

What to Take Back
Budget Assembly
Central North Shore District #9
October 2-3, 2015

1. The 2016 Budget Proposal was passed.
2. The Proposal requesting the General Service Conference consider adding a paragraph about general service meetings to Living Sober was passed. Concept III: the right of decision, Concept IV: the right of participation, and Concept V: the right of appeal were used to come to an informed group conscience.
3. Honolulu District #2 and West Hawaii District #8 have agreed to switch the assemblies they are hosting due to difficulty/cost of traveling to the Big Island the same weekend as The Merrie Monarch Festival.
 - ~ The Inform the Delegate Assembly will be hosted by Honolulu District #2 (Oahu) the weekend of April 2-3, 2016.
 - ~ The Election Assembly will be hosted by West Hawaii District #8 (Big Island). Date to be announced.
4. The Final Conference Report for the 2015 General Service Conference (GSC) was distributed. Remember: this is a confidential A.A. document for A.A. members only, when sharing with your group members please respect the confidential nature of the information in this report.
5. The summary of the GSC three year long inventory can be found on the Delegate's Blog at area17aa.org. Paper copies will be distributed at the Inventory Assembly.
6. Intergroup:
 - ~ Oahu Intergroup is looking for a new central office manager. You can go to the Intergroup website oahuintergroup.com for more information or to submit a resume.
 - ~ West Hawaii is also looking for a new office manager as well.
7. Hawaii Annual Convention is accepting resumes for Treasurer. Resumes are due by November 27th and can be sent to secretary@hawaiiannualconvention.com
8. The Grapevine magazine subscription challenge is almost over, (the winning area gets a magazine subscription dedicated to their area). Gift subscriptions help spread the word through our magazine. More information can be found at agrapevine.org
9. The 2015 General Service Conference passed advisory actions to:
 - ~ Revise 'AA and the Gay/Lesbian Alcoholic.' To include a wider range of AA recovery, and to include members who are bisexual, transgender and gender non-conforming.
 - ~ Revise and update 'AA for the Woman.' To include women in the military, single women and women from diverse backgrounds.

GSO is now requesting stories to be included in the updated/revised pamphlets. More information is available by emailing literature@aa.org

10. Male Correspondents are needed for Corrections Correspondence Service. This 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. Most of the inmates who would like an outside correspondent are men. At this time, GSO has enough women volunteers. 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

11. Share the spiritual: What you saw, heard and felt at this assembly is important. Please pass it on.

12. Share the business: What discussions/presentations were important to you? Please share this as well.

Upcoming Events:

~ The Annual Hawaii Convention is October 29- November 1, 2015 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village, on Oahu. The cut off date for meal orders is October 7th.

~ Area 17 Inventory Assembly will be held January 30-31, 2016 on Kauai. Register early so Kauai District #5 can plan accordingly.

~ Pacific Region Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (PRAASA) 2016 will be held in Spokane, WA, March 4 – 6, 2016 at the Spokane Convention Center. The website is up and running at www.PRAASA.org. Link to lodging at Double Tree Hilton is http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/SPCC-DT-PRA-20160303/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG. Registration is \$25 and can be done online, or you can use snail mail.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve,

Coleen, Area 17 Chair, Panel 65