

Virginia Area Spring Assembly 2022

Date of meeting: **May 14-15, 2022**

District name and number: **Alexandria District 18**

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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 brand new: Del Ray AFG
 - The other 6 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. stepped in as the **DR** in October 2020. It has taken this past year to get oriented to this vibrant District by visiting most of the on-going meetings and by holding District Meetings every other month since October 2020.

Our District has a **Treasurer (Laura R.)** who manages our account. At this time our funds are stable with enough available (when the COVID restrictions begin to ease) that we will be able, to again, sponsor Alateen members to attend conferences and to hold a workshop/or picnic 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 including a “Sign-up-Genius” for the upcoming Picnic on June 12th.

Successes:

- The Groups report that they have had an increase in meeting attendance because with Zoom they can attract folks from other states and folks who have moved away.
- We supported the NVSC Virtual Gratitude Luncheon last Fall with a financial donation.
- We have financially supported the NVSC, AFG & VA Area
- We have planned a PICNIC at Fort Hunt Park for June 12 and the Picnic Committee has been very helpful with all the details. (We will report the success at the Fall Assembly!)

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.
- 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 is hosting a Picnic for our District 18, Al-Anon members, families, friends.
- We filled the role of Secretary.
- At least one GR is attending the Assembly in May.

Submitted by: Gail K. DR/18

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