

2018 Convention Chair Report AWSC 2018 Report dated: August 8, 2018

The 29th North Florida Area Convention is 5 weeks away!!!

September 14-16, 2018 at the Renaissance Orlando @ SeaWorld Hotel Rooms start at \$119.00 per night (2 double beds), free parking. Registration is \$35.00 through 8-31-18 and \$45.00 at the door; \$10.00 for Alateen; \$40.00 for the Saturday night Banquet. Publicity Items: Fans \$5.00; Drawstring backpack is \$15.00; T-shirts are \$15.00.

Our website is <u>www.afgarea9.org/convention2018</u> where you can register online or print out a form, fill it out and mail it in. We have a Spanish page for those of you who prefer registering in Spanish. After August 31, 2018, you will not be able to register online, so register before that date and get the \$35.00 advance registration fee. After August 31, 2018, the \$45.00 registration fee applies either by mail or in person at the Convention.

Since Spring Assembly, we have finalized our program booklet and is on its way to print. We have visited all the districts that have taken us up on the invitation and e-mailed Panel 58 on various occasions with registration deadlines, reminders for Boutique and Raffle items and requests of promotion of our Convention throughout our area. We also requested our Area chairperson invite South Florida. Registration has assembled its packages, decorations have been finalized, literature has been ordered, workshops have leaders, speakers are on their way, Alateen Panel is ready and hospitality items have been accounted for by districts. The "HUG" recipient has been chosen! We made our final visit to the Renaissance and have had our first practice run of the weekend script. The Convention committee is excited and ready!

Entertainment is finalized as follows: Karaoke and Photo booth on Friday Night and Game Night on Saturday Night which promises to be filled with fun and prizes!

The registration report shows 394 people registered for convention, 355 Al-Anon, 6 Alateen, 33 AA, 3 speakers and 2 others, out of which 162 have purchased banquet tickets. The hotel reports 524 nights have been booked.

We will be at AWSC ready to take registrations and make publicity items available to you. Please see me at the registration table with any questions or concerns.

With love in service,



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