

Area Inventory 5/11/2019

NYN policy is that an Area inventory is done at the second Spring Assembly of each new panel. An inventory was done at our past Spring Assembly. I have been going over the results of that inventory.

I have to say that the results were somewhat mixed. I also had some mixed reactions to those results. First of all, while I don't have a total count of how many people were at the assembly, I do know that there were at least 83 people, officers, coordinators and GRs. There most likely more who weren't part of the roll call count but That is unknown. While there were 83 people in attendance only 21 inventory forms were returned. This represents about 25 % of those in attendance.

I will go over each question. My percentages may not be exact but they are close to it.

1. Does our Area actively practice "Principles above personalities?"

- Yes 13 58%
- No 0
- No answer 3 16%
- Sometimes 5 25%

.2. Do you think that there is a good rotation in service at the Area level?

- Yes 5 25%
- No 6 25%
- No answer 2 9%
- Sometimes 8 38%

3. How can we encourage new members to get involved in service?

- Need more education on how service works 4 20%
- Encourage people in service positions 6 25%
- No answer 5 25%
- Not sure 1 4%
- Change Assembly format 1 4%
- Invite them 3 16%
- Service mentor/2-year terms 1 4%

4. Is our Area supporting the groups and the districts well?

- Yes 12 58%
- No 2 9%
- No answer 0
- Sometimes 7 34%

- Better communication prior to Assembly
 - Reach out to dim & dark districts Gin
5. Are the Area Assemblies inviting and informative? Describe any suggestions that would enable us to improve the quality of the Assembly in the future.
- Yes 9 45%
 - No 2 8%
 - No answer 6 25%
 - Sometimes 1 4%
 - Wanted to go to Convention 1 4%
 - Biggest decision at the end of the day, too tired 1 4%
 - People need to read reports a head of time 1 4%
 - Get newcomers to come 1 4%
6. As Coordinators, do you feel supported in your position?
- Yes 11 55%
 - No 1 4%
 - No answer 7 35%
 - Sometimes 2 8%
7. What should happen for our Area to be more dynamic?
- No answer 5 25%
 - Get more people to come/more participation 9 45%
 - New Blood in leadership 1 4%
 - Change format 1 4%
 - More Alateen 2 8%
 - Better communication 1 4%
 - Update language/more inclusive 2 8%
8. What could we do to encourage the Alateen participation (members, groups, sponsors) at the Area Assemblies?
- No answer 8 38%
 - Get parents to bring teens to Alateen 2 8%
 - Don't have an answer 2 8%
 - NYN pay for more Alateen activities 1 4%
 - Provide more activities 1 4%
 - Invite them 3 5%
 - Al-Anon is Alateen/welcome them 1 4%
 - Time machine 1 4%
 - Don't be so boring 1 4%
 - Have Alateen participation 1 4%
9. What is the greatest strength of our Area?

- No answer 5 25%
- Hope 4 21%
- Fellowship 1 4%
- Regular meetings at District, Area and WSO level 1 4%
- Members 9 45%
- Active 1 4%

While the sample size was very small there is some good information here. The majority seem to feel that the Area is heading in the right direction. There were some suggestions that would be good to look at. Some are already being looked at.

Next Fall will be our Election Assembly. All officer and coordinator positions will be up for election. Hopefully there will be many members, old & new who will be willing to step up to service.