



## Virginia Area Al-Anon Alateen Assembly

**May 2024**

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 Spring 2024 Assembly May 4-5. The Officers will continue "Back to Basics" 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. The Area is committed to providing attendee's options and flexibility to meet their individual comfort level and situation.

**NEW FOR SPRING 2024 ASSEMBLY:** the hotel is implementing a hard cut-off for the Area to report the number of rooms we will be reserving at our contracted rate. Therefore, the deadline to register for in person attendance will be midnight March 27th - no exceptions! Please help us to accommodate you by registering early.

The voting process will look different for virtual attendees, as we will be using Slido, a new feature in Webex. The Tech Team is working to ensure this new process will run smoothly.

In addition to the regular approvals of prior Assembly Minutes and the Treasurer's Report, there will be three voting items presented at the Assembly:

1. Area Officer and Coordinator Job Descriptions will be presented to the Assembly for approval
2. The VA Area Boundary Policy and Procedures was approved by VAWSC to move to the Assembly. Please review the policy prior to Assembly
3. VAWSC was presented with a request to form a Spanish Speaking Overlay District, which was approved and a motion made to move this request to the Assembly.

At this Assembly there will be an Area Inventory Workshop with a total of 11 topics discussed in small groups: 7 topics for in person attendees to choose from and 4 (different) topics for virtual attendees. When registering, each attendee will choose one topic, and each topic will be limited to 15 participants (so register early to ensure your 1st choice!).

Sunday's Spiritual Speaker will be Pat Q. from Montana. Pat has served as an Alateen Sponsor, a GR, an AIS/LOC Office Manager, a contract writer for WSO and a retired Staff Member of WSO.

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