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FLORIDA NORTH, AREA 9, DISTRICT 7 (Pinellas County), PANEL 61

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https://www.afgarea9.org/convention2023.html

District 7 Information Line: 727.548.6811 The mission of District 7 is to foster participation in service and interest in the Steps, Traditions, and Concepts; to provide opportunities for groups to associate with other groups; to inform the membership about the activities and services in our district and area; and to maintain representation to and from the Florida North Area.

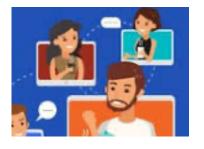
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MEETING PLACE

MEETING NEWS

Send meeting news - annivrsaries, speakers, etc. - to alanews@d7afg.org by the first of the month.

For basic meeting information changes, please contact Group Records at grouprecords@d7afg.org. Any changes in meeting locations or times must first go there before they can be put in the When & Where, Al-Anews or on the website.





YOUR GROUP REPS ARE AT ASSEMBLY THIS MONTH

And what's Assembly??

Concept 1: The ultimate responsibility and authority for Al-Anon world services belongs to the Al-Anon groups.

To have a voice in the world-wide fellowship, each family group selects a group representative (GR). GRs meet monthly; in Pinellas (District 7), all the GRs in the county meet in Clearwater the second Saturday of the month.

GRs are the link between the groups and the next levels of service that support the world-wide fellowship – information, literature, guidance, funding all flow through these links. There is fellowship, support for each other, and assistance from district-level trusted servants.

At the next level, these same GRs represent their groups in Area meetings call Assemblies. Pinellas County, District 7, is part of North Florida Area 9, and meets two times a year. Only GRs vote at these meetings.

This is from our Service Manual, p. 67:

AREAS

Areas [comprise] groups and Districts in a determined location that can be geographically or non-geographically defined. Every group in the Area has a voice and a vote in Area business through their Group Representative (GR). Each Area in the World Service Conference Structure (US [including Puerto Rico], Bermuda, Canada, and non-geographically based groupings) is represented at the annual World Service Conference by an Area Delegate, elected every three years by the GRs. Other Area officers include an Alternate Delegate, Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer. Area Coordinators serve as a link between the WSO and local trusted servants. Area Coordinators may include: Alateen; Archives; Public Outreach; Literature; Area Newsletter; Area Alateen Process Person; ...Web; and Group Records. All Area officers and coordinators are important links in the chain of service, and a resource to the groups and Districts in their Area.

AREA ASSEMBLY

The Area Assembly is the business meeting where the groups send their representatives to express a voice and vote on behalf of the group. During an Assembly, the Delegate reports the activities of the World Service Conference. An Assembly can meet at least one or two times a year, or a minimum of once every three years. Many meet more often.

Me again. So, Assembly is another layer in the Al-Anon service structure that carries our voice to the World Service Conference. It is at the World Service level that our literature, service guidance and program policy are produced. For these to reflect the fellowship's perspective, it is critical that we participate in district meetings, assemblies and conferences.

Concept 4: Participation is the key to harmony.

Susan C, St Petersburg

ACRONYMS AND SLOGANS...

HOPE — Hang On, Pain Ends

THINK — Is it Thoughtful, Honest, Intelligent, Necessary and Kind?

Send your contributions to alanews@d7afg.org

MEMBER SHARES



<u>Heard at a meeting:</u>

Have to feel to deal to heal...

Act with love, speak with love, <u>think</u> with love

We don't really learn anything new, we unlearn the things that came before

Speak your truth and be kind to yourself
If you had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, please
let your face know!

DISTRICT PAGE

Get In The Loop!

Did you know the World Service Office has an email newsletter?

It's been a long time since Lois W. mailed letters to the early Al-Anon groups. Now, any member can easily sign up to receive In The Loop, the WSO newsletter filled with information about events. service, resources, CAL, and, of course, experience, strength, and hope. Emails are usually sent once a month, but sometimes there is a need for special editions!

Subscribing is free and easy at al-anon.org/emailme



The 2023 International Convention will be held

June 29 - July 2, 2023 at the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque, NM

YOU CAN ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION **VIRTUALLY!**

See https://al-anon.org/wso-events/2023al-anon-international-convention/



Next District Meeting

(monthly meeting for GRs, District trusted servants and any interested members)

Saturday, July 8, 2023, 9am ET CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST Fellowship Hall

1454 Belleair Rd, Clearwater 33756

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Join us for the annual Florida North Area 9 Service Workshop "Gifts of Service" Saturday September 23, 2023

9:30am – 3:00pm First United Church of Christ 4605 Curry Ford Rd Orlando, FL 32812

Hosted by District 10

Light breakfast, beverages, lunch (sandwiches & sides), speakers, workshops, fellowship, fun, inspiration, gifts are all included in your registration fee!

Conference Approved Literature (CAL) will be available for purchase (cash/checks)

