
Chair Report / Jeannie G
November Committee Meeting
Hawaii Area 17 / Panel 73
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Aloha, everyone. My name is Jeannie G, and I am an alcoholic. I am honored to serve as your Hawaii Area 17 Chair. Thank you to our Panel 73 officers for their assistance today, and to Sarah, DCM for Waianae District 17, and your district members for hosting.

First and foremost, being available to our local body is one of the most crucial components of my job. Our members contact me often. It is unquestionably "the bright spot" in my life. Please do not hesitate to contact me. I'm ready and eager, and if you have a question I can't answer, I'll ask someone who does.

Our officers met for our PTP, Plan The Plan, virtual meeting on October 22nd. We discussed today's agenda and plan forward for the Inventory Assembly in January. Tommy requested time on the Inventory Assembly agenda to hold an election for the 2026 PRAASA Chair and Treasurer position. He will discuss that in greater detail later today. We also reviewed the timeline in which GSO has requested to receive the names and contact information of individuals elected to Panel 75 at our 2024 Election Assembly. This new deadline will influence the date of our election assembly, which we should have soon.

I had a terrific time at the Hawaii Annual Convention. The convention steering committee and convention chair did a great job. I was pleased with Hawaii Area 17 for participating in the event; they represented us well. I had the pleasure of meeting and conversing with not only new members but also those who are actively serving in our area. I also announced the need for an Area Website Chair, which prompted Adrianna, our DCM, to pass on a lead.

I finished the 2023-24 Inventory, which we will review today. The deadline for all members to submit inventory questions for consideration has passed. However, we will take time to examine the questions, and rather than answering the questions, we are simply reviewing them today. I expect to prepare the Inventory Assembly agenda by December 20th, before the busy holiday. Please take the time today, two minutes, and register for the Inventory Assembly if you haven't already.

Because I have the duty of scheduling virtual meetings for our area, please notify me if your meeting date or time changes so I can amend the schedule.

On the Big Island, I attended Unity Day, also known as East Meets West, which was a lot of fun with delicious food, fellowship, a meeting, and friendly softball games! West Hawaii, Puna, and Hilo Hamakua collaborated to make the event successful. I also attended the virtual CPC Workshop that LiZz, our SC Chair, put on. It was fun. They presented a play, and we had a great conversation about singleness of purpose.

I attend the West Hawaii Central Office monthly business meetings as a voting member and the West Hawaii District 8 monthly business meetings as a resource.

Finally, a tremendous benefit is having a service sponsor and past delegates who allow me to share ideas and help me in any way they can. I have gained so much from their guidance and encouragement. I recommend getting one if you still need to get a service sponsor.

Winston Churchill said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Thank you all for your service and for the opportunity to serve. As always, I am incredibly grateful to be such a small part of an even bigger whole.

Jeannie G
Area 17 Chair
