

District 7 Combined DR and AISL Report to AWSC August 14-15, 2015

Hello Area 9!

~Using the KBDM process and the Traditions, we talked and listened, and then voted on an important issue. When we have all the information that we need to make an informed decision, the group conscience is revealed and supported.

~More groups are opting to create a Group email address that will protect anonymity in mass email and otherwise and can be used by the group from panel to panel.

~“**GRATITUDE WORKS * Anytime * Anywhere * Anyone ***” is the theme for our Gratitude Dinner to occur on Sat, November 7th from 5:30pm – 9:00pm at Crossroads Christian Church, 1645 Seminole Boulevard, Largo, FL 33778. Please join us for the food, fun and fellowship!

~We have really enjoyed welcoming new GRs and first time visitors to the District Meetings in the same fashion as is done at Assemblies. We offer stickers and hugs and welcoming applause. What a great tradition! We sure remember how it felt to be welcomed at Assembly!

~Panel 52 introduced us to the idea of a “mini-workshop,” a 10-minute or so presentation and Q&A period focused on a particular topic. Our Speakers List Chairperson beautifully presented a mini-workshop utilizing the *AI-Anon Guideline G-1: Members Interested in Speaking*. Each GR was able to take a copy of the G-1 back to the groups in the hopes that members are aware that any one of us can share our personal recovery story and the G-1 is a terrific tool to use.

The AIS Chairpersons in service for District 7 are a dedicated and talented group of AI-Anon members. The spiritual principles of responsibility, accountability, unity, mutual respect, trust and anonymity are evident as we learn and grow in our service positions. We continue to enjoy, even at the early hour of 8 o'clock!, an AIS Chairpersons Meeting prior to our monthly District Meeting. With much gratitude for the service of all the AIS Chairpersons, we report the following:

The AI-Anews Chairperson continues to adapt the publication to the needs of the groups by changing the size of the paper, the number of pages, and the number of copies printed.

The Alateen Chairperson participated in seeking and relaying questions to our Delegate, Wendy, to submit to WSO for a survey addressing, “Is the current model of Alateen the best model for the future of both AI-Anon and Alateen?”

The Literature Distribution Center Chairperson will soon receive 800 copies of *AI-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2016*. A District project will make 200 copies available to the groups for outreach by members. Some copies will be available for purchase and the rest will be utilized by the AIS Chairpersons of CPC, Public Information, and Institutions.

The Public Information Chairperson stepped forward very recently and hit the ground running with great enthusiasm and full of ideas! We look forward to assisting with outreach events.

The Web Site Chairperson presents a fun challenge for us at each District Meeting. A recent challenge was, “How many pages on our website have information reprinted with the permission of AFG Headquarters?” The prize? - laughter and levity at District Meetings!

Peace and love in service,

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