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**Expanding our community
of hope by embracing:
Yesterday's foundations
Today's successes
Tomorrow's possibilities**

Committee Meeting Agenda—Saturday, Feb 21, 2012

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

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

Traditions read by: _____ District # _____

Officers Reports

Chairperson Truck S.
Treasurer's Report Cathy S.
Delegate's Report Jayme P..
Alternate Delegate's Report Tim P.
Past Delegate's Report Sandie E..
Minutes Secretary Elizabeth K..
Records Secretary's Report
& Roll Call Chris C.

Updates:

SCAC
Alateen Guidelines

Old Business:

New Business:

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

Lunch Break

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

Concepts read by: _____ District # _____

Hospitality Report: CB S.

Host districts for May Committee Mtg:

Convention Chairpersons' Reports

AFG Convention 2011
So-Cal. AA Conv. 2011 – Al-Anon
So-Cal. Alateen Conf. (SCAC)

Coordinators' Reports:

Alateen Sponsor Coordinator Tarisa R.
Alateen Coordinator:
Archives: Charlene A.
Area Alateen Process Person Kathi L.

Bulletin: Kathy G.
Cooperating w/Professional Community:
Institutions: Sandy P.
Literature: Margaret S.
Public Information: Danica S.
Website: Richard R.
Irene C.

District Representatives' Reports Intergroup Liaisons' Reports

Inland Empire
Intergrupal Hispania: (L.A. County)
Los Angeles County
Orange County:
San Diego County
Ventura County

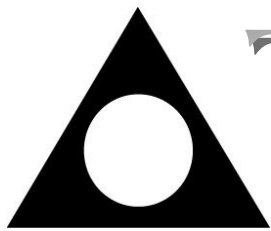
Ask It Basket – Q's & A's: Alternate Delegate
Al-Anon related Announcements (only if time permits)
Closing time - 4:00 p.m. - Close with Al-Anon Declaration

REMINDERS:

PLEASE LIMIT REPORTS to 2-3 minutes (does not apply to Officers)
Submit printed report and e-mail report to the Minutes Secretary at secretary@scws-al-anon.org and then e-mail a copy of the report to the Bulletin Editor at bulletin@scws-al-anon.org.

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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At the time the Bulletin went to press, the financial reports, including group contributions, were not available. They will be provided at the February Committee Meeting.

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

Calendar of Events

Southern California World service Area (SCWS) Events

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

2012

February 4

District 42 Heart to Heart 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church 47535 Highway 74 Palm Desert

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120204_Heart_Flyer.pdf

February 11

District 57 Alathon Relating 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Mayfair Park Swim Pavilion 5720 Clark Ave Lakewood

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120211_Alathon_Meeting_Flyer_final.pdf

February 11

Inland Empire Fundraiser Endless Love Dance 9:30 PM - 1:00 AM

Valley Alano Club 10980 Arrow Route, suite 107 Rancho Cucamonga

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120211_Dance_Flyer.pdf

February 18

Southern California World Service Area Committee Meeting 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Glendale First United Methodist Church 134 N. Kenwood St. Glendale

Host Districts: _8, 12, 17

February 18

SCAC Happy Valentines Day 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Anaheim Alano Club, 202 W Broadway, Anaheim

<http://www.scac.ws/events/february.pdf>

March 16

Friday Night Speaker Meeting 7:00 PM

St Margaret's Episcopal Church, 47535 Highway 74, Palm Desert

March 17

4th Step Workshop Taking the Fear Out of the Fourth - 10am to 3pm

First Christian Church Fellowship Hall 109 E. Wilshire Ave Fullerton

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120317_Workshop.pdf

March 24

SCAC March Madness 1:00 PM – 5:00PM

Cerritos Liberty Park, 19211 Studebaker Rd, Cerritos

<http://www.scac.ws/events/march.pdf>

March 30 - April 1 36th Annual AFG Convention Passport to Serenity

Ontario

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120525_AALA.pdf

May 25 - 28

AALA Roundup with Al-Anon Participation We Are Not Saints

Memorial Day Weekend - Save the Date Burbank

http://www.scws-al-anon.org/documents/calendar_flyers/20120525_AALA.pdf

April 21

SCAC San Diego Beach Party 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

3146 Mission Blvd, San Diego

<http://www.scac.ws/events/april.pdf>

May 12

SCAC Mother's Day Picnic 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM

1551 El Prado Ave, Torrance

<http://www.scac.ws/events/may.pdf>

May 18

Friday Night Speaker Meeting 7:00 PM

St Margaret's Episcopal Church, 47535 Highway 74, Palm Desert

2013

July 5-7, 2013 Al-Anon International Convention with AA Participation Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Who has Voice and/or Vote?

Assembly Meeting

Group Representatives VOICE and VOTE

District Representatives VOICE

Officers VOICE

Coordinators VOICE

Past Delegates VOICE

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

Committee Meeting

District Representatives VOICE and VOTE

Officers VOICE and VOTE

Coordinators VOICE and VOTE

Intergroup Liaisons VOICE and VOTE

AWSC Convention Chairs VOICE and VOTE

(Conventions: AFG, So-Cal AA & SCAC)

Past Delegates VOICE

Revised August – 2004

Officer's Reports

(Editors Note: these reports are from the officers as of November 2011.)

Delegate

Where to begin? My Higher Power opened a very special door to me in 2008, when I was elected to serve you for the term of 2009-2011 as your Area Delegate. There was no way I could know then what that truly meant, and being a Trusted Servant took on new significance. You chose me to represent you at the World Service Conference. What an honor.

WHAT YOU ASKED OF ME: The Conference experience is beyond anything I can describe and its effects and the things I learned will last my whole lifetime. There were times of self-doubt, when I was thinking, "can I do this?" and I remembered you said I could, as did my Higher Power, and so you were with me when I went to the microphone to speak for my 2 minutes and I wasn't afraid. You have trusted me to be respectful, yet pointed and truthful with my voice on issues which concern our Area. You allowed me to speak truthfully about systemic problems which impact Al-Anon Family Groups as a whole, (high-pressure groups, dilution of our program from the inside out by those who would infuse outside literature and therapies into our meetings, or those who feel it necessary to degrade our Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts by attempts to insert the gender of *their* Higher Power into our readings.) On the Conference floor I participated in many, many discussions and conversations ranging from:

Knowledge-Based Decision Making for an Informed Group Conscience

the power of the minority voice

our spiritual generosity by observing the Seventh Tradition not only with our money but with our time

the principle of Abundance in our resources, our thinking, our attitudes, our actions

the reasons to publish a piece on intimacy in alcoholic relationships

the ending of the trial period required before the purchase of our World Service Office building was finalized

cultural and linguistic diversity (examining my

own attitudes)

how can the Conference structure change to provide representation for the largest number of our members

support to Areas dealing with groups whose activities fail to consider Al-Anon and Alateen as a whole

electronic media

possible policy related to "Do Not Refer" listing

updating and revising parts of the Digest of Al-Anon and Alateen Policies in the current 2010-2013 Service Manual, including the consolidation of Alateen policies

protection of Alateen's Twelve Traditions by way of a Conference Charter revision

active listening

conflict resolution

memorial contributions

The Forum

ways in which dual members may serve beyond the group level without changing Al-Anon's policies

understanding the difference between our two entities: Al-Anon, the organization and Al-Anon, the fellowship

Together Empowering Al-Anon Members (TEAM) Events

WSO financial policy

public outreach materials

and many more

These are really just a few of the discussions held over the past three years. Any member can reference the "Conference Summary" for more in-depth information with highlights of all discussions, either on the WSO website or hard copy on a minimal charge for shipping.

WHAT I ASKED OF ME: Being delegate has required me to be prepared, to learn all the facts about an issue upon which I would vote, to remove my opinion in my reporting to you, to act with the best interests of worldwide Al-Anon as a whole, to project in my behavior and appearance a positive message of recovery through Al-Anon, be open-minded to different ideas, respect and support the group conscience without negativity or prejudice.

When I began my term, my service sponsor asked me to write a "Mission Statement" which would be a guide for my attitude and conduct. Ironically, not intentionally, there were twelve points, listed below:

To fairly represent Southern California Al-Anon at the World Service Conference, clearly and without my personal opinion influencing my presentations (*I changed this to "decisions" as I am allowed to state my opinions during Conference discussions, but just consider facts when voting.*)

To fairly represent Al-Anon World Services to Southern California

To exemplify the intended nature of "Trusted Servant" in thoughts, words, actions and attitudes through guidance from a loving Higher Power

To carry the message of hope and recovery

To always convey the importance of our place in World Services as it relates to each group, district, our area and myself

To place into perspective the wide range of Al-Anon membership around the world with that of Southern California and to focus on gratitude for our bountiful meetings and resources

To portray service to Al-Anon as honorable activity, which is an enjoyable and educational endeavor, with personal curiosity and enthusiasm

To be positive in sharing that all facets of Al-Anon are spiritual and that we all, personally, must protect its principles

To be organized, dedicated and excited about this service and to listen and be responsive and accessible (*I wish I were more organized, but I was extremely dedicated and excited, and I was responsive and accessible*)

To be open to and listen carefully to another's point of view (*I tried my best and used what I learned in "Active Listening" workshops at the WSC to help with my shortcomings in this area*)

To be open to and supportive of the vision for Al-Anon and be a creative part of its legacy

Start my day in prayer and reflection and show gratitude to my Higher Power and stay respectfully on this path of service, upon which I have been directed

WHAT THE CONFERENCE ASKED OF ME: As a member of the World Service Conference it was assumed that I (and all delegates)

would to come prepared, enthusiastic, informed, inquisitive, knowledgeable, open-minded, respectful, presuming goodwill, experienced, able and available. I was asked to be willing to participate in discussions and votes, participate in Thought-Task Force assignments which occur outside the Conference, and willing to communicate Conference actions and decisions in a positive way. Below are the Conference Goals:

Conference members will understand the purpose of the Conference, relationships within the structure and be able to articulate Conference decisions.

The spiritual tone of the World Service Conference will prevail by the demonstration of mutual respect and acceptable conduct by its members.

Knowing that our Higher Power is present in the expression of our group conscience, Conference members will presume good will.

COULD WE ADAPT THESE GOALS FOR OUR ASSEMBLY'S USE?

Assembly members will understand the purpose of the Assembly, relationships within the Area structure and be able to articulate Assembly decisions.

The spiritual tone of the Southern California World Service Area Assembly will prevail by the demonstration of mutual respect and acceptable conduct by its members.

Knowing that our Higher Power is present in the expression of our group conscience, Assembly members will presume good will. SINCE THE LAST TIME WE MET: Thank you to the districts and Intergroups

that invited me to come and share about delegate things. Thank you to all the other districts and Intergroups that invited the AMIAS policy Task Force to bring information to them as part of Knowledge-Based Decision Making.

The Sharing of Service Workshop/60th Anniversary Celebration in Camarillo was a resounding success with over 200 attendees enjoying a day of service and celebration, which was highlighted by the visit and talk on the Twelve Concepts by Ric

Step 2: ... restore us to sanity.

Do you think of the man who thinks' he's Napoleon? Well, haven't you tried to be the emperor who ran things, who dictated what was good and bad for others?

Forum Favorites, Vol 4, pg 102

Buchanan, WSO's Executive Director. I think the lights came on in many peoples' eyes. Thank you, also to many of our Board members *and* Ric for participating in the musical comedy performance which was promised to District 12 for winning the Forum subscription challenge in 2010.

The Chairman of the Board's quarterly letter was just received with information on Board of Trustees' (BOT) activities which includes:

- a site visit to Vancouver, British Columbia, where the 2013 Al-Anon International Convention will be held

- the invitation to any interested member to attend the Annual Board of Trustees meeting on the day after the Conference

- continuing the awareness and work of the Board's and membership's cultural competency. The Board chose the three values that we felt were most important in the fellowship—serenity, helping people, and integrity. Next, we examined our policies, our structures, our practices, our behaviors, and our attitudes to determine if the above values were exhibited in these elements of our fellowship. This conversation will continue, as we support and encourage the membership in their desire to reach out to diverse populations using our values and our principles.

- three Skill-Building Leadership Sessions will be held at the 2010 Conference. The topics will include: how to deal with difficult situations, how to engage audiences using multiple strategies and techniques, and how to overcome fear and build self-confidence, empowering one to be a success as a leader/trusted servant.

- the Conference structure has been a topic at Conferences since 2008, first as part of the Admissions/Handbook Task Force report, and then through two presentations given by two different Thought Forces. At this Board meeting, all of the information that was presented since the beginning was considered as the Board discussed the next steps that might be implemented in decisions about revising or changing the structure. All of the concerns that were brought forward were taken into account and addressed by the Board. After an in-depth conversation, it was decided that the Board will present ideas at the 2012 Conference that will address the next steps for the Areas. (This is in direct response to the 2008 CA(S) petition to the Board of Trustees authored by our past delegate, Mary Morrison.

it was affirmed that the WSO's role in this discussion of a possible "Do Not Refer" policy is to determine how we can support Area decisions and adhere to our spiritual principles, a "talking points" presentation will be made available

the BOT will spend an entire day at the January meeting discussing where to go from here, so they can begin the execution of its Strategic Plan. They have learned to be flexible and nimble when it comes to the Strategic Plan, which has enabled us to make the best decisions for Al-Anon Family Groups as a whole.:

The Policy Committee's "Do Not Refer" Thought Force completed the KBDM questions and began preparing a list of principles for discussion at the 2012 WSC. These principles will shape the Conference discussion, and provide a basis for the Delegates to bring this discussion to their Areas.

The Policy Committee's "Dual Member" Thought Force completed the KBDM questions and outlined the spiritual principles behind the current policy on "Dual Membership in Al Anon/Alateen and A.A.," on pages 78-79 of the "Digest of Al-Anon/Alateen Policies." A Task Force has been given the charge to clarify the current policy wording, using these spiritual principles.

The Policy Committee's "Memorial Contributions" Thought Force completed the KBDM questions and developed a list of spiritual principles related to Tradition Five. The Thought Force will further explore these principles in light of all the Legacies.

The BOT Treasurer reported: Income: Literature sales were \$3,364,800 this year compared to \$2,970,900 last year, an increase of 13.3%. Gross profits on literature sales were \$2,682,100 (79.7% of sales), compared to \$2,327,500 (78.3% of sales) last year. Contributions were \$905,600 this year, compared to \$883,100 last year—an increase of 2.5%. Forum subscription income was \$205,500 this year, compared to \$209,300 last year—a decrease of 1.8%.

Expenses: expenses were \$3,641,000 this year, compared to \$3,422,600 last year. The increase was primarily due to the cost of printing the Spanish and French Service Manuals, travel to TEAM events, repairs to the HVAC system, and depreciation on the new roof. Overall, expenses are in line with the budgeted amounts.

Reserve Fund: The fair value of investments in

the Reserve Fund totaled \$4,448,000 at September 30, 2011. This amount includes an unrealized gain of \$204,000. In compliance with a Board of Trustees' motion, 4% of the average balance of the Reserve Fund over the prior 36 months will be transferred to the General Fund.

IN SUMMATION: I think I've seen the best in us as those who love Al-Anon and Alateen. I have seen and participated in heated discussions in all service levels where passions flared, but in the end peace and reason resumed and after allowing all those who were invited to take part (those with vote and voice) to speak, after considering all the facts and after considering the minority voice, a decision could then be reached based on its effect on Al-Anon as a whole. However, I have also seen our members engage in shouting matches and behave in ways they would never allow in meetings or in the presence of newcomers and other fellow members. It is my hope that we all grow as we learn how to be of service and honor our program by demonstrating our respect.

I have also learned the importance and the imperative we, as members, have of selecting leaders who bring the highest qualifications for certain service positions where just being willing is no longer the only consideration. We are reminded of this by an excerpt of Concept Nine: "Good personal leadership at all service levels is a necessity...." (*Al-Anon Alateen Service Manual, 2010-2013*, page 190-194.) As our world grows at an exponential pace, so are our challenges and our vision.

I now understand what Willie Williams meant when he said this would change my life. This has been a transformative time and I am grateful for the knowledge gained and the trust given. Even when I was not at my best, you gave me your love and support, for which I thank you.

With love and respect,

Sandie E

Alternate Delegate

The Celebration of Sixty years of Al-Anon held in Camarillo, Ca on October 29th in conjunction with Sharing on Service - North was a booming success.

The featured speaker was our Executive Director Ric Buchanan from our World Service Office in Virginia Beach, VA. His topic was Al-Anon Twelve Concepts of Service of which was covered

thoroughly as his talk lasted about two hours. Question and comments were taken from the floor.

Participation included an extensive potluck meal which enhanced the fellowship that comes with breaking bread.

The play performed by some of the World Services Committee was written and produced by our delegate Sandie and it was very well received by the District 12 super sales people that won the forum subscription contest.

We have another SOS coming to Glendale on January 21st 2012 which will feature our Regional Trustee, Karen Rimmel.

The position of alternate delegate requires a great deal of contact with the World Service Committee and extensive use of technology which is a requirement for this position. Someone must have those skills to hold this position.

It has been a good experience for me but it's not an easy job.

Thank you for the opportunity to be of service.

Next SOS January 21, 2012 flyers will be available for distribution through our districts now. Please pre-register so that we have enough food for everyone.

I am proud to be of service with such esteemable people on the committee, doing esteemable work. Remember to mark January 21, 2012 on your calendar.

Looking forward to Sharing On Service

Pat H

Immediate Past Delegate

How can I thank all of you for the honor of serving with the SCWS Committee and Assembly.

My life has been dedicated to service since the day I came to Al-Anon oh so many years ago in January, 1973. The second week I attended meetings I volunteered to be secretary of my group and my higher power saw fit to keep me volunteering since that time.

Having been elected to all five Board positions has been an honor and a privilege I will never forget.

I only hope that all of you keep coming back and volunteering whether in your group or at other levels of this program. Answering phone calls from members of this program has given me tremendous growth and insight.

I look forward to volunteering for other Al-Anon positions throughout the next few years, this

is what keeps me going and gives me so much pleasure; being able to return all you have given me.

Today we need to keep our reports short (which I have tried to do over the past years) so that we have time to vote in our new members and decide on all the issues we have presented to you.

I am proud to say that I have been a part of the panel that presented the proposed Alateen Guidelines to most all of you over the past few months. We know that you will vote with an informed decision as this is important not only to all of us but to our worldwide fellowship. We must continue to be aware of the responsibility that comes with protecting our children and also our Alateen Sponsors. Much that we have presented in our draft comes from the WSO Guideline, G-34. We look forward to your vote and know that our Higher Power is the decision maker in all our votes. We must remember that we are a worldwide organization and that what we decide is important to all of us not only in Southern California but for Al-Anon as a whole.

Good luck to all our candidates today, our volunteers in service.

One more time I would ask that we all take a look at our "Rules" one of my favorite things from my years as your Delegate on Panel 46. Also while on that panel we initiated the KBDM process (knowledge based decision making) and the new bookmark outlining what is a sponsor. The KBDM process has initiated a lot of thought and consideration into all of our decisions.

My hope is that all of you stay in service.

Love

Mary M

Chair

I am a very grateful member of the World Wide Fellowship of the Al-Anon Family Groups and I am also your outgoing Panel 49, SCWS Chairman for California South ~ Area 4.

I cannot believe that three years have gone by and I have chaired my very last SCWS Assembly Meeting for this Panel. Panel 49 has just about completed our service to the Area. It has been an awe inspiring privilege to be of service to you the fellowship. I want to thank Willie Williams because if it were not for his encouragement I would never have stood to be Chairman and what an opportunity I would have missed! Willy told me

"you can do it"! And I did do it one day at a time, one moment at a time and one commitment at a time. With lots of fear and trepidation at first and now with more confidence and love for you and for my Higher Power than I ever thought possible. Isn't that the way things happen in the Program ~ as soon as we really understand and know what we are doing our job is over!

The first Assembly I chaired was May of 2009. I was fearful, uncertain and anxious. I was definitely not in my comfort zone. But I trusted God. In my family I was taught only two ways to respond: react and over-react! And also to definitely have an opinion. And that I was always RIGHT! I was born rigid, responsible and right! We all know I am 100% Italian and sometimes being Italian means it is a disease in itself!

I have learned to stop, breathe, pray and then respond. At the Area level we get to present the facts and NOT have an opinion. THAT TAKES A HUGE AMOUNT OF HUMILITY AND SHUTTING UP COMING FROM WHERE I COME FROM. From the bottom of my heart I want to thank you all for the opportunity to serve you as the Area Chairman and for the confidence in my judgment many times over these past three years!

My biggest fear and the reason I never wanted to be Area Chairman was because I did not want to Chair an Assembly where they would be discussing an ALATEEN issue. My Higher Power has a sense of humor doesn't HE? I am humbled how God works in my life!

The Area Alateen Behavioral Requirements document was the focus of our attention for the last few months. We did KBDM (Knowledge Based Decision Making) throughout the Area on the the document. We visited over 20 districts of the total 30 districts. There were lively discussions, many opinions and yet it energized the Area like nothing had in a long time. If you want to get an enormous turn out for an Assembly, put an Alateen topic on the Agenda! As God would have it we were unable to bring forward the HOT TOPIC of the new Area Alateen Safety & Behavioral Requirements because we ran out of time. God is in charge! I am sure this will be a topic in a future Assembly.

We had a robust agenda and we accomplished so much. We completed our election of Officers for the Panel 52, passed our Budget for 2012, the Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP) is now offi-

cially a member of the SCWS Board, clarified our mileage motion and each Intergruop and/or Literature Center that is willing to participate will alternate to sell Service Manuals at our Assemblies.

The Area has been through other changes these last three years. We were forced to change locations for our Area Committee Meetings and Assemblies. We moved from the Fullerton location where we have held meetings since 1996 to the Glendale location. The Area also participated to help save the Forum Magazine. Along with Northern California the State saved the Forum Magazine from extinction! We held an enor-

mously successful TEAM Event with four individuals from WSO participating. The Area also launched the HOT TOPICS for the Assemblies. The HOT TOPICS were very successful with many varied topics discussed at our Assemblies. The donations for SCAC are now handled through the Districts and not the SCAC Committee.

Panel 49 was very busy and now we begin a new chapter. I look forward to serving once again and I will allow God to use me to be of service to you the Fellowship. Thank you!

*Love in service,
Jayme C*

61st Annual SCAAC

Save the Date



Join us in San Diego for the
2012 Southern California AA Convention
with Al-Anon Participation

When: Sept. 28 thru Sept. 30, 2012
Where: The Legendary Town and
Country Resort Hotel,
San Diego, Ca.

Be of Service.... Be a Part of.....! Join the Committee

All Planning Meetings Held At:

First United Methodist Church of Glendale

134 N. Kenwood #340, 3rd floor

Glendale, CA 91206

Educational Building

Parking and entrance on Wilson

February 19, 2012. 1:30 p.m.

March 18, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

April 15, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

May 20, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

June 10, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

July 18, 2012 - tentative walk thru San Diego

August 19, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

September 16, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

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Minutes of Assembly Meeting Nov 19, 2011

**Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc. (SCWS)
First Methodist Church, 134 North Kenwood Ave., Glendale, CA
Minutes of Assembly November 19, 2011**

Chairperson Jayme C. started the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Serenity Prayer and Welcome.

Introduction of Past Delegates, New DRs & New GRs.

Chairman's Report - See Bulletin for full report.

12 Traditions Read by Diane, District 57.

The 7th Tradition was observed.

Delegate's Report – Sandie E. – See Bulletin for full report.

Alternate Delegate's Report – Pat H. - See Bulletin for full report.

- SOS North Report given.

Past Delegate's Report - Mary M. - See Bulletin for full report.

Record's Secretary Report & Roll Call Taken – Kathi L. - See Bulletin for full report.

Roll call taken.

Minutes Secretary - Amanda C. -

- Assembly Minutes of May 21, 2011. Minutes to change to reflect Chair's name to be Jayme C. Sarah C. District 39 made the motion to approve minutes with change. Edith M. District 17 Seconded Motion. Motion carried.

New Business

1. Election of Area Officers for 3 year term, 1/1/12 – 12/31/14

- Delegate – Jayme C
- Alternate Delegate – Tim P
- Chair – Truck S
- Treasurer – Cathy S
- Minutes Secretary – Elizabeth K

2. 2012 Budget – Heidi T. presented budget and Cathy S., District 42 made a motion to approve the budget as presented. Ada G., District 51 Seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. SCWS Committee recommends Assembly establish Board Position for Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP). Motion made by Ada G., District 51 to Establish Board Position for Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP). Motion was Seconded by Martha M., District 30. Motion carried.

Clarification of Mileage Motion made from the May 21, 2011 Assembly. Motion to read: Our mileage/hotel reimbursement policy, for attendance at Assembly and Committee meetings, SCWS will reimburse mileage allowance after 100 miles, roundtrip and hotel allowance of \$50 after 200 miles roundtrip, Assembly/Committee members (DRs, Convention and Intergroup Liaisons) for attendance at Assembly and Committee Meetings. GRs will be reimbursed for Assemblies only. Motion was made by Carolyn S., District 39 to approve the Clarified Motion from the May 21, 2011 Assembly. Marie H., District 75 Seconded the motion. Motion carried..

Lunch Break

12 Concepts read by Annette, District 57.

Voting for Officer positions began in the morning and went until 3:00pm.

Hospitality Report: Del L. – Host Districts for SOS January are 33, 36, 39, 40, 63, and 66.

Convention Reports – See Bulletin for full reports.

Coordinator Reports - See Bulletin for full reports.

Intergroup Liaisons' Reports – See Bulletin for full reports.

Ask-It-Basket – Delegate answered some Ask-It-Basket questions

The Chair apologized to the GRs about not getting to the Area Safety & Behavioral Requirements

Document. There will be a blog set up on the SCWS website (<http://scws-al-anon.org/>). On the front page there will be a section called Alateen Sponsor Eligibility Requirements and the blog section will be there.

Delegate Sandie E. thanked the new GRs for their service and coming to the Assembly.

Closing at 4:00pm with the Al-Anon Declaration

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda C

Minutes of Committee Meeting Aug 20, 2011

Southern California World Service of AFG, Inc.

Minutes of Committee Meeting August 20, 2011

First Methodist Church – 130 N. Kenwood St., Glendale, CA 91206

Chairperson - Jayme C. began the meeting at approximately 10:05a.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Traditions were read by Truck, Bulletin Editor Coordinator.

Chairperson – Jayme welcomed the new DRs and asked them to stand and introduce themselves.

Roll Call Taken - Kathi L., Records Secretary.

Minutes Secretary - Amanda C. - Asked for changes, additions, or deletions to the Minutes of Committee Meeting of August 21, 2010,

- Kathy G. stated that her name was spelled incorrect in the Chairperson's report regarding the Longtimer's Meeting. Minutes to be accepted with change by Ada, DR51, seconded by Carolyn, Co-operating with the Professional Community Coordinator, Motion Passed.

-Tina DR.. 21, - Expressed concern regarding the adequate coverage of the Alateen Coordinator position from the past and current. Jayme, Chairperson, reported the decision had been made to allow Leah to continue in the position with the assistance of Heidi, Treasurer. Jayme made an amends for keeping Leah in the Alateen Coordinator position as long as she did, as she didn't realize how ill Leah was.

- Discussed the Assembly Minutes from May 21, 2011. The motion regarding mileage reimbursement needs to be clarified as the motion passed at the May 21, 2011 states that the GRs will be reimbursed at the Committee Meeting, which is incorrect. After discussion it was decided that the Chairperson and the Minutes Secretary will come up with the wording and DR/GR to review.

Treasurer's Report – Heidi T. – See Bulletin for report.

Delegate's Report - Sandie E. - See Bulletin for full report.

Discussed her position will be up for a vote November.

Alternate Delegate's Report – Pat H. – See Bulletin for report.

Past Delegate - Mary M. - See Bulletin for Report.

Give of yourself, volunteer to be of service to others at all levels of our program. Be sure to attend our November Assembly as it is our election of new Boards members.

Observed 7th Tradition.

Old Business

Discussion of selling a limited amount of literature at the Assembly Meetings from the Intergroups or the Literature Distribution Centers ensued. A delightful discussion took place and it was decided by majority that the groups would go back and discuss it and the Intergroups and Literature Distribution Centers would also discuss with their boards.

Host Districts for November Assembly: 21, 30, 45, 48, 51 and 54. District 17 and 72 also volunteered.

Lunch 1:15pm.

Meeting reconvened at 1:20pm

Traditions were read by Ada, DR. 51.

New Business

SCWS Board recommends Assembly establish Board Coordinator Position for Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP).

Discussion: Technically it would be three positions on the board, Alateen, Alateen Sponsor Coordinator, Alateen Area Process Person. DRs have to be informed how much responsibility and who the Alateen Sponsors are in their District. The DRs do have to know who they are. The DRs really saw how vital the that position is. The DR has to pass that familiarity on to the next DR. That position needs to keep the board aware of issues and the board needs to be transparent. The current AAPP person spoke and believes that the position takes about 15 hours per week and that it is overwhelming. (Polled DRs, Liaisons & Convention Chairs, and the motion will be an Assembly New Business Item).

SCWS Board recommends Area Safety & Behavioral Requirements Document be presented to Special Assembly. (Some Friday nights are available to have Special Assemblies in October, November & December – DRs voted. Motion did not pass - no Special Assembly).

SCWS Board recommends Thought Force continue looking at redistricting of Area to include evaluation of District 64.

For the Hot Topic the DRs decided for all GRs at the Assembly will be the Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements for Alateen Groups, Alateen Sponsors, and Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS).

Open Discussion

-Paula DR 27 – GRs' lack of information from the Delegate, ("Officers are leaders and trusted servants who perform their

duties, yet they have no authority over the group"), Pg 61 – Al-Anon Alateen Service Manual 2010 – 2013, and wants the Delegate to have more transparency. She would have preferred to have bullet points in the Delegate's report vs. having a long story about her emotions. Delegate's report from today would have been better if that was the report given in May. Melissa DR 39 – Do remember overhead report Delegate did and she did a good job. Tina DR 21 – How about doing a Group Inventory for the Assembly? I think that doing service is very important.

- Jennifer DR 45 – Survey of newcomers, did the Board know about it? Did the World Service Office know about it?

Amanda – Min. Secretary – When the Delegates are new to the World Service Conference, they have a current Delegate that has been there a year or so mentor them. Can we pass a sheet to have outgoing or current DRs that are willing to be mentors for new incoming DRs? A sheet was passed and given to the Chair, Jayme.

Convention Chairperson Reports - See Bulletin for Reports

AFG Convention 2012 – Lynn A. for Lil S.

So-Cal AA Conv. 2011 w/ Al-Anon participation – Lisa T.

Coordinators' Reports - See Bulletin for Report

Area Alateen Process Person - Rick S.

Public Information - Tim P.

Archives - Kathy G.

Bulletin - Truck S.

Website - Ben P.

Cooperating w/Professional Community - Carolyn S.

Institutions - Rodger P.

District Representatives' Reports - See Bulletin for Reports

Intergroup Liaisons' Reports – See Bulletin for Reports

Meeting ended at approximately 4:00p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda C

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Group Records Coordinator	grouprecords@scws-al-anon.org
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Literature	literature@scws-al-anon.org
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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.
 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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Coordinator Reports

(Editors Note: these reports are from the Coordinators as of November 2012)

Alateen Sponsor

Greetings everyone. I am a very grateful member of the World Wide Fellowship of the Al-Anon Family Groups and I am also your Panel 49, SCWS Chairman for California South and your Acting Area Alateen Sponsor Coordinator. I am privileged to serve the Area in both capacities until the end of the year.

I want to take this opportunity to thank some of the individuals who work so hard for Alateen. I especially want to take a moment to remember Lea Reimers, our former Area Alateen Sponsor Coordinator. Lea was dedicated and very hard working. She loved the Alateen Program. We lost Lea earlier this year and even in her darkest hours and extreme illness she was there for the Alateen Program. She did not want to give up on her commitment. It was through her illness that the SCWS Board realized that an Area Alateen Process Person was needed desperately. The two responsibilities were separated. At the November Assembly a motion was passed to allow the AAPP to be a permanent part of the SCWS Board.

I want to thank Rick Swanson for taking the position of AAPP in the middle of the Panel and for all his hard work getting the application to be an AMIAS (Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service) more streamlined. Rick has had the position a year plus and has really helped the process flow quickly and easily.

I want to thank Heidi Tults and Amanda Cole for their assistance with Rick Swanson. The three individuals worked tirelessly to assure the Area's Alateen records were in order.

We look forward to continue working and talking about the Area Alateen Safety and Behavioral Guidelines. There is a Blog on the SCWS website and hope that everyone has an opportunity to use

the Blog.

I thank you for the opportunity and for the confidence to allow me to serve as your Area Chairman and also as the Acting Area Alateen Sponsor Coordinator.

Love in service,

Jayme C

Archives

Hello SCWS,

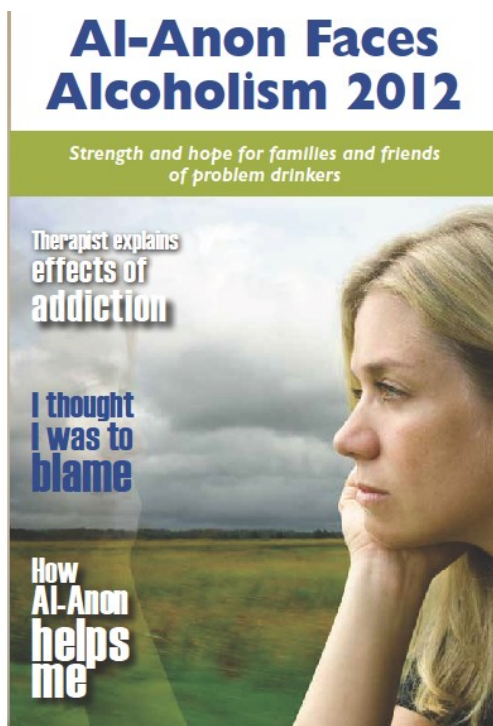
It has been a joy to have the Archives commitment for these last 3 yrs. Being so close to the people who shaped our Area in the fellowship has been life changing. I love, love reading the early writings of our precious long timers. It has shown

me that each one of us is vital to the future of Al-Anon. My own actions in my meetings and service are a link in the chain of the worldwide fellowship of Al-Anon. The early members and most of service since then have looked at the steps, traditions and concepts as must dos. I have particularly loved seeing the names of people I have known or current people in service now that were of service 40 yrs. ago. Our fellowship lives on because of these members, and especially because you choose to go to meetings. Picking a home group and taking a seat has kept Al-anon alive for 60 yrs

so far.

As I turn over the archives commitment to Charlene for the next panel, I couldn't be more excited. Charlene has done archives for another event and I believe she loves them as all the other panels archive coordinators have. She looks forward to finishing the World Service commitment to get start dates for every meeting in our area. Also to continue interviewing all of the long timers in our area whether in person or in print! I will continue to support her in any way I can. I know having help is great! I am further reminded at this time how Al-Anon has rotation of leadership so no one is in charge for long.

So far for 2012, we have 2 persons requesting



the use of the traveling archives. Charlene will be handling this now and I will pass on all the info to her. You will hear from her after the committee change over in January. I want to give kudos to my own District and to the SOS north sponsoring District for their use of archives at events. Both have collected books, pictures, articles from their own area for display. District 33, Agnes D. has made her 3 yr. commitment a gift to turn over. She created a terrific display of items to turn over to the next archive person. Cindy P and her committee at the SOS north took the time to put period items on display along with the books and it made such a delightful interesting presentation. They had a blast doing it! I started a notebook to show all of you how you might do the same in your own District. You can see what they have done. One of my goals to pass on is to have all district gather items from their long timers to have in their own trove. Area 4 is far too large for one archive coordinator to make even a dent in all she wants to do in her there years.

So you know, once an archive gal, always an archive gal. I will always look out for long timers and events where I can collect info to add to the archives. I just know Charlene will have a spin in her year that will delight you with her enthusiasm. I expect to support her and encourage her! I will be doing the Bulletin in the next panel!

To all who came and to also those who could not come October 8th to our long timer's celebration: thank you for coming/and or for writing me about your areas. The District has a whole bunch of long timers because of your efforts they did not have before. Charlene will have a big list to start her term!

Love in service to all of you.

Kathy G

CPC - Cooperating with Professionals

The 2nd edition of Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2012 can be ordered from now until Wednesday, February 8th, 2012, 2pm PT/5 PM EST, for an April 1st delivery. Thanks to all intergroups, districts, and meetings who have ordered and planned distribution of this 2nd edition of our public outreach magazine to the professional community. Check out Al-Anon on Facebook. Each day a different excerpt from Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2012 is presented with a sharing or an outreach fact and message.

Take this 2012 publication and other materials to family medical practice offices, district attorneys and family law practice, counselors, drug court judges or school personnel. Keep up the great work out there!

A judge is now considering mandated Al-Anon for foster care parents and children. The work through out SCWS by out meetings, districts, and intergroup offices is astounding! It has been a pleasure to be of service to all of you and your CPC Coordinator for 2009-2011. What a great job this was. Thank you.

Love in Service,

Carolyn S

Group Records

Group Records Secretary Report for Area Assembly 11-19-2011

Well here it is, my last report as Group Records Coordinator. Thank you to all the Districts that helped make this job a little easier by keeping your own records updated.

We currently have **1045 meetings** listed on our database. I hope that you will continue to keep the new Group Records Coordinator updated about meetings that have disbanded...

It is now possible to print excel reports from the WSO... Yahoo.... It's been a long time coming... This is most important regarding mailing labels... As to the regular group report, please let the new Group Records Coordinator know if you prefer the records in pdf, word or excel.

I'm still receiving incomplete change forms. So the following bears repeating:

Please include the following on **ALL** change forms:

First and last name of CMA and GR

Full addresses to receive mail

All information regarding the meeting Day (s) it meets, Time, Name of meeting location (Church etc.) and full address including zip code.

Group number if you have it. If you don't have it, it is not necessary to call me to get it. I will figure it out when I get your form.

And please include the district number.

You may submit a change either by completing the change form and mailing it to the address listed on it; by submitting the change on line through the SCWS website, or by emailing the information to the group records coordinator. Emails are much

easier than phone calls.

We are continuing to use the new single form to make changes for SCWS and WSO. I have brought more copies with me. Please help yourself to them. Please remember if you send a change to SCWS you DO NOT need to submit it to WSO.

We have **607 registered GRs**. The most GRs we have seen at an Assembly during this three year panel is **267** and that was in November. It really pays to have hot issues at the assembly. This is how many Gr's each district had present at the last Assembly

Thank you for allowing me to be of service these last three years.

Sincerely

Kathi L

Institutions

Hola,

I'm officially signing off as the Institution Coordinator!#*?! When I took this position my only experience was (and still is) a passion for panels in rehabs. Wow have I grown. I could have spent 80+ hours a week on this job, but accepting reality is one of defects, and I had to do my best. The annual H & I AA Conference, which this position automatically becomes the co-chair, was my biggest fear. It is now one of my greatest joys. I'm disappointed I couldn't get a roster of all the panels in SoCal, actually I never even got close. I thought this would be easy. Somewhere in between was the Board, Assembly & Committee meetings, the wonderful people I would never have met, the drama and seeing Al-anon's effects on such a big scale-worldwide. I still have the 2012 April H & I Conference (in San Diego), and Carolyn S. (Co-operating with the Professional Community Coordinator) has been a partner on this conference. Because many professionals are involved with Hospitals and Institutions, so there is much overlap. We realised this as we went along. Our luncheon speakers are Julie J. and her family (from San Diego), and the panel will be Kathy A. and Julie J. on Alateen in juvenile hall. Please come, there is so much recovery there! I will miss my involvement with this board, but I want to start an Alateen meeting in Santa Clarita. Thank you for this opportunity, it has been an honor.

Rodger P

Literature

Hi, everybody.

First of all, I want to give thanks to my Higher Power and to Jayme for making me be part of this Board, panel 49. I know that I did not make enough in this service, but I've reached the goal, because this is my last report, I've included into the DR's folders the summary of our last conference call.

First, I want to share about the book INTIMACY IN ALCOHOLIC RELATIONSHIPS. The official designed version of the sharing sheet of this book will not be in print for at least another month, in the last committee meeting I gave the pre-designed version. Within the next month, members will be able to submit their "Sharings" on-line and the designed version of the sheet is to be inserted in the December issue of The Forum.

Also I want to report about the book MANY VOICES, ONE JOURNEY (B31), sales so far for this book are much lower than those of other recent books over the same period of time.

At last, we can still use more "Sharings" for the LEGACIES WORKBOOK (working title). To be considered, members can post their "Sharings" on any of the three Legacy blogs found on our Members' Web site

(www.al-anon.org/members). They hope for the workbook to be available by the 2013 Al-Anon International Convention in Vancouver, BC.

Thank you very much

Juan P

Public Information

We have shipped our two table top displays to a couple of different community and Al-Anon functions this fall.

I also consulted with District 27 which came up with an amazing Public Outreach project. They used a \$2,000 surplus to place Al-Anon public service announcements on video screens in about 2,000 Los Angeles Metro buses. The campaign will run from Thanksgiving through to the new year and will be seen 5 million times!

Tim P.

Webmaster

As you probably know by now, the proposed update to the Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) application packet was

scheduled for discussion / vote at the Assembly meeting; however, the election of the board member for the new panel took longer than expected leaving insufficient time for the AMIAS discussion.

A Blog topic has been established to continue the discussion of the draft AMAIS requirements and application packet. Join in on the discussion at <http://www.scws-al-anon.org/blog/index.php?blog=14>.

You will also find all of the information related to the proposed revision of the Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) application packet. Download the information, review it, and share it at you're meeting so that an informed decision can be made at a future Assembly by the Group Representatives.

I've also started on a project to digitize the District Boundary map. I'm not sure how long it will take, but you can look forward to an easy to use Google based map to know where one District starts and another District ends geographically.

As always, if you notice something that is not working on the website or have any questions concerning the website, please contact me at webhost@scws-al-anon.org.

***Love in Service,
Ben P.***

Conventions

AFG

The 36th AFG Southern California Convention, Passport to Serenity is well into its planning stages our registration flyers are ready for you to send in and begin your plans to join us for the best event of the year. I want to thank you in advance for your assistance it getting the flyers out to our fellow Al-Anon members.

We have the walk-through and three meetings left to finish the final preparations before our weekend of fellowship fun begins. The remaining planning meetings are on Sunday January 8, 2012, and February 12, 2012 and March 11, 2012; the Walk-Through is on Saturday, December 10, 2011. The convention-reps are beginning to attend the planning meetings. The convention reps will be reporting to their meetings the fun time being planned for the Al-Anon fellowship.

Start planning early use the lay-away method to budget your funds for recovery and fun!

In December

Start saving for the room expense(2 nights) or everything i.e. all inclusive

if four to a room \$59.00 save \$5.14 per week, or \$8.33 all inclusive

if two to a room it is \$10.49 or \$ 11.14 all inclusive

if you want a room to yourself then it is only \$11.24 per week (but don't isolate share a room with a friend) or \$ 16.76 all inclusive

Send in your registration early it is only \$21.00; you will save \$5 by registering early. In addition, begin getting your friends together for the luncheon and banquet. Another option in your financial planning of attending this wonderful event is purchase-as-you-go.

In December

Start the saving plan above for your room expense

Purchase your luncheon ticket/s (send in your table request)

In February

Purchase your banquet ticket/s (send in your table request)

In March

Purchase your breakfast ticket/s (seating is first-come, first-served)

At the end of March everything is paid for or saved i.e. room expense

March/ April

Its convention time! Bring some extra mullah for the Boutique and convention memorabilia.

The 36th AFG Southern California Convention, Passport to Serenity committee is looking forward to see you join us at our annual reunion party. Do not miss the fun of seeing friends you have not seen in a while. We have amazing speakers Chris C (Temecula), Lizzy F. (Yorba Linda), Marlene and Bob F (Glendale), luncheon, Alateen luncheon, and Banquet respectively.

If you are in need of more flyers please contact the Publicity Chair Margarita R at maggiesworld41@yahoo.com, phone number is 562.367.9691 or her Co-Chair Nancy B at nancy@actionwrks.com phone number is 310.390.0114.

***Love in Service
Lil S***

SCAAC, Southern California AA Convention,

As the 2012 Al-Anon SoCal Chair, I am invit-

ing all of you to participate in some way to the Convention.

I ask that you "Carry the Message" to your meetings and your fellow Al-Anon members, and sponsees.

Please encourage members to participate in the planning of the Convention.

The first meeting is February 19, 2012 at 1:30 PM. Meetings to be held at the First United Methodist Church of Glendale, same facility, different room, Educational Building,

that the SCWS meetings are held.

The Convention is September 28-September 30 at the Town and Country, San Diego.

For more information, please contact me at lzbeth5500@aol.com or (818) 993-5182

Love in Service,

Jean B

Intergroup

Inland Empire

Service Center Audit

Group Records Audit:

Sent mailing to CMA listed for each group in Districts 10, 36, 39, 40 and requested updates to CMA, GR, alt GR, IR, alt IR, Secretary, Treasurer, and 12 step contacts

Currently, updating Group Record returns

SCWS Group Records (Kathi L) and Inland Empire Group Records (Eric J.) have agreed to exchange Group Records information based on updates

Once Inland Empire Group Records are updated, we will reconcile with SCWS Group Records

Update Job Descriptions: Service Board and Service Center (Volunteers and Paid Employee)

Most job descriptions now complete
Service Center Hours: Exploring ways of extending hours

Public Information

Al-Anon Meditation books have been donated to various libraries in the Inland Empire

January: Participated in a meeting of about 40 personnel who work for the Ontario Mont-

clair school district.

Pamphlets & directories were distributed and a panel shared their personal experiences, strength & hope they have found in Al-Anon.

March: Participated in the Ontario-Montclair School District Parent Leadership Conference.

There were about 40 vendors and we were among the 8 invited to present during the conference.

April: Participated in panel for a Health & Sciences class at the Riverside College in Moreno Valley.

May: Displayed information at a Pow-Wow in San Bernardino.

May: Participated in SPRING INTO HEALTH sponsored by Riverside City College.

June: Presented for an hour at a week-long camp at Perris High School in Riverside for at risk middle school & high school aged students.

September: Participated in an annual resource fair sponsored by Ontario/Montclair school district.

October:

Presented at Rancho Verde HS in Paris, CA.

Presented at San Bernardino Community College.

November: Presented at a Family Enrichment Mini Conference at Oaks Middle School in Ontario, CA.

Next year:

Each of these events has asked that the Inland Empire Service Center return next year.

Contacting the Norco City College which has a similar Health Fair as Riverside City College.

Ways and Means

Casino Night: Very successful fundraiser

Gratitude Dinner: Successful dinner

Review of Alateen Service (AMIAS) application packet

SCWS Board Presentation to IR members

New Service Center Chair – Billy M.

Love in Service,

Dan K, Alternate WSO Liaison

Billy M, WSO Liaison

Officina Intergrupala Hispana

Intergroup Liaison Officina Intergrupala Hispana

The Intergroup Office of Southern California meets with the Intergroup Service Representatives (RSI-espanol) every other month to keep our stakeholders well informed of the office operations and services. We thank all the servers for their hard work to keep the office open and running smoothly.

In the last meeting held which was this past October, polls were conducted for the following services: Institutions, Bulletin, Literature and Liaison Coordinators. Thanks to the servers that ended their respective three-year service for both their great efforts and willingness to give the warm welcome to those who will be starting their service in 2012.

The Intergroup office will have a public information and institution seminar on Saturday, December 17, 2011 in the Girado Park in the city of Whittier Ca, 10:00 AM to 1:00 P.M.

The Alateen Committee is pleased to announce the opening of two new groups: one in Santa Maria and the other in Pacoima here in California and this committee appreciates your continued contributions to the Alateen groups.

The Intergroup office is looking into having a website in the near future where everyone can visit our office and be informed of our services.

I want to emphasize that the Intergroup Office also offers both Spanish and English literature and seeks to serve all groups in the local area of Santa Fe Springs and beyond its surrounding areas.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service.

Raquel B

San Diego

In November we had a wonderful visit from Jamie, SCWS chair, and Sandi, our delegate. They joined us for our board meeting, IGR meeting and a special GR meeting to discuss the upcoming vote on Al-Ateen sponsor guidelines. Our meetings were well attended and very informative. The Al-Ateen thought force has done a wonderful job of bringing awareness to the important issues of sponsorship regulation.

Julie, our Al-Ateen coordinator, has helped to open several new meetings, the most recent for young pregnant women and new moms at San

Diego Youth Services, Teen Options in City Heights.

Public Information has participated in several events, the most exciting was a panel presentation on the USS Peleliu in front of 700 servicemen and women. We were well received and may have future opportunities with the Navy.

Our office continues to operate extremely efficiently—our low overhead and many volunteers keep cost down; unfortunately, we are still operating in the red. The November non-event fundraiser did head us in the right direction, bringing in over \$1,200.- The San Diego office is a wonderful asset to the Al-Anon community. I would like to encourage all of our San Diego AFG to consider donating to the local office; small contributions from many can really make a difference.

***With Love, Serenity and Prosperity for the New Year,
Cherry***

Districts

District 12

The 60th Al-Anon Celebration/ SOS was a success. The venue was wonderful, the decorations outstanding, the food delectable, the cake scrumptious and the speaker absolutely wonderful. Thank you all who attended. It was a wonderful event. Special thanks to the Service Board for putting on that wonderful performance.

My time is up and I am stepping down as District Rep of District 12. I am proud to announce that Cyndy P has stepped up to take on District Rep. I know she will do great and will be supported.

This has been a wonderful experience that will last a lifetime.

Those who are incoming DR's or new to being a DR. You are not alone and don't be afraid to ask for help. You cannot do it all. Let me tell you I have tried, it doesn't work. Do the best you can and everything will work out. Use the SCWS Board they have great insight.

***Grateful member of Al-Anon
Mike M***

District 17

Greetings from District 17! We have been very busy the last half of 2011 and looking for-

ward to our district involvement for 2012. Here are some of our district's highlights for the last half of this year:

continuing our Alateen sponsor work by participating in D21's Alateen Sponsor training workshop on 9/17

at our July district meeting, we had an open discussion and Q and A session with Sandi E, our World Service delegate

continued public outreach efforts by distributing the "Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism" pamphlets at more libraries, schools, and hospital social services departments

hosted a "Lunch with Sandi E, Our World Service Delegate" on Saturday, 11/19 in Woodland Hills. Approximately 25 people attended to hear Sandi's experience as our WS delegate. She also answered many questions members had.

Jayme C. and Heidi T. from SCWS attended our November district meeting to share information about the new AMIAS guidelines. A lengthy discussion as well as a Q and A session occurred.

11 GR's plus the DR attended the SCWS Assembly meeting on November 19

We plan to continue with our public outreach efforts as well as continuing to support our Alateen sponsors. We will be hosting 'meet and greet' sessions with them as well as host an Alateen sponsor training workshop in March. Our hope is to also sponsor a KBDM workshop sometime later in 2012.

I'm amazed at the dedication of our district's GR's and alternate GR's and want to publicly thank them for their service. I truly look forward to working together with them next year. It has been an honor for me to serve as District Rep. this year and I look forward to another year of learning and growing together. Happy New Year to all!

*Humbly,
Cathy L*

District 27

For just \$2,000, we are running 30-second Al-Anon PSAs on the Quick Transit TV monitors in LA Metro buses for five weeks during the holidays (3 days a week, 16 times a day) -- 1,890,849 people ride LA buses every weekday!

My term is up, and it has been a wonderful, fulfilling experience. I learned a lot about myself, and I have met a lot of great people whom I would

not have known otherwise. I look forward to continuing my service on the Redistricting Thought Force, and I wish continued growth and serenity to all the GRs of District 27, especially our new DR, Jason Lee.

*Yours in service,
Paula,*

District 33

**Baldwin Park, Covina, Diamond Bar, Glendora, La Puente, Monrovia, and West Covina
(East San Gabriel Valley)**

My experience as the District 33 DR has been an amazing experience. I am so thankful to my higher power for putting me into service in District 33. The opportunity to work with a fantastic Service Board and wonderful GRs has been a blessing. They are energetic and dedicated. Service really helps to keep my recovery at the forefront and focused. It helps me to balance my life and surrender to my higher power knowing my higher power is in the middle of all that is happening.

We had a great workshop held on November 12 held in Glendora entitled "Finding Your Serenity by Releasing Your Secrets and Shame." The speakers, food, and fellowship were outstanding. We have also been in the process of elections for the new board that will begin in January. I look forward to continuing to serve on our District 33 Service Board as the Alateen Coordinator but am also excited about my new position as the SCWS webmaster.

I know that service is responsible today for the freedom, growth, and happiness that I experience today! I have a realistic perspective and a higher power that helps me face today's challenges and blessings with strength and gratitude. Thank you all for sharing and being part of my SCWS experience.

*With love and gratitude,
Irene C.*

District 40

In 2011, District 40 held two Fund Raisers, our Spring Fling and Alathon. Each of these activities raises funds to help support District 40, the Inland Empire Service Center and other service structures in the Al-Anon Family Group. The Spring Fling had a profit of \$573 and the Alathon, \$547.

District 40 continues to spread the Al-Anon

word by reaching out to our local newspapers, PennySaver, bail bonds, schools, etc. Our Public Outreach traveled 250 miles within our area to provide Outreach literature including Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2011. Our hotline is 951-848-0914. Visit us on the web at <http://www.alanonriverside.org>. Also, we now have a post office box 339, Murrieta, CA 92564.

We are looking forward to a great year in 2012.

***Love in Service,
Trina***

District 42

Winter is just around the corner and evenings and mornings are very cold, but I still love it here. I can't believe it is going to be five years we moved to the desert and my second year as District Representative has really gone by in no time. It amazes me, as we get older the years seem to get shorter. Remember it seemed like forever to reach age 21? (I know I said that last year, but I think as we grow older, life passes us much quicker, compared to when we were in grade school)!

District 42 has continued to blaze the trail with Outreach and carrying the message of Al-Anon Family Groups and Alateen to the schools, our local community college, health fairs, Celebrating Healthy Families at the Indian Wells Tennis Gardens, and working with the social workers at Eisenhower Medical Center and Desert Regional Medical Center. We have been distributing many copies of Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2012 at these events. Many thanks to our Outreach Coordinator Barbara P., and her volunteers, Rita R., Peggy S., Nancy T., Jonathan and Steve S., for their assistance and support. Our AIS Coordinator Duan M., is busy sending out Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2012 to the Professional Community.

Next February is our Heart to Heart Alathon. This is our District fundraiser we have each year. Please mark your calendar for

Saturday, February 4, 2012, at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Palm Desert from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Nancy T. (760) 641-3243 or Arda L., (760) 707-9083. Our main speaker will be Bryson J. from Burbank.

Twelfth Step work doesn't mean giving everything to everyone. No one person is totally responsible for a group and its members.

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Our Literature Center is now open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

***Have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season!
Cathy S***

El Distrito 48

Gracias a todos los Representantes de grupo de el Distrito 48 por su servicio y apoyo, Fue un honor para mi ser Representante de Distrito en estos pasados años Le doy la bienvenida a nuestra nueva representante de Distrito Blanca M y su alterna Rosie C. Este ultimo trimestre repartimos 400 revistas de Alanon se enfrenta al alcoholism 2012, ademas algunas RG comenzaron con el proyecto de latas selladas en sus grupos para las contribuciones de ayuda a la convencion de SCAT muchas gracias a los grupos por su apoyo al distrito 48

***Amor y Servicio
Socorro P***

District 51

District 51 will be electing new service positions at our first meeting of 2012 on February 4. We will start the 14th Annual Alathon planning meetings. The Alathon is usually held in October. I hope you will all be able to attend.

***Love in Service,
Ada G.***

District 54

Greetings from the South Bay.

The Alateen tree trimming party was held Dec 8th and attended by over 100 family and friends!

One of the Alateens made ornaments with the Alateen Slogans. Many picked a favorite, shared about their program and decorated the tree! There was a drawing and a lucky Alateen family took the

tree home. It was a great evening of food, sharing and fun!

Please save the date,

April 14, 2012, for District 54 Alathon "From Chaos to Serenity - Working the 12 Steps" to be held in Manhattan Beach!

Come spend the day with us and enjoy the laughter and joy.

Our institutions panel work has brought the message of alanon hope to over 1,000 families

during 2011. The panel committee consists of many members who have shared the passion of this quiet way of giving back.

*Love,
CB S.*

District 57

Greeting from District 57,

Reflecting over the last three years, I realize how much District 57 has grown these past three years. Here are a few of the things we discussed:

We discussed intergroups and after gathering information, we encouraged the Orange County Intergroup to embrace our district in their intergroup. For those of you who read the last Orange Blossom, you will see that District 57 is now recognized. Thank you Jayme C. for being instrumental in this change.

During our district meetings we discussed group problems and lively discussions ensued. We learned about disruptive members, keeping the focus on the traditions in meetings, and maintaining healthy meetings by being the example of recovery and letting it begin with us.

We discussed keeping Al-Anon strong and undiluted by sharing only Al-Anon-related announcements and literature. We encouraged the members of the groups in our district to be of service and continue to publish our service bulletins based on the Al-Anon booklet "When I Got Busy, I Got Better."

We discussed how to avoid confrontation by keeping "principles above personalities" by concentrating on Al-Anon's foundations (steps, traditions, concepts, literature and service manual) and not concentrating on opinions and personalities. We learned this lifts all discussion far above the level of personalities and brings about harmonious solutions.

My heartfelt thanks to all the District GRs for their service and love.

*Love in Service,
Sandy P.*

District 69

Happy New Year! As we begin 2012, I wanted to personally thank everyone who has contributed to our awesome district. 2011 was a monumental year as we initiated our highly successful and educational discussion panels as well as continued the trend of our FUNdraisers such as Glee-Anon,

Alanoke and the Blue and Black Ball. None of these events would have been possible without your support. We have some excited events on the horizon for 2012. As always, we will have the Alateen Pancake Breakfast benefitting SCAC (Southern California Alateen Convention) and look forward to: a 4th step or journal burning get together, Alateen Workshop and could there be a new musical on the horizon? Stay tuned!

District 72

As my three year term closes, I have the opportunity to reflect back at what we have done as a District and the events that took place.

We were blessed to have carried the traditions of our district of annual Long Timers events and Fall Workshops. At one of our Long Timer's events – we had the great honor of having both Hester B. and Bernie S. as speakers before they both passed away. They were both very involved in our district and still are missed. Our last Fall Workshop was a San Diego effort of our three districts 69, 72 and 75 presenting the Three Legacies – Steps, Traditions and Concepts. It was great to see the vision of others come into reality.

Additional visions that were accomplished were to have a district public outreach project – we ran a PSA at the digital billboards at the point of entry for an entire month. We got our South Bay groups to have representation of their groups at the District level. There is hope to continue to grow in our diverse cultures with more bi-lingual events and outreach in our district.

Serving these past three years were a gift to my own growth. I also got to see the growth of my Group Reps and them blossoming into new and exciting directions. I am lucky that being willing to serve my district was an option, with its own challenges but the rewards have been golden.

The next District Representative is Michelle M and her alternate is Marcia M. Having the gift of working with them both in service, I am truly excited about their upcoming adventure. I will be working with them in trying to bring Al-Anon and Alateen to some of our institutions and the back part of our district.

Truly thank you for the love and support I received throughout the last six years of being part of Area 4.

Marilu H

Incoming Board

(Panel 52 2011-2013)

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Literature	Danica S		
Public Information	Richard R		
Group Records	Chris C		
Web Site	Irene C		

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(as of Nov 2011)

Past Delegates

Panel	Delegate	Phone	Email	Years
1	Aura C	Deceased		1961-1963
4	Cecelia B	Deceased		1964-1966
7	Norris R	Deceased		1967-1969
10	Helen B	Deceased		1970-1972
13	Elsie Q	Deceased		1973-1975
16	Betty (Reed) O			1976-1978
19	Pat R			1979-1981
22	Bernie E	Deceased		1982-1984
25	Bob L			1985-1987
28	Hester B	Deceased		1988-1990
31	Joyce K			1991-1993
34	Kary L			1994-1995
34	Rita M	Deceased		1996
37	Willie W			1997-1999
40	Kay D			2000-2002
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Sponsor (Acting)	
Area Alateen	Rick S
Process Person	
Bulletin	Truck S
CPC	Carolyn S

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Literature	Juan P		
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Group Records	Kathi L		
Web Site	Ben P		

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Los Angeles County	Ada G
Orange County	Gloria E G
San Diego County	Cherry P
Hispanic	Raquel B
Ventura County	Lalena H

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SCAC	Julia B
SCAA	Jean B

Regional Trustee

Regional Trustee	Karin R
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9	Barbara W		
10	Loreina C		
12	Mike M		
17	Cathy L		

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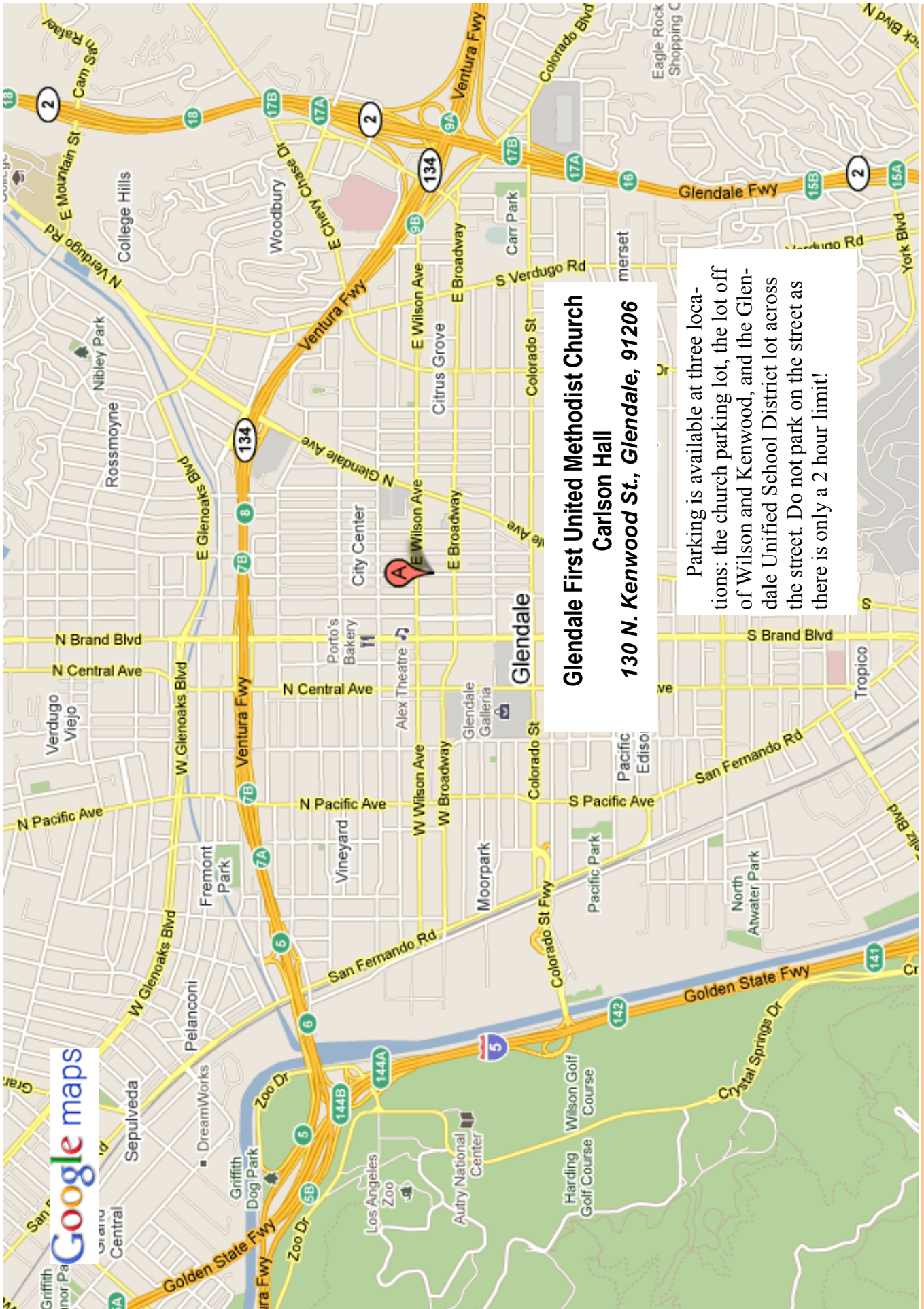
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