

Hello Panel 58,

Our district just completed the 2018 What's your Emoji? Convention and I personally thought it was wonderful. We have been so busy preparing for the convention over the last 2 years that I am hoping to have more volunteers step up to service because they either loved it so much or they are finally free to do more district related stuff ☺. At this time we still have 3 open positions which are Alateen, Archives and the new Spanish chair position which was a request from the Area Spanish coordinator. D8 has a fantastic Spanish community that works hard to spread the message and we want to do everything to encourage that; however we still do need someone to stand for this new position.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:30am, we open with a moment of silence and then read from the service manual, maybe by the end of the 3 year panel we can get through the book. We average 20 voting members and have a simple breakfast available members take turns hosting the breakfast.

Outreach:

Our 3 District positions for out-reach; Public information, Institutions, and Cooperating with professional communities (CPC), have decided to work as a team called the Public Outreach Team (PO Team). At our last district meeting they presented a PowerPoint presentation with lots of excellent information about how the team is using data to inform community outreach efforts and to support groups. The PO team posed questions to the GR's about having an outreach person in the group and they are looking for feedback from groups about where people hear about Al-anon, how often they take a group inventory and how we can pass the message of Al-anon. They also requested if any groups have extra pamphlets or literature to please share with them so they can bring to institutions in Hillsborough County.

Events:

Our Gratitude dinner will be held Saturday November 3rd at 4:30 pm held at Palma Ceia Presbyterian church, 3501 W San Jose Street, Tampa FL 33629. Please come out to Tampa for some gratitude.

KBDM:

We have a few thought/task force activities happening in the district.

- 1) Task Force: Elections and Service Positions.
- 2) Storage unit archives committee: They will work to organize materials and report back to group.
- 3) To be created: Task force on Raffle for events and what kind of items go in baskets in keeping with our principles, and encourage more raffle participation at events.

We look forward to a great assembly, and see you all soon.

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