

2019 Area Service Workshop Report

AWSC February 1 & 2, 2020

Theme: Imagine how you can put these Spiritual Principles to work in your District, Group and family life!

Date: October 26, 2:00 to 6:00 with a potluck dinner afterward.

Location: Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 6455 SW State Rd 200, Ocala, FL 34476

Attendees: There were 75 people who attended the workshop. Every one of our 13 Districts in Area 9 was represented.

Budget: The cost to attend the workshop was \$20. We received \$1000 from the Area and \$300 from District 1. After expenses we were able to make a \$1000 contribution to the Area.

Content: There were three sessions:

1. Brainstorming about spiritual principles underlying our legacies: from this activity we created a beautiful word cloud with words representing the spiritual principles of the AI-Anon legacies.
2. Applying these spiritual principles to areas of service everyone can do: this activity involved visiting six different interactive stations headed up by six volunteers, each highlighting an area of service, i.e. 1) Chairing a Meeting, 2) Welcoming a Newcomer, 3) Writing for Literature, 4) Volunteering for Events, 5) Public Outreach and 6) Having a Sponsor/Being a Sponsor. Each station collected spiritual principles related to that area of service. This activity produced six unique word clouds, each representing the area of service.
3. Panel Discussion about how to bring these spiritual principles to our District, Group and family life: this session included a power point that featured spiritual principles. Selected volunteers took a few moments to share their experience, strength and hope related to the spiritual principles. Workshop participants were able to speak for a few minutes as they felt moved to do so.

Dinner: We provided the main dish, beverages and paper products. Attendees brought side dishes and desserts. We had plenty of food. All the leftover food was donated to a local charity (Thank you to Phillip and Stephanie for delivering the food to the Salvation Army).

Literature and former convention items were sold. Baskets received were given as door prizes.

Word Clouds: please go to the Area 9 website <https://www.afgarea9.org/area-service-workshop-2019-word-clouds.html> and download the word clouds we created (with an enormous amount of help from Pat A.) while they are still there. You can use these images any way you choose. Please let me know if you have any questions about the word clouds.

Special Thank you: District 2 really stepped up to help us make this workshop a reality. They said yes to everything that was asked and cheerfully helped in countless ways.

Volunteers: It took many people to make this workshop a success. Here are some of the people who said yes to being of service:

Asst. Chair:	Eleanor J.
Treasurer:	Susan A.
Decorations:	Adrienne A.
Literature:	Erik R.
Set Up:	Hope B.
Clean Up:	Jan K.
Food:	Elsa
Technology:	Pat A.
Time Keeper:	Cindy J.
Program Volunteers:	Carmen
	Bob C.
	Pat A.
	Diane C.
	Jill O.
	Pat E.
	Joy C.
	Terry Anne
	Gretchen
	Cindy J.
	Rick
	Wendy
	Tina

Thank you for the opportunity to . . . “Imagine getting together with Al-Anon members from around the Area to share ideas as well as Experience, Strength and Hope.”

Thank you,
Katy, Chairperson
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