District 13 Combined Report Oct 6-8, 2017 Assembly FLN09

We are having a "cleanup and set ourselves straight" time here in the southwest coast of Area 9. Elections are looming over our Groups and District, as well as our Assembly. It is time to set aside our time in Panel 55 and prepare to turn things over. I've heard shared many times, once we are comfortable in our position, it's time to turn over the opportunity of growth to another. With our rotation of service we all get to keep growing on our own and as a fellowship.

We will have our final District 13 P55 event on October 14, 2017, 9-5pm. You are all invited to join us for a **Speak-a-thon** from 9-5 at Christ UMC, Memorial Hall, 1475 Center Rd in Venice. It will be a day of great speakers, including an AA and Alateen. There is easy access off I-75--road trip!!

See any of us from Dist 13 to ask about tickets, \$15 in advance \$18 at the door(lunch guaranteed with advance purchase). The price includes a light breakfast and a boxed turkey wrap lunch. Call 941-702-4538 to request a vegan or Gluten Free option.

We continue to keep an attitude of abundance and acceptance. After this panel, with no one officially filling our Public Outreach Chair, we had 3 people voice an interest in standing. Each has a different idea of what suites them. There is excitement about having a full PO team for the new panel. Treasury, AA Liaison and Webmaster are covered. Our Meeting List chairperson is staying on with an interest is managing the format. The rest of the panel will fall in place.

Our November 18, 2017 District Meeting will hold our Elections for Panel 58 and we will have a luncheon and turn over party. Our Current Group Records Chair has offered to stay after and assist with GR-1 forms to help the incoming GR's get their records up to date. She is also willing to assist at the First P58 District meeting on Jan 27, 2018. P58 is gonna be great!

We do have co-chairs lined up for the first event of the next panel, our beloved **Tea and Card Party**. For those who don't know, the cards are Al-Anon inspired and handmade by one of our very talented members. They are great for any occasion and we miss them each year when we run out. The Tea asks that you bring your own cup and food to share. We will have a raffle; then to top it all off a speaker to share experience, strength and hope with us. Stay tuned for the date and location.

Wishing you each a safe journey and sending love to those who have had damages to deal with. May your struggles make you stronger, may there always be a friend to lend a hand.

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