

DELEGATE – DON B:

Late Report, see website

Alternate Delegate – Susan B.

No Report

CHAIR: DEBBIE H-F:**Date:** 9/29/2018**Event:** Fall Assembly 2018**Name:** Debbie Harvey**Position:** Chairperson**AL-ANON SERVICE IN ACTION**

I recently returned from attending my 3rd Al-Anon International Convention. After 4 days of immersing myself in the wonders of the Al-Anon program in my personal as well as my service life, I am on fire for this program!

Here are a few gems I gleaned from the sessions:

- ✓ Leadership is about being vulnerable-trusting other people and my Higher Power.
- ✓ If you want to be a part of the solution, Step Up To Service.
- ✓ The reason I'm here (*in Al-Anon*) is because I'm not all here.
We had fun in the Love Parade at the Convention
- ✓ I do a lot of double-headed management with my Higher Power.
- ✓ Leadership is about listening.



Al-Anon International

It was a wonderful event filled with laughter, sharing, caring and solutions. I am so blessed to have been able to attend. I definitely plan to be at next one, July, 2023 in Albuquerque, New Mexico...Maybe I'll see you there!

CONSIDER STEPPING UP IN AREA SERVICE

Entering into my last year as Chair, I'm amazed by the successes we've achieved and the challenges that we have faced. I've grown so much through service to the Area. As our literature says, "You've got to give it away to keep it." The rewards of service are many.

Concept Four, "Participation is the key to harmony."

"Respect of ourselves and others, combined with full participation, help us to serve Al-Anon as trusted servants. We come to realize we really are being trusted, not only to do the work, but to decide what work is important and how to go about doing it. As each service body and the membership at large practice the principle of participation, our deep desire to belong is satisfied in a fellowship of equals.

We are spiritually nourished when we participate." from *'Paths To Recovery'*, pg 273

With Panel 56 (2016-2018) coming to a close, I ask all of you to search your hearts - talk to your sponsor and Higher Power about what service position(s) to consider. We all have much to offer.

General Qualifications For Area Positions:

1. Candidates include any member who is eligible to hold a position above the group-level (must be an Al-Anon member, not also a member of AA).
2. The Alateen Coordinator and the AAPP must both be certified as an AMIAS in our Area.

- Candidates who stand for Officer positions must also be outgoing DRs, DRs who have resigned their position to serve a current Assembly assignment, or former 3-year DRs who remain active on the Area-level (i.e. AWSC).

Our Area Need You!

With gratitude to be of service in this wonderful, life-saving program,
Debbie Harvey
WIUPMI-Area 61 Chairperson, Panel 56, Term 2016-2018

SECRETARY – JAYE R:

I have been working on distributing AI-Anon/Alateen Service Manuals 2018-2021 to all groups in our Area. Any books undistributed after the September Assembly will be mailed to individual groups.

Housekeeping changes to the 2015 Area Policy Manual were voted on by the Policy Committee. These were reviewed at the August AWSC meeting and are being posted on the website on the AWSC Materials and Assembly Materials pages.

The 2018 edition of the Area 61 Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan (WIUPMI) AI-Anon/Alateen Policy Manual has been posted to the website under Members, General Documents and forms page. I am distributing hard copies of this manual at the Fall Assembly 2018.

An updated Inventory of Area Owned Equipment is posted to the 2018 Spring AWSC Materials page of our website. I overlooked doing it this March.

I will ask Elizabeth to post a Motion Log of this panel (2016-2018) and the previous panel to the Assembly Materials page of our website after the Fall Assembly.

In service,

Jaye R.

TREASURER – ANN JENNINGS:

See website for separate Financial, Budget vs Revenue-Expenses reports and 2019 Proposed Budget

Area 61 Fall Assembly

September 29, 2018

Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Reports as of June 30, 2018 (Mid-Year)

Budget vs. Revenue/Expenses Report

Financial Report

Proposed 2019 Budget

B. Treasurer's Report

A Proposed Budget was approved by the August AWSC meeting to present to this Assembly. It has a much different look to it than years' past. The most noticeable are:

- Two columns have been added, one with the past three years' average for each line item and the other is 2017's actual total (2017 being the last full year of figures we have). This gives everyone an easy way to compare figures without having to look back.
- The Officers & Coordinators individual totals have been left off this over all view for two reasons. They are harder to budget for individually; especially this being the first year of a new panel, and the 'bottom line' total is the amount that is the consistent figure used for comparison from year to year. The actual individual totals will still be reported on the Budget vs. Revenue/Expense Reports.

- Abundance Funds Allocation is a new line item that shows the total abundance amount for this year's third of the three-year plan to spend down the Area's excess beyond our prudent reserve fund. Currently, with the new proposed budget, that amount is closer to \$7000-\$8000 per year.
- The 'formula' for figuring what next year's Reserve Fund should be is now in the lower right-hand corner.

I'd like to thank everyone for your patience, understanding and input through this whole year that we could title "What to do with Area Abundance!". Procedures are being worked out and being put into practice so that the Area will not have this issue happen again. But it all takes time, and as we all know things move slowly in Al-Anon proceedings. One thing is certain, by the end of 2020 our Area will not be carrying an 'abundance' in funds.

REMINDERS:

1. When making contributions to the Area, be sure to complete the *Area 61 Contribution Form* and mail it along with your check. The form is available on our web site: www.area61afg.org or you can email me at treasurer@area61afg.org and I will email you the form. Paper copies are also available at all AWSC meetings & Assemblies.
2. Make checks out to WI Al-Anon/Alateen, Inc. Please do not make them out to me.
3. Requests for contribution receipts will be honored only if you include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Your trusted servant,

Ann J

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Past Delegate Cheryl Anderson

8/27/2018

This Fall Assembly will be my last one as Past Delegate. It has been an honor to serve the Area in this capacity since being Delegate. I know Past Delegates are not always appreciated for their past experience but I feel I have always been heard when I have an opinion or listened to when I share an experience where "We tried that and here is what happened". I would like to step down from being an Officer and on the Policy Committee. I believe I have accomplished what my HP wanted me to do and now need to move on. I am sure the Active Past Delegates who are still passionate about that position will do a great job.

Meanwhile I have felt called to stand for Public Outreach Coordinator at this upcoming Assembly. I've been on the PO Committee now for quite a few panels so I feel I have the knowledge to carry out Public Outreach at the Area level. Even if I do not get voted into this position I will be stepping down with my Past Delegate duties.

Cheryl A

Past Delegate

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