# Area 17 Election Assembly Minutes 11/12/2016 Kailua Kona, Dist. 8 hosting

# 9:15 Call to Order, serenity prayer

DCM announcements, Guests, AA birthday celebrations, New GSRs Jackie, read from the Service Manual

# 9:30 **Delegate's Report**

Review of Pacific Regional Forum a resounding success on many levels.

Review of GSO activity for the year

GSO offering literature specials thru the end of the year

Lots of financial "good news" for the first 3 quarters of 2016

Grapevine, La Vina, sales up, Literature available, financial report available

Literature selections being made for new pamphlets

"Safety" will be a topic at the conference

Review of some Committee reports, PI still investigating social media \*Complete Report available on Area17.org website.

# 9:55 Review of 3rd Legacy Procedure, Service Manual S21, 22

# **Election of Area Officers: Panel 67**

Delegate – 1<sup>st</sup> ballot 89 votes, 2<sup>nd</sup> 88 votes, 3<sup>rd</sup> 86 19/ 27

Coleen-18/ 19/ 27 Jim - 6/ 3 Kunane - 11/ 8

Bob - 44/ 52/ <u>59\*\*\*</u> New Delegate

Floyd - <u>10/ 6</u> Total 89 88

Alt. Delegate - 1st ballot 90 votes, 2nd 88

86

Jim- 11/ 6

Coleen-54/ 68 \*\*\* New Alt. Delegate

Floyd- 17/ 18

Bernie-<u>8/</u> 0

Total 90 88

Area Chair - 1st ballot 90, 2nd 88, 3rd

Catherine- 5/ 0/ Karen - 4/ 2/

Kathy -2/ 1/

Jim - 7/ 4/

Tommy - 18/ 20/ 26

Floyd – 13/ 7/

Kunane -  $\frac{41}{54}$   $\frac{54}{62}$  \*\*\* New Area Chair Total 90 88 88

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch break

# Cont. Election process:

Alt. Chair - 1st ballot 89, 2nd 88, 3rd 88

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Karen-
                      1/
Catherine-
              5/
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Deborah-
              17/
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                             65*** New Alt. Chair
Tommy-
              36/
                      51/
Kathy S.-
              2/
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Clifford-
              12/
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Floyd -
              11/
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Bernie -
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              Treasurer - 1st ballot 87, 2nd 88, 3rd 88, 4th 88
Mike L.-
              19/
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Shannon -
              12/
                      6/
Mike K.-
              25/
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                                     37*** New Treasurer
Kathy -
              31/
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Delegate asks for a motion to conduct a 5th ballot. David makes motion to go to the 5th ballot,
Mike seconds. Motion does not pass. Vote goes to the hat. Mike K. is chosen.
3:15 Break
              Secretary – 1st ballot 89, 2nd 88
Karen -
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              24/
Deborah -
              57/
                      71 *** New Area Secretary
Ka'iolu -
              8/
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              Registrar - 1st ballot 89, 2nd 88, 3rd 85, 4th 85
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Kathy -
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Mike L. 3/
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Catherine
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                      41/
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       Total 89
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              Trustee-at-Large nomination -1st ballot 83, 2nd 82
Scotty-
                      56 *** Trustee-at-Large nominee
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Motion to adjourn Deborah, Mike seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:23

Linda-

Ken-

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# Area 17 Election Assembly Minutes Sunday Nov. 13, 2016

9:00 Call to order

Morning business, reading

# 9:10 Officers reports

Secretary's report: Minutes of Budget assembly presented. One correction and one addition of a DCM report, Susan made motion to accept minutes as amended, Matea seconded. Motion passed. It has been a privilege and an honor to serve as Panel 65 Secretary. Thank you for the opportunity to listen and to serve.

Treasurer's report: Posted to the website with new budget for 2017. Treasurer shared her process to post contributions. Can be confusing, we are human, corrections are made asap. Wolf made a motion to accept, Mike seconded. Motion passed.

Registrar's report: Changes have been made, updates to be entered by the end of the year.

Alt. Delegate's report: Being the Host of the Pacific Regional Forum was the highlight of the year. Over 400 people attended, 300+ were first time attendees. We were 300Xs over the room block. Shared quotes from responses from GSO. Next PRF will be in 2018 in San Jose. The convention was a success; Convention Webmaster position is open. Resume's being accepted.

Alt. Chair Report: Since last assembly, helped with State convention, Pacific Regional Forum, coordinate with district 8 for this election assembly.

Chair Report: \* Chair report is available in total on line.

Pacific Regional Forum Reports:

\*Full reports are available on Area17aa.org website

Delegate's report: Shared her experience with the state convention and the workshop held by area. Her 4<sup>th</sup> forum, 13 people came from GSO. It was a very special time for her in picking up some members, "Hope comes from hearing my story come from another alcoholic". It has been a journey of learning what recovery and all these acronyms means, building relationships with people that are passionate about recovery. There are so many things I have learned, the translations of the big book, how to share our experience without telling people how to do things, Cheryl shared her very sincere gratitude for being in service with area for 14 years. Bring God, (and tissues).\*

Chair report: Summarizes some of the statistics about financial support from Hawaii and the experiences of some of the folks from New York. How moved she was by the history of AA coming to life through the archives brought, by the stories of what GSO does to bring sobriety to a single Chinese man at an English speaking meeting. AA literature, and the AA message has no borders around the world. There are amazing things happening around the world when one alcoholic helps another.\*

Members shared their experience, strength and hope from the Forum experience.

# 12:52 Round Table report-back:

CPC: Mail outs on all islands have gotten zero response. Phone calls may get a better response. Make sure the work gets shared with incoming

Archives: Lauren is chair of archives committee. She stated that she made a push to get groups to do group interviews, as well as group long timer interviews. The chair position is up for grabs for the next panel, and she encouraged those interested to put their name in the hat. We discussed the difference between Archives committee and Archivist. Archive chair is a rotating position with every panel; Archivist is non-rotating. We discussed Ted K.'s dedication to being such an advocate and archivist for the area's archive. Susan McD took over the position of archivist a few years ago, and has digitized nearly every thing that was in storage. This has saved the area over \$300 per month in storage fees. She is not quite finished digitizing yet. We had a discussion if we need both an archivist and archives committee. Lauren thought it was necessary for archives committee to be responsible items until Linda was finished digitizing. The archives chair separates what goes to area archives and what goes to intergroup archives. Pictures, mugs, t-shirt, caps and memorabilia should go to Intergroup. Minutes, reports and flyers should go to area archivists. They prefer to have summaries of events, rather than full reports. Financials are not necessary. The next concentration will be on items from districts. Solomon reported a gap in archive items from the convention between 2007-2015. It was suggested that some of those items might be in the area archives collection. He will check. Convention has storage for their archive items.

### Website:

- Talked about the new hotspot.
- Recommended that the registrar use it to download the information from GSO.
- Discuss 2 things. What was good this panel and what wasn't
- If it is not broke don't fix it. PDF or Word is great
- Encourage more use of the document downloads to save the paper/copy. (Save trees)
- Notification for new posting on the websites sent out via email.
- Suggestion for Districts to post their Structures and Guidelines to post for future members.
- Registrar/Webmaster collaboration for information needed on a regular basis
- Delegate should help to drive the use of the information.
- Great source of information.
- We will research how everyone can connect you calendars to your phone. Possible public account for calendars.
- Checking to use the website for archives files. Possible Google search engine. OCR use.

**Intergroup:** Hawaii has 5 intergroups, 2 on Big Island covering 3 districts, 1 on Maui covering 3 districts, 1 on Oahu covering 7 districts and largest population and 1 on Kauai covering 1 district. Each Intergroup financially supports 3-8 events per year, Literature distribution, newsletters and 24/7 phone coverage through various methods and meeting schedules both on paper and on websites. Some send personnel to assemblies for greater participation. Problems are usually surrounding accounting, websites and good workshops.

Information shared between intergroup members is brisk and informative and we thank area for including us.

**CEC:** Would like to have representatives on each island. Also, would like to work with CPC and PI to get information out. Give talks and leave literature at Golf courses, Elder housing and community centers, clinics and emergency rooms. Currently there is work being done on Maui/ Lahaina at Kaiser, Maui Medical, Lahaina Hale Community center. We hope the next committee chair will have passion, time and energy to continue the work of CEC, Jubee has put his name in. Our hope is that we are practicing the spirit of unity to carry the message.

**CPC:** Thank you West Hawaii District 8 for the great elections assembly. Please contact CPC for any questions, requests or anything even its not for this committee, our committee chairs will be happy to get you the right person or committee to help you out. CPC on Maui is banging, they talked to the nursing teacher at UH Maui and are planning in being involved in a health fair with them, and getting volunteers to escort nursing students to open AA meetings. They are also in touch with the Hyatt there and hope to attend a health fair with the Hyatt.

They are such a good example of how an Island can be apart of their community and passing the AA message. Thank you everyone in supporting me in being the CPC chair and I am grateful to have served and am looking foreword to Panel 67. Mahalo and Aloha, Tommy G.

**Corrections:** Line of communication and how to get information out to everyone who needs to know, inform the uninformed. Working with institutions and facilities, some people look at us (AA) as a burden rather than a blessing. Problems with facilities usually has nothing to do with us, show "WE" are not here for their problem, We are here to carry the message. Jim: observation was that inmates will "do AA" or whatever in order to get out of jail. The motivation isn't to get help but to get paper signed?? Shared experience about using the serenity prayer principles of acceptance, courage and wisdom as we deal with institutions. Careful to observe AA's tradition of no affiliation. Continue to let the inmates know that they are not alone no matter the obstacles, continue with communication, willingness and perserverance.

**Convention:** Happy to report that #s were met with over 1000 attendees, lots of outer island participation. Suggestion to revamp Long timers meeting, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> inventory of the convention. New Chair, David L. a young man with lots of enthusiasm Sept 28-Oct 1, 2017 2018 proposals of Venue: PAC Beach Hotel, Marriot Waikiki, Waikiki Hilton

**PI:** What has PI accomplished over the last 2 years? Bus advertising, county fairs, TV and radio ads, face to face is best. Talk to

#### DCMs:

# **OLD BUSINESS**

DCM Flow Document – presented by Mike S. DCM #5
Will email electronic form for us to add to and send back feedback by December

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Getting in Touch with Prisoners' – Joe – DCM #3

Contacted 3 prisoners. May not respond. Suggest to contact facility first to see if inmates are allowed to receive correspondence. Also contacted NY to be on the list.

Google Drive – Presented by Mary N. DCM #10

Mary post Mike's document on Google Drive and send out to DCMS for comment Mary will send out full instructions

Mary will insure all have access and how to save into their own district folders?"?"

### **New Business**

Alano Club discussion:

Is it ok that Fundraising is separate from AA, and should not attach AA? Many host multiple fellowships. Lahaina has Board of Directors and general membership meetings. They do try to follow the tenants and mirror the traditions of AA as close as possible. Supported by membership dues, amenity sales. Steered away from fundraising. Does have building fund, separate collection. Owns the building through an internal fundraiser.

501c3 takes a while but might be first thing to take care of.

Need dedication and time commitment.

Members could use the facility on reservation.

Suggest take aways from other facilities around the country before ever embarking on the reality of a local club.

Alanoclubs.org .... Lots of alano clubs in Las Vegas for example.

Listened to some cautionary tales of past clubs.

In one person's opinion, can be for profit or not-for-profit. Suggest that the formation of the organization should mirror what the membership will want to see, feel and experience.

See how others work for suggestions.

Pattern after successful clubs, make sure you have support of community.

ON O'ahu, suggest a location near where the tourists can visit and participate to help the success of the facility.

Building Manager type of mentality.

Grants, etc would have accountability attached.

Thank you to everyone for our time together – some take aways:

Summary written in the Chair report, allowed me to lead the district better.

Personal BAR was set low, the DCM roundtables allowed me to stretch my expectations and ability to accomplish more.

Came in prepared for conflict, found none. Did find idea generation.

Helped in figuring out ways to assist with 'attraction'

Walking away with ideas to help next DCM

Getting a service sponsor is valuable, especially in same district

Emotional weekend. Area helped me love myself until I could do it for myself. Passing the torch will be difficult. Learned so much! Taught me another way of life!

Can't NOT get emotional. First time active in area service, it is a fluke I am a first time DCM. Really great, being plugged in and listening to you guys.

Been in area service for 13 years, best panel during that time! Even though I knew "stuff", learning how to overcome problems

Came in ½ way, was an alternate. Encouraged by the experience enough to step up for more service. Looking forward to the next two years. Taking suggestions works!

Wonderful ride for 6 years, looking forward to learning more.

Does feel he has brothers and sisters on every island, learned a lot. Productive round tables where everyone shared and learned a lot. Grateful for humility, growth that has been witnessed, and proud to have been a part.

**Grapevine:** Grapevine App is really good! Kauai and Kona has brought GV books to different meetings to introduce the literature. Discussion on what to do with funds: Each island will give a gift subscription. GV Committee will purchase 4 -30pk of magazines to help with the next panel GV Committee.

# **DCM Reports:**

# Dist.#2

Aloha everybody, my name is Ernest and I'm an alcoholic Kalihi Sobriety is my homegroup and I'm the outgoing DCM for District II the Honolulu District. First of all I'd like to thank District #8, West Hawaii for hosting this Elections Assembly, thank you District #8. The Honolulu District temporarily meets at Susannah Wesley, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month from 6:30 to 7:30 while we are still looking for a place. Despite the fact we lost a couple of GSR'S, our district treasure and our meeting location we were able to secure our district officers for panel 67. Pamela our Alt. DCM was voted in as DCM, Mark a GSR for Black Experience was voted in as our Alt. DCM. Lori a GSR for the Malia's group was voted in as an interim secretary and Joey a GSR for Beretania Discussion was voted in as our treasure. Joey also stood to be the P.I. Chair for our District and will assist the incoming Area P.I. in anyway needed. The Honolulu District normally does the New Year's Eve Alka-thon but because there were no interest when we held elections for a chair, we the district voted to give this years New Year's Eve Alka-thon to Oahu inter-group. Next years Alka-thon will be at the discretion of the incoming DCM. And lastly, I really enjoyed my experience at the Pacific Regional Forum. I love the transparency GSO showed in making sure that every questioned asked was answered before the forum ended.

Thank you Panel 65 for allowing me to be of service with you.

### Dist.#4

Since my last report the number of meetings available in District 4 Windward Oahu decreased.

Through the process of working with Adina, OIG office manager; to update the meeting schedule with active meetings in district 4, we found out 2 groups closed. 2 groups (at Hina Mauka) are suspended until further notice. Also, district 4 hosts 44 meetings rather than 51 Monday to Sunday. With that AA Area 17 District 4 is supported by 26 active groups.

This weekend we have (5) five GSRs present out of 12 GSR trusted servants.

Thank you Gripers, HangLoose, Kaneohe Discussion, Na Wahine o Koolau & TYG for your commitment and active participation in carrying the message.

Archive challenge - John M our treasured old-timer shared his "interview" at the TYG HomeGroup day as a district 4 service initiative. Johns interview was submitted Archives. Upcoming District activities:

District elections - Thursday November 17th. We will also update the district structures to hold district elections before area elections.

Safety in AA (panel) Workshop November 19th 12 pm to 6 pm at Kailua United Methodist church. Info and flyer is posted on the OIG website.

Christmas and New Years Alcathons Day - YWCA Kokokahi Upcoming Group activities: HangLoose thanksgiving camp

#### Dist #5

We had a great Panel 65 in District 5. We now have 12 groups actively participating, including a new Spanish-speaking group. We had the privilege of hosting the Inform the Delegate Assembly in year one of the panel, which was a valuable experience for us all. Our CPC committee has become active, reaching out to other Maui districts and gaining momentum in reaching out to professionals in the Maui community. Our PI chair hosted a table at the Maui County Fair during year one of the panel. He has reached out to schools on Maui offering to speak to students, and will be hosting a booth at the Homeless Health Fair November 17th. Our district held two service oriented fellowship events, the first of which was a speaker meeting, the second was a speaker event with a Gilligan's Island themed skit which was very entertaining!

As DCM, I held monthly meetings with my alternate to coordinate our efforts at District. I attended PRAASA both years, bringing back the audio CDS for the district. Our district co-hosted the PRAASA report backs each year with the other two Maui districts. We also co-hosted the Delegate report back events with the other Maui districts both years. I attended the PRF and served as chair of the Translation committee. My final act as DCM was to draft a 'DCM flow document ' at the request of the DCM roundtable at the budget assembly. I will submit the document for the minutes.

Finally, I would like to say thank you- for sharing your enthusiasm, teaching me a working knowledge of the traditions and concepts, helping me to understand love and tolerance, and showing me how to practice humility. I love you all. In Service.

Mike S

#### Dist #8 Kailua Kona

We as a district are doing well. We elected our new district members at our last meeting for panel 67. Also we had discussion on this assembly what we needed. It all came together through Gods hands. We have a district meeting this Friday at Access Capabilities in Kona at 5:30PM. We will have a wrap up talk of this weekend and help the new elected members take over the torch.

### Dist #9 North Shore

Once again we are grateful to our GSR's and Alt. GSRs for making the trip to Kona and Mahalo to all the servants in Dist. 8 for your hospitality. Dist. 9 Elections will be on Nov. 23 and fortunately we have a strong core of committed individuals ready to "Imua" and keep the District healthy! We have reached out to 3 more groups who are without GSR representation. The current feedback is ..."We want to but we only have a couple homegroup members..." The main thing is that the seed has been planted. Dist. 9 will host an Alcathon on New Years Eve at the St. Peter and Paul Church by Waimea Bay 6pm-2am.Dist. 9 has voted to establish a steering committee comprised of former GSRs and Area Officers this was done to keep servant involved and to support the Dist. going forward. Congratualtions to the newly elected Area Officers! In Service Chrissy and Bogey P

## **Dist #10**

With past delegates (Scott) assistance – we completed our district inventory. Thank you Scott!

Mary's project for DMC roundtable at Elections Assembly... Google Drive will assist with clear communications in the future and a despository for important documents, forms, etc.

We discussed a suggestion for the next panel - more enthausiasm and corporation between three districts. Mary to pass onto other DCMs and next panel.

Spirit of Rotation ... only open position for next panel currently is treasurer and we have put the word out asking for vounteers. DMC will be ALEX - Alternate DCM will be Garrett and Secretary will be Francais

Thankathon coming up Wednesday and Tursday. Flyer is posted on Oʻahu Intergroup website. We still have a few time slots open!

Wednesday, November 23, 2016, 6:00pm
Until Thursday, November 24, 2016, 3:00pm
Location:
Cathedral of Saint Andrew
229 Queen Emma Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
1 meeting every hour on the hour
Thanksgiving Lunch served 11:00am to 1:00pm

Pot Luck (prepared food only please)

## Dist #13 Tri-Island

Tri-Island District 13 was able to provide transportation funding for several GSRs in the District to attend the Pacific Regional Forum, and the GSR's reported back at our October business meeting, sharing some of the things they learned or experienced there. The GSRs also reported back to their Groups.

The District helped to get more people to attend meetings on Lanai by starting up a noon beach meeting on the first Saturday of the month. The district also helped with transporation for our GSRs to attend the first meeting. The small fellowship on Lanai seemed to appreciate having new people at this meeting, and made us feel welcome with a very nice selection of food before the meeting. The number of people attending is about 4 from Lanai and 4-6 from Maui and visitors to Maui who are able to take the ferry over for the day. It looks like this kind of meeting will be continuing into the next panel.

We also provided funding for a mainland speaker to come over to Maui after speaking at the Hawaii State Convention, for the Maui Mini Conference. This is listed as a Maui Intergroup Event, and the Lahaina Big Book Study has hosted it for a few years, but our District has been taking the initiative to provide the place, find the speakers, and do a lot of the work that is needed to make it a memorable event.

Because the Mini Conference took a lot of work and coordination last month, we decided to hold our District elections at our November District meeting, coming up on November 17. The DCM from Kihei offered to facilitate the elections following the Third legacy Procedure.

I expected the District to help pay for a booth at the County Fair as we have done in the past, but the District did not think that was the best use of District funds. Instead, the District voted to purchase some Big Books and Twelve and Twelves to give the GSRs to take to their meetings, to be given to Newcomers without having to pay for them. We did it before and it seemed to be a good way of helping the Newcomers.

Our dedicated and enthusiastic literature/flyer person has provided AA pamphlets to two medical centers and a senior services center in Lahaina so our literature can carry the message to those who may be in need of help to stop drinking.

The Crossing went over to Molokai again in October, and there was support from the No Ka Oi District and Kihei District as well as our Tri-Island District.

We are slowly but surely working on having a budget with a priority of spending for the next panel, which we have not had for a long time in our District.

There are some Groups in our District that do not have a GSR, but many of the people in those Groups do what they can to welcome Newcomers and help the Members with longterm sobriety stay involved in AA.

We are attempting to get a good location for the Area Inform the Delegate Assembly we will be hosting in April 2017.

Lastly, I would like to say thank you to all of you that I have been privileged to meeet over this past two years, as well as earlier in general service. I feel very fortunate and grateful for this life of Sobriety. Thank you for sharing yoursleves with me.

Thank you for letting me be of service.

### Dist #17 Waianae

"The Family Afterward" workshop was a success. We have 2 consistent step studies in the district. Holiday Alkathons are from 6am -6pm on both Christmas and New Years at the Waianae Satelite City Hall. Third tradition will host a Thanksgiving Event. Last OIG event "Bill and Lois" Dinner hosted by a group in the district eas a success with volunteers from around the island. Third Tradition is having an event on Dec. 10 at the water park. Fee is \$10.00 per person, contact Bridget, we need at least 20 people.

Elections: DCM is Deborah to complete a full term, Alternate is Patrick, Treasurer is Bridgettem and Secretary is Chris.

West Side Round-up is June 2,3,4 2017 and is open for service. Meeting is last Sunday of the month at Jack in the Box.

# Standing Committee Chair Reports:

#### Convention:

The 55<sup>th</sup> Convention was a huge success with over 1000 attendees. Also neighbor islands were well represented in service. Had the wrap up meeting and lessons learned reports were submitted to steering committee for review. Final S Meeting set for Dec. 7 2016 for convention inventory.

The 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Hawaii Convention Chair David L. is in the process of forming his committee. Sending around a sign up sheet for all who are interested. Planning begins in January. Friday will be a "Game of Thrones" theme, Sat. Blackout Formal and Aloha Sunday. Flyers will be available at the inventory assembly. Registration will be \$69.00 until 9/22/17. The Convention is a month earlier than usual. Committee will be looking for a chair for 2018 and possible other locations for the event.

We want to acknowledge our outgoing committee members as they were very instrumental in our Journey. Mahalo to Debbie G. S.C. Chair, Bob H. and Kunane O. Area Officers and Bob H. again as webmaster.

We look forward to working with the new Committee members, Area officers and we are accepting resumes for Webmaster. Mahalo again for all your service. Lastly, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for beaing apart of such an amazing experience w/ all of you. I will be rotating out and Kathleen T. will be with you next year. Judy C.

**PI:** Aloha all, please accept my apologies as not being able to attend the assembly I was looking forward to seeing everyone. In Public Information so much great work has been done this panel by so many around our state. Thank you all for stepping up and carrying the message. As we transition to the next panel I would like to encourage those who, are in the spirit of rotation stepping down from there positions, to help mentor others. As I will continue make my self available to anyone who has questions on PI Service I hope others do so as well when asked. I learned that the scope of PI Service is broad and took great team work to make it all happen.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving you,

Cynthia B.

PI Chair Area 17 Panel 65

### CPC:

Neil: There is a health fair on 12/2 Hyatt, They did a mailing but no responses, 2 strikes, let Oahu try. Sent messages to graduating nurses at UH, health fair for homeless, email or phone seems to work. Maybe if Area CPC forum to give a history of what has helped. IDEA: Don't want to lose the info we have. Keep relations with the people at the various venues and pass them on to the next servant. Pass it on.

Monique from BI had health fair at Fairmont PI and CPC can cross paths to get meeting schedules to concierge desks to all Hotels.

David: Think Big and spend the whole Budget

6 doctors, 6 lawyers, Judges, panel of AA. Blow the budget and get results.

## **Archives:**

Aloha!

I can't believe we are at the end of Panel 65 - it has been the fastest longest two years. I honestly don't feel that I did this position its due diligence. However, I am proud of the enthusiasm that was given to Archives this Panel. By trying to make it exciting and adding a competitive flair, I started the Archives Treasure Hunt - encouraging "treasured" stories of long timers and group histories from each District.

From this, we have gotten six submissions! I still need to tweak and finalize them but they will hopefully be ready to post by end of this Panel. Also, our first podcast was put on Archives last assembly for Knuckleheads. So cool! Have you listened to it yet? Keep the submissions coming! It's so fascinating to me to see how we make AA work on the day-to-day basis. Every home group does it differently as we are encouraged to be autonomous. We change, we bicker, we drink coffee, and we love and still AA is there at the end of the day. Please share these stories of perserverance and love of AA with us - it makes us stronger thru Unity!

Linda has done incredible work as our Archivist digitalizing our Area reports and minutes. We have 1975-2002 posted on Archives link. She is also asking Districts to start organizing and sending them our way - and you have listened! Kihei gave me two binders of info! Thank you!

I definitely haven't done this thing perfectly but you have loved me thru it all. When I put my name in the hat two years ago, I had no idea how much my personal life would change. And although at times I felt that I had no time or energy for this, lo and behold I found just enough to be here. I am SO grateful that I did because this has helped to keep me sane and grounded in keeping my sobriety first - without AA, I honestly wouldn't have ANY of this. My heart overflows with gratitude. I have been humbled and proud to be part of this amazing group of people.

Love, Lauren V

**Corrections:** Oahu: Federal detention center 4-6 men and women go in 2Xs per month. No meeting currently going into OCCC module. Annex and Wahiwa have at least 2 men going in. Big Island: Two women going in every other week, just had a orientation and several attended.

Kauai: two women every Wednesday, 2 men every Tues. orientation in December Maui: MCCC men go in Mon. Yue and Fri. women on Tues. Delivered the Link to the new corrections video to the MCCC staff. "A New Freedom"

We are making a habit of sending Grapevine subscriptions in as well as bringing in one on meeting night to leave with inmates.

### **Treatment:**

1Treatment Facilities Literature: Been picking quite a lot of literature from central office. Got call from Hope Inc requesting literature. While filling rack, they mentioned opening a new inpatient facility so I picked up and delivered a new rack and literature. They mentioned also needing a meeting started on facility so I talked to Dist 9 DCM about contacting them. Filled literature also in Waianae, Kanehoe & Pali facility's.

2.BTG: got a E-mail from Area 72 Washington bout a client returning to Hawaii. Contacted client and contacted him several times when he came back. He was real selective bout going to meetings! Hope he stayed sober. While here this assembly, met a young man in treatment here and will be working with him as he gets back to Oahu in a week.

3.I want to thank all the Gsr's that have faithfully showed up this past 2yrs to support

Treatment and hospitals in our groups get togethers

It has been a honor and privilege to serve as your Treatment and Hospital Chair for the last 2 years. Thank you very much for allowing me to serve!

#### Website:

Since the last assembly, the website committee activities are as follows:

- We received the mobile hotspot, tested it prior to the assembly, and deployed it during the assembly this weekend. More than 7 short-term tickets were issued. They were used responsibly and returned appropriately. The users seemed satisfied.
- The updated group numbers and status lists were received and posted to the web site on the page for group service numbers.
- Trained Val V., the alternate webmaster, on the technical details of the webmaster service position.
- Performed maintenance and general clean-up on the site.

Thank you for the lessons I've learned, for the opportunity to serve, and for the fellowship we've shared. Sue B. Panel 65 Webmaster

# Kauai Intergroup:

Kauai Intergroup is doing well. We held our elections early this month and are excited for our new panel. Area will be seeing Chris K. from Kauai as the new IG Chair for panel 67 or Patti-Lynn who is serving as the alt. chair. Kauai has 70 meetings per week with 24 registered groups. Literature is supplied from our storage locker. Phones have 24/7 coverage by AA volunteers. Schedules are current as well as the website that serves the community and visitors. The "Garden Island Sobriety" Newsletter is available in print or subscribed to on-line.

Kauai intergroup finances are in good order and we look forward to supporting our Thanksgiving celebration and the holiday Thank-a-thons.

As outgoing Kauai Intergroup Chair I am pleased with what we have accomplished, thankful for the wonderful people we worked with & grateful to have served in Panel 65. Thanks especially to Mather A. for all her help and guidance.

Susan O., Intergroup Chair

#### East Hawaii Intergroup:

**Our elections** take place Dec. 9th. Big news! The "Scoop" has an editor, Bob. Meeting Schedules and website are up to date. Teleservice is 24/7 but can always use volunteers. Literature committee is actively keeping up with distribution of books and literature, cooperating with neighbor islands for shortfalls. Halloween meeting, party, dance was a success and the Thank-a-thon will be at the OSM bld of Hope Services in Hilo. Christmas and New Years alkathon venues are not solid yet, most likely at the Puna Hongwanji Buddist Mission.

We have gone from red to black this panel financially with a prudent reserve and funds to send chair to PRAASA. We encourage more groups to send reps to monthly meeting at Keaau Community center.

Many thanks for allowing me to be of service as Alt. Chair and Chair of intergroup and to Kona Dist.8 for fabulous assembly, also Tommy and Tammy G. for a great homestay. Freddie

West Hawaii Intergroup: Doing well, next meeting is Wednesday

# Oahu Intergroup:

Aloha all, Thank you, for allowing me to be of service to the groups of Alcoholics Anonymous on the island of Oahu. We have been very active at the Oahu Intergroup of Hawai`i, Inc.

#### Finance:

We are operating in the black and have been able to set aside one month's operating expenses in our prudent reserve.

We will continue to put funds into the prudent reserve until we meet our goal of 3 months operating expenses.

Afterward, we will work on creating a separate OIG Activities fund account as defined by our recently approved priority of spending. Because all of our OIG events have yield revenue this year we are able to draw on that capital to fund all OIG events this year. The Activities fund is earmarked, but not currently separated out of the operating fund. The Bill and Lois Event was a huge success. Thank you!

About 35 people attended the OIG Workshop in September, we enjoyed trying to play Adina's version of Jeopardy. We all had a good time.

#### Services:

We have begun a new service: Transportation to AA meetings for current members or members visiting from off the island. This service is clearly needed as we have been able to help 7 current members get connected with other members in our community; two of those callers were new people in their first 90 days looking for support to stay sober, the rest were visitors.

We are still looking for phone angel and in office volunteers, please encourage others to sign up on line under the volunteer tab if interested.

We have been working hard to make sure our meeting lists are accurate. We have obtained feedback from 5 out of 7 districts on Oahu. We hope to get more information from Honolulu and Diamondhead Districts before the end of this panel.

• Oahu Intergroup of Hawai'i, Inc., Business Meeting

In October, we approved and adopted amended the OIG By-Laws to add a new Steering Committee member the Volunteer Coordinator who will assist the Office Manger with the recruitment, orientation, and training of new Oahu Central Office Volunteers, and After Hours Phone Angles; as well as assist with their schedules and the monthly volunteer meetings. This document was posted at <a href="http://oahucentraloffice.com/">http://oahucentraloffice.com/</a> under OIG Basics. In November, we adopted the new Oahu Intergroup of Hawai`i, Inc., Structures and Guidelines. We now have an outline of our priority of spending, job descriptions for the Steering Committee Officers and instructions on how to loosely conduct our OIG Business Meetings. This document will be posted at <a href="http://oahucentraloffice.com/">http://oahucentraloffice.com/</a> under OIG Basics by the end of November.

- We were also able to elect new Steering Committee Officers
  - Chair = Josh T.
  - Vice Chair = Kalae K.
  - Treasurer = Angela G.
  - Secretary = Nick F.
  - Volunteer Coordinator = Michelle D.

## **Upcoming OIG Events:**

Oahu Intergroup of Hawaii, Inc. is hosting the **Holiday Dinner & Dance** on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, from 5p to 10p at Palama Settlement, 810 N. Vineyard Blvd., Honolulu, HI 96817. Tickets are \$10, Santa and his elves will be passing out gifts for kids. Please contact

Central Office for more information or if you would like to donate a gift or get into service for this event.

Oahu Central Office is looking into hosting an <u>island wide</u> **New Year's Eve Alk-A-Thon**. We are looking into the feasibility of hosting this event. We are looking to have groups from each of the 7 districts on Oahu host 3 hour time blocks.

Website: The website has had a few glitches Bob has graciously helped us migrate to an upgraded host. So, the website may be out of commission for a couple of days in the next week or so.

Mahalo for allowing me to be of service, Adina M., Oahu Central Office Manager, <a href="manager@oahucentraloffice.com">manager@oahucentraloffice.com</a> 24 hour hotline: (808) 946-1438

At the Mic. Lots of gratitude