

2023 Alateen Conference
Report for Assembly
October 14, 2023

Thank you for the opportunity to have served as the 2023 Alateen Conference Chair on behalf of District 3. The conference theme is Love, Laugh and Grow Together in Alateen and was a great success.

I am pleased to announce we 46 people attend the conference. There were 17 Alateens (14 FL N, 3 FL S), 21 AMIAS (18 from FL N and 3 from FL S), 5 kitchen staff, 2 parents (transporting teens with very limited access to conference events) and 1 AA speaker.

The conference was held at Deer Haven Retreat and Conference Center (<http://www.deerhaven.cc/>) in Paisley, FL for August 4 – 6, 2023. This facility provided us with various housing options, swimming pool, lake, an option to do our own meals in a very modern industrial style kitchen at a lower cost than having the meals provided, meeting space, campfire area and beautiful nature trails. The facility is 70 acres on the southern edge of the Ocala National Forest. It is a one-to-three-hour drive from our currently active Alateen groups.

The conference included Hug Circles, Unconditional Love, Mail Service and God Box Ceremony as well as the traditional meetings and workshops. We also will included speaker meetings with Alateen Speakers, an Al-Anon and an AA Speaker. There were of course the s'mores campfire, raffle baskets and free activity time.

We are included a special track of meetings and workshops for the AMIAS and Al-Anon members who attended. This allowed for the Alateens to have their space in meetings and workshops with only two AMIAS in attendance at each of those events giving them the freedom and encouragement to practice their program while being in compliance with the safety and behavioral guidelines.

The very generous support from the Area covered most the expenses for the Alateens and AMIAS to attend the conference. Individuals, groups and Districts also stepped up with tremendous support and graciously donated funds as well as an enormous amount of love gifts that filled the registration bags and raffle baskets sharing the love of the Area with our Alateens.

Financial Summary:

Income		Expenses	
Area 9 Funding	\$ 5,000.00	Facility	\$ 4,090.00
Member, Group and District Donations	\$ 949.08	Food (meals)	\$ 2,000.00
June Assembly Collection	\$ 606.00	Hospitality (snacks)	\$ 75.00
Attendee Room Payments	\$ 390.00	Raffle Baskets	\$ 140.85
Balance Refund from Deer Haven	\$ 110.00	T-shirts and water bottles	\$ 657.22
Total Income	\$ 7,055.08	Total Expenses	\$ 6,963.07

Balance left in bank: \$92.01

Again, thank you all for the privilege of serving as the 2023 Alateen Conference Chair and to work with so many enthusiastic and very willing members compassionate about supporting our Alateens. I could not have asked for a better group of people to work with. Throughout the months of planning and at all hours of the day and night during the conference, these people were willing to step up and do anything asked of them.

Please join me in expressing gratitude to the 2023 Alateen Conference Committee:

Name	Role/Coordinating
Alison H	Secretary
Clelia L	Medical
Eleanor J	Area Alateen Chair
Elsa C	Area Chair/At large member
Erin C	Conference Co-Chair
Harriet F	Treasurer
Joanne E	Hospitality
Kathleen L	Host District DR/Workshop Facilitator

Name	Role/Coordinating
Kathy R	Registration
Kimberly H	Co-Coordinator Raffle Baskets
Nick R	At large member/Coffee man
Peggy C	Food
Phil G	Conference Chair
Renee H	Assisting Registration
Shelly F	Workshop Facilitator
Susan B	Coordinator Raffle Baskets

I look forward to sharing details of our meetings and plans with the 2024 Alateen Conference Chair as soon as that position is filled. I want to encourage Districts to consider this opportunity of service and assure you the Alateens are very gracious and will appreciate you for doing it.

In gratitude and service,

Phil G.

2023 Alateen Conference Chair

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