

Panel 64 – District 9

May Area Assembly Report

Our District meetings are held quarterly, in person with Zoom option. We typically have 8-9 voting members in attendance at our District meetings. We were able to fill all officer and committee chair positions except that of Alateen Coordinator, and we are actively recruiting for that service position.

District 9 serves Polk, Hardee and Highlands counties, with 14 active meetings (though 6 have no GRs) located in Lakeland, Sebring, Winter Haven, Lake Wales, Lake Placid, Avon Park, Haines City, Lake Alfred. Unfortunately, we must report the official closure of one meeting that was never able to regroup and meet after the pandemic.

District 9 Panel 61 hosted a Day of Service Workshop on March 9, 2024. The theme was Love and the day included three workshops, along with an opportunity for fellowship at a potluck lunch. There were 26 participants, and based on positive comments and amount of money raised, the event was a success.

At our last scheduled District meeting, we continued discussion of the possibility of the District providing the online hosting platform Zoom for meetings who would like to be hybrid. We also formed a task force to develop policies and procedures for our LDC financial operations. A special called District meeting was held to consider the task force recommendations, and they were approved.

The District Representative approved the following goals for the panel:

- Increase GR use of service manual and encourage,
- Study concepts at District meetings,
- Learn more about Knowledge-based Decision-making,
- Promote the benefits of Service Work at the District and Area level.

Nita H., District Representative

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