

Chair Report

Budget Assembly, August 18 – 19, 2012

Aloha everyone. My name is Cheryl and I am an alcoholic. Mahalo for allowing me to serve as your Area Chair. Since our Inform the Delegate Assembly, we had a productive committee meeting in May in beautiful downtown Lahaina. Mahalo to Tri Island District for hosting us. Many of you might not know that it's at the committee meetings, which are attended by Area Officers, Standing Committee Chairs and DCMS, that we make preparations for the upcoming Assembly

I have also attended a number of District and Intergroup business meetings in West Hawaii. As the end of the panel approaches, there has been a lot of talk about completing projects and pulling things together for the next panel. I have heard many in service positions looking forward to how they might be able to be of service next panel – in their home groups, their districts and at the Area level. And also a lot of gratitude for what they have experienced in their current service position. I hope many of you will step up and make yourselves available for the next panel. Don't worry if you don't feel qualified. There is an often repeated saying in AA – "God doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called." And, from my own experience, I can tell you that you will have an excellent grasp on your position when you are just about to rotate out.

West Hawaii celebrated Founders' Day and our Delegate Report back on June 9. I will also be participating in the Big Island's Unity Day's service program in the skit "You're an Alcoholic Charlie Brown," on August 25.