Date of Meeting: SPRING ASSEMBLY 2023 - May 13, 2023

District Name and Number: Southwest District 24

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Informational Items:

Meetings in your District: 2 active meetings

Face-to-face: 1 meeting

Virtual only: 1 Group with 2 meetings

Hybrid: 0

A New Hope Abingdon AFG: Mark H. continues to serve as the CMA.

This Group meets on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. The Group (#13760) was registered with WSO on 12/01/1974. They have continued face-to-face meetings. This Group contributes to the District Treasury as well as to the Area and WSO.

We Care Bristol AFG: Jean L. continues to serve as the Group Rep.

This Group continues to meet on Zoom Mondays at 8:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., but has closed the 8:00 p.m. Saturday evening meeting. Area Group Records Coordinator has update the Group record. The Group's (#12756) registration date is not recorded with WSO, but it is estimated to have been registered sometime before the Abingdon Group. They requested that their virtual meeting details be posted on the Virginia Area Website. Meeting only on Zoom or call-in.

Updates since the last meeting:

- The new, unregistered AFG meeting, which was started in March at Kaylor's Chapel Baptist Church, Duffield, VA, continues to meet on the 2nd Saturday of every month for a joint breakfast at 9:30 a.m. At 10:00 a.m. the AAs and Al-Anons break into their separate meetings. The Group affiliates with Tennessee, but they keep me in the loop, and I give support when I can. They also added our District Al-Anon meetings to their tri-fold meeting schedule.
- I have ordered literature to disburse to the Groups in the Southwest Districts, including updated Service Manuals, Groups at Work, and some pamphlets.
- I attended the Fourth Annual Appalachian Regional Roundup event in Kingsport, March 17-19, 2023. For Al-Anon participation I brought pamphlets, service manuals, Groups at Work, and other pamphlets to hand out. We were able to have our own Al-Anon meeting room, where we held two meetings over the weekend. We had more than 20 attendees on Saturday and more than 10 on Sunday, including a newcomer! The Tennessee Area's Appalachian District brought several recently trained AMIAS members. I was able to host a training session from our Alateen Coordinator and AAPP. Several people observed the Virginia training.

Challenges: Low Attendance / Vacant Service Roles

Goals: Attend both of the Southwest Group meetings sometime during this year, but at least once during this panel.