TREASURER'S REPORT HAWAII AREA 17 Election Assembly November 12, 2016

Aloha Panel 65 trusted servants.

As of November 4, 2016 the Hawaii Area funds are as follows:

Operating Funds
Prudent Reserve
Reserve for Computer Equipment
Reserve for International Convention
Total Cash in Bank

\$25,210.49
\$4,999.00
\$633.02
\$779.89
\$31,622.40

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As of November 4, 2016

Total Contributions and Income
Total Expenditures
Net Income/Loss
\$25,163.10
\$26,612.84
\$(\$1,449.74)

This is the report for the last Assembly for Panel 65. I will be making an end of year report with will summarize the entire year. Many of us went to the Pacific Regional Forum last month. In sharing with the other attendees, I got a real sense of gratitude for Alcoholics Anonymous and for those trusted servants who serve at GSO – especially those non-alcoholics who do it for the love of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Mahalo to Bob H. our alternate delegate who served as the Host Committee Chair. We had some unbudgeted expenses connected with this position. I sent out an email to members of the Finance Committee to see if there were any objections to paying Bob's air and hotel expenses. Bob played an important role in the management of the forum and in discussion with the Chair it seemed appropriate to pay his expenses. I didn't receive any objections from the Finance Committee. To help keep costs down, our Chair and Delegate shared a room, so we only ended up paying for two hotel rooms. We had discussed using some of our Hawaiian Miles to cover Bob's airfare, but because of a miscommunication, that didn't happen. As a side-light, we have used some of our miles to cover the travel costs for our Pacific Regional Trustee to attend our Panel 67 Orientation Assembly – but that will be part of the treasurer's report for the Orientation Assembly!

Mahalo to all the groups who have been distributing funds to Area 17 – all contributions are appreciated. Our deficit for the year has decreased to \$1,449.74 (down from \$2,876.16 from the last report).

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.

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. 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