District 3 Report to Assembly May 2018

District 3 has most of our positions filled with members covering the open positions until someone can be found to fill them. Its been exciting to see that we have new faces filling positions and that we have several GRs who are new to District service as well.

Our Alateen Chairperson position has been vacant for some time. A volunteer was elected at our April meeting to fill that position. She shared plans to add meetings, visit schools and place posters, etc.... She is also taking the children in her group to the Alateen Conference. Our District has budgeted for her expenses and we are trying to raise enough money to provide scholarships for the teens. She has asked for other volunteers to be finger printed and trained so we can reopen our other Alateen meetings.

In March we held a Fun Day. At the Fun Day we made love gift bookmarks to send to the Delegate at WSC. The bookmarks had slogans on the front and a personal message from an Al-Anon member on the back.

We reminded the GRs and District Chairs that April is Alcohol Awareness Month and asked to participate in the WSO project to carry the message by sharing on social media.

Al-Anon: <u>al-anon.org/18connect</u> Alateen: <u>al-anon.org/18teensconnect</u>

All were asked to remember to protect their anonymity on social media by not making comments or using screen names that would reveal your Al-Anon membership.

We submitted the SPOP (Special Public Outreach Project) with Clearly Jacksonville to the Area at AWSC (Area World Service Committee). See separate report. It was approved and Freddie submitted the application to Clearly Jacksonville. It was approved with some changes to the artwork. A detailed report is available on the Area Website.

Freddie completed the CORE enrollment form and we have a free exhibit space. She will be at International Convention the week prior to CORE so she will not be involved. Julia, Alt AISL, will be working with Linda as Linda has indicated the Fernandina groups are willing to man the space. Other volunteers can sign up with Julia and Linda as the event gets closer.

Duval County has a school dedicated to students who have been identified as addicted and have gone through a recovery program. The school currently has about 20 students in attendance. They have asked us to start a meeting with a grandparents/parents focus so the relatives who have custody of the children can attend. We had volunteers to attend the meeting and will be pursuing this opportunity.

We have received our AFAs and set a meeting to add labels with our info on them. We are planning to mail AFAs with the pens we got from the Area to professionals. We will discuss more details for this project while we apply the labels.

In service,

Gage, DR & Freddie, AISL