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## WA Area Alateen News November 1, 2014

### Welcome to Alateen Chat

Are you a certified AMIAS who is looking for a way to give back? Are you available to serve from your laptop Monday evenings from 6:45 PM – 8:15 PM PST? Can you commit to one, two or more Mondays per month? We Need You!

The next WA Area Alateen Chat training will be held on **Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM – 11 AM**. Please contact Beth C. at [alateen@wa-al-anon.org](mailto:alateen@wa-al-anon.org) for an invitation and instructions on participating at this webinar training!

#### DEAR ALLY!

At ASTAR, we broke into small groups and problem solved **fictional** (well at least the names and locations were changed to protect the innocent) issues that might come up in Alateen Service.

Dear Ally,

One of our group sponsors is a dual member – she is awesome...is able to keep her AA program outside the Alateen meeting and the kids relate to her. Unfortunately some Al-Anon members are insistent she is ineligible to serve. How do we dispel this misconception?

Misunderstood in Monroe

Dear Misunderstood,

There is a common misconception that a “double winner” would not qualify but when looking at the WA Area handbook Section 7 this issue has been addressed. Dual members can qualify when they meet all the criteria in their Al-Anon program that any Al-Anon member must meet, such as attends one Al-Anon meeting a week for two consecutive years, is at least 21 years of age and not convicted of a felony.

It sounds like this sponsor is able to share Al-Anon recovery with the teens while also having an understanding of the problem created by and the recovery from alcoholism.

### NEWS FROM THE WORLD SERVICE OFFICE



**AL-ANON FAMILY  
GROUPS  
LAUNCHES ALATEEN  
FACEBOOK PAGE!**

The Alateen Facebook page is now live! Search for Alateen WSO to find the page. Members (Al-Anon and Alateen) are invited to “share” the posts, as a public outreach message. Those who share should be careful not to make comments that indicate Al Anon or Alateen membership. This provides a way for members to carry the Alateen message while maintaining their personal anonymity. A flier is attached to be distributed at Al-Anon and Alateen meetings!

#### ALATEEN NOW HAS AN E-BOOK!

ALATEEN—HOPE FOR CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (B-3) IS NOW AVAILABLE IN ELECTRONIC FORMAT. \*



It is exciting to see Alateen’s basic book in today’s formats, readable on tablets, computers, and smartphones! Please help to spread the word about this milestone as well.

\*It is available at Amazon.com, the Apple iTunes store, BarnesandNoble.com, and from the Canadian retailer Kobo (KoboBooks.com). The English and Spanish (SB-3) editions are available; the French edition (FB-3) will be ready in coming weeks. This announcement is informational only, and is not an endorsement of any outside vendor.

The Guidelines *Area Alateen Coordinators* (G-24) and *Alateen Conferences* (G-16) are newly revised and posted on the Members’ Web site, [al-anon.org/members](http://al-anon.org/members).

Please replace any existing copies you may have with the newest version!



Each month we will introduce an AMIAS to the fellowship! This month we feature Liz L.

**What is your home group?** The Sunday AM Fresh Start, Seattle at 8:30 AM

**What Alateen Service are you doing?** I am currently serving as a Group Sponsor for Alateen Chat Monday 7 PM; Counterpart for the WAAC 2015 Chair; and Co-Chair of the 2015 ASTAR weekend! I also help with fundraising and sewed the beautiful ASTAR quilt... see attached flier!

**What motivated you to become an AMIAS?** Wanting to encourage the younger members of Al-Anon with my experience, strength and hope!

**What do you get from Alateen Service?** I get more than I give... a lot of hope for the future, am humbled by their leadership, that we all have a higher power as I see it work in their lives without my intervention and I HAVE A LOT OF FUN!!!

**What is your favorite food?** Mediterranean style cooking – anything with lots of garlic!

**What is your favorite pastime?** Telling jokes that no one else gets or forgetting the punch line!

**What is one of your quirks?** Singing the wrong words to songs.



We currently have 137 certified AMIASs in WA Area!

Thank you to everyone who encourages other Al-Anon Members to participate in Alateen Service!



Mark your calendars! There are many exciting Alateen Activities happening. If you would like to include something in your district or group, please contact Beth C.

### Area Events

WAAC July 17-19, 2015 Lazy F Ranch, Ellensburg

ASTAR August 14-16, 2015 Lazy F Ranch, Ellensburg

### AMAS Trainings

Alateen Chat Saturday November 8, 2014 10-11 AM

Initial Sunday November 30, 2014 1-4 PM

Initial Sat January 10, 2015 9:30-12:30 PM

### Service Meetings

WAAC Planning The 3rd Sunday of the month 2-4 PM

ASTAR Planning Saturday November 29, 2014

AWSC February 7, 2015, District 23

Pre-Con March 27-28, 2015 District 1

Service Seminar May 15-17, 2015, Seabeck WA

AWSC August 1, 2015, District 10

Fall Assembly October 2-4, 2015, District 7

Alateens or AMIASs with questions about participating in these events can contact Beth C at [alateen@wa-al-anon.org](mailto:alateen@wa-al-anon.org)

## ALATEEN SERVICE IN WA

Our program can be like a garden. We plant a seed and it may take years for us to see the results of our hard work. Alateen is our future and there are many places where we can prepare. If you would like to join us on a WA Area Alateen Committee, please contact Beth C. at [alateen@wa-al-anon.org](mailto:alateen@wa-al-anon.org). Be a part of the future!

Spanish Speaking Alateen

Internet Safety

Educating AFG with skits, songs and fun!

Outreach

Meetings in Schools

Handbook Review

Increase Participation at Assemblies

