

Hawaii Area 17 Panel 63 2014 Budget Assembly

Chair's Report

Aloha and thank you for letting me serve.

I hope all of you, especially those from Hawaii Island, are in the process of recovering from Iselle. My heart went out to all my friends in the Fellowship, especially those in Puna and Hilo areas, as I watched the news and tracked the storm. I couldn't help but wonder if any meeting places were damaged and if meetings were being held, at least shortly after the crisis.

In cheerier news, since our last assembly I've been on the mend following a hip replacement operation in late April, in fact it was on my AA anniversary. That kept me out of the loop for a bit, though I was well enough to chair our May Committee Meeting in Waianae. Many mahalos to all who made that a great event.

The big highlight for me during this time was, of course, the Pacific Regional Forum held July 11-13 in Boise Idaho. Ken, Cheryl, and I all attended, as well as Daniel from Hawaii Island. This was my first forum and it was fascinating. Rather than report on it in this document, please read my efforts at blogging the event, as I have in the past, at:

<http://www.area17aa.org/category/regional-forum/>

We will be hosting the 2016 Pacific Regional Forum in Kona so this was a great opportunity for me to see "how it's done." I'm not sure what part I'll play in our 2016 Forum but you can be sure I'll be attending. I hope you do too!

Besides my trip to Boise I also travelled to Olympia Washington and Hawaii Island, both for weddings. On those trips I made sure I took a lot of Annual Hawaii Convention and WACYPAA 18 fliers and put them out where I could.

I'm looking forward to this, our penultimate assembly of Panel 63. We have a lot to do and I hope this assembly is rich and rewarding experience for all.

Yours in Service,

Bob H.