AWSC Meeting, February 2016

DISTRICT 9

DR Report - Richard G.

Happy New Year to all!! As I reflect of the events of 2015 very little went according to my plan, but I'm certainly not complaining. I have so much to be thankful for and I owe it all to my HP and the Al-Anon program.

After reading Pat's AISL report it reminds how blessed we are to have Pat Steele as our AISL. I have always known her to be extremely helpful and always willing to "take care of business" - as is evident in her report. Great job!

As I begin my first full year as DR, I look forward to the opportunity to serve Florida North and our district. One thing is for sure there will be lots of opportunity for growth. At times I become overwhelmed, fearful and doubt my abilities but thanks to the God of my understanding, my service sponsor, the continuing support of my fellow members and the tools of the program I'm able to overcome these defects of character. In my service work, as in my recovery, I have learned that God has always provides a way and continues to meet the needs of our district! My responsibility is to trust and believe in the God of my understanding and not rely on my own understanding.

With that said, I look forward to a great 2016 as well as the opportunity to serve Panel 55. God Bless!

AISL Report – Pat Steele

Concluding a very productive year, District 9 held an abbreviated December meeting, and followed that with our Holiday Party arranged by Nancy H. We enjoyed wonderful "home cooking" with each person bringing a favorite dish for us to enjoy and had a wonderful gift exchange very ably hosted by Ruth H.

A newly-formed Public Outreach Committee in Highlands County, had its first meeting, splitting duties between each person, such as health fairs, contacting hospitals and professionals, speaking/or meetings at outside venues, possibly forming new groups, and contacting radio stations to run public service announcements. A very energetic committee, they are looking to be very productive.

A big Thank You goes out to Elizabeth M for her service as Answering Service Chair. A "willing and committed worker", we are grateful for her service and saddened by her recent resignation. Our District now has two Chair vacancies: Answering Service and Events Chairperson. A volunteer is willing to stand for Events Chair and will be voted on at our first District Meeting later in February.

Our Group Records Chair, Amy G, has requested some back up in her Chair role. She wears three hats: Group Records/Where and When/Webmaster. Substitute, Catherine M, was able to announce this need; and two volunteers stepped forward to assist: Betty H and Nancy H.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year of service in 2016.