

Delegate's Report
To The Connecticut Area World Service Committee
Meriden, Connecticut
February 3, 2012

Dear Friends,

Good evening and welcome. I'm very excited to announce two new appointments to the Area World Service Committee. We have qualified individuals vying for Archives Coordinator and Spanish Liaison Coordinator presenting their resumes and awaiting your vote of confidence. The Archives Coordinator will safe guard our memories, display and help us learn about our Al-Anon's history. The Spanish Liaison Coordinator will help maintain the connection with the Spanish speaking groups and not allow language to be a barrier. As you know, Al-Anon/Alateen is the language of our heart. Our goal is to be aware and sensitive of the needs of the members. When committee positions are filled with dedicated and trusted servants we can best serve Connecticut Al-Anon/Alateen as a whole.

Does your Group Representative read the Area World Service Delegate Report? Why is it important to read the Delegate's Report? The Group is the first link to the World Service Conference. If the Group is well informed, it fosters a level of trust and unity. I am extremely impressed with the District Representatives reports at the Area meetings. Please continue to reach out and remind the new Group Representatives that it is their responsibility to inform the members about information from the Area Delegate and the World Service Conference. The Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual 2010-2013 is a valuable tool. You do not have to have all the answers but you can help the group find solutions in the Traditions, Concepts, and in the Service Manual. The "Scavenger Hunt" decoding the Service Manual worksheet was a fun way to study the Service Manual, which was presented at our November 2011 Fall Assembly. You may download a copy of the worksheet on our CT Website: [http:// www.ct-al-anon.org/members](http://www.ct-al-anon.org/members).

Your input, ideas and participation is needed for the development of Guidelines for Translators. The Task Force is on Monday, February 27, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at the American Steak House in Meriden CT. This is a great opportunity to expand our community of hope and assist Spanish speaking members.

I had a wonderful time at the Serenity Breakfast and the 2012 CT AFG Convention Committee meeting on January 15, 2012. Please accept my sincere thanks to the entire committee for their hard work and commitment to provide Area Events which will help many families and friends of alcoholics. I hope to see you all at the CT AFG Convention on March 30, 31 & April 1, 2012, to be held in Cromwell, CT at the Crown Plaza. I will be delighted to accept love gifts for the World Service Conference at the Convention.

I will attend the 34th Annual North East Regional Delegate's meeting on March 9, 10, & 11, 2012 in Mystic, CT. It will help prepare me for the World Service Conference in April. This is an opportunity for Past Delegates and Current Delegates in the region to share ideas, information in order to best serve our Areas. Connecticut is always well represented at this meeting and I'm ever so grateful to our Past Delegates who continue to be at service to our Area. I wish to give a special thank you to Gina R., who has completed her one year term as Immediate Past Delegate on the Area World Service Committee.

I will attend the World Service Conference April 15-17, 2012, to be held in Stamford, CT. The theme for the World Service Conference is " Our Spiritual Journey – we get as we give." The members of the conference will have an opportunity to visit ***Stepping Stones***, the historic home of Bill and Lois Wilson. This will be my first time to visit this historical site. I look forward to sharing my experience at Conference and the world wide fellowship of Al-Anon/Alateen.

Many members have told me it is great fun to visit ***Stepping Stones*** in June, to celebrate Lois's Picnic. If you wish to visit ***Stepping Stones*** you may call for a reservation at 914-232-4822 or email info@steppingstones.org.

A 2012 World Directory of Al-Anon Information/Intergroup and Services are available for all members. Please visit www.al-anon.alateen.org. It is a helpful guide to find meetings throughout the world.

In closing, I wish to express my gratitude to the Area World Service Committee for a great year of service. As we move forward with new members of the committee may we continue to foster a message of hope, love, and recovery.

Love in Service,

Rita C., Delegate
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Upcoming Events

- 34th North East Regional Delegate's Meeting March 9, 10, and 11th 2012, Mystic CT.
- CT AFG 2012 Convention on March 30, 31, and April 1st, Cromwell CT.
- 2012 World Service Conference April 15-19th, Stamford CT.
- AA Round-Up with Al-Anon/Alateen participation, April 22, 2012 Wethersfield, CT
- Al-Anon International Convention, July 5-7th 2013, Vancouver, British Columbia