May 1-3, 2015 Spring Assembly

District 13 Report

NFL Area 9 Panel 55

All of our District Positions are filled. We've had a couple events already this panel. More are planned and a few opportunities for service are still available for chairing.

Group Records has received and forwarded updated GR-1 forms for each of our groups with current Panel 55 information. All of our groups are up to date, each has at least a CMA for contact with WSO.

Meeting Schedules have been printed with a new format. All updates are now in our own trusted servant's hands. They are folded differently and no longer have the Steps and Traditions printed on them. We've been encouraged to use the white copy without individual group contact information for insertion in the current Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2015 for public outreach.

Two volunteers stepped forward to research the Red Light/ Green Light question. Teamwork makes it fun. Each has gotten help from individuals and participation from their groups. It's a great service experience for all.

Our Alateen Chair has already had a training this year and plans another soon. We have two new AMIAS' lending a hand with our teens. They are looking forward to attending the Alateen Conference in Ft. Lauderdale June 12-14th.

Our new Public Outreach chair has some wonderful grassroots ideas to spread the Al-Anon message. He'd like to make tent cards and provide some outreach material to each group. He is busy setting up a committee to help him check for local health fairs to set up his wares. He is also a "snowbird" so we will bring this fact to our next District Meeting and hopefully brainstorm some solutions for his absence.

We have developed an excellent working relationship with District 12's LDC. It saves us from paying postage and supports their District in their Al-Anon work. Amy attended our Speaker's Marathon and was very excited by her sales that day. I was also pleased to see several District 12 members at our event. As DR, I attended one of their District Meetings to pick up our literature and stayed to experience another District's way of doing things. I felt right at home, and I picked up some good ideas from a thoughtforce that they held that day.

The "season" is starting to wind down as some of our faithful members return to their home and groups up north. This phenomenon also affects the size and monies contributed over the summer and early fall. We will be focusing some time at our future District meetings to discuss how to prudently use our monies to support our District members' recovery as well as the world-wide fellowship. At our last District meeting we had a very brief (and chaotic) thought force to think of ways to best utilize our funds available. We have not been self supporting for several years due to a number of factors. Now we continue to grow in both members and groups and there continues to be a larger year round baseline of membership.

We will have 12 representatives from groups at the Assembly as well as Terry Anne and myself. I am excited for our first timers to experience this wider family of Al-Anon so they can better understand that the business of Al-Anon is part of their own personal recovery.

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