

November 2022

Southern California World Service
AMIAS/ALATEEN
Newsletter



Message from the 2023 SCAC Chair, Shana:

Help spread the info that we are still forming a committee, and all interested Alateens can contact Shana and Bear! **Committee meeting this weekend!**

aapp@scws-al-anon.org

Dear Al-Anon Members involved in Alateen Service (AMIAS):

The 2023 AFG Convention Chair, Dianne P., is looking for Alateens to chair and put together the Alateen portion of the AFG Convention: create meetings, workshops, pick topics, speakers, and leaders for the convention in March. The next committee meeting is November 20th at the Garden Grove Alano club at 12pm. ID 468 383 4186 PW 838552

If you have some strong Alateens, who you think would be capable of putting together (or being on) a small committee, please let me know and we will put them in contact with Diane.

LET IT BEGIN WITH ME—When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there and **LET IT BEGIN WITH ME!**

CALLING ALL ALATEEN SPONSORS

AFG 2023 Committee is asking for your support in signing up for a shift on Sat March 25th. The Alateen behavioral & safety guidelines require 2 AMIAS for each hour of the day for our Alateens to have fellowship and meetings.

Contact the AFG Chair Diane P. attitude.of.gratitude.Diane@gmail.com to discuss further.

Thank you for being of service!

DR/DAL WORKSHOP

SUNDAY, DEC 4, 2022

2:00 PM PACIFIC TIME

<https://scws-al-anon-org.zoom.us/j/82972513311?pwd=eUhkMnlYRmJnQzI SemdNYnBsZTM2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 829 7251 3311

Passcode: SCAC



ELECTRONIC ALATEEN MEETINGS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Alateen groups listed here have moved to an online/electronic format in response to the COVID-19 health restrictions and social distancing requirements.

For information on how to join any of these meetings, please call or email the Point of Contact (POC).

This list is for use by AMIAS and Intergroup staff in Southern California to refer teens to online Alateen meetings. The contact information is confidential and must be carefully safeguarded -- only share with fellow AMIAS and teens or families who are seeking an online Alateen meeting.

DAY	TIME	HOST DISTRICT	WSO ID / Name of Group	POC	Email Contact	Phone Contact
Tuesday	7 pm	17 Woodland Hills	502645 -2 Teens In Recovery	Jeri M	jerijoy@hotmail.com	no
Tuesday	7:30 pm	36 Pomona	1390 Tuesday One Day at a Time	J.R. D Jay P	john.davies@live.com atourpace@msn.com	909-762-4440 909-730-9066 (txt
Wednesday	7:30 pm	60 Yorba Linda	503559 Serenity Seekers Alateen	Ralph B	rbeecher@gmail.com	(213) 400-0431
Thursday	5:30pm	06 Bakersfield	30729632 Alateen Meeting	Portia C	alateenkern@gmail.com	(661) 717-1346
Thursday	7:30 pm	63 Garden Grove	30640574 Freedom Finders Alateen Group	Wendy F	no	(310) 210-7699
Thursday	7:30 pm	12 Ventura	30568883 Ventura Thursday Night	Jerry W	bear.scws.aapp@gmail.com	(805) 766-7401
Saturday	10 am	24 Burbank	502153 Saturday Morning Young Alateen	Susan R Alvin F	no no	(818) 269-7417 (213) 422-6435

WSO Alateen permanent electronic meetings on the Al-Anon App:

<https://al-anon.org/newcomers/teen-corner-alateen/alateen-electronic-meeting/>

Meetings Alateen meetings seem to be changing, slowly. There are a few meetings reconvening face to face. Some are still minimally attended electronically.

Did you know that the WSO's Al-Anon app has electronic Alateen meetings five days a week that teens can attend? They need to be between 13-18 to download the app. If the kids are younger, they can use their parent's app and change the name in the app for the meeting. These are well attended.

The best way to re-boot Alateen is to get kids into Alateen, and to get kids into Alateen, we need Al-Anon families to be INFORMED about Alateen so they know they can send their kids there!

* * * **LOOKING FOR ALATEENS WILLING TO BE**

5-minute, 10 minute, 15 minute, or 30 minute speakers at in-person or ZOOM events. * * *



Are you looking for service work that is rewarding, loving, and exciting?

Have you thought of the teens who want help and can't get it because Alateen isn't available?

Are you willing to meet with Alateen members to share with them, laugh with them, and sometimes cry with them?

Can you allow Alateens to conduct their own meeting without controlling or directing?

Can you respect the anonymity of Alateen members by not discussing their comments with their parents or others?

Can you say "No" to inappropriate behavior and explain your reason while continuing to love them?

Can you suggest program tools – slogans, Steps, Traditions, literature [CAL] – without giving advice?

CONSIDER BECOMING AN AMIAS!

Al-Anon
Member Involved in Alateen Service

WHAT KINDS OF SERVICE ARE AVAILABLE IN ALATEEN?

There are numerous ways you can be of service! Some are ...

- Co-sponsor a weekly Alateen meeting
- Help plan and support Alateen events
- Transport Alateen members to meetings and events

ARE THERE ANY ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS I MUST MEET?

To become an

AMIAS, you must:

- Have at least 2 years of regular Al-Anon participation
- Attend at least one Al-Anon meeting a week
- Be at least 25 years old
- Be able to pass the Southern California World Service (SCWS) background check
- Attend a 90-minute initial training session (offered online every month by webinar)
- Be willing to step down immediately if any controversy interferes with your purpose of serving Alateen members

SOUNDS GREAT!! I MEET ALL THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

First, speak with your District Representative and/or District Alateen Liaison to learn what the needs are in your local area and how you can best be of service.

Then, email the Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP) and give them your name, email, and phone number.

You will receive an email reply with information on everything needed to complete the process.

You can contact the AAPP at

aapp@scws-al-anon.org

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET CERTIFIED? Most applications are completed in less than 4 weeks.

WHEN CAN I START WORKING WITH ALATEENS? As soon as you receive the email formally notifying you that your registration is complete.

**** You may not participate with Alateen until you are officially notified. ****

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  **Al-Anon / Alateen Family Groups**

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Who wants to be an AMIAS?

(Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service) WE DO! 🧑 🧑

2022 Schedule for New AMIAS Training

To begin the application process for becoming an AMIAS, first talk to your District Representative (DR) and/or District Alateen Liaison (DAL). Let the District know that you are interested in Alateen Service. The DR or DAL can let you know where the opportunities are. They are also responsible for approving your AMIAS Application once your training is complete.

Contact the Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP) at aapp@scws-al-anon.org once you

have notified your District. Include your name, email address, phone number and District number.

After you submit your name to the AAPP as a prospective AMIAS, you will receive a confirmation email and then an email invitation around the first of each month. The Invitation will include a link to register for that month's webinar.

Training sessions are usually about 90 minutes.

Contact Bear for more information:
aapp@scws-al-anon.org

Until further notice, all New AMIAS Certification Training will be conducted online due to Covid-19.

Convention and Event

Chairs! If you would like an AMIAS training at your convention or event, contact Tina:

aapp@scws-al-anon.org.

Allow 2 ½ hours in your schedule for the training.

FINAL New AMIAS Training 2022

Sunday December 11!

SEEKING ALATEEN SPEAKERS

“My Favorite CAL” Saturday Dec 3, 1-4pm,
2022 in Reseda

“All People of Color AFG Elders Jubilee”
Saturday January 28th 2023 11am-12:30pm

Alateen Meetings in Schools

"The disease of alcoholism in a family member or friend affects children and teenagers in many different ways that impact on their behavior and ultimately, their schoolwork. Frequently, students and educators do not realize that a relationship with an alcoholic could be a factor." P. 2, Information for Educators, Alateen Meetings in Schools S-64

For answers about Alateen meetings in schools, please reference this pamphlet.

* * * ALATEENS SERVING BEYOND THE GROUP LEVEL * * *

REPRESENTATION

- ◆ **Your meeting can have an Alateen member registered as Group Representative (GR). Please check with **any** of your coordinators about how to get that done so they will be represented. They can have a voice AND a vote at Area Assemblies!**
- ◆ If you have any Alateen or AMIAS related questions or concerns, please use this link to get connected alateen-amiasconcerns@scws-al-anon.org

2021-2023

SCWS Alateen Coordinators

Alateen Communications Coordinator *Bernadette H.* Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org

- Contact individuals who have requested information about the Alateen program or forward their request to a District near them and follow-up with the individual.
- Communicate with agencies that have requested an Alateen Panel and arrange Alateens to speak and AMIAS or parent to transport and supervise them.
- Create the Area Alateen Newsletter to inform the Area members about recent changes made by SCWS and/or WSO, share AFG Connects postings about Alateen topics, and educate Al-Anon members about Alateen.
- Connecting with other Districts about their Alateen meetings.
- Hosting a local workshop to encourage potential AMIAS and share about current sponsors/AMIAS opportunities and experiences.
- Adding information to the Area Alateen newsletter.

Alateen Events Coordinator *Tina S.* Alateenevents@scws-al-anon.org

- Create and maintain a process to ensure that SCWS Alateen events are in compliance with CA(S) and WSO.

- Review Alateen Event Plans to ensure compliance with the ASBR (Alateen Safety and Behavioral Requirements) and principles of the Alateen/Al-Anon programs. Then approve or create action item lists.
- Communicate with Event Sponsors, Alateen Chairpersons, AMIAS Chaperones, and Convention Chairs.

Alateen Sponsor Coordinator. *Suzanne P.* Alateensponsor@scws-al-anon.org

- Create the presentation and required materials for AMIAS Certificate Trainings and Recertification Workshops.
- Train and manage Presenters who will conduct AMIAS Recertification Workshops and/or Initial AMIAS Certificate Training in English and Spanish.
- Manage documents obtained from attendees of workshops, attendance roster, and AMIAS Distribution Roster.
- District rep and District Alateen Liaison training.
- Ensure SCWS Alateen meetings and events are in compliance with CA(S) and WSO.
- Review Alateen Event Plans to approve or create action item list, in collaboration with Area Alateen Events Coordinator.
- Communicate with Event Sponsors, Alateen Chairpersons, and Group Sponsors as needed.
- Review Area Alateen Safety & Behavioral Requirements on an annual basis, per G-24.
- Respond to emails from WSO regarding individuals who have requested information about Alateen and contact the individual or forward the request to the District about which the individual is requesting information.
- Serves as primary point of contact with WSO for Area Alateen matters. Communicates with Area Officers about these matters, as appropriate.
- Serves as the primary link of Area support and oversight for the Southern California Alateen Conference (SCAC).
- Oversees and supports Districts with donations and scholarship requests for SCAC.

Alateen Process Person. *Bear W.* aapp@scws-al-anon.org


- Maintain lists of Active, Inactive and Prospective AMIAS.
- Provide up-to-date list of Active AMIASs to other Alateen Coordinators and Board members, as needed for Area business.
- Maintain lists of Active and Inactive Alateen meetings.
- Update the WSO database with changes to AMIAS and Alateen meetings.
- Process new AMIAS applications.
- Process new Alateen groups.
- Direct AMIAS to background check information as needed.
- Process annual AMIAS recertification before deadline set by WSO (usually 1 July).
- Process annual Alateen group update/recertification.
- Provide Districts with bi-annual report of their currently certified AMIAS and active Alateen groups twice a year (usually at end of recertification in July and in December/January) and as needed.
- Provide Event Chairpersons with a list of currently certified AMIASs as needed.

- Conduct training of new AMIAS, online and/or in person. Webinars are usually conducted monthly.
- In-person trainings are typically held at Al-Anon events such as annual AFG Convention and sometimes in conjunction with recertification workshops.
- Complete reports for the Area Service Board, Committees, and Bulletin.
- Maintain list of persons in each District authorized to sign AMIAS applications (usually DR and DAL).

Alateen Literature:
Click to order

Information for Educators

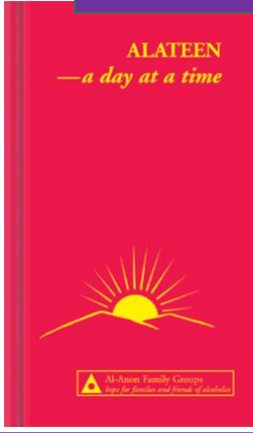
Alateen Meetings In Schools



If you are considering starting an Alateen group within your school, this information could be helpful.

Al-Anon Family Groups
Help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics


ALATEEN
—a day at a time



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Sponsorship

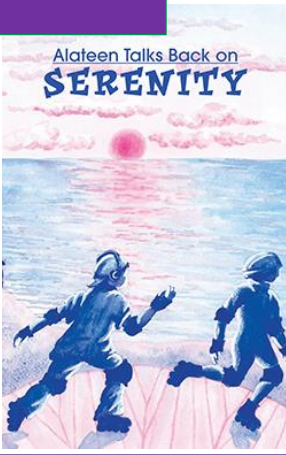
Is It For You?




Alateen, a part of Al-Anon, is for young people whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking. Every Alateen group needs active, adult members of Al-Anon to serve as Sponsors. The following questions may help you decide if you can say "yes" to Alateen sponsorship.

1. Are you looking for service work that is rewarding, loving and exciting?
2. Have you ever thought about helping Alateen?
3. Are you aware that sponsoring Alateen is a "health-step" opportunity for you?
4. Is there an Alateen meeting in your town?
5. Have you thoughts of the teens who want help and can't get it because Alateen isn't available?
6. Can you make a commitment to an Alateen meeting for the next six months or year?
7. Are you willing to meet with Alateen members to share with them, laugh with them, and sometimes cry?
8. Can you allow Alateen to conduct their own meeting without controlling or directing?

Alateen Talks Back on SERENITY



Facts about Alateen



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