

03 Maui District

Report for Fall Assembly, October 21-22, 2023.

Aloha Fall Assembly,

It is an honor and privilege to host the Fall Assembly and serve as Maui D.R. My Alt D.R is Jo Anne R. We are District 3 which is Maui, Molokai and Lanai.

I cannot believe this is my last year as the District Rep. I really would like to say Mahalo to Jo Anne R. my Alt D.R. She has really helped me the past three years. Our district has gone through so much with the pandemic, having our meetings closed, going on zoom, going face to face and the devastating wildfires that have affected Lahaina and Kula. We're all coming together in fellowship, love, support, friendship, and hope. Our Al-Anon Family is here to support each other.

I would like to say Mahalo to our Delegate Penni and our HAWSC Officers who put together a Maui Relief Fund, with the donations we were able to support our meetings that were affected by the wildfires. I would like to thank Tom, our Maui Treasure and Ethel, our Maui LDC for all their help with the donations that were coming in.

We have amazing members who do service for our district. I could not do it without all of them. Mahalo for all your Service. We have 14 groups, 9 Group Reps, 3 Alt. group reps, 4 Officers and 2 members who bring information to their groups. Most of our positions are filled, they are Literature, AIS, AA Liaison and Public Outreach. Six groups are In Person with Hybrid, Seven groups are zoom only and one group has a birthday meeting and at the end of the month they give out birthday chips, cards, and lei's. We have an Alateen group that will be meeting soon. We have 3 past delegates that bring experience, strength, and hope to our district.

Our district meeting is In- Person with hybrid on the 1st Tuesday of the month and we enjoy a potluck. I bring fun to the district by giving out candy to members who answer questions from the service manual. It's called "Sandy Loves Candy" "Fun Facts From The Service Manual."

We will be having our Maui District Elections on November 7, 2023, for our new panel. On September 30, 2023, we are hosting an Ice Cream Social, with a Speed Dating format. This will give our current officers and coordinators a platform to share their experience and answer questions of members considering these service positions.

I communicate with the district through email and have a district roster which includes phone numbers and email address so we may contact each other. Since we do not

have an Alateen Coordinator I have an email list for all our AMIAS so we can also stay connected.

We continue to update our Maui meeting schedule, so members can find us. We sell literature in person or by mailing it to our members. We have been giving 7th tradition to Area and WSO.

We are looking forward to hosting the Fall Assembly on Maui. It will be October 21-22, 2023, at the Maui College and Accommodations will be at the Maui Beach Hotel. The theme is S.O.S – Sharing Our Serenity (Through Service). Our District has come together as your Hosting Committee and were looking forward to a great Assembly.

It's been a dream come true being Maui's DR. I'm honored to be a part of this Amazing District and Hawaii Area World Service Committee (HAWSC). I'm looking forward to seeing what my Higher Power has instore for me next.

In Loving Service, Sandy Soska, Maui D.R.

04 Leeward District

DR Report

August 26, 2023

- Leeward District continues to have (5) active meetings represented by their respective GRs/Alt. GRs.
- We are currently in touch with someone on staff at Waianae High School and are hoping to meet to introduce Alateen to them. I am currently doing research to see how we can best present Alateen when we do have that meeting. I have utilized AFG Connects and hope to hear from other DRs who have had experience working with public High Schools. Leeward District has an Alateen Coordinator as well as at least (2) Certified AMIASs.
- Leeward District GRs are preparing to attend the Fall Assembly on Maui. Logging was discussed with the emphasis on deadlines.
- I shared with the District that I attended the workshop hosted by the Area Treasurer and found it to be very informative. It was nice to get some clarity on certain line items. Although Leeward GRs could not make it, I assured them that it will be presented at the upcoming Fall Assembly as well.
- I, unfortunately, was not able to attend the workshop hosted by our Area Secretary regarding how to register electronic groups but was able to share that East Hawaii was the first electronic group to be registered in Hawaii.
- Leeward District is actively seeking possible locations for the Spring Assembly 2024. We currently have a tentative reservation at St. Anthony's Retreat Center, which was made at the last Spring Assembly. I was told that they were not ready

to make any firm commitments at the time, since it was anticipated that there may be some changes that would affect us.

We also got a quote from Camp Homelani in Mokuleia, but the only available dates in May were the 10th – the 12th, which would be the Mother's Day weekend. It was suggested that maybe we could push the date out to June 2024. I will inquire about that with the Area.

A third option is the Airport Honolulu Hotel who has also sent me a quote. They do have May 17-May 19 open. The room rate was quoted at \$189.69, and they do have a meeting room available to accommodate approximately (65) attendees. Unfortunately, their Food and Beverage service is not available. However, they do have a list of preferred caterers we could consider. More information will be obtained.

- The District is looking forward to the Fall Assembly and working on understanding and presenting Concept 8.
- My heart goes out to the people of Maui at this time, especially our Al-Anon ohana. All the best to Maui District as they try to plan the Fall Assembly during this difficult time. Please let us know if we can help in any way.

Kaui Poaha,
DR, Leeward District

07 West Hawaii District

September 2023

One change since the last update is that we have a new group! It meets on Fridays during the day (2:30-3:30pm). They are an in-person group, bringing our number of in-person groups to 5. We have also been trying to connect with a group that morphed during Covid (members from 2 separate groups in Waimea/Waikoloa area became a zoom meeting on an entirely different day and time). Counting this group, we now have 11 active groups in the district: 5 in-person; two of which have on-line options, and 6 on-line. Out of these 11 groups 7 have Group Representatives who are actively involved in our District meetings and Assemblies (as possible).

Our district is still earnestly attempting to get an Alateen meeting going sometime soon. More will be revealed...

Our district meets monthly, on-line at this point. We share updates about what's going on in our meetings, discuss upcoming events, read a piece of Al-anon literature each

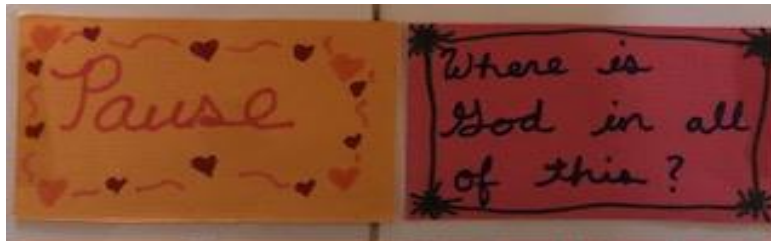
month (our literature coordinator does this), and read and share about the Concept of the month at each meeting. It is a great group!

As I write this last DR update, I have been reflecting on the gifts of service; specifically, my gifts over these last few years. It seems to me that I have been given many chances to practice the principles of the program; chances I probably wouldn't have had without being in this position. At the beginning of my service as DR, my service sponsor and I came up with four things to write on index cards: *W.A.I.T. why am I talking, PAUSE, where is God in all of this, and All things are working together for my/our GOOD.* These were the things I wanted to focus on to try to be as good a DR I could be. I taped them to my computer screen whenever we had a district meeting.

I believe my Higher Power has given me many opportunities to practice listening and seeing the group conscience without imposing my will on the situation. I have attempted to keep connections going with the GRs and groups in general, have tried to honor all voices in our group meetings and communications, and have generally tried to cultivate a Joyful spirit while participating in this position. For someone like me, learning how to positively interact with myself, others, and my Higher Power in this world is a gift of Grace beyond measure.

Thank you for my recover and for allowing me to serve!

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09 East Hawaii District

Aloha mai kakou!

East Hawaii District is doing well! We held a very fun, lucrative fundraiser on 8/12 and we were able to raise over \$425 along with our district-wide appeal to support GR's attendance at Fall Assembly. We will be sending 6 voting members/GRs to Fall Assembly! Each of our groups will have a voice. **Here is our quick update on our groups:**

Serenity on Sunday (perm. online): Serenity on Sunday is doing well. They have had a few newcomers the past couple months that are coming back. They are a PEG now, the first to register in Hawaii!

Courage to Change Volcano: this group continues to struggle with participation when online but does very well when in-person. Once a month the GR, Yolanda, hosts a face to face meeting at her house and another member is hoping to have a meeting once a month at their house (or every other month). There has been some discussion regarding that particular format being hard for newcomers to navigate.

Monday Night Fourth Step (perm. online): No news to report. This group struggles to be self-supporting and are looking at ways to keep the 7th tradition going even though they are permanently online.

Loving Interchange Honoka'a: doing well and still meet at the GR's, Michelle, house/carport weekly with members from all over

Steps to Serenity: continues to have a steady group of participants plus occasional newcomers. One thing that is a concern is that several members are having difficulty with the Ring Central app. This has become so problematic for a few they have opted to remove it from their device hoping to avoid more problems with their computers. Sadly, this also means they are unable to attend the virtual meeting.

Super Saturday AFG: Super Saturday meeting is alive and well. A newcomer stepped up as the group's new secretary. No events planned at this time.

I am so very grateful for our small but mighty District! I am excited to see you all on Maui!!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Tamera L.