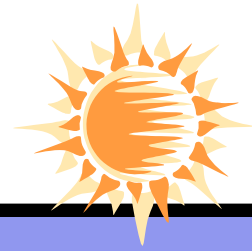


SCVAFG Intergroup Newsletter



<http://www.ncwsa.org/scvafg/>

Focus on H&I

We are looking for 16 new volunteers in the Hospitals and Institutions area of service this summer. The name of the campaign is “Plant a Seed.”

Al-Anon has closed meetings at Juvenile Hall and the San Jose Family Shelter. Most people who attend these meetings have no idea that our fellowship exists. The meetings are described as lively and very rewarding!

If you are working your program, and have a sponsor, all you need to do is show up and share your own experience, strength and hope. Your Higher Power will do the rest!

These meetings have no access to literature, either. You can contribute your own gently used literature directly to Lindy, our H&I coordinator, or your meeting can earmark funds especially for H&I in your Intergroup contributions! Just a few dollars can buy many pamphlets and make a huge difference to someone!

Another cool way to support H&I: subscribe to the Forum and donate your old issues. Even better, take advantage of the Forum’s yearly offer of 100 copies for only \$38, and send those copies on over to H&I. Remember how nice it is to open a copy of the Forum? It’s like a meeting in your pocket; imagine opening it while at a shelter, or in Juvenile Hall.

Contact Lindy at 650-938-6024 or lmclaren@sonic.net.

H&I Conference

Save the Date! The 36th annual Hospital and Institution Conference, with Al-Anon Participation, takes

place on April 13, 14, 15, 2007 in Petaluma. For further info, or to volunteer, contact Louise M., NCWSA Institutions Coordinator at 408-266-4200, or lkmori@earthlink.net, or Linda D. at lindadowd@sbcglobal.net.

October Special Event *Living the Principles, Receiving the Gifts*

We have coordinators! Want to help? Join in the fun and excitement – come to the next planning meeting!

Wed July 19th, 2006 6:30 pm
Intergroup Office, Campbell Community Center Room Q-82
Call Moriah at 408-623-5320 or Anita at 408-313-9680 for more details.

COORDINATOR NEWS

October Special Event

Our co-coordinators, Moriah and Anita, are onboard and very excited about planning the event. The date is October 7th at Christ The Good Shepard. Speaker is Andrea B from Dublin!

The theme for this years' Special Event is: *Living the Principles, Receiving the Gifts*, and to go with this theme is the Old Timers' Appreciate Dinner, honoring members of Al-Anon who have been in the program for 30 years or more. Do you know someone who would be a good candidate? We need your help! Contact Avis E. 408-227-1000.

Financial

We are sending out updated appeal letters. Please note that our literature sales were down alarmingly in the month of April. This is because we had to close the bookstore for five

days, because there were not enough volunteers. Please spread the word—a closed Saturday, especially, can really impact Intergroup’s income!

Newsletter

Send in your stories! We’d like to hear from you on any aspect of Al-Anon, in about 100-200 words. Newsletter contact: Andy W. awrocket@comcast.net

Al-Anon Slogans & Quotes - Do You have a Favorite ?

“A Heart full of Gratitude has no room for Self Pity”. Unknown

SPEAKER MEETING

Thursday June 29, 2006 8:00 PM
St. Mark's Al-Anon Family Group
Featuring Kayne W. & Kara K. (sisters in recovery).
St. Mark's Church 1957 Pruneridge Ave. Santa Clara, CA
(newcomers meeting at 7:30 PM).

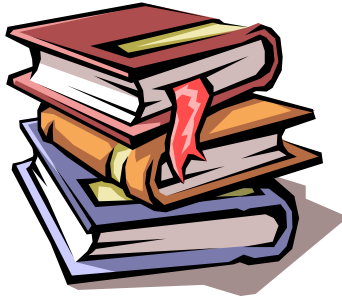
UNITY DAY: August 27

The chair of AA’s Unity Day has invited Al-Anon participation, and Intergroup agreed to sponsor the Al-Anon portion of the day’s events. There is NO FEE to attend!

What is Unity Day? This is a public information forum that has taken place for 23 years, and about 500 attendees are expected this year on August 27th at the Milpitas Community Center. There is a slot for an Al-Anon speaker at 8 am, and a room will be devoted to Al-Anon meetings. We can provide literature at a table in the common room, as well.

This is a great opportunity to show up, mingle, educate professionals, and make friends! More info coming as it arrives.

INTERGROUP BOOKSTORE



Located at the Campbell Community Center, the SCVAFG Bookstore has literature and directories, as well as pamphlets in English and Spanish. Volunteering for the bookstore is a unique and FLEXIBLE way to participate in Al-Anon service!

You may work as little as one shift per month. Training takes about 25-45 minutes. Call Erin E. to train: 408-859-9278.

Current store hours:

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| Mon. | 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM |
| Tues | 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM |
| Wed. | 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM |
| Thurs. | 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM |
| Sat. | 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM |

Note: Office is closed on holidays.

The Bookstore/Intergroup Office is located at the Campbell Community Center:

1 West Campbell Ave., Rm Q82
Campbell, CA 95008
408-379-9375
(corner of Campbell Ave. and Winchester Blvd.)

Before making a trip to the bookstore, please call to verify that it is open.

ALATEEN Coming Events

June 23-25

**NoCac Fundraiser Bash #1
Camping at Folsom Lake,**
Al-Anons, AA's and Alateens 12 and over are welcome. Several campfire meetings, program workshops, Easy Duz It time, fellowship, board games, outdoor cooking and tent

sleeping. See your group folder for flyers or download from NCWSA website.

Contact: Jenae H. 408-421-3348 or Justin F. 408-205-5594.

August 25 – 27

**NOCAC Fundraiser Bash #2
Camping at Pfeiffer BIG SUR**
Al-Anons, AA's and Alateens 12 and over are welcome. Several campfire meetings, program workshops, Easy Duz It time, fellowship, board games, outdoor cooking and tent sleeping. See your group folder for flyers or download from NCWSA website. Contact: Jenae 408-421-3348 or Justin 408-205-5594.

**ALATEEN FUNDRAISER:
Bring out your Bottles &
Cans !!! 😊**

Water and soda bottles, that is. Recycle for SCV Alateen Scholarships—what a great Cause!

This fundraiser is open to Districts 20, 21, and 22. Bring your plastic bottles or aluminum cans to the SCV Intergroup Office, or to your meeting's Intergroup Representative, or call Jay R., Alateen Safety Coordinator, at 408-296-2474, or contact him at jgvr@earthlink.net

Sponsors Needed

We are looking for sponsors for:

- ❖ Friday Younger Alateen Meeting (7-12) at Willowvale Church, Meridian and Curtner, 8:15-9:30 pm.
- ❖ Sunday, Los Altos Alateens
- ❖ United Methodist Church 7:30 pm
- ❖ Friday Bilingual Alateen Mtg, 1621 Gold Street, Alviso, 7:00 pm.

Here are the requirements: You must be over 21 years old, have 2 years in Al-Anon, and be attending regular

weekly meetings. You must be free of any felonies or child abuse charges, and you will be fingerprinted.

The following qualifications are strongly suggested for the well being of the teens and kids:

- Be willing to commit to two years, at least twice a month, one day at a time. Consistency helps the kids to feel safe enough to share honestly.
- You should not be a parent of one of the children you are sponsoring; this gets in the way of their freedom to share.

Please contact Jay R., Alateen Safety Coordinator, at 408-296-2474, or contact him at jgvr@earthlink.net for paperwork.

Please remember that "*Alcoholism is a family disease*" with each member of the family needing recovery from the "*ism*" not "*wasim*". Incredible healing happens through attending meetings, reading literature, doing all the 12 steps in order, participating at all events, and having a personal sponsor.

- Jay R.

