

Delegate Report 1.30.16 Inventory Assembly Hawaii Area 17, Panel 65

Aloha and mahalo for allowing me to serve as the Panel 65 delegate for Hawaii, Area 17. It seems as if a lot of time has passed since we last met, and I have lots of news to share – from GSO, the Pacific Region and Area 17.

General Service Office (GSO)

- The fall, General Service Board weekend was held the last weekend in October in Rye. My report on that is a separate document.
- The bound, AA General Service Conference Inventory report is here and we will discuss on Sunday. DCMs will have extra copies to bring back to their Districts.
- 50.77% of groups in Area 17 contributed to GSO during 2015 (through 11.30.15.) A list of group contributions to GSO, divided by districts is available and is being given to DCMs. Check with your DCM for your group's contribution history.
- GSO created a new, ***Seventh Tradition in Action*** fact sheet to help convey to the Fellowship where and how the 'dollar in the basket' is being used.
http://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-203_en_seventhtraditionsfactsheet.pdf

PRAASA 2016

PRAASA 2016 is right around the corner and I hope I will see a lot of you there. It's in Spokane, WA, March 4 – 6, at the Spokane Convention Center. You can register at www.PRAASA.org. Registration is \$25 and can be done online or by snail mail. I believe the event hotel is fully booked but they have suggestions for nearby hotels. You might also want to see if anyone needs a roommate. The program committee is looking for volunteers to speak on panels, be moderators, timers and to chair roundtables. Please sign up with your name, email and phone number. You will need to be registered to volunteer. The topics for the panels and workshops are taken from the agenda for the General Service Conference, so attending is a good way to be better informed to carry the information to your home group. The deadline for submission of names is Wednesday, February 3rd.

PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM

Regional Forums originated in 1975 at the suggestion of Dr. Jack Norris, then Chair of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous. They were to be weekend sharing and informational sessions designed to help the General Service Board, A.A. World Services, Inc., the Grapevine Corporate Board, the Grapevine Staff, and the General Service Office Staff stay in touch with A.A. members, trusted servants and newcomers to service throughout the A.A. service structure. http://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/regional-and-local-forums

The 2016 Pacific Regional Forum will be held September 30 – October 2, 2016 at Waikoloa Hilton on Big Island. Volunteers are needed. Here's a link to online

registration. More information will be coming soon and Bob H., our alternate delegate, is chairing the Host Committee. Let's be sure to mention this at all our meetings going forward so everyone can be making their plans to attend. Since these forums occur every other year and roughly rotate among all the Areas in the Pacific Region, it could be over 25 years before we host another forum.

Reminder - Male Correspondents needed for Corrections Correspondence Service

The Corrections Correspondence Service is a Twelfth Step opportunity which links A.A. members on the "outside" with A.A. members in correctional facilities to provide a source of experience as it relates to problems with alcohol. Men are linked with men and women with women.

NOTE: Most of the inmates who want an outside correspondent are men, so women who volunteer may have a very long wait for an inmate. More info at www.aa.org or http://www.aa.org/assets/en_US/nopage/f-26-corrections-correspondence-a-special-kind-of-aa-service

Delegate survey resource

The 93 delegates from the US, Canada and Puerto Rico share our experience and provide input to each other on issues confronting our areas using group email. We have gathered input on wide ranging issues from area assembly agendas to area newsletters and group issues. It's a wonderful resource and I wanted to let you know about it. I am here to help. Any issues that come up where sharing other trusted servants' experiences might help, please let me know. I will put out the request for input and gather the responses.

Mahalo nui loa for allowing me to serve. I look forward to this new year of service with all of you.

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