

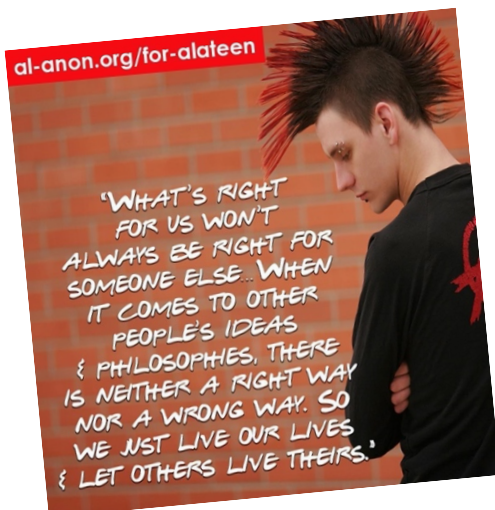


What's Happening in Southern California Alateen?

- New Southern California World Service (SCWS) Alateen Coordinators will be in place in January 2021
- Plans are being made for January and February District Alateen Liaison and Area Information Service (DAL/AIS) training and another Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS) Workshop!
- Alateen speakers are sharing at Alateen and Al-Anon meetings, in other states and countries!
- There are sixteen registered electronic Alateen meetings in Southern California
- The Southern California Alateen Conference (SCAC) Task Force is still working hard to get SCAC back!
- Our Southern California Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements (ASBR) were unanimously accepted by the Group Reps at the 9/26 Mini-Assembly!

<https://www.scws-al-anon.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/CA-S-Area-ASBR-2020.pdf>

Regarding anonymity in photos, the WSO photographs shown use actors, not *members*

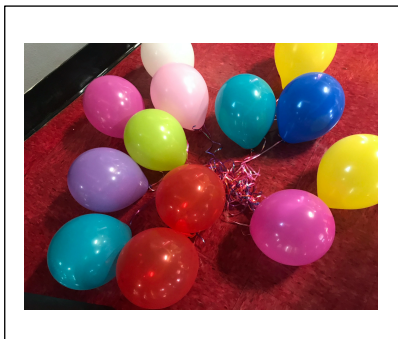


We'd love to publish your Alateen related shares with SCWS AMIAS and Alateen members about your experiences in Alateen service. And don't forget to ask our Alateen members to do the same. Send info to...



There are lots
of solutions to problems.
I have to remember
I have options.

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Public Outreach During COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

During this unusual time, COVID has created more stressful family situations. There's a good chance that alcoholism is more obvious in families. As part of our Twelfth Step, we can still carry the message to others.

First, know that yes, it can be done! Think out of the box. Where do we go, virtually? Is there an anonymous way to let people know about our program? My own personal favorite venue is NextDoor.* Every neighborhood/city has their own group. I just posted (again) a comment, copied from the WSO website with followup information. <https://al-anon.org/newcomers/teen-corner-alateen/> Keep it simple and use only your AIS information or reference the WSO website <https://al-anon.org/> to guard your anonymity as well as that of others. Refer to p. 125 of the 2018-2021 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual

I've added a couple of basic memes on the last page, so you can copy and paste them in your notice.

*This is not an endorsement! 😊

Public Outreach *within the Fellowship*

We've had several Al-Anon meetings and a few Alateen meetings invite Alateen speakers to share about their recovery in Alateen. If you've never heard an Alateen speaker, invite one (or a panel) to your meetings!

Ask me! Suzanne.aacc.scws@gmail.com

We have 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's Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements (ASBR). For now, we are only doing online meetings, but face to face will happen as soon as 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 ensure their safety.

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 “protected” pages of our “SCWS” site. And, if you register your regular meeting with the WSO and your local Al-Anon Information Service (AIS) office, you can add AMIAS Sponsor contact information so potential and new members can find you!

We are grateful to the sponsors who are the primary contacts and have assumed responsibility for 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 virtual online meetings temporary substitutes for in-person meetings during COVID. 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.

ENSURING 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, especially private chats
- Having members enable the video so the AMIAS knows they are seeing teenagers in their meetings.



**ALATEEN IS A TWELVE STEP PROGRAM
FOR TEENAGERS AFFECTED BY
SOMEONE ELSE'S ALCOHOLISM.**

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**When I finally went
to Alateen,
I learned that
I was not alone.**

1 in 10 children live in a home with at least 1 parent that has an alcohol use disorder. – SAMHSA