

ACCW BOARD MEETING, Thurs. AUGUST 20, 2015

4:30-6:15PM John and Linda Decker's home, potluck

Present:

Keku R. Akana, President
Dr. John Decker, Treasurer and Director
Jeanne Abe, Supply Room and Director
Run Team Assistant-Training Coordinator and Director
Mary Lou Mellinger, Secretary and Director
Deb Lynch, Run Leader Assistant and Director
Kit Hart, Stats and Director
Jean Fiddes, Director
The Rev. Linda Decker, Director
Erin Lowenthal, Director
Rev. Austin Murray, Clergy Support

Guest:

George Abe, Supply Room

Absent:

Paula Baldwin, Prayer and In-Reach Coordinator
Peter Lee, Director
Rev. Amy Crowe, Director pro-tempora, Maui Clergy Representative

4:30PM Keku opened the meeting with a prayer.

Rev. Amy Crowe was unanimously elected to the ACCW Board as Maui Clericus Representative (pro-tempora).

Deacon Cris South expressed interest in being on the ACCW Board. Keku will talk story with her.

The June Minutes and Financials were approved with no changes.

Treasurer:

There is a balance of \$42,727.75 in the ACCW account. A current financial report is included with these minutes. John encourages the Board to scout out a Treasurer who has the qualifications to complete an IRS 990 (the long form) for ACCW. Filing this long form, among other things, boosts ACCW's rating on Charity Navigator. John would welcome the opportunity to stay on as an ACCW Director.

President:

Keku will follow-up with Irina regarding review and approval of the ACCW revised By-Laws by the Diocesan Council.

John Hirashima is fully trained as a Run Leader and Maka Pu'a, a run volunteer, is giving much needed support to in the In-kind room. There is also a new interest in participating as a volunteer rider on Saturdays from Yvonne Kalani, a Substance Abuse Counselor at KHAKO (Maui's Homeless Resource Center) and member of the Jesus Alive Church.

There were 400+ sandwiches delivered in July!

There are eighty plus folks scheduled to attend ACCW's annual Volunteer Social at Trinity on Sunday, August 30 from 4:00 – 6:30PM. George has made 46 crosses for the volunteers. Barbara Ziph is working on the centerpieces. Paula is picking up 14 leis for special guests and Cindy Schumacher will take some pictures. Father Austin is organizing a prayer service with the participation of Rev. Amy, Rev. Kerith and Rev. Richard Tennes from the Kahului Honwanji and Mother Linda will bless the food and the gathering. The Sunday run for August 30 will be canceled and clients notified the week before. Keku will detail the van and stock it so that it can be on display for all the guests. *Deb looks forward to talking to others about how they stock the van for their runs.*

Bishop Fitzpatrick is all-set to go on ACCW's Sept. 2 run with Keku, Leo Comerton and Ruth Eisen. Keku will check to see if Bea Fitzpatrick would like to join them!

The Bank of Hawaii Foundation awarded a \$5000.00 Mike Lyons Maui Community Grant to A Cup of Cold Water. Many thanks to Chuck Spence for writing the grant and Deb Lynch for representing A Cup of Cold Water at the awards luncheon. Deb shared two comments from the the Foundation about why they wished to support ACCW:

1. It is 100% volunteer.
2. ACCW is not flashy.

The letter from the BOH Foundation said the following:

"The purpose of this grant is to support your organization's homeless outreach program, particularly your organization's efforts that are in partnership with organizations such as the Maui Homeless Alliance, The Salvation Army, Hawaiian & Pacific Islands Division; Mental Health Kokua and others that are providing transitional or longer-term housing and social services".

ACCW sent a letter of support for Ho'omauna's Kauaula project (eight campsites in Lahaina) to the Maui Planning Commission. The plan is for a resident manager and community garden for screened occupants mostly in the category of situational or transitional homeless.

Deacon Cris South submitted a letter to the Maui News with ACCW BOD approval and as one of our official spokespersons. She encouraged immediate and strong involvement of Maui's new Housing and Human Concerns Director in affordable housing and homeless issues. Going forward there will be more Board involvement as we discern our voice in the Maui community around these issues.

In addition the ACCW Board voted to send an email to the Maui County Council in support of Ke Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Centers's. A four million dollar debt was incurred in 1997 for the construction of Hale Makana O Waiale, a 200 unit affordable rental housing project that currently houses 751 Maui County Residents (including 356 children). The debt forgiveness, recommended by the Maui County Council's Housing, Human Services, and Transportation Committee, will ensure Hale Makana has the resources available to care for this property and ensure its continued viability.

Keku is planning to schedule before the end of the year at least one Church visit with the van and any interested volunteers. The list of possible visits includes Saint Theresa's Catholic Church in Kihei, Saint Ann's Catholic Church in Waihee, Saint John's in Kula and Holy Innocent's in Lahaina.

Donna Tarsitano has offered to take on the ACCW Snapshots. Going forward Snapshots will be delivered twice a month/

Priority is on new volunteers for Vice-President(s), Van Leaders (nine on-board but ideally we have a minimum of twelve), Treasurer and a Scheduling Coordinator.

Goals:

Volunteers needed:

- President (can have two and share responsibilities) (Keku's term ends Oct 13, 2016)
- Vice President Elect (assume the roll of President every 3 years for smooth transition)
- Secretary (Mary Lou's term ends April 1 2016) Tasks could possibly be divided among two people if needed.
- Treasurer (term ends as soon as we can replace)
- Van Coordinator (never filled)
- Public Relations (needed now)
- Scheduling Coordinator (needed now)
- Training & Background checks coordinator
- Grants research & writer
- Supply team help/shoppers/in kind donation help etc (can always use some help)
- Run Leaders (need 3 more)

- Ride Volunteers (always on-going...)
- Make sure all of our current volunteers have their mandated trainings/background checks
- visits to churches– 2015 – schedule Saint Theresa, Saint Ann's
- **Add East side Run (2016)**
- ACCW donor event spring 2016, supper or heavy pupus, interfaith service?
- Training DVD, Meeting with Run Leaders and Van Riders, share what we have learned, basis for small training DVD - update Manual regarding in-the-van training for Run Leaders
- Snapshot Documentary (15-20 minutes)
- 990 Long Form – increases rating for Charity Navigator
- Annual Volunteer Social (end of August) – **scheduled for 2015 at Trinity**

Supply Team:

Because of the growing number served by ACCW Vienna Sausage will be increased to five cases per run. Please note we are currently out of dog food, a much appreciated distribution item.

Double-edged razors are now in stock, there are no more single edged razors. Our houseless friends seem much happier with this item.

Kit Hart, Stats:

Kit is planning on designing a simpler stat sheet for use by the run leaders. If we need a more specific breakdown of items distributed for a grant or presentation it can always be tabulated from the monthly supply team report.

Served May 2015

PEOPLE SERVED: 695

MISSION RUNS: 14

MILES DRIVEN: 464

Items Distributed

DISTRIBUTED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

CHILLED WATER: 635

FOOD: 4,751

BASIC FIRST AID: 325

HYGIENE: 1,732

CLOTHING: 280

BIBLES, DAY BY DAY: 20

Sandwiches: 175+

IN KIND TALLEY (estimated) \$8,000.00+ (donated clothing, misc hygiene, foods, water, pet foods, children's toys, books, etc)

Also distributed towels, wash clothes, linen, blankets, footwear, eye glasses, nail clippers, hair brushes, can openers, pet food and other miscellaneous items....

June 2015

PEOPLE SERVED: 674

MISSION RUNS: 12

MILES DRIVEN: 380

DISTRIBUTED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

CHILLED WATER: 501

FOOD: 5,520

BASIC FIRST AID: 250

HYGIENE: 1,581

CLOTHING: 299

BIBLES, DAY BY DAY: 22

SANDWICHES MADE BY LEO COMERTON, KAHULUI HONWANJI , HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH: (140)

*also distributed towels, wash clothes, linen, footwear, eye glasses, nail clippers, pet food, children's toys/items

June 2015 In-kind donations: pending tabulation

In-Reach and Van Volunteer Assistant & Training Coordinator

(Update from Paula prior to the meeting)

Essentially all background checks for all volunteers have completed.

(Kudos to Paula and everyone that helped to get the background checks current!)

Deb Lynch, Run Leader Assistant, is now sharing the task of reminders to Run Leaders – a big help!

Run Leader Assistant and Facebook Coordinator:

Deb Lynch will be the run leader for the Salvation Army Homeless Health Fair, Fri. Nov. 20, 9AM-1PM. She will be joined by Kit Hart, Mary Lou Mellinger and hopefully others!

Anyone with an Amazon Prime Account can sign up for Amazon Smiles and check A Cup of Cold Water-Wailuku as the recipient of Amazon donations.

Secretary:

Anne Kasin, a passionate ACCW volunteer, has been thinking of different ways to help ACCW. She has been thinking of Oprah and wrote her a simple letter introducing ACCW's ministry. Anne found out in the research process that the Oprah Winfrey Foundation has grant applications available on their website. One possibility is that ACCW submit a grant to Oprah's foundation for backpacks (children and adults) or document holders.

Follow-up to our last Meeting: Imprinted Document Holders as a holiday gift: **Erin** has followed up with the Homeless Alliance to see if all of the Maui agencies would like to distribute document pouches to the Homeless. The Salvation Army would be happy to be the contact group on the pouch whenever a lost pouch is found! She is waiting for a response from HECO for a possible donation.

Note: Water-resistant, so documents and files stay dry between car and office in a rainstorm! Zippered, polypropylene, blue, 10" x 13-1/2" includes one-color imprint centered on the front of the bag. The cost is \$1.09 each + \$45.00 print set-up (imprint area 4" x 6") for an order of 500 (\$1.19 each for 250). We could print A Cup of Cold Water and our telephone number on the front of the bag. <http://www.4imprint.com/tag/298/Document-Holders/product/9922/Polypropylene-Document-Holder-10-x-13>

Public Relations:

Fundraising:

Father Austin, Clergy Advisor:

Old Business:

At our last meeting Erin suggested a storage room and parking space for the van at Ka Hale A Ke Ola Homeless Resource Center. Keku has now seen the space and plans to return with Jeanne and George Abe, and Susie Davis, our Supply Room coordinators. The advantage is the size of the space, the ease of parking the van and having it parked right next to the storage room.

There is enough room to have a small office in one corner and it would provide space for expanding storage room needs as ACCW adds runs. There is adequate parking. . We would keep the in-kind room at Good Shepherd. The van would be seen by the various church and community groups that come to prepare dinner at the Center in the evenings. KHAKO has a couple of employees that volunteer with ACCW and in the future may create its own ACCW run team. There doesn't seem to be security issues. There would be a MOA (Memorandum of Agreement) with KHAKO. This space is in the same building (separate rooms) where KHAKO stores its donations. The time now used to drive and pick-up and return the van at the Deckers would now be used to drive through Good Shepherd's parking lot before and after runs. **There will be a further report and discussion at our meeting in October.** Insurance? Other issues? The ministry will be off Church grounds.

New Business:

Schedule NEXT MEETING: October 15, 2015.

Annual Meeting: Tentatively Scheduled Thurs. January 21, 2016 –_Directors Nominated

March 2016 with the Diocesan Council, ACCW President and Treasurer – Directors nominated are now elected by the Council. (All Board members are encouraged to be involved in this meeting.)

CALENDAR

- VOLUNTEER SOCIAL, AUG. 30 AT TRINITY 4-6:30PM short service. Bishop will be in attendance
- **Sat. Sept. 26 Safeguarding God's Children, 1-4:30PM, GSEC Wailuku, Parish Hall, John Tomoso, Postulant**

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Mellinger,
ACCW Board Secretary