Virginia Area Fall Assembly 2022

Date of meeting: October 15-16, 2022

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District 18 in Alexandria now has

- 14 Active Groups
- Of the 14 Active Groups:
 - One is an Alateen Group (Awesome Alateen)
 - One is a Parents Group (Parents AFG)
 - One is a Spanish Speaking group (Serenidad GFA)
 - One is a Men's Group (Alexandria Men's AFG)
 - One is a Women's Group (Del Ray Women's AFG)
 - One Group meets twice weekly on Tues & Thurs. (Old Town Noon AFG)
 - One Group is a brand new in person meeting: Del Ray AFG
 - The other 7 Groups are non-specific and meet on different days of the week & weekends.
 - All 14 Active Groups have a GR or at least a CMA
 - Nearly all are listed on the Northern Virginia Service Center Website with a contact person/email/phone.

Gail K. /DR 18 has tried to visit each group during the past 6 months, and District Meetings are held every other month.

Our District has a **Treasurer (Laura R.)** who manages our account. At this time our funds are stable with enough available to again, sponsor Alateen members to attend conferences and to hold a workshop, if planned.

Outreach Coordinator – Vacant at this time.

Secretary – Susan B. stepped up to this position and has been instrumental in keeping up to date records of our District Meetings and other secretarial duties.

Successes:

- The Groups report that they have had <u>an increase</u> in meeting attendance because with Zoom they can attract folks from other states and folks who have moved away.
- We plan to support the NVSC Virtual Gratitude Luncheon this Fall with a financial donation or in any way that we can.

- We have financially supported the NVSC, AFG & VA Area
- We had a successful PICNIC (about 40 people) at Fort Hunt Park for June 12 and the Picnic Committee was very helpful with all the details.

Challenges:

- Reaching out to Alateens during this time has been a struggle as some are still schooling on zoom and yet find it difficult to then come to a F2F Alateen meeting. This Fall most are back to school full time in person.
- As the COVID restrictions ease up, each group will hold a "group conscience" meeting to decide how to meet (to stay virtual, become hybrid, or to meet F2F) in order to meet the needs of the majority. More discussions to come.

Goals:

- District 18 would like to host a workshop this Fall/Winter...currently in planning stages only.
- At least one GR is attending the Assembly in October.

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