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Chair Report / Jeannie G  
Orientation Assembly  
Hawaii Area 17 / Panel 73  
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Aloha Everyone,

My name is Jeannie G, and I am an alcoholic and honored to serve as your Hawaii Area 17 Chair. Thank you to Panel 71 Officers, Delegate & Alt. Delegate for guiding us through unprecedented times. It is an incredible achievement, given the circumstances. Thank you to our Panel 73 officers for facilitating today, and thank you, Ray, DCM, for West Hawaii District 8, for hosting our first gathering in Panel 73.

My duties, as outlined in the Structure and Guidelines for Hawaii Area 17 General Service, section 2.8 are as follows:

Area Chair's Duties: The area chair should:

- A. Read and adhere to the area chair's duties outlined in the A.A. Service Manual: *Consult with the area committee before setting the date and time of assemblies. Make sure members of the area assembly are notified about the dates and times of assemblies. Consult with officers and committee members on the program/agenda. Keep the delegate informed about what is going on in the area. Make sure that committee members are aware of what goes on in world services.*
- B. Conduct all committee meetings: *In 2023-2024, Panel 73, I am to chair six assemblies and four committee meetings, plus two additional optional assemblies and two additional optional committee meetings, usually held in October or November when the area committee deems it necessary.*
- C. Publish and present an agenda thirty (30) days before each committee meeting and assembly. *For example, the 2023 Orientation Assembly agenda was published 24 days before this assembly. I am currently working on the agenda for the February Committee Meeting.*
- D. Appoint the area's standing committee chairs in conjunction with other area officers. *Our Panel 73 officers reviewed member submissions and attended a selections meeting on November 26. The selected candidates were notified and asked if they would accept the appointment. Yesterday the Assembly (Voting) Body confirmed their appointment by a simple majority.*
- E. Serve as a voting member of the Oahu Intergroup when invited. *Deborah L, our area Alt Chair will be attending in my place since I live here on the Big Island.*

Finally, I'm so excited to see everyone this weekend. We strengthened our relationships by serving together and sharing rides, meals, homestays, ideas, and laughter with fellow alcoholics while also doing business. This builds relationships that, in turn, build upon our unity here at the area level, within the host districts and home groups. It couldn't come at a better time.

Thank you all for your service, and thank you for the opportunity to serve. I am very grateful to be such a small part of an even greater whole.

Jeannie G  
Area17 Chair

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