



Al-Anon –Southern California world Service (SCWS) - Area #04
Assembly–Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008

Fullerton Senior Service Center, Fullerton, CA

AGENDA

9:00 a.m. – New Group Representative Orientation – Craft Room

10:00 a.m. - Starting time– Please be Prompt

Chairperson – David B.

- Serenity Prayer and Welcome

Traditions read by: _____ District # _____

Treasurer's Report – Suzanne P.

Observe 7th Tradition (Continue the meeting while baskets are being passed)

Delegate's Report – Mary M.

- Updates from the WSO

Alternate Delegate's Report – Sandie E.

- Ask it Basket
 - Forum
 - SOS Workshops

Past Delegate's Report – Miriam McK.

Minutes Secretary – Cathy W.

Minutes from May 17 Assembly Meeting

Old Business:

1.

New Business:

1. Board Elections
2. By-Laws Changes

12:00 noon - Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. – Reconvene-Please be prompt

Concepts read by: _____ District # _____

Hospitality Report: Mary Lou V. Host Districts: 6,27,36,51,63,64,66,69,72,75 Thank you for all your help.

Convention Chairpersons' Reports

AFG Convention 2007 –Robin B.

So-Cal. AA Convention 2007 – Al-Anon – Laura McC.

So-Cal. Alateen Conf. (SCAC) – Ben A.

Ask It Basket – Q's & A's: Alternate Delegate – Sandie Etheridge

Action Committee Reports:

Group Services: Willie W.

Alateen Sponsor Coordinator: ~Position Open~

Alateen Coordinator: Daniel K.

Archives: Martha M.

Membership Communications: Cindy R.

Bulletin: Laurie E.

Literature: Lucia C.

Website: Ben P.

Forum: Sandie E.

Public Outreach: Robin Jaruszewski

Cooperating w/ Professional Community: Sandra W.

Institutions: Shirley Me.

Public Information: Portia S.

District Representatives' Reports

Intergroup Liaisons' Reports

Inland Empire: Beth G.

Intergrupul Hispania: (L.A. County) – Patrick B.

Los Angeles County: Kelly F.

Orange County: Ammo Q.

San Diego County: Jeannine B.

Ventura County: Cyndy P.

Al-Anon related Announcements (only if time permits)

Closing time - 4:00 p.m. - Close with Al-Anon Declaration

Please help clean up after and stack the grey chairs against the back wall and folding chairs in Craft Room.

REMINDERS:

- PLEASE LIMIT REPORTS to 2-3 minutes (does not apply to Officers) – submit printed report and media copy (disk) to the Minutes Secretary.
- DISCUSSION on a motion - please keep to 2-3 minutes at the mic; if your opinion has already been shared, please sit down to avoid repetition.
- CELL PHONES: please turn them OFF **or** set to SILENT mode



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Mark your Calendars!

Southern California World Service Area (SCWS) Events

SCWS Web-site: <http://scws-al-anon.org>

All SCWS meetings are held at the Fullerton Senior Service Center ON the 3rd Saturday of the month. February, May, August, & November (See map—page 3) Please plan on attending for the duration of the meeting to take advantage of all the experience has to offer! - If you are unable to stay please bring your alternate with you. Encourage all of your GR's to come also.

Southern California World Service Events

2008 – November 15 - **SCWS Area Assembly Meeting**

9:00 a.m. - Group Rep. (GR) Orientation and Information Session.

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Assembly Meeting - **Elections**

October 25 - **Longtimers Meeting** "Understanding Ourselves Through the Years"

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Fullerton Senior Center; see flyer page 23

Other Al-Anon Events

2008- Sept. 22-24 - Southern California AA Convention with A-Anon /Alateen participation San Diego
April 2-4 - Al-Anon Family Groups Convention, Ontario, CA

2010- July 1-4 AA International Convention with Al-Anon and Alateen Participation- San Antonio, TX

2013 - July Al-Anon International Convention with AA Participation – Vancouver, Canada

Flyers - *Districts often have special events-flyers announcing such events may be placed in the meeting hall. AFG and So. CAL Convention flyers and registration forms may also be placed there.*

Feel free to bring any other Al-Anon/Alateen related conventions and events, without limited attendance, and place them on the outer counter in the main entrance lobby.

**Check it
out!**

Our own Southern California Al-Anon web site - <http://SCWS-al-anon.org>

This Bulletin is published 4 times a year. The purpose is to provide information and announcements regarding Al-Anon/Alateen to the members in Southern California. All groups with a registered GR (Group Representative) will receive one free copy.

Officers' Reports

Delegate: Mary M.

August 16, 2008

It is with deep regret that I inform all of you of the death of our dear Rita McGuire (Panel 34). Rita was such a good friend and it was difficult to see her in so much pain, I will truly miss her we had some special moments together. I received a letter from Ric Buchanan at WSO expressing their sorrow at this sad news. I would like to ask you all to join in a moment of remembrance for Rita. (Pause)

As you may recall we did not submit a name to WSO (World Service Office) for a nominee for the Southwest Region. Hopefully we will take the opportunity to submit someone's name when the next request for Regional Trustee in our Area comes up. The trustee from the Southwest for the current year is Karen R. from Arizona.

I want to thank you all for allowing me to attend the International Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. It was an honor to represent our Area at this event. One of my favorite workshops was the one "Children of children of Alcoholics". It was a very moving meeting and touched my heart. Most of you know that my son is a recovering alcoholic and I always hope that his children will someday be involved in our wonderful program. I was a bit disappointed that only one member from So. Cal. dressed up and represented us in the parade. That member was Carmie, DR from District 40; she dressed up to represent the Ramona Pageant. We talked a lot about this and decided that in Vancouver in 2013 we will have a better organized group represent us at that International (some ideas were to have large signs with each letter of "Hollywood" as that would take 9 people, some people holding palm trees and beach balls, perhaps a few dressed as movie stars and ???). Thanks again to Carmie for taking the lead and being willing. Incidentally, we had a fire on the morning of the 4th in our hotel and we all had to evacuate for a couple hours, it was rather exciting and the firemen were quite impressed that we did so in such an orderly fashion, what did they expect, we are Al-Anons! I have some really great pictures of the fire trucks and the cute firemen.

Today we should have a preliminary budget to review from our Treasurer to be submitted to the Assembly for approval in November. Be sure and look this over and ask any questions or submit any comments that you might have. The equalized expense for this next year for the Conference is \$1250.00; the full cost for our Delegate will be \$1890.00 which we voted to send to WSO rather than just the equalized amount.

I received a request from the Nevada Assembly confirming that we had voted to allow the Bishop

Monday Night meeting to be a part of their assembly. I sent a letter to WSO for confirmation about two weeks ago and let them know that this was decided in our Area over 6 years ago.

During the past 3 months over 24,000 visitors have listened to our new podcasts! Over 60% of the listeners found the feed through Apple's iTunes store! These podcasts are really great. You can listen to them thru the Members' website or can download them to your MP3 player. The first two are now available and the third one should be out very soon. Our PSA "Sketches" has generated 31,601 airplays and in July appeared in the top 8% of the Nielsen ratings! I have a few copies of a letter that you might want to send to new people reaching out through the podcasts. If you are interested in being a contact through this media please see me sometime today and I will give you a copy.

The Literature Committee is now accepting resumes for at-Large members from anywhere in the U.S. and Canada. This change allows members to serve who have constraints on time and distance. The ability to use the Internet and attend conference calls is desired. If you are interested please let me know, this is one more way that we can serve the entire fellowship.

The Policy Committee recently discussed whether additional language was needed in the Policy Digest regarding anonymity and they feel that what is written in the guidelines and other service literature supports the Policy wording as **adopted in April of this year.**

An update on finance. Literature sales were down about 5% from last year. However the gross profit on sales was 82% this year compared to 80% last year. Also, income from Forum subscriptions is up about 2%. It should be noted that 4% of the average balance of the Reserve Fund over the prior 36 months will be transferred to the General Fund in compliance with a Board motion. By now you should have received the Quarterly Appeal letter be sure to pass it around at your groups and send in your donations.

Several people have asked me regarding an RSS next year. The only notification I have is that probably the 2009 Conference will be presented with an idea to strive to develop a plan for an innovative RSS.

WSO has asked that we give any input you might have on the process for managing excess bequest funds (this might be a good topic for discussion at your District Meetings) and that you let me know your ideas by December 1st so that I can in turn submit these ideas to the WSO by December 15th. This will help the Finance Committee as they plan for the 2009 WSC.

Hopefully you have all read and enjoyed the August issue of the Forum. The cover story was of special significance to me as my son is now a recovering alcoholic. I also enjoyed the Inside Al-Anon section and what it had to say about using new technology, this certainly will help us reach out to newer members.

For those of you that use the Alateen Sponsors

website, it should be noted that the new name of the site is now "So. Calif. Alateen Sponsors Group."

I hope all of you by this time have seen and read some of the new book "Discovering Choices" it is about relationships and the sharings are really wonderful. I am enjoying it as much as I do the "Opening our Hearts, Transforming our Losses" book.

I have brought some copies of the new "open letter" to a group re electing a new GR (Group Representative). I feel it covers all questions and also lets the groups know what a GR does and why it is important to give them time to share at your meetings, also expenses for and cooperation with the GR. It further explains what information your GR will be able to pass on to your groups because of their attendance at our Assemblies.

There have been some issues brought up this past year and I feel that our Area needs to be aware of what is happening. We have had a parent that came to us regarding SCAC as her daughter had had a problem with receiving a tattoo from another teenage girl while there in 2006, we have effectively responded to this parent and let her know that we have no liability in SCAC matters. I have also asked that the SCAC Sponsor write a letter to her on behalf of the SCAC Committee stating their opinion on this. Our liability insurance during that time has since expired (and did not cover SCAC activities) and our new insurance covers Alateen sponsors only in regard to Sexual misconduct and does not cover any liability at SCAC for SCWS as SCAC is a separate entity. The other item involves some questions regarding 50-50 raffles and after talking to counsel we feel that it is up to the individual groups whether to have a 50-50 or not as they are separate entities and it is up to them to decide how to comply with local laws. According to California Penal Code, Section 320.5 the law now states that 90% of the gross receipts must go to the nonprofit entity. This in effect rules out 50-50s as they divide the money equally. Please refer to page 87 in our Service Manual that states to check with local state laws and that we should not divert from our primary purpose. That section also refers to reading the "Fund Raising" section on Page 88 (actually this should read page 86, I have emailed WSO so they can correct this error).

I again would like to thank District 30 for having the "Crying House" billboard displayed in Pasadena in July. Hopefully we can all come up with some great new ideas for reaching out to prospective members.

I also want to thank those districts that have invited me to share with them, this month I visited with District 57 and what growth they have had, keep up the good work! Do not forget to ask any members of the Board to your meetings as we would love to share with you. I still have about 4 districts that I have not yet visited and hopefully they will ask me to come before my term is up.

I have order forms for the 2008 Conference Summary if you wish to order one. The form will also be in the Forum. I also will have copies available for all Officers, Coordinators and District Representa-

tives.

Danny, our Alateen Coordinator and I are working on the current (and hopefully the final) draft of our letter to Convention chairmen re adopting the Alateen Behavioral Guidelines into their written guidelines. We should have this done sometime before the Assembly in November.

I want to express my thanks to all of you for letting me be of service to our Area. The election will be here for our new panel before we know it. Please stand for one of the positions if you qualify. The rewards of being of service at this level have filled my life with so many wonderful experiences and allowed me to be of service to all of you.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M., Delegate

Panel 46, CA (S)

Chair

David B. No Report

Past Delegate Miriam Mc K.

An Ad Hoc committee has been reviewing the SCWS Bylaws for any updates that need to be incorporated from this 3-year term (2006- 2008). Members of the Committee are: Bernie S., Beth G., Kathy G., Martha M., Melissa P., Shirley M., Suzanne P., and Willie M. We don't plan to introduce new ideas in these revisions, only to add in things we've already voted on. Because we are incorporated we must have bylaws but the bylaws are meant to "follow us", not to lead us. We are lead by our Service Manual, our group conscience, and our Higher Power.

Any changes to the bylaws must be voted on by Group Representatives (GR). Per the bylaws advance notice of this vote is required. Copies of the proposed bylaw revisions were presented to District Representatives (DR) at the Aug. Committee meeting and are being sent to registered GRs as a part of the Bulletin. We request that DRs discuss these revisions with GRs so they come prepared to vote at the Nov. Assembly.

Please look in this Bulletin on pages 9-16 for a copy of the proposed Bylaw revisions.

Another Ad Hoc committee has been working on our trial restructure into Action Committees. This committee is composed of 2 GRs: Marilu and Melissa, 3 Board members: Martha, Shirley and Suzanne, and your 3 Action Committee Chairs: Cindy, Robin and Willie.

What we want to make clear to you is **how YOU can serve** as a member of the SCWS Board: (about 20 positions)

Five board positions will be elected at this November's Assembly (2008), using the basic guidelines in the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual (therefore, elected from those who have served as District Representatives).

The other positions, which are Coordinators (and possi-

bly Action Committee Chairs), are appointed by the new Chairperson and the other newly elected SCWS officers. You can express your interest to serve as a Coordinator (or possible Action Committee Chair) by submitting a resume form. The forms are on our SCWS **website at scws-al-anon.org** and will be available at the Assembly. Please call current board members if you are interested in their position so that you can ask specifics about their roles and responsibilities. All phone numbers are listed in the blue Bulletin. **To be considered for a Coordinator, or possible Action Committee Chairperson position, submit your completed resume form to the newly elected SCWS Chairperson following the Nov. 2008 Assembly.**

The SCWS elected Board positions are:
 Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chairperson, Treasurer, Minutes Secretary (outgoing Delegate serves as "Immediate Past Delegate")

SCWS appointed Coordinator positions (and possibly 3 Action Committee Chairs):

Alateen, Alateen Sponsor, Archives, Bulletin, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Group Records, Hospitality, Institutions, Literature, Public Information, Website (potentially, Coordinators could also be appointed to serve as their respective Action Committee Chairs)

Growing in Service,

Miriam McK.

Immediate Past Delegate (chair of Action Committee Ad Hoc committee and chair of Bylaws Ad Hoc committee)

Alt. Delegate Sandie E.

Thank you to all the District Representatives and their alternates who attended our information meeting at 9 this morning. We really had a great discussion covering many topics and each had the opportunity to share with the group. Great questions were asked and much experience, strength and hope were shared by all. Thank you for investing the time to join us in this forum. To the Group Representatives, I hope you will join us before the November Assembly where the same thing will happen. Many of you may be new and uncertain and hopefully we can welcome you warmly and give you a preview of what November 15 will bring.

THE FORUM: GRs, remember that you are your meeting's connection to *The Forum*, and you can have a subscription drawing at your meetings provided you get a group conscience. It's fun and you help carry the Al-Anon message.

ASK IT BASKET: The ask-it-basket was sent around for your questions. I have loved this part of my Alternate Delegate job because I get to learn so much as I research the answers to the questions submitted. It was great to be able to read and answer most at them at the Committee meeting this time. See elsewhere in the Bulletin for printed and more thoroughly researched answers.

SHARING OF SERVICE WORKSHOP: Our ad hoc committee is discussing now some of the nuts and bolts of getting our northern version underway. MARK YOUR CALENDARS for January 17, 2009 for the southern SOS to be held at the Fullerton Senior Citizens'

Center. The northern SOS will more than likely be held later in the year. I have asked Julie R., the DR for district 3 to chair this first-time event and she will be an important asset during the planning of the January, 09 event. More information and flyers will be available at the November Assembly.

MY ALATEEN HAT: We submitted a bid for the World Service Alateen Advisory Committee to hold their meeting at our November Assembly this year, however, we were not chosen. The prize went to Northern California and they will host the committee meeting at their assembly.

I continue to fill in as the Alateen Process Person, working with the certification process for Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS). We continue to receive new applications every week and currently have over 400 certified Alateen Sponsors. Remember, we have revised the AMIAS application process. Please discard any and all application forms you may have. They are all OBSOLETE. There is now a packet titled **"Application Packet for Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service."** Copies were available today and were distributed to the District Representatives to duplicate for use in each District. The forms are downloadable from our website www.scws-al-anon.org. Feedback that we have received from you lets us know that these application packets have made the process much easier. I had the privilege of attending the Southern California Alateen Conference again this year. Once again, I was blown away by the amazing Alateens, their love of the program and their excitement about service. I have to say that many of the problems of recent past years have been addressed by the SCAC leadership and there was displayed a "no tolerance" for inappropriate behavior. SCAC IS BACK! Congratulations to our own board member, Danny K. for his selection as SCAC chairman. I know he will keep with the standard of good leadership demonstrated, especially during the last two years.

I want to tell you how honored and privileged I am that you selected me to be of service to our fellowship as our Area's Alternate Delegate. I have learned so much during my time with this position, and have been truly gifted by the mentoring of Mary M., our delegate, and the amazing opportunities we all have been given. It's really hard to realize that we near the end of our service on this panel; three years seems like a long time when viewed from the front, but just a blip of time when seen from the present. Thank you. The door is open to all who enter and what we find inside are the most exciting opportunities to be had.

Love in Service,

Sandie E.

Alternate Delegate



SCWS Bylaws Proposed 2008 Revision Summary

NOTICE: Group representatives (GR) will **vote at the November 15, 2008 Assembly on these revisions to the Bylaws** of our Al-Anon Area: Southern California World Service (SCWS). The accompanying copy of the Bylaws indicates the proposed changes by underlining them. In addition, this single cover page summarizes the revisions and the reasons for the changes.

The Bylaws are reviewed at the end of each 3-year term to see if any of the motions that have been made in the previous 3 years need to be included in the Bylaws. Only motions that directly affect the Bylaws are included in the proposed bylaws revision (but a list of all motions can be found on our Area's website: scws-al-anon.org, using the link at the bottom of the home page.) Therefore, basically, these revisions include mainly the exact wording of motions that have already been approved in the past and some minor grammar cleanup type revisions. Al-Anon service can help us learn that there are "no big deals" in Al-Anon service. Approving these bylaw revisions can be an example of "no big deal" and an opportunity to keep it simple (even though it doesn't necessarily look simple).

The following is a summary of the revisions proposed in 2008 to the Southern California World Service (SCWS) Bylaws:

Various minor spelling, commas and numbering formatting have been corrected by your trusted servants who worked on the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee this past year.

Article V, Section 1, C. = "Conditions of Office" added **to include wording of 2 motions passed by the Assembly in May 2006** (listed under "C" as "1" and "2")

Article V, Section 4, D. = Contributions to WSO revised to show May instead of Nov. **per motion at Assembly in November 2000**

Article IX, Section 1 = added back in the header text from original bylaws that was moved in previous revision to be under A., and therefore no header was showing in most recent bylaws (this is basically a formatting correction)

Article IX, Section 2, A., 1. = (formatting correction as above, back to original bylaws)

Article IX, Section 2, B., 7. = removed Lone Member and replace with Web Coordinator **per motion made at Assembly May 2006**

Article X, Section 2 = added back original header that was somehow left out previously

Article XI, Section 2, C. and D. = removed asterisk that was left over from previous revision that had indicate text that was deleted at that time

Article XI, Section 3, A., 5. and 6. = changed word to chairperson for consistency

Article XI, Section 3, B. = changed word to chairperson for consistency

Article XI, Section 3, C., 4. = changed word to chairperson for consistency

Added revision date of 2008

DRAFT of Bylaws with PROPOSED revisions, August 2008

Bylaws Of Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc.

A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation

ARTICLE I

OFFICES

Section 1. Name of Corporation

The name of the corporation is Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc. (hereafter referred to as SCWS).

Section 2. Principal Office

The principal office of SCWS for the transaction of its business is located in the county of Los Angeles, California.

Section 3. Change of Address

The county of SCWS's principal office can be changed only by amendment of these Bylaws and not otherwise. The current address is:

Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc.
C/O Willie E. Williams
1 West California Blvd #222
Pasadena CA 91105

The Members may, however, change the principal office from one location to another within the named county by noting the changed address and effective date below, and such changes of address shall not be deemed an amendment of these Bylaws:

1 West California Blvd. #214, Pasadena CA 91105 dated: May 1st, 1994
1 West California Blvd. #222, Pasadena CA 91105 dated: May, 2002
1 West California Blvd. #222, Pasadena CA 91105 dated: November, 2005
1 West California Blvd. #222, Pasadena CA 91105 dated: November, 2008

Section 4. Other Offices

SCWS may also have its offices at such other places where it is qualified to do business as its business may, from time to time, designate. SCWS restricts its business to the counties of Southern California. For purposes of these Bylaws, Southern California extends as far north to include the counties of San Bernardino, Kern, San Luis Obispo then including all the counties between and south to include San Diego and Imperial counties.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES

Section 1. Objectives and Purpose

The objectives of the Corporation are:

To encourage unity of purpose and the growth of Al-Anon/Alateen Family Groups and Alateen Groups in Southern California.

- A: To meet, discuss and develop policies concerning Al-Anon/Alateen activities to cooperate with AFG, Inc., and to send Delegate(s) to the World Service Conference as required.
- C. To conduct other business as needed in keeping with the Twelve Steps, Traditions and Concepts of Service.

Section 2. Principles of Operation

- A. **Adherence to Al-Anon Principles:** SCWS shall at all times adhere to the principles expressed in Al-Anon's Twelve Steps, Traditions and Concepts of Service. In the event that any bylaw conflicts with the Traditions and Concepts, application of the Traditions and Concepts shall take precedence over adherence to the bylaw.
- B. **Additional References:** SCWS shall refer for guidance to literature, memoranda, procedural manuals, and guidelines published by the AFG, Inc. in the conduct of its business.
- C. **Relationship to Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen Groups:**
SCWS is not directly connected to, assumes no responsibility for, and exercises no control over any other element of Al-Anon including individual Al-Anon Family Groups, Alateen Groups, Districts, Al-Anon Information Services (Intergroups), {AIS} and Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. SCWS serves all Al-Anon/Alateen Family Groups Information Services (Intergroups) {AIS} and Districts, which participate in its functions. SCWS provides a link for all groups to participate in the service structure through which Al-Anon's group conscience speaks.

ARTICLE III

SCWS ASSEMBLY MEMBERS

Section 1. Definition and Duties of Members

A. Members: Members of SCWS are any persons selected as a Group Representative (GR), as designated in Article III, Section 4, of any Al-Anon/Alateen Family Group registered with the Recording Secretary of SCWS and who attends any duly authorized regular, special or election meeting of SCWS Assembly.

B. SCWS Officers: SCWS officers, as defined in Article V, Section 4, are also members of SCWS Assembly.

C. Other members include: Coordinators, District Representatives, Past Delegates, Intergroup {AIS} Representatives, and Convention Chairs from AFG, Southern California and SCAC.

Section 2. Determination and Rights of Members

SCWS Assembly shall have only one class of members and, except as provided in or authorized by the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of SCWS, all memberships shall have the same rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions. All members have voice, only registered Group Representatives or their alternate, should have a vote. Each Group representative may represent only a single group, and shall cast only one vote, even though he or she would otherwise be eligible for multiple votes.

Section 3. Eligibility of Registered Groups

Participation in SCWS Assembly by an Al-Anon/Alateen Family Group shall be voluntary.

Duties of the Group Representative or Alternate

The Group Representative duties include:

- A. Being the link between his/her group and SCWS Assembly, encouraging the exchange of information.
- B. Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Group Representative as described in the World Service Manual and Such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS
- C. Shall elect the officers and vote on other matters of the organization presented to them.

Section 4. Eligibility of Members

- A. A Group Representative (GR) is a person representing an Al-Anon Family Group or Alateen Group.
- B. The term of office for Group Representative shall be three (3) years. The method of selection of the Group Representative is up to the group conscience of the particular Al-Anon Family Group or Alateen Group.

Section 5. Fees, Dues and Assessments

There are no dues, fees or assessments required for membership in SCWS. Contributions by participating Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen Groups are encouraged, but are entirely voluntary.

Section 6. Number of Members

There is no limit on the number of Members that SCWS may admit. However, each Al-Anon Family Group or Alateen Group is limited to one voting member.

Section 7. Non-liability of Members

A Member of SCWS is not, as such personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of SCWS, AFG, Inc. and Al-Anon Family Groups, Alateen Groups, Districts and Information Services (Intergroups) who participate in SCWS are also not liable for the debts, liabilities, or obligations of SCWS.

Section 8. Amendments Resulting in the Termination Of Memberships

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, if any amendment of the Articles of Incorporation or to the Bylaws of SCWS would result in termination of all memberships or any class of memberships, then such amendment or amendments shall be effected only in accordance with the provisions of Section 5342 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.

ARTICLES IV MEETINGS OF SCWS ASSEMBLY

Section 1. Place of Meetings

Meetings of members shall be held within Southern California as may be designated from time to time by the Chairperson.

Section 2. Annual and Other Regular Meetings

The members shall meet annually during the month of November of each year, at a time, date and place determined by the Chairperson, for the purpose of conducting any SCWS Assembly business. Every three years the Members shall elect SCWS Assembly officers, the Delegate, and Alternate Delegate/Vice-Chairperson. The Chairperson may choose to conduct any SCWS business at other times of the year, by designating other meeting times and locations, and properly notifying all registered groups of this meeting.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings

- A. Manners of giving notice:** To the extent that notice of change of meeting times, notice of special meetings, or any other notice is given, adequate notice shall be deemed to have been given if it is announced at a regular meeting of SCWS, or given verbally in person or by telephone, or by mail, addressed to the Al-Anon/Alateen family Group at the address given to SCWS for purpose of notice.
- B. Time of notice:** Notice of special meetings must be given at least thirty (30) days prior to a meeting.
- C. Contents of notice.**
 - 1. The notice of any regular meeting shall state the place, date and time of meeting.
 - 2. The notice of any special meeting, including changes of meeting times, shall state the place, date, time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted.
 - 3. In the written notice of any meeting, the contents of Article IV, section 3C shall be stated.

Section 4. Majority Action as Membership Action

Every act or decision done or made by a majority (more than 50%) of votes cast at a duly held meeting is the act of the Members, unless the law, the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or these Bylaws require a greater number.

Section 5. Voting Rights

Each eligible voting member is entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote. Voting at duly held meetings shall be by show of hand vote. However, election of officers shall be by written ballot.

Section 6. Conduct of Meetings

Meetings of members shall be presided over by the Chairperson, or in his/her absence, by the immediate Past Delegate. In the absence of the Chairperson and also the immediate Past Delegate the Alternate Delegate/Vice Chairperson would preside. The Minutes Secretary of SCWS Assembly shall act as Secretary of all the meetings of Members, provided that in his/her absence, the Chairperson shall appoint another person to act as Minutes Secretary of the meeting. SCWS Assembly meetings shall be held in an orderly manner according to such rules as SCWS may adopt from time to time. Adherence to strict parliamentary procedure is not required.

Section 7. Record Date for Meetings

The record date for purposes of determining the members entitled to notice, voting rights, written ballot rights, or any other right with respect to a meeting of Members or any other lawful membership action, shall be fixed pursuant to Section 5611 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.

ARTICLE V SCWS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Section 1. Definition of Members

- A.** Members of the Southern California World Service Committee (hereinafter referred to as SCWSC) are the SCWS Assembly officers, SCWS Assembly Coordinators, District Representatives, Information Services (Intergroup) Liaisons, Convention Liaisons for Southern California AA convention with Al-Anon participation, Southern California AFG, SCAC. *(Formatted: Bullets and Numbering)*
- B. Terms of office:**
 - 1. **For District Representative or Alternate:** shall be up to three (3) years. The method of selection of the District Representative is up to the group conscience of the particular District. (See current SCWS Al-Anon/Alateen rotation flow chart.)
 - 2. **For Information Services (Intergroup) Liaison:** shall be up to three (3) years. The method of selection of the Liaison is up to the group conscience of the particular Information Service.
 - 3. **For Conventions Liaison:** shall be up to three (3) years. The method of selection shall be up to the group conscience of the Convention Committee.
 - 4. **For SCWS Assembly Officers:** shall be three (3) years beginning January 1st and ending December 31st. The method of selection shall be as stated in the election process, Article VIII, Section 2.
 - 5. **For Coordinators:** shall be three (3) years, beginning January 1st and ending on December 31. The method of selection shall be as stated in the election process, Article VIII, Section 2.
- C. Conditions of Office**
 - 1. Board Members (Officers and Coordinators) must be residents of Southern California (Area 4). Any Board Member who moves his/her residence out of Area 4 during his/her panel will resign his/her position.
 - 2. Policy for procedures to remove elected officers and coordinators:
 - a. Concern should be brought to the Chairperson and Alternate Delegate regarding attendance at required meetings and fulfillment of responsibilities of the service description.
 - b. Chairperson would then be responsible to discuss the concerns with the members in question to assure fairness in dealing with the member.
 - c. Chairperson would act in accordance with the general consensus of the SCWS Board prior to removal.
 - d. Removal consideration would be appropriate under the following conditions:

- i. Failure to attend two meetings as listed in the service position description, without advanced notice or reasons according to the Group Conscience of the SCWS and/or*
- ii. Failure to carry out the responsibilities, as listed in the service position description.*

Section 2. Functions of the SCWS Committee

To develop agenda items for the Assembly meetings.

Section 3. Meetings

Meetings are called and chaired by the SCWS Chairperson.

Section 4. Duties of SCWS Committee Members

A. Duties of the Delegate

The Delegate: Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Delegate as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS.

B. Duties of the Alternate Delegate

The Alternate Delegate: Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Alternate Delegate as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS.

C. Duties of the Chairperson

The Chairperson: Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chairperson as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS.

D. Duties of the Treasurer

The Treasurer: Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS. Makes a recommendation to the May Assembly regarding the amount of annual contribution to WSO. (~~Deleted: November~~)

E. Duties of the Minutes Secretary

Minutes Secretary: Shall perform all duties incident to the office of Minutes Secretary as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS.

1. The Minutes Secretary shall record minutes of all Assembly, Committee, Board, and specially called meetings; submit them for publication in each successive issue of the Bulletin, keep a record of the minutes of the Area, prepare copies of meeting agendas for notification of upcoming meeting.

F. Duties of District Representative or Alternate

The District Representative duties include:

1. Being the link between his/her district and SCWS Assemble, encouraging the exchange of information.
2. Performing all duties incident to the office of District Representative as described in the World Service Manual and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation of SCWS, or by these Bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her from time to time by SCWS.

G. Duties of the Records Coordinator

Keep a record of the registered Al-Anon/Alateen Family Groups indicating their names and addresses for notification of the meetings.

ARTICLE VI

LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY OF INTERIM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Any interim board of directors appointed by the corporation shall be appointed solely to carry out the following actions: (i) to change the name of the corporation to Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc., (ii) appoint as officers of the corporation such persons as are currently officers of Southern California World Service Assembly, (iii) change the registered agent for service of process, (iv) adopt these bylaws, (v) resolve that the corporation be governed by the current non profit corporation law, (vi) file amended and restated articles of incorporation, and (vii) appoint as new directors of the corporation those persons duly appointed by the interim board as officers and (viii) resign their directorships as interim board members immediately thereafter.

ARTICLE VII VOTING

Section 1. Assembly, Annual, Regular, Election and Special Meetings

Each registered group is entitled to one vote. This vote shall be cast in person by the Group Representative, or, in his/her absence, the Alternate Group Representative of each registered Al-Anon Family Group and/or Alateen Group.

Section 2. World Service Committee Meetings Each member of this committee is entitled to a voice at committee meetings. The committee consists of Elected Officers, the Past Delegate, Coordinators, Inter-group and Convention Liaisons, District Representatives, or their Alternate.

Article VIII ELECTIONS

Section 1. Number of Officers

The Officers/Directors of SCWS Assembly shall be the Chairperson, Delegate, Alternate Delegate/Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, and Minutes Secretary. The authorized number of directors of the corporation shall be no less than four and no more than eight until changed by amendment of these bylaws. The exact number shall be fixed within these limits by a resolution adopted by the Officers/Directors.

Section 2. Election Process

The only requirement for membership in Al-Anon is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend.

Voting members of the SCWS Area Assembly are those chosen to be the Group Representative (GR). Or the alternate GR may vote when the GR is not present. Each group may only have one vote and any GR may only represent one group (one vote).

No member of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) may serve above the group level - as defined in the Al-Anon /Alateen Service Manual. No member of AA may serve as GR to the SCWS Assembly Area.

Regular elections are held every three (3) years beginning with the November Assembly in 1993.

Cumulative voting for the election of officers shall not be permitted. Each voting member shall cast only one vote, with voting done by written ballot; except when there is only one candidate for a position and then a motion can be made to confirm them by a show of hands.

At the start of an election Assembly, the procedure is described. A vote of acceptance of the method is taken before balloting begins. The process used is based on the World Service guidelines.

Those who are or have been District Representatives are asked to express their willingness to serve. Those who affirm their willingness for the position stated, then become nominees.

Beginning with the position of Delegate, the first to receive 2/3 of the written ballot votes is elected as Delegate.

The Alternate Delegate is elected next following the same process.

The other Officers are elected by a simple majority starting with Chairperson, followed by Minutes Secretary and Treasurer.

If an elected Officer is unable to complete his/her term, the Chairperson may appoint someone to fill in until an election is held at the next assembly to elect someone to complete the remainder of the term.

See the Al-Anon World Service Handbook for further election information and policies regarding vacancies.

ARTICLE IX DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES BY OFFICERS

Section 1. Creation

SCWS assembly Chairperson may, from time to time, create committees or appoint Coordinators who shall have specific limited authority to deal with a particular function, event or issue.

Section 2. All Coordinators

A. Duties of Coordinator:

1. Shall be appointed to a three (3) year term of service by the newly elected Officers together with the present (recent) and past Delegate. *(Deleted: From time to time, the SCWS Assembly Chairperson may create committees or appoint Coordinators who shall have specific limited authority to deal with a particular function, event or issue.)*
2. Shall serve without pay but with reimbursement for expenses.
3. Shall attend two Assembly and two Committee meetings annually plus any additional meetings called by the Chairperson.
4. Shall prepare written reports for each Bulletin issued.

B . Existing Coordinators

1. **Alateen Sponsor Coordinator:** Shall be the link between the WSO, SCWS Area; The Alateen groups, the individual District and Intergroup's Alateen Coordinators.
2. **Alateen Coordinator:** Shall as an Alateen member, assist the Alateen Sponsor Coordinator.
3. **Archives Coordinator:** Shall assemble, maintain and store the historical artifacts for this World Service Area. Shall maintain and store the entire record of minutes dating back to 1960. Shall chair Longtimer's Meeting for current panel.
4. **Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC) Coordinator:** Shall be the link between WSO, SCWS Area, the District and Intergroup Coordinators working to carry the Al-Anon/Alateen message to the professional.
5. **Institutions Coordinator:** Shall be the link between WSO, SCWS Area, the District and Intergroup Coordinators working to carry the Al-Anon/Alateen message to Al-Anons involved in institutions. Shall be the Al-Anon Chair of the AA H&I Conference with Al-Anon participation. Provides information, flyers and registration forms at Committee and Assembly Meetings.
6. **Literature Coordinator:** Shall be the link relaying information to and from our Area regarding Conference Approved Literature (CAL).
7. **Website Coordinator:** Shall *coordinate the SCWS website to help facilitate communication within the various levels of service.* *(Deleted: Lone Member Coordinator and Deleted: be the link between the WSO and the SCWS Area regarding lone member service.)*
8. **Records Coordinator:** Shall keep a record of the registered Al-Anon/Alateen Family Groups indicating their names and addresses for notification of meetings.
9. **Newsletter Editor:** Shall publish the Bulletin and see that it is issued on a timely basis as authorized by the SCWS Assembly.
10. **Public Information (PI) Coordinator:** Shall be the link between the WSO, SCWS Area, the District and Intergroup Coordinators working to carry the Al-Anon/Alateen message to the public.
11. **Intergroup Liaisons: {AIS}** Shall be the link between the SCWS Area and individual Intergroups {AIS} within our Area's Boundary selected by individual Intergroup {AIS} autonomy.
12. **Convention Liaisons:** Shall be the link between the SCWS Area and AFG Convention, SCAC Convention and Southern California AA Convention with Al-Anon participation only. Selected by individual convention autonomy.

ARTICLE X

EXECUTION OF INSTRUMENTS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

Section 1. Execution of Instruments

The members, except as provided in these Bylaws, may by resolution or group consciences authorize any Officer or agent of SCWS Assembly to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of SCWS, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized, no Officer, agent, or employee shall have any power or authority to bind SCWS Assembly by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable monetarily for any purpose or in any amount.

Section 2. Checks and Notes

Except as otherwise specifically determined by resolution or by group conscience of members, or as otherwise required by law, checks, drafts, promissory notes, orders for the payment of money, and other signs of indebtedness of SCWS Assembly shall be signed by the Treasurer or one other Officer

Section 3. Deposits All funds of SCWS shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of SCWS in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Officers may select. SCWS shall not act as a trustee of any trust, nor shall funds be used specifically for investment purposes with exception of savings and CD accounts.

Section 4. Gifts Officers may accept on behalf of SCWS any contribution, gift, bequest, or device for the charitable or public purposes of SCWS Assembly. Contributions are accepted only from Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen Groups, from recognized Al-Anon and Alateen activities, and from individual Al-

Anon/ Alateen members, or in a bequest from the family of an individual AI-Anon or Alateen member, shall be in accordance with the recommendation of AFG, Inc.

ARTICLE XI SCWS ASSEMBLY RECORDS AND REPORTS

Section 1. Maintenance of SCWS Records

SCWS shall keep:

- A. Minutes of all meetings of Officers and/or members, indicating the time and place of holding such meetings, whether regular or special, how called, the notice given, and the names of Assembly Committee members present and the proceedings thereof.
- B. Adequate and correct books and records of account, including accounts of its properties and business transactions and account of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains and losses.
- C. A record of the registered AI-Anon/Alateen Family Groups indicating their names and addresses.
- D. A copy of SCWS's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the members of SCWS at all reasonable times during office hours.

Section 2. Annual Report

The Officers shall cause an annual report to be published not later than one hundred and twenty (120) days after the close of the fiscal year. The annual report will be made available to the Officers, members of the SCWS Assembly, and to each registered AI-Anon/Alateen Family Group or to those groups which made a monetary contribution in the immediately preceding year, where practical. This report shall contain the following information in appropriate detail:

- A. Assets and liabilities of SCWS as of the end of the fiscal year.
- B. The principal changes in assets and liabilities during the fiscal year.
- C. The revenue or receipts of SCWS (,)for the fiscal year. *Coma deleted*
- D. The expenses of disbursements of SCWS (,) during the fiscal year. *(Coma deleted)*

Section 3. Accounting Review Procedure

A. Treasurer

1. Make "Group Contribution" deposits at least twice per month including all checks received by month end.
2. Prepare and print checking account "Bank Reconciliation" monthly.
3. Print "Cash Balance Report" monthly.
4. Print "Checking Account Register" monthly.
5. Mail copies of monthly "Checking Account Register", "Cash Balance Report" bank statement(s) and checking account "Bank Reconciliation" to SCWS Chairperson. *(Deleted; Area Chairman)*
6. Prepare a receipt, in duplicate, for "7th Tradition" and "Special Meeting" contributions, and have a second Board Member verify the count and co-sign the receipt. Give one copy of the signed receipt to the Chairperson. *(Deleted; Area Chairman)*

Chairperson *(Deleted; Area Chairman)*

1. Obtain a receipt signed by two Board Members for "7th Tradition" and "Special Meeting" contributions.
2. Review monthly reports as follows:
 - a) "Group Contributions" deposits are made at least twice monthly.
 - b) Identify "7th Tradition" and "Special Meeting" deposits.
 - c) Review "changes" in bank account balances for reasonableness.
 - d) Review propriety of "payees" in the "Checking Account Register."
3. Insure the Annual Audit Report appears in the "Bulletin."

C. Annual Audit by Committee

1. Audit Committee to consist of two past Area Members.
2. Treasurer to provide annual records to the Audit Committee on or before January 31st.
3. Audit Committee to complete their review for the February Committee Meeting and file a report with the Minutes Secretary with a copy to the Treasurer. Report to be printed in the "Bulletin" in conjunction with the Treasurer's report for that meeting.
4. Responsible for assuring that the Treasurer and Chairperson are following monthly procedures.

ARTICLE XII

AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any time by a two-thirds vote of the SCWS members present at any regular or special meeting, provided a copy of the proposed amendment has been submitted to each registered group representative at least forty five (45) days before the meeting at which a vote is scheduled on the amendment.

ARTICLE XIII

PROHIBITION AGAINST SHARING CORPORATE PROFITS AND ASSETS

No member, officer, employee, or other person connected with SCWS, or any private individual, shall receive at any time, any of the net earnings or pecuniary profit from the operations of SCWS, provided however, that this provision shall not prevent payment to any such person or reasonable compensation for services performed for SCWS in effecting any of its public or charitable purposes, provided that such compensation is otherwise permitted by these Bylaws and is fixed by resolution of the Members; and no such person or persons shall be entitled to share in the distribution of, and shall not receive, any of SCWS's assets on dissolution of SCWS. All members shall be deemed to have expressly consented and agreed that on such dissolution or winding up of the affairs of SCWS, whether voluntary or involuntarily, the assets of SCWS, after all debts have been satisfied, shall be distributed as required by the Articles of Incorporation and not otherwise.

Revised: May 1995, May 2002, November 2005, November 2008

Editors Note: All revisions are in *Italics* and underlined. I took care not to lose any of the wording or formatting in the transfer of the document to the Bulletin. Any misplaced wording was not intentional.

A big **THANK YOU** to all of you who got their reports in on time for publication in this issue of the Bulletin. In order to ensure the Bulletin is printed and distributed in a timely manner, it is **imperative** that our submittal deadlines be observed. **The next Deadline will be November 21st. One week after the assembly meeting.** I know it is the Holiday time, so get it in early!

Lovin' this Service,
Laurie E., Bulletin Coordinator

Minutes of Area Committee Meeting **August 16, 2008**

David, the Chairperson, opened the meeting at 10:00 am, with the Serenity Prayer, and then stated the purpose of our meeting. The primary purpose is to set the agenda for the November Assembly. The November Assembly agenda will include holding elections for the next panel.

Election Procedures for November Assembly

The positions listed below are elected positions:

Delegate - 2/3 vote

Alt Delegate - 2/3 vote

Chairperson - Majority vote

Treasurer - Majority vote

Min Secretary - Majority vote

Appointed Coordinator positions include: Alateen, Alateen Sponsor, Archives, Bulletin Editor, Cooperation with the Professional Community, Group Records, Hospitality, Institutions, Literature, Public Information, and Website. Some coordinators may also be called upon to serve as the respective Action Committee Chair.

Appointments are made by the newly elected Chairperson and SCWS Board members. Those interested in serving may submit a resume form, which will be made available at the Assembly. Resume forms may also be found on our SCWS website at <http://www.scws-al-anon.org>. Completed resumes should be submitted to the newly elected SCWS Chairperson following the November 15, 2008, Assembly.

Documents distributed: Pages of Southern California Bylaws referencing the Duties of the SCWS Committee Members, Page in Service Manual referencing Election procedures (pg 136-138). All DR/A District Representatives tasked with informing Group Representatives of the Election Assembly Procedure (Service Manual, pg 136); election of the World Service Delegate (Service Manual, pg 137); election of the Alternate Delegate (Service Manual, pg 138); and the voting procedures (Bylaws, Article VII). Election will occur in the morning at the Assembly.

If we have two primary runners, will ask if others want to withdraw.

This Area has never followed the exact voting procedures outlined in the Service Manual when determining at which time to "go to the hat".

New District Representatives and Alternates were introduced: Paula - ADR/27; Lorena - DR/10; Pat - DR/17; Paula F. - ADR/66; Truck - DR/60; Linda - DR/64; and Aggie - ADR/9.

Traditions read by: Maria (D/30).

Treasurer's Report - Suzanne P.

See the Bulletin for full report. Copies of Treasurer's report were distributed, and it has already been sent to the Bulletin editor and will be included in the next printing. Please review the report with your Group Representatives and forward any questions to me before the Assembly so that the questions can be addressed up front at the Assembly. It has been a pleasure to serve you. Hopefully some

on so there really are no big deals. District Representatives are tasked with reviewing this with their Group Representatives so that we can go forward and request approval of the changes without going over each and every item. The proposal will also be printed in the Bulletin. We are required to present to the Group Representatives 45 days before the event. The committee decided that we do not need to have paper copies of the Bylaws at the Assembly, instead we can refer Group Representatives to our web site. In addition, there will be additional copies of the Bulletin made available at the Assembly.

Restructure Ad-hoc committee will not have anything for the November Assembly but will present at the next Assembly. The coordinator resume form was distributed along with an explanation of the difference between elected positions and appointed positions.

Minutes Secretary – Cathy W.

February minutes were approved as submitted.

Records Secretary's Report & Roll Call – Jayme P.

All District Representatives and Group Representatives should register with Jayme. The complete committee list is provided to all District Representatives and emailed to WSO as well. Attended the International Convention and it was a fabulous experience. There was an Amish presence, which was nice to see, as I always think they're "perfect".

Position duties: I'm in constant contact with the Records person at WSO. Their new system no longer contains the leading zeros on the group IDs. This position requires some time as well as computer literacy, and the ability to perform detective work in straightening out records. The database used is Microsoft Access. We now have the ability for Groups to update their records via our SCWS website. In addition WSO has given me the ability to update records via the Web too. The requirement of Group Representatives to submit two forms has now changed such that only one form is required. Submit the SCWS form to the Records Secretary; the Records Secretary will submit changes to the WSO.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Not all of the following necessarily needs to be discussed at the upcoming Assembly. AWSC can discuss today to determine whether these will be presented to the Assembly.

- Budget 2009 – must be presented to Assembly.
 - o Increase mileage
 - o Translation expense
 - o Not increasing the income due to economy; reflected a slight decrease in income
 - o Budget is not set in stone – a guideline. There is some give and take between committee members.
 - o Audit recommendations – found on page 26 of the Bulletin. Two different items: 1) the audit and 2) the audit recommendations.
 - o The audit will be presented at the November Assembly.
 - o Proposed by David that the recommendations be given to the next panel for discussion/decision. Not

suggesting that we "table" it but instead pass it on to the next panel.

✦ Recommendations (pg 26) have never been published in the Bulletin before and are proprietary to the Board. These are usually discussed by the Board and do not need to go the Assembly (per Bylaws).

✦ The May 2008 Assembly requested only that the audit be printed in the Bulletin (which it was, top 1/2 of pg 25). Top 1/2 of page 25 was mislabeled as the Audit Report when it is really the Audit Opinion.

✦ All agreed that the audit report will not be taken forward to the Assembly. The motion made at the May 2008 Assembly was satisfied.

✦ North/South Convention – presented by Mary – holding a convention in the middle part of California combining both N/S California. This has been done in the past but fell apart in 1987. Recommendation to pass on to the next Board as a thought. **Heidi D/24 made motion to present to the next panel. 2nded by Paula D27. No dissenting. Motion passed.**

✦ Bylaws changes – will be in the Bulletin. **All were in favor of placing on the Assembly agenda.**

✦ Discussion of Intergroup Liaisons – presented by Shirley – inviting Intergroup H&I and Public Outreach liaisons to participate in the Assembly Action Committees.

o Bernie – don't agree.

o Sandra – we all work together

o Tina – have been concerned with LA Intergroup not being in attendance. It may be because they have a Friday night meeting and our meetings are held on Saturday.

o Truck – extending an invitation to Intergroup coordinators to participate – don't think this is a problem and don't understand why we need to decide. This invitation should come from one person versus different chairs extending invitations.

o Linda D/54 – should be held over to next panel

o Willie D/9 – in my district, a lot of the Group Representatives do Public Information work. Don't see any problem with inviting Intergroup coordinators to have a voice in Action Committees.

o Heidi – have an Intergroup coordinator in my district who voices concern about so much separation between Area and Intergroup in the Action Committee work

o Aggie – want to clarify that it's only at the Action Committee (all agreed).

o Robin – it's just an invitation. It's about sharing information. Intergroup does things we don't and vice versa. It's just sharing information.

o Suzanne – are our action committees restricted to only participation by those at the Assembly? (No one thought so.) If there is no restriction, then the Action Committee chairperson's can extend the invitations.

o Beth (Inland Empire Intergroup Liaison) – The Action Committees run really well and I take the synopsis from each back to the Intergroup. Think it all works well.

David – do we have consensus to open up the Action Committees to Intergroup coordinators. **All agreed.**

Observe 7th Tradition

Lunch Break at 12:45 PM

Reconvened at 1:45 PM

Concepts read by: Tina D/21

Hospitality Report – Presented by David

Host districts for November Assembly:

6,27,36,51,63,64,66,69,72, and 75.

Convention Chairpersons' Reports

- ★ AFG Convention 2008 –Robin B. – No Report
- ★ So-Cal. AA Convention with Al-Anon Participation 2008 – Laura McC.

o There is a fundraiser this Saturday night (8/23), which is almost sold out. There may be a few tickets sold at the door. It'll be a night of good food, speakers and a comedy.

o Convention highlights: Opening speaker is Michele W. from Van Nuys, the Saturday morning speaker is Betty Ann Z. from Woodland Hills, the luncheon speaker is Susan B. from Tulsa OK, and the closing speaker is Kay B. from Covina. Saturday night highlights include a Marriage in Recovery panel at 2:30 PM featuring 2 couples (Pat and Cliff R. from Oceanside; and Missy and Russ S. from San Diego; A Longtimers' marathon from 4-5 PM; a Bilingual marathon from 5-6 PM, and a full Alateen program.

o Attendance update: There are only 360 people registered so far (that's everyone...no just Al-Anons). The goal is 2008 in 2008 and as Al-Anon is typically 40% of the registrants, our goal is 800. Please get your registrations and room reservations in now! The room reservations help to offset the cost to the convention. It's always hard to go to a convention – arrangements must be made for babysitters or dog walkers or just packing – but it's well worth the effort once you are at the convention. It's the ol' character building behavior versus the immediate comfort of familiar behavior of staying home! I have always heard, "have a quality program, have a quality life." This convention is truly quality and worth making the effort to attend and support. "Just get in the car!" which has been our underlying theme this year. So-Cal. Alateen Conf. (SCAC) – Danny K. – No Report

Action Committee & Coordinators' Reports

- ★ Group Services: Willie W. – No report.
- ★ Alateen Sponsor Coordinator: Open – report given by Sandie. Over 400 registered sponsors. WSO forming a Train-the-Trainer piece for Alateen Sponsors.
- ★ Alateen Coordinator: Danny K. – No report
- ★ Archives: Martha M. – See Bulletin for full report. Longtimers' meeting 10/25. The newly refurbished traveling archives are beautiful.
- ★ Membership Communications: Cindy R. – No report.
- ★ Bulletin: Laurie E. – I have really enjoyed this commitment. I will continue placing more job descriptions in the next Bulletin. Due date for reports in the Bulletin is 8/23. Please be sure to put your District numbers in the subject line. Let all Group Representatives know about the errors in the Bulletin, i.e., the date for our next Assembly is the November 15th not

the 16th.

★ Literature: Lucia C. – there is a new book called Discovering Choices. Someone asked why we have so many books. The reason is because our membership asks for them. WSO would like to know whether this book has "hit the mark". Questionnaires asking for input were distributed. Please fill it out & turn in.

★ Website: Ben P. – No report.

★ Public Outreach: Robin J. – September is National Recovery Month. Look for sharing recovery opportunities in your area.

★ Cooperating w/Professional Community: Sandra W. – No report.

★ Institutions: Shirley M. – I have been trying to forward items to District Representatives but have not been successful. I will send my job description as soon as I can get my email straightened out. There is a box of Forums, both English and Spanish available on the counter. Please take and distribute them.

Public Information: Portia S. – there are two displays that PI is in charge of. We now have both again.

District Representatives' Reports (See the Bulletin for full reports)

- D3 – Julie - San Louis Obispo AA Convention with Al-Anon participation is 8/22-8/24. Al-Anon luncheon speaker is Ralph B.
- D6 – Anita – Bakersfield celebrated 50th anniversary of Al-Anon in Bakersfield. One of original members in Bakersfield attended the event, which was very nice. District 6 covers a very large area. My goal to hit some of the outlying meetings.
- D9 – Willie – a panel attended the Antelope valley AA convention with Al-Anon participation. The Santa Clarita convention is coming up in October. District 9 sent 24 Alateens to SCAC. We've done a lot of Public Outreach.
- D10 – Lorraina – participated in a mental health fair in our area. Great success – passed out a lot of pamphlets. Went to the International Convention with the Alternate District Representative. 90% of the commitments in the District are filled. There are 2 Alateen meetings in our District. This year the Alateens put on a spaghetti and bingo night and raised enough money to send themselves and sponsors to SCAC.
- D12 – Lea – Had a great discussion at our last District meeting as to why people do not step up for service – will submit notes to publish in the Bulletin. The Ventura Convention is Sept 5-7. Read letter from Al-Anon in India.
- D17 – Pat – trying to get more participation.
- D21 – Holly – Group Representatives got excited about Alateen and contributed. Many of us drove down to the "Have a Sponsor, Be a Sponsor" workshop. We were very inspired and are now having our own. We're teaming up with District 17 to put on this event.
- D24 – Heidi – Group Representatives are going to meetings that don't have Group Representatives in our District so we are getting new Group Representatives. We will have an Alateen Group

Representative at our next meeting. We are conducting quarterly Alateen sponsor workshops.

D27 – Tim – Our annual Alathon is scheduled for October 12th in Hollywood. Only about 1/2 of the 50 meetings in our District have Group Representatives. We're going to visit some of them and invite them to the Alathon and encourage them to elect a Group Representative.

D30 – Maria – Held up and passed around the picture of the bill board with the Al-Anon Crying House advertisement. An Alateen sponsor workshop is scheduled on 9/27 from 9 to 2 PM.

D33 – Kathy – Our annual Alathon was held in June. We're planning an old-timer's meeting in our District.

D36 – Jay – we are doing a Tri-Alathon (Al-Anon/Alateen/AA). Sent 15 Alateens to SCAC, some at full scholarships and some at 1/2. We're going to follow-through and try to post a bill board too. Inland Empire bulletin goes out to over 290 people. If you'd like to put anything in it, please send to ie_serenity_sheet@msn.com.

D39 – Carolyn – see Bulletin.

D40 – Carmie – We have been very active getting the word of Al-Anon to the public. All of the libraries in our area have books and pamphlets. We are taking panels into Oak Grove Facility in Murrieta, one panel is Alateen and two are Al-Anon. We have our website up and running. It is located at www.alanonriverside.org, if you'd like to check it out. We were able to help send 2 Alateen sponsors to SCAC with the moneys we raised at the Spring Fling that was held in May. This year we are sending money to all the arms of Al-Anon. We are working on the Alathon (or fundraiser for the Colton service center) which will be held on October 11, 2008, in Sun City. Hope you can come. We are working on the calendar we put together each year. If you would like to contribute a story, I have a form for you to use. Our Public Outreach chair still distributes a monthly newsletter so everyone can see what our District is doing. This year I had the privilege of going to the International Convention. I was a speaker at one of the workshops and I got to be part of the parade. What an experience! Love in Service Carmie F.

D51 – Irene – Our District meetings are scheduled quarterly. We like to have fun – we meet at someone's house and have BBQs and a lot of fellowship. I was able to facilitate a Group Inventory for one of our meetings. I emphasized the importance of business meetings and using the tools of the program. We purchased Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism for 2008 and 2009.

D54 – Linda – The South Bay Roundup on the 4th of July weekend – it was phenomenal. We were able to send 32 kids to SCAC and help paid the expense of renting a bus (along with District 45) for transportation to SCAC.

D57 – Adrienne – We just had our biggest District meeting ever when Mary came to speak. We are going to meetings to encourage meetings to elect Group Representatives. We were able

to send 8 Alateens and one sponsor to SCAC. Feb 14 is the day for our Alathon. We have round-table where Group Representatives can bring up problems and concerns during our District meetings and the Group Representatives really like it. They feel more confident in their position.

D60 – Truck – Mary came out and spoke at our District. We took survey of how often Districts conduct their meetings. Some have them monthly, others have them every other month.

D63 – Chuck – We added 8 new Alateen sponsors; we raised over \$1200 for SCAC; and we have 43 meetings in the District.

D64 – Juan – District celebrated another year on June 2nd. Report submitted – see Bulletin.

D69 – Jeff – We are planning an Al-Anon karaoke party. We're taking a song and re-writing the lyrics to recovery and/or insanity of the effects of alcoholism. We paid for 8 full scholarships for SCAC and paid mileage for those qualified people to transport the kids.

D72 – Bernie – We are currently at around 64% participation of groups at the District meeting. Group Representatives have been very active.

D75 – Louise – We are planning a Fall sponsorship workshop – collaborating with D72. The District paid for airfare to the International Convention for the District Representative.

Intergroup Liaisons' Reports

✦ Inland Empire: Beth G. – Intergroup is currently operating in the red. Let it Begin with Me – will recommend that a member from the service board attend events where the intent is to raise funds to donate to Inland Empire.

✦ Intergruppal Hispaña: (L.A. County) – Patrick B. – No report.

✦ Los Angeles County: Arlene R. – No report.

✦ Orange County: Alexandra R. – No report.

✦ San Diego County: Bernadette P. – No report.

Ventura County: Rosanne S. – No report.

Ask It Basket – Q's & A's: Alternate Delegate

Though some Q&As were discussed during the meeting, please refer to the Bulletin for a full list of Questions and researched Answers.

Al-Anon related Announcements

Laurie - Please take all extra copies of Bulletin's with you.

Willie - D9 - Mary will be speaker at the District meeting in Lancaster in October.

Suzanne – does the topic of translation equipment need to be discussed? We have a line item on the budget for \$1200; lowest estimate has come in at \$5500. David - Will prepare proposal to Assembly for a vote.

David – accomplishments for this panel – though many challenges, believe one accomplishment is the renewal of SCAC, as demonstrated by the various District reports.

Agenda item for November

- Elections
- 2009 Budget
- Revision to Bylaws
- Translation equipment

Adjourned at 4:00 p.m. with Al-Anon Declaration

Respectfully submitted: Cathy Watson

Group Services Action Committee



Board members assigned to this Action Committee are:

AC Chair -	Willie W.
Alateen Coordinator -	Daniel K.
Alateen Sponsor Coordinator -	Open
Archives Coordinator -	Martha M.
Group Records Secretary -	Jayne P.
Hospitality Coordinator -	Mary Lou V.
Minutes Secretary -	Cathy W.
Treasurer -	Suzanne P.

Group Services Action Committee Chair—no report

Alateen Coordinator - no report

Alateen Sponsor Coordinator ~ ~ Position Open ~

Group Records—no report

Archives Coordinator -

Well we have come to our last Committee Meeting of this Panel. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve our Area as a Trusted Servant. My understanding of the Concepts has greatly increased by practicing them through my service on this panel. Like any service position, there are always those who have gone before, who are always willing to share their experience, strength and hope. I never walked alone through any service position because my Higher Power and those who have gone before are only a prayer or phone call away. I would like to encourage anyone thinking of doing service at the Area level to give it a try. Besides being an excellent learning experience, you get to meet and work along with others in program. You get to work the Concepts and develop a personal experience with other trusted servants, while contributing to the continuation of this great and wondrous Program.

As part of my service, the Archives Coordinator chairs the Longtimers Meeting. Please help carry the message to your Districts of SCWS Longtimers Meeting on October 25th, 2008, here at the Fullerton Senior Center. Your District Representatives have flyers of this event. The Theme this Panel for the Longtimers Meeting is "Understanding Ourselves through the Years". Besides having a panel of Longtimers share and answer questions, we will also have a panel of "Transitioned Alateen" Al-Anon members share and answer questions as well. This will be very interesting for Al-Anon as well as Alateen Members alike. Please pass the information to all your groups and Alateen Meetings.

As always all my information is in the Bulletin so you can reach me for any questions or information and how to borrow the newly re-done SCWS Traveling Archives Display. With much love and gratitude in service,

Martha M.

Minutes Secretary- see page 8

Hospitality -

A BIG Thank you to Districts 9, 10, 17, 21, 30, 40, 48, 57 for help at the Committee meeting. There were many of you who volunteered to help and it made the job fun and easy. For our Assembly meeting on May 17th **I would like help form the following Districts; 6,27,36,51,63,64,69,72,75** Mary Lou V.

Treasurer There are copies of the Treasurer's Reports in each of your folders. Our income for the first half of 2008 was \$24,491.19 and our expenses were \$20,662.49, which reflects a net gain of \$3828.70.

I will be presenting a proposal for the 2009 Budget later today. I am available to answer your questions today or anytime before the Assembly. Please discuss the budget with your GR's at your District meetings prior to the Assembly.

Contributions

Contributions have been consistently higher so far this year, thank you! The total of group contributions for the first half of the year have been \$21,696.26. <See attached report>, Please help your new GR's encourage meeting treasurer's to use their WSO ID numbers when making contributions. The WSO ID numbers can be found on your reports from our Groups Records Coordinator (in your envelopes) and on their Bulletin labels. This ID number has no letters, only numbers.

Our mailing address is SCWS, PO Box 350, North Hollywood, CA 91603. Checks and money orders should be made out to "SCWS".

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne P.

SCWS Treasurer

Membership Communications



Board members assigned to this Action Committee AC Chair - Cindy R.

Bulletin Coordinator -Laurie E.

Literature Coordinator - Lucia C.

Website Coordinator - Ben P.

Alternate Delegate - Sandie E.

Membership Communications Chair—no report

Bulletin Coordinator—Thanks you to all who continue to get their reports to me in a timely manner. It has really made my job so much easier.

It has been an honor to have this service commitment, I have learned much about my abilities and my computer!

I wish the next Coordinator as much fun and growth as I have had.

Luv'n this service,, Laurie E.

Literature Coordinator

Al-Anon's newest publication, the book, Discovering Choices, made its debut at the International Convention in Pittsburgh. Tom Coffey, our Associate

Director of Communication-Literature commented, "this book thoroughly explores the family disease of alcoholism, the various stages of growth and recovery we travel in Al-Anon and how each of these can affect us and our relationships." What a great resource for meeting topics and panels! Copies are now available in the various Information Offices in our Area. Mini-review sheets for this book for the Group Representatives to distribute to the groups were provided to the District Representatives at the Committee Meeting of August 16, 2008. Please complete the review sheets sharing a specific passage or section from this book and explain how it helped you in your recovery. Mail or fax the mini-review sheets to 1600 Corporate Landing Parkway, Virginia Beach, VA 23454-5617 FAX: (757)563-1655. Attention: Tom C..

Also available in our Information Offices is the **Spanish** version of the book Opening our Hearts, Transforming our Losses (Abramos el Corazón, Transformemos Nuestras Pérdidas.) Please share this information with the Spanish Language Groups in your Districts.

Take a peek at the Al-Anon World Service Website to view the current sample chapter "Living with the Family Disease of Alcoholism" from Opening our Hearts, Transforming our Losses. Related reading materials from other Al-Anon and Alateen literature are also referenced.

*Grateful for the opportunity to serve,
Lucia M. C.*

Web Site Coordinator

Over the last quarter I have gained complete control of the web site by transferring the domain names from the prior registrar to the current hosting company. This transfer allows me fully support the website and the associated email addresses to ensure that the members of our fellowship find the help and information available. I have also started an effort to enhance the maintainability of the website which will allow me to add pages and features without touching every page on the site. You should not notice any differences in the website due to this effort; however, if you do notice something that is not working on the website or have any questions concerning the website, please contact me at webmaster@scws-al-anon.org

**Love in Service,
Ben P.**

SCWS Web Coordinator

Alternate Delegate—see page 6

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Public Outreach Action Committee



Board members assigned to this Action Committee AC Chair - Robin J.
Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC) Coordinator - Sandra W.
Institutions Coordinator - Shirley
Public Information Coordinator—Portia S.

Action Committee Chair - no report

CPC—no report

Institutions Coordinator -

I received the following information in August and could not forward it. WSO was informed by "Dear Abby" that they might run an offer to their readers to obtain a copy of "Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2009". If you recall, this was done last year. WSO will mail them out free of charge to any readers who send them their name and address.

WSO wishes the readers could get a copy of meeting times and places for their local area. The only way this can happen is if we would agree to do the mailing. If your Intergroup or District is willing to take part in this Public Outreach opportunity, WSO will give you any local names and addresses they receive. You would have to have three things:

- 1) copies of Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2009
- 2) the ability to copy your local meeting schedules

- 3) sufficient funds to pay for the mailing

WSO has no idea how many requests to anticipate and you can set the limit, WSO will take care of any additional requests. Contact WSO if you are interested. I will also discuss it with WSO when we have our Coordinator Public Outreach Conference Call on September 6. Perhaps I can find out how many responded from Southern California in 2008.

It is a truth that service brings out your character defects. I owe an amends to the DRs, Intergroup Liaisons, and Institution Coordinators/Chairs. I just reread the letter that I sent out with the prison packet and there was my fear (Al-Anon looking good) and control (getting back to me, etc.) One of the strengths of Al-Anon is that we give a member the information and know that we can trust that him/her and the Higher Power to do with it as he/she sees fit. Please accept my amends. The information belongs to the person who received the packet.

My position will be ending. I know that the Higher Power has the perfect person to take my place. The main function of this position is to serve as a conduit for information. As Institutions Coordinator, one attends the assemblies (May and November), committee meetings (February and August), and the four board meetings held prior to assemblies and committee meetings. Along with the Action Committee Chair, CPC, and PI coordinator participates in assembly action committees. This person receives information to pass on via e-mail and participation in

quarterly Public Outreach Conference Calls with WSO. As Institutions Coordinator this person serves as Al-Anon Chairperson for the Southern California AA Hospital and Institutions Conference which is held in April. This position requires attending monthly planning meetings which usually begin in September. This means that the Institutions Coordinator's responsibility for this part of his/her position does not end until the April after his/her three year term ends. This coordinator should also be prepared to travel to share with Districts and Intergroups.

Being of service to Al-Anon began as an aide to my recovery. Today it is my way of giving back to this wonderful fellowship for the life it has given me.

Shirley Meyer

Public Information Coordinator—no report

Convention Reports

2008 SCAAC Sept.20-22, 2008

San Diego, Laura McC.

2009 AFG April 2-4, 2009 Ontario,

Robin B.

2008 SCAC July 4-6 Redlands



2008 SCAAC -

So. Cal. is just around the corner! The 2008 Southern California A.A. Convention with Al-Anon and Alateen participation comes to San Diego at the Town and Country Hotel & Convention Center September 19, 20 and 21st. Enjoy the oldest convention in Southern California, celebrating its 57th year with the theme "Celebrate the Journey."

Know that your presence counts. Al-Anons make up 40% of the convention registrants, and we are a valued partner with the members of Alcoholics Anonymous in putting on this terrific party of recovery. Registration is down for this phenomenal event but it is not too late to register. Getting a room at the hotel also helps support the convention since reaching the room-count goal ensures that the hotel provides the meeting rooms for free. Plus having a room lets you immerse yourself in the weekend, get to know some of your Al-Anon friends a bit better, and have a spot to change into your luncheon outfit! The Town and Country Hotel has a wonderful relaxed feel to it that invites us to slow down and enjoy the weekend.

The program includes marathons until midnight both Friday and Saturday plus wonderful speakers:

Michele W., Van Nuys,	Opening Speaker
Susan B., Tulsa, OK	Luncheon Speaker
Betty Ann Z., Thousand Oaks	Saturday morning speaker

Pat & Cliff R., Oceanside, and	Marriage in Recovery Panel
Missy & Russ S., San Diego	

Kay B., West Covina	Closing Sunday morning
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Register on line at www.aasocal.com. I look forward to welcoming you to this wonderful granddaddy-of-them-all convention. Come on down to San Diego!

In love and service,

Laura McCann

SCAAC Al-Anon Chair

818-469-7959

AFG Convention 2009

The AFG planning meetings are now under way. We are meeting the 3rd Sunday of each month at the Rock of Foothills Church in La Verne. There is a lot of enthusiasm for the this years convention which is moving to the Doubletree Hotel in Ontario. There are a lot of restaurants nearby and the Hotel has two restaurants and a Starbucks. The Doubletree is very excited for us to be moving to their location. The theme for the 2009 Convention is Festival of Life. If you have interest to be of service, please contact me at.

With Love in Service,

Robin B.

AFG Chair

Get your Al-Anon function on the web site

<http://scws-al-anon.org> by e-mailing in the information to listmyevent@scws-al-anon.org

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9:00 A.M.
11:30 P.M.**

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Morning Panel
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First name, please bring the following:

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**12:30 P.M.
3:30 P.M.**

**Afternoon Panel
Meeting Close**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

*Martha M.
Heidi T.*

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Santa Clarita, CA 91387

Intergroup Reports



Inland Empire	Beth G.
Los Angeles	Kelly F.
Orange	Alexandra R.
San Diego	Jeannine B.
Spanish Intergroup	Patrick B.
Ventura	Cyndy P.

Los Angeles County Liaison, – no report
Spanish Intergroup - no report
Inland Empire - No report
San Diego Liaison, no report.
Inland Empire Liaison, Beth G.

At our service board meeting on August 2nd, our Chairperson Lisa J. announced that the topic of that meeting would be to work on the Inland Empire's Service Center income. We are currently in the red and are using our prudent reserve fund to stay afloat.

We agreed that most of the IRs who come the to IR meetings are also the ones who are involved in fund raisers. We decided to launch a mass mailing to all registered groups in our area to remind them IR's are an important part of Al-Anon and also aids in personal recovery. We believe that if we have more involvement we'll have more participation in fund raising activities to keep our service center open.

Another idea we had was to have the groups pass a second basket after the seventh tradition to collect just for the service center. This could be weekly or once a month. Some people send an extra contribution in on their Al-Anon birthday.

We don't know if we need to have fund raisers in different areas, since a lot of people right now are curtailing their driving due to gas prices. We would welcome any suggestions on anything else we can do, especially from the DR's who are here today from our area, what they think would help get more people involved.

SCAC went well this year, about 330 Alateens attended. The adult sponsors who went reported that it was awesome.

We are going to be having an opening at the service center for a volunteer coordinator. We also need volunteers at the service center. The hours are noon to four during the week. If interested please contact Lisa M., the service center manager.

The Ways and Means chairperson reported that we made a profit at the Casino Night, but the turnout was still smaller than last year. Our next event will be the Gratitude Dinner, and we are currently looking for a new venue to hold it in. We also need Chairpersons, speakers, raffles, etc. If interested in helping, contact Anne Marie.

If anyone is interested in being on a panel, Rachel L. is the person to call. She has a current panel in Fontana, and has had requests for panels in Apple Valley and Riverside. See me after the meeting for more information.

We are currently updating our Group Records. Barbara is doing an excellent job. She is collecting names for a speaker list and 12-step call list. I have the sign up list with me if you want to add your name to it.

Our Hispanic Liaison reported at the last IR meeting that there are efforts being made to begin Spanish-speaking Alateen groups in the Hispanic District, which is very exciting. The second Saturday of every even month an Alateen sponsor workshop is held at the Colton Service Center. Please contact Rick S., district 39's Alateen coordinator for more information.

*Thank you for letting me be of service,
 Beth Gould*

Bits and Pieces

≈ The old Alateen certification forms are no longer valid. Please be sure you have the new updated packet available on our web site.

≈ You will find it helpful if you bring along to our next meeting two Bulletins. This one and the last one.

≈ Did you know that our Area is the largest in the US and Canada with 1300 meetings!

≈ Discovering Choices, our new book now available in Spanish!

≈ A new Guideline on Reserve funds is now available online.

≈ Also online are 6 new Public Service podcasts. And available on iTunes.

	2008 Budget	2008 Projected Year End	2009 Proposed Budget
INCOME:			
Bulletin Subscriptions	100.00	20.00	40.00
7th Tradition	2,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Convention Contributions	200.00	500.00	400.00
Dist./Intergrp.Donations	100.00	500.00	500.00
Group Donations	35,000.00	38,000.00	36,000.00
Interest Income	450.00	550.00	500.00
Other Income	0.00	165.00	0.00
Longtimer Meeting Income	500.00	500.00	0.00
S.O.S. - Income	500.00	817.00	1,200.00
TOTAL INCOME	38,850.00	42,252.00	39,840.00
EXPENSE:			
Bulletin Bulk Mail	1,400.00	2,500.00	2,600.00
Bulletin Production Exp.	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Comp.Hdwe & Software	100.00	0.00	750.00
Group Services A/C Chair	100.00	50.00	100.00
Alateen Co-ord. Exp.	1,000.00	1,500.00	2,000.00
Archives Co-ord. Exp.	100.00	1,400.00	100.00
Hospitality Co-ord. Exp.	500.00	500.00	500.00
Membership Comm A/C Chair	100.00	50.00	100.00
Bulletin Editor Exp.	100.00	100.00	100.00
Literature Co-ord. Exp.	250.00	250.00	250.00
Public Outreach A/C Chair	100.00	50.00	100.00
CPC Co-ordinator Exp.	500.00	100.00	250.00
P. I. Co-ord. Exp.	500.00	150.00	250.00
H & I Conference	650.00	1,200.00	700.00
Institutions Co-ord. Exp.	500.00	500.00	250.00
Web Site Co-ord. Exp	0.00	50.00	100.00
Delegate Equalizer Fund	2,200.00	1,890.00	1,890.00
Delegate WSC Expense	550.00	660.00	500.00
Other Area mtgs (P.R.A.A.S.A., etc)*	3,000.00	700.00	2,500.00
SWRDM/SW Delegate Mtg.	1,200.00	750.00	1,400.00
SWRSS/SW Reg.Serv.Sem.	0.00	0.00	0.00
DR/GR/Liaison Mileage/Hotel	2,500.00	3,500.00	3,700.00
Officer/Co-ord. Mileage/Hotel	4,500.00	3,000.00	3,700.00
Alternate Delegate Exp.	500.00	100.00	200.00
Chairperson Exp.	100.00	50.00	100.00
Delegate Exp.	1,500.00	250.00	500.00
Minutes Secretary Exp.	150.00	50.00	100.00
Past Delegate Exp.	100.00	50.00	100.00
Records Secretary Exp.	500.00	50.00	100.00
Treasurer Exp.	500.00	200.00	500.00
Bank Charges & Fees	50.00	70.00	50.00
Liability Insurance	3,500.00	2,793.00	2,800.00
Misc.Supplies/Oper.Exp.	0.00	125.00	0.00
NSF Checks/Bad Debts	0.00	50.00	50.00
Translating Equipment	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Professional Translator	0.00	0.00	0.00
Corporate Expense	50.00	200.00	200.00
Website Host	300.00	200.00	200.00
Rent - Archives Storage	450.00	0.00	600.00
Rent - Committee/Assembly	4,000.00	3,500.00	4,000.00
Rent - Hospitality Supplies	800.00	700.00	800.00
Special Meetings - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Longtimers Meeting Exp.	300.00	300.00	0.00
S.O.S. Expense	1,200.00	1,000.00	1,200.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	38,850.00	33,588.00	39,840.00

Group Contributions

On the following pages are the Group Contributions for the year of 2007. Please check with your meeting Treasurer and make sure that the contributions match their amounts and that they are sending them to the right address and with the appropriate identification number. It is the same number used for WSO contributions.

	Jan - Jun 08		
0000367 - Pico Rivera Mon Night	10.00	0001741 - Temple City Tuesday 10AM	10.70
0000387 - Yorba Linda Mon 10AM Step Study	120.00	0001754 - Torrance Thurs 730PM	5.00
0000652 - Alhambra Fri 1030AM	45.00	0001756 - Torrance Thurs AM	145.34
0000683 - Monday Night AFG	75.00	0001757 - Torrance Alateen	10.00
0000697 - Al-Anon Stockdale West	20.00	0001770 - Tustin Mon 730PM	22.12
0000703 - Comenzando a Vivar	25.00	0001773 - Santa Ana Wed 715PM	14.49
0000733 - Buena Park Fri 8PM	33.59	0001780 - Alta Loma Th AM	10.00
0000738 - Sun Night AFG D24	29.20	0001781 - Claremont Wed Night AFG	50.00
0000740 - Burbank Tues 730PM	56.25	0001799 - Ventura Wed 730PM	78.75
0000769 - Artesia Monday 730PM	67.50	0001824 - West Covina Tues 730P	88.00
0000812 - Garden Grove Th 8PM Crystal Cat	212.20	0001844 - Yorba Linda Wed Eve	225.00
0000813 - Costa Mesa Thurs Noon	80.65	0005393 - How Al-Anon Works Santa Barbara	25.35
0000821 - Mon 8PM Beginners Covina	11.00	0006317	25.00
0000823 - Covina Friday 730PM	25.00	0006332 - Long Beach	25.00
0000825 - Covina Upfront Wed 12PM	35.00	0006653 - S. Pasadena Th 745PM	58.79
0000854	125.00	0023996 - La Canada Mon 730PM	110.00
0000863 - El Cajon Fri 730PM	25.00	0024150 - Mailbu Mon 1230	330.00
0000880 - Encinitas Th 730PM	15.00	0024666 - Lakewood Wed AFG	20.00
0000912 - Fountain Valley Tues 1230	17.56	0026495 - Ontario Sat AM	15.00
0000979 - Glendora Monday Night	10.00	0026588 - Bakersfield Tuesday 7PM	20.00
0000984 - Northridge Mon 8PM	28.49	0026781 - Torrance Gardena Mon 730PM	60.00
0001014 - Hesperia Th AM	22.25	0028188 - Hesperia Mon AM	10.00
0001028 - Thurs 1PM Getaway	10.00	0028362 - Sherman Oaks 8PM	37.61
0001029 - Huntington Beach Mon Evening	29.48	0028401 - Santa Clarita Wed	10.72
0001041	20.21	0028501 - Santa Clarita Sat	10.72
0001052 - La Canada Tues AM	240.00	0028507 - Mar Vista Th 7PM	55.00
0001053 - La Canada Thursday 1230PM	36.00	0028601 - Santa Clarita Sun	10.72
0001054 - La Canada Wed 730PM	40.00	0028701 - Santa Clarita Mon	10.72
0001058 - Laguna Beach Mon Noon	90.00	0029235 - Los Angeles Mon 730PM	95.80
0001078 - San Diego Monday 1PM Lemon Grov	42.07	0029519 - El Cajon Tuesday Women	20.00
0001155 - La Puente Fri 7PM	46.67	0029953 - Whittier Wed Nite	268.50
0001162 - Los Feliz Mon 8PM Step	23.50	0030085 - Covina Sun Morning	45.00
0001176 - Los Angeles	243.00	0030284 - Fullerton Tues 730PM	7.50
0001265 - Sherman Oaks AFG Sunday Night	60.48	0032292 - Manhattan Beach Tues Noon	53.50
0001268 - N Hollywood Th 730PM	14.00	0032537 - Los Angeles Sat 10AM Yucca	43.00
0001270 - Northridge Fri 1230PM	49.64	0032706 - TGIF Spring Valley	96.05
0001304 - Orange Fri AM	80.84	0032748 - Cayucos Mon 10AM	150.00
0001357 - Pasadena Sunday Noght	162.22	0033829 - Santa Monica Wed 730A	265.00
0001367 - Pico Rivera Monday Night 7PM	30.00	0033918 - Laguna Niguel Friday 1230PM	71.25
0001372 - Placentia Monday Night	131.08	0035662 - Covina Tues 930AM	15.00
0001388 - Pomona Monday Morning Serenity	60.00	0035773 - Westlake Vlg Sun 730PM	45.00
0001408 - Palos Verdes Estates	125.00	0036092 - Vista Sat AM	15.00
0001420 - Sat 10AM Hermosa Beach	25.00	0036683 - Valencia Mon 730PM	26.02
0001457 - Riverside	25.00	0037302 - North Hills Mon 7PM	21.20
0001461 - Riverside Wed PM	24.05	0037360	45.00
0001529 - Claremont San Diego Daytime	29.00	0037597 - Sat Am Saugus Serenity AFG	16.71
0001531 - San Diego Tues AM	30.00	0038025	30.00
0001543 - North Claremont Tues 7PM	50.00	0038825	60.00
0001578 - San Juan Capistrano Th AM	150.00	0038944 - Canoga Park Th 630PM	100.00
0001587 - San Marino San Gabriel AFG	16.00	0039655 - La Canada Mon 530PM	12.36
0001588 - San Gabriel Tues 730P	57.67	0039918	87.45
0001639 - Santa Barbara	225.00	0039919 - Gardena Sat AM	60.00
0001657	12.00	0040348 - Lawndale	80.85
0001663	24.00	0040529 - Covina Wednesday Night Step Stu	20.00
0001665 - Santa Monica Fri 8PM Chelsea	250.00	0040624 - Serenity at the Lake	172.78
0001702 - D3 Easy Does It Fri 10AM	100.00	0041249 - Ventura Noon AFG	6.30
0001739 - Tarzana Open Discussion Thurs.	44.46	0041538 - Santa Paula Sat 930AM	7.50
		0041540 - Santa Barbara Fri AM	50.00
		0041842 - Fri Noon Atascadero	10.00
		0041921 0 Fullerton Mon Night	100.00
		0042172 - Step Study Sat 10AM	30.00
		0042289 - Long Beach Sat AM	35.00
		0042684 - New View Tues 10AM	50.00
		0042761	28.55

0042842 - Glendale Sunday 10AM	269.76	0053469 - ODAT Tuesday Noon	45.00
0042899 - Hermosa Beach Sunday Literature	73.00	0053521 - Northridge Tues 10AM 4th Step	20.00
0043526 - Camarillo Mon 10AM	12.00	0053567 - Woodland Hills	58.00
0043570 - Palos Verdes Estates Parents Gr	73.20	0054134 - Mi Nueva Vida	10.00
0043698 - Los Angeles Nuevos Caminos	10.00	0054252 - Santa Barbara Fri 630PM	30.00
0043977 - Shell Beach Womens Serenity	89.10	0054450 - Covina Tues 630PM	13.00
0044078 - Lemon Grove Wednesday	40.00	0054521 - Covina Mon 630PM Hospital	40.00
0044101 - Corona Del Mar Tues 7PM	56.00	0054626 - Huntington Beach Mon 10AM	74.73
0044153 - Laguna Beach Tues Mens Stag	213.00	0054717 - Early Thurs Nighters	25.00
0044212 - Whittier Sat 9AM	140.00	0054893 - Walteria Torrance Sat Morning A	163.00
0044242 - Tues Night 730PM Manhattan Beac	70.00	0060124 - La Quinta How Al-Anon Works	34.00
0044283 - Pt Loma Sun Nite	50.00	0060125 - Blueprint for Progress Palm Des	14.00
0044442 - Chino Monday 730PM	20.00	0060242 - Blume Beach Tues Night Step Stu	30.00
0045065 - Crystal Cathedral Friday Night	58.83	0060299 - Irvine Wed Evening	6.00
0045275 - Irvine Sunday Marniers Church 7	120.00	0060417 - San Diego Th Noon Easy Does It	20.00
0045277 - Ventura Sunday 5PM	7.50	0060494 - Let It Begin With Me Carlsbad	9.00
0045691 - Just for Today AFG	45.75	0061145 - Los Osos Fri Night Lourage to C	49.07
0045693 - Woodland Hills Fri 8PM TGIF	275.00	0061151 - Costa Mesa Fri Survival	33.25
0045872 - Baldwin Park Mon Wed 12PM El Nu	30.00	0061259 - Carlsbad Changing Attitudes	31.38
0046160 - San Diego Friday 1215PM	25.00	0061334 - Step a Month Mtg	9.75
0046168 - La Canada Mon 1230PM	263.00	0061741 - Temple City Tues AM	7.50
0046199 - Fountain Valley Sun 7PM	5.00	0061784	90.00
0046773 - Palmdale Walk Like You Talk	34.97	0061841 - El Cajon Wed 645PM	46.50
0046821 - Thurs Night 8PM Westchester Ste	142.33	0061960 - Palm Springs Sat AM	86.98
0047087 - San Diego Lost & Found	70.55	0062083 - Sunset Beach Sun 10AM	25.00
0047437 - Irvine	40.00	0062211 - Pasadena	75.00
0047661 - San Carlos Wed AM	84.15	0062365 - Oxnard Tues 7PM	12.00
0047714 - Upland	24.91	0062500 - Monrovia Tues 7PM	63.00
0047954 - Torrance AFG en Espanol	25.00	0062616 - Pico Rivera Tues 7PM	80.00
0048039 - La Canada Thursday Evening	450.00	0062628 - La Jolla Mon 630PM	15.00
0048048 - San Diego Del Mar Lunch Bunch	14.00	0062772 - Long Beach Sat 10AM	36.06
0048228 - Beverly Hills Tuesday Noon	154.80	0062942 - Wake Up & Smell the Coffee N Ho	18.40
0048294 - UC Thursday Lunch Bunch San Die	118.00	0062947 - Camarillo Wed 7PM	15.00
0048686 - Sunside Up Al-Anon Solana Beach	23.00	0062948 - Riverside Tues As We Understood	38.00
0048882 - Studio City Mon Noon	60.00	0062949 - Camarillo Wed 715PM	15.00
0048985 - La Canada Wed 530PM	89.70	0063269 - Back to Basics Escondido	10.00
0048986 - Tujunga	192.12	0063339 - Claremont Fri Noon	10.00
0048987 - AFG Burbank Sat AM	50.50	0063505 - Pasadena Mon 6PM Women	40.00
0049504 - Mar Vista Mon Eve	33.45	0063844	25.00
0049565	10.00	0063846 - Escondido Renacer MTWF 5PM	30.00
0050014	106.98	0063851 - Simi Valley Friday 8PM	15.00
0050062 - Irvine Tuesday Nite 730PM	30.75	0063876 - Newport Bch/CM Sat AM Parents	326.12
0050214 - Westchester Recovery AFG	11.03	0063948 - Santa Monica Fr AM	129.40
00502151 - Canyon Country Sun 5PM	25.40	0063949	16.03
0050275 - Sherman Oaks	198.98	0064054 - Willingness to Change San Diego	50.00
00503768	17.44	0064140 - Pacific Palisades Sat 730AM	92.50
0050420 - Vista	24.20	0064141 - Ventura Tues 130PM	15.00
0050500 - Ventura Fri 1230PM	45.00	0064304	80.83
0050540 - Mon Nite La Verne Serenity AFG	20.00	0064375 - Atascadero Thurs Step Study	42.00
0050780 - Canoga Park Monday Morning Wome	25.00	0064413 - Moonlight Beach Footprints	86.13
0051035 - El Segundo Tuesday Nite Conscio	61.66	0064471 - Claremont San Diego Friday 6PM	40.78
0051067 -Los Angeles Th 615	25.00	0064579 - Hollywood Sun 11AM	83.15
0051070 - Panorama de Amor Downey	20.00	0064581 - San Diego	16.00
0051094 - Laguna Beach Sat Step Study	14.00	0064594 - Carlsbad	66.50
0051127 - San Diego Adult Children Surviv	20.00	0064595 - Tehachapi Mon Night	20.00
0051517 - La Canada Sat Parents	286.53	0064927 - Fallbrook ODAT	14.60
0051761 - Keep It Simple AFG Lemon Grove	30.00	0065007 - San Diego Fri 7PM	21.80
0052081 - N Hollywood Thursday 10AM	44.00	0065183	10.00
0052540 - Anaheim	21.30	0065307 - Hermosa Bch Thurs 12PM	90.56
0052585	89.78	0065430 - Altadena Sat 10AM	62.92
0053068 - Lakewood Thursday 615PM	83.25	0065433 - Parents ODAT 645	30.00
0053312 - Newport Beach Fri Noon	20.00	0065437 - Long Beach Fri St Gregorys	20.00
0053369 - Los Angeles AFG	180.00	00654430 - Studio City Tues 730 Parents	36.00
0053412 - Back to Basics AFG	68.81	0065561 - Santa Monica Thurs 735AM	15.00
		0065666 - Covina Th 8PM	80.00
		0066030 - Ojai Tuesday 8PM	9.00
		0066050 - Pomona Despertar	65.00
		0066193 - Courage to Change Malibu Th 10A	20.00
		0066240 - Yorba Linda Tues PM	139.25
		0066282	23.85

0066329 - Glendora Cultivando La Paz	10.00
0066399 - Newport Beach Mon 12PM Mens	149.00
0066407	40.00
0066493 - Santa Maria From Survival to Re	10.00
0066516 ---- Nueva Vida Fontana	10.00
0066711 - Burbank Sunday Women	46.80
0066793 - Los Feliz Wed 1230 Silverlake	271.93
0066846 - Del Mar Sun 6PM	78.35
0066975 - Burbank White Chapel	7.87
0067048 - Wed 12x12 Atascadero Book Study	5.00
0067145	8.27
0067189 - Chula Vista Fri 730PM	20.00
0067204 - Santa Clarita Tuesday	10.72
0067262 - Westlake Vlg Wed 1245PM	60.00
0067329 - San Pedro Tues 7PM Men's Stag	115.00
0075762 - Solana Bch Courage to Change	40.00
0500486 - Costa Mesa 730 Parents	106.11
0500493 - Santa Clarita Fri	10.72
0500515	50.00
0500806	51.70
0500857 - W Hollywood Robertson	97.10
0500920 - Santa Barbara Sat 11AM	15.00
0501009 - Santee Thurs 7PM	72.50
0501132 - Valor Para Cambier	20.00
0501377 - Escondido Sat 930AM	20.00
0501501 - Monrovia Tues 7PM	20.00
0501647 - Laguna Parents	207.00
0501758 - Wofford Heights Friday Al-Anon	20.00
0502033 - Aprendiendo a Amarnos	45.00
0502598 - Westlake Vlg Th 730PM	14.25
0502692 - Solvang Wed Winners	23.00
0502704 - Wofford Heights Wed 7PM AFG	20.10
0502729 - Palm Springs Th 7PM Church	93.82
0502817 - Solana Beach Mon AM Step	18.15
0502875 - Esperanza Fe y Accion	20.00
0503020 - Reseda Florenciendo Alanda	100.00
0503164 - Long Beach Marina Pac Tu 10AM	60.20
0503304 - Hesperia Fri Courage	15.00
0503508 - Sherman Oaks Wed 730PM	106.00
0503581	100.60
0503666 - N Hollywood Fri Noon	62.04
0503697 - Rancho Sta Margarita Mon 9AM	25.00
0503898 - Sherman Oaks Sat 1030 Radford	53.73
0504269 - Canyon Country Thurs	10.72
3027496 - Bridging the Gap Valencia	25.00
3037200 - Huntington Beach Mon Book Study	14.00
30502484 - Camarillo Mon 7PM	15.00
30507885 - Yucca Valley Tues Noon	8.00
30508851 - Laguna Beach Th 430PM Women	120.00
30510341 - Keep It Simple AFG	26.80
30510647 - Culver City Mon 730PM	42.50
30510977 - Los Alamitos Mon Night Step	38.70
30512487	15.00
30512492	12.50
30514801	27.50
30516631	10.00
30517649 - Glendora Sat 830PM	35.00
30518409 - Mar Vista Mon 4PM	65.20
3057920 - S. Pasadena Sat 9AM	13.00
503181 - Carlsbad Fri 830PM	35.11
64893625	22.00
9999999	3,057.09
AALA Roundup	39.30
District 69	500.00
San Fernando Valley Convention	142.50
SCVAA Convention	150.00
Southern California AA Al-Anon Convention	100.00
VCAAC Convention	77.38
TOTAL	22,555.44

2008 1st Quarter Profit and Loss Report

Income

7th Tradition	589.50
Convention Contributions	359.18
District\Intergroup Contribution	500.00
Forum Subs	101.95
Group Contributions	21,696.26
Interest Income	262.22
SOS Income	817.00
Uncategorized Income	165.08
Total Income	24,491.19

Expense

"Bulletin" Costs	
Bulk Mail	1,265.85
Production	2,496.24
Total "Bulletin" Costs	3,762.09
Coordinators' Expenses	
Alateen Sponsor\Alateen	1,264.20
Archives	1,313.56
Hospitality	272.54
Institutions	
H&I Confer- ence	1,109.31
Institutions - Other	491.46
Total Institutions	1,600.77
Literature	224.63
PI	60.49
Records Secretary	251.24
Coordinators' Expenses - Other	55.36
Total Coordinators' Expenses	5,042.79
Forum Subscriptions	176.00
Meeting Travel\Hotel	
Delegate WSC	660.47
Other Area Meetings	682.52
SWRDM	995.30
Total Meeting Travel\Hotel	2,338.29
Mileage\Hotel Reimbursements	
DR's\GR's\Liaisons	1,897.68
Officers\Coordinators	1,556.47
Mileage\Hotel Reimburse- ments - Other	648.90
Total Mileage\Hotel Reimbursements	4,103.05
Officers' Expenses	
Alternate Delegate	56.28
Delegate	161.79
Past Delegate	12.25
Treasurer	134.61
Officers' Expenses - Other	65.91
Total Officers' Expenses	430.84
Other Expenses	
Bank Charges	67.37
Corporate Expense	188.86
Insurance (Liability)	2,793.00
Misc Supplies\Operating	105.01
NSF\Returned Checks	31.31
Total Other Expenses	3,185.55
Rent	643.00
Special Meetings	
SOS Expenses	955.88
Special Meetings - Other	25.00
Total Special Meetings	980.88
28 Total Expense	20,662.49

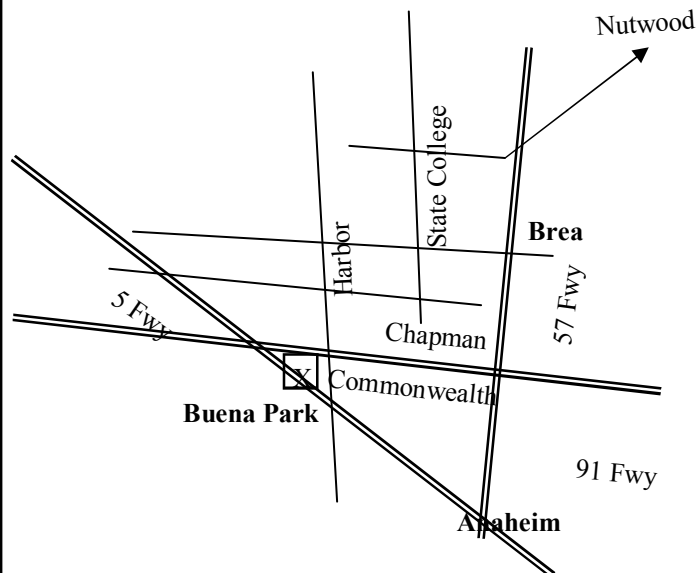
DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO THE FULLERTON MEETINGS

**Our next Committee meeting is on
Feb. 16, 2008**

Fullerton Senior Service Center
340 W. Commonwealth Ave. Fullerton
Thomas Guide, pg 738, G7
91 Riverside Fwy, exit Harbor Blvd. North
go past Orangethorpe and Valencia, turn
left (west) onto Commonwealth.

OR

57 So. exit Nutwood . Left (south) on State
College Blvd. Right (west) on Chapman to
Harbor Blvd., left (south) to Common-
wealth. Right (west) on Commonwealth, It
is on the left (south) by Amerige Park.



ACTION COMMITTEE - ASSIGNMENTS

for Trial Area Restructure period 1/06 - 5/09

<p>Group Services Facilitator: Willie W.</p> <p><u>District Representative**</u> From Districts 3, 9, 12, 24, 33 40, 48, 57, 64, 72</p> <p><u>Group Representatives**</u> see below</p> <p><u>Intergroup Liaisons</u> Orange County</p> <p><u>Board members</u> Group Records Secretary Minutes Secretary Treasurer Alateen Coordinator Alateen Sponsor Coordinator Archives Hospitality</p>	<p>Membership Communications Facilitator: Cindy R.</p> <p><u>District Representative**</u> From Districts 6, 10, 17, 27, 36 42, 51, 60, 66, 75</p> <p><u>Group Representatives**</u> see below</p> <p><u>Intergroup Liaisons</u> Inland Empire Ventura County</p> <p><u>Board members</u> Alternate Delegate (Forum & SOS) Bulletin Coordinator Literature Coordinator Website Coordinator</p>	<p>Public Outreach Facilitator: Robin J.</p> <p><u>District Representative**</u> From Districts 8, 11, 21, 30, 39 45, 54, 63, 69, 78</p> <p><u>Group Representatives**</u> see below</p> <p><u>Intergroup Liaisons</u> Los Angeles County San Diego County Spanish Intergroup of L.A. County</p> <p><u>Board members</u> CPC Coordinator Institutions Coordinator Public Information Coordinator</p>
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PUBLIC OUTREACH ACTION COMMITTEE CHAIR JOB DESCRIPTION



It is the responsibility of the Public Outreach Action Committee Chair to work with the 3 Public Outreach Coordinators. These are: Public Information, Cooperating with the Professional Community (CPC), and Institutions. As a body, they explore new and well-established insights, share enthusiasm, goals and action ideas to be presented to the SCWS Assemblies.

It is his/her responsibility to prepare a Mission Statement or continue with the current one, generate and distribute the Agenda for each Area Assembly Action Committee Break-Out meeting, create and distribute an Evaluation Form and a Sign-In sheet for each meeting. It is also his/her responsibility to chair the Assembly Action Committee Break-Out meetings and deliver a brief report to the full Assembly following the meeting.

The Action Committee Chair attends SCWS Board Meetings, SCWS Committee Meetings and the Area Assemblies, as well as any additional related Public Outreach forums.

INSTITUTIONS COORDINATOR WSC

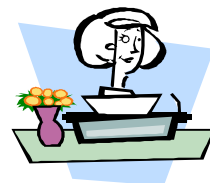
The main function of this position is to serve as a conduit for information. As Institutions Coordinator, one attends the assemblies (May and November), committee meetings (February and August), and the four board meetings held prior to assemblies and committee meetings. Along with the Action Committee Chair, CPC, and PI coordinator participates in assembly action committees. This person receives information to pass on via e-mail and participation in quarterly Public Outreach Conference Calls with WSO. As Institutions Coordinator this person serves as Al-Anon Chairperson for the Southern California AA Hospital and Institutions Conference which is held in April. This position requires attending monthly planning meetings which usually begin in September. This means that the Institutions Coordinator's responsibility for this part of his/her position does not end until the April after his/her three year term ends. This coordinator should also be prepared to travel to share with Districts and Intergroups.

TREASURER

In November, our Area will elect a new Treasurer from among the past and present District Representatives. It has been a privilege for me to serve in this capacity. I encourage anyone interested in this type of service to ask questions about the responsibilities of the job. As an Area Treasurer, attendance is required at 2-4 Board meetings, 2 Committee and 2 Assembly meetings a year. In addition, you will need to attend the SOS Workshops and be available for Audit and Budget meetings. I also pickup and distribute the mail from the post office box in North Hollywood twice a month. This position requires book-keeping ability using Quickbooks accounting soft-

ware as well as Excel, MS Word and email. In terms of time allotted for the actual work involved, plan to spend about 15-20 hours per month. A thorough understanding of the Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of Service will also be necessary. Patience, tolerance, love and acceptance are helpful. Thanks again for this opportunity to be of service.

Southern California World Service Minutes Secretary



Responsibilities

1. Take minutes at the SCWS May and November Assemblies, February and August Committee meetings, and all Board meetings.
2. Submit a copy of the minutes to the Chairperson as soon as completed. Minutes become the legal documents for SCWS.
3. In conjunction with the Chairperson, prepare the agenda for the SCWS Board, Committee and Assembly meetings.
4. Check with the Chairperson and prepare copies of various materials needed for the SCWS Board, Committee, and Assembly meetings.
5. Collect reports at the SCWS Board, Committee, and Assembly meetings for inclusion with the minutes for the Archives. Make copies of all reports turned in and mail them to the Bulletin Coordinator along with the minutes. (Check with the Bulletin Coordinator for his/her media requirements.)
6. Prepare an envelope containing minutes, reports and other pertinent material, label and pass on the earliest years in the Minutes Box to the Archives Chairperson prior to leaving office.
7. Support the Chairperson in any matters requested. Form and express opinions on matters brought before the Board.

Suggested Experience: Ability to sit for hours and extract information.

Special Skill: Ability to pay attention; focus.

Special Equipment: Computer capable of preparing Word documents, opening emails in most shared formats, and having the capability to make discs and CDs.

**Hospitality for May 17th
Assembly Meeting
Districts 9, 10, 17, 21, 30, 40, 48, 57,**

Thank you for being of Service

How You Can Serve

What we do want to make clear to you is how you can serve as a member of the SCWS Board:

Five board positions will be elected at the November 16th, Assembly meeting, using the basic guidelines in the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual (therefore, elected from those who have served as a District Representative).

The other positions (Coordinators and Action Committee Chairs) are appointed by the new Chairperson and the newly elected SCWS Board Members. You can express your interest to serve by submitting a resume form which is available in this Bulletin, at the Assembly and on our SCWS website at scws-alanon.org. Please call current board members if you are interested in their position so that you can ask specifics about their positions. All phone numbers are listed in the Blue Bulletin. **To be considered for a Coordinator/Action Committee position, submit your completed resume form to the newly elected SCWS Chairperson following the Nov. 16th Assembly.**

We encourage District Representatives to discuss this information with your Group Representatives.

The SCWS elected Board positions are:

Delegate, Alternate Delegate, Chairperson, treasurer, Minutes Secretary (outgoing Delegate serves as "Immediate Past Delegate")

The SCWS appointed Coordinator positions are:

Alateen, Alateen Sponsor, Archives, Bulletin, Cooperating with the Professional Community, Group Records, Hospitality, Institutions, Literature, Public Information, Website (potentially, Coordinators could also be appointed to serve as their respective Action Committee Chairs).

**"When people are serving,
life is no longer meaningless"**

John Gardner

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District Representatives' Reports



No reports from District's ,8, 10,11,17, 24,36,45,48, 51,66,78

District 3

Paso Robles, Atascadero, Cambria, Cayucos, Morro Bay, San Luis Obispo, Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande, Nipomo, Santa Maria, Orcutt, Lompoc and Solvang.

We just had a wonderful convention in San Luis Obispo August 22-24. The theme was Friendship and Fellowship and there was lots of both! On September 12-14 the 52nd District AA convention with Al-Anon participation will be held in Santa Maria. I hope you will join us for that event.

My term as District Representative is almost over. It has been a great experience. I'm grateful I had the willingness to say Yes! I really feel the fellowship of the Al-Anon Family Groups. I have met lots of wonderful Al-Anon members. Because I attended almost all the meetings in District 3 I feel like I know every Al-Anon member in my district.

I am very excited about the opportunity to have the Sharing of Service Workshop on the Central Coast. You, too, will be able to meet many of the wonderful Al-Anon members here in the Central Coast!!

Julie Marie Rench DR 3

District 6

Basically we encompass the whole of Kern County. Currently the towns in Kern county that have active Al-Anon Meetings are Bakersfield, Shafter, Lamont, Taft and the Lake Isabella area.

District 8

Santa Barbara area

District 9

Consisting of the Santa Clarita Valley, Antelope Valley, Lake Hughes, Mojave and everything in between.

Hi Fellow Al-Anons,

We had a very lively and productive District Meeting in August! Here are a few of the highlights:

Sent approximately 24 Alateens to SCAC 2008, along with several sponsors. Discussed possibility of a local organization donating the use of a bus for next year.

Gave a report to the GRs on the great experience of attending the International Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. Encouraged them and others to save their money so they can attend the 2013

Int'l in Vancouver, BC.

Participated in local Health Fair. Published District 9 meetings in local newspapers. One-time press release submitted by our public outreach GR to *Daily News* for publication.

Discussed pamphlet "Sponsorship What It's All About" with GRs. Suggested encouraging other Al-Anons to get sponsors and once they've worked the Steps & Traditions, don't be afraid to be a sponsor.

Discussed making use of all of our CAL literature-not just one or two books.

Voted to change District's GR reimbursement for gas mileage to 51 cents per mile.

Encouraged attendance at two upcoming conventions in District 9:

1. Fourth Annual Santa Clarita Convention w/Al-Anon participation – Oct.
2. Antelope Valley Convention – Nov.

Note: Mary Morrison, Delegate will be speaking at our next meeting, Oct. 3, 2008 in Lancaster. All are welcome!

Willie M., District 9 DR

District 10

Greetings from the Hi Desert

District 11

Death Valley/ Furnace Creek, Ridgecrest, Lone Pine, Bishop Independence

District 12

Hello from Ventura County, District 12,

We are looking forward to the Ventura County AA Convention's Al-Anon program at the Hyatt in Westlake, September 5,6,7. Please join us. Check out the activities and register at www.vcaac.org.

We will hold an Alateen Sponsors Workshop on October 25, 2008 to train and support our new sponsors and give members some experience with the Alateen program. Sorry for the conflict with the Longtimers Meeting. We sure have a lot of choices in recovery. Something for everyone.

At our July meeting we had a lively discussion about why more members don't attend the District meetings and how to encourage service participation. Here are a few of the ideas discussed:

1. Some reasons given for low attendance/interest included:

- a. Conflicting plans on Saturdays
- b. Fear of commitment – The Service Manual suggests that the Group Representative make a 3 year commitment. This can be overwhelming
- c. People, especially newcomers, are very consumed with getting through the next day/hour/minute with an alcoholic and have no room for the global business of Al-Anon
- d. Ideas for giving reports/sparking interest:
- e. Do not rush report, remember you are giving important information
- f. Use colorful, expressive voice tone with energy to get people's attention. If you are not excited and interested in what you are reporting, they will not be either
- g. Only give a few pieces of information per meeting. Let them know there is more to come next week and get them curious with anticipation

- h. Make sure to give a report at every meeting
 - i. Tie in the global information with how it relates to them personally
 - j. Topics to discuss during report:
 - k. New information from WSO, SCWS, District 12 (from Assembly, District 12 meetings, website, blue bulletin)
 - l. Ask-it-basket questions (found in blue bulletin)
 - m. How traditions and Concepts of Service effect our individual, personal lives and not just the meetings
 - n. Promote the Service Manual
 - o. Promote/introduce/highlight Conference Approved Literature (We have a new book on relationships...does everyone know about it yet?)
 - p. World Service Conference Summary
 - q. Promote/introduce/highlight The Forum (you can encourage the purchase of the magazine as well as read articles. Use the "Forum Can" collection.
 - r. Other helpful suggestions for Group Representatives:
 - s. Create a binder with minutes from meetings, the bulletin, upcoming events, treasurer's report, etc. for individuals to peruse during the meeting to cut down on the announcement time. Have extra copies of flyers for people to take with them
 - t. Know what your responsibilities are as a GR – reference the Service Manual often
 - u. Get an Alternate Group Representative to share the responsibility and attend meetings in your absence
- Get a "Service Sponsor" who is experienced and active in doing service for Al-Anon to provide support and guidance
LIS, Lea R., DR

District 17

Covering the San Fernando Valley West (Woodland Hills-Van Nuys)

District 21

Hello SCWS,

The Group Representatives were very enthusiastic to collect contributions to support the Southern California Alateen Conference. Altogether we were able to collect \$1,170 in District 21, and that total does not include every meeting in our area. Presently we are busy planning our first District workshop on sponsorship. District 21's workshop titled, "Have a Sponsor, Be a Sponsor" will be held Saturday, October 4, 2008 at The Church of the Chimes in Sherman Oaks. Josiah B. of Burbank is one of our speakers. Cynthia P. formerly the District Rep of Burbank, will share her experience being an Alateen Sponsor. We are happy to have District 17 come and participate in the planning and execution of the workshop. It has been such a growth experience to see how well



things work out when we all do our part and trust process of coming together as a group!

Mark your calendar and come visit us at District 21's first "Have a Sponsor, Be a Sponsor Workshop"!



Holly
cell:

District 27

Extends west from downtown Los Angeles through Silverlake, Hollywood, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills, Westwood to Brentwood and Malibu, is busy planning its annual Alathon. This year the District 27 Alathon will take place at the United Methodist Church in Hollywood, on the corner of Franklin and Highland, 6817 Franklin Avenue, Grant Hall, on Saturday, October 11 from 10 AM to 4 PM. This year's theme is: "When I got busy I got better--the healing power of service." There will be a potluck lunch, and hourly sessions which include Young Adults, Long-timers Black Belt Share, World Service, Al-Anon couples, Alateen and more.
Tim

District 30

Alhambra, Arcadia, El Monte, Monterey Park, Pasadena, San Gabriel, San Marino, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, and Temple City.

Greetings from District 30,

As I come to the "almost" end of my three-year commitment as District Rep for 30, I had to sit quietly and reflect on my experience, strength and hope. The strength and hope came from supporting Group Reps and from my service sponsor during difficult times. I am so grateful to them. For many years, I have been in service giving back. In all service commitments, I have done the best I could do. During this service commitment, I did my best to "work the program" by keeping in the forefront of my heart and mind the Concepts, Traditions and Steps while embracing our Service Manual. I continue to learn and grow. Thank you to the Service Board and all DRs who shared ES&H during Committee meetings and anytime I made a phone call.

I attended the International Convention in Pittsburgh and it was absolutely awesome. Traveling with Lee A., she recognized the "Al-Anon" look at our connecting flight in Atlanta. And thus, the convention started. Meeting people from our fellowship from different parts of the world and country made me realize, indeed this is a worldwide fellowship, and yes, as the theme expressed well, we "connected around the world." As I listened to sharings from Kenya, India, Canada, Australia and more, the sense of connection was made even stronger. I had the fabulous opportunity to be of service with Lucia C, assisting with translation equipment checkout which gave me a front seat opportunity in the arena to chat and get a little more acquainted with WSO staff and Trustees. Thank you Lucia for asking me. The District funded \$200 of my expenses, however, I used only \$78 for purchase of the new book "Discovering Choices" which was first made available at the convention. I drew a name out of the hat at our July meeting and

Gloria S won it.

Coming up soon is our Alateen Sponsor Workshop to be held on Saturday, September 27, 2008, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church, 6868 N. San Gabriel Blvd., San Gabriel 91776. Everyone is invited to learn about Alateen sponsorship and if it might be for you.

Our public outreach billboard went up in July, 2008 at the corner of Walnut and Raymond in Pasadena. During the July, the District meeting was held at the park adjacent to the park and we walked over and took photos. In this program I've learned to do the footwork and let go of the results. I was blessed to learn that a grandmother saw the billboard; her grandson was visiting from out of state and needed an Alateen meeting; called the number and ended up at a meeting I "happened" to be visiting. God shot!

My gratitude and thanks to the Group Reps of District 30, Martha, Alt. DR., Mary M., Secretary, Rose C., Linda M., Gloria S., Stephanie B., Lauren S., Nancy D., Angelica H., Susan S., Mery P. Emily L., Paul H., and Lee A., Treasurer; and to my husband for his support.

That's it for now. Blessings to all of you, keep your HP nearby. Hugs in Service, Maria L. G.

District 33

Covina, West Covina, Glendora, La Puente, Hacienda Heights, Diamond Bar, Rowland Heights, City of Industry

District 33 is alive and well. We have met monthly for over 2.5 years and enjoyed meetings filled with hope and enthusiasm each and every time. Most of our members were new to serve and although we had here members who had to step down, our District 33 Al-Anon's do what they have done since the beginning...they stepped in to fill the gaps. Al-Anon is nothing if not the best place to take on new opportunities for personal growth and in finding ways to give back. District 33's new chapter begins in January. For me, it is hard to believe 3 years are nearly done. I have had the pleasure of having this time with my anchor Agnes, who came with me to be my Secretary. Lucy my alt. D.R. and Carolyn my Literature/Fill in for me.

We will have our Delegate Mary Morrison visit us in October, just in the nick of time before her current term ends. Her life of service in Al-Anon is filled with enthusiasm. Read her stories as Delegate in you Blue Bulletin, coincidentally the Bulletin being put together by Laurie E., a member of District 33. It only takes a handful of us to get the enthusiasm and invitations out to the members of our meetings. Countless numbers of us in District 33 are of service because someone enthusiastically put out their hand and invited us to be of service! My home group on Monday night in Covina at 80pm, yes 800 pm J, is filled with members who show up at all District 33 events whether it be at our Alathon, our Workshops or writing a story for our District 33 newsletter. A.F.G. and So. Cal Convention's are filled our District members.

I am very grateful to have shared this time with all my fellow DRs. I have loved reading about your ex-

citing events in your Districts, about Alateen meetings opened and about your own excitement in leading your District during your term. The traditions and concepts guide us. Only in Al-Anon would we be turning over our District Rep. position just when many of us finally feel like we "got it". It has been an honor to be of service in the worldwide fellowship of Al-Anon as the District 33 Rep. I am just excited that we have 4 more months and a Long timer's heritage event for our very own District 33 members before our term ends. It is a fabulous way to end our service and honor those who came before us long ago who extended their hands to us in District 33. Love in service, Kathy G. District 33 D.R.

District 36

Alta Loma - Chino - La Verne - Ontario - Pomona - Upland

District 39

Riverside, Moreno Valley, Perris, Corona, Norco, Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Yucaipa, Redlands, Loma Linda, Colton, Rialto, Fontana, San Bernardino, Highland, the San Bernardino Mountain communities of Lake Arrowhead, Blue Jay, Sky Forest, Lake Gregory, Twin Peaks, Running Springs, Arrow Bear, Crestline, Big Bear, Fawnskin, Forest Falls, and Oak Glen.

We're excited about our *REGAINING JOY 2008* event for next Saturday, August 23rd, 9am to 3pm, at The River Church in Redlands.

Our DR and GR, Aurora R. gained many recovery and service insights from attending the Al-Anon International Convention in Pittsburgh. Our district covered airfare, registration, and one night's stay for the service seminar. We met a DR from California-North from a similar sized district with 50 meetings. 45 meetings out 50 have active GR's! They sent their DR plus 5 GR's to this convention. The GR's are selected by lotto from district and assembly attendance tickets.

In September, our district outreach activities will be fortified with 400 English copies and 100 Spanish copies of new *AL-ANON FACES ALCOHOLISM 2009*.

On June 21st and August 9th, District 39 hosted its first two **Alateen Sponsor Training Meetings**. We're having great participation. We plan to meet, regularly, the **2nd Saturday** of each **even month** at the **Inland Empire Service Center**. These sessions are open to all Alateen Sponsors and any Al-Anons in the Inland Empire who are considering Alateen service. Our next meeting will be **Saturday, October 11th, 10am-12pm**, led by Rick S. from Corona. There are flyers at the Service Center.

Big Bear and Moreno Valley have each launched a new Alateen group. A new Fontana group is almost official!

Our district was traditionally an unhurried locale, but has now emerged into a major metropolitan area with all of the congestion. Love in Service, Carolyn S., DR

District 40

Anza, Canyon Lake, Hemet, Idyllwild, Lake Elsinor, Murrieta, Sun City Temecula, Wildomar.

Hi from District 40,

We have been very active getting the word of Al-Anon to the public. All of the library's in our area have books and pamphlets. We are taking a panel into Oak Grove facility in Murrieta, one Panel is Alateen and two are Al-Anon.

We were able to help send 2 Alateen sponsors to SCAC with the money we raised at the Spring Fling that was held in May. This year we started to send money to all the arms of Al-Anon. We are working on the Alathon (our fundraiser for the Colton Service Center) it will be held Oct 11, 2008 in Sun City. Hope you can come.

We are working on the calendar we put out each year. If you would like to contribute a story, I have a form for you to use. Our Public Outreach chair still puts out a monthly newsletter so everyone can see what our district is doing.

I had the privilege of going to the International Convention. I was a speaker at one of the workshops and got to be a part of the parade. What a great experience!

Love in service

Carmie F.

District 42

The cities my district covers are from Landers to Blythe, 29 Palms, Yucca Valley, Desert Hot Springs, Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Palm Desert, Rancho Mirage, La Quinta, Indio, Bermuda Dunes, Joshua Tree, Desert Center, Indian Wells and any city from Indio to Blythe but no meeting there yet.

Hello from the warmest district in Southern Ca. District #42. As I write this, it's a cool 103 outside, clear and bright. We just ended our MADD dog's days and it went off great thanks to our chairperson and her committee. Our district outreach is working with other organizations in the desert area on Sept. 20. Also we are starting two new Alateen groups. We are looking forward for our snowbird friends to be coming back. Sept 12 we will have a speaker meeting with Lorrie B from Palm Springs and Louise K. from San Diego and then on Nov 14 we will have Tim P. from Los Angeles and Char O. from Palm Springs, so come join us the weather is great here in District #42.

Love in service

Sam M. DR

District 45**District 48****District 51****District 54**

Greetings from District 54

I am so excited about our newest addition to District 54.....our very own website !!!!!
Thanks to Don D. for all his hard and dedicated work

to set it all up. It contains a meeting list of our area that can be printed out; district announcements and a recollections section. We also have links to WSO, SCWS, and LA Intergroup Office....afga04dist54.googlepages.com/home

We have also set the date for our Alathon, Sat March 7, 2009 at Nativity Catholic Church (Parish Hall Building) 1447 Engracia Ave. Torrance, CA 90501. We will have an Alateen Sponsors Workshop there along with great speakers and baskets and food !!!!

That's it for now,

Love in service,

Linda L.

District 57

Avalon, Long Beach, Lakewood, Bellflower, Seal Beach, Los Alamitos, Cerritos, Artesia, Belmont Shore, Huntington Harbor, Sunset Beach, Signal Hill ?, Paramount ? (I'm not sure if this city is in our District, but we have a meeting from there that is on our list)

Greetings from District 57!

Our District continues to grow! We had a fantastic turn out at our last District meeting on August 2, 2008, with 10 GRs in attendance. Our SCWS Delegate, Mary Morrison, joined us to share her experience, strength and hope, as well as highlights from the World Service Conference. Thanks to Mary for inspiring us with the growth and gifts she has received through service in our Al-Anon program.

Our District provides strong support for Alateen through sponsorship and financial contributions to Southern California Alateen Conference. This year we raised \$1411.75, assisting all teens that needed financial support in our District to attend SCAC. I also had the gift of attending SCAC as a sponsor. What an amazing weekend of recovery for the teens, sponsors and participants.

We have begun planning for our 2009 Alathon which will be held Saturday, February 14 at the Mayfair Park Swim Pavilion in Lakewood.

I want to thank all our District 57 GRs for their continuing service and dedication to our District! Our next District meeting will be on November 1 and I want to encourage all District 57 GRs to join us in fellowship. We continue to add new GRs in our District and I look forward to meeting and assisting all of you as we grow together in service and carry the Al-anon message of hope to our community.

In love and service,

Adrienne K, District Representative

District 60

At our last District meeting we decided to have a Group Inventory. We've scheduled it for Friday October 3rd at our usual meeting place and time. Hope to see you all there.

Love in Service, Truck S

District 63

All is well in our corner of Orange County 41 active meetings, we added 8 new ALATEEN sponsors, one new ALATEEN meeting and have a new district ALATEEN coordinator. Our public outreach program is very strong with members providing literature to Doctors, and visiting Police and Fire departments and local libraries.

Contributed over \$1,200.00 for SCAC scholarships, and 6 meetings now pass a second basket for ALATEEN support..

Does not seem like 3 years have gone by and it's time to move on .

District 64

Hello, greetings to all from Dist. 64. WOW! Our Dist. celebrated one more year of service on June 2, 2008. It was a beautiful day full of fellowship, speakers, food and recovery. Maria Carmen was our Anniversary Coordinator together with her committee did their service with enthusiasm.

Thank you to Dist. 64 for the opportunity for me as DR to assist, to the informative workshop presented by WSO on July 03, continuing with Al-Anon International Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. I am grateful to have listened members from all over the world their experience, strength and hope, it was an amazing experience.

Now I want to share about SCAC that was in July here in So. Cal. We supported them in their Last Chance Picnic in Long Beach and also our Dist. passed the basket to collect funds for the Alateens, in doing this helped pay for half scholarship and they pay the other half, Thank you to all who volunteered.

Many Thanks to the area of San Bernardino and South Bay for hosting our last two workshops; where we study the Concepts from "Paths to Recovery" we keep learning with everyone's participation. We'll see you at our next workshop in San Fernando Valley presenting Concepts 10, 11 and 12.

Our Spanish Dist. 64, we are expanding because we have our own website on the Internet. We had support to design our Webpage from Ben Popelar, SCWS webmaster and you can visit us at

www.scwsdistrito64.org

Also I would like to share that we have our newsletter and named "FORO" with the purpose of keeping communication with all groups registered with Dist. 64. I am Happy to be in service.

DR. Juan P.,
District 64

Hola, companeros y companeras de esta hermosa hermandad reciban un caluroso saludo del Distrito 64, WOW! Nuestro Distrito celebro un ano mas en el servicio el pasado 2 de Junio del 2008. Fue un lindo dia lleno de hermandad, oradores, comida y recuperacion. Maria Carmen la coordinadora del Aniversario y su comite hicieron sus servicio con mucho entusiasmo.

Gracias al Dist.64 por la oportunidad de yo como DR, poder asistir a los informativos talleres de servi-

cio presentados por la OSM el Jueves 3 de Julio, continuando con la Convencion Internacional de AL-Anon en Pittsburgh, PA estoy agradecido de haber escuchado a miembros de todo el mundo compartiendo su experiencia, fortaleza y esperanza fue una experiencia extraordinaria.

Ahora quiero compartirles de SCAC que fue en Julio aqui en el Sur de Cal. los apoyamos en su ultimo evento de picnic en Long Beach y tambien se paso la canasta en el Dist. y esa colecta se dono para sus mitad de registracion y ellos pagan su otra mitad de registracion. Gracias a todos los voluntarios.

Gracias al area de San Bernardino y el Sur de la Bahia por haber sido los amptriones de los talleres donde se estudiaron los Conceptos de el libro "Senderos de Reuperacion" seguimos aprendiendo con la participacion. Nos vemos en el proximo taller que sera en el Valle de San Fernando presentando los Conceptos 10, 11 y 12.

Nuestro Distrito Hispano nos estamos expandiendo porque ya tenemos nuetra pagina en el Internet y para tener acceso vis-

itenos www.scwsdistrito64.org hemos tenido asesoramiento de nuestro companero Ben Popelar encargado del website de SCWS para el diseno de la pagina. Al mismo tiempo quiero compartirles que ya tenemos nuestro propio boletin al que le pusimos de nombre "FORO" para mantenernos en comunicacion todo los grupos registrados en el Distrito. Feliz de estar en el servicio.

Juan P.

Representante de Distrito 64

District 66**District 69****North County San Diego**

North County San Diego. When I assumed the D.R. post in January, one of my concerns for our district was continuity. Almost all our G.Rs were new and we inherited an ongoing district function. We have a district speaker meeting which is scheduled every other month. This needed to continue, but with a new committee. Luckily some of the outgoing G.Rs were voted in as district officers, and a few G.R's started in mid-term. Non the less, the speaker meeting did suffer some minor glitches which took a few months to work out.

Those G.R's who were voted in mid-term (for one reason or another) have asked me whether they should just finish this partial term out and have their next G.R. elected with the big turnover. Or should they serve out the partial term plus another full 3 year stint? I have been answering that it is their choice. I personally served 4 years when this policy was instituted. However (with the idea of continuity in mind) 3 years from whenever you were elected is fine with me. It is ultimately the decision of each group which, as the district, we serve.

Service is love,
Jeff P. D.R. 69.

District 72

El Cajon, Santee, La Mesa Lemon Grove, Spring Valley, Bonita, Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, Alpine.

The District is pulling itself out of a slump and beginning to get back on track. Summer vacations, school, etc; have taken their toll on attendance. We are continuing our efforts to provide Al-Anon and Alateen information to The Community Center in El Cajon. Anticipated Alateen participation has not happened to date. Starting new Alateen groups is an on going goal.

The District held our Annual Long Timer's Tea ("Sereni Tea") in July, with great success. There were over 100 participants in attendance, and our oldest Long Timer had close to 50 years in Al-Anon. The District placed an order for 400 of the 2008 Forums, "Al-Anon faces Alcoholism". Groups will use these Forums to continue contacts with the Professional Community as well as provide information to local Community Centers, Clergy and others.

The District is involved in setting up a Sponsorship Workshop together with Districts 69 and 75, making it a San Diego County Sponsored event. The workshop will be October 27, 2007, 9 am to 1 pm, registration at 8:30 am. Flyers are available at the Registration Desk out front... The Workshop will cover all phases of sponsorship – Personal, Service and Alateen. Come join us on the 27th of October.

I was pleased at the response from our Districts Group Reps. with my concerns over the number of Groups not represented at the District level. Participating GR's have taken on the task to spread the word to those Groups without Group Reps. of the importance and benefits of participation and connection with World Service at District level. Three new Alateen Sponsors have been registered in June and July with the help of the San Diego Inter Group staff. Melisa, Alternate DR., asked those in attendance at our last District Meeting to write a short sharing on the impact and benefits that Service has had on our individual Al-Anon Programs. These were collected and will be sent to the Forum.

Love and Recovery through Service,
Bernie S., D.R. Dist. 72

District 75

Allied Gardens, Clairemont, College Park, Hillcrest, Kearney Mesa, Kensington, La Jolla, Loma Portal, Mira Mesa, Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach, Point Loma, San Carlos, San Diego, Tierrasanta, University City, University Heights

District 75 is collaborating with District 72 to plan a sponsorship event for the end of September. The event will be on Saturday Sept 27 at the Joyce Beer's Center in Hillcrest. The focus will be on sponsorship and working the twelve steps. We wanted to supplement the Southern California area's sponsorship event, and bring some of that fellowship and Al-Anon wisdom directly to our members in San Diego. This was originally Bernie's ideas, bless his heart, and that dream, which was derailed last year

due to the wild fires, has come to fruition. What is totally cool, is that the planning committee is a truly shared effort, with co-chairs and all the service positions being filled by GRs from both districts. This is a wonderful step forward in service and recovery for us in San Diego. Please join us if you can, it will be a special event.

Our District paid for my plane ticket to go Pittsburgh to our International Convention. It was a deep experience. At times I was lonely with 4,000 Al-Anons and at other times I had the most amazing connections with people from Belgium, South Africa, and Scotland. I also connected, eventually, with friendly folk from Southern California and other US spots. A highlight was the Love Parade, the phenomenal love gifts (my favorite is a dice which I roll every morning and to give me suggestions like joy, hope, ODAT, let go and let God). I plan to make it to Vancouver in 2013 and I am grateful to our District for supporting my trip.

One of our members decided to help the District outreach project and was able to persuade our local office to donate pamphlets which we will be mailing to the school counsellors of San Diego Unified. We will be stuffing envelopes next week. My philosophy of leadership as DR is that leaders create leaders. I am so thrilled with the wonderful leadership that has blossomed in our District. I am almost afraid to say it, lest it not be true, but maybe I am making a little progress in letting go of control. In the spiritual context of our District service, I have learned how to let go a little more and let God. Love in Service,
Louise K.

DR District 75

10 Assembly & Committee meeting Suggestions

- 1. Stay on the Topic.*
- 2. No clapping when someone gives an opinion*
- 3. No cell phones*
- 4. Start & Stop on time*
- 5. No double Opinions*
- 6. When speaking keep it to 2 minutes*
- 7. Be Courteous*
- 8. No Cross Talk*
- 9. Stick to the agenda*
- 10. Please no perfume or aftershave.*



COORDINATOR RESUME *(and/or possible Action Committee Chair)*

For SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WORLD SERVICE (SCWS)

DO YOU HAVE THE DESIRE AND WILLINGNESS TO BE OF SERVICE AS ONE OF OUR *AREA COORDINATORS* FOR THE NEXT 3-YEAR TERM? (2009 – 2011)

If the answers are *yes*, then communicate that desire and willingness with the outgoing coordinators to see what is involved in the positions you are interested in. This is a three year commitment and requires your attendance at the Board, Committee and Assembly meetings (minimum of 6 to 8 meetings per year). *Thank you* for your willingness to be of service.

After completing this form you may give it to the current Chairperson, or the newly elected Chairperson at the Nov 2008 Assembly, or mail it to SCWS no later than December 1, 2008. (mail to) SCWS Attention Resumes P.O. Box 350 North Hollywood, CA 91603

Name (in full) _____ Date _____

Address _____ City & Zip _____

Phone # (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

E-mail address _____

Please mark the 3 choices of positions you are interested in (1 to 3, in order of desire)

Alateen Sponsor _____ Alateen (must be an Alateen member) _____ Archives _____ Bulletin _____ Co-operating with the Professional Community (CPC) _____ Group Records _____ Hospitality _____ Institutions _____ Literature _____ Public Information (PI) _____ Website _____ Action Committee Chair for Public Outreach _____ Action Committee Chair for Group Services _____ Action Committee Chair for Membership Communications _____

Please explain why you are interested in any of those 3 positions

How many years are you an active member of Al-Anon/Alateen? _____ Name of your home group _____ District or city _____

Below please list your service experience in Al-Anon/Alateen:

Current Service Positions	Previous Service Positions (with approximate dates)

Anything else you'd like to add? (You may use the back side or submit extra sheets.)

Ask-It Basket Questions



August 17th, 2008 Committee Meeting

ALL REFERENCES TO PAGES REFER TO THE 2006-09 AL-ANON/ALATEEN SERVICE MANUAL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Q1: In the November Assembly will we elect a coordinator for Alateen sponsor, or is that position appointed by the new chairperson? I've been uncomfortable having an officer of one job be in charge of a coordinator position. Is there a need perhaps to have this be an elected position.

A1: The new chairman and elected officers appoint the Coordinators for the ensuing term. This term, because the Alateen Coordinator (who was also the Area Alateen Process Person [AAPP]) resigned. For the purpose of continuity when no one stepped up to assume the responsibilities that that person has relating to recordkeeping, the Alternate Delegate took over this phase of Alateen work. Unfortunately, our area has not had good luck in filling the Alateen Sponsor Coordinator position so there has been inconsistency in this line of service. It should be noted that the AAPP is not a coordinator nor member of the board of SCWS.

Q2: At one of our conferences, the issue of Al-Anon's attitude towards transitioning Alateens [was discussed]. Most do not get a warm reception.

A2: Al-Anon itself does not have a negative attitude regarding transitioning Alateens. It is important that everyone in Al-Anon make a personal effort to greet newcomers.

Q3: Is it correct to name a group "Healing My Childhood?"

A3: This could be confusing to newcomers as the name might imply a therapeutic emphasis. Tradition 5 states that "Each Al-Anon group has but one purpose: to help families of Alcoholics.... By encouraging and understanding our alcoholic relatives by welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics." Page 33 discusses the appropriate naming of a group. "The group's name should be inviting to all and conform to Al-Anon principles...." "The WSO reviews new group names for adherence to these guidelines and may ask a group to choose another name if it is not in keeping with Al-Anon principles."

Q4: About the SOS (Sharing of Service Work-

shop), is the Alternate Delegate's job the last year of board service to be in charge of the SOS in the new term.

A4: Yes, due to the fact that the preparation needs to be started and flyers ready by the November Assembly.

Q5: If we are a non-profit do we have a non-profit number? It came up when we asked a grocery store for a donation – just \$25 – for an event. The grocery store needs a non-profit number is this an OK request by Al-Anon.

A5: No. Our 7th Tradition clearly states that we are self-supporting by our own voluntary contributions. We must not go outside our fellowship in fundraising efforts.

Q6: If GRs did not receive the new Service Manual, do we update contact with SCWS or WSO?

A6: You should verify that your group is registered, and that you are the registered Group Representative, with SCWS Records Secretary. She can then update the WSO records.

Q7: When a GR's term is ended, and no one stands to take the commitment, is it better to let the position remain vacant until someone steps up? Or, is it more useful to have the GR stay on? I guess, similarly, what if no one steps up for the District Representative position?

A7: Rotation of Leadership is an important tenet of the Al-Anon philosophy. We can refer to the 7th Tradition where it says that we are self-supporting. This does not just apply to group funds, but to the representation and health of the group. The position remains vacant until a new Group Representative is chosen (by election, volunteering, etc) If no one is chosen as DR, the same situation applies. One of the best ways we can encourage others to step up is to share the benefits and importance of these positions in a very positive way.

Q8: I had a treasurer from a meeting call me. She no longer wants to be treasurer but no one else wants to step up to take over. She wanted suggestions on how to step down. There is a checking account involved.

A8: See Q7 as it relates to rotation of leadership. It is the responsibility of the members of the group to support its needs. Without a treasurer, meeting contributions are not cared for, the bills, including the rental for meeting space does not get paid, literature is not purchased and the meeting suffers greatly. The treasurer should inform the group that she is no longer able to keep the commitment and the group needs to select a replacement. If none arises, a group inventory meeting may be needed to encourage each member to evaluate their own place in the

meeting's survival.

Q9: Someone complained about strong language in one of my meetings, and we're holding a group conscience this week. From my research in the Service Manual and CAL, it seems that the comfort of the sharer takes some priority over the comfort of the listener. After all, "take what you liked and leave the rest." Also people are encouraged to attend 6 different meetings because they're all different. Does that make sense?

A9: To the first part of your question, utilize Tradition 1 as your guide. The group needs to decide what tone is acceptable to its members. If the group decides that strong language is inappropriate, a statement such as "Members are asked to refrain from profanity in their sharing" (or other statement) may be added in the meeting's opening comments.

Q10: Some of our Al-Anon members regularly use the saying "if you have the knowledge, you have the responsibility" to speak up. Now the issue is that some members will abruptly interject their knowledge during the meeting and some members are offended or intimidated. For example, one member was sharing a conversation she had with her husband about the presidential candidates and she was interrupted by another member who told her that we do not discuss politics in our meetings. The member was upset about that and has not returned to the meeting. How do you suggest we deal with this concept of speaking up because the member believes that it is her responsibility?

A10: We can't assume that everyone knows the nuances of what is appropriate in sharing or find themselves venturing into an area that has nothing to do with the problem of alcoholism. Those members with the knowledge should not act as the "Al-Anon police" but they can gently speak to the "offending" member to remind them of Tradition 10 which says that we "have no opinion on outside issues" and politics is an outside issue, after the meeting in a non-embarrassing way. The person could also be reminded that we speak in "a general way".... She didn't need to get into the nature of the conversation in her sharing.

Q11: How do you suggest meetings handle members that have emotional outbursts or get angry at other members during the meeting?

A11: This is another question that can be answered by reviewing Tradition One. The group's common welfare comes first. The member who is unable to control emotional outbursts and anger at other members should be talked to about this behavior. Certainly, it is not in the group's best interest to allow this to continue.

Q12: What is the best way to explain why we as a district do not have insurance for each meeting in our area?

A12: Most meetings and districts do not, quite frankly, have the funds to purchase such insurance. Our Area policy covers our events which are mandated by our by-laws (from our incorporation) and by Al-Anon (Assemblies, committee meetings, etc.) and covers liability for defending false charges of sexual misconduct of our Area's Alateen sponsors and Al-Anon members involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS). It is not an umbrella policy covering meetings and districts.

Q13: How did we come to have the name "Al-Anon?"

A13: The history of Al-Anon and Alateen is briefly reported on page 29. "The Al-Anon name is simply a derivative of the first syllables of "Alcoholics Anonymous."

Job Descriptions Cont.

Hospitality Coordinator

As Hospitality Coordinator you will be responsible for the hospitality, making sure that the coffee is made and that the Districts bring in the breakfast foods at the Board meetings, Committee meetings, Assembly meetings, Sharing of Service and Lontimers meeting, and attends all the Board meetings. This commitment includes; the setting up the Hospitality room, keeping supplies up to date, such as coffee and sugar.

It has been a great experience in that I worked the Concepts, met a lot of new beautiful people, and got a lot of hugs. It is a great way to grow in the program. It has been my pleasure to be of service in this way, there will be a more detailed folder to the new incoming coordinator, and I will always be available if they need help. I am grateful for having the commitment

Home Cell e-mail address is Love in service MaryLou V.

Website Coordinator

The primary job of the web coordinator is to maintain the website by posting the latest information on the site. This mainly includes the maintenance of the Calendar of Events page and the posting of the latest Bulletin and Motions. The web coordinator also develops / oversees the development of new capabilities for the web site as directed by the board. The web site coordinators attends all area assembly meeting, area committee meetings and area board meeting,



Elections will be held in November 2008

Election Process

The only requirement for membership in AL-Anon is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend

Voting members of the SCWS Area Assembly are those chosen to be the Group Representative (GR). Or the alternate GR may vote when the GR is not present. Each group may only have one vote and any GR may only represent one group (one vote).

No member of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) may serve beyond the group level-as defined in the Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual. No member of AA may serve as GR to SCWS Assembly Area.

Regular elections are held every three(3) years beginning with the November Assembly in 2008.

Cumulative voting for the election of officers shall not be permitted. Each voting member shall cast only one vote, with voting done by written ballot; except when there is only one candidate for a position and then a motion can be made to confirm them by a show of hands.

At the start of an election Assembly, the procedure is described. A vote of acceptance of the method is taken before balloting begins. The process used is based on the World Service guidelines.

Those who are or have been District Representatives are asked to express their willingness to serve. Those who affirm their willingness for the position stated, then become Nominees.

Beginning with the position of Delegate, the first to receive 2/3 of the written ballot votes is elected as Delegate.

The Alternate Delegate is elected next following the same process.

The other officers are elected by a simple majority starting with Chairman, followed by Minutes Secretary and Treasurer.

If an elected Officer is unable to complete his/her term, the Chairperson may appoint someone to fill in until an election is held at the next assembly to elect someone to complete the remainder of the term.

See the Al-Anon World Service Handbook page 136-138 for further election information and policies regarding vacancies.

Who has Voice and/or Vote?

Area World Service Assembly meetings

VOICE

Group Representatives
District Representatives
Officers
Coordinators
Past Delegates

(Intergroup Liaisons and AWSC Convention Chairmen give report only – No voice nor vote unless also a GR.)

VOTE

Group Representatives

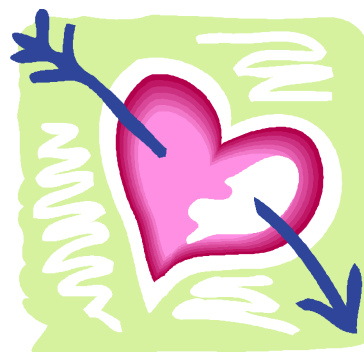
Area World Service Committee meetings

VOICE

District Representatives
Officers

VOTE

District Representatives
Officers



SCWS Group Contributions Form

Please Print
(For use during the term 1/1/06 - 12/31/08)

____ Al-Anon ____ Alateen Group Name _____ District # _____

Group City _____ Day _____ Time _____

WSO ID# _____ Contribution Enclosed _____

Group Address _____

Submitted by: Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

e-mail Address _____

Please Note: The WSO ID number is on the mailing label of the Bulletin.

Make check or money order payable to: SCWS

Mail Contributions to:

Treasurer - Suzanne P. questions?
PO Box 350
North Hollywood, CA 91603

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Please Print
For use during the term 1/1/06 - 12/31/08

____ New Subscription ____ Renewal ____ Correction

Cost: \$4.00 per year Enclosed is \$ ____ for ____ Years

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Make check or money order payable to: SCWS

Mail Subscriptions to:

Treasurer - Suzanne P.
PO Box 350
North Hollywood, CA 91603

SCWS Group Registration Form

****for Alateen changes, please use separate Alateen form, found on SCWS website**

New Registration? Yes No Not Sure If Registered Date _____

WSO ID# _____ District # _____ Area 04

Changes: Group Rep (GR) Alt.Group Rep (AGR) Contact
(circle all
that apply) Meeting Day Meeting Time Meeting Location Disbanded Meeting

Meeting Information

Group Name _____

Meeting Day: Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa Meeting Time _____ AM PM

Meeting Location _____ City/Zip _____

Current Mailing Address (CMA) -- All group mail will be sent to this address

Name _____ This person is the:
GR Alt.GR Contact

Street/PO Box _____

City/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail (opt.) _____

Additional Meeting Contact (Optional)

Name _____ This person is the:
Alt.GR Contact

Street/PO Box _____

City/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail (opt.) _____

Changes to: District Officers / Intergroup Liaisons / Convention Chairs

Name _____

Street/PO Box _____

City/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail (opt.) _____

This person is the: District Rep Alt. District Rep Coord. for _____
(Alateen, PI, CPC, etc.)

Intergroup Liaison for _____ Convention Chair for _____

Send to: SCWS Group Records Coordinator (01/06 to 12/08)

Jayne P., Group Records Secretary, PO Box 350, North Hollywood, CA 91603 * (714) 821-1839

SCWS Directory

Delegate, Panel 46 **Mary Morrison**
 Alternate Delegate **Sandie Ethridge**
 Chairperson **David Behm**
 Treasurer **Suzanne Picott**
 Past Delegate (P43) **Miriam McKenna**
 Minutes Secretary **Cathy Watson**
 Group Records **Jayne Parker**

COORDINATORS

Alateen **Daniel Kulick**
 Alateen Sponsor **OPEN**
 Archives **Martha Membreno**
 Bulletin **Laurie Eimans**
 CPC **Sandra Weintraub**
 Hospitality **Mary Lou Villa**
 Institutions **Shirley Meyer**
 Literature **Lucia Caballero**
 Public Information **Portia Summers**
 Website **Ben Popelar**

ACTION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Group Services **Willie Williams**
 Public Outreach **Robin Jaruszewski**
 Membership **Cindy Rudder**
 Communications

INTERGROUP LIAISONS

Inland Empire **Beth Gould**
 Los Angeles **Kelly Ferdman**
 Orange **Amaridis Quintana**
 San Diego **Jeannine Bell**
 Spanish Intergroup **Patrick Burke**
 Ventura **Cyndy Payan**

CONVENTION CHAIRPERSONS

AFG 2009 **Robin Browning**
 SCAA 2008 **Laura McCann**
 SCAC 2008 **Danny Kulick**

THINK

T- Is it Thoughtful?

H - Is it Honest

I - Is it Intelligent?

N-Is it Necessary?

K - Is it Kind?

If so then it is probably okay for me to say it.

INFORMATION SERVICE CENTERS

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(805) 962-1287 www.alanonsantabarbara.info

Ventura County Al-Anon Family Groups

Post Office Box 6754, Ventura 93006-6754

(805) 495-0270 www.alanonventura.org

****GRs may attend any Action Committee they prefer or the one they are assigned to by their DR.**

Suggestions: Each District assign at least one GR to each Action Committee to have representation and feedback from all three committees to the District. Each GR attends their preferred Action Committee for the entire 3-year term.

Acronyms Used in Al-Anon/Alateen

AFG - Al-Anon Family Group(s)
AIB - Ask It Basket
AIS - Al-Anon Information Service
AWSA - Area World Service Assembly
AWSC - Area World Service Committee
CAL - Conference Approved Literature
CAT - Conference Approved Tapes
CMA - Current Mailing Address
CPC - Cooperating with the Professional Community
DR - District Representative
GR - Group Representative (WS)
GSO - General Service Office
(Countries other than U.S. & Canada)
H & I - Hospitals & Institutions
IAGSM - International Al-Anon General Service Meeting
IR / ISR - Intergroup Representative / Information Service Rep.
KBDM - Knowledge based decision making
LDC - Literature Distribution Center

LRSP - Long Range Study Panel
NPIC - National Public Information Canada
PFA - Publications Franchises Al-Anon (Canada)
PI - Public Information
PO - Public Outreach
PSA - Public Service Announcement
RSS - Regional Service Seminar
RT - Regional Trustee
SCAC - Southern California Alateen Conference
SCWS - Southern California World Service
SOS - Sharing Of Service
SWRDM - Southwest Region Delegates' Meeting
SWRSS - Southwest Region Service Seminar
SWRT - Southwest Regional Trustee
TAL - Trustee At Large
WS - World Service
WSC - World Service Conference
WSO - World Service Office

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DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

- 03- Julie Rench
- 06- Anita Johnson
- 08- Mark Hayden
- 09- Willie Meyers
- 10- Gail Nixon
- 11- Twiggy Goodwin
- 12- Lea Reimers
- 17- Tarisa Ramserran
- 21- Holly Hilleary-Gross
- 24- Heidi Tults
- 27- Tim Paulson
- 30- Maria L. Garcia
- 33- Kathy Goblirsch
- 36- Jay Pace
- 39- Carolyn Schultz
- 40- Carmie Fox
- 42- Sam Miller
- 45- Emilce Lopera
- 48- Estela Rodriguez
- 51- Irene Lopez
- 54- Linda Lester
- 57- Adrienne Keane
- 60- Truck Smith
- 63- Chuck Buchanan
- 64- Juan E. Pech
- 66- Chris Cook, Jr.
- 69- Jeff Papendieck
- 72- Bernie Scapparro
- 75- Louise Kelly
- 78- No DR-

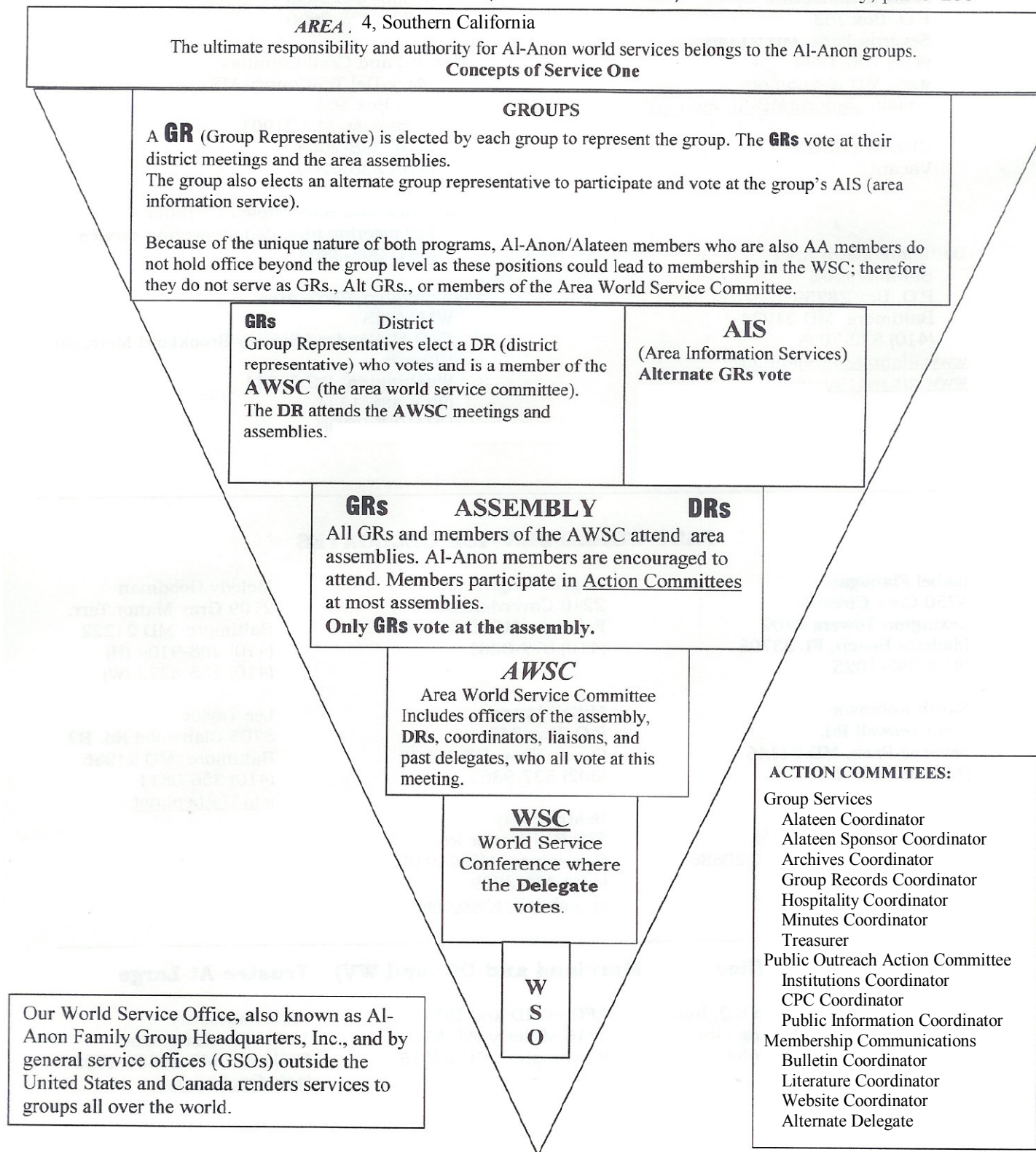
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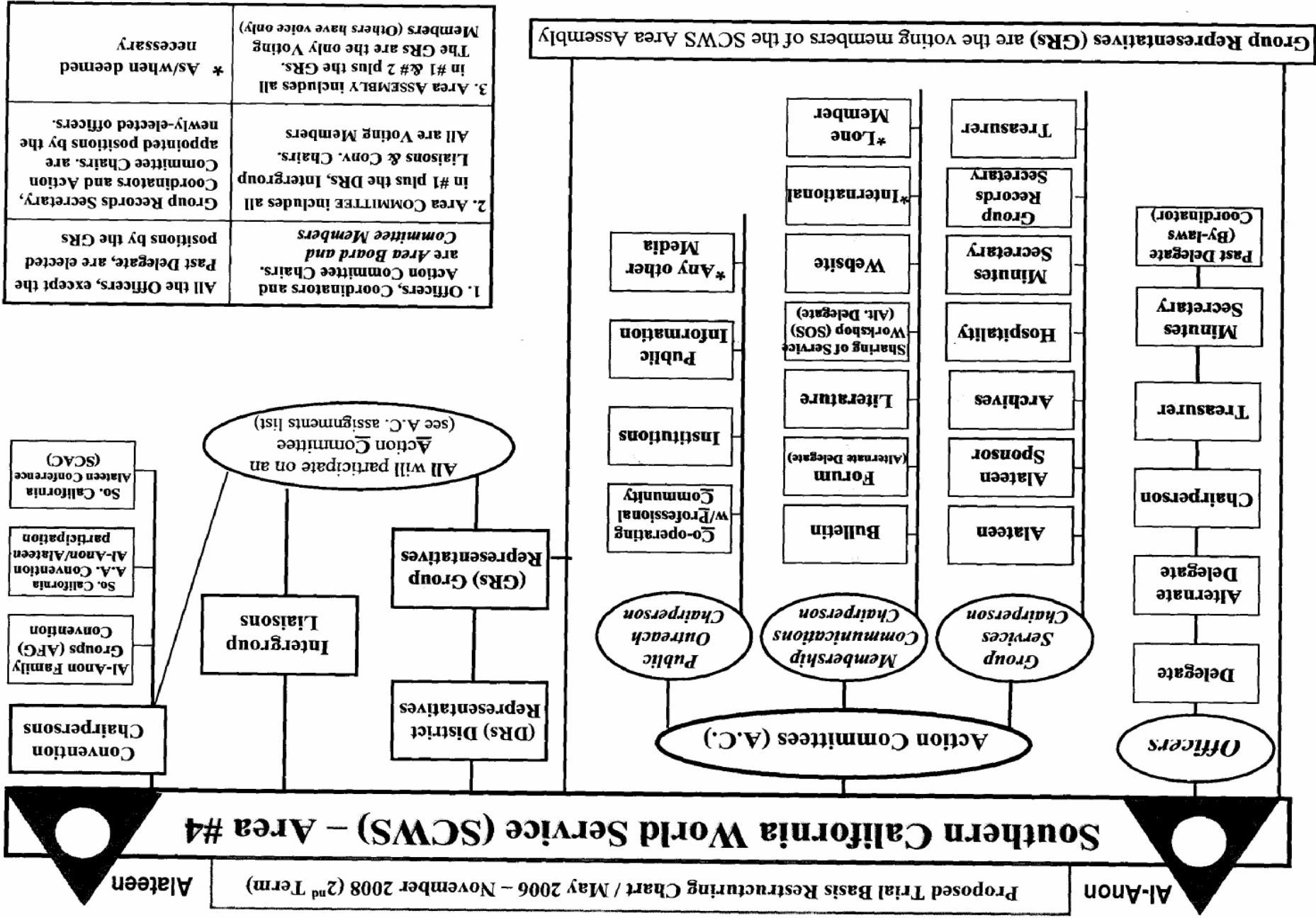
PAST DELEGATES

1	Aura C.	Deceased	1961-1963
4	Cecelia B.	55-year member	(not available for contact)	1964-1966
7	Norris Roberts			1967-1969
10	Helen B.	Deceased	1970-1972
13	Elsie Quintard		1973-1975
16	Betty (Reed) O'Bannon		(not available for contact)	1976-1978
19	Pat Roche			1979-1981
22	Bernie E.	Deceased	1982-1984
25	Bob Lahann			1985-1987
28	Hester Bacheller			1988-1990
31	Joyce Kaler		1991-1993
34	Kary Lewis			1994-1995
34	Rita McGuire	Deceased		1996
37	Willie Williams			1997-1999
40	Kay Dornbusch			2000-2002
43	Miriam McKenna	Immediate Past Delegate (see Officers listing)		2003-2005
46	Mary Morrison	Current Delegate (see Officers listing)		2006-2008

Al-Anon's structure is often described as an upside-down triangle, with the Al-Anon Groups at the top. Members volunteer service and act as representatives from the groups to our districts and areas and from the areas to the WSC (World Service Conference). At the narrow point at the bottom of the triangle are our trustees and staff at the WSO (World Service Office). Paths to Recovery, p.249-250



Proposed Restructuring Chart



Election Notes

Delegate-

1. _____

Pros -

Cons -

2. _____

Pros-

Cons-

3. _____

Pros -

Cons-

Alternate Delegate-

1. _____

Pros-

Cons-

2. _____

Pros -

Cons-

3. _____

Pros-

Cons-

Chairperson -

1. _____

Pros-

Cons-

2. _____

Pros-

Cons-

3. _____

Pros-

Cons-

Minutes Secretary -

1. _____

Pros-

Cons-

2. _____

Pros-

Cons-

3. _____

Pros-

Cons-

Treasurer-

1. _____

Pros -

Cons-

2. _____

Pros-

Cons-

3. _____

Pros-

Cons-

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