

District 11 DR Report

Hello from District 11 as we begin our second year together in service. We have been busy since the assembly. I have to report I really enjoyed working with our local AA to have the assembly in Dubuque. We are lucky that it was a huge success and very well attended. We had over 100 walk in for the event, putting our total AA and Al-Anon members to over 300. I assisted with registration, and all went well. There were a few lessons learned as people mailed in registration and paid for meals that did not get passed on to the name badge. It was helpful to have the treasurer of the event there with the registration information to double check and cross reference when there were questions by members. Also, I learned a lot about coffee, IT IS Expensive. When we reviewed the report of the coffee expense and coffee donations we were in a deficit. Luckily, we had donations to cover the shortage for our coffee consumption.

We had our Fall Speaker Supper event on November 4th. We were fortunate to have Sue G. from Dubuque as the AA speaker and Carolyn S. from Cedar Rapids the Al-Anon speaker. It again was another huge success with around 100 in attendance. It turned out to be a Covid spreading event. We had several members sick with Covid from our District and District 2. This events venue requires us to set up the event and tear it back down and reset it back up for Church the next day. We have decided to form a committee to review this event, the venue, and look for other options available to us that might take care of the setup and tear down process. Any recommendations from other districts would be greatly appreciated. The committee was formed and is to report back to the district meeting on January 15, 2024, with their findings and recommendations.

Our District has a new Alateen interest and there are a few Al-Anon / AA members wanting to become AMIAS as well.

I am looking forward to 2024 and my term in service.

Sincerely

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