

CMA you are receiving this newsletter to distribute to your group in the manner determined per your group conscience so that all have an opportunity to see this information.  
 For more information please visit our Al-Anon/Alateen Members' Web site at:  
<http://www.al-anon.org/members/groups/group-resources/item/41-group-e-news>



## You can help carry Alateen's message on social media!

**“Thanks to Alateen,  
 I don't constantly think about the past  
 or worry about tomorrow.”**  
*Kara*

When you “Share” and “Like” our Alateen Facebook page and posts, you are reaching out to someone like Kara, who needed the hope and help Alateen has to offer. Without breaking Tradition Eleven, you can do this Twelve Step work by not revealing that you are a member when “sharing” or “liking” our posts. Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/AlateenWSO> or through our QR code below



*Note: The purpose of the Alateen page is to carry the Alateen message, not to share among participants. In adherence to Tradition Six, Al Anon/Alateen does not endorse nor support any specific social media provider.*

## Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2016

Al-Anon's annual public outreach magazine

**“Service has always given me a greater sense of belonging—a feeling of being part of the group, not just an attendee.”**  
*Terri D., Florida*



A sense of belonging and being a part of something big – the worldwide fellowship of Al-Anon Family Groups – are a few of the spiritual benefits we may receive when we participate in Twelfth Step service.

In your day-to-day life, there are often opportunities to ask if you can leave a few copies of *Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism* in places that are accessible to the public. Your doctor, dentist, librarian, perhaps even your drycleaner or car mechanic, would welcome the opportunity to make this valuable information available! You can do this without revealing that you are an Al-Anon member, if you wish. All you have to do is indicate that you have a public outreach magazine that some of their patients, clients, or consumers may be interested in.



- Share with Al-Anon members from around the world in Al-Anon workshops on Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4, 2015 at the A.A. International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia
- Take advantage of the preregistration rate of \$100.00 until May 12, after that the registration fee will be \$110.00
- For a link to registration visit the Al-Anon International Convention site at [www.al-anoninternationalconvention.org/](http://www.al-anoninternationalconvention.org/)
- Registered for the Convention and interested in serving at an Al-Anon or Alateen Workshop? Check your email for a link to the volunteer survey for Speakers and Moderators (chair/lead) to serve at the Al-Anon Workshops, and Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service



## Group History

May is Al-Anon's celebration month and a good time to begin your group history. One suggestion is to contact your Area Archives Coordinator and request a copy of the “Group History Checklist (AR-6).” The actual form and suggestion was first introduced at the 1983 World Service Conference and the thinking continues today. Histories can be outlined or written in a narrative form. Some groups review the information

Please remember, to leave a contact number, if they want additional copies as you are a part of something big and we all want the circle of recovery to continue to widen as we reach out to those who are still suffering.

The deadline to order *Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2016* is Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. ET.

## Sharings needed for the New Daily Reader

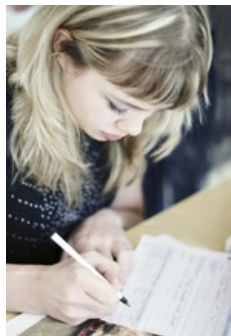
Please submit *your* sharing for a new daily reader that will reflect the Al-Anon program and its members as they are today. We are looking for writings that mirror the inclusiveness of the program on a variety of topics. Tell how the program has helped you, regardless of your differences, and how Al-Anon is indeed for *anyone* affected by someone else's drinking, no matter how different they feel.

You can find [a writing guideline](#), as well as [submit your writing, on the Members' Web](#) site by following these simple steps:

- Go to the Members' Web site: [www.al-anon.org/members](http://www.al-anon.org/members).
- Enter your password—any variation of your group name followed by AFG.
- Click on the "Individuals" tab.
- Click on "Featured Publications."
- Click on "Send Your Sharing."
- Click on "New Daily Reader"

## Is Your Alateen Group Information Uptodate?

The 2015 Alateen Group Update Sheet has been mailed to all Current Mailing Addresses (CMAs) for Alateen groups in the United States, Canada, Bermuda, and Puerto Rico. Please make sure that your group submits its completed update sheet in the return envelope addressed to your Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP), so that your group information is kept current.



Returning the Alateen Annual Update Sheet in a timely manner is essential, as meeting information is provided on the WSO toll-free meeting line, on Al-Anon Information Services local meeting lists, and on Area Web sites.

## WSO news releases are available

News releases on the WSO Public Outreach Web site at [www.al-anon.org](http://www.al-anon.org) are available for local use. Click on "Media" and scroll down to the "News Release" bullet.

Feel free to localize news releases by inserting local meeting places and times. As a contact for reporters and editors, please add the full name and phone number/email address of an Al-Anon member who is willing to answer questions. Include a specific request that the member's name not be published, posted, or broadcasted.

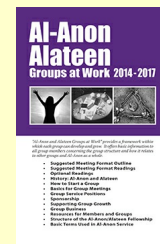
In the possible event that a reporter or editor might call to ask questions about the release, the contact person should be prepared to say how many Al-Anon and Alateen meetings are available every week in the local community.

Thank you for everything you do for the families and friends of alcoholics!

*If you have received this e-mail you are listed as the Current Mailing Address (CMA) for your group. If you are uncomfortable with receiving this in the future, please ask your group to choose a new CMA or get an e-buddy who is willing to receive your electronic mail from the WSO. If this e-mail was forwarded to you, please contact the member who forwarded it if you want to be taken off their distribution list.*

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annually and a good time to update is in conjunction with your group anniversary.



Starting a group, welcoming newcomers, and helping your group to thrive! Where can you find all this information in a booklet? *Al-Anon Alateen Groups at Work* (P-24). It offers basic information to all group members concerning the group structure and how it relates to other groups and Al-Anon as a whole. A good resource for every member! Interested in getting your very own copy? Visit <http://ecommal-anon.org/ICommerce/Shop/>

## Thank you for helping put PSAs on TV

Thanks for saying "Thank you" to local TV stations for playing Al-Anon public service announcements (PSAs). Your Area Public Outreach or Public Information Coordinator has airplay reports that show which stations played them.

After thanking the stations, it is time to look at which stations received the new PSAs, but did not play them. Your Area Public Outreach or Public Information Coordinator has this information, too.

By explaining to station managers that more than 35 percent of their audience has been affected by someone else's drinking, they will probably be glad to help. It just takes one of their viewers (you) to make the request.

Thank you for everything you are willing to do for families and friends of alcoholics!

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