

DELEGATE REPORT BACK

73RD GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

A.A'S THREE LEGACIES – OUR COMMON SOLUTION

1. Aloha Area 17 members,

Mahalo for allowing me to serve Hawaii Area 17 as your Delegate to the 73rd General Service Conference.

Here is a picture of the dais at the General Service Conference, the bottom 2023 banner with the theme of the conference was later given to a Panel 72 Delegate pulled from the hat, the banner went to Claude G, Delegate Area 87 Southwest Quebec, also a friend I served with on the Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee for the conference.

- 2 & 3. On Tuesday, April 18, I boarded a Hawaiian airplane to Oahu – it was delayed. I just got on my mainland flight just in time with the plane half boarded. I sat and relaxed for a redeye 10-hour flight to JFK airport in New York. It was actually a pretty fast flight. I landed at 6:15am New York time; took a one hour fifteen-minute taxi ride to the Brooklyn Marriott. I was lucky enough to get my room. I relaxed, unpacked a little, then used Google Maps to find a convenient store for drinks and snacks for the room. On the way back to the hotel, I saw a sign that said Brooklyn Bridge. When I reached the intersection, I saw the nearest arch of one of the piers. I rushed to the room, dropped off my stuff and went walking on the Brooklyn Bridge. That's when I realized I was watching too much TV, because the little bias I had of New York totally disappeared. This city was amazing for a South Kona meat head like me to be there in all its glory – it was so amazing.
4. Stepping Stones – On Thursday, my 2nd day in New York, me and a few of the Pacific Region Delegates jumped in a van and rode to stepping stones where I was able to sit at the table that Ebby met with Bill at there Clinton Street home. I also sat at Lois's desk where she worked so hard supporting A.A. and creating the Al-Anon program – that woman was on it – sitting in a little room, away from the house which was called Wit's End – the very desk that Bill W. wrote the first three chapters of the Big Book.
5. On Friday, I took the subway to the General Service Office to attend the Friday 1728 meeting held every Friday. It was my first view of the serenity wall with the serenity prayer in many languages including Hawaiian and Braille.
6. Saturday night – Meet and Greet. It was a Delegate's only meeting. After dinner, the Delegate Chair, Tami L., Delegate Area 78, Albert-Northwest Territory, had us do some craft skills where our contraption was sky daddy sitting atop the Three Legacies.

7. Roll Call – It was such an honor to represent Hawaii Area 17 Delegate Panel 73 as their Delegate.
8. Just a few pictures – not ego, just grateful to dress in a suit and tie representing Hawaii.
9. On the first day of the conference, Sunday, we also did a workshop and had a presentation on Location Plus. We then had a short Communication with the Professional Community committee meeting to discuss the next two days of committee work.
10. Conference Committee for Communication for the Professional Community.
11. Finance Committee.
12. Contributions Committee.
13. Statistics Committee.
14. Statistics Committee.
15. Tuesday excursion to General Service Office.
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17. Grapevine News.
18. More pictures.
19. Can you speak General Service.
20. Committed Recommendations.
21. Cooperation with the Professional Community.
22. Cooperation with the Professional Community Considerations.
23. More pictures.
24. Treatment and Accessibilities Committee.
25. Report and Charter Committee.
26. Finance Committee.
27. Policy and Admissions Committee.
28. Corrections Committee

29. Trustees Committee.
30. Ad-Hoc Committee for Online Group Participation.
31. Literature Committee.
32. Agenda Committee.
33. Agenda Committee.
34. Public Information Committee.
35. International Conventions and Regional Forums Committee.
36. Stepping Stones pictures.