

Delegate's Report

December 1, 2023

AWSC Members,

It is hard to believe that I am 12 months into my term representing Connecticut as your Delegate. I have been privileged to work with so many of you over the years but most importantly over the past year. As a group we held face to face Assembly's and were able to extend a helping hand to the groups of District 10 to carry the Al-Anon message. We also solidified the process of Permanent Electronic Groups in Connecticut which is every evolving. We are the movers and shakers today of the program.

I want to thank you all for your support, which is invaluable to me. I want to thank the District Representative's and Alternate District Representative of District 3, 8 and 11 who are ending their 3-year term but a reminder not to go away, think about other service opportunities of interest you might have to continue your Al-Anon/Alateen journey.

News from WSO- On Saturday November 18, 2023, I joined the Conference Leadership Team on a conference call. Here is a small snip of the Conference Call.

The Planning for the 2024 World Service Conference Summary (WSC) has begun and will be held on April 17th – 22nd, 2024. All Delegates are invited to submit two Chosen Agenda items (CAI) which allow outgoing as well as incoming Delegates to submit topics of interest from their members which will be vetted and discussed at Conference in April. The deadline for topic submission from all the Delegates is March 2024. Please discuss with your GR's what topics they would like me to represent to the CLT team from Connecticut. Please submit your topics by February 28, 2024, through the "links of service", your District Representative. This is your opportunity to use your voice. What would you like me to submit to WSO?

We received a tentative agenda for the Conference in Virginia Beach April 17- April 22, 2024. No, I do not get to go to the beach for the 4 days it is a working conference.

Financial Update-

Revenues consist of literature sales and contributions. The other sources of revenue generation are from magazine sales and investment gains and losses.

September Literature sales	\$279,537
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Contributions	\$215,672
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Our biggest expenses consist of WSO staff salaries and benefits, technology support, Conference Costs (including interpretation), and postage.

I am happy to share with you more details if you would like me to. Contributions, Literature Sales, and magazine sales continue to be above budget projections. I received a message from WSO thanking the members for your continued support.

The Policy Committee continues to help clarify how a Tradition or Concept might apply to a new confusing situation that arises in Al-Anon or Alateen.

Choosing a Group Name- section of the "Digest of Al-Anon/Alateen Policies" 2022-2025 Service Manual (P24/27).

I will be sharing additional information with you over the next few months regarding the CLT meeting.

It has been brought to my attention that there are still "rogue" meetings within our state who continue to meet without registering WSO but are calling themselves an Al-Anon meeting. Please keep in mind that in order to use the name of Al-Anon/Alateen the requirement is that groups are registered with WSO. I would like to call your attention to **Tradition Three**, the relatives and friends of alcoholics, **when gathered for mutual aid, may call themselves an Al-Anon Family Group**, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation. The only requirement for membership is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend. **Tradition Four**, each group should be autonomous, except in matters affecting another group and/or Al-Anon or AA.

Thank you again to District's 3, 8 and 11 for your support over the past year and over the last three years. You are truly making history within your districts by being the guardians of the Al-Anon Traditions. Keep carrying the message. As you begin your elections in your district I would like to share with you an article that appeared in the World Service Office Area Highlights 2014 on Obedience to the Unenforceable which might help members who might be hesitant at stepping up for service.

I have included a revised map of the District Map of Connecticut outlining the Districts per the Assembly vote in June. Please note, **this is the only map to be used.**

Posted on ctalanon.org website.

With love and gratitude for your continued service.

Elaine M

Delegate Panel 63 Connecticut

Love, Laugh and Grow Together.

Upcoming Events:

Serenity Breakfast – 1/21/24

Al-Anon AFG Convention- 3/16th & 17th, 2024

