

# Alternate Delegate Report

Area 9 Assembly June 7-9, 2019

Welcome First of all to our new GR's here for their first assembly. I ask District Representatives to encourage your new GR's to attend Friday's GR Orientation. They will be provided with information and support that will help them, as they serve their groups in their new positions. If for any reason they cannot go to the eight thirty PM Friday's orientation at the Ballroom -Salon DE, they can go to the Alternate Delegate Alcove and review the PowerPoint presentation on my Alcove's site.

Also, on Saturday, Terry Ann and I will have a writing workshop during the lunch and learn breakout sessions. Our writing Workshop will be in The Barron Room. New GR's we hope to see you there.

FORUM NEWS from AFG CONNECTS:

The Forum magazine is always in need of sharings. Particularly those aimed at newcomers, as well as sharing's about the three Legacies (Twelve Steps, Traditions, and Concepts of Service), and from Alateens.

Below are a few updates about *The Forum* to take back to your districts.

First, your help is needed! *The Forum* is in need of reader sharing about our three Legacies--the Twelve Steps, and especially about the Traditions and Concepts of Service. You might write about how you worked through them, what they mean to you, or how you have applied them to your own life.

Next, remember that you can use the PowerPoint presentation in My Alcove site to discuss *The Forum* in groups, at all days. It includes useful information about the magazine's history, its purpose, and the latest changes to it. You can find it by typing "Forum PowerPoint" into the search box, and simply click the link when it appears. Note that it may take a few moments for it to load.

In the June issue, you will find an article on the process for discontinuing Conference Approved Literature. It will include a detailed discussion of this process that many aren't aware of.

In the July issue, take a look at the ad about the "Talk to Each Other" department. Consider submitting a question or concern about anything regarding the Al-Anon program. In a later issue, you will find responses from other readers who share their experience, strength, and hope about that topic. It's an interesting way for members from all over the world to have a meaningful conversation about the program.

Finally, remember that articles in *The Forum* are great tools to use as meeting topics. *The Forum* is produced six times a year in both Spanish and French. The links to order them are below.

French: Le Lien à [al-anon.org/pdf/FS53.pdf](http://al-anon.org/pdf/FS53.pdf)

Spanish: en acción à [al-anon.org/pdf/SS53.pdf](http://al-anon.org/pdf/SS53.pdf)

New GRs

I will also be introducing the GR's to their responsibility as Forum Coordinators for their groups. As the Alternate Delegate, I will challenge each of you to help our members understand how THE FORUM can help members in RECOVERY! To do that, make the forum more visible and put it to use in the fellowship. Encourage members to make the Forum part of their personal recovery and to use sharing's from the magazine as topics for meetings. This will help generate fresh discussions. Please check on the Forum trifold for our newest articles written by Florida members. If your story has been published in the FORUM and you would like to get recognized in the Alternate Delegate Alcove, please email me with your agreement to have your name posted on the site.

Secondly, we will be presenting our research to the Red Light/Green Light questions on Sunday. Please email all research on the questions to me by the morning of Friday June 7. I will need to get it prepared for posting. Please submit as a PDF file.

Lastly, I want to welcome all new GR's to their first assembly. I hope you will enjoy an extraordinary experience that allows you to further your growth in the program. Remember to keep it simple and have an open mind. Thank you for being willing to embark into service at the Area level. It is an amazing opportunity. If you feel lost, you are not alone. Together we will find the wisdom to serve and grow together, in whatever way our Higher Powers see fit.