

## SEEING CLEARLY NOW

### Convention 2016 Report

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On Saturday District 3 had a convention registration workday. I have never seen anything like it. When I arrived--at the scheduled time--work was already in progress. There were over 20 Al-Anons busy as bees, some laminating, some cutting, some sorting, some stuffing, some folding—like a well oiled machine. I asked what I was supposed to do, was told and got busy. The machine allowed another cog in the wheel. As others arrived, the same thing happened. The room reeked of love and camaraderie. It was simply beautiful to see; I could “clearly see” how Al-Anon works.

There are a few things you need to know or be reminded about.

1. The cut off date for pre- registration is September 6<sup>th</sup>.
2. September 6<sup>th</sup> is deadline for meal plans and luau.
3. No luau tickets will be sold by the hotel. We are having a private luau.
4. Registration after Sept. 6 and at the door will be \$45.
5. Chicken and Broccoli Alfredo has changed to Chicken Parmesan on the lunch menu
6. Deadline for hotel reservations at convention prices is August 24, next week.

Sunday we had our 14<sup>th</sup> scheduled planning meeting. On the 27<sup>th</sup> we will have the 15<sup>th</sup>. My goal was to have everything in place by the end of August, the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. We may not make that goal, but we are very close.

Our meeting with the Plaza two weeks ago put final touches on questions and concerns. The Plaza is ready to do whatever is necessary to please us. When walking through the colonnade I had the same wonderful relaxed feeling I had the very first time we met with the Plaza staff. I personally felt this was the right place from the beginning. Now I know it is. We have exceeded our contract for rooms and meals, all workshops have facilitators, speakers have reservations; we are **SEEING CLEARLY NOW** that our plan is coming together. Get ready for the best NFA convention ever.

Respectfully submitted by

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