

## District 12 Chair reporting for Q1 2024

As the District Representative, Kelda is trying to align goals for each of our chairpeople to achieve our common goal of being an easily accessible and well-known resource for families and friends of alcoholics who are looking for help.

We had a great turn out for elections for Panel 64 and were able to fill nearly all our chair positions.

**We currently have 29 active meetings in Sarasota and Manatee County, with several anniversaries this year heralding more than 20 years and counting! 3 new meetings in the past year, as well as our 1<sup>st</sup> Alateen meeting since before Covid.**

<b>DISTRICT 12 COMMITTEE CHAIRS</b>	
<b>AA LIAISON</b>	Darlene Russell
<b>ALATEEN CHAIR</b>	Denise Perez
<b>ALATEEN PROCESS PERSON</b>	
<b>ARCHIVIST</b>	
<b>GRATITUDE DINNER CHAIR</b>	Kristin H
	Sandy M
<b>GROUP LIAISON</b>	Chris Johnes
<b>GROUP RECORDS</b>	Sandy Smith
<b>HELPLINE</b>	Barbara Bellamente
<b>LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION CENTER</b>	Gini Solokis
<b>PUBLIC OUTREACH</b>	Nadine Knapp
<b>REFRESHMENTS</b>	Sandy M
	Donna Benvenuto
<b>SERGEANT AT ARMS</b>	Angela Chiusano
<b>SPANISH LIAISON CHAIR</b>	
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR</b>	Kristin H
<b>SPEAKERS LIST</b>	Paula Mayer
<b>WEBMASTER</b>	Pam Carver
<b>WHERE AND WHEN</b>	Tammy Barnett

### **Barbara B. Helpline Chair**

The Helpline's purpose is to assist people who are looking for an Alanon or Alateen meeting. Volunteers are needed to help answer the Helpline, retrieve messages and

then return the calls to provide information needed about meetings. Up-to-date meeting information can be retrieved from the District website or the current Where & When.

For 2024, the Helpline has received 19 calls to date. We have a volunteer for May but will be looking for volunteers for the summer months. We encourage groups to volunteer together as a service project. Volunteering for the Helpline is a meaningful way to provide service to those seeking Al-anon or Alateen meetings.

### **Kristin H Day of Speakers, Day of Workshops & Gratitude Dinner**

Day of Workshops Day of Speakers will be one half day ie: 9am to 3pm with lunch. It will take place on a Saturday in July. A craft workshop will be available throughout, to make contributions for the convention.

If you have materials and an idea for a craft, see me.

Other workshops will include: 12 Step Improv and 12 Step Yoga and others TBD.

NEXT Steps:

- Find a place to host it
- Set a date
- Anyone willing to lead a workshop let me know.

Gratitude dinner: In November.

NEXT Steps:

- find a place to host
- Set a date

### **Alateen Chair Report District 12 Denise B- Chair**

District 12 has been without an active Alateen group since 2019.

That has all changed this panel. Our goal in District 12 was 4 points

1-register 2 new groups for District 12

2-have 8-10 active and participating AMIAS

3- hold a Pizza Party event before the end of school inviting as many teens as possible

4-share the news of the new meetings to every group and every possible outreach area to invite teens to the new meetings.

I am very proud to share that:

- 1-we have 1 new meeting registered and now active as of April 9 and 1 meeting re-activated
- 2- we have 6 active and participating AMIAS
- 3-we held our Pizza Party Event
- 4-we are beginning to share/spread the news throughout Manatee and Sarasota Counties.

Our newest meeting, Together We're More, began on April 9 with 2 new teens and 2 active AMIAS. The teens were eager and shy but willing to hear some experience, strength and hope.

We have our first AMIAS meeting April 25, sharing with one another our experience, strength and hope. In order to have a strong Alateen group, we need strong and supportive AMIAS. This is our goal in District 12

With a grateful heart,  
Denise B  
Alateen Chair

### **Pam Carver, District 12 Webmaster**

My main goal as is to use our website to help friends and family members of alcoholics by:

1. Creating a password protected area for our District Meeting Agendas, Minutes, and Reports.
2. Updating outdated information.
3. Making existing information easier to find for newcomers.

### **Public outreach and District 12: Nadine** Public Outreach Chair

1. I attended the zoom meeting with North Florida and there were five people in attendance sharing some really great ideas on Public outreach.
2. I have spoken a public group about Alanon And was asked to return.
3. I had a zoom meeting yesterday and there were two people in attendance, and we decided to reach out to all the groups asking for any ideas from the groups.
4. I plan on creating a QR code and handing out postcards at the next district meeting so that can take that back to the group and Folks can logon to a webpage where they can leave their ideas. I am going to ask the webmaster to create a hidden page on our website, so I can use that platform
5. I am making sure not to extend myself and have assured everyone Public outreach will be as big as the people who are helping me. No one held this in our district for the last three years I feel it's important to stay right sized.