

## Virginia Area Al-Anon Alateen Assembly P.O. Box 2583 Midlothian, Virginia 23113-8583

## **August 2023**

Dear Area Members,

On behalf of the Panel 62 Area Officers, it's our pleasure to invite you to join us for the Virginia Area Fall 2023 Assembly, October 13-15. "Back to Basics" has been adopted by the Officers as the theme for the remainder of Panel 62 Assemblies, in addition to conducting the business of the Area's groups - which, as we know, is the primary purpose of Assembly.

Assembly will once again be **Hybrid**: in person at the Midlothian DoubleTree by Hilton and virtual via Webex. Spring 2023 Hybrid Assembly was a success, even with the hotel getting hit by lightning and the internet being interrupted. The Tech Team persevered and worked through the struggles. The Area is committed to providing attendees options and flexibility to meet their individual comfort level and situation. Mitch and the Tech Team are working to ensure that all participants have a wonderful experience at the upcoming Assembly.

In addition to the regular approvals of prior Assembly Minutes and the Treasurers Report, there will be three voting items presented at the Assembly.

- The Area Treasurer will present the Proposed 2024 Budget for vote of approval.
- The VA Boundary Policy was passed at the VAWSC and is now being brought before the Assembly for a vote of approval. Please take the time to review the policy before Assembly. If you have any questions, there will be a Town Hall on September 17, 2023, from 2 to 4 pm, for all interested members. This Town Hall is particularly directed toward attending GRs to have their questions answered on the Policy before voting at Assembly.
- There will also be an Election of the Area Alternate Secretary to fill a vacancy in that service position.

There will be 3 workshop topics: Conference Approved Literature/Writing, How to Encourage Participation, and Conflict Resolution. There will be Virtual and In-Person choices for each workshop; no Hybrid choice.

Sunday's Spiritual Speaker will be Eloy M. - Colorado Past Delegate for Panel 56.

As always, I want to extend my gratitude to each of you for your service to our fellowship, as every act of service is critical in maintaining the links of service, carrying the message, and furthering the recovery of our current and future members. Thank you for all you do!

I am looking forward to another great Assembly - hope to "see" you there.

Debbie P., Area Chair Virginia Area 57, Panel 62