

Our Spiritual Journey - we get as we give

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Background.

Agenda

- Alateen Task Force Update
- Conference Structure Thought Force Update
- Love Gifts and Mail to WS Conference 2013
- Tidbits
- Discussion

ALATEEN TASK FORCE

- Articles of Incorporation sent to State of California. Form 1023 has been filed with the IRS for 501(3)C as non-profit.
- Area Treasurer, Cathy S. provides SCAC Financial information to Area
- Provides Area with operational and financial oversight
- By Laws revised by SCAC Committee
- By Laws contain all that is necessary to be in compliance with Area's Safety and Behavioral Requirements
- Revised SCAC By Laws now reflect needs of Corporation
- SCAC By Laws must be voted on and accepted at SCAC 2013 in order for SCAC to be in compliance and continue to use the Alateen name and continue to fund raise in the Area

Area handled the theft from the SCAC bank account in a very good manner. The Area consulted with the Executive Director of the World Service Office. His input and suggestions were invaluable to assist the Area to move forward.

Task Force was formed with the current Delegate, past Delegates, AMIASs, Alateens and members of the AWSC. The Area worked together towards unity. There was no drama, very little gossip and the person's anonymity was secure.

The Area responded using the Traditions and Concepts throughout the entire process. The Area now has financial and operational oversight of the SCAC. Historically this has not happened.

The Area has grown in understanding the "Spiritual Principles" of the Al-Anon Program. The Area is much more unified.

CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

- 1964 California split
- WSO Meeting Directory listed 69 meetings in Northern California and 149 meetings in Southern California
- Presently, Northern California has 800 meetings (does not include Alateen meetings. Southern California has 1,200 meetings (includes approximately 100 Alateen meetings)
- No structure change is off limits provided it does not affect Policy (pages 75 - 121 of the 2010-2013 Al-Anon Alateen Service Manual or our Legacies).
- Requests need to be addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees & turned in by December 15 in order to be heard at the following January Board of Trustees meeting.
- Area pays all additional costs

CONFERENCE STRUCTURE

- Address problems of:
 - Representation
 - Communication
 - Participation
- SCWS Conference Structure Thought Force Underway
- Charge: Is the current World Service Conference model providing the spiritual bridge we need to expand into the future in order to meet the needs of the Area?
- KBDM document will be presented and framed at May Assembly
- Next step must come from the Assembly

Conference Structure Thought Force met for the first time in early October. Members for this Thought Force consist of GRs, District Reps, past Delegates and members at large. We have met almost every Sunday night for one hour via telephone conference call.

Individually, we each answered the KBDM questions. The responses were emailed to me for collating and a document was created with all of the input. Each time we met we went over the answers. The call was always summarized by the note taker. This KBDM document will now be framed and presented at the May 2013 Assembly with the summarization of each question. Our goal is to start the conversation and our next step must come from the discussion at the Assembly.

The Thought Force will probably recommend that a Task Force is formed to develop a survey to distribute to the Groups. Or perhaps a Yahoo Group of some sort or a blog? Perhaps the Groups believe we do not need to change anything. Whatever the outcome it must come from the Groups.

A Thought Force has been formed in Northern California. We realize that one of the possibilities could be a central California area which would come from the southern part of the north and northern part of the south. Make sense?

So many unknowns and so much to learn that this will be our focus for a long time.

Discussion? Questions?

HOTEL INFORMATION FOR LOVE GIFTS & CARDS

- Love gifts are small tokens of friendship extended from our Area to the rest of the country. Please plan to have your cards and love gifts arrive after April 9, 2013.
- **ADDRESS TO:**
Jayme Crisafi, Delegate
(Hold for WSC 4/14 -18, 2013)
Wyndham Virginia Beach Hotel
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Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Email sent out to the Area.

TIDBITS

- New WS Conference theme for 2013 is: Our Legacies: The Spiritual Journey of Changing “Me” to “We”.
- WS Conference: CAL Task Force, Skit, Shared Leadership Workshop and Conference Structure.
- TEAM Event 2014 will be held in Glendale, January 18, 2014. Will be held in place of SOS Workshop. Big push. WSO will send at least three possibly four individuals. Possible topics have been suggested by Area to WSO.
- Al-Anon’s International Convention – July 5-7, 2013. Website is on the Member’s website. www.al-anoninternationalconvention.org
- Address change is permanent solution! Spread the word! New address is:10073 Valley View Street, #260, Cypress, CA 90630
- Delegate responsibilities.....

I love the new theme. When Conference is over I will use the new theme.

Busy preparing for the Conference. 4 Minute talk on our status of Conference Structure. Ask me anything about CAL. Shared Leadership Workshop. Wonderful news is that I can now bring all this back to the Area and we can use it and provide workshops, presentations, etc.

TEAM Event. Please big push. Cannot do flyer. Must work closely with WSO. We want to have a huge participation! Area’s chance to ask questions.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – July 5-7, 2013. Vancouver, Canada. Passport required. (Anyone with a criminal record including misdemeanor alcohol related offenses may not be able to enter Canada without obtaining a special waiver well in advance of any planned travel)

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Juvenile Halls in San Diego.....Spiritual principles working in my life!