

ALATEEN COORDINATOR

REPORT

ASSEMBLY JUNE 2023

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Area 9 Alateen Coordinator*

Hello, Florida North!! Welcome to the Area 9 June 2023 Assembly! The following is my report to be shared with all your fellow Al-Anon members.

FROM AL-ANON/ALATEEN SERVICE MANUAL 2022-2025:

Area Alateen Coordinators, coordinate the activities of Alateen in the Area and liaise between the Area World Service Committee (AWSC), and the groups. They convey service information from the WSO to the Districts, AISs, and groups. To perform their duties as an Alateen Coordinator they must be certified as an Al-Anon Member In Alateen Service (AMIAS) in the Area they serve. (p.75)

There are currently 14 Active Alateen Groups in Area 9, and 66 Certified AMIASs.

We have conducted 6 scheduled FRESH (Forms Resources Experience Strength & Hope) Events since October 2022. **Cindy J (AAPP) and I are always willing to help any District conduct their own virtual FRESH Event.** Not only do we accomplish training and certification of AMIASs during these events, but they are a gathering place for Al-Anon members serving in Alateen to learn what resources are available, share experiences, express concerns, and ask questions of each other. Our FRESH Events are so effective they have become the model for many other Areas around the worldwide fellowship to streamline their training and certification processes.

There will be an Alateen Conference AUG 4-6, 2023! District 3 has stepped up to host, and a venue has already been selected. Phil G, the District 3 Alateen Trainer is the Chairperson. Volunteer help is still needed from AMIASs. If you are not an AMIAS, there are many ways you also can volunteer to help, so please contact Phil with your willingness to contribute.

Judy S and Kayrn M of District 12 will be co-hosting the Alateen Program during the Area 9 Al-Anon Convention 2023. They did an amazing job in 2022 and are anxious to welcome the young members again this year. They, too, need volunteers!!

Please remember, Area 9 will provide \$250 to Districts who wish to hold an Alateen Roundup, an Alateen Family night to spread awareness, or any creative Alateen event.

There continues to be progress and very positive feedback in Alateen meetings on the WSO Mobile App. It is downloadable for iPhones and Android devices. AMIAS participation on the app is in compliance with area requirements for Alateen meetings. Currently there are 5 meetings and are open to all teens but they must have their own App account, and must be on a mobile device. The meetings follow all Area, WSO, and Alateen Service requirements, and the adults attending the app meetings are approved AMIASs. The waiting room for the meeting strictly states it is only for teens 13-18.

Please take the time to review the Alateen page on the Area 9 website: afgarea9.org
Cindy J and I make sure it is up to date with the help of Bob C, the Area Technology Coordinator.
You will find clear instructions on how to become trained and certified as an AMIAS, as well as resources for your Alateen groups.

Communication with the District Representatives, DISLs and Alateen Support members is vitally important in my role as AREA 9 ALATEEN COORDINATOR. Please make sure you let me know as soon as possible if there are any changes to your email addresses, phone numbers, etc.

I can always be reached at:

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With gratitude,

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