

Syracuse AIS Spring Assembly Report
May 17, 2014

Syracuse AIS is in a period of transition. Several of our current officers and coordinators resigned. This left a huge void and resulted in three current coordinators agreeing to take on additional service positions. The rest remain vacant. While this is not healthy it was deemed necessary. Additionally, the building we are located in is up for sale. We must vacate by August 1, 2014.

In light of these challenges, we recently conducted a member survey. Fifty-four members participated. Overwhelming they felt that AIS provides a beneficial service, should maintain a physical location, sell CAL, maintain a website, and have fewer AIS service meetings per year. They were asked about attendance for various types of service meetings – 21 Group Business meeting, 36 District meeting, 28 AIS meeting, & 26 NYN Assembly meeting. We are still compiling the open-ended questions (what doing right, improvements needed, & anything else you'd like to tell us) for trends.

Our immediate concern is finding a new location. This is a challenge. We have been very fortunate in the past with an exceptionally low rent. Realistically, our monthly rent will at least double. So, in Al-Anon speak this is an AFGO moment for us! Once we have relocated we will begin looking at changing our service structure to encourage more participation at this level of service.

Yours in service,
Kathi D – Acting Syracuse AIS Chair