Standing Committee Chair

Sean C. SCC/ Website

Website: Serves as webmaster and administrator of the Hawaii Area 17 website (and any ancillary services, such as email) ensuring that information following current guidelines is available in a timely fashion and technical services and training are provided as needed. Aloha Fellow Trusted Servants,

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Hawaii Area 17 Panel 71 as our Webmaster, I look forward to working together with all of you as we continue forward in these changing and challenging times.

I have redone the design of our website in preparation for the assembly and consulted the with Area Officers to determine the best navigation layout to start the panel with. I hope the redesign

offers easy and quick access to all the tools you need, and we will make improvements as we determine what they should be.

I am coordinating the transitions of Area email accounts to new panel and most are done. I have also created email accounts for past delegates that have requested one and have created a Past Delegates email group available in your contacts. I am available for any questions regarding email or other Google products such as Google Drive or Google Meet that are available in your accounts.

I have run into some issues in working with the website as is has gone through a few iterations over time and will be working to do a thorough housecleaning and updating to enhance the performance and ensure the security of our site. This may lead to the site being offline for a couple days, so I will be accomplishing this in the days to come so it is finished and ready for our needs with the upcoming Committee Meeting and the Inform the Delegate Assembly. Due to this needed overhaul, I will do the posting of today's assembly reports after maintenance is complete. Your patience is greatly appreciated.

I am tasked with forming a Website Committee by our Website Guidelines listed at the end of our Structure & Guidelines of at least four members including myself, and most specifically need an Alternate Webmaster that will be approved the Chair and Area Committee. This position requires someone with the basic skills to perform my duties if necessary. Anyone interested in being on the committee, please contact me at webmaster@area17aa.org.

The website is always a work in progress and a welcome any input and suggestions as we look for improvements that can help to keep it a tool that serves us well. One upcoming project will be working with Archivist and Officers to organize our digital archives for best use.

Sean C., Area 17 Website Standing Committee Chair

Karen N. SCC/Mynah Bird

Since I have not been formally confirmed, I do not have a formal report. I have received information from the Panel 69 Mynah Bird Chair and I am sure if I have any questions, Ernest will be available to answer them.

I am looking forward to the Orientation Assembly and meeting those GSR's who will be assigned to this committee. My hope is that they will go back to their home districts and groups and will solicite articles for future issues.

Other topics:

I enjoyed serving as Registrar for Panel 69. Although it was a very frustrating during the last year of the panel – I was not able to quickly enter data in the GSO system (due to transitioning to a new system which was complicated by COVID) and not being able to meet and greet everyone as they signed into assemblies and committee meetings (COVID again), the year ended on a high note. The new Fellowship Connection is mostly operational, and most changes can now be entered by Area Registrars. I attended an online training session in December and was able to update all changes that I had received before December 31, 2020.

I updated records and sent documents to our Panel 71 Registrar Eric. Mahalo for letting me be of service to Panel 69.



Karen N. Registrar Panel 69

Sean F. SCC/Treatment

According to Hawaii Area 17 Structures and Guidelines, Treatment Standing Committee Coordinates the service work of A.A. groups and individual A.A. members who carry the message to alcoholics in medical and treatment settings. Sets up means of "Bridging the Gap" from treatment to A.A. and works to clarify what A.A. can and cannot do, within the 12 Traditions, to help alcoholics in medical and treatment settings

Together, through singleness of purpose, we, the committee, will work towards creating 3 workshops a year (topics to be determined), create temporary contact cards to help with "Bridging the Gap" in treatment facilities, clean and sober houses, ect., and meet once a month as a committee to discuss all things relating. Also by opening the lines of communication with the Treatment S.C.C. both at GSO as well as other Areas.

Other Topics:

We also hope to work in conjunction with C.P.C, Corrections, and P.I. to bring together our committees in order to provide support to our MEMBERS AND GROUPS on how we can support them in carrying the message. I have committed to reaching out to all DCM's in Area17 to find out who is on their Treatment committee for their District to begin an open dialogue.

Ernest S. SCC/Archives

GSR's and Archives Roundtable:

Present: Ernest S. Chair, Joshua M. (GSR 12 coconuts-Oahu), Jason C. (GSR Malia Discussion-Oahu), Steve E. (GSR Mana Round Table-Big Island) Danielle S. (GSR Alano Club-Lahaina, Maui), Adrian C. (GSR Ewe Kahi-Oahu), Lawren Love (GSR Sick and Twisted-Oahu) Michael C. (GSR Malia Discussion-Oahu) and Lisa B. (Area Archivist-Oahu). This being the orientation assembly, we introduced ourselves giving name, sobriety time, homegroup and any service experience. Was then opened for questions which the GSR"s participated in opening up and asking multiple questions, such as their responsibility to the archives and their homegroup. They were briefed along with committee meetings and the area assemblies. Their duty to their group for the informed the delegate assembly as well as the budget assembly. They were also informed of the inventory and election assembly. We just talked, asked and answered questions to familiarize each other with our newly assigned position. Then got pulled back into the main virtual session about an hour after.

Billy CEC = Cooperation with the Elder Community

RESOURCES for GSRs:

https://area17aa.org/area-committees/cooperation-with-the-elder-community-cec/

CEC chair: Billy S from the island of Hawaii currently works in the geriatric field. Mentioned that the last panel did a wonderful brochure and focused on nutritional routes. In his experience the director of the facility would be able to assist us with clear-cut direction. Perhaps set up a FaceTime or zoom. Necessary to capture information on the various capabilities of an individual

facility on how we could reach the suffering alcoholic. Director of facility might introduce us to the Activity's Director. We also discussed the need to educate staff, where there is no understanding about seniors in with alcoholic problems. How do we educate staff? Flyers ... one on ones? Ask the facilities what they need! How can we assist them? Many care homes now provide tablets. Work with other committee chairs to develop PSAs that could encompass several topics for radio station use? Tailor a plan to the community. And what their capabilities are. If

they have a communal library where people sign up, do they have a computer, could we add a zoom link to the top of that computer screen? Should we set up a 24 hour a day seniors in Sobriety zoom meeting, or just one already exist?

There is a seniors in Sobriety website...

But it seems to be a bit outdated.

Grassroots effort in our home group and provide outreach. What members are in our old home group, (when we met in person) that of senior age? Set up a buddy system to check in with them help them get online and general outreach... "I am responsible"! New residents who are diagnosed may not have any ability to find us. Suggestion to do PSA through church bulletins. Elder housing also have bulletin boards and newsletters, potentially. Inquire if they have a private channel on an internal TV station where we could provide access to a zoom meeting. Or perhaps a YouTube grapevine talk. If that is impossible perhaps that allow for a posting on the internal television station offering phone number. Ask if there are phone calls allowed to residents.... or letters to individuals who might be in need. After discussion with former delegate, we would not be able to ask for donations of used equipment, but perhaps the resident could speak to their family members who have just recently upgraded equipment, then we could teach them how to use it. Mentioned Oahu intergroup is putting together a training for seniors – will research status. Pass this information onto GSR's in the "what to take back" and suggest a buddy system! Phone list of active service commitments, reach out to the seniors, a wellness check, an offer to hook them up with a zoom meeting and carry the message. District 8 started the CEC standing committee and has a Seniors in Sobriety group, Eric will research what they're currently doing. Past delegate mentioned at the lower income senior housing all live meetings have been shut down. How can we assist? A new service position? One Alcoholic meeting the needs of another Alcoholic! GSR's can go to the area 17 website click on area committee click on area standing committee click on CEC. A wealth of information!

Ways to carry the CEC message:

~ Identify facilities for Seniors and send the information to the Area Committee CEC Chair.

Name of Facility: Address: City, State, Zip code: Phone:

Brandon L. SCC / CPC=Cooperation with the Professional in the Community

I went to aa.org and got e-copies of all of the documents included in their CPC packet. There is a lot included so I have more to review there. I also attended an online CPC workshop January 4th hosted by Area 50, West New York. The CPC chair for Area 50 started with a power point presentation that is included in the materials mentioned prior from GSO. After she presented there were 2 other presenters:

- Dr. Al Mooney, a long time professional in the field of addiction and a recent Class "A" Trustee
- Tim C., who I believe moderates the CPC North America Google Group and seems to have much experience around CPC work. It was great to get know Al a little more(He also presented in the recent Western Forum) but I really appreciated the information provided by Tim. He made references to several resources(more for me to study...) and also spoke extensively about

tayloring AA websites to make it easier for people in need of help find us. I think it would be good for us to take a look at our website if we want to help potential alcoholics find us (I assume we want this). A couple of major points are the key words associated with the website. If someone is seeking help we want to be easily found. I searched "Hawaii Alcoholics Anonymous" in google and the Area 17 website came up on page 2 of the search. That is not bad but I also searched "drinking problem Hawaii" and did not find the Area website listed in the first 15 pages of links and gave up. The other major point that I would like to work with the Website committee on is creating a link on our website for professionals that will take them to a landing page that can provide information about what we do, don't do, and how I can be contacted for more help. I have more to research on this also. If any districts have CPC chairs I am eager to connect with them. I will email DCM's requesting contacts.

In our CPC breakout today we did a meet and greet and we have a great group! There were about 6 in attendance. I was grateful to have Ken present as a past Delegate and past Area 17 CPC chair to describe his experience and understanding of GSR's standing committee's as opposed to service committee's. We briefly disussed the CPC info on AA.org, the National Alliance of Mental Illness, the Aloha House on Maui, and feelings around continuing this online platform for AA service after COVID. I want to say thank you for this opportunity to serve. I am grateful and looking forward to the experience. Mahalo!

Bill M. SCC/Public Information

I want to thank the Area Officers for selecting me into the PI SCC position. I look forward to serving at this capacity.

I was able to take some time to discuss previous efforts with the last PI chair and the previous Area Chair to include reviewing the information AA makes available for this position and Hawaii Area S&G which I also recommended each member f our committee review thoroughly

The orientation assembly provided an opportunity to meet the assigned GSRs to brainstorm ideas on how we can best serve the PI committee. Notes below;

- 1. PSA during holidays helped encourage discussion about personal anonymity and other opinions. Meaning members are listening to PSAs. Not sure if the public has responded to the PSAs.
- 2. Visitors on Big Island use resources made available for AA/meeting schedules (website OIG?, meeting app?, aa.org?, area? Not sure)
- 3. % of Maui seem to lack a clear/accurate understanding of AA as a whole or the whole scope of AA structure. MH could use a better understanding of AA. Meaning public/private presentations, available resources
- 4. Add preamble to a card to make available to the public with local contact info.
- 5. Literature disbursement in private/public offices (collaborating with CPC, CEC,

Literature) ex: cards with 12X12, you tube videos

- 6. We could use representation from Kauai on this committee.
- 7. Literature availability in public offices. Cooperate/collaborate with other committees

We also discussed meeting schedule and times to discuss progress, challenges and remidies. And finally, we are reminded of our efforts and its alignment to oour primary purpose.

Trusted servant, Bill M PI-SCC

Karen N. SCC/Mynah Bird

(This is the report from the round table)

I introduced myself and gave a brief history of my involvement with the Mynah Bird and gave a brief explanation of what the Mynah Bird is. We went around the "room" and told a little bit about ourselves. I explained that the GSR's are a conduit from Area to District and Homegroups. I said that I would send copies to the GSR's so that they could see what the Mynah Bird looks like so they could see what the content of the newsletter looks like.

I explained that this committee would be given a topic for the Inform the Delegate Assembly and that I would be asking them to bring articles from their homegroups and districts.

We ended the meeting by "talking story" for a while and learned more about each other. We are looking forward to being able to meet in person in the future.

Sean SCC/Treatment

Treatment - 9 members

- Sean Treatment Chair Oahu
- · Ansen GSR Oahu
- Autumn GSR Oahu
- Jamie Co-host Maui
- Jen GSR Hawaii
- Lyde GSR Oahu
- Lynda GSR Oahu
- Mike GSR Maui
- Pete GSR Maui

Topics/notes:

- Sean reviews what Treatment Committee does
- Purpose as chair for Treatments Committee is to bridge the gap and support accessibilities.
- Purpose of the Area Treatment Committee is to let Chair know what is needed from him for our district.
- Sean asked where do we stand on islands other than Oahu as far as treatment centers?
- Asked each island how many treatment centers and what they need.
- Many islands need to take it as a takeaway and provide confirmation later.
- Not just treatment centers but also halfway houses etc. ...
- How do we get our information into Treatments centers.
- Reference Service Manual page S27 and ask Home Group to have a district Treatment Committee member.
- Since not meeting in person can we use those funds to get more pamphlets into the treatment centers? Etc. ...

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Alberta: Convention

Alberta introduced herself as past convention chair, now on steering committee.

Present: Paula- Waianae Coast Women, Rob- Daily Reprieve, Ted-Ho'ohana, Keli'i- Kane Ali'i, Elizabeth- Dawn Patrol

Clarified our job as being to attend meetings and report back to our district. Alberta will send us minutes from her meetings.

Alberta informed that the 59th convention chair stepped down. Convention committee has zoom meeting tomorrow 1/11/21.

At present, planning is moving forward for an in person event, 10/28 - 31/2021, at Waikiki Marriot. She is meeting with hotel liason tomorrow (1/11/21) to discuss how many the hotel will accommodate.

In service, Paula Q.

Jubee B. SCC/Corrections

Currently the only facility that is allowing meeting to go in is MCCC on Maui. All others are currently closed.

I will continue to do what Sean has started and spread the word to meetings for anyone who is interested in being of service in the area of Correction, to possibly take part in going into these facilities or being a part of Bridging the Gap or a correspondent.

Mahalo for allowing me to be of service.

Jubee B Correction SCC

I attended Sean C. last virtual meeting and got to meet most of the Corrections Dist Chairs from

the Big Island and Oahu. I was able to get all of their contact numbers so I can be in contact with

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