

DISTRICT REPORTS – FALL ASSEMBLY 2021

Maui District Report

It is an honor and privilege to attend 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.

We have 15 groups which include 2 women groups and 1 Alateen group. (Our Alateen is not meeting at this time). We have 18 AMIAS. One group has a Birthday meeting at the end of the month, where we give out birthday chips, cards, leis and if we meet in person, we have cake.

Our District meeting is on the 1st Monday of each month. Most of our Al-Anon meetings including district meeting are on zoom currently. One of our women's meeting is a hybrid.

Most of our coordinator positions are filled. They are Treasurer, Secretary, Literature, AIS, AA Liaison and Public Outreach. We have 3 past Delegates who bring so much experience, strength, and hope to our district. I bring fun to our district meetings and get members involved at district by having them answer Al-Anon and Alateen questions and I hand out candy for the correct answer.

Our district had a GR101 Training on February 27, 2021, a Lois B/D Celebration on March 6, 2021, and a 70th Anniversary Celebration on August 14, 2021 all on zoom.

Our Lois Birthday Celebration had an attendance of over 100 members, so when we had our 70th Anniversary celebration we increased our zoom to 500 members hoping to have another large attendance. We did not have over 100 members. It was still a great turn out and I did have a great take away. I learned how to increase our zoom account and I learned a lot more about zoom. I've learned progress not perfection and I'm always learning and growing in Al-Anon/Alateen.

It's been a dream come true being Maui's DR. I'm honored to be a part of this amazing district.

In Loving Service,

Sandy S. Maui D.R.

Central District Report

We currently have openings for District Secretary and all District Coordinators.

Of our ten meetings, one is meeting face to face and the other nine meet on Zoom.

We currently have four active GRs and a member who attends District meetings as a reporter for one of the groups.

We will be reviewing our District budget over the next months to decide how to distribute excess funds and plan our 2022 budget.

Serving together,

Mary M

Central District DR

Kauai Al-Anon District 6 Report

Aloha, island travelers on this Al-Anon journey in life and recovery. Al-Anon members in Kauai are keeping the spirit alive through fellowship, meeting attendance, and personal outreach. Our membership has been affected in many ways over the last year. Frequent travelers and part time residents are visiting on zoom when possible as travel to Kauai has been difficult. Some of our local members have been reluctant to use zoom at this time. Over the summer this year some of our Al-Anon meetings have reopened in previous and new locations. Members that prefer in person meetings are returning. Other meeting groups are comfortable on zoom for the present time and their meetings are well attended. Virtual meetings and zoom are new tools that will benefit Al-Anon and our fellowship. Some of our local members attend meetings on other islands and we have members that attend our meetings from other twelve step groups and Al-Anon from the other islands and the mainland. Zoom has also brought together distant local members that may not travel outside their neighborhoods and towns. We are using zoom for our district meetings, book study groups, and a Service committee formed by the district this summer.

Our service committee has been working on plans for the Fall Assembly and has also discussed ways to reach out to the community. It has been hard to predict when we can return to normal social activities. In the years past Al-Anon has held events and participated in events with AA. As Kauai opens up again, we will have new opportunities to serve our members and the community.

Aloha, Eugene A. District 6 Representative

East Hawaii District Report

- We currently have seven meetings in East Hawaii.
- Six are virtual and accessible on-line.
- We have one meeting that is meeting face-to-face (Tuesdays).
- There is only one day per week with no meeting available (Fridays).
- One meeting (Mondays) has decided to switch to the on-line format permanently and will not be going back to the face-to-face format.
- All our district positions have been filled except for the District Public Outreach Coordinator. Discussion has taken place about the possibility of a Public Outreach Committee being developed to volunteer to distribute literature, hang posters etc. (using the resources that are available for free, that our Area Public Outreach Coordinator graciously made us aware of 😊)
- Alateen Meetings have not begun, and we are looking forward to hearing more about the status at the Fall Assembly.
- Meeting attendance has been solid, and newcomers are finding us.
- Most meetings have all their service positions filled.
- 7th Traditions are down and groups are discussing ways to increase awareness and making it easier for members to donate.
- Everyone has had a busy summer and are now ready to get back to more service work!
- As always, we'd love to see you at one of our on-line meetings, so please feel free to join us 😊

Shelly

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Archives Coordinator Henrietta Chong

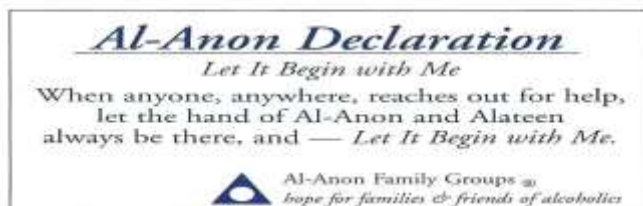
Report for Fall Assembly 2021



I am hoping every Group, every District, and the Area have been saving the data that documents their history and their activities. Two sets of this data should be kept. If one set is deleted, destroyed, lost, or thrown away, there is a second set.



I am posting Games and Responses for Trivia, Scrambles, and Word Search for our members to do.



I am asking for volunteers to send me suggestions and ways to encourage our members to save data that documents their Groups, Districts, and Area's history and activities. My email address is: mhlu01@yahoo.com .

Public Outreach Report

September 2021, Sophie PO Coordinator

Primary Ambition is to support the HAWSC 61 Vision:

All people of Hawaii have access to welcoming and vibrant Al-Anon Family Groups in their neighborhood and online

Support of HAWSC 61 PO-related Goals:

1. *Strengthen Hawaii fellowship by providing the information and resources needed for all Al-Anon members to thrive, grow, and increase capacity to best reach out to all people who are affected by someone else's drinking.*
2. *Encourage the districts to create plans, working with individual members and public outreach coordinators, to attract diverse populations.*
3. *Use technology to attract new members to Al-Anon and to encourage service.*

Actions steps to support Goals:

AD 1: Provide information and resources needed to reach out

- Material from PO Coordinator Call in September with link to new AL-Anon PSA's from WSO. DR's please share link with your GR's.
 - <https://al-anon.org/media-kit/public-service-announcements/>
- Member from Oahu sending PO a short public service announcement to be published in local media. PO coordinator did review. Written PSA inserted below for inspiration to other districts.

AD 2: Encourage districts to create plans for Public Outreach

- Continue to encourage districts to create plans for PO in the district and to collaborate with AA and local treatment centers.
- Key points from the notes in the breakout rooms as collected at Spring Assembly to discuss in your local district are:
 - Reach out to:
 - institutions, eg. jails, send panels to faith-based organizations/churches, bring literature and posters, women's shelters, treatment centers.
 - Reach out to health facilities, do a brief presentation about Al-Anon to health providers, counselors, social workers i.e. during a lunch break instead of just dropping off information/literature.
 - Share literature
 - Take advantage of free ads in newspapers
 - Reach out to Facebook and Instagram; can we do pop-ups?

- Put posters at community centers, non-profits, libraries, in English and in different languages. WSO has posters in only 3 languages.
- Diversity should include men as well since Al-Anon has so many of us ladies! and second, an outreach suggestion is to contact the larger employer's Employee Assistance Program coordinators. Often, they are outsourced so can be easy to connect with.
- Cultural diversity:
 - Cultural differences in sharing issues openly i.e. Asians keeping issues private
 - Ask WSO what they are doing about this
 - Besides Spanish and French language translations, what about Japanese, Korean, etc.?
 - Native language printed material talking about Al-Anon possible?
 - Reach out at community centers, churches, health facilities, in an appropriate "non-white" way.

AD 3: Use technology to attract new members

- Priority to start an Online Area Newcomer Meeting. Task force was created in Panel 58 and is continuing the work in Panel 61. Correction of Members in taskforce from PO coordinator report in May 2021. Members are the members from Panel 58: Patti, Carolyn, Kay, Penni and Sophie
- Awaiting update from task force.

North Shore Serenity Al-Anon Offers Family Support

When denial causes the alcohol drinker and their loved ones to think, "it's only alcohol," they might consider how much it is actually affecting their lives. There is help available in Al-Anon for anyone who is affected by someone else's alcoholism.

Al-Anon Family Groups (AFG) are a fellowship of relatives and friends of alcoholics from different backgrounds, races, and walks of life. In Al-anon, people have supported each other and found solutions for their personal situations for 70 years. They work on helping themselves, and others lead purposeful, useful lives by overcoming frustration and helplessness caused by close association with an alcoholic. Al-Anon groups meet in more than 130 countries, and Al-Anon literature is available in more than 40 languages.

All meetings welcome anyone who believes his or her life may have been affected by someone else's drinking either now or in the past. They are in a safe place to share and listen to the experience, strength, and hope of one another on a confidential and anonymous basis.

North Shore Serenity AFG meets 6:30 pm Wednesdays via Zoom (Meeting ID 84783266578; Passcode 809980). Previous to March 2020, when Covid-19 gathering restrictions were imposed, the group was meeting at St. Michael's Church in Waiialua.

Additional information is available at <http://al-anonhawaii.wixsite.com/al-anonhawaii> or www.al-anon.org; or by calling 808-546-5647.

Area Website Committee Report

Committee members: Eugen (Kauai DR), Penni (Hawaii Area Delegate), Michelle (Area Web Coordinator)

The committee has had one meeting so far.

The committee members agree that the Area will pay a professional for the design and maintenance of the Area Website.

The committee is collecting information concerning the hire of professionals for the website and the type of website the Area would like.

These are examples of websites that other Areas have. Please take a look at these Al-Anon Area Websites or any Al-Anon website you prefer.

<https://northerncaliforniaal-anon.org/>

<http://www.afgarea9.org/>

<http://www.southfloridaal-anon.org/>

<https://texas-al-anon.org/>

<https://www.scws-al-anon.org/>

Please offer specific reasons why a particular Al-Anon website is preferred (ex: the style of website, look or feel).

Please offer dislikes or features that are not recommended.

This "poll" is shared only within the Area Committee panel at this time and not the entire Area membership.

Please respond with answers to our poll by the October 12, 2021 on the topic thread that I will create for the poll answers. <https://groups.io/g/HAWS61/topics>

The Area Website Committee will be meeting again on the October 19, 2021 from 11am-12pm. We will be discussing the finding of the poll from the Area Committee. I would like to encourage any Area Committee members interested in serving on the Area Website Committee to join us.