TREASURER'S REPORT HAWAII AREA 17 Budget Assembly August 27, 2016

Aloha Panel 65 trusted servants.

As of August 23, 2016 the Hawaii Area funds are as follows:

Operating Funds \$23,755.27
Prudent Reserve \$4,998.43
Reserve for Computer Equipment \$864.61
Reserve for International Convention \$779.89

Total Cash in Bank \$30,398.20

As of August 23, 2016

Total Contributions and Income
Total Expenditures
Net Income/Loss
\$18,312.09
\$21,188.25
\$(\$2,876.16)

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Our large expenses for the year have been paid and contributions have been consistent. Mahalo to all the groups who have been distributing funds to Area 17 – all contributions are appreciated. I will be giving all DCM's a list of contributions by District. Please check to see that your groups have been given proper credit. Many groups have similar names and sometimes I make mistakes – I realize that it the members of each group that contribute toward the 7th Tradition and I want the accounting to be as accurate as possible.

Mahalo to those of you who have taken advantage of airline specials when booking your travel. Also mahalo to those who ask me to make reservations for planning early and providing me with options for your travel. Air travel is our biggest expense and by being mindful, we can keep that expense as low as possible.

The proposed budget for 2017 will be presented at this assembly. Many people have participated in the making of the budget and it is our best estimate of what expenses will be for 2017.

Just a reminder that our Hawaiian Airlines Affiliate code is **HAWAIIAREA**. The term "Affiliate Program" does not imply that we are affiliated or endorsing Hawaiian Airlines. The name is their choice, not ours, and this is not something special they are offering us because we are Alcoholics Anonymous. Any group can become an affiliate group. Airline programs are used for many A.A. events, including the International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous. We hope to bring our Pacific Region Trustee to our January 2017 Orientation Assembly – we may use some of our Hawaiian Airlines miles to make that possible – thus saving the Area a substantial amount of money. In general, the earlier we book, the cheaper the tickets are. *In the spirit of financial prudence and responsibility.* More information regarding Air Travel can be found on the Area website, http://www.area17aa.org/air-travel/.

Please continue to spread the word to ensure all home groups to use the current Area mailing address. I am still getting some checks with incorrect addresses – usually with the wrong P.O. box or the street address transposed. The forwarding order for the old mailing address has expired. Mail being sent to the old address will be returned to the sender. We want to thank all groups and the fellowship for their continued support through your 7th tradition contributions. I want to thank all the members who sent in checks – they all have had group names on them so I have not had to play any guessing games. I would like to ask those of you sending in checks to add the district number on the check. I can look them up, but it speeds up my process if I don't have to do that. Thank you very much to those who have enclosed self-addressed envelopes when requesting a receipt – it really speeds up the deposit process and I am much less likely to forget to send a receipt when I can get a receipt ready for mailing at the same time as entering deposits. Mahalo in advance!!I

Should you need any assistance and/or treasurer support, please feel free to contact me through the Area email at treasurer@area17aa.org.

Again, Mahalo for the privilege of service and recovery.

In love and service,

Karen N. Area Treasurer, Panel 65