# Delegate's Report March 1, 2019

## **WSO**

In December, 2018, Sue Perez, Associate Director-Group Services sent out an announcement letting you know that they revised Guidelines-How to Start and Al-Anon Group (G-12). This is available on the alanon.org website under the "Members" tab. I just received a message that this has been posted recently on the WSO web-site.

We recently received the 2019 Board of Trustees letter from January, "Strategic Plan".

CORE PURPOSE: Helping families and friends of alcoholics find hope and encouragement to live joyful, serene lives.

MISSION STATEMENT: Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. is a spiritually based organization that helps the families and friends of alcoholics connect and support each other through meetings, information, and shared experiences.

CORE VALUES: Spiritually based: adhering to our Legacies. Honest: treating all equally, with integrity and respect. Transparent: sharing process, content, and information. Self-supporting: refusing outside funding.

ENVISIONED FUTURE (2024-2029): AFG, Inc. is a global organization with technology-based operations that support the delivery of on-demand, barrier-free access to the program, information, meetings, and Sponsors. The research-validated effectiveness of the Al-Anon/Alateen program in addressing the family disease of alcoholism is recognized by professionals, schools, and religious leaders. Their recommendations to this program increase membership and expand its outreach. Society as a whole benefits from reduced health care costs, lower levels of incarceration, and increased graduation rates. Families and friends of alcoholics benefit from greater connectedness to support, no matter their locations or language.

GOALS (2022-2024): Members: AFG, Inc. Provides universal access to tools for recovery from the family disease of alcoholism. Public: Both the public and professionals recognize alcoholism as a family disease, and Al-Anon as the universally available, effective, and sustainable resource for those affected. Organizations: AFG, Inc. has one global structure, increasing access to knowledge, resources, and the program.

The World Service Conference is April 12 through April 18, 2019. I will be leaving from Hartford, CT early morning April 12 and returning in the afternoon on April 18 to Hartford, CT.

Action is Attraction—There is No Growth in the Comfort Zone

Members of the WSC include Panels 57, 58, and 59 Delegates; At-large members of the Executive Committee; members of the Board of Trustees; and WSO Staff Conference members. We always appreciate hearing from the fellowship throughout the WSC. In order to assist members who wish to send a card or package, the address of the location of the 2019 WSC is as follows:

Sheraton Virginia Beach Oceanfront, 3501 Atlantic Avenue, Virginia Beach, Virginia 233451

Please include (Hold for WSC 4/13-4/17, 2019) on the address. Please plan to have mail arrive after April 10.

Each January the Board of Trustees meets with Regional Trustee and Trustee At Large candidates. This year they meet at the World Service Office. Each candidate shares a ten-minute talk with a brief technology presentation, along with five roundtable interview panels. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the Twelve Concepts of Service" and the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual on page 24-27 are upheld.

The list of nominees to be presented to the WSC for traditional approval of Regional Trustees, Trustees at Large, and Board Officer are:

Regional Trustees: Marianne B., US Northeast – First three-year term; Jean L., US North Central- First three-year term.

Trustees at Large: Rosie M.-Second three-year term; Lynette K.-Two years of first three-year term. Board Officers: Gail G., Chairperson of the Board; Rosie M., Vice Chairperson; Cindy K. Treasurer.

Following traditional approval, the Board may elect the nominees at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday immediately following the World Service Conference.

The following resumes will be presented to all World Service Conference members for their information: Executive Committee: Debbie G., Joan S., and Karen W.P.

Chairperson of the Executive Committee: Debbie G.

Chairperson of the Executive Committee for Real Property Management: Sue C.

Executive Committee for Real Property Management, Kay R.

2019 Road Trip! The Washington Area will serve as the host for the 2019 Road Trip at the Hilton Doubletree Hotel at Seattle on Saturday, October 19. Information regarding the 2020 Road Trip will be presented during the 2019 WSC.

2019 TEAM (Together Empowering Al-Anon Members): The Board, in light of their fiduciary responsibility, made the decision to limit the 2019 TEAM Events to six rather than nine. The following Areas will be holding TEAM Events in 2019:

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2019, Las Vegas, Nevada

Date: Saturday, May 25, 2019, Quebec Canada

Date: May30-31, Sussex, New Brunswick Canada

Date: Sunday, June 2, 2019, West Harrison, New York, Marriott Renaissance Hotel

Date: Saturday June 8, 2019, Columbia, South Carolina

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019, Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania

#### **AREA**

Marcia and I attended District 4 District Meeting in January. Thank you District 4 for your hospitality.

We plan on visiting more District meetings over the next several months.

The Board of Directors resumes were received by the Delegate in January and a Resume Review Committee was set up for February, 2019. The Review Committee met and the approved candidates were given to the Board of Directors, President, Deborah C. The Board of Directors will meet at their Annual Meeting in March 2019. Members will be announced after the Annual Board Meeting.

## **HAPPENINGS**

March 8 through March 10, 2019, I will be attending the Northeast Regional Delegates Conference in New York. Better known as NERD!

The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual CT AFG Convention, "From Survival to Serenity" will be held March 29 through March 31, 2019 at the Red Lion Inn, 100 Berlin Tpke., Cromwell, CT 06416.

Love Gift time again! I will be attending the World Service Conference in Virginia Beach on April 12 through April 18, 2019. The CT AFG Convention will have an area in the Hospitality Room for you to create and make "Love Gifts" for me to take to the WSC. Hopefully, you will all find that an enjoyable time during the convention.

May 4, 2019, Share your Gift of Recovery by attending our CT Al-Anon Family Groups Literature Writing Workshop. You will help by writing for WSO's Forum and for the Upcoming Daily Reader.

May 4, 2019, 9 am to 1 pm, Trinity Episcopal Church, 300 Main St., Wethersfield, CT 06109

## **COME HELP!**

There will be a planning Committee Meeting, Monday, March 18, 2019, 7:00 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Richard B. Lienhard Room at Lucy Robbins Wells Library, 95 Cedar St., Newington, CT.

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Area Assembly, June 8, 2019.

Love in Service,

Gail L.

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