DISTRICT 2 August 2021 AWSC Report

"Spreading Hope"

We are continuing our Group Records updates, both internally within our District in order to keep our members and inquiring newcomers updated with Covid-related meeting changes; and externally to keep Area and WSO records current. It's still a moving target at times, but is stabilizing. At last count, we have 27 active groups in our District, of which 17 are now face-to-face ("Rooming"), 5 are still "Zooming", 1 is a hybrid, and 5 are still on Covid holds.

Our District meetings are continuing to be held via Zoom each month and will remain so until at least the end of the year, at which time we'll revisit it again. We've found that given the large geographic area that our District represents, it is easier for many to attend via Zoom. Since our purpose at District is to Unite and Inform, this seems like a good solution for the time being. That being said, we are also missing our face-to-face contact and Al-Anon hugs, so we will be interspersing face-to-face District events, hopefully quarterly. During the first hour of our District meetings, we are continuing to tell our Step stories which has been great fun and is helping us get to know one another more closely.

We had scheduled our first face-to-face District event this weekend, following our regular monthly District meeting, but unfortunately felt compelled to cancel it given the recent spike in Covid numbers. First and foremost is the health and safety of our members. Like the good Al-Anons that we are, we banded together and managed to get the word out to everyone in time and also have good attendance via zoom for our District meeting.

We are excited, albeit a bit apprehensive and a tad nervous, about Convention. HP willing, Covid will quiet down and allow us to have some fun. We do have two workshops being presented by District 2 members so of course we'll be there to cheer them on. As of now, it seems that we will have a good representation of D2 folks there.

Our website is also undergoing a face-lift. We have a team of folks with eyes on the site, giving our webmaster suggestions as to how we might improve it and make it user-friendly and informative for those looking for meetings in our towns and cities. The focus is on keeping our meeting lists and contact information current so that folks can easily find us or find what they are looking for.

Sadly, we do not have any active Alateen meetings right now, but we do have the gifts of being able to claim as "our own" two very energetic ladies as Coordinators (District and Area), and I know they are working hard to get things in place that will work to get the message to our teens more easily.

Mostly, I'm excited about the enthusiasm and energy in our Panel. We have a great group of folks who are very much living their programs of recovery and reaching out to one another in unity and with support. I see all of us growing individually and in our new Al-Anon service positions and carrying the message one day, and one person at a time.

We are spreading hope. Changing lives is what Al-Anon is all about and we're doing it!

Please visit our website alanonfla2.org for the latest information.

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