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Information regarding electronic Alateen meetings...

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Alateen Meeting information available online!

<u>https://scws-al-anon.org/alateen/20200514_Alateen-E-Meetings.pdf</u> You may need the password "SCAC" to enter the site.

Be advised that the sponsors 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.

A couple of housekeeping items...

- → Group update forms were sent earlier this year to confirm meeting information. If you haven't yet checked and returned it to our Area Alateen Processing Person, Laura, please take care of this ASAP. In order to keep meetings in active status, we need to confirm contact information with your Current Mailing Address, usually one of the sponsors. Laura can be contacted at aapp@scws-al-anon.org
- → Our Area Sponsor recertification training is being done online and so far, you've all done a great job handling the temporary transition!

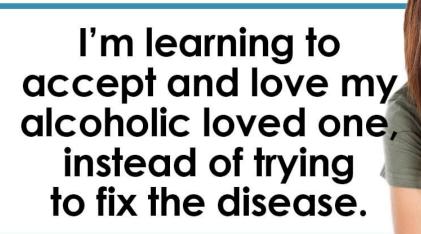
Trainings are offered by invitation, in an email from our Alateen Sponsor Coordinator, Bear. Check with your District Rep or District Alateen Liasion to see if your district has already been contacted. There are still opportunities and we will be available to help those who need a nonvirtual meeting format. There are also Spanish training being conducted by our Spanish Coordinator, Brissa. You can reach out to them at

o grweil776@gmail.com for Bear, AASC

or

o spanish@scws-al-anon.org for Brissa, Spanish Coordinator





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Please think about these questions and share, if you would, for inclusion in the newsletter We miss you and want to hear from you!

- 1. What is your favorite slogan and why?
- 2. Tell us about your favorite Alateen meeting?
- 3. What make you love it? What would you do differently?
- 4. Do you have a favorite piece of literature, tell us about it.

Email to alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org

Carry the Message

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 <u>alateencommunications@scws-al-anon.org</u>

Public Outreach in the Community

"Informing the public about Al-Anon and Alateen is vital to the growth of the fellowship."

This graphic can be copied and pasted on neighborhood web sites like Nextdoor, The Patch or any other news related sites.

Do You Know about Alateen?

A place just for teens affected by someone else's alcoholism https:// al-anon.org/newcomers/teen-corner-alateen/





Teen Corner (Alateen) | Al-Anon Family Groups al-anon.org