

Al-Anon welcomes all seeking recovery in this season of light, birth, new opportunities, gathering, stress, excess, long nights, rain, snow, and shine. May the lengthening of the days symbolize the growing possibilities in Al-Anon.

Changes and News:

Meetings may be adjusted or canceled over the holidays - check with the group.

- Thursday Night 8-9 PM Alameda will NOT meet on the 24th. <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3068180585> They WILL meet the 31st.

*** AA members may not chair, co chair, or coordinate committees at the district level *** Correction ***

Interested in a service opportunity beyond your group level? Contact District Office at (510) 276-2270 for more information.

Newsletter contains information from the most recent District Meeting, NCWSA, WSO, as well as individual submissions.

The District Meetings are 9a.m. on the 3rd Saturday of the month. January 18

All are welcome.

The Serenity Prayer

God, grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can,
And wisdom to know the difference.*

Recovery through Steps Step Twelve: Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.*

Unity through Traditions Tradition Twelve: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles above personalities.*

Service through the Concepts Concept Twelve: The spiritual foundation for Al-Anon's world service is contained in the General Warranties of the Conference, Article 12 of the Charter.*

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Monthly Fellowship

Date	Time	Hosted By	Location
Last Saturday of the month. Not December 26 :--(5:30pm - 8:30pm	Groups that Step Up!	online

Groups, please consider hosting a monthly fellowship in 2021, perhaps on your group's birthday month. Help, support, "how to do it" information is available. The meeting announcement template is available. Alateen speakers and Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service are available.

Group News

You too can be a Group Representative. Many Group Reps are finishing their three year term. A chance to grow and be part of the connection between your group, the district, the Northern California World Service Area, and the World Service Office. Supportive environment, coaching, and service sponsors available. While we are still meeting remotely the third Saturday of the month, no pastries, coffee, or fruit from the district. No driving either. Thank you!

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District 15 Website <https://district15.ncwsa.org/> | Northern California World Service Area Website: www.ncwsa.org

World Service Organization Website: www.al-anon.alateen.org/members/ (log-in is group name followed by "afg")

District News

The district has ten principles for safe and effective business meeting discussions. The newsletter plans to publish that poetry soon. Groups may find the principles useful for their own business meetings.

Alateen News

The Thursday Alateen zoom meeting is still a closed meeting (welcoming new Alateens). Alateen meetings outside District 15 continue to be available. Contact Jean 510 517 3575 for info.

District News - Coordinators Wanted!

The four Officers for the incoming panel have been elected. Ruby District Rep, Liz Assistant District Rep, CJ Treasurer, and Gregg Secretary are hoping to be joined by Coordinators for vacant positions.

Coordinators do NOT need to have Group Rep experience. Support of a Service Sponsor or coach is available!

Office Coordinator - with help from our experienced office part-timers, help keep the office open and help grow our list of volunteers.

Answering Service Coordinator - grow the Phone Answering Group of people who, from home, answer the phones when people with questions call the district. Coordinate the 2 hour training for new Answering Volunteers.

Literature Distribution Center - coordinate the volunteers, literature ordering, storage, bookkeeping, and outreach. This is essentially running a small business, including sales tax payments and filing monthly reports with the district. Help and coaching available!

Monthly Fellowship Event Coordinator - keep track of sponsoring groups for the monthly fellowship, provide guidance, the announcement template, Alateen and AA contact numbers to the sponsoring groups, make sure zoom information goes to the sponsoring groups and website and newsletter coordinator. This is one of the more social coordinator positions. Few hours per month required and very appreciated by the fellowship.

Newsletter Coordinator - keep track of developments in the district and publish a newsletter regularly. Currently we have 300+ people who subscribe. Some group reps print the pdf form of the newsletter for their group, some may even re-distribute it, so you will have a readership!

Public Information Coordinator - recruit table volunteers and coordinate literature availability for outreach events, health fairs, and festivals that welcome 12 step groups. Sometimes 2000 contacts made in a weekend! Past coordinators had fun and are available to coach! Usually a "fair weather" activity.

Insurance Coordinator - make sure groups and special events that need insurance forms for their host organization get them from the insurance company. Make sure the insurance company has a list of groups (?)

Institutions Coordinator - work with NCWSA to provide service not just to prisons and jails but to residential recovery programs. Recruit helpers when needs are identified.

Phone Answering

Do you have a couple hours a week when you could answer the occasional phone call to the district? People call the district office for advice, information on meetings, literature, and office hours. Volunteers provide that service. No, you don't have to be working your twelfth step yet. You don't have to come in to the office. We have now figured out how to get the phone calls transferred to your phone for that two hour period. To assure you are successful and helpful, training will be arranged. Let your group rep or the office know (510) 276-2270. Thank you!

Website

The website is being actively maintained. Sixteen groups in the district are listed with active online meetings.

<https://ncwsadistrict15.org/>

Literature

The district is stocking and selling literature. Curbside(ish) pickup available! Call the office to coordinate your order and pickup times! (510) 276-2270

In Service,

Gregg, District 15 Newsletter Coordinator

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