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Seasons of Conscious Contact

“Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.”

There are seasons on this island, even if they do not shout their presence. Here, the changes are subtle — whispered in the scent of rain on lava rock, the bend of a palm frond, the shifting hue of the sea. But they are real. And they mirror the turning of my inner landscape.

Kū — The Season of Fire

The sun rises over Haleakalā, spilling light across the dry slopes of Kula. Red dirt lifts in the wind like breath from the ‘āina, and the kiawe trees stand defiant in the heat. This is the time of Kū — the season of sun and fire. The heat of life feels unrelenting. Things aren't going right, and I feel scorched. Burned not only by misfortune, but by words I wish I had never heard. Words spoken by people I love — people who once looked at me with kindness — now speaking about me with bitterness, contempt, or indifference. And just as painful: the ones who said nothing at all.



There is a silence that screams louder than any insult. The absence of those who once stood by me echoes like the empty wind through a dried-out gulch above Makawao. How could something once so full become so hollow, so quickly? I keep asking, but silence has no answer.

And yet — this is the season of fire, not to destroy, but to clear. Kū burns away illusion. I feel stripped bare — of ego, of expectation, of comfort. And in this exposed place, I begin to seek through prayer and meditation — not for escape, but for contact. For the quiet voice beneath the noise and the hurt — the still small pulse of life, steady as the sea against the black lava cliffs of Wai‘ānapanapa.

Lono — The Season of Rain

The first drops fall in ‘Īao Valley, gathering in ribbons of silver down moss-covered walls. The scent of wet earth rises — cool, forgiving. This rain is not punishment; it is grace. I let it fall. I let my tears fall too. Let them soften the hard, cracked places in me.

This is Lono — the season of cleansing and return. The waterfalls swell again above Honomanu Bay, and I sense the same replenishment within. Grief becomes water for the soil of transformation.

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Makahiki — The Season of Rest and Reflection

The trade winds soften. The surf along Kīhei turns gentle, rhythmic, like the breath of the island itself. In Makahiki, the people once laid down their weapons, and peace returned to the land.



So too, I lay down mine — the defenses, the stories, the constant need to be understood. This is a sacred pause. A time to stop fighting life and simply witness it.

Step 11 teaches me that peace is not the absence of pain, but the awareness that holds pain tenderly. Through prayer, I learn to release control. Through meditation, I learn to rest in trust — like the sea turtles sleeping in the coves of Honolulu Bay just beyond the Enchanted Forest, untouched by the tides around them.

Kanaloa — The Season of Depth and Stillness

Far below the surface off 'Ahihi-Kīna'u, the ocean becomes still. No current, no noise — only the steady heartbeat of life itself. This is Kanaloa — the deep season of mystery. The season of the unseen.

Here, in the quiet depths of meditation, I find what Step 11 promises: conscious contact. Beneath every thought, beneath every wound, there is Presence. The silent witness that never leaves.

When I turn inward in prayer, when I breathe through meditation, I meet that Presence — loving, patient, eternal. It does not demand understanding; it simply invites awareness.

I remember now that nothing truly disappears. It only changes form. Just as the tradewinds shift, just as the mango tree sheds and blooms again, so too does my heart evolve through every season.

Through prayer, I seek knowledge of my Higher Power's will.

Through meditation, I receive the strength to carry it out.

Through presence, I remember: I am not alone.

I am learning to love without needing to be loved back.

I am learning to trust even when I don't understand.

I am learning to stay — not in the stories, but in the sacred awareness behind them.

The seasons turn. The island breathes.

And I, too, am part of that rhythm of grace.

Even now.

Especially now.

Gary G.
Dawn Patrol
Wailuku, HI

Mauī Serenity Gazette is your newsletter. We welcome submissions about recovery.

Please email info@aamaui.org for more information.



Events

Nov 25-26- Thanksgiving Alkathon

Cameron Center—Hosted by Ku'E

Sun, Nov 30 - Hana Caravan—

Every last Sunday—
Hana Meeting— Meet at 1030a Paia Community
Center(see website for details)

Sat, Dec 6— MICYPAA Beach Bonfire Meeting—

every first Sat. starting at 5p, meeting at 6p Make-
na, see flyer

Sat, Dec 13— Iao Picnic—

every second Sat. starting
at 11am - food and fellowship, hosted by Dawn
Patrol, see flyer

Sat, Dec 13— Intergroup Meeting—

every second Saturday at 6p - Good Shepard Church,
Wailuku



Dec 24-25- Christmas Alkathon

Cameron Center—hosted by Kihei Morning Serenity

Dec 31-Jan 1- NYE Alkathon

Cameron Center—hosted by Upcountry Sunrise

Jan 24-25 - January Inventory Assembly

Lahaina Civic Center—see
<http://area17aa.org>

Feb 27-Mar 1— PRASSA—

Honolulu, www.prassa.org

Service Opportunities:

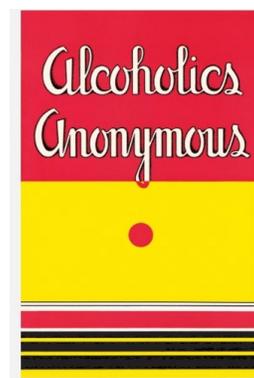
- Steering Committee Secretary
- **Central Office Volunteer**
- Phone/hotline volunteer
- Women for treatment center panel
- Outreach for members in hospital care
- Ikaika Kenane— Wednesday 6p meeting—
Keanae Church, needs support

*"Nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail."
Pg. 89 Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous*

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Tradition Eleven:

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I might make it seem unattractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences shared with me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA members' names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Am I careful not to identify myself or others as members of AA when I post certain things on social media, such as Facebook, Twitter or Instagram?
7. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?
8. If my group has its own website, have we considered this Tradition when we designed it, how accessible it is, and the type of content that it offers?



Keeping It Real and Respectful: Tradition Eleven in a Noisy World

In a world where everyone's got a platform, a podcast, and a "personal brand," Alcoholics Anonymous stands out like a quiet candle in a stadium of flashing lights. That's the essence of Tradition Eleven:

"Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films."

Sounds simple—but it's radical.

This Tradition reminds us that recovery doesn't need a spotlight to shine. We're not here to sell sobriety like a lifestyle product. We're here to live it—so well, in fact, that others might see the change in us and think, "Whatever they're doing, I want some of that."

In an age of social media oversharing and influencer culture, Tradition Eleven hits different. It whispers when the world yells. It tells us that humility can actually be magnetic. When someone carries the message with quiet integrity instead of self-promotion, that's attraction. When we stay anonymous, we remind ourselves that this recovery thing isn't about fame—it's about freedom.

Anonymity also protects us. If one of us stumbles (as humans do), it doesn't tarnish the program as a whole. It keeps AA grounded in its purpose: unity and service, not personalities or publicity.

Tradition Eleven is basically AA's PR genius: no billboards, no celebrity endorsements, no hashtags—just real people recovering out loud in their actions, not their headlines.

Because when something works this well, it doesn't need a commercial.

Reader Submission—November 2025

A Feast of Gratitude

There is a kind of grace that arrives quietly — like the first light over Haleakalā, touching the ocean with gold before the island even stirs. In the stillness of dawn, I sit with my coffee and feel that same quiet presence that fills the rooms of AA — the one that whispers, *“You are still here.”*

In recovery, gratitude is not a single holiday; it’s a rhythm — a way of breathing, a pulse beneath the heart. It reminds me of the *aloha* spirit here on Maui — that deep awareness of connection, of being part of something larger than myself. In the rooms, we call it fellowship; in Hawaiian culture, it’s *‘ohana*. Both mean we don’t walk alone.

When I think of Thanksgiving, I think of the Pilgrims — weary, uncertain, gathered after loss. They gave thanks not for perfection, but for survival, for the harvest that came after so much fear. That’s how it feels in AA. We gather like them — sometimes bruised, sometimes hungry for hope — but we pass the message like a warm bowl of poi: simple, nourishing, sustaining.

Gratitude here isn’t about having everything; it’s about *mahalo* — thanking the Source for what *is*. For the salt air that clears my lungs, for the trade winds that remind me change is constant, for the hands that hold mine in the circle at the end of a meeting. It’s the same energy that lives in *pono* — balance, rightness, harmony — the peace that comes when I align my spirit with grace.

I imagine the Pilgrims giving thanks around a rough-hewn table, and I see us gathered on folding chairs in a church hall in Wailuku — different centuries, same spirit. Each of us survived a long voyage, each finding home in the simple act of gratitude.

As Ram Dass said, *“We’re all just walking each other home.”* Here on Maui, that walk might be along a red dirt path in ‘Īao Valley, beneath clouds that hide and reveal the peaks, or along the beach in Kīhei as the sun sets into the Pacific. The path changes, but the prayer remains the same:

Mahalo ke Akua — thank you, Great Spirit, for this life, for this island, for this fellowship, for another day to live in grace.

Gary G

Dawn Patrol

Wailuku, HI

Where to Send Contributions:

The Seventh Tradition states:

“Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside Contributions...”

While contributions cover each group's rent and other expenses, the Seventh Tradition is essential at every level of A.A. service.

It is both a privilege and a responsibility for groups and members to ensure that not only their group, but also their intergroup/central office, local services, district, area, and the General Service Office remain self-supporting. This keeps

A.A. free of outside influences that might divert us from our primary purpose — to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

- source aa.org

Contributions to Maui Intergroup

Make checks payable to:

Maui AA (include Group name, #)
70 Central Ave, **Suite #1**, Wailuku, HI 96793

Members may contribute online
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Contributions to Districts

Make checks payable to:

each individual District, include Group name, #
Kihei District #11 P.O. Box 815, Puunene, HI 96784
No Ka Oi District #5 P.O. Box 843, Puunene, HI 96784
TrilIsland District #13 P.O. Box 11814, Lahaina, HI 96761

Contributions to GSO

Make checks payable to:

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PO BOX 2407
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New York, NY 10116-2407

Contributions to Hawaii Area 17

Make checks payable to:

Hawaii Area Committee (include Group name, #)
Hawaii Area Committee
PO Box 1413 Honolulu, HI 96806

MAHALO!

Maui Intergroup Announcements

Thank you to our host groups for this season's
ALKATHONS at the Cameron Center

Thanksgiving- Ku'E

Christmas- Kihei Morning Serenity

New Years - Upcountry Sunrise

See website for updates!

- **See page 3 for more opportunities to be of service!**



Meeting Guide is a free-of-charge meeting finder app.

The app helps people find A.A. meetings and resources near them. A.A. service entities provide the meeting data for the app. Meeting Guide is available for iOS and Android smartphones. Meeting Guide syncs with area, district, intergroup/central offices and international general service office websites, relaying meeting information from more than 400 A.A. service entities directly to the app.



More Information/Island Contacts

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Kaua'i AA

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kauaiaa.org

East Hawai'i AA (Hilo & Puna)

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Maui A.A. Intergroup of Hawaii, Inc.



Maui AA Intergroup Meeting Summary
October 11, 2025

CONVENE: 6:01p.m. – Call to Order

OPENING: Readings: Serenity Prayer, Preamble, Safety Card- Mark (Chair); Liviit -10th tradition share- “policy development, hard to not express opinions, best not to engage in conversation...”

Introductions: Steering Committee and Intergroup Representatives.

PRESENT: Mark-SC Chair; Mateo- Misfit Toys; Bonnie- Sisters in Sobriety; Terry-New Awakenings; Nancy- UCS; Kevin- SC Treasurer; Kevin-449; Francoise- Wailuku, Saturday Speakers; Livit- Womens in Kihei; Regina-COM; Renee- Thursday Wailuku Group; Val- Dawn Patrol; Gene-Sober and Crazy

Prior meeting minutes;

MOTION: (Livit/Terry) - To accept the minutes of the September mtg. – APPROVED.

Intergroup Representative Group Reports:

- Mateo– Misfit Toys- new secretary, mostly male attendance.
- Gene-Sober and Crazy- 30-40 ppl, in need of secretary.
- Val- Dawn Patrol- 40 ppl, mostly newcomers, lao potluck, every 2nd Saturday
- Livit- Tuesday Womens Meeting- no alt IGR yet, had a question regarding group contributions
- Francoise- Saturday Speakers- new IGR, 20-30 ppl
- Renee- Wailuku Group- 60 ppl, mostly newcomers, sober living; could use more support.
- Terry- A New Awakening- Eddie Tam; all positions filled.
- Bonnie- Sisters in Sobriety- good attendance, needs a treasurer.
- Kevin- Club449- LGBTQ+ meeting, need GSR; discussed alkathons, worried group might be too small to host.
- Jody (absent)- Sober Wahine- texted report- “6p going well, no changes.”
- Ann (UCS)- emailed report “Upcountry Sunrise is looking for a new Alt GSR. They hope to vote one in next business meeting (10/17).”

Treasurer’s Report – Kevin

- Kevin (449)- Question about assets; roster of outflows, question about deposits
- Livit (Kihei Womens) – question about ICOAA expenses
- Kevin (449)- Questions about physical inventory; proposed determination of assets
- Livit (Kihei Womens) – Questions about cash basis or accrual- A: cash
 - *questions about physical inventory
 - *Question about assets insurance
- Kevin- questions about liability insurance
- Report approved (Terry/Nancy)

Office Manager Report- Regina-

- ICOAA seminar report- over 100 participants; report also in newsletter
- Shopping for printer replacement; hoping to return some consumables from previous printer)

Chair- Mark- not able to attend last assembly due to emergency

OLD BUSINESS:

1. We are still in need of a SECRETARY for the Steering Committee. Please see website or email info@aamaui.org for suggested qualifications and interest
2. Gratitude Night, hosted by Maui Strong- Sunday, October 19- Pukalani CC- Potluck; see website for flyer
3. Host groups needed for holiday alkathons -Cameron Center
KMS to be hosting Christmas; other groups considering- west side??
4. Meeting discussion topics (see also new business)

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Seed Money discussion (interest to increase seed money for IG sponsored events)
 - o Currently \$300
 - o Discussion- Terry, Nancy, Kevin – regarding increasing prices, paper good discussion
 - o Livit- question about last groups' expenses
 - o Increased seed money to \$450
- B. Technology Committee to spearhead hybrid meeting interests
 - o Reinterest in zoom, hybrid etc.
 - o Discussion- Livit, Kevin M

Announcements

Seventh Tradition Collection: *Done. \$22 collected*

TAKE BACK TO GROUPS

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1. Copies of the first edition Big Book (Red and Yellow "Circus" cover available for a special price of \$4 (will be offering a limited amount at Gratitude Night, for contribution) – please contact Central Office for large orders
2. Service to carry the message to Scotty from the Westside; please contact info@aamaui.org for more information
3. Ikaika Keanae -Wed, 6p needs support
4. Intergroup Sponsored events need host groups (Gratitude Night, Thanksgiving, Christmas, NYE)
5. Steering Committee Meeting, new location- Safeway/Starbucks courtyard at Maui Lani Shopping Center (58 Maui Lani)- Monday before the IG Meeting , 3p or TBA
6. Seeking Women to be of service on treatment center panel – contact Regina at info@aamaui.org
7. 62nd Annual Hawaii Convention- October 30-Nov 2, 2025- Honolulu, see website for more info www.annualhawaiiiconvention.com

Next Meeting: Saturday, November 8 at 6p – Good Shepard Church

DECLARATION OF UNITY

CONTRIBUTING GROUPS	October	2025 YTD
11th Step Meditation Kihei	\$122.00	\$1,739.00
11th Step Meditation Pukalani		\$70.00
Aloha Friday		\$270.00
Anonymous Contributions		\$557.67
Awakenings		\$0.00
At Some of These We Balked		\$0.00
Back to Basics		\$0.00
Big Book (online/zoom)		\$0.00
Can Do Maui-Lahaina Group		\$0.00
CDM Men's Stag North Shore		\$0.00
CDM Mens Stag Kihei		\$63.02
Club 449/Acceptance		\$388.20
Dawn Patrol		\$230.00
Emotional Sobriety		\$1,000.00
Friday Night Young People Group		\$150.00
Hair of the Dog		\$249.00
Hana Group		\$0.00
Hawaii AA Ohana Group -ONLINE		\$3,702.63
High In The Sky		\$340.00
Intergroup - Monthly Meeting	\$22.00	\$272.00
Kalama Park Happy Hour		\$567.50
Keep It Simple Sunday (Molokai)		\$122.02
Kihei Sunday Beach Group		\$1,018.90
Kihei Morning Serenity		\$214.67
K'ue Meeting		\$3,000.00
Ladies Night - Lahaina		\$0.00
Lahaina Whalers		\$195.53
L.I.T.S. Living in the Solution		\$132.00
Living Sober		\$115.00
Maui Sunset		\$1,175.40
Misfit Toys		\$215.00
Maui Strong		\$250.00
New Awakening		\$270.50
No Ka Oi Group		\$0.00
Ohana group- Weds12p	\$415.91	\$1,335.07
Online Member Contributions		\$121.03
Paia Pono	\$100.00	\$100.00
Paniolo Group		\$503.11
S. A. M. Meeting		\$65.00
Saturday Night Speakers		\$200.00
Serenity (Molokai)		\$52.92
Spinners	\$500.00	\$800.00
(A) Spiritual Awakening		\$70.00
Sober & Crazy		\$0.00
Sober Wahine	\$40.00	\$310.00
Something Better Than Gold		\$215.00
Sisters of Sobriety		\$0.00
To Thine Own Self Be True	\$829.00	\$2,666.73
TTOSB (online)		\$0.00
Turning Point (Live it Up)	\$59.40	\$204.00
Upcountry Sunset		\$0.00
Upon Awakening		\$0.00
Upcountry Sunrise		\$746.00
Womens AA Meeting (online)		\$0.00
Wailuku Group		\$50.00
Wake Up Call		\$0.00
We Agnostics		\$0.00
Womens AA Way of Life	\$350.00	\$350.00
Monthly Total	\$2,438.31	\$24,096.90

INFLOW: October	
Total Group Contributions this month:	\$2,438.31
*Gratitude Night Contributions -10/20	\$954.00
October Literature sales	\$668.80
Hemic 2025 policyholder dividend	\$32.00
TOTAL INFLOW THIS MONTH	\$4,061.11
YEAR TO DATE INFLOW	\$31,931.95
OUTFLOW: October	
Haran Development (rent)	\$525.00
*Gratitude Night Seed Money	\$300.00
additional seed money -IG 2025	\$150.00
Mgr salary first 1/2 October	\$630.00
CPA (Quarterly tax work)	\$200.00
Good Shepard Church IG meeting	\$25.00
Spectrum (office internet)	\$110.00
ICOOA 7th contribution - training	\$50.00
fed ex printing	\$16.58
fedex printing	\$69.11
Office Max - printer and insurance (3years)	\$496.88
Office Max - office supplies	\$148.15
office max - office supplies, outreach, etc	\$32.08
Marmac Ace Hardware -supplies	\$7.33
State of Hawaii - Hawaii UI insurance Q3	\$5.15
Mgr salary last 1/2 October	\$630.00
AAWS Literature	\$376.80
TOTAL OUTFLOW THIS MONTH	\$3,772.08
YEAR TO DATE OUTFLOW	\$39,505.35
THIS MONTH NET INFLOW:	\$289.03
YEAR TO DATE NET INFLOW:	(\$7,573.40)
ENDING BALANCE	\$10,490.36
Prudent Reserve	\$15,522.58

Example of Suggested Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities

- * 40-50% to Intergroup
- * 20-30% to District
- * 10-20% to Area
- * 10-20% to GSO

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SATURDAY	10AM-1PM
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