

Minutes for the District 6 Meeting of July 19, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by Alejandro with the **Declaration of Unity**.

The Twelve Traditions Checklist, Tradition 7, was read by Hilli.

The Twelve Concepts Checklist, Concept 7, was read by Erin.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Steve Q who presented our Total Cash in Bank as \$4732.99, with net revenues for the year of \$994.50. He made a point to thank all of the groups who have contributed this year and to express his gratitude for their practicing the Seventh Tradition. He then went on to expertly perform a verbal genuflection and apology for his stance on the vote pertaining to the budget format of last month and wrapped up his report with a poignant quotation from the Daily Reflections.

The Secretary's Report was then presented by an inexcusably late George K and the minutes were approved.

Alejandro then seamlessly transitioned into the Alternate DCM report which basically consisted of two reminders. The Area Delegate, Ken, will be here July 25th and July 26th to give his report from the recent GSO conference. The Waimea Canyon Group will host the 25th date at 5:30 in the Smoky Valley Clubhouse with a pot luck dinner to follow. The Kapaa Library will be the site of the 26th report at 5:30 followed by the Saturday Third Tradition Meeting at 7:30. He then reminded everyone that the Area Budget will be voted on at the next assembly and anyone needing a copy of the proposed budget can contact him.

Intergroup report was then given by Alejandro and he advised everyone that the Meditation Meeting on Mondays in Kapaa is still happening and still needs support. Two other new meetings have started in Koloa: Free Thinkers (formerly We Agnostics) on Tuesdays at noon and We Came To Believe on Thursdays at noon. Both are held at the Salvation Army Chapel in Koloa. The only other intergroup news was a brief controversy regarding the decreased number of printed Garden Island Sobriety's. Someone in the group tried to blame it on the District due to the cessation of funding but that was quickly dismissed, thus easing our collective conscience.

There was no DCM report as our beloved DCM is out playing his own version of 'Where in the world is Ron L.?'. Reportedly, Carmen San Diego and Matt Lauer are suing for royalties.

GSR Reports

Koloa Aloha - Hilli reported that the groups are doing fine and are solvent. He was surprised last week at a meeting in which there were no visitors as they usually have many, but he seemed to be taking it well.

Happy Hour - Crystal said the group is doing well and she was excited about the new format starting tomorrow at 5 PM.

Hui Lokahi - Jon said the meetings have good attendance and that the group is sending him to the budget assembly.

At this point, Alejandro interjected with an important announcement to remind everyone that the cost of flights to the Big Island is increasing while the number of return flights is limited. He urged everyone to make their flight reservations as soon as possible.

Keep It Simple - Kelvin reported that he is the new GSR for the group. They are doing fine and attendance is strong. He will be going to the assembly. He also stated that the group has started distributing funds.

Waimea Canyon Group - Zack is the new GSR for the group. The meetings are well-attended (Tuesday at Hanapepe, Thursday and Friday at Smoky Valley Clubhouse or Lucy Wright Park). They are looking forward to hosting the Delegate on the 25th and are preparing for the Labor Day event, September 1st, at Salt Pond Park. The Labor Day flyer will be forthcoming.

Koloa Nooners - Erin announced that she is the new GSR for the group. They have added two meetings (Free Thinkers and We Came To Believe) and all are doing well. Brad is the new Intergroup rep for the group. This month's Last Saturday potluck will be Asian themed.

Saturday Third Tradition - Barbie said all service positions have been filled. The group has already purchased her tickets for the Maui assembly but they told her to go back to District for the \$25 registration fee. This led to a very spirited debate regarding the group's position on monetary issues resulting in a recommendation that she return to her group and urge them to reconsider. She also reported that the group attendance has decreased recently to between 30 and 40 attendees.

Hui Ohana - Kalei reported that the group is going strong with 25-30 people at the meetings. He reminded everyone that the meetings are at Lydgate between 7 and 8 every morning and they usually have plenty of visitors. He will also be going to the assembly.

Princeville/Hanalei - Paul said the 10 meetings are going strong with lots of visitors. They are averaging about 15 people. He also brought up the issue his group is having with the website. There are still some members who report an area of the district website that states their Saturday meeting is at 7:30 when it is in fact at 7. Susan reiterated that she cannot find the problem but swore to either correct it or get counselling for the group.

Steps To Freedom - Steve said that service commitments are available with the group. It is a Big Book meeting every Monday in Kapaa. They will have a business meeting this Monday. He is still working on forming a meeting at the homeless shelter in Lihue. A reminder that the last Monday of the month is their birthday meeting with a potluck starting at 6:30.

Sobriety In Paradise - Geoff reported that he will be going to the assembly but that the group will need assistance with future trips as their funds are extremely limited by the fact that their meeting is only once a week and their attendance is only about twenty on a good week.

Experience, Strength and Hope - Alejandro reminded everyone that the meeting is every Friday at 10 AM in Kapaa at the First Hawaiian Church and is in need of support.

It's Not Them - These meetings are every Wednesday at 5 PM in Kapaa at the United Church. Alejandro urged everyone who can to support the meeting.

Came To Believe - St. Michael's Church in Lihue every Wednesday at 6 PM. The last Wednesday of the month is Pizza night. Once again, Alejandro urged support.

Standing Committee Reports

Archives - No report

Corrections - Jon S immediately started his report by stating 'Shit happens!'. After a brief pause to allow the tender-eared members to recover, he announced that the jail is going forth

with their experiment to allow speakers at the corrections meetings. The first one will be Ron L. Anyone else wishing to participate in the speaker experiment can contact Jon with their full name, date of birth, address and social security number. This will allow the jail to run a quick background check and approve the speaker. The main requirement is that you be out of the justice system for the past two years. He also reported that there has been no women's meeting for the past two months but they have received approval for men to attend the women's meetings. Since there is an abundance of men who are approved for the corrections meetings, Jon will look into using some of them to revive the women's meetings.

Cooperation with the Professional Community - No report

Grapevine/Mynah Bird - Paul enthusiastically stated that there are exciting opportunities available on the committee. Grapevine reps are needed in most groups. It's very easy to sign up as a Grapevine rep: go online and fill out a simple form then a packet is sent to you to take to your group. He stated that the Grapevine is now solvent and is always looking for stories. They have a list online of the upcoming topics/themes for the next six months. He also recommended that if you really want to get a story in the Grapevine that you should write about something that no one else wants to write about, like the concepts or the traditions that nobody likes. He's full of ideas so contact him about getting involved with Grapevine or with getting Grapevine involved with your upcoming projects/events.

Public Information - The PI rep is currently prancing around the mainland but Alejandro said he was contacted by someone in Intergroup about the literature racks in the Emergency Room being empty.

Cooperation with the Elderly Community - No report

Treatment Settings/Special Needs - No report

Website - Susan Ok reported that the site is doing well.

Old Business - Once again the discussion regarding the Garden Island Sobriety reared its ugly head. Alejandro reported that he had gotten a message from Linda that the district didn't owe her anything. Despite a futile attempt to keep the matter going, the majority ruled that we had settled the matter once and for all and it was buried. Celebrations are sure to follow.

New Business - The County Fair is coming up at the end of August and AA will have a booth in cooperation with Al-Anon. In Jim D's absence, Crystal B will be helping with coordination of the fair booth. Volunteers are still needed. You can contact Crystal through the hotline.

Alejandro reminded everyone that the Proposed Area 17 budget will be voted on at the next assembly.

Paul M reminded the GSR's about the next PRAASA which will be held in March in Utah. Start getting your groups to put money aside for it now.

GSR and District concerns - Barbie brought up the problem of GSR's not having access to a printer when it comes to handing out flyers and other information that show up in e-mail. This led to a prolonged discussion about how to handle the situation. There was no clear cut solution presented but it was suggested that for those events where a flyer is given that contains pertinent information about an event, either get one copy of the flyer and let all who want to see it do so or let them see it on a smartphone. Other than that it was felt to be handled on a case by case basis with the particular GSR and group in question.

Announcements -

Koloa Nooners Last Saturday of the Month Pot Luck will be July 26th at the Koloa Salvation Army. The theme will be Asian Cuisine.

Waimea Canyon Group will host the Delegate on the 25th with the report starting at 5:30 and the potluck starting at 6:30.

Koloa Library will host the Delegate report on the 26th at 5:30 with the Saturday Third Tradition meeting to follow at 7:30.

There will be an ice cream social in cooperation with Al-Anon on September 20th.

Happy Hour will have a cookout tomorrow, the 20th, at 2 PM with a meeting at 5 PM.

The **meeting was closed** at 11:15 with the **Responsibility Pledge**.

In Attendance:

George K	Steve Q
Paul M	Kalei K
Susan Ok	Barbie
Kelvin	Jonathan D
Jon S	Zack R
Crystal B	Hilli
Alejandro	Erin II
Geoff G	

Koloa Nooners present

Saturday Dinner and a Speaker

Asian Potluck!

Bring your favorite dish, preferably with an Asian/Pacific influence. Think of it as a chopstick challenge!

Join us at the Koloa Salvation Army Chapel.

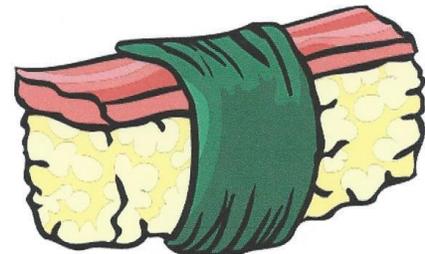
Dinner will start at 7 PM, Speaker at 8 PM.

White rice will be supplied.

Families welcome and encouraged.



Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship and merriment.



**AREA 17 (HAWAII)
DISTRICT 6 (KAUAI)
AREA DELEGATE KEN K.**

PLEASE
COME AND JOIN US TO WELCOME OUR AREA DELEGATE.

HE WILL BE ON KAUAI AT TWO LOCATIONS SHARING HIS
REPORT FROM THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

FRIDAY JULY 25
IN WAIMEA, AT THE SMOKEY VALLEY CLUBHOUSE 4700 ALA
WAI ROAD
AA MEETING 5:30 PM
DELEGATE'S REPORT / POT LUCK 6:30 PM

SATURDAY JULY 26
KAPAA LIBRARY
DELEGATE'S REPORT 5:30 PM
AA MEETING 7:30 PM