**Saturday November 15, 2014**

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| 8:00 AM | Breakfast/Registration |
| 9:00 AM | Call to Order   * Serenity Prayer * Host DCM Announcements * Reading – (Kira) The Service Manual – “The Birth of the Conference.” * Welcome of Past Delegates and other guests: Scott C, Linda McD, three other non-voting members * New GSR’s and DCM’s – 14 new GSR’s, one new DCM * Birthdays since August |
| 9:15 AM | Area Delegate’s Report – Ken K  --The motion to ask GSO to consider GSC be on West Coast every other year: went to the Board’s Conference Committee. They met Nov. 1 wknd. The committee tabled it. They asked for research.  ---Pacific Delegate correspondence re. the Board wknd.  Suggestion for tapes to be made available.  Warsaw, Poland was site of International Conference.  Atlanta has 26,000 registrations already! Also announced some of the guests who will be there. Will be deaf hospitality room @ convention.  Phyllis Halliday will retire in 2015.  --Reviewed his service work for Area 17. “Finding solutions . . . .” |
| 9:38 AM | Elections (Ron read “Third Legacy Procedure;” Ken read section of S&G defining who votes; Paul read Chapter 6 from The service Manual, delegate’s responsibility)  Quorum count: Ninety-one registered voters (91); eighty-eight in attendance (88).  DELEGATE  Jack 2 1  Cheryl 33 43 53 71  Bob 22 22 21 19  Colleen 10 4  Ron 4 1  Kunane 19 19 15  ALT DELEGATE (Registered voters now at 93!)  Ken 0 1  Jack 1 1  Steve 7 3  Tommy 15 14  Paul 1 0  Colleen 8 8  Willy 7 3  Kunane 16 15 24  Bob 35 47 65 |
| 11:46 AM | Intergroup Reports  KAUAI –  Kauai Intergroup – in a ten month analysis of our treasury reports – had income of $9,087. For one year this would be about $11,000. The four sources of income were: Groups (57%), Party events (24%), Literature sales (16%), and 3% other. The expenses by category were: Literature purchased, 41%; Party events, 20%, Newsletter printing, 17%, Storage rental, 13%, Schedule printing, 7%; Telephone, 3%; and Other, 0.5%. Note that our main two functions of providing schedules and operating a 24/7 phone service were only 10% of our expenses. Our party events cost and income were about balanced. Our literature sales cover just one third of our literature cost at this time.  Our website, kauaiaa.org, is operating well and has had 46, 384 hits since it started. Our new officers for 2015-2016 have been elected and all positions are filled. 15-20 people attend the monthly Intergroup meeting held the first Saturday of the month at 9:30 am. Kauai Intergroup is doing well.  WEST HAWAII –  Unity Day Aug 23. All-island event. Trophy back in W Hi office!  Need about $3200/mo to keep going. Book bank account has been separated; $9,000 inventory. Shifts of 10-2 and 2-6. All but one shift is covered. Made $26 on Halloween event!  OAHU CENTRAL OFFICE –   * Founder's Day final financial report posted on web-profit $874.52 * New office @ Century Square, 1188 Bishop St. Suite 3406 (corner of Beretania St. and Bishop St.) * 1/2 hr validation available * Call in lit orders for added convenience * New hours M-F 7a-6p, Sat 9a-3p, Closed major federal holidays (Bldg holiday schedule) * Meeting schedule prices decreased from 20¢ to 10¢ * Website is a work in progress (ongoing updates), added printable PDF meeting schedule * Last month to purchase lit before prices increase on Dec 1st! New price list posted on website or p/u @Central Office * 800+ calls in Oct, 100 visits/highest count @ new location * Always looking for CO volunteers & after hours phone angels * 3rd Legacy Elections held 11/12 - Chair: Kalae, Vice Chair: Josh, Treasurer: Elise, Secretary: Linda * Upcoming events   1. Waikiki District 2014 Thank-a-Thon @Unity Church 11/26 6p-11/27 6p  2. Kalihi Sobriety 10th Anniversary Potluck Picnic @Fern Park 11/30 1p-7:30p  3. 2014 Diamond Head District Christmas Alcathon @Unity Church 11/24 @6p-11/25 @6p  4. IG Softball Tournament @Kapiolani Park 11/17-11/18, call Central Office to sign up your team! |
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| 12:00 PM | Host DCM Announcements/Lunch |
| 1:00 PM | ELECTIONS (CON’T)  AREA CHAIR  David 3 1  Jack 1 2  Ken 7 3  Steve 1 0  Coleen 21 23 33 32 31  Tommy 13 8  Kunane 31 39 58 60 61  Willy 7 0  Jim 13 15  MOTION TO GO TO FIFTH BALLOT (Linda/Jennifer) -- 49 for; 41 against  FROM THE HAT: Coleen |
| 2:15 PM | Break |
| 2:33 PM | ELECTIONS (CON’T)  ALT CHAIR  Jack 2 1  Karen 1  Steve 2  Jim S 2  Ken 2  Tommy 15 15 23  Sue B 5 4  Paul 0  Willy 5 3  Jim D 10 7  Kunane 42 58 66  Ron 1  TREASURER  Karen 27 33 48 53  Jack 2 1  Steve 22 26 32 30  David 14 10  Sue B 15 11  Jeffrey 3 1  Motion for fifth ballot (Jack, Ronald) in favor: 21; opposed: 57. FROM THE HAT: Karen |
| 4:05PM | Break |

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| 4:20 | ELECTIONS (con’t)  SECRETARY  Jack 1 1  Steve 19 26 45 50  Catherine 21 27 37 31  Ken 13 10  David H 2 0  Sue 15 8  David B 10 10  FROM THE HAT: Catherine  REGISTRAR  Jack 3 2  Ken 18 14  Steve 19 26 32 28  Valerie 3 2  Tommy 17 19 46 46  Lauren 8 5  David 11 10  Motion for fifth ballot defeated; FROM THE HAT: Steve |
| 5:45 PM | Adjourn |

**Sunday November 16, 2014**

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| 8:00 AM | Breakfast/Registration |
| 9:00 AM | Call to Order   * Serenity Prayer * Host DCM Announcements * Reading: New Anonymity Announcement from 2014 GSC Final Report; “Leadership in AA.” |
| 9:15 AM | Area Officers’ reports  SECRETARY – I have passed on the following resolution to the Panel 65 Area Chair and secretary for consideration. It is a suggested change to our Structure and Guidelines which is an effort to comply with the statement on page S-39 of the Service Manual which states that GSO likes to get copies of area minutes:  Add the following to the Secretary’s duties on page 3, item 2.11, after letter C:  D. Send copies of approved area minutes to the Conference Co-ordinator at the General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous.  And re-letter subsequent responsibilities of the secretary.  Minutes for Budget Assembly accepted (Jennifer, Ken) – unanimous.  REGISTRAR –  Thank you Cynthia and Puna District 12 for hosting this assembly.  During our Elections for our new Hawaii Area 17 Officers, I distributed the voting slips and voting ballots..  Voting members are Area Officers, Area Standing Committee Chairs, DCM’s or their Alternate (one vote per District), GSR’s or their Alternate (one vote per Group), and Intergroup Chairs or their Alternate (one vote per Intergroup). There were 93 eligible voters present.  As of November 9, 2014 we have 596 total groups listed in Hawaii Area 17 and here is the breakdown:  New: 0  Pending Active: 0  Active: 224 (some are current for Panel 63 while others have old information)  Unknown: 96 (no complete contact information is available)  Merged: 29  Inactive: 247 (closed groups)  This weekend’s assembly will be very emotional for me. It has been a pleasure serving as your Area Registrar for the past 22 months with 1-1/2 months to go. I do feel good about myself for doing the best job I could to help carry our message. It’s time to rotate out. I hope the next Registrar has as much fun as I have had serving all of you, and I hope you enjoyed AA’s 3rd Legacy process.  TREASURER – As of Nov 15, 2014 $20,997.75. Prudent reserve is $5,000. Jan 1 additional funds will be added to International Convention fund and one other. We are in the black but in the beginning the year we will fall back into the red. That’s just the process. $3400 in the black. Please let all know how much we appreciate the support we are given. Will post contribution list on the website at the end of the year.  ALTERNATE DELEGATE – Summary of panel experience is on the website. Did update the Structure and Guidelines; new map and district boundaries plus some editing corrections have been done. Convention experience was very useful.  ALTERNATE CHAIR –  Aloha,  A flyer is on the back table, giving the confirmed and/or approximate dates of the scheduled Assemblies and Committee Meetings for Panel 65 (2015-2016)  Our book, Language of the Heart tells us that in 1937 a group of 20 alcoholics were finally having success at staying sober. They decided to work together to write a book so the information could be passed on to others. It took two year before the book Alcoholics Anonymous was ready for publication, and while they were doing the work, 80 more people got sober, and by 1939 there were 100 A.A. members.  It occurred to me that the process of trying to do something for A.A. describes my service experience serving as Alternate Chair.  While helping DCMs help their GSRs host assemblies and committee meetings, people in those districts worked together to find a place for us to meet, gave us rides, and places to stay overnight, and fed us while we met to figure out how to create unity, how to help the newcomer, and how to be a part of A.A. as a whole.  While serving on the finance committee, hundreds of groups and thousands of people contributed financially so Area 17 could have sufficient funds for the delegate service work, and for our service work.  While serving on the Hawaii Annual State Convention Steering Committee, at least 100 members worked together, and took care of all the details so that 941 people could get together and have some fun while sharing our experience, strength and hope with each other.  Two years ago, the officers selected committee chairs from the group who volunteered, and our committee chairs did their part to help the newcomer.  It’s been an honor and a challenge serving as your alternate chair. I’m grateful for the time spent with this panel of trusted servants.  Thank you for allowing me to be of service  AREA CHAIR – Report is online. WACYPAA service available. |
| 10:15 AM | DCM Reports  4 – I'm Linda, an alcoholic and the outgoing DCM for Windward 4. I am absolutely amazed at how our Puna District has been able to overcome adversity this year. Your ability to persevere and still conduct business is a true example of our three legacies: Recovery, Unity and Service.  I came to Area service without a clue about how AA functioned. I remember having little sober time (and less real sobriety), and thinking AA would be so much better and more relevant if we could just make a few changes, and I knew which ones. Gratefully, what I've seen and learned here has made me appreciate how much care and restraint go into making any such alterations, and I've become very protective of "how it works".  This will be our last Area Assembly and it's hard to believe how fast the 2 years passed. There are so many things I am grateful for:   * The things I've learned about AA, our Area and my own Windward District; * The great friendships we've made; * The rewards of service opportunities which presented themselves.   With help from all Windward GSRs, we've been able to update information on all Windward Groups. We've also taken literature to treatment facilities and provided "Bridging the Gap" contacts. Groups without GSRs have provided at least a contact person, so all groups have access to AA issues and information . Some GSRs have been able to bring home group members to the monthly District meetings. Besides fostering greater understanding of how AA business and issues are handled, hopefully, this will ignite someone else's passion for service in the next panel.  District 4 has again drawn the Orientation Assembly for Panel 65, and as I mentioned on learning this, I may move to have this renamed the ***Windward District 4 Orientation Assembly***. As in 2013, we will be using the Kokokahi YWCA, although the second day will be held in the Gymnasium.  We will once again be hosting Holiday Alcothons at the Waimanalo Health Center. A committee has been formed to coordinate the event. Meetings start at 3PM on Christmas and New Year's Eves, then run through to 6 PM Christmas and New Year's Days.  My anniversary is October third and I well remember my first holiday season. With 2 months sober, being very shaky, and with 2 extremely unhappy children in tow, the Alcothons were crucial to not giving in to the depression and cravings for alcohol. This event is really one of the District’s finer moments in service - providing a safe haven for alcoholics through this difficult holiday period.  We have just two final District meetings to wrap up business. But I know the next Windward Panel will do a fantastic job.  It has been an honor and privilege to serve as DCM for District 4. Aloha and mahalo for all the support from Windward District 4, and for a opportunity to try to fill this position    17 – hello everyone! I'm glad everyone is safe from the zillion hurricanes we had come away this year. Thank you to everyone who was in service for this assembly and I wish the best to everyone who stood or will stand four position this weekend. There is nothing more important in the committee work that happens in area for the alcoholic who still suffers.  In Waianae, we are trudging right along. We had our delegate report back that we teamed up with the central North Shore and leeward districts, in beautiful Haleiwa at the Peter Paul Church. It was well attended, despite the other events going on the same weekend, such as the woman-to-woman conference, Waianae’s very own men and keiki campout, hosted by men's stag. All were well attended, informative and filled with the recovery cup full if you went.  This year we have Makakilo Hill Climbers wholesaler gratitude workshop, potluck and softball game on November 15 at Kamokila Park. First time ever and we are happy to see Chuck and his group taking the lead in this.  We have our Alkathons Chair for this year, Joe C from X-facta and we are very grateful for that. We have pulled all our district’s group slots from the hat. The location of the ALkathons for both Christas and New Yearsis secured at the Satellite City Hall again this year. We are all very excited.  At the District level we have about 5 groups out of 17 participating at the district meetings and about 4 contributing to the district and, although poor, we still are able to take care of our DCM to assemblies and get our alkathons off and running. For that we are grateful.  In December we are having our elections for all our positions and will be looking for all our officer and standing committee chairs to be filled. I am hoping to have agood turnout of new gsr’s to go to the orientation assembly this year, since it is on our island.  I want to thank Cindy for suiting up and showing up when I can’t; and I have high hopes for her in the next term!  Also, X-facta’s third birthday celebration is Dec 6 at White Plains Beach Pavillion.  I love you all and hope you have a safe and sober holiday season!  10 – Sponsor/sponsee breakfast this past fall. Inventory done and action items to be discussed in December. Alt DCM position has not yet been filled for coming panel. Thank-a-thon planned. April 4 is 12 Coconuts 30-yr party.  13 – October Molokai Crossing October 24-26 had a good turnout. There was a Maui Mini-Conference in Lahaina hosted by our District on November 4. This is an Intergroup event, and people attend from all of Maui – Unity. All Diistrict offices were filled at elections on Oct. 16. Having an Alano Club in our Dustrict helps demonstrate what AA is and is not, An Alkathon is planned for New Years. Crossing probably Feb. 2015 to Lana’i.  5 – “Almost a full panel.”    9 – Had 2 people one year ago. Five or six now. Had Report-back, ALkathon, Budget Assembly next year. Much one-on-one to encourage service.  1 – Alkathon. Elections have occurred and all positions filled. Treasury good.  3 – I want to thank the Puna district for doing a wonderful job of coordinating this event. I can only imagine the hard work that it has been with all of the adversity that has been happening. I think that all of the participants that made this happen should be greatly commended for their hard work.  Leeward District 3 is doing well. We held our elections last week (November 6th) and only filled one position (Treasurer). We do have a possible candidate for the DCM, however, we will have to wait until next month to see if they step up.  I do have a new GSR from the Intergalactic Space Cadet group. Jesse, prior to this commitment has and will continue to be involved in Corrections service work. He is still new to this level of service work but I have faith that he will do great.  We are still working on a venue to hold our movie night. We have determined a day and time that we would like to have the event and have received a definitive answer about using St. Tim’s and it was “no”. So we will explore other avenues to get this event rolling.  It has been a pleasure to work again as a DCM. That doesn’t necessarily mean that I will be going away, just moving into another level of service.  Mahalo and thank you all for being part of my sobriety.  2 – Elections held and positions filled. Ernest is new DCM. Alkathon @ Unity Church, Jan. 1. Kahili 10th anniversary 12/3. Malea Discussion T-giving dinner, music, entertainment. New GSR @ Came to Believe.  6 – Aloha, Delegate, Area Officers, fellow DCMs, GSRs and Committee Chairs and Committee members, AFG representative. First and foremost I would like to thank our Hosts at District 12 for all their efforts to pull this together after all the hoops they had to jump over and through. Big Mahalo.  Over on Kauai, we are experiencing quite a bit of growth in some of the newer meetings, along with a surge of curiosity about service on the District level. This is very encouraging and I am hopeful that it will continue under the service guidance of the incoming panel. It is vital to have a renewed sense of urgency to help the fellowship grow and the energy of the people who have stepped up to be of service is gratifying. I will continue to be available to assist them in any way possible, as I have been assisted by those who came before me.  We participated in the Island wide Farm Bureau Fair with a booth that was well manned by volunteers allowing the community at large the opportunity to stop by and ask questions and pick up literature and also to see that the members of AA are their neighbors and not a group of strange people ( well we are in a fashion ) from another universe ( there we go again ).  Unfortunately our proposed Gratitude Luncheon had to be cancelled due to lack of participation, but I would like to give Jim D. a big Mahalo for his efforts on the PI front. We do have a new person on Island, April T. who has taken over the position and is doing a marvelous job in going around and filling the racks under the tuteledge of Mathea A. our wonderful Service Sponsor.  There were 2 Men’s Retreats that occurred on Kauai, and both were well attended and the fellowshipping was great and the food was outstanding. One was sponsored by the Eastside and was held at Kokee and the other was sponsored by the Southside and was held at Kahili Mt. Park.  Our Thank-a-thon is scheduled for Nov. 27th at the Stone Church in Lihue, beginning at around 8am and concluding around 3pm. It is always well attended by members of AA from all over the island as well as visitors who happen to be here for the Holiday.  In closing, I would love to thank all the Officers, DCMs, GSRs, Committee Chairs and members who have helped me over the years in my service as a GSR and DCM. You have all enriched my life immensely and have strenghtened my Sobriety and my commitment to the Fellowship of AA and for that I owe you so much gratitude. Mahalo Nui Loa. May our Higher Power continue to Bless all of us as we continue on this journey.  11 – It has occurred to me while writing this report that this will be the last report to Area I will be giving as a DCM. I look back over this two-year term with great nostalgia and of course I can also see how many ways I could have managed to serve my position more effectively. I’ll have to accept progress verses perfection.  I hope to continue attending district meetings to assist District 11 and our incoming DCM Still Bill. We have elected our new secretary, but are still looking for a treasurer and alternate D.C.M.  I’m proud of all the new GSR’s we attained this term from groups that hadn’t participated in the district previously.  We have made the habit of attending Intergroup meetings each month trying to stay connected and bring unity to Maui’s AA. Hopefully District 11 will continue this and eventually it would be awesome to have a member from intergroup attend our district meetings in return.  Thanks to the interest of Ken, our delegate to our new Spanish meeting on Maui, this term. They received all of our topics/etc. in Spanish. Unfortunately even with our grand reception for their meeting being above average, the meeting was unable to maintain this momentum and has closed down. I do still run into a couple of the members at our regular AA meetings and hope that someday it will grow momentum again.  Thank you all so much for this privilege of service, the examples you set are inspirational, and thank you Jeannie for giving me the opportunity to bring my experience, strength and hope to area as the corrections chair for the next two-year term. I’ll attempt to continue the great work Jeannie has been doing as the corrections chair, and I look forward to Jeannie showing me the ropes.  12 – Thanks to outgoing panel; congratulations to the new panel. Big thank-you to those who made this assembly possible. Lava may “cut some things off,” so preparing to keep connections to the area. One new GSR. Elections will be next month and interest is high.  8 – People still attend regular meetings that are held on the third Friday of each month at 5:30 at access capabilities in KAilua Kona . There are 5 GSR's present with others from district 8 meetings. Just had a service fair new comers arrived . I think more will be encouraged to be a part of. Elections are coming up in our next district meeting. Two events that are comeing up is the 20th annual thanksgiving potluck on November 27 by Aloha Mana at kailua beach. Starts at 10. The Christmas party put on by Daily Reprieve at old airport on December 6th $12advànce $15 door. Thanks for letting me be of service.  7 – Election next month. Dec. – AA by the Bay brunch 12/14. Doubled GSR participation during this panel.  BREAK: 10:20 |
| 10:40 AM | SC Chair Reports  Website – Since the last assembly, there have been 6,645 hits on the area website.  I have been been continuing to add mailing addresses (for all districts who send them to me) to the district pages. We are still missing a few. DCM's, please check your district page, and if your mailing address is not there, please send it to [webmaster@area17aa.org](mailto:webmaster@area17aa.org). Members want to know where to send their checks! I looked into creating a specialized mobile app for our website. Several members think it works fine through a through a browser. Additionally, I am not adept at creating mobile apps. If a member would like to volunteer to work with me to create it, it may still be a possibility; however, for now the idea is tabled. I was unfortunately unable to attend the Annual Convention. Hopefully, the website will have a presence there next year.  Thank you for letting me be of service this panel. It has been a joy and an opportunity for growth.  PI -- Aloha,family, and many thanks to the volunteers from Puna District for hosting our Election Assembly. As the Big Book might have said, 'Rarely have we seen an Assembly move due to lava flow, but we will do whatever it takes.  Public Information continues to provide volunteer speakers for Drug and Alcohol Court classes on Oahu, the Big Island and Kauai. Literature distribution on all islands is ongoing, at least we haven't had any Mayday calls saying otherwise since our last Assembly.  The Kauai Public Information Committee tabled at two recent events. One was the Kauai County Fair, at the end of August and the other was the Kauai Health Fair, which was held September 26th. Participants reported good interest in our program at both events.  The Kauai Committee had also been working on the 2nd annual Gratitude Luncheon, to be held early this month, but this event was cancelled due to lack of support from the island's groups. Hopefully this, or some other event, can be organized to commemorate November which we celebrate in AA as Gratitude Month.  Kauai also has a new Literature person, and she is working up a new literature order.  At this last Assembly of Panel 63,I want to say a heartfelt mahalo nui loa to all of the GSRs who served on the Public Information Committee. Your work and input was an invaluable contribution to the work of this panel, and I was honored to have you on this committee.  And thank you all, our Delegate, Area Officers and GSRs of Panel 63 for the opportunity to serve and grow within the fellowship that saved my life.  CPC – I had a display at the Hawaii State Convention. I also participated in the panel discussion at the Hawaii State Convention with other standing committee chairs.  I received a call from Oahu Central Office regarding a request for a speaker for Honolulu Community College. Unfortunately, the request was received only a couple of days before the speaker was needed. I followed through, but did not receive a reply.  We had some discussion regarding a possible anonymity break by a prominent individual. Membership in Alcoholics Anonymous was not directly mentioned in the newspaper article and we decided that no response was warrented. It did get us thinking about whether or not it would be appropriate to gently remind those involved about AA’s tradition of anonimity.  I also received a call from Oahu Central Office asking if I had any information about “non-listed” meetings for doctors, lawyers, etc. We do respect the need for certain groups to maintain a higher level of anonymity, however we would like to provide information to those professionals seeking recovery. We don’t want to compromise the anonymity of those who feel they need to attend “non-listed” meetings. A subject for the next panel!!  I have really enjoyed working on this panel and I hope that I have made a difference  Mynah Bird – We published the 10th and final issue of the Mynah Bird newsletter for panel 63. Copies of it and the previous nine issues were available at the recent Hawaii Annual Convention. I felt like a news reporter and had fun growing, learning and doing. I'm especially grateful for Kunane and Bob for helping me in the beginning, Mathea and all of you who contributed to the Mynah Bird. The best part of my experience was traveling across the islands, listening about and writing about you and learning from you. Second best was traveling to New York with Ken and attending the 63rd GSC in 2013, attending the opening banquet, touring the GSO and enjoying New York because of the wonderful Al-Anon guides. Best of all was I stayed sober and did not wreck havoc on your delegate’s personal life! Love you, ken, and love you all!  Grapevine – Because I am not there with you, I have asked my friend Katherine to do my report for me. I hope everyone is enjoying the assembly.  The Grapevine was blessed to have been part of our state convention with other standing committees. We had a table with Grapevine information which was part of our standing committee workshop there. Oahu's Intergroup office had grapevine books available and New York helped by sending everything else to a friend on Oahu so I didn't have to take it on the plane.  I’ve learned so much being your Grapevine Chair, especially that “If I don’t ask for help, the answer will always be,’No.’”  Grapevine will be @ WACYPAA. Sober and Out is now available. Keep subscriptions on your top list for Xmas and related holiday giving.  Ended with readings from Daily Quotes book for November 15 and 16.  Archives – ***sent***  First 25 years will be on website in a searchable format.  CEC – An interesting two years. Consider changing “older” to “elder.” Trying to get GSO to recognize work with aging folks because there is a great need. Suggest making boards to give to seniors to use w/ their friends.  Convention – The 53rd Annual Hawaii Convention was an awesome experience. We appreciate everyone who attended or was in service. It was very smooth and hopefully some special memories were created for our attendees.  The following are the final counts: 941 participants; 13 comps, 16 children, 59 Al-Anon.  Meals: 144 Friday night dinner, 280 Saturday night dinner, 166 Sunday breakfast, 74 Al-Anon lunch.  Overall, attendance was about 22% down from last year consistently across the board with the exception of the Sunday breakfast which was up by 1%. Although final numbers will not be provided until next year's assembly we do know we lost the money this year.  We are excited that the 54th annual Hawaii convention will be held on October 29 through November 1, 2015 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. The theme is “Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change." We have lowered the registration to $64 if registering by 29 September 2015. After that it will be $74.  The Friday night Sunset dinner will be on the lawn by the lagoon where we can all experience the fireworks after dinner. Saturday night will be a masquerade ball. Please save up and join us for the meals. You can register online and we have flyers to take back for your groups. You can register first and then pay for meals later as long as you do so by October 7, 2015.  If you would like to be in service GCR chair Kathleen or email us.  I would like to thank Cheryl and Colleen for their service to the convention we learn so much from each other and really came together at the convention as a team. It was a pleasure working with them.  We had to bid farewell to Heidi G who has been our secretary for the past six years. She has been the heartbeat and our “go-to” person who works so hard for the convention. We are really going to miss her.  On another note, our new secretary is Chuck C, the past trustee who was willing to start early and work alongside Heidi during our convention so that he could be trained and ready to go.  A special mahalo to Ken, our delegate who put together a crew to carry things back to storage on Monday morning after the convention.  Our wrapup meeting is this coming Wednesday.  Thank you everyone for supporting our convention!  Corrections – Three women going into facility on Big Is.; men going in on Maui. Some roadblocks have arisen.  Treatment -- At the orientation assembly for panel 63 I pulled from the hat treatments'  (committee). I clearly recognized that my Higher power had afforded me the  opportunity to "give back" what was given to me.  Recovery started for me the day I entered a long term residential alcoholic  treatment program on November 19, 2009.  This residential treatment facility gave me the beginning and foundation I needed  to achieve a "sincere desire to stop drinking". In January 2011 they released me  to trudge this road of happy destiny.  In the transition phase I attended AA meetings, got into service immediately and  surrounded myself with others with continuous sobriety. You set up the means that  helped me transition from residential treatment back into society. The gap, for  me, was emotional. I was coming from a place of safety, consistency, structure and no BS.  You offered me a place to come for love & belonging and fun & freedom  In the last two years our committee provided to various alcoholism treatment  programs and facilities AA pamphlet starter packs, bridging the pamphlets,  temporary contact bridging the gap request forms and volunteer request forms.  Most importantly we planted the seed of awareness leaving behind an open  invitation to alcoholics anonymous.  For me, I particularly focused on the Windward district facilities and programs  because it is the district I serve in. However, as a direct result of serving on  this committee I've had the privilege to work with women at the state hospital,  Poailani, ATS, Tripler, Hina Mauka and Sand Island.  I owe my continuos sobriety to Alcoholics Anonymous. The desire to be  responsible and help bridge the gap was key to my want to stay stopped.  Thank you God for the opportunity to serve.  > |
| 11:30 AM | \*YPAA Update/WACYPAA Report & Info  WACYPAA – First room block filled; campground almost full. Pre-conf event: Cruise @ $65 on the 18th. Last event is a dance on 11/22nd; Kailua Methodist Church.12/6 Ice Cream Social in Hilo. From Kihei they do Skype. MICYPAA, HICYPAA alive and well, too.  REGIONAL FORUM – Sept. 29 – Oct. 2, 2016. Waikoloa. $165/night.. |
| 11:40 AM | AFG Guest Report  Largest Hilo meeting ever just happened. Used new election process. Involved much sitting down and standing up. Elected new panel. There are Al-Anon meetings everywhere in Hawaii, so they are available to all those with whom you come in contact. |
| 11:50 AM | Host DCM Announcements/Lunch |
| 1:20 PM | DCM, Officer, SC Chairs, and GSR Roundtables |
| 2:00 PM | Roundtable Reports  SC CHAIRS – They reviewed plans for coming panel. Some will be @ Orientation to help w/ transition. Intergroup participated too and expressed appreciation for involvement.  DCM’s – Need to be willing to advise new DCM’s to use the resources – both written and human. Lava may create need to re-organize District 12. Also discussed safety in meetings and the reality of the necessity of asking help from the proper authorities, and the possible necessity of aiding GSR’s in traveling to District meetings.  GSR’s – Advice for new GSR’s from our experience:  Register early, buy tickets early. Plan on staying; your group pays for you to be there! Take advantage of the opportunities of new meetings and other experiences wherever you are. Be willing to add to wherever you are. Aim to be helpful and pay attention! Be sure you report back. Get numbers to be sure you have a way of getting anything you may miss. Bring info from events on other islands. Be a good listener. Read The Service Manual . Pass a second basket if the group needs it for your travel. Study the traditions and concepts.  OFFICERS – Talked about new panel positions and being financially prudent when doing printing. |
| 2:38 PM | What’s on your mind/Open Mic  Mathea’s anniversary tomorrow; 26 years!  HICYPAA on Kauai next fall; Kauai Round-up in June.  Thank you, Ken  Appreciation shared for the experience of Inform the Delegate.  Thank you to the current leadership for the work they did.  Thank you again to those who served us during the Assembly.  Convention plug; get the flyers out! |
| 2:45 PM | What to Take Back  Internatiioal Conv in Atlanta  Panel 65 elections w/ 93 registered voters. Results: see above  WACYPAA in December  Orientation Assembly in January  Feb Cmte Mtg  Inform the Delegate April  Puna Cmte mtg  August 15 wknd – Budget  2016 Pacific Regional Forum  PRAASA – First wknd in March  Pass it on!! |
| 3: 05 PM | Adjourn with Declaration of Unity (see footer) |