

Delegate's Report  
To the Area World Service Committee  
Meriden, Connecticut  
March 1, 2013

Dear Friends,

Hello and welcome to the Area World Service Committee meeting. The links of service allows your voice to be heard and embraces all members to be part of the Al-Anon/Alateen Worldwide Fellowship. We strengthen our Area when we have an open dialogue and provide information prior to deliberation. There are many opportunities for service work. Currently, two Area Task Forces are in progress. The first is revising the CT Area Alateen Behavioral Safety Guidelines chaired by Bob B., Alateen Coordinator, which will address the procedure of Decertification of AIMAS/Alateen Sponsor when a red flag has been raised. The second, Thought/Task Force will develop Policy and Voting Procedures for Assemblies, which will be chaired by our Area Chairperson Bob K. The Thought/ Task Forces are units of people which work on an issue for a temporary time. This body develops strategies; is not a voting body. It makes recommendations to the Area World Service Committee, which will decide if an action is necessary. The Delegate will continue to appoint the Chairperson for Area Thought/Task Forces and is a member of all Area Standing Committees/Task Forces. The AWSC committee meets between Assemblies to assure adequate interchange of information and ideas concerning activities of the Area and Worldwide Al-Anon. I look forward to the discussion of the work of the Thought/Task Forces, Standing Committees, and District Reports. I will be attending the 2013 World Service Conference in April and look forward to representing Connecticut. This will be my final Conference and would love to hear from you. Please send notes and letters to:

Name (Hold for WSC April 14-18, 2013)  
Wyndham Virginia Beach Oceanfront  
5700 Atlantic Avenue  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451

### WSO NEWS

- Conference Theme is Our Legacies: The Spiritual Journey of Changing “Me to We”. It’s a great reminder that we don’t have to do anything alone. It’s a “We” program! The purpose of the Conference is to encourage the unity of the Al-Anon Family Groups fellowship to act as a whole upon important matters.
- At Conference we will have two 60-minute presentations and discussion on: 1) How can we get district, without DRs and few GRs, to become re-involved in participating in Assemblies and AWSC? How do we reach out to registered groups who do not attend

Area events? 2) Improving the retention of newcomers and experienced Al-Anon members. I will have the opportunity to observe the Board of Trustees and the Policy Committee as it deliberates in session. Meet and discuss current issues with 67 Area World Service Delegates. I hope to see all of you at the Delegate's Assembly in June to receive the full report from Conference.

- Registration forms for the 2013 International Al-Anon Convention in Vancouver, British Columbia on July 5-7, Web site- [www.al-anoninternationalconvention.org](http://www.al-anoninternationalconvention.org) or call 757-563-1600 for related questions. Join the fun while Celebrating Worldwide Unity.

### AREA NEWS

- All DR's are asked to sign form "B" & "C" to properly certify Alateen Sponsors and AMIAS in their district and return them to Harry N., AAPP.
- Northeast Regional Delegate's Meeting March 8, 9, & 10 2013, Mansfield MA.
- Kudos to the Stepping Stones to Serenity 36th CT AFG Convention Committee for their preparation for the Convention and an awesome "Serenity Breakfast". The committee demonstrated that service work is FUN!!!! While carrying the message of hope to those affected by someone else's drinking. Extend your hand to a newcomer and car pool. Looking forward to seeing you at the Convention on March 15, 16, & 17 to be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cromwell CT.
- I will be available to pick up "love gifts" at the Convention to bring to the 2013 World Service Conference. "Love gifts" are small trinkets which represent the Al-Anon Family Groups from Connecticut. The conference members enjoy these treasured gifts!
- The Area Officers and an experienced trusted servant met on January 11 th and had an open dialogue about conflict resolution. We experienced many benefits and utilized the wallet sized Loving Interchange to Conflict Resolution card. (S-71). We have many service tools to help us focus on the solution, not the problem.
- My recommendation to this committee is that we invite Anne F., Northeast Regional Trustee to our May 3<sup>rd</sup> AWSC meeting to help facilitate an Area Inventory/ Conflict Resolution presentation? Conflict is part of being human and finding solutions together will strengthen our Area.
- The Nominating Committee reviewed resumes that met the qualifications specified by the Board of Directors and I forwarded the resumes with our recommendations to the President of the Board.
- Please send all resumes for the 2014 Convention Co-Chair prior to the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Area meeting to the Delegate through your District Representative.

Sincerely,  
Rita C., Delegate Panel 51 CT