## Delegate's Report October 11, 2019

## **WSO**

The Road Trip will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton Seattle Airport, on October 19, 2019. Maybe some of you have decided to attend this event? If so, I hope you enjoy the weekend ahead. This information was announced in my September report.

<u>To remind you.</u> The **A.A.** International Convention will be held in Detroit, Michigan on July 2-5, 2020. Registration opens September 9, 2019. The Al-Anon program at this Convention will be similar to the Al-Anon International Convention program with the exception that Al-Anon members join together with A.A. for the Big Meetings held Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday morning.

Last month, I sent you the following questions, I have not heard from anyone in response to these questions. I am asking you again. I already responded to my assigned Trustee based on my knowledge of the Area. However, I would enjoy hearing from you.

- 1. How are your groups/Areas dealing with a cashless society?
- 2. How will you, your groups, and your Area utilize the 2020 theme?

World Service is half-way into 2019 and contributions are trending below both budgeted and historical levels. There was a bequest in May which helped put the budget n track but without the bequest, the budget for the remainder of the year would have been below budget amounts.

Contributions via the Quarterly Appeal letter are on a steady downward trend.

Do your groups read the Quarterly Appeal letter during a couple of meetings? Do your groups mail those donations back in the Quarterly Appeal envelope? Does the Quarterly Appeal letter need to be jazzed up a bit?

If you have suggestions for improvement, the email address for the treasurer is <a href="mailto:treasurer@al-anon.org">treasurer@al-anon.org</a>. Your input is welcomed!

Last month, I didn't mention the Conference Leadership Team (CLT) and any update their might be. The purpose and responsibility of the CLT is to prepare a World Service Conference agenda that facilitates the active voice and effective group conscience of our fellowship.

The CLT began its planning process for the 2020 World Service Conference (WSC) after the 2019 WSC ended. They received 40 suggested Conference themes. From them the theme was chosen and I introduced it to you in last month's delegates report.

There are seven members of the CLT include the two Trustees who serve as Chair and Co-Chair, the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Director of the World Service Office, the Director of Programs, the Events & Special Projects Manager, and the Associate Director—Conference.

The Policy Committee: Policy statements are interpretations of our basic guides: the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service. They help clarify how a Tradition or Concept might apply to a new or confusing situation that arises in Al-Anon or Alateen. Changes and additions to the Policy Digest are made only as circumstances and our growth require, since anticipating and including every specific situation would be impossible.

The Committee is looking into several minor and more specific changes to bring to the Conference. What might interest you if that there is an Alateen Preamble Task Force looking to present text changes. These changes were requested by Al-Anon and Alateen members to bring the Preamble up to date. There will be a lot more on this.

## **AREA**

This is an election year and we will be voting at the November Assembly. At this time in your Districts, elections should be completed in October for new incoming Group Representatives, and District Representatives. The Districts are Panel 13 AWSC are: Districts 4, 5, 6, 12, and 13. Think about bringing your newly elected GR's and DR's to the November Assembly. Also, we would love to meet your elected DR's at our December Area World Service Meeting in Meriden.

Anyone interested in being a Coordinator, Alateen, AAPP, A.A. Events, Archives, Group Records, Literature, Phone Service, Website, please send your resumes to me as soon as possible. You will be presented at our December AWSC for vote. Thank you.

I received a resume for Spanish Liaison and we will vote at the October Area Meeting. If you are interested in any open Coordinator position, please send your resume to the Delegate.

## **HAPPENINGS**

36<sup>th</sup> Annual New Hampshire Convention will be held in Laconia, NH on November 1-3, 2019.

Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly will be held on November 2, 2019 at South Congregational Church in Hartford. Registration at 9 am and meeting to start at 10 am.

Area 11 Assembly is November 3, 2019, 9 am to 3 pm at the Pitkin Community Center, 30 Greenfield St., Wethersfield, CT.

CSCYPAA XXXIV will be held on November 29 through December 1, 2019, at the Red Lion Inn in Cromwell, CT.

Love in Service,

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