

## Alternate Delegate Report

### Assembly – May 2017

Looking forward to our weekend together. A reminder that Red Light Green Light will be held on Friday night at 8:00pm. After RLGL, at 9:00 I will meet briefly with any new GR's, attending their first Assembly. I will have handouts for them and answer any questions about Assembly.

Since our last Assembly in Oct 2016, our Area Literature Coordinator, Pat A and I have held 3 Writing Workshops. We were in Tallahassee, District 1 on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, in Jacksonville, District 3 on March 10<sup>th</sup> and in Tavares, District 6 on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Each had a different flavor, yet all accomplished the same goal, writing articles and sending them to WSO for *The Forum*, the new Daily Reader and for the book on Intimacy. We have been experiencing magnificent results. Many from our Area have already been printed in *The Forum*. Check out *The Forum* Poster Board for the proof!!

More Writing Workshops have been scheduled. I will be in District 5 for their Day of Workshops on May 15<sup>th</sup>, in District 7 on June 10<sup>th</sup> after their District Meeting. Pat A and I will be holding our combined Writing Workshop on June 3<sup>rd</sup> in Brevard County, District 11 and then in Flagler Beach, District 4 on July 15<sup>th</sup>. That is a total of 4 upcoming Writing Workshops in May, June and July (3 months). I can't tell you how thrilled I am that just 1 year has passed when I said, "O.K., I think I'm ready to try a Writing Workshop." **YOUR PARTICIPATION** has been the key to harmony and success!! Thank you so much for giving me this opportunity for service.

I had an idea a couple of weeks ago I'd like to share with you and hopefully challenge you to consider. Wouldn't it be great at some point before Panel 55 is over that we each took the time to stop, take a pen and paper and write down just one experience in our service that has helped our recovery and then share that experience, strength and hope by sending it into *The Forum*. This could be done at the Group level, the District level and the Area level.

#### Information from WSO concerning *The Forum*:

- The Forum still needs more sharings! We remain very short on sharings about the three Legacies—especially about Steps Five through Twelve, and all Twelve Traditions and Concepts of Service. Also needed are sharings from Canada and from Alateen members.
- Instant Step Meetings: Beginning in January, the "Instant Meeting" feature of The Forum began to include, in addition to the two or three brief sharings on the Step of the month, several thought-provoking questions to get the conversations started. We'd love to hear feedback to know if this addition is helpful in encouraging conversation.
- THE FORUM BOOK (working title): So far, members have sent in over 441 titles and publication dates of Forum articles that they consider the best of recent years. So far, only one article from the first quarter of 2017 has been suggested. (We hope we're doing better than that!) Please keep encouraging members to let the WSO know which Forum stories they want to see included in this book. And don't forget to send in your own selections!
- An easier way to find the e-magazine version! You can now find direct links for ordering the electronic version of The Forum magazine on the Al-Anon Online Store at [al-anon.org/onlinestore](http://al-anon.org/onlinestore) under the "Electronic Literature" category.

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