

Delegate Report
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ALATEEN 2014

- SCAC Web Site – Following SCAC shut down immediately. New SCAC Web Site coming and will be under SCWS Website.
- SCAC Reg to use SCWS permanent address? Cost was significant including \$1500 in cafeteria expenses
- SCAC Financials: Spiritual principles in action!
- Coming soon: New Task Forces.
 - Age of Alateens in CA(S) and multiple overnights
- How can Area and Intergroups work together to confirm Alateen meetings are valid prior to Directory listing? Tradition One.
- Young Alateen Group replaces word Pre-Teen Group

SCAC Website: It was a huge safety issue. It is an anonymity issue for minors. We need to educate and inform the Area of the safety concerns. G40: states "Alateen names, email addresses, and phone numbers should never be posted as contacts on flyers or web sites. On sites open to the public, the exact day/time/location of Alateen events cannot be posted. On password protected Web sites, open to members only, the time and location of events can be posted.

SCAC Chairman called WSO and had conference call with Director and Associate Director of Member Services regarding the web site. They were impressed. He wanted more information and WSO confirmed that no independent entity such as SCAC can use the Alateen name on a web site. All use of the Alateen name must be under the oversight of the AFG Area. SCWS will include Alateen events on our web site and we will provide a SCAC page for the Alateens.

Cannot use the Alateen name without permission from WSO. They own the name so there is a copyright issue. In addition, their website needs to be linked to WSO if they have the permission to use the name.

Solution: is to have the SCAC website within the SCWS website.

The Area Alateen Requirements Task Force made three recommendations for continuing discussions. The Area Chair will be forming two different Task Forces. One Task Force to look at the company who does the background checks for the Area AMIAS. Also another Task Force to look at the age of Alateen in the Area and the multiple overnights that the SCAC Committee holds.

Our age out for Alateen is once they turn 21 years they can no longer attend Alateen. The Service Manual states the following: "As the name implies, Alateen is designed for members in their teens. Members in their teen years who are legally adults agree to abide by the same requirements as minor Alateens when they attend Alateen meetings and events."

MEET THE BOARD

- Board of Trustees annual July Board Meeting
- Opportunity for entire BOT to interact with the fellowship in a "Meet The Board Event"
- July 2015 now up for bid submittal
- Deadline for bid submittal to WSO is September 15
- First "Meet The Board Event" took place in July. BOT traveled to St. Johns, Newfoundland,

Opportunity for entire Board to interact with the fellowship in a "Meet The Board Event". This event would take place after the Board meeting. An opportunity for local Al-Anon members to interact with the Trustees and Executive Committee members. Take place July 2015. We are all Al-Anon members, working in different capacities, for the good of the fellowship. The SCWS Board has recommended that we bring this forward to you the AWSC for a decision. The deadline to submit a bid is September 15, 2014.

We need to vote today if Area is willing to put our name in to be considered.

WSO FINANCE UPDATE

- WSO literature sales at end of June 30 had increase of 6.5%. Result of price increase effective May 1, 2013.
- Contributions increased by 11% compared to last year at this time.
- Forum subscription income decreased by 7.3%
- Increase of 3.54% operating expenses compared to last year at this time.

Fully Self-Supporting

- How can we help the general membership of Al-Anon understand that member and Group contributions are spiritual bridges?
- Getting better at understanding spiritual bridges!
- Every service provided by WSO, SCWS, Intergroup and District benefits the Groups.

It is not what the group gets but what the Group is part of and what it costs for the Group to be a full participant in those efforts that is important. How do we put a price tag on what we have been given in this program?

Concept One states "The ultimate responsibility and authority for Al-Anon world services belongs to the Al-Anon groups. Part of that responsibility is for the groups to financially support the services they ask the World Service Office to provide.

SCWS financially supports the Districts and the Groups. Later we will discuss Alateen costs to the Area. Alateen Certification and Recertification.

What's important is that the Groups are informed and you are the link for the information. A challenge for all of you is to contact the Groups in your Districts who are not participating, who do not have Group Reps. These are Groups that are not informed. These are the Groups that are not being served. If we had 100% participation we would need to find another location for our Assemblies and that would be GREAT!

NEW DAILY READER

- Considerable discussion took place at 2014 WSC before motion carried to give conceptual approval "to develop a new daily reader that reflects diversity of Al-Anon fellowship.
- Intent is that book would share diverse experiences of the fellowship, as it is today.
- Literature Committee developing writing guideline with ideas & parameters for writing new daily reader.
- How can the Area(s) come up with ways to get writings that mirror the inclusiveness of the program?
- Need principle based discussions for ideas on

OTHER INFORMATION

- KBDM (Knowledge Based Decision Making)
- KBDM quick reference tool is on SCWS Web Site. Has not been translated to Spanish yet. Volunteers?
- Will continue to review KBDM at Assemblies
- SOS (Sharing of Service Workshop); January 17, 2015
- KBDM Workshop in the morning. Conflict Resolution Workshop and skit in the afternoon. Speaker is Judy Kirby, Trustee at Large, Nevada.
- Insurance for meetings: Service Manual page 59.

Many inquiries regarding locations requesting insurance for Groups. SCWS does not have insurance except for Glendale location only. Our insurance company will insure groups. Cost is about \$600 per year. Other companies out there but requires lots of research.

REMINDER: Page 57 in Service Manual states: "If a group is not able to support the service levels due to excessive meeting expenses, it may wish to reconsider its choice of meeting locations. A group should not give all of its funds to an outside entity, such as a clubhouse, even as a condition of using the meeting room."

MORE INFORMATION

- Chairman of the Board (COB) letter on Members' Web Site.
- Conference Summaries: Available today to every member of the SCWS Committee. Please do not leave without yours!
- Treatment Facilities Outreach Workshop; Sunday, August 24, at 12:30pm. Hoag Hospital Conference Center, Newport Beach. FREE. Providing feedback on material to WSO.
- Finally the November Election!

Thank you for the gift of serving as Delegate. It is an amazing, spiritual experience. Bob L. told me when I was elected "remember it is not about you fixing Al-Anon it is about Al-Anon fixing you". Wow! What wisdom.