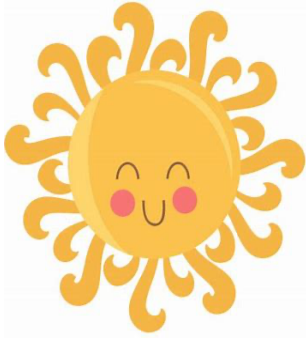


August/September 2020



Southern California

AMIAS/Alateen

Newsletter



What's Happening in Southern California Alateen?

- Recertifications and group updates for 2020 are complete
- Area Safety & Behavioral Requirements document is almost ready for Assembly vote!
- Alateen speakers are sharing at Alateen and Al-Anon meetings
- SCAC Task Force is still working hard to get SCAC (Southern California Alateen Conference) back!
- There are fifteen registered electronics Alateen meetings in Southern California



Stay tuned for more important information ...

- Electronic meeting survey coming soon!
- AMIAS/Sponsor Workshop on 10/3 for Al-Anon Members in Alateen Service



Reminder about Information regarding electronic Alateen meetings...

Alateen Meeting information available online!

https://scws-al-anon.org/alateen/20200514_Alateen-E-Meetings.pdf You may need the password "SCAC" to enter the site. And, if you register your regular meeting with the WSO and local Information Service, you can add sponsor contact information so potential and new members can find you!

We are grateful to the sponsors who are the primary contacts and have responsibility of the safety and security of meetings. Alateen meetings are open to younger members who have been affected by the disease of alcoholism. Others are encouraged to attend Al-Anon.

Thanks to everyone who was part of the effort of getting information for online meetings, the sponsors who have become willing to learn a few new tricks and our Alateen members for helping us!

Remember that this is a temporary status. Once groups are able to meet again, please remind members to close the various conference call lines and online platforms. We hope this information is helpful.

INSURING CONFIDENTIALITY DURING TELECONFERENCING MEETINGS:

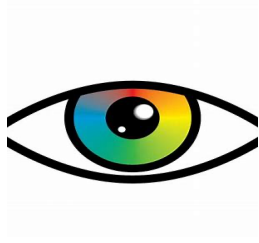
Some groups have added a paragraph such as this to their meeting format:

Please remember that this is an anonymous fellowship. If there are others in your home, please protect the anonymity of other members by using headphones and being mindful of who can see your screen or go to another location in your home where the meeting cannot be overheard or seen by others.

NOTE: If you have a password for entry, please provide your group's email address (in lieu of password) to protect passwords being made public. Per our *SERVICE MANUAL*, a "group email address" can be created to receive electronic mailings (p. 34). For example, a member (GR, secretary, host, etc.) could create serenityonsunday@gmail... to use only for that purpose. The log-in information for that email address might be shared among group leaders, who can access that email address and contact prospective members who have used it to ask for your meeting's password.

For the safety and to protect the anonymity of Alateens in online meetings, please consider

- Disabling the chat room
- Having members enable the video so the AMIAS knows they are seeing teenagers in their meetings.



THIS WAS SHARED BY THE WSO AND MAY BE HELPFUL, CHECK IT OUT

[Preview YouTube video "Sis Wenger: 4 Suggestions for Caregivers of](#)

Four Suggestions for Caregivers of Children Affected by Alcoholism

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["Sis Wenger: 4 Suggestions for Caregivers of Children in Alcoholic Homes" from Al-Anon Family Groups](#)

We'd love to publish your Alateen related shares with SCWS AMIAS (Al-Anon Members in Alateen Service) and Alateen members about your experiences in Alateen service. And don't forget to ask our Alateen members to do the same. Send info to...

Suzanne.aacc.scws@gmail.com



→ **Public Outreach *within the Fellowship***

Our groups can invite Alateen speakers or a panel to share at our meetings even if they are meeting electronically. Many members have never heard sharing from Alateen members about how their program has affected their lives.

Our Alateen Communications Coordinator, Suzanne, can help find you willing and available Alateen members to share experience, strength and hope at your meetings.

Please contact alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org

There is a growing list of Alateen members who are willing to share their experience, strength and hope with other Alateen and Al-Anon meetings. Their information is kept confidential in accordance with our Area Safety and Behavioral Requirements. If you are an active Alateen member, we'd love to add you to the list. For now, we are only doing online meetings, but face to face will happen when it is safe to do so.

Alateen members from other countries and Areas may want to attend your electronic meetings. Please feel free to welcome them, as you would any Alateen member. Their sponsors may ask if they can accompany their members to insure their safety.