



N.J. Al-Anon Alagram

Fall Edition 2024

“Participation is the key to harmony.” (Concept 4)

The N.J. Assembly will be held as a hybrid (in-person & virtual option) meeting:

Saturday, November 2, 2024 10AM-3PM EST

All Al-Anon members are welcome!

Stone Hill Church 1025 Bunn Drive Princeton, N.J. 08540

Meeting ID: **849 1242 2817**

Password: **662262**

NOTE: Separate session for new GR Orientation 9:15– 9:55AM

Once logged into the meeting, change your name (Rename feature) to:

Service voting position, district number, first name, last name initial, any additional service positions (no commas)

For example: GR 6 Mike L Archives

Highlights from June 2024 Assembly

CHAIRPERSON: Donna attended the Northeast Regional Delegates Meeting (NERD) in Hopkinton, MA. Chaired the 2023 Financial Audit, Officers/Trustee Meeting, AWSC meeting. Announced the resignation of the Recording Secretary and introduced Mary F. who will be finishing the term. Participated in the Policy Committee meeting. Prepared the Technology Task Force Charge. Attended the virtual meeting regarding the status of North Jersey Information Services (NJIS).

DELEGATE: Katie gave her report on her week at the WSC in April and its theme of *Our Path toward Grace, Unity, and Understanding*

ALTERNATE DELEGATE: Liz reported that she attended a Zoom meeting focused on revitalizing the service structure of NJIS. Groups are asked to send ISRs to elect a steering committee and a new board. Worked on Policy Handbook committee. Attended the financial audit. Reminder: Al-Anon Membership Survey is June 20-July 31, 2024. Insurance policies were renewed on March 7th. All certificates were reissued. Groups may request a certificate at any time, at no cost.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary deposited checks and paid bills for March, April and May 2024. Transferred \$5,000 from savings in March to checking to cover upcoming expenses. Posted Balance Sheet for 2024 and Profit and Loss Statement for January – May. Reimbursed the Chair and the Co-Chair for the Area 45 AA Convention from Special Projects. Paid QuickBooks renewal fee of \$2,160. Attended meetings of the Task Force on Excess Funds and Audit for 2023. Please put your group ID number on your check. Please do not donate through an organization called Uncommon Giving in Charleston, South Carolina.

GROUP RECORDS/CORRESPONDING SECRETARY (GRC): Attended Officers' Meeting on April 3rd and AWSC on May 4th. Attended WSO GRC WebEx recording and presentation from March 2nd. Prepared and mailed CMA mailing and return address labels for Alagram. Worked with DRs to resolve temp electronic, reported not meeting, and "no mail" status.

Coordinator Reports

ALAGRAM: Christina reported that the Alagram was mailed (both USPS and email) to current 265 Group Representatives. The Alagram was emailed to the website coordinator and was posted to the N.J. Al-Anon website (NJ-Al-Anon.org).

ARCHIVES: Mike attended the Area 45 Convention in March of 2024 and was invited to the District 8 workshop on April 27th. He sent an email to all the registered groups in NJ pertaining to the Long-Time member forms and Group History forms

ALATEEN: Lori-Jo reported that there are 11 Alateen meetings in the Area. AIMAS recertification training sessions set for: March 7, 9, 21, 23; April 4, 6, 18, 20; May 2, 4, 16, 18. No need to pre-register.

LITERATURE: Angela reported The Writing Guide for new CAL on Sponsorship and Service Sponsorship is now available. New CAL, available in the Fall: *Healing within Our Alcoholic Relationships-A Collection of Insights from Our Shared Journey* (P-95). The 2025 calendar is underway. Deadline for submitting dates and photos is July 31st.

PUBLIC OUTREACH: POSITION VACANT! Karen P. reported on the four (4) Spring events scheduled and looked forward to Summer and Fall upcoming events.

WEBSITE: AnnaMarie reported that our Managed WordPress Hosting plan with GoDaddy has been renewed for another year. The nj-al-anon.org domain name has been renewed. The website calendar now displays thumbnails of flyers.

District Reports (pg33)

District 1 (Hunterdon/Warren): POSITION VACANT! ☹️ NO REPORT.

District 2 (Morris/Sussex): Ken S. reported that the district has 18 Al-Anon and 2 Alateen active meetings.

District 3 (Bergen/Passaic): Debbie F. reported that the district holds its meetings the 3rd Sunday of the month at 7pm. The district created a Zoom account for district meetings to use. GR's have been actively discussing NJIS.

District 4 (Essex/Hudson/Union): Angela O. reported that the district has 40 active meetings. GR's have been actively discussing NJIS. They are also planning for their 4th Annual Fellowship Picnic, Saturday, June 29th 1-4pm at Tamaques Park in Westfield.

District 5 (Mercer/Middlesex/Somerset): Peter M. reported that the last monthly district meeting was held on May 20th with 15 voting GR members. Peter M. is looking into requirements for a group bank account and creating a Tax ID # for the district.

District 6 (Monmouth): POSITION VACANT! ☹️ NO REPORT.

District 7 (Ocean): Karen P. reported that the district is planning an in-person workshop for October.

District 8 (Burlington/Camden/Gloucester): Liz K. reported that the district has 27 active meetings. Their April workshop was successful. Meetings are 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 via Zoom.

District 9 (Atlantic/Cape May/Cumberland/Salem): Anne A. reported that the district has 19 active meetings. They have 10 AMIAS and a new Alateen meeting in Somers Point, on Wednesday, starting June 26th.

District 10 (Electronic Group District/EG): Mark McP. reported that the district has a Zoom account for their 11 e-meetings.

Liaison Reports

Al-Anon Liaison to Area 45 Convention: Jennie and Mary T. will be co-liaisons and went to the May 5th planning meeting. Chris C. is the skit coordinator.

Al-Anon Liaison to Area 44 Convention: Christina is looking for volunteers for September. Karen P. volunteered to bring literature.

Thought Force & Task Force Updates

Establishing a Tech Coordinator Position Task Force: Given the charge, with November Assembly as a deadline.

LOOKING AHEAD TO THE NOVEMBER ASSEMBLY.....

Upcoming Elections & Important Voting Topics on NOV 2, 2024!

- Election of Officers: Chairperson, Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Treasurer, Recording Secretary
- 2025 Proposed Budget
- Technology Task Force Recommendations
- Excess Funds Task Force Recommendations
- Revised NJ Area Assembly Policy Handbook



Will your Group have a voice and a vote on N.J. Al-Anon's future?

As always, check the calendar on NJ-Al-Anon.org for upcoming events!

Is Your Group Record Up To Date? Make sure your meeting information is accurate on the website.

Verify your information today by reaching out to your DR or contact your *CorrSecGRC* at

njcorresponding@gmail.com.