that I heard at PRAASA. We do have the tape and maybe it would be beneficial to listen to it in an organized arena, such as an Assembly. This whole conversation has raised all of our awareness, and it's great. It's not about if it's right or wrong, maybe one of us will have a spiritual experience, or maybe not. It's all a part of the process. We do not have substantial issue, this is divisive and I don't think this would be useful to bring up at an Assembly. I am very disturbed that only one woman can carry this message that can change my thinking, but those of you who heard her cannot transmit it. Chair: I am not hearing that this body is in support of bringing a presenter to speak on the topic of chanting in AA. I will put it on the agenda to play the tape in January.

**Inventory Suggestions:** How can increase financial support for Area. Please choose questions from the materials given, or come up with others and get them to Area Chair before January. We need to look at a way that everyone is heard, and how can we avoid any one person "hijack" the whole Assembly? Is there some way that we can look at issues at the Committee meeting level and then bring it to the Assembly? What can we do to do our Committee work more efficiently? Special needs in AA, and carrying the message. At our September district meeting we talked about How is Area serving you, and asked the GSRs to take this question back to your group. At the last Inventory Assembly we appointed a committee to come up with the questions, and that's how we did it then. Deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup> for Inventory suggestions.

**Aloha Friday Night Group Proposals:** Is there interest and support in this proposal? This was submitted directly from the group, not through district, which is the procedure. Discussion: We changed the budget procedure some years ago when I was a GSR to avoid spending too much time approving budget. We are trusted servants. I think that the group conscious has spoken on this sufficiently. I am concerned about how many times this body has allowed motions to be made on the spot, and not through the districts. I think that's what we should be discussing. I feel that this would be a waste of time; we have a Finance Committee whose job it is to work on the budget and finances. This frees up more time to talk about our primary purpose: to carry the message. In an outside the box kind of perspective, we should never prevent a group from heard, we don't have to agree with the proposal. The dollar amounts on this proposal seem very small; maybe we could find a happy medium. On a practical level, there has been a lot of energy and effort to make the budget work. Concept 3, the right of decision is very important. It is important for all groups to be heard. Any proposal can be heard by the body, we cannot prevent this. Having more accountability is not a bad thing, but taking all items back to the groups for under \$250 would be difficult. I am only aloud 5 minutes at the mike at Assemblies; maybe the proposals should get a time limit as well. There should be a procedure when a proposal is made there is a delay before it gets addressed at assembly to give more time for discussion. We need to find a way to shorten the process of proposals, and I am not sure if it's the Area Officers responsibilities or the Committee as a whole. My group would not want to sit through a group conscious when the GSR is asking their ok for every little thing. Chair: I am going to ask that the origination group re-submit this proposal through the district. If it does make it to the floor, we will have a specific time limit for it at the Assembly.

**Open Mike –** Would like to see us open with the declaration of unity instead of the Serenity Prayer. CEC is hosting a panel at the Hawaii Convention, please come by and see us. Ad hoc committee on archives decided during lunch that we will go see Archives first. I have all these early writings of Bill W. and would love to share them with you folks. Reminder that next month is gratitude month, and we have envelopes available for GSO contributions. I have a concern that one of the DCM's said in her report that their district voted to not to send them here, and that Area paid their way. Clarification that district voted not to send the DCM due to lack of funds. But that's not what the DCM said in her report. It was reported that the district voted not to send her, and then Area paid her way. We can't assume why the groups aren't sending money, each group and districts have very different reasons. The Service Manual says that the duties of a GSR and DCM are to attend District meetings and all Area Assemblies, period. The group conscious is the ultimate authority, it doesn't matter what the Service Manual says. We can get further clarifications from the DCM from that district. The Finance Committee met during lunch, and developed the following guidelines for travel support: Up to 80% of airfare will be given, and they have to be a GSR or DCM. No more than twice per year, and not against the group conscious. Chair: Dee Dee called Patti during the break, and what had happened was that the district didn't have the money

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to send Chris, and when Area said they would pay her way, she took that back to the district and they were very happy. So it was the group conscious.

**Broke into Roundtables, following are the report backs**

**DCM:** Main focus was how to run district meetings: agendas, staying on time, how to control the meeting in love and kindness. Some of us take our example from our current Area Chair, who we think does an excellent job facilitating the meetings.

**Standing Committees:** We talked about labeling the literature racks around the state, so then we could easily discern whose kuliana it is, perhaps putting the local Intergroup number on the back of the rack. The need we have to build committees, that a lot of us are committees of one.

**Area Officers:** We asked ourselves how we can support the districts that are challenged; we are concerned about West Maui, Manoa and East Hawaii. What can we do? We discussed the possibility of the Area Officers attending District meetings as a resource and perhaps to encourage enthusiasm.

**Discussion:** What about having panel presentations without the discussion? That's where the divisiveness was stemming from in our earlier conversation about chanting. It's our job to be informed, and the discussion is where we learn from each other, and sharing opinions happen. Thus we grow. A lot of these topics have been around AA for a long time, it's not like anything we just thought up with on their own. If a panel is informational it should have all points covered, the pros and cons. If it is just one opinion and it is presented it is not informational it is persuasive. Keith H.: We are going to bid for PRAASA 2009 at the 2006 PRAASA. Elizabeth B. will be organizing that bid proposal.

Motion to adjourn at 3:28 pm.

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**10-8-05 Committee Meeting Hawaii Area 17**

**Standing Committee Reports**

**\*\*Archives Chair Sandi is absent due to being ill\*\***

**CEC- Marion** – Plans for Kapuna day are in the works which will be held on Sunday, October 9 following the area committee meeting. Work continues on the first annual Sober over Sixty Conference in May 2006 at the Keauhou Beach Resort. There are a few spaces still available for the Ahu Lani Sober over Sixty retreat, October 28-30. The theme of all the events is “sober over sixty- are we carrying the message to the elder community?” KAPUNA DAY PLAN FOR AREA 17 DISTRICT 8. **OCTOBER 9, 2005 PALISADES RECREATION CENTER “ARE WE CARRYING THE MESSAGE TO THE ELDER COMMUNITY”** Program: 9:00-10:30a.m. History of CEC and SOS – Marion; Resource Review and Power Point Presentation- Stan B. ; Committee Cooperation –Delegate – Keith, Area Chair – Vernon; CPC- Marianne, PI- Diana; 10:30 -10:45 coffee break; 10:45-12:30 Chronologically Gifted Share their story: Finding Sobriety after 60- Steve S.; Better Late than Never – Marilyn; Senior, sober a while – now what? – Maryellen; Twelve Stepping the old fashioned way – Shirley 12:30-1:30 Lunch and Photo ID game; 1:30-2:00 Grapevine questionnaire – Keith K. Grapevine area chair. Chronologically gifted AA-Alanon couple shares their story; 2:00-2:15 Coffee Break; 2:15 -3:00; what’s on your mind? – Open discussion; 3:00- 4:00 Sober over Sixty Meeting; Upcoming events: Sunday, October 9, 10 am- 4 pm Kupuna Day at Palisades Recreation Center. Lunch will be served. Saturday, October 21 Hawaii State Convention, Workshop “Sober over Sixty – Are we carrying the message to the elder community?” Friday-Sunday, October 28-30 Sober over Sixty Retreat, Ahu Lani. Thursday-Sunday, May 18-21, 2006 First Annual International Sober over Sixty Conference, Keauhou Beach Resort, Kailua-Kona, Hi. I have heard bits and pieces of SOS meeting being held around the State, but I don’t know of them. DCMs – if you have information on these meetings please let me know or have them contact me.

**Hospitals - Bridgette** - Here we are at the last time we will formally assemble until next year. So let me fill you in on what hospitals have been up to. We attended three workshops offering our mana’o and our spirit of service. We held three hospital committee meetings, which I might add this seriously lacked support that I would expect (oh no! expectations) on Oahu since my last report. We have received two 12 step calls from Intergroup and two from fellow AA’s. We visited three sick AA’s in the hospital. We attended Intergroup on Oahu. We have given literature to anyone who would carry it anywhere. I have tried to contact past volunteers but for whatever reason I don’t get to see them at the hospital committee meetings. If you are one of them, please contact me. What’s pending and needs your kokua is the flowing: Queens Hospital would like to play ball again with us. So, please ask your districts, ask your groups. WE need someone who can make a firm commitment for 6 months to carry a meeting into Queens Adolescent Ward. Any evening would be fine. It should have a young people focus. They would prefer a Friday or Saturday night but are flexible. Time is negotiable. What is more important is commitment. They may have an alternate, which is fine. But we really want it to be consistent. They were thrilled by the last one that came in but were disappointed it wasn’t maintained. We have 2 sick AA’s in the hospital who need visitors – one male and one female. They are at Queens Hospital on Oahu. 1 or 2 visits would be fine, even just phone calls are uplifting. They would also like someone to bring in a meeting to them. The hospital said maximum 4 people to visit, but this would be a nice intimate meeting. No set format, just someone to bring the hope. Both are long time hospital patients. You do not need a specific time of sobriety to be of service in this way. See me or call me at 542-4820 if you would like to visit or take a meeting. Out next few hospital committees on Oahu is as follows (all are at Blaisdell Park in Pearl City: 10/16 1 pm, 11/20 1pm and 12/18 1pm.

**Convention Steering Committee – DeeDee** Well, here I am starting the final phase of my journey with the convention. This will be my last report as steering committee chair. I must admit when we first started in January I was apprehensive. I had been told to be careful because the “big guns” were out to get the convention out of Area. At first, I was scared then I thought “Oh yea, well come on”, I was angry. As my sponsor and I processed all this wonderful information, the conclusion was.... God’s in charge. The Steering Committee decided to take the plunge and face whatever comes our way. This journey for me started when Lena R, apologized to Area back in January. I don’t know were the “Big Guns” went but apparently they aren’t here. What I found was a loving group of alcoholics here in Area who are willing to accept our apology and help us put the Steering Committee back where we are functioning like our guidelines state. Now for my convention report: Our numbers are down, this we expected due to numerous activities that were costly. Registered so far is 1306 at three weeks out last year we had 1889. Our meal counts are down and we are working with the convention center to lower our meal requirements. I am holding onto the convention center contracts until we hear back from them. The Ala Moana Hotel is renovating their pool and they will not hold us responsible for our room allotment this year.



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Our packets are being stuffed as we speak. One of the new items at the convention this year will be a submarine ride and if we get enough people, we will hold a meeting in the sub. Nick, Francesca, Frank and I met with the Big Island supporters of the Puna Proposal on Friday. That's all I have to report for now but before I close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for being so patient with me. Especially when I have to use a microphone. I get so tongue-tied and my words do not come out right! That's why my best work is done behind the scene.

**Public Information – Dianna** – Next PI meeting will be 10/19 6:30 pm at Zippy's on King and Pii'koi Streets. We will be speaking at Iolani High School 10/25. They want us to come and speak at a school assembly in the future. The sign for The Bus should be up for the month of December. Thanks Lisa and Zeke. Kevin S. called to see if PI can go to UH Manoa 10/17 to 10/21 Alcohol and Drug Awareness week. I am looking forward to going to Puna District 11/5 for their workshop.

**Treatment – Steve** - We had our first meeting on the third Sunday in September. We plan to have regular monthly meetings at the same location, at the same time, on the same day which is: Neil Blaisdell Park (covered picnic area next to the exercise equipment), 2:00 pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month. Our next three meetings will be 10/16, 11/20 and 12/18. We have established a person to service the Treatment Facilities on the Windward side of O'ahu and another person to service the Treatment Facilities in the Wai'anae District. In the coming months we will be visiting District meetings and establishing contacts as best as we can. Efforts to contact the past Treatment Facilities Chair have broken down, but we will continue to try and see if the past chairperson can be of some help to us. Please help us to help you. If I have not been in contact with the Treatment Facilities Chair from your District or if I am not in contact with you – the DCM – please contact me.

**Corrections- Rick** – On Oahu we are now taking a meeting into the Laumaka Facility on Friday evenings. We have a new volunteer (Andrea) who was approved to go into WCCC for women. Our latest approved volunteers for the Federal Detention Center (Clarence and Rose) are doing an excellent job carrying the message into that facility. Other volunteers, Terry in Halawa, Carlos in Waiawa, Becky, Ernestina, Lena, and Kathleen in WCCC and Susan and Donna in OCCC continue to do fantastic service for our Area. We are looking for a volunteer to take a meeting into WCCC on Friday evenings. I am also happy to report that we are getting inmates in Halawa to sign up for our Bridging the Gap Program. Whenever I receive a letter from an inmate asking to be connected with a member of AA, I always find someone eager to serve in that capacity. Personally, I am blessed to have the opportunity regularly attend meetings in Halawa, OCCC, and Laumaka and this continues to be a very rewarding experience. Here on the Big Island, we have Addie and Bob who continue to do a great job. Norman, Bill and Teresa on Kauai and Albert on Maui all continue to do excellent service work for our committee. I am also happy to announce that our committee has been able to answer all requests for AA literature that we have received throughout the Area. Sometimes it has taken longer than we would have liked, but we have fulfilled all requests to date and expect to continue to do so. I am really looking forward to the Convention this month and using that venue to continue to spread the word about AA service work in our Correctional Facilities Recently Central Office called me on 2 separate occasions; regarding family members who have people incarcerated who were claiming they could not get a meeting. I was able to gather some information and get back to them.

**CPC – Marianne** - I received a letter dated August 24, 2005 from the outgoing G.S.O. C.P.C. staff member Rick W. Rick advised that Irene K. will be the new C.P.C. staff member at G.S.O. and the e-mail address and telephone number will remain the same: [cpc@aa.org](mailto:cpc@aa.org) and (██████████). Mike B., Diamond Head District is continuing to supply the A.A. literature rack at Kaiser-Behavioral Health Services in the Ala Moana Building. Roberta A., Windward District participated in a workshop on September 17 at the Waimanalo Health Center. She made information packets to hand out. Currently, she is sharing the importance of anonymity with two Doctors and four Attorneys and hopes to take them to open meetings in the near future. Roberta is also interested in working with C.P.C. Chairs and/or committee members from other districts on Oahu. Robert V. advised the Intergroup Office on Oahu has been receiving telephone calls from Medical Students at the University of Hawaii and Nursing Students from HPU and U. of H. asking about Alcoholics Anonymous and requesting meeting schedules. I am in the process of contacting the Administration offices of the medical schools to see what additional services we can provide. Kauai District's David J. and other members are visiting Hina Mauka on a regular monthly basis. Kihei District is continuing to share at D.U.I. classes and Colin H. is also providing literature where needed. Puna District's combined C.P.C./P.I. workshop is scheduled for November 5th, 2005 in Keaau from 9:00 AM to 12 noon. P.I. Chair, Diana G. will be joining me for a presentation on what C.P.C./P.I. is and is not. A speaker's workshop consisting of role-playing to practice speaking before non-A.A. groups and brainstorming will follow. West Hawaii District is still planning another get together with interested professionals some time this fall. I would like to

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encourage the districts that are not involved in C.P.C. activities to get involved. I am happy to provide literature, if necessary, and assistance in any way.

**Grapevine – Keith** – I am back up on the internet now: [grapevine@hawaii-aa.org](mailto:grapevine@hawaii-aa.org) is my email; (808) 298-5545 is my phone number. I will be participating in Kupuna Day tomorrow. Grapevine has CD's and audio tapes; there is a large print edition of Best of Bill coming out soon. On the web site there are now MP3's available to download for free until the end of the year, after that it will be subscription. For the November issue of LaVina Resentments will be the topic. The October issue of GV theme is: 70th Birthday of AA, with a section on Depression. , with future themes of: 12<sup>th</sup> Step Work, Sober Families; Relapse; Landmarks in AA. The Grapevine Committee will be meeting after lunch, and I would like to request to do report after lunch in the future so I can report back on what transpired at the lunch. Hawaii subscription numbers for the past few months are: Aug – 437; Sept – 446; Oct – 463 and Nov 453.

**Mynah Bird – Michelle** – Mynah Bird had hoped to come out with a special issue relating to the experiences of those who attended the International Conference in Toronto. Due to low response, the special edition was not printed. The upcoming edition's topic is "Life on Life's Terms". Please turn them in by December 15, 2005. Mynah Bird has a few design change ideas relating to the mast-head. I have some rough samples and would appreciate any feedback, ideas, or suggestions.

### DCM Reports

#### **\*\*DCM's from No Ka Oi and East Hawaii are absent\*\***

**Honolulu – Chris Alt DCM** – No money in district, groups not contributing. Caravanned a s a district. District had voted not to send me, but when Patti spoke with Vern it was suggested that I come and Area paid my way. Thank you very much. Honolulu District #2 home group highlights: Aloha Friday is putting out a proposal on a cap for spending. Black Experience held their annual Home Group birthday celebration at a member's house. There was no annual dance this year. Home group member donated 2 mini tickets for the convention to raffle off 1 week prior to the convention. Black Experience voted to change their pie split to 30%, up from 10% for contributions to District. . Came to Believe is raffling convention tickets 1 week prior to the convention, they have 4 mini tickets and 1 full ticket that includes Saturday dinner. Downtown Lunch had a picnic of the last Sunday at Ala Moana Beach Park. Malia Discussion up raffled off 5 tickets to home group members. They held their Annual Round-Up last month. Pali Women's is looking at splitting the pie differently, to donate more to district.

**West Hawaii – Archie DCM** - We have been getting ready for our Hilton Waikoloa village walk-through which was yesterday. It is a proposed sight for a future Hawaii state convention. Also we've been preparing for today's committee meeting and tomorrow's CEC's Kupuna day. Since all these events come together this weekend it's been pretty hectic but we'll get it done. Last month we had two caravans. One was south to the southern star group in Naalehu and one was north to the Waikoloa night owls in Waikoloa. Lots of good fellowship, good food, and good fun for all. West Hawaii intergroup is hosting a Halloween party later this month. It is to be held at Imin center in Holualoa on sat. Oct 29<sup>th</sup>. Call the intergroup office or ask your intergroup rep. for details. Our CPC committee is planning to host a luncheon for the professionals with a Q & A session to follow before year's end. The PI committee is still having speakers at the DUI classes. Hospitals committee has a new meeting in the psyche unit at Kona Community Hospital. They also continue to distribute literature at the hospitals and clinics. For Corrections we've begun to get people signed up with the prisons liaison to enter and hold AA meetings in those facilities. On a personal level I have more growth (mostly good) in my quest for computer skills and gearing up for the state convention later this month. Thanks for being a big part of my life.

**Puna – Chris DCM** – We are holding a CPC/PI workshop/seminar on Nov 5<sup>th</sup> at Ola'a or place to be announced. Workshop Agenda, Marianne CPC Chair and Dianne PI Chair will conduct a presentation on what CPC/PI is and is not. Then we will have a Role playing session and a discussion, followed by brain storming of who should be contacted, prioritize and assign tasks. The Puna District Committee has made the decision to send me to PRASSA this coming March and for that I am grateful that I can gain more experience and insight on being of service to AA. I have gotten my tickets already. We have started looking for a place to hold the Election Assembly next year and I have an appointment with the manager at the Keaau Community Center which is a large facility and centrally located and not far from the Hilo Airport. However, I would like to know from all of you how you would feel if we were to share, considering the Anonymity factor, the place. We can have the largest room, which will hold about 125 or more people, but the other rooms will also be used by groups who have functions there each week end. I

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want to get more information on this next week like how far the rooms are from one another and so on. I will bring back what I find in January at the Inventory Assembly. That is all, thanks for letting me of service.

**Kauai – Bart DCM** – We AA's on Kauai would like to thank all of you that attended the Budget Assembly at Kahili Mountain Park. Your service work there and your heart felt compliments made all of our hard work and long hours a pleasure to perform. Our goal was to show our love of this program and appreciation of the members here in Hawaii that give so much of themselves in its support through our Aloha while you were our guests. We feel we achieved that goal by the response we have revived from so many of you. Mahalo for your compliments! At our September District meeting we reflected on the August Assembly and thought it would be a good idea to take an inventory of all that transpired in it's preparation and execution for the purpose of future assemblies and panels so that we could pass on what work well and what we felt needed some adjustments in the future. One Item that came up was the amount that we over bought in the beverages. It was in the tens of cases; and although our beverage chair overestimated the amounts needed for such an event it was a group consensus that this was just the sort of thing that could be documented for the pass it on to the next beverage chair. We donated all the remaining sodas & water to the Intergroup for sale there and for use in upcoming events.

They were very appreciative of the donation. Along with our standard GSR and standing committee reports given at our District Meeting, We discussed the next three months and what the Groups would like to due with a clear calendar until Januarys Assembly. Ideas that were brought back to the Groups were regarding a Possible Island AA Workshop and what theme would be popular. Along those same lines we formed a Activities Committee that meet on a regular basis to discuss and plan island AA events. Some Ideas that were talked about included a AA barbeque, Hikes, Volleyball, baseball, or bowling events, A No booze Napali Cruse or Kayak trips, and decided upon were A Halloween Dance, Support for the Annual Kauai Thankathon and staffing The Intergroup office to remain open both Christmas day and New Years day. Groups all reported they were doing well and one request was made for Books from one of our newer groups. All of our Standing Chairs all could use a bit prompting and support from there district Chairs as far as proper direction and proper orientation in there respective service positions. Please see me for the contact information of your corresponding chair on Kauai and please make it a point to open a channel of communication with that person. We finely got our PI literature and racks ordered and are working on a solution to our distribution problem to the rack. Our Corrections Chairs held a two Day Mandatory orientation to become eligible to go into The prisons for meetings and I'm sorry that I don't have a report back from them as of yet as to how the turn out was or how many became eligible for such Meetings. We continue to have monthly invitations from Henamaulka to speak to there recovering persons and all is going well with that symbiotic relationship.

**Kihei – Cathy DCM** - our district was so excited about being drawn from the hat to host the January area assembly and then so very disappointed when we could not find a venue for the event. Our thanks to Waianae district for stepping up and volunteering to host that event. We were happy to take their February committee meeting and we have already secured a location for that event. Kihei district hosted unity day September 18th. It was held at Kalama Park in Kihei. Betsy B., GSR for Kihei morning serenity was in charge of panel discussions. The theme was that of the upcoming general service conference "Sponsorship, service & self support in a changing world" The panels were very informative and well received. The Friday night young people's meeting took care of shopping and cooking for this event. Colin H. GSR for Happy Hour organized a softball game. The event was attended by about 75 members and all seemed to have a great time. We have a new treasurer for Kihei district Virginia H. We are working on filling committee positions. Mary has volunteered to be the grapevine representative for Kihei district. Danny R. our district treatment chair is continuing to take a meeting to the resource center every Wednesday night at 8:00. Colin H district CPC chair and Matt H. are now taking a panel to the DUI class two to three times a month a month. The primary purpose group is hosting the Maui mini conference October 25th at St. Theresa's church in Kihei from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. the mini conference features three speakers. Desert and coffee will be served.

**Waianae – Steve DCM**- Wai'anae District has a new DCM and her name is Amber. Her home group is Tuesday Night Outta Sight at Poka'i Bay. She could not attend this Committee meeting on such short notice. She will be given all the pertinent materials and information to begin contact with other DCMs and Area Officers. Wai'anae District also has a new Alt. DCM and her name is Cherish. Cherish's home group is Any Length at Ma'ili Beach Park. You will be able to meet both trusted servants at the January Assembly. The site for the January Assembly is not confirmed as of yet, but we are working diligently on several venues. Wai'anae will be holding their Annual Christmas and New Years Alkathons at Wai'anae Satellite City Hall (across the street from the Wai'anae Fire



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Station). Alkathons will begin at 6:00 pm on the Eve (Christmas / New Years) and end at 6:00 pm on the day of. The home groups in the district will be responsible for two-hour time slots and will have autonomy with their formats of the meeting. We draw the time slots at random out of a hat and no one can argue with God!

**Manoa – Debbie DCM** - Hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. When I started to write this report, I reflected back on our meetings and assemblies this year and am amazed at how much we have grown as an area. The love that all of us have for this program was never more evident than at the assembly on Kauai. I learn so much from all of you every time we meet and thank you for those gifts. Manoa District activities for the past month and a half included caravans to the Wilder Group and Steps to Freedom. Turnout at district meetings and activities continues to be very small, but at least there is some turnout. There is little interest from groups in the Manoa District in participating at the district level. But when asked to help out with a specific event, groups will usually participate. I am at a loss as to what else to do to get people involved. So I just keep doing the footwork – attending meetings and asking for help – and will leave the results up to God. One suggestion that has been made in the past and has come up again at our October district meeting is that we consider dissolving the Manoa District. I am interested in input from all of you on how this could be accomplished during the next year. The GSRs in attendance at the district meeting will be talking to their groups about it and I'll bring it up at the meetings I attend and see if there are strong feelings one way or the other. The Oahu Intergroup Chair came to our September district meeting to present information on intergroup, what it is, what activities it is involved in, etc. He informed those present that the Central Office location will probably change when the lease is up and encouraged groups to be involved in the decision process. I attended a meeting with Honolulu and Waikiki districts to discuss the upcoming Alkathons and was asked to participate in the post convention picnic. I was hoping to get someone in our district to step up and fill in as co-chair for that event but so far that has not happened so I'll do what I can to help out there. We will also work to get groups involved in Christmas and New Years activities as they are scheduled.

**Windward – Sue DCM** – Our district held the Workshop that I announced at the August Assembly on September 16. There were 21 people in attendance, and, unfortunately, I wasn't one of them. I had to have some surgery on September 12, but the workshop proceeded just fine on its own. We were unable to get into the building, but, this being Hawaii, most of the attendees had chairs in their trunks, and the workshop was held under the nearest tree in the nice weather, and the pupus tasted great outdoors. It was a great time of sharing, and we learned a lot about our own district, and about the other districts on Oahu that participated on the panels in the workshop. We are incorporating some of the ideas from the workshop into our district structure. For example, one of the other districts has a "What's on your mind?" segment at the end of the district meeting. That idea was met with some enthusiasm in our district, so we will incorporate that into our meetings as well. During the workshop, the different ways to structure activities was discussed, and the participants found that what works for one may not work for another. It was good to hear the different approaches. Also, many of the districts get groups to lead district functions, rather than district officers. All in all, the workshop was a great success. We are planning our Christmas and New Year's Alkathons. They will be at a new location this year – Waimanalo Health Center – same location as the workshop. And we think we will have the keys to the building! We have several new GSRs since the last assembly, and we now have all our standing committee district chair positions filled again. I look forward to introducing them to you all in January. Zeke the Oahu Intergroup Chair attended our District meeting encouraging people to get involved in Intergroup and informing us about the upcoming move when the current lease expires.

**Waikiki – Ken DCM**- We have had a learning experience this first year of term to serve. Through leaps and bounds, we have endured to the present day "still left with some measurable sanity". Reflecting back on this year, we have participated in events of traditional, historical, and learning experiences. We have learned of prudence through over sights that we will endure together. We have experienced and will continue to learn so that we may practice the principles that apply in the service environment we all are involved with today, our traditions, concepts and warranties to serve our fellowship to the best of our ability. We have experienced that in order to serve we need to take care of home first "Keep our own house in order". We are hosting this year's Thank-a-thon at the Waikiki Elementary School. We will have Flyers available as soon as possible with the details. We have a couple of members in service for the Fellowship Pot Luck Picnic post the Hawaii Annual Convention, October 23, 2005. Flyers will be available soon. We are looking towards continuing the Christmas and New Year's Alkathons whether at the (2) locations that has materialized; St. George's Episcopal Church or the Waikiki Elementary School. In closing on the last meeting for 2005, thank you all for giving me the opportunity to experience, build strength, and continue to serve Alcoholics Anonymous.

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**Leeward – Erin DCM** - The Leeward district is still moving along. We had our district picnic and inventory on September 18. We had about 30 or so people show up and like always lots of food. The main points that came up in the inventory were reaching all the groups in our district, and how well informed our groups are. So the district will continue to do our district caravans and trying to find a better way to inform more people about when and where the district meeting is. And to get our minutes put up on the website. And holding more workshops. Some other things were trying to get groups or people to support a library or hospital in the district. And some have a concern that we have no gay/lesbian meetings, and that we only have 2 women's and 1 men's meeting in our district and some would like to see more. The district is also getting low on funds, we are \$5.00 over our reserve but hope to see some money come in at the end of the year. So it seems that we have a lot of work and improvements to make in this upcoming year. I look forward to seeing how we can grow as a district from this inventory, as well as in my own recovery

**Central North Shore – Hugh DCM** –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. Our DCM Valerie stepped down from DCM position, I stepped up to assume DCM position. I look forward to what ever comes my way. Whatever that might be... I am open for anything... Currently we do not have an ALT DCM. Plans are To vote for a ALT DCM at our October District meeting. On August 27, 2005 several district members worked up a picnic at Japanese Beach in Haleiwa Beach Park. A Huli Huli Hind Quarter was donated by members... All that attended had a good time. The Portuguese horse shoes were the game of the afternoon. Central North Shore also continues to support the P.I. committee by funding new "Big Books" for our local libraries, and also continue to support services at Wahiawa General Hospital by taking care of the literature rack. A member of our fellowship Arthur (Woody) has passed away he will be missed by all; his services are Sunday 9 Oct at 5pm at Christ Lutheran Church in Mililani. I will miss his friendship and his love for others throughout our fellowship. Our district is preparing for next years Committee Meeting June 2005. Currently looking at places in around Mililani area to reserve to host the Meeting in June.

**Diamond Head – Justin Alt DCM** – District 1 is doing well. We are still doing our caravans but recently altered the schedule from 1 meeting a week to two a month. We have 2 new GSRs as a direct result of the caravan but even better, our district unity has never been stronger. Adina S., GSR of Palolo Discussion asked Intergroup if it would be okay to house Achieves at the new Central Office. Her concern was based on a long term view. She spoke with Ted K. who said he'd be in favor of it. However, district has yet to decide to take action to have this on our own agenda. Individual groups are in general doing well, with the exception of your average group problems. Lastly, our district Treasurer has had the position for way too long. We've had trouble with accurate and up to date reports. We would like to have the position rotated but it never happens because no one has been willing to stand for the position. Group donations are very low. Out of the 23 groups in District 1, only 3 have contributed this year. The main reason for this is that the majority of meetings are very small and can barely cover expenses. Very lastly, we're preparing for hosting the August 2006 Area Assembly by forming a committee to research alternate locations, food, group participation, etc. We now have a fund of \$200 for groups in our district that cannot afford to attend off island Assemblies. We had out Delegate Report back by Keith.

**\*\*No Intergroup Chairs present\*\***

**ICYPAA – Keith K.** No conference in New Orleans last month due to hurricane. We are still meeting every month, please call me if you are interested.

**HICYPAA – Nick** - About 70-75 participates. Windward Oahu won the bid for next year.

**HAWAII AREA #17  
TREASURERS REPORT  
OCTOBER 8, 2005**

**ASSETS:**

|                                      |                    |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>First Hawaiian Bank, Checking</b> | <b>\$10,669.16</b> |
| <b>First Hawaiian Bank, Savings</b>  | <b>\$ 3,471.29</b> |
| <b>TOTAL (On Hand)</b>               | <b>\$14,140.45</b> |
| <br>                                 |                    |
| <b>Total Contributions Income</b>    | <b>\$16,097.65</b> |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                | <b>\$23,498.81</b> |

1. The total budget for 2005 is \$27,547.
2. I am estimating that by year end our total income will be approx  

\$21,000.00

Although we will not have adequate income to cover all of our expenses for the year our roll over from previous years will more than make up the difference.

WE have had some major expenditures this year but we are financially ok.

**Jerry A. [redacted]  
Area Treasurer  
Hawaii Area 17  
[redacted]  
Koloa, HI [redacted]**

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**Hawaii Area Committee  
 Profit & Loss  
 January 1 through October 6, 2005**

Jan 1 - Oct 6, 05

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense               |           |
| Income                                |           |
| Aloha Roundup                         | 415.80    |
| Contributions Income (Dist.)          |           |
| District #01 Diamond Head             | 2,036.93  |
| District #02 Honolulu                 | 395.30    |
| District #03 Leeward                  | 608.14    |
| District #04 Windward                 | 858.11    |
| District #05 No Ka Oi                 | 1,315.05  |
| District #06 Kauai                    | 1,214.50  |
| District #07 East Hawaii              | 160.68    |
| District #08 West Hawaii              | 1,740.49  |
| District #09 Central N. Shore         | 875.45    |
| District #10 Waikiki                  | 3,274.16  |
| District #11 Kihei                    | 1,553.88  |
| District #12 Puna                     | 376.62    |
| District #13 West Maui                | 471.69    |
| District #14 Manoa                    | 311.75    |
| District #17 Waianae                  | 365.10    |
| Contributions Income (Dist.) - Other  | 124.00    |
| Total Contributions Income (Dist.)    | 15,681.85 |
| Total Income                          | 16,097.65 |
| Expense                               |           |
| Hawaii Area As A Whole - Detail       |           |
| Area Assemblies                       | 640.00    |
| Area Meetings                         | 935.00    |
| Computer and programs                 | 1,156.18  |
| General Service Conference            | 1,867.33  |
| Insurance                             | 500.00    |
| Interisland Airfare - Area Meet       | 9,252.11  |
| International Convention              | 1,890.00  |
| Office Supplies                       | 279.19    |
| Postage                               | 114.18    |
| PRASSA                                | 2,576.63  |
| Printing                              |           |
| 2004 Year end report                  | 132.28    |
| Printing - Other                      | 1,270.21  |
| Total Printing                        | 1,402.49  |
| Trustee Visit                         | 388.50    |
| Total Hawaii Area As A Whole - Detail | 21,001.61 |
| Hawaii Area Standing Committies       |           |
| Archives                              |           |
| Storage & Access                      | 348.74    |
| Total Archives                        | 348.74    |
| Coop/Elderly Community                | 576.92    |
| Corrections                           |           |
| Books/Videos/Literature               | 411.00    |
| Postage/PO Box/Printing               | 9.06      |
| Total Corrections                     | 420.06    |
| CPC                                   |           |
| Literature/Videos                     | 175.14    |
| Travel                                | 127.40    |
| Total CPC                             | 302.54    |
| Finance                               |           |
| Printing                              | 115.85    |
| Total Finance                         | 115.85    |

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**Hawaii Area Committee**  
**Profit & Loss**  
**January 1 through October 6, 2005**

|  | <u>Jan 1 - Oct 6, 05</u> |
|--|--------------------------|
| Grapevine                                    |                          |
| Printing/Postage                             | 61.87                    |
| <b>Total Grapevine</b>                       | <u>61.87</u>             |
| Hospitals                                    |                          |
| Literature                                   | 214.94                   |
| Postage                                      | 5.00                     |
| Printing                                     | 6.30                     |
| <b>Total Hospitals</b>                       | <u>226.24</u>            |
| Mynah Bird                                   |                          |
| Misc./Internet                               | 21.13                    |
| Printing (6 Issues)                          | 322.92                   |
| <b>Total Mynah Bird</b>                      | <u>344.05</u>            |
| Public Information (PI)                      |                          |
| Literature                                   | 98.43                    |
| <b>Total Public Information (PI)</b>         | <u>98.43</u>             |
| <b>Total Hawaii Area Standing Committies</b> | 2,494.70                 |
| <b>Uncategorized Expenses</b>                | <u>2.50</u>              |
| <b>Total Expense</b>                         | <u>23,498.81</u>         |
| <b>Net Ordinary Income</b>                   | <u>-7,401.16</u>         |
| <b>Net Income</b>                            | <u><u>-7,401.16</u></u>  |



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**Hawaii Area Committee  
Profit & Loss Budget Overview  
January through December 2005**

|  | <u>Jan - Dec 05</u> | <u>Budget</u>  |
|--|---------------------|----------------|
| Area Printing  | 73.92               |                |
| Dept. Consumer Affairs non profit reg.               | 2.50                | -10.00         |
| HASC - Archive - [REDACTED]                          |                     |                |
| Storage/Supplies                                     | 348.74              | -500.00        |
| <b>Total HASC - Archive - [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                              | 377.52              | -275.00        |
| Phone  | 20.00               | -20.00         |
| HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm. - Other                 | 166.90              |                |
| <b>Total HASC - Coop w/ Elderly Comm.</b>            | <b>576.92</b>       | <b>-620.00</b> |
| <b>HASC - Corrections</b>                            |                     |                |
| Books/Videos/Literature                              | 411.00              | -300.00        |
| Phone  | 0.00                | -20.00         |
| Postage & Printing                                   | 9.06                | -50.00         |
| Workshops  | 0.00                | -160.00        |
| <b>Total HASC - Corrections</b>                      | <b>420.06</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        |
| <b>Total HASC - CPC (Cooperations w/Professional</b> | <b>281.72</b>       | <b>-429.00</b> |
| <b>HASC - Finance Committee</b>                      |                     |                |
| Phone  | 0.00                | -20.00         |
| Postage  | 0.00                | -37.00         |
| Printing & Next Yrs. Bdgt.                           | 115.85              | -300.00        |
| <b>Total HASC - Finance Committee</b>                | <b>115.85</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.                      | 98.43               | -350.00          |
| Phone  | 0.00                | -20.00           |
| Postage/Correspondence                               | 0.00                | -37.00           |
| Printing/ Stationary                                 | 0.00                | -50.00           |
| Workshops/Travel                                     | 0.00                | -160.00          |
| <b>Total HASC - PI (Public Information)</b>          | <u>98.43</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  | 320.00              | -50.00           |
| <b>Total HASC - TFC (Treatment Facilities Comm.)</b> | <u>320.00</u>       | <u>-520.00</u>   |
| <b>Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole</b>                 |                     |                  |
| <b>Area Mtgs</b>                                     |                     |                  |
| Area Committee Mtgs. Fees                            | 320.00              | -1,280.00        |
| Assembly Registration Fees                           | 935.00              | -1,280.00        |
| <b>Total Area Mtgs</b>                               | <u>1,255.00</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)                                | 20.82               | -60.00           |
| Delegate   | 0.00                | -60.00           |
| <b>Total Area Phone</b>                              | <u>20.82</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               | 150.51       | -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.  | 104.26       |            |
| Special Reports                                | 6.25         | -75.00     |
| Structure & Guidelines                         | 0.00         | -150.00    |
| <b>Total Area Printing</b>                     | 1,328.57     | -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)            | 7,987.09     | -9,600.00  |
| Assist Districts Air Fare                      | 198.00       | -320.00    |
| Conv. Steering Air Fare                        | 1,149.74     | -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> | 9,830.11     | -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>                            | <u>0.00</u>             | <u>-120.00</u>           |
| <b>Total Hawaii Area Officers/As Whole</b> | <u>19,316.51</u>        | <u>-21,867.00</u>        |
| <b>International Convention</b>            | 1,312.00                |                          |
| <b>Taxes</b>                               | 0.00                    | -200.00                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <u><u>23,498.81</u></u> | <u><u>-27,547.00</u></u> |

Motions from Election Assembly  
November 20, 21, 2005

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

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

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

The original motion was read.

**For the motion= 68**

**Opposed = 17**

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

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

**Jan D:**

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

Clarification: Area is the governing part of Appendix C.

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

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

**Motion to table. Seconded.**

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

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

Call the question. Seconded. This requires substantial unanimity.

For = 61

Opposed = 19

Discussion ceases and we vote now for the motion:

For = 13

Opposed = 69

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

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

For reconsideration = 20

Opposed = 56

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

Back to regular business:

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

For = 42

Opposed = 26

**Motions will be discussed.**

**Francesca moves:**

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

**Discussion:** *my group votes against this.*

For = 21

Opposed = 40

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

Does anyone want to change their vote? No

**Motion defeated.**

**Motion and seconded:**

Motion is in the Structures and Guidelines to read: "Treatment Facilities: Coordinates the service work of individual AA members and groups who carry the message to alcoholics in treatment, hospitals, and medical clinics, set up means of bridging the gap from treatment

to AA and works to clarify what AA can do and cannot do, within the Traditions, to help alcoholics in treatment, hospitals and medical clinics."

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

For = 21

Opposed = 53

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

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

Request to reconsider = 26

Opposed = more than 51%

**Motion and seconded:**

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

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

Carl calls the question, seconded.

For = 58

Opposed = 7

**Vote for the motion.**

**For = 31**

**Opposed = 35**

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

**Anyone wish to change their vote? One member.**

**Reconsider = 30**

**Opposed = 30**

**Pulled answer from the hat. Motion defeated.**



# KONA COMMITTEE MEETING

## Delegates Report

October 8, 2005

To begin with I want to respond your concerns about the Golf Cost. I know that our thoughts and prayers have been with those members affected by Hurricane Katrina. I have received plenty of requests on how we as AA members can help those in need. I forwarded an email that I received a few weeks after the Hurricane on GSO's response for helping those in affected. I hope everyone got it?

I have also been getting updates from the Area 27 Louisiana Delegate Don M. who has shown the most amazing courage and integrity in such a difficult time. In the last email I received he talked about his Areas position on contributions from outside his Area. This was a powerful message. If you would like me to forward his email just let me know. Hopefully you have all received your Box 459 with the special insert about Katrina.

It was reported that GSO staff assignment rotations were completed on September 12<sup>th</sup>. If you would like a list of the current assignments please contact me.

Every year some seem to think we do not have enough time from the February committee meeting to the April Assembly. Members feel there is no time to go back to the groups to get a sense of how a group feels on each topic. To attempt to remedy the time crunch, I would like to point out some things that seem likely to be on the 56 General Service Conference Agenda:

\* Corrections:

1. Establishment of a *Corrections Correspondence Service* in Canada.
2. Review and revise the draft manuscript, *AA in Prison: Inmate to Inmate*.
3. Development of an informational media presentation introducing AA to training academies and in-service training programs for correctional personal.

4. Further development of workshops introducing AA in training programs for Correctional Personal.

\*Literature:

1. Review draft manuscripts of the pamphlets "Young People and AA", "Too Young?" and "It happened to Alice!"

\*Public Information:

1. Discuss how to get more Delegates involved in the membership survey process in 2007.  
2. Select the fourth television public service announcement submitted for consideration.

\*Treatment Facilities:

1. Consider possible name change and scope and review actives of Treatment Facilities Committees.

\* This was an e-mail sent to all Conference Members from Milton C, Panel 54 Delegate, Area 64 Tennessee. This may go to the Publications Department. "The Roman Numerals denoting page numbers in the Preface, Forwards, The Doctors Opinion; and page numbers, in Doctor Bob's Nightmare and the Appendices, in our pocket sized editions of Alcoholics Anonymous, do not match the text in our regular sized editions.

In a setting involving Book Studies, or just reading along with the group, it is confusing at times. We have literature studies in many of our Correctional Facility Meetings, and when you ask everyone to turn to page such and such, there are different page numbers involved. The pocket sized editions are widely used in correctional settings, as I'm sure you realize.

When time allows, would you research this and see if a simple, and economical, solution can be found?

Having the pages numbered alike in all current editions of the "Big Book", even though out of order in the pocket sized copies, would seem to be the simplest route. A footnote explaining the skipped numbers and numerals might be helpful as well."

Along with these topics we will also be discussing the theme "Sponsorship Service and Self-Support in a Changing World." The workshop topic will be "Passing it on in a Changing World."

This brings us to what I asked of the DCM's at the August Assembly, suggestions for 2007 Conference theme, presentation, and workshop topics. Please make sure you have given me all of your ideas.

At the last Quarterly Board Meeting a topic was presented on the subject of "Is the Conference Process Working? Pro and Con." In thinking about our Inventory Assembly, it is vital that we ask ourselves the same question.

I was just sent a correction form Donald M. Assistant Treasure. It states that the percentage of groups contributing in Hawaii Area on a comparative basis is:

|                                  |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                  | <u>2005</u> | <u>2004</u> |
| For the six months ended 6/30/05 | 44 %        | 42%         |

On the topic of self support, Greg M. calls it "A Spiritual Connection." If we are informed how the two dollars we put in the basket is helping Alcoholics all over the world we can see its "Spiritual Connection."

It is great pleaser to serve with you all.

Keith Hashimoto panel 55 Area 17 Hawaii

Sept. 26, 2005

To: Vern G.  
From: Aloha Friday Night Group

RE: TWO PROPOSALS TO LIMIT SPENDING ON UNBUDGETED LINE ITEMS

As per group conscience, I am forwarding two proposals to you to distribute to the area assembly for discussion and vote.

**ADDITIONS TO THE S & G:**

**Proposal #1:** TO ADD . . .

*Unbudgeted* 'Housekeeping' items totaling \$250.00 or more must be taken to the Groups for decision. (Maybe somewhere in *Finance Committee* section)

**Proposal #2:** TO ADD . . .

*Unbudgeted* line items totaling \$500.00 or more must be taken to the Groups for decision. (Maybe somewhere in the *Finance* section)

**BACKGROUND ON UNBUDGETED LINE ITEMS:**

1. **The S&G does not specifically address how to handle UNBUDGETED LINE ITEMS.**
2. At the *2005 Orientation Assembly*, the area members took it upon themselves to appropriate \$2,400.00 to 2 *UNBUDGETED LINE ITEMS*, without taking this matter to the Groups first.

Example of unbudgeted "housekeeping" items could be a computer or microphone system.

**REASONS FOR PROPOSAL**

1. These proposals hope to prevent on-the-spot decisions that can cost thousands of dollars, like those in BACKGROUND ON *UNBUDGETED LINE ITEMS*: # 2.
2. Get the GROUPS involved in all *unbudgeted* high-ticket items that the area believe they need.