



Area 9, Panel 61

Delegate Report

Virtual AWSC

February 5-6, 2021

Recently, I heard someone say that the Phrase of the Year for 2020 should be “You are muted, please unmute yourself”. Yes, I totally agree with that! Zoom and WebEx were present in our lives almost on a daily basis. The last in-person meeting of our Area was the February 2020 Area World Service Committee meeting at the Altamonte Spring Hilton. Who would have been able to predict that the AWSC meeting would be the last time we would be able to attend an in-person Area Al-Anon meeting? This past year has been like no other year, and Al-Anon has had to make adjustments and changes very quickly; doing in weeks, which in other circumstances would have taken months or perhaps years to achieve.

For me, it has been a year of big changes. These have taken me out of my comfort zone. On January 1, 2021, I began my new service position as your Area Delegate for Panel 61, Florida North. Every day I become more convinced that my Higher Power brings surprises and gifts into my life. At the end of 2020 I was invited to attend and observe the Area Board of Directors meeting, of which as of January 1st, 2021, as Delegate I became part of the Board. On January 11, 2021, the first Area Officers’ meeting took place using the platform of Zoom.

Hope you are all as excited as I am to discover what new experiences and changes this new Panel 61 will bring to Area 9.

Delegates’ WSO Orientation

I attended the orientation to all the new Panel 61 Delegates offered by the WSO. It was great to meet all the new Delegates trusted servants from the USA and Canada. These WSO meetings are taking place using the WebEx, which is similar to Zoom. Great new learning experience.

AFG Connects

I am now connected to the WSO via AFG Connects. I encourage all the Area 9 Coordinators and the District Representatives to participate and use this great tool to be connected not only with other trusted servants in the same positions but with the WSO. You can contact me if you need assistance with AFG Connects.

Conference Agenda Items (CAIs)

The Conference Leadership Team invites all Conference members (Delegates, members of the Board of Trustees and Executive Committee, and voting members of the WSO administrative Staff) to submit one or two Chosen Agenda Items (CAI). The deadline to submit is March 19, 2021.

Electronic Online Meetings

This year the SERDGT (Southeast Regional Delegates Get Together) and the WSC (World Service Conference) will both be virtual, so there will be no travel for me.

- SERDGT will take place during the dates of March 19 and March 20, 2021. This meeting will take place using the platform of Zoom.
- WSC will take place during the dates of April 20 thru April 24, 2021. Please take note that in preparation and participation at Conference, I will not be available during the dates of April 18 thru April 25, 2021. This meeting will take place using the platform of WebEx.

WSC (World Service Conference)

This year's Conference theme is:

Moving Forward with Unity, Courage, and Perseverance.

Avancemos con unidad, valor y perseverancia.

Allons de l'avant avec unité, courage et persévérence.

Love Gifts at the 2021 WSC

Since the 2021 WSC will be held online, we will not have the opportunity to receive Love Gifts for exchange with Conference members from around the world. If Groups or Districts wish to send greeting cards with positive and encouraging messages during the WSC, please send those cards to my home address at the Area 9 CMA.

SERDGT (Southeast Regional Delegates Get Together)

The North Carolina/Bermuda Area will be hosting this weekend of preparation and connection for all Delegates, Alternate Delegates and Past Delegates in our Southeast Region. This will be held on Zoom the weekend of March 19-21, 2021. Our Southeast Region includes Florida (North and South), Alabama/NW Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina/Bermuda, Virginia, Tennessee, Puerto Rico and West Virginia. I'm looking forward to connecting with others from around the Region. I'll include information from this meeting in my report at Assembly.

Board of Trustees and SERT (Southeast Regional Trustee)

Every three years the Southeast Region has the opportunity to select a candidate to become the Southeast Regional Trustee on the Board of Trustees for the World Service Office. This process goes through each Area according to Area criteria, and then each Area in the Southeast can put forth one candidate's name. During Conference the Regional Trustee Committees will work with a process to move names and applications along the process.

In our Area, the process for choosing a Regional Trustee is outlined in documents on our Area Website in the Delegate's ***EI Gazette Online***. If you know of anyone who meets the qualifications and whom you think would make a good Trustee, please contact them and contact me. Together we can work through the application process, and be able to vote on a candidate at the June Assembly.

Applications are due into the World Service Office by August 15. Candidates for this position must go through an Area process.

WSO Treasurer Finance Report

YTD November 30, 2020

	YTD Actuals	Revised Budget	Original Budget
Revenue			
Literature Sales-net	\$1,724,261	\$1,750,000	\$2,900,000
Contributions	\$2,883,804	\$2,445,000	\$2,000,000
Other income	\$304,381	\$525,100	\$743,160
Total Revenue	\$4,912,446	\$4,720,100	\$5,643,160
Total Expenses	\$4,537,838	\$5,069,900	\$5,773,026
Net Increase (Decrease)	\$374,608	(\$349,800)	(\$129,866)

Opportunities to Serve

As a Delegate, I will have the opportunity to serve at one of the new Thought Forces, Task Force, or Committees.

The current Task and Thought Forces, which will dissolve after the 2021 World Service Conference, are:

- Conflict Resolution Task Force
- Dreaming Big – Envisioning Our Future Thought Force
- Using the Concepts in Personal Recovery Task Force

The two new Thought Forces, one new Task Force, and two Committees:

- Thought Force: Maintaining a Sustainable Future Using Abundant Thinking
- Thought Force: Diversity Today
- Task Force: Encourage Service Participation
- The Committees:
 - Conference Committee on Trustees
 - Literature Committee
 - Public Outreach Committee

Throughout the year, the Chairperson of the Board may create more Thought and Task Forces, which would be additional opportunities to serve.

Delegate's Page

The new Delegate's ***EI Gazette Online*** page at the Area 9 website is up, and I look forward to bringing as much information so that we are all connected to what is happening at the WSO, WSC, Board of Trustees, and much more. Thank you for letting me serve as your Delegate!

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"Talk to each other, reason things out. Keep it simple."