

CHAIRPERSON REPORT, PANEL 58, AUGUST 22, 2020 VIRTUAL AWSC

Greetings Panel 58!!!

It is incredulous to me that I am giving my last AWSC Chairperson Report at this AWSC!! Where has our time together gone? It has been a glorious three years working with all of you. You, as I have said before, are incredible to work with in our journey to take care of the business of Area 9.

We were certainly dealt a blow due to the COVID 19 virus as well as everyone else in the world. That not withstanding, did not stop us from attaining our service goals with creativity and positive attitudes let alone flexibility. Everyone's willingness to adapt to the changing dates of meetings, the cancelling events, the rearranging contracts with hotels, and using the newest of technology to accomplish our duties has been short of miraculous. With all of that, we have adapted and have completed our service responsibilities with grace and tolerance. When one pauses, stops and reflects on how we have handled it all the word is outstanding. Our Higher Power's guidance always present.

This AWSC agenda will be chocked full as usual. Is there anything else for us??? It is good to have an agenda like that since it indicates we are doing the business of Area 9 and not letting anything get in our way. So, we will be approving the 2021 Budget for the incoming Panel review and vote on a number of Task Force Final Reports. We will be introducing an opportunity to review the upcoming service position openings that will be available in the next panel. We will have a recommendation from the Officers about our upcoming Assembly which takes place October 2-4, 2020.

We have had many milestones during our Panel 58. We've had two extraordinary Conventions, successful Alateen Conferences and Roundups, bravely trialed one Assembly, streamlined Alateen AMIAS Training, improved and corrected issues with Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements, established and active NFA AFG Board of Directors with continuing education about that, initiated more transparency in our accounting practices, streamlined Archives, established a Document Library and Retention Plan, instituted on-line registration for Assemblies and now for virtual meetings, and held many educational webinars. These are but a few of the things you have accomplished and still are accomplishing. I am sure I have missed some and for that forgive me. When I say you, you know who you are and I want you to know how much you are appreciated by Area 9 for you great service.

With all that said, let us do great work as we journey toward the end of our panel. Work that we can be proud with humility as our overarching principle.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve with you all!!

Your Trusted Servant,

Diane C.

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"It takes one person to start something, but many more to keep it going"., Lois W., MVOJ, Page 262.