

2019 Convention Chairperson Report
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IMAGINE ..., the 30th North Florida AFG convention was held at The Tradewinds Resort, St Pete Beach September 6-8,2019. Despite the threat of Hurricane Dorian we had an amazing Al-Anon weekend. Imagine a hurricane was needed for me to learn Let Go and Let God!

Registered members totaled 813 this included 95 walk ins members .

Selecting a LOGO that does not alter the Al-Anon symbol had us back to the drawing board early in the planning, A good suggestion is to talk it over with your Delegate PRIOR to going to print.

Merchandise sold well,T shirts and the lanyards a great success . The water bottles did not sell as well as we hoped.

The information volunteers made navigating the hotel grounds less overwhelming
Sargent at Arms was visible as a pirate (go Bucs) and kept the peace.

The weekend included an Alateen panel, an AA speaker and two Al-Anon speakers, both found in Area 9 fellowship. A previously selected speaker became ill and was unable to fly.

Workshops were well attended. Previous convention surveys suggested using microphones which added to the success. AA workshops and Spanish workshops added to the success.

Hospitality was a room offering fellowship and snacks. We purchased coffee and tea from the hotel and I believe this is an awesome way to take care of our volunteers. Brewing takes longer than you can IMAGINE.

Pre-ordered lunch boxes offered you the convenience of lunch and time to sit by the pool or on the beach. Dinner was served to just under 300 members. Table decorations made by hand kept expenses low and looked amazing.

Raffle, 50/50 , CAL (conference approve literature) and hand made boutique items, all available in the Pavilion allowed members easy access to these items. Saturday nights entertainment was music to my ears. IMAGINE the bands love of entertaining .

Serenity Room is one of the new features of NFA conventions. The room offered exactly as it promised, unfortunately the location was not convenient, or easily found. Progress not perfection.

Note taking by the secretary keeps each of us on task and so appreciated.

Treasurer carries an amazing behind the scenes job and with that said it is our pleasure to return the \$6000.00 seed money and give an additional \$_____ to NFA AFG Area 9.

In loving service,

Kathy 2019 convention Chairperson

IMAGINE ALL THE PEOPLE LIVING THE AL-ANON WAY