

August 2023

Southern California World Service  
**AMIAS/ALATEEN**  
Newsletter

One last month of summer to  
fill with memories



There are a few more Alateen events before fall and back to school! The 2023 SCAC Chair is speaking at the Al-Anon Luncheon at VCAAC 09/09/2023, stay tuned for the Alateen program once they have Final Approval. Click logo:

**VENTURA COUNTY A.A. CONVENTION**  
**WITH AL-ANON AND ALATEEN PARTICIPATION**  
(pending final approval)



**DON'T**  
**MISS THE**  
**MIRACLE**

VCAAC ALATEEN PRESENTS

# 2023 ROUND ROBIN FUNDRAISER

for the support of Alateen at  
Ventura County AA Convention

Open Event All Are Welcome!!

August 19, 2023 | 1-5 PM

New Hope Lutheran Church

29295 Agoura Rd, Agoura Hill, CA 91301

**Bake Sale, 50/50 Raffle, and Alateen Art Auction with all art made by Alateens.** All proceeds will help to support Alateen at VCAAC. If you can not attend group donations are welcome and we hope to see you there!

The best way to **re-boot** Alateen is to get kids into Alateen. To get kids into Alateen, we need Al-Anon families & Institutions to be INFORMED about Alateen!  
**\* \* \* LOOKING FOR ALATEENS WILLING TO BE**  
5-minute, 10-minute, 15-minute, or 30-minute speakers at in-person or ZOOM events. \* \* \*  
Email: [Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org](mailto:Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org)

Who has two thumbs and has added a BUNCH of Alateens to the circuit-speaker roster?



Call or email me at [Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org](mailto:Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org) to arrange for an Alateen speaker or panel at your meeting or event!!!! We can do in person or on ZOOM!

### Get kids to an in-person Alateen Meeting:

\*\*\*\* FIND AN IN-PERSON ALATEEN MEETING:

<https://al-anon.org/al-anon-meetings/find-an-al-anon-meeting/>

\*\*\*\* Or get them to an online meeting:

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

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

#### Alateen Mobile App meeting times

(meetings will be displayed in the Mobile App in your local time)

Monday 6 pm ET	Wednesday 7 pm ET	Thursday 7:30 PM ET
Monday 10 pm ET	Wednesday 9:30 pm ET	

Download the [Al-Anon Family Groups Mobile App](#) to attend electronic Alateen meetings. Click here for [step-by-step instructions](#)

**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)
Thursday	5:30pm	06 Bakersfield	30729632 Alateen Meeting	Portia C	alateenkern@gmail.com	(661) 717-1346
Saturday	10 am	24 Burbank	502153 Saturday Morning Young Alateen	Susan R Alvin F	no no	(818) 269-7417 (213) 422-6435

# Who wants to be an AMIAS?

(AI-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service) WE DO! 🧑🏻‍🦯 🧑🏻‍🦯

[2023 Schedule for New AMIAS Training](#) ←click here

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](mailto: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](mailto:aapp@scws-al-anon.org)

**Convention and Event Chairs!** If you would like an AMIAS training at your convention or event, contact Tina:  
[aapp@scws-al-anon.org](mailto:aapp@scws-al-anon.org).  
Allow 2 ½ hours in your schedule for the training.



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](mailto: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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### 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](mailto:alateen-amiasconcerns@scws-al-anon.org)



**2021-2023**

## **SCWS Alateen Coordinators**

**Alateen Communications Coordinator** *Bernadette H.* [Alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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. [agapp@scws-al-anon.org](mailto:agapp@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**

The collage features several Alateen literature items:

- Information for Educators:** A green brochure titled "Alateen Meetings In Schools" with a photo of a school bus and the Al-Anon logo.
- ALATEEN —a day at a time:** A red booklet with a sunburst graphic and the Al-Anon logo at the bottom.
- Sponsorship:** A booklet titled "Is It For You?" featuring a cartoon character and a list of seven questions about sponsoring Alateen.
- Alateen Talks Back on SERENITY:** A booklet with a sunset background and two people walking on a path.
- Facts about Alateen:** A vertical orange booklet with the Alateen logo and the Al-Anon logo at the bottom.