

# Panel 63 NYSA Area Accomplishments

How we started

**“THERE IS NO THEY”**

Where we ended

Rough seas make strong sailors

When I got busy, I got better

## 2023 New York South Area Highlights

### Successes

- **2023 New York South Area Highlights & Successes**
- **The New York South Area held its first face-2-face assembly since February 2020. It was on the coldest day of the year, 7°. Attendance was 40 in person, 71 online with some members traveling from our northern and western parts of NYS. It was also our 1st hybrid assembly and technologically successful with a couple of hick-ups!**
- **Our 2nd face-2-face & hybrid assembly on March 19 was well attended.**
- **Moving forward our Assemblies will rotate around the NYS area; an exciting prospect for many of our members.**
- **We voted to accept electronic meetings into our area structure. We have a Task Force in progress refining the policy.**
- **Cooperation with AA (SENY AA & SUFFOLK AA) between both NYS and Al-Anon Suffolk Information Service (ASIS) is strong; with Al-Anon keynote speakers at their events.**
- **Joan L., Past Delegate Panel 45, is holding Public outreach meetings at her assisted living on a quarterly basis; with AA & Al-Anon speakers. What a Power of Example!**
- **District outreach is strong. District 21 held an “Al-Anon Around the World” Zoom event with trusted servants who have experience with Al-Anon structure in other countries. It was an exciting and informative well attended event.**

### Challenges

- **Area Service: Multiple open positions very slowly being filled.**
- **We are looking into adopting a skill based approached for some positions; ex: candidates who submit their TSP for the treasurer position are citing years in service and program AND applicable skills for the position.**

## **Cont. 2023 New York South Area Highlights**

- **Our Alateen Chair is interim acting so we can keep our Area Alateen Certification.**
- **Stressing the importance of having these positions filled is challenging.**
- **It is stressful to both our Area Chair and Delegate to have so many open Officer and Coordinator positions.**

## **2024 New York South Area Highlights**

### **Successes**

- **Hosted five hybrid Assemblies (Patchogue, Ossining, Brooklyn, Dix Hills)**
- **Included fun and fellowship in our assemblies (vis, the New York South song) PowerPoint's & Quiz's**
- **Fifteen new groups registered in NYS**
- **Translated all Assembly documents into Spanish - 3 Area coordinators from the Spanish speaking community**
- **Reaching out to Polish speaking group**
- **In the process of Researching outreach to Korean speaking group.**
- **Utilized the people-power of thought forces, task forces, and work groups**
- **Passed annual Alateen recertification**
- **Designed NYSA T-shirt for the International Convention**
- **Supported public outreach projects**
- **Revitalized Area website and calendar**
- **Updated and printed Area Guidelines**
- **Approved 2024 Area budget**
- **Hosted two Town Hall meetings first zoom info session for GR's**
- **Voted on process to welcome electronic groups into NYSA**
- **Created new electronic District 36!**

## Cont. 2024 New York South Area Highlights

- Sponsored the Al-Anon/Alateen program at the SENY Convention last & this year
- ASIS Meetings on Wheels in rehabs and jails
- Al-Anon presence at the EACYPAA in April.
- We have a Cohesive panel

### Challenges

- We are still missing several Coordinator positions.

## 2025 WSC - NYS Area Highlights

- Successfully completed 8 hybrid assembly with simultaneous Spanish translation.
- Our Assemblies have rotated throughout the Area so that no members are faced with always having to make a longer trip.
- Added fellowship and fun to our Assemblies with skits, quizzes, and ice-breakers and fun & fellowship breakout rooms on our hybrid component.
- All area documents are translated into Spanish.
- Legacy documents were created by our NYS Area Officers, Coordinators and Liaisons to aid in the upcoming Panel 66 transition.
- Service rotation Town Hall
- Added a Technology Coordinator position to the Area-well defined descriptive position documents
- Delegate Town Hall on the Joys and Challenges of being a District Rep.
- We developed a colorful "We Miss You" information packet to bring when we visit underrepresented groups. 9 languages.
- We've gotten very good at using thought forces and task forces to refine proposals and create motions.
- Our Finance Work Group offers support to our Treasurer around budgeting and throughout the year.
- Developed process for spending Excess Reserves to support our primary purpose.
- Our website coordinator redesigned our area website.
- Suffolk ASIS AMIAS Developed cards w/ QR Code for quick meeting access for the teens.
- Past Delegate Joan L p/45 . held her 9th Recovery Outreach meeting at her assisted living facility. She will be 90 years old in May, and 64 years in Al-Anon.

- Strengthened our cooperation and rapport with AA with workshop series and events.
- In process creating a NYSA Liaison to YPAA Events

### **Challenges**

- We are without an Archivist and Newsletter Coordinator.
- We are missing Guidelines Coordinator and Discovery Convention Committee and Co-Chairs.
- Out of 35 districts we only have 11 DRs.
- Actively working to contact these under-represented / Silent Districts.

### **TODAY**

- This is our 10<sup>th</sup> Hybrid Assembly!
- Held a Thank You for Your Service – Then & Now Pot-Luck Event.
- Past Delegate Joan L p/45 . held her 11th Recovery Outreach meeting at her assisted living.
- Created a NYSA Liaison to YPAA Events position.
- Created an Excess Reserve Project Form and process.

### **Challenges**

- We are without an Archivist and Newsletter Coordinator.
- We are missing Guidelines Coordinator and Discovery Convention Committee and Co-Chairs.
- Out of 35 districts we only have 10 DRs, having lost our District 10 Rep. Dave L. unexpectedly.

**Thank you to all our area officers, coordinators, liaisons, and volunteers.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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