

March 18, 2020 Delegate's Report

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I believe with all my heart, that today nothing can happen to me that God, Al-Anon and I can't handle. Forum, Jan 1997

Update

NERD was cancelled. I'm still waiting to hear if the WSO is cancelled or postponed.

My Area Highlights to WSO

Speaking of conference, WSO asked me (and all delegates) to send highlights of our area for the upcoming WSO. Here's what I submitted:

The VT AWSC made a special Al-Anon 2020 calendar. We gave every group a copy. The calendar included a map of our districts, AWSC and district meeting dates, special event dates, our website address and our local Al-Anon answering service phone number. We attached a personalized heart-stamped love note with each one thanking each group for their support. The note also told the groups about the new version of the manual. We received lots of positive responses.

Our AWSC has been active in in-reach and outreach. We went on our own road trips - inspired by our BOT. Our area chair visited a district with no DR. She was warmly welcomed and that district will be hosting our Spring assembly. The delegate and past delegates visited other groups and brought along the Just for Tonight bookmarks as gifts.

Our public outreach coordinator generated excitement with a demonstration of the new Al-Anon posters. She helped groups understand how to get and personalize them.

Our Al-Anon AA liaison attended AA business meetings. She embodied the spirit of co-operation. There's now a healthy exchange of speakers at AA and Al-Anon conventions.

Our area secretary used her talents in the arts to produce props for our casper the friendly ghost skit that she also helped coordinate. The skit, adopted from another area, was put on at assembly and got lots of laughs.

The delegate created a Delegate's Corner on the Vermont Al-Anon website. The corner posts delegate reports and reports from the WSO.

My Opportunity to Serve: Conflict Resolution Task Force

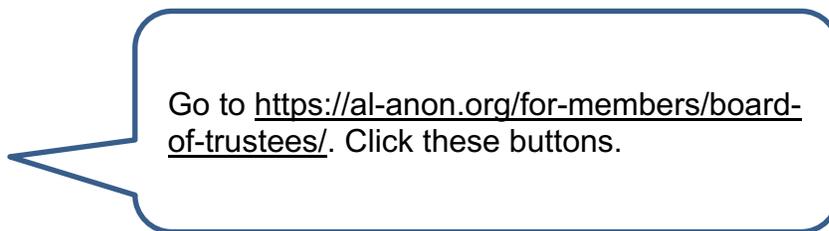
Delegates are given the opportunity to serve each year. We're given a selection of thought forces, task groups or policy committees to choose from. We vote for our top three. I got my top choice and will be serving on the Task Force for Conflict Resolution chaired by Terry W., VA Panel 59 Delegate.

Regional Trustee Phone Call

Every quarter my assigned WSO Regional Trustee Thérèse (Canada East) emails me. We schedule a phone call. Before the call, I read the quarterly COB Letter, Finance Committee Update, Conference Leadership Team Update and Policy Committee Update. I have the opportunity to ask Therese questions about them or other Al-Anon matters.

You may access these documents directly by visiting www.al-anon.org > Members > Board of Trustees. Then click the buttons on that page (shown below). Teasers follow:

- New WSO Staff Alateen Certification Program: read more in the COB Letter.
- November 2019 Quarterly Appeal Letter to member contributions were the largest in recent history! Because of your diligence in identifying Appeal on the subject lines of your checks and using the Appeal envelope, Finance & Operations was . . . read more in the Finance Committee Update.



Questions? Please let me know at delegate@vermontalanonateen.org.

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