

## Chair Report – Inventory Assembly

Aloha everyone. I'm Cheryl and I'm an alcoholic. I am honored to be serving as your Area Chair. Wow, it seems like time has flown since our September Budget Assembly. Since then, I have:

- Compiled the Year End Summaries from Area Officers, Standing Committee chairs and DCMs. It's up on the website for all to review and I have made copies for DCMs, Standing Committee chairs and the Area Officers. Mahalo to those who have submitted their reports. One of the reasons I wanted to do this was so we would have an easy answer to those who asked "What does Area do?"
- Attended District and Intergroup meetings in West Hawaii.
- Worked with various DCMs and Standing Committee chairs on issues that have come up.
- Worked on the Archives and continued to look for people willing to serve on an Archives ad hoc committee. So far, no one has stepped forward. It's time for Plan B. Our alternate delegate will be heading up the committee so now's the time to step forward if you're interested.

I am going to go a little past my three minutes allotted because I've been hearing concern about 'Hawaiian Miles for Area.' When I heard this from a number of people I called my service sponsee – a past delegate. She reminded me that Area needs to be prudent with our funds. GSO puts on the International Convention every 5 years. A few years ago, San Diego was one of a number of cities that had submitted a bid to GSO to host the convention. Each city's Visitor Board presented their package to the committee – just like they do to all the other potential conventions. Not just to AA because we are AA but that is how they attract the conventions. San Diego won the bid because they provided buses. GSO participates in a similar with airlines that sever the hosting city. So, GSO, being prudent with its use of 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition funds, takes advantage of this routinely.

The Hawaiian Miles program is something they offer to anyone who uses them regularly, not just to AA. They call it their "Preferred Affiliate" program but those are their words. We are not affiliating with them but we are taking advantage of this opportunity to be prudent with our 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition funds.

We will have some time for open mic with "What's On Your Mind" at the end of the day. Mahalo for the opportunity to serve as your Area chair. My life and my sobriety are so much richer as a result.