

Chairperson's Report

AWSC – August 18-19, 2017

It's hard to believe this is our last Area World Service Committee meeting of Panel 55! It seems like just yesterday we were at Turnover with D10!



We have our 2017 Convention the week after AWSC, and a busy and productive Assembly planned for October. I hope everyone will do whatever you need to do to take care of yourself as you finish up your service positions and contemplate what is next in your Service Journey!

Here are some things to be aware of as we plan for our August meeting, and look toward October:

1. I've got Confirmation numbers for everyone attending AWSC. These are posted on the website. Budgets & Minutes page. (AFGAREA9 is the password). Please take a look and make sure you, your roommate and your GIPs are all correctly identified.
2. We will start with dinner on Friday evening, have our last two Traditions (11 & 12) presented, and then do break out groups as we have done all Panel. There are some new topics, hopefully these will help everyone clarify and reflect. If you would like a Vegetarian option at Dinner or Lunch I need to know that as soon as possible.
3. Please remember, and mention this in your District Meetings: CURRENT GRs WILL BE VOTING AT ASSEMBLY IN OCTOBER. This change was discussed in a Thought Force, a Task Force, discussed and passed at AWSC February 2015, and passed by the GRs at Assembly May 2015. Therefore – any Panel 58 GR who is elected in the Group who comes to October Assembly, will NOT be voting, and will be attending as a GIP, not as a GR.
4. We will be discussing the Budget, Assembly Agenda, Elections and Turnover during this AWSC meeting and your input will be invaluable.
5. Two of our Area Task Forces will be presenting their findings. The Task Force on The Legacy, and the Task Force on Area Meetings. Please take a look at the Area Website (2017 August AWSC) and read through the KBDM materials on these reports. If you have any input or suggestions ahead of time please forward them to the Task Force chairs.
6. Our final tweaks to our Job Descriptions will be incorporated into the online document after this AWSC. Therefore, any interested Al-Anon members may see what these positions entail as they contemplate service at the Area level.

I thank you all for your service, your willingness and your shared recovery. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Area Chairperson. I could not have done it without each of you. And a shared commitment to our Legacies.