

## **District12 Panel 58**

### **Report presented by DR**

I am writing this report less than one week after the first Panel 58 District 12 Meeting. I would like to paraphrase Debbie G. our Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, as she speaks my mind, when she wrote in our 2017 WSC Summary, “Even in the midst of chaos, there *is* an opportunity for the future to be different...Al-Anon’s hope for the future *is* in the hands of our members”.

Our panel inherited many challenges and many of us were surprised and overwhelmed at first, but I am happy to say that the Officers, Panel, GRs and other members are working through and overcoming the challenges together by applying the Legacies; setting priorities, taking it one step at a time, and relying on a sound and healthy KBDM tool.

In the past, the Al-Anon principles that apply to the financial aspects at both the District and group levels were not being applied, causing serious disarray. However, since the new panel has taken over, safe guards have been put into place to protect both the individuals of our panel as well as the membership’s money. Some of the solutions are still in process. A task force has been formed to use the KBDM process to develop guidelines that groups can use to safe guard their treasury and comply with WSO and Area 9 guidelines. After approval of these guidelines, a District 12 wide training session is planned to educate the group representatives, treasurers, and other members, stressing the importance of adhering to the Legacies, while carrying out their service roles.

I believe our greatest remaining challenge is to reunify our District. In the past we have allowed personalities to dominate principles. One of our most important goals is to reunify the whole District by being transparent, inclusive and emphasizing Tradition One (Our common welfare should come first...); and stressing the wisdom of the General Warrantees.

I am aided in all these endeavors by an awesome panel who practice healthy Al-Anon programs themselves and willingly love, help, and support each other and me. Together we can make it.

### **Details**

We have 45 Al-Anon meetings with 20 voting representatives present at the last district meeting. Many other non-voting Member "Guests" also attended.

We are actively seeking to fill our newly vacated treasurer's position. At present 12 of our 15 Chairperson positions are filled and we are actively seeking members to fill the remaining three.

We have only one Alateen meeting, with rotating AMIAS serving as sponsors.

Our public outreach committee hit the ground running and had a meeting immediately following the district meeting with ten people in attendance. They are making big plans to continue the work started by the last panel to reach out and to serve the community

I am excited to participate in Area 9's activities and am eager to learn about my new role. What I lack in technical skills I look forward to acquiring with the help and support of all my fellow Al-Anon members. I have already grown much in the last few weeks, but it is a drop in the bucket to where I want to be.

In closing, let me again quote Debbie G, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees from the 2017 WSC Summary, "Our future is grounded in maintaining our living heritage, our singleness of purpose, along with our Legacies and our willingness to be obedient to the unenforceable."

Gratefully Submitted with Love and Service,  
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