

**Hawaii Area 17 Committee Meeting Sunday, February 21, 2021 Co-Hosted with Puna District 12**  
**\*This agenda is subject to change\***

Waiting room opened @ 8:15am and Call to order @ 9:00 am, followed by the Serenity Prayer. Reading out of the Service Manual on "Sources of Agenda Items" was read by Kerwin DCM8. Past Delegates present for this Committee meeting were: Cheryl Panel 65, Bob H. Panel 67, Colleen Panel 69, and Ken Panel 63.

A. A. Birthdays: Congratulations to- Kunani 2/06, 21-years, Bill M. 2/08, 29-years, Mike L., 2/10, 37 years and Rhianna 11/15, 12 years.

Deborah S. Area Chair, went over Virtual platform ground rules.

**Area Officer Reports**

**Secretary: Deborah L.**

Grateful for the patience of everyone being that I am still adjusting to this service position, thank for the help of Deborah S. and Eric picking up the phone when I had a question or needed help. I apologize for not being able to attend the "Plan the Plan" meeting with the Area Officer's last week, through that meeting, I no longer will be sending out annotated minutes to the area. In accordance to the Hawaii Area and Structure Guidelines, my responsibility is to ensure that the area committee and assembly minutes for Panel 71 is to be submitted to the area within 10 days. A change has been made by Deborah S. to adjust the forms for all DCM/SCC/ and Area Officer reports, so please use them. You will notice that for the purpose of Anonymity, full last names and phones numbers is not required.

The minutes for our Hawaii Area 17 Orientation Assembly January 9-10, 2021-passed.

\*\* Eric informed the Area that there were 32 voting members in the Quorum, there were 50 registered and 42 attended that included non-voting members.\*\*\*

**Treasurer: Mike L. Area 17 Panel 71**

We formed a Committee consisting of Gina (DCM 2), Kaleka (DCM 4), Kalei (DCM 6), Jeannie (Area Alt. Chair), and Past Delegate Linda McD that are all willing to participate. We met at the Orientation Assembly to understand what we will be working on, and also met once via Zoom. Our main work will be to develop a Proposed Budget for 2022 and then to inform the districts and groups what that budget proposal includes. We will explain the Area's priority of spending and how we arrived at the figures we came up with. The Budget Assembly will vote to approve the whole budget, not vote on each line item. The Finance Committee will also be working on the possibility of being able to accept online contributions. Does the Area want to do this? We will follow up on past Treasurer Rachel's proposal to change Structures and Guidelines. We will consider a proposal to change the Prudent Reserve to make it a percentage of average annual expenses instead of a fixed dollar amount. GSO recommends 1-3- months reserve for groups, 1 year for GSO. What do we need to make sure Area business continues if we face other challenges like pandemic, Tsunami, hurricane or internet disruption that prevent us from receiving contributions.

**Registrar: Eric V. Area 17 Panel 71**

Hi Peeps. Grateful to be sober and thanks for allowing me to serve. I have registered for praasa and look to be running a panel for the registrars. Really excited about it. The fellowship connection database has been updated by the week by the GSO and it is amazing. I have been working to update all of our groups and service positions. I will be putting district rosters with committee assignments in the chat for each DCM. Please upload your district and update it as needed and send it to me at my email when you get a

chance. I have been asked by one of our DCMs if we can update the PDF with group numbers on our web site and I will be working with Sean to do so. Have all of the DCMs linked their area email with their main email? A few of the DCMs I have emailed have never replied.

Aloha, Eric

**Alternate Delegate: Tommy G. (Timer) , Area 17, Panel 71**

Thank you for being a part of my recovery. This past month has been exciting in working with our delegate and getting our agenda topics out to our Area for the 71<sup>st</sup> General Service Conference. Thank you all for your hard work. Per instructions and Guidelines, 2.7 –Alternate Delegate Duties, grateful our delegate hasn't been absent and grateful to help his duties, maintaining our GSR's handbooks and S&G's and looking into a DCM handbook, helping our GSR's and DCM's as much as possible, work on any ad hoc committees and appointed by our Chair, serve as a member on our AHC Steering Committee and a lot of exciting things happening there and will be ready to act on actions accepted by the Area Assembly. I want to thank Panel 71 Area Officers for being there and working hard to inform Area 17 on AA World Services. I look forward to today's committee meeting to bring our Area's collective conscience to the General Service Conference. In love and service. Tommy G.

**Alternate Chair: Jeannie G. Area 17 Panel 71**

Aloha Everyone, my name is Jeannie and I am an alcoholic and I currently serve as your Hawaii Area 17 Alternate Chair. I would like to thank our officers for facilitating our first virtual committee meeting, Puna District 12 for serving as our co-hosts, and welcome everyone here today taking time out of your busy schedule to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic. As Alternate Chair, I carry a vote and therefore attend area officer planning meetings, finance committee meetings, the Annual Hawaii Steering and Convention Committee meetings as well as West Hawaii Central Office meetings. I attend all these but there are other representatives here today who will do the reporting. While area assemblies and committee meetings are virtual, I create the online registration form and work with the hosting districts to approve flyers. I look forward to working more closely with hosting districts once we get back to meeting in-person. I will also be attending PRAASA and very excited about that! Working with our officers and area standing committee chairs has been a pleasure and I stand ready to support Deborah, our Chair, in her responsibility in running smooth assemblies and committee meetings. Thank you all for your service, and thank you for the opportunity to serve. Jeannie

**Chair: Deborah S. Area 17 Panel 71**

Welcome All. Thank you co-host, District 12, Puna, Hawaii for your support and providing virtual platform champion-users and spiritual bouncers. My responsibilities as your chairperson according to the Hawaii structure & Guidelines are as follows from 2.8 Area Chair's Duties. A. Read and adhere to the area chair's duties outlined in the A.A. Service Manual. On page S49 "The chairperson is responsible for the running of area assemblies, consulting with the committee before setting the date and time, making sure that all groups are notified, consulting with officers and committee members on the program, and chairing the assembly meetings. The chairperson, more than any other officer, keeps the delegate informed about what is going on in the area, and makes sure that committee members are aware of what goes on in world services. With respect to "making sure that all groups are notified" I do this by emailing the agenda to the DCMs, whom in turn, communicates the information to the GSRs in - whom in-turn would communicate this information to the group members. In tandem, I request the webmaster post the agenda on the area website. B. Conduct all committee meetings. During (the) years 2021 through 2022 identified as Panel 71 I will conduct 6 assemblies and 4 Committee meetings. I will chair 2 additional "optional" assemblies and 2 additional "optional" committee meetings, typically held in the months of October or November, if the area committee deems them necessary. C. Publish and present an agenda thirty (30) days before each committee meeting and assembly. This Committee Meeting agenda was published 29 days before today's meeting. D. Appoint the area's standing committee chairs in conjunction with other area officers. Completed. Area Standing Committee Chairs were confirmed at the 2021

Orientation Assembly. E. Serve as a voting member of the Oahu Intergroup, when invited. I will attend the Oahu Intergroup monthly meetings slated for the 2nd Wednesday of each month from Jan - Nov. I attended the February OIG Meeting and submitted a report. I received 2 proposals from Rachel S., immediate past Treasurer Panel 69 on January 31<sup>st</sup>. I accepted them on January 31<sup>st</sup>. I forwarded the proposals to the area officers and it has been forwarded to you. Rachel S. will join us today to present the proposals. In closing, let Cooperation and Communication fortify our journey as we serve in Panel 71.

**Delegate's Report: Kunane D.** – Including assignments/information for the Inform the Delegate Assembly. Refer to Area17aa.org for Kunani's full power point report.

### **Round Table Reports:**

#### **Area Standing Committee Chairs/ DCM's & Area Officers (Roundtable)**

Theresa D DCM 10 provided report back for the Area Standing Committee Chairs, DCM's, and Area Officers:

**Question 1** -How can the leadership (DCM, SCC, Area Officers) build and maintain unity in our local area (Districts)?

Discuss local business and work in conjunction with other groups and districts to put on events. Going to meetings and if they need info. How to reach out to open dialogue with members and announce who you are and your position within the area.

Send out an email to DCM's (if you are a SCC) to introduce yourself and the happenings going on within your committee. Constantly communicating the traditions and SCC's should consider workshops together. DCM's putting together ways to bring district together Example: Alt. DCM acting as an IT person to inform groups within the district how to use the virtual platform and create a position of Registrar at the district level to compile active meetings and what type of meetings such as hybrid or other and archive for future reference.

Create more Concepts and Traditions workshops

Actively attend other meetings such as Intergroup, District Meetings.

**Question 2** -Are you communicating through Area Email?

Add email to your phone to communicate easier and possibly quicker.

Important to archive emails for next incoming member to review if needed

Be considerate of same emails going out from different members

Communication is a 2- way street try to show consideration to senders by responding

Overall everyone seems to love their Area email

#### **Intergroup Chairs (Roundtable)**

Attendees: Cindy-W. Hawai'i; Michele D-Oahu; David-Kauai; Bob-Past Delegate; Dave-Maui; Roxanne-E.Hawai'i; Kunane-Delegate

All Island IG Extravaganza 3/17/21 630 pm – 8 pm: Info on Oahu IG website (oahucentraloffice.com); Invite everyone, All are invited to participate. Not a 'service' event – more of a town hall. Each IG rep gets 5 minutes to share about what's going on and upcoming events. 630 – 7- Presentations. 7-8 open mic for Q&A.

Discussion about getting the word out. Q&A may include what we are doing well, not well, improvements, ideas, etc. Great town halls in the past with lots of participation & questions & ideas. Get word out to IGR. List as a community event-may get more participation by AA's.

IG activity ideas:

Meeting Caravan / Virtual Caravan  
Logo T-shirt contest  
Bingo  
Tradition Workshop Jeopardy – Past Delegates from outside Hawai'i invited to share for 7-8 minutes.  
Step Workshop/Step Jeopardy – Local participation and sharing by local past delegates.  
Homegroup or Coalition of Homegroups – host workshops  
Family Feud? Hollywood Squares? Charades? Match Game? \$24,000 Pyramid  
Quarterly State-Wide Speaker Meeting (ex: Maui Central Office Bash); Invite a couple of speakers @ 10 minutes each and a speaker for 40 minutes.  
Wheel of Fortune with topics 'Service', 'Steps', etc.; Have to answer questions about Topic; Have a couple of speakers share about topic(s).  
Founders' Day (June)- Virtual, need ideas.  
Virtual Dinner w/Speaker. Ex: Restaurant has pre-made dinners for AA participants. Then everyone joins together to eat and listen to speakers.  
Kunane-Questions ; About IG Chairs & subcommittee: Does anyone want to volunteer? Michele volunteered  
IG Chairs assigned to Panel XII – Big Book questions. Where should hard copy background info be mailed to – personal or IG PO?  
(Miscellaneous conversation about weather.)  
Thank you – Roxanne (Notetaker)

### **Standing Committee Reports:**

#### **Sean F. Treatment SCC (Oahu)**

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. So what we have been able to accomplish, thus far, has been to establish contact both through letter of introduction and by phone with 11 treatment facilities on Oahu, 1 on Big Island, and 2 on Maui. (There are no treatment facilities available on Kauai currently) We have sent out AA literature (16 different pamphlets structured around treatment and bridging the gap) to 3 of the facilities on Oahu with 2 more on the way to Maui. Special Thanks to Adina and Oahu Central Office for their assistance. We are also in the progress of creating Contact cards as well as putting together a small packet for those transitioning from their respective facility into society again. This will give them a way to stay connected to our fellowship and allow us to carry our primary message to the newcomer. **Other Topics:**  
The Area Treatment Standing Committee Chairs of North America and Canada have met to introduce and connect to open dialogue in ways for us to better serve treatment facilities as well as AA as a whole through our service work. We will be meeting again on the 27th of February. I have met with the GSR's appointed to the treatment committee and couldn't be more excited to have the opportunity to work with such dedicated members of area service. We have discussed our first workshop and decided to go with "Bridging the Gap" as the topic of this workshop. We will be meeting again after PRAASA to set a date (shortly after Inform the Delegate) and build out the structure for the workshop. I am humbled and grateful to serve.

**Christi N. Grapevine/La Vina SCC (Oahu)**

Aloha, Christi alcoholic. I am honored to stand as the Grapevine standing committee chair for Panel 71. Since the orientation assembly. I have reached out, by email to the panel 71 DCM's to let them know that I am available to educate and assist their groups in their district. My vision for the next 2 years is to create a few workshops with my committee, to educate our Area on exactly what The Grapevine has available. We will be having committee meetings in between our assemblies. We spoke about getting current Grapevine reps involved in these meeting. I have been sharing in meetings about the Carry the message project and how we can pay for a subscription and donate to those who are in need. In this day and age we have all become a bit more isolated and some of have become loners. The Grapevine is a perfect tool to share virtually or in a hardcopy to others. I also would like to get the message out that we can support The Grapevine in other ways like, donating money in the amount of years that we make and send it in like a birthday contribution. Another option is having homegroups to collect money and have them pay for a Carry the message project gift subscription . The AA Grapevine is not supported by homegroups. I have looked at the other areas, nationwide to see what their Grapevine standing committee chairs are doing. I have received a few books from our past Grapevine standing committee chair. Let me know if I can assist your districts in anyway. I will need to get creative in using my budget this panel being that we aren't doing many face to face meetings right now. If anyone needs Grapevine books or The actual Grapevine issues feel free to contact me at [Grapevine@area17aa.org](mailto:Grapevine@area17aa.org) .In love and serviceChristi Area 17, panel 71 Grapevine standing committee chair

**Jubee B. Correction SCC (Maui)**

I spoke to Brandon S. a couple of weeks ago and he informed me that MCCC is no longer allowing them to take meetings in until further notice, due to covid. So as of now all facilities are shut down. A gal named Ili contacted Mark N. on the Big Island because a member asked her if there was any way we could do a zoom meeting for the inmates on the inside, because she has a son on the inside. I had spoken to Ili and said that's a great idea, however we would have to get it approved. Chuck H. is in communication with Mr. Rowe and at present a waiting his reply. I received a box of Grape Vine pamphlets from Russell S. from Oahu to be given to the Maui members who takes the meetings into MCCC, which I did ,unfortunately is on hold until further notice. That's all I have ,mahalo for allowing me to be of service. Jubee B. SCC Corrections.

**Brandon L. Cooperation w/the Professional Community SCC (Oahu)**

Aloha All, Since we last met I emailed DCM All January 10<sup>th</sup> asking for any District CPC chair contact information. I received responses from 5 out of the 14 districts so far. All 5 that responded said they do not currently have a district CPC chair. DCM's if you do have or get a District CPC chair please pass their info on to me so we may work together.I sent an email to all of the GSR's on the CPC standing committee on January 25th explaining their role on the standing committee(as I understand it), providing some info on CPC work, and inviting them to assist in Area CPC work. So far I have not received any interest from them. I participated in the Quarterly CPC North America meeting online January 27<sup>th</sup>. I think there were 40 or 50 of us on it. Maybe about half have been doing CPC work and the other were newly elected to various CPC roles. It was very informative with many people knowledgeable in CPC work. I came away with a list of great ideas out of others peoples experience. I also had conversations with a few friends on Maui that work in the medical and mental health fields asking if they can provide any ideas or leads. They directed me to a few local resources where I could potentially make contact with others in their respective fields. I am currently a committee of one for all of the Hawaiian Islands and I need help. I am seeking others interested in CPC work so that we may discuss ideas, choose a focus for the remainder of this quarter/perhaps going into the next, and then get to work! If you know of anyone that may be a good fit please pass their info to me. In Love & Service, Brandon L.

**Karen N.-Mynah Bird SCC (Maui)**

The first issue of the Mynah Bird for Panel 71 was published and emailed to Area Officers, DCM's, Standing Committee Chairs and Past Delegates. If we were meeting in person, I would bring paper copies to the Area Committee meeting to distribute. Since this was not possible for this committee meeting, I asked that they share the Mynah Bird with members. I also sent the Mynah Bird to the Webmaster so that it could be posted on the website. I would like to thank the members who contributed articles to this issue. I am asking for articles about member's PRAASA experiences as well as Step 3, Tradition 3 and Concept 3 experiences. I am paying attention to upcoming AA events that might be of interest to our members and I am asking that my committee members do the same. I'll be sending a request for articles after PRAASA with the plan of publishing the next Mynah Bird prior to the Inform the Delegate Assembly. Thank you for letting me be of service, Karen N. –Area 17, Panel 71 Mynah Bird Chair

### **Sean C. Website SCC (Maui)**

*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, most of the bugs have been worked out of the website and it is running smoothly and quickly, and I have it backing up weekly to Google Drive. There is more cleanup and organization to be done with old files behind the scenes, but the immediate issues have been dealt with. I have gotten two members for the Website Committee so far and am seeking at least two more including an Alternate Website Chair with the skills to take over web duties in my absence. I think that now that we have the website configured how it serves us best, we should consider creating a process of approval for major site changes to avoid disruption. I am collaborating with the Archivist and Archives Committee Chair to get the digital archives on website laid out in a consistent manner for all panels we have archives for, this will no doubt be a work in progress for some time. Mike and I will get together soon and change all the billings for website to the area debit card. Sean C., Area 17 Website Standing Committee Chair [webmaster@area17aa.org](mailto:webmaster@area17aa.org)

### **Bill W. Public Information SCC (Oahu)**

Since meeting with the assigned GSR's at the orientation assembly the PI Committee has accomplished; Decide on PI goals and objectives for Panel 71. How to best utilize the resources available (electronic media, platforms, etc) to make available PI to Area 17 and abroad. This may include traditional efforts as well (bus signs, wallet cards, etc). Revise PI Presentation located on Area 17 website under the PI webpage. Conducting research on available PSA opportunities across the state. Estimating wallet size cards to hand out at establishments that have a need for them. Scheduled first workshop on Anonymity in the Digital Age on April 10, 2021 @ 10am. PI Committee met on 2/14/21 to discuss updates on PI efforts Next scheduled PI Committee meeting set for the week prior to our workshop. Trusted servant, Bill M. PI-SCC

### **Tayshea -Hawaii Area Convention Committee Chair:**

AHC committee is working on securing a hotel contract, theme, log finalization, revisiting the budget, and is currently at 400 count. The committee had their first committee meeting, confirming service positions and dates.

## **DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORTS**

### **Bridgette K.- Area 17, Panel 71 DCM 17**

Aloha, we have many things in the works in our district. We are in the planning phase of incorporating virtual caravans to support our virtual meetings. We are in the planning phase of a quarterly virtual workshop and may model a gameshow format. We have our first hybrid meeting, Makakilo Hill Climbers who is meeting

physically but also on a virtual platform together at the same time. We have a registra position at district who is researching and categorizing all our meetings whether meeting physically or virtually and creating a directory. As well as a cheat sheet meeting schedule for those who aren't on the intergroup website meeting schedule due to repeated hackers have discouraged them from wanting to be listed. Our alternate dcm has become our IT GUY, and he has been spending a lot of time with our groups who need technical assistance in order to use the virtual platforms or other technical needs. He is also going out physically to the members place to assist them with the computer stuff or attending the virtual meeting and teaching them how to deal with pesky hackers.... And how to create co host ect.... Use the waiting room and how to cast them out while still sharing their screen with the group. That's it mala pit! Thanks, In Love and Service, Bridgette K.

#### **Marilyn Y. Area 17, Panel 71 DCM 11**

One of your long- time members, **Vernon G.**, passed away last month. Vernon was very active in General Service as GSR for Happy Hour Kihei and DCM for District 11. There was a "*Celebration of Life*" held on Sunday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> for AA members. **January Business** – we split out approx \$600 dollars that was considered in excess after the approval of our 2021 Budget. The money was divided between Maui intergroup and General Service office in New York. **February Business** – Since Praasa is online this year the district decided to split out half of the money originally budgeted for DCM travel. \$600 was split between Maui intergroup and General Service office in New York. We will revisit what to do with the remaining money in June.

#### **Teresa D. Area 17, Panel 71 DCM 10**

Aloha! My name is Teresa and I'm an alcoholic. District 10 continues to meet online the first Tuesday of each month. We currently have 14 groups meeting either online or in person and 12 of those have named GSR's for their group. We welcomed two new meetings to the district: Morning Meditation Mtg that meets daily for 30 mins in the park, and Grapevine in the Park that meets weekly in the park. We continue to reach out to groups that do not have a GSR to encourage their participation. Our district meeting usually has between 8-10 people in attendance and we are actively recruiting homegroup members to participate as observers. We want to cultivate the next wave of general service participants. At our last district meeting, we discussed hosting online workshops. GSR's are asking their homegroups for workshop topics that we will discuss at our March meeting. We hope to launch the first workshop in April. Would love to see a central repository for upcoming workshops being hosted by other districts and all intergroups. Would make it easier to schedule workshops so that we don't overlap or cover the same subjects. District 10 continues to have surplus funding. We have asked the Treasurer to draft a priority of spending as well as a proposal for 2021 spending given current conditions, i.e. no travel or rent, etc. Our 2021 budget has a literature fund and at our next district meeting we will discuss a new literature service position and how we might use the funds within our district. The District is looking forward to cohosting the March Inform the Delegate Assembly and we are putting together a cohost committee with at least 4 people who are Zoom savvy to assist Area with the meeting. We have a lot of opportunities to create new service positions and be in service as we continue to adapt to pandemic conditions. District 10 is ready and able to be of service to the members of our district community and the alcoholic community on our island. Thank you for letting me be in service. Teresa D. DCM Waikiki District 10

#### **Len F. DCM 7 Area 17, Panel 71**

District 7 active in perpetual update of POC's, GSR's for district groups (structured and unstructured) in building base for district service. Prayers needed for consistency and generating interest. Both District 7 and District 12 voted to collaborate in pooling committee service resources during their respective district meetings. GSR base is limited at this time. Dialog will continue in assessing and determining the logistics of this effort. Regular endeavors continue to involve non- participating members in service at group and district levels with personal individual phone calls and attendance of district officers to meetings other than home groups, and encouraging service as part of the 3 legacies of AA. Dissemination of area and district materials to GSR's with mailings made included GSO final reports, Hawai'i Area 17 GSR Orientation Informational Handbook, East Hawai'i District 7 Structures and Guidelines, and other informational pamphlets. Workshops remain possible but are not active at this time due to low attendance in district meetings for planning. Again in collaboration with District 12, District 7 is working on a simple instructional to encourage access to virtual platforms for meetings for our members

whom are technologically challenged. Ongoing close communication with East Hawaii Intergroup and District 12 for readily available literature and other resources to all groups. Kalei K., DCM 6 Kauai

**Kalei K. DCM 6 (Kauai)**

Aloha mai Kakou! Grateful and Thankful to serve as DCM for Kaua'i District 6. Service has given me the opportunity to make a lot of friends, especially at the Area level. Thank you Puna District 12 for hosting the Committee meeting. It was Awesome. Yesterday, We had our District 6 monthly meeting, All positions filled, except SCC Public Information. We will fill it soon, we had 10 Gsr's, all Officers, and 8 SC Chairs present, 19 people present. As of today, we have 40 live meetings and 39 virtual meetings. We are grateful! We're looking for Hotline volunteers, We read the monthly Traditions and Concepts checklists. We also want to remember two people that recently passed away, Uncle Mike C. 45 years of Sobriety and Uncle Ron C. 20 years. God bless them both and their Ohana's! My job is support all the Gsr's, SC Chairs, and Officers in District 6, and get them connected with Area and there groups. And attend all meetings on Kaua'i, both live and virtual and invite them to District, Intergroup, and Area meetings. Peak their interest to get them involved in service and Inform them of what we're doing. Our next meeting is on March 20, 2021. All are welcome to attend. Aloha and Mahalo's, Kalei K. DCM District 6

**Lea V. DCM 5 (No Ka Oi)**

My name is Lea and I am an alcoholic and the DCM for District 5. We we were able to vote in a member as Alternate DCM in our first district meeting for this panel. At this time we have 2 GSRs and an Alt DCM, Secretary and Treasurer. All our committee chair positions are available. I have found it difficult to find members for those positions, but will continue to announce them at meetings. We have successfully had 2 District Business meetings thanks to Area 17 for setting up the virtual meeting for us and allowing us to use Area's account. We are hoping that it will help us carry the message in other ways. We meet on the second Tuesday of every month, from 530-7pm. We are looking for ways to share what District is about and how District can help the groups/meetings, both virtual and in person, and how we can be of service to them to help reach alcoholics. Thank you to the Puna District and everyone who helped put this virtual committee meeting together. I look forward to continue serving with all of you

**Kaleka K. DCM 4, (Windward, Oahu)**

Aloha Hawaii Area Trusted Servants. Since our last assembly, everyone one is still settling into their positions and making sure that all participating GSR's are registered with GSO and are assigned to a committee. We are also getting everyone ready and registered for the Inform the Delegate Assembly coming this March 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, we are planning a 12 concepts workshop which we are possibly looking at the end of March or April of this year. Thank you for letting me be of service.

**Gina B DCM 2 (Honolulu)**

District 2 is thriving!!! We went from 22 active groups last panel to 14 this panel (mainly due to the pandemic). I was able to get my hands on the most recent confidential groups list and reached out to those groups who were not attending district meetings and updated the information as I went along and recruited 2 groups to return to district. We have 8 GSR's actively attending our monthly meetings: 2 meetings who are not meeting online or physically but still choose to be in attendance. 1 meeting who made it very clear they want nothing to do with area service. For the most part, the groups are doing well with minimum issues with online invaders. The district is in conversations about having an online workshop with the topic of "Safety in AA". Dates and safety topics are not yet finalized. More shall be revealed....

**T.J.F. DCM 1 (Diamond Head)**

Aloha Area Committee! I'm honored and excited to serve as the District Committee Member, District 1, for beautiful Diamond Head. We've meet twice in the past month, once to decide when our monthly meeting would be and then we met at a District. Our meeting time is the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm by online platform. I will provide this information for updating the website shortly. We don't currently have an alternate DCM, but I am praying for one while also asking people who are past GSRs if they are interested (God can move mountains but bring a shovel). I'm actively updated Group information for our district. The information from



the Area has some old information which may still prove useful in contacting the groups. We have 26 Groups currently. 9 are meeting online, 1 is meeting in person. We only have 4 groups represented by GSRs. Our first phase is to focus on reaching out to groups that are meeting but do not have GSRs to find out where we can send information about what's happening at the district, area and world level, even if they do not have a GSR. Next phase is reaching out to meetings that do not have an online meeting listed...more will be revealed. Also, GSRs are asking their groups what kinds of events they'd like to see happening in the coming months. One idea was newcomer focused panel on what it's like to actually go to meetings, since many of our newcomers have never been to a physical meeting. We are excited about all of the ways the next few months will challenge us and how the District can be helpful to the groups going through these changes. Yours in Service, T. J. F. DCM, District 1 (Diamond Head)

### **Host Districts for 2022 assemblies and committee meetings (from the hat)**

2022 Area Assembly:

Inventory Assembly, (January 2022): District 17, Waianae

Committee Meeting (Winter): District 7, Hilo, Hamakua

Inform the Delegate Assembly, April, 2022: District 1, Diamond Head

Committee Meeting (May or June 2022): District 9, Central North Shore

Budget Assembly (August 2022): District 6, Kauai

Committee Meeting (October 2022-optional): District 5, Maui No Ka Oi

Elections Assembly (November 2022): District 2, Honolulu

**Old Business:** Submitted by Rachel S., Panel 69 Treasurer. Legal Responsibility to the Hawaii Area Committee. Proposal: To Amend the Priority of Spending and the Proposal to Amend Section 7. Rachel will make corrections and present revised proposals at the May Committee Meeting.

Website Update – Webmaster Sean C. provided a presentation on using the Website. Any questions or help, may contact him at [webmasterarea17aa.org](mailto:webmasterarea17aa.org)

Ask it Basket or At the Mic

Question –

Is AA essential? (GSO had said that AA is not essential, members believe that we (aa) addresses medical and health issues.

Response:

GSO in the State of New York is non-essential, they are not in the office and are operating virtually. GSO has nothing to do with groups. Group need to abide by the State Laws, State Health Guidelines and County Guidelines. Check with your County and State or check with the OIG Town Hall links. We do not provide medical issues, we do not affiliate we just cooperate.

Question-

For the upcoming Hawaii State Convention, regarding registration paid for in 2020, we received email of option to roll over for the following year or contribute to the AHC, what is the update on that?

Response: For AHC 2021, the count is at 400, at this time for those who paid for the AHC in 2020 and made a decision to roll-over, they will be first in line with securing a seat in addition if the cost is going to be a little more, they will also have first opportunity to pay the difference for the registration and for now the registration is not open yet. The AHC is working towards setting a date for the AHC.

Deborah S. Area Chair: Provided a “What to Take Back” to your District that will be available on [area17aa.org](http://area17aa.org).

Moment of silence for Vernon, you will be missed.

4:00 Adjourned

Close with A Declaration of Unity

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