

2019 spring assembly report

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Peninsula District 16

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Theme for the 2019-2021 is The Path to Transformation.

District 16 has 24 meetings and 1 Alateen meeting the cities in the district are Hampton, Newport News, Gloucester, Yorktown and Williamsburg.

The Alateen meeting has started in January with 8 adult sponsors, at this time it has low attendance with hopes in growing in time. Tents cards to spread the word in any recovery meeting have been made and given to Williamsburg AA intergroup to distribute to display at the meetings.

District 16 was presented an opportunity, via internal ASCT report, to consider splitting the district. After careful consideration by the groups and GR's it was determined that a split is non-beneficial.

Upcoming events

- May 3, 2019, will be the 15 year anniversary celebration of Openness and Friendship AFG meeting, they will have a guest speaker along with food and fellowship.
- Sept 28, 2019, will be the Romance and Finance workshop with speakers at Mary Immaculate Bon Secours Resource Center from 9-12.
- July 6, 2019, will be the journaling workshop.
- There is no announced date for an anticipated diversity workshop.
- The Friday night AFG will be celebrating their 50th anniversary in 2019.

Successes

- It's with great joy all positions are filled with in the district.
- The districted has acquired a post office box for future treasurers.
- The District meetings have been well attended, with a drawing for a journal at the end of the meeting for attendees
- An AA open speaker meeting has had a group conscience to allow Al Anon meeting list and a couple of pieces of literature for display.
- Monday 7 AM meditation meeting in Williamsburg received their group number.
- Public outreach attended an Opioid and E-cigarette Community Awareness Event.
- The Sunday 7 PM Fresh Start meeting celebrated their anniversary on January 27

Challenges

- The district has 7 meetings that do not have GRs; all thought the CMAs are getting the information for the groups.
- Little to no attendance at the Alateen meeting is discouraging.

Goals

- Public outreach is looking for members to be a part of the committee in the distribution of literature.
- Public outreach will distribute and display literature at confirmed locations and keep a list of materials and locations for future reference.
- Many members through the district supported a public outreach effort to attend the Virginia Summer Institute for Addictions Studies July 14-17, 2019.

Things that are working

- The district continued a service position created during the last panel, a group records coordinator, to keep the meeting list contacts up to date and to contact the Area and ASCT of all changes.
- The group records coordinator creates GR folders with information for new GRs coming into service.

Things that need attention

- **Getting the word out about Alateen**