

ALATEEN COORDINATOR REPORT

Fall Assembly 2025

Message from the Interim Alateen Coordinator

For those who are not aware I was asked to assume a position as Interim Alateen Coordinator (I am presently serving as alternate delegate as well) at the Spring Assembly. This report may be lengthy but covers what has been done, (last 4 months), and actions to be carried out in the immediate future. The following are the plans for ALATEEN and goals for AMIAS:

ALATEEN ACTION PLAN

The two actions are (1) create more geographical locations in the state where Alateens can meet (2) Create specific Alateen outreach opportunities so teens are made aware of what the Alateen program can offer them.

AMIAS GOALS

- (1) Create platforms to **COMMUNICATE** relevant ALATEEN information to AMIAS.
- (2) Create platforms for AMIAS to **CONNECT** with one another for support.
- (3) Build a **COMMITMENT** to establishing Alateen meetings in the state as well as opportunities for Alateen outreach.

Much of the work that has been done can collectively be credited to our Alateen Process Person (Pam S.), Assistant Alateen Process Person (Terry C.) and several Alateen service individuals. I have felt so much support and hope the following endeavors in this report convey the true love for Alateen in the program.

In service, Don R.

FACTS AND FIGURES Number of Al-Anon Members Involved In Alateen Service (AMIAS) certified in each district which is now based on home addresses.

(1) 2 (2) 0 (3) 5 (4) 2 (5) 2 (6) 4 (7) 8 (8) 0 (9) 6 (10) 2 (11) 3 (12) 4 (13) 2 (14) 1
(15) 4 (16) 4 (17) 2 (18) 7 (19) 4 (20) 3 (21) 0 (22) 7 (23) 1 (24) 0 (25) 0 **Total MA AMIAS = 73**

PRESENT "REGISTERED"ALATEEN MEETINGS IN MA

*Barnstable, *Brewster, *Canton, *Concord,*Hull, *Lynnfield,*Millbury, *N. Andover *Northampton,*Tisbury/MV, *Westborough (Worcester closed due to the supporting agency closing its doors)

ACTIVITY OCCURRING TO OPEN ALATEEN MEETINGS

Greenfield, Newton, Berkshires, Worcester

SUGGESTED GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS TO LOCATE ALATEEN MEETINGS

Upon examining our AFG OF MA district map the following geographical areas might be ideal for locating Alateen meetings : *SPRINGFIELD, *TAUNTON/FALL RIVER, *MIDDLEBORO/CARVER/PLYMOUTH * *FITCHBURG/LEOMINSTER

AL-ANON MEMBERS INVOLVED IN ALATEEN SERVICE (AMIAS) EMAIL PLEA

An email was sent to all certified AMIAS who are not presently supporting an active Alateen meeting to reach out to their district representatives and begin dialogue regarding starting an Alateen meeting in their respective districts. Hopefully these AMIAS can create more Alateen presence in MA.

ALATEEN SPONSORS SERVICE MEETING

A zoom meeting was held for "Alateen Sponsors In Service ". This meeting was for sponsors actively involved with an ACTIVE ALATEEN meeting. It was held on Monday, September 15. District representatives were invited as well. Discussion was had on the following topics: (A) How is your Alateen meeting doing? (B) How are your outreach efforts going? (C) What kinds of outreach have you done? (D) Let's share outreach ideas (E) Should we start an Alateen

Outreach committee? (F) Request Al-Anon members, and AMIAS, not presently actively supporting a registered Alateen meeting, to help with Outreach. (F) Explained to DR's what the AAPP/Alateen coordinator need from them when certifying AMIAS from their district. Our next meeting for all current AMIAS is scheduled for January 6, 2026 as we have agreed to meet every 4 months.

ALATEEN WEBSITE TILE

There is presently an Alateen "tile" (box) on the website. The Alateen team is working with the website committee to post relevant Alateen information for easy access on an **AMIAS RESOURCES** section of the Alateen tile. Alateen informational material is still in process of being created. There is some information on the tile now so please visit the website and click on **AMIAS RESOURCES**.

ALATEEN LITERATURE

Making an appeal to all Al-Anon groups to purchase and display Alateen literature at their meetings. Suggested titles of Alateen literature are as follows The WELCOME ALATEEN NEWCOMER packet (K-18) would be especially suggested. If your district should support a **health fair with Al-Anon participation**, it would great if you could include Alateen literature as part of your display.

AA CONVENTION

There will be workshops for Alateen at the AA Convention (November 14-16). There will be a hybrid AMIAS Training Workshop on Saturday, November, 15. Details TBA.

SUGGESTED ALATEEN LITERATURE FOR PURCHASE

This list of literature that will hopefully be posted on the **Alateen** tile on the alanonma.org in the future. All of the following Alateen literature is available at the alanonma.org website. Prices as of August 2025.

The following two manuals should be purchased when updated and available (estimated Feb 2026)

***Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual 2022 – 2025 P-24/27** Essential reference sourcebook. Contains "Al-Anon and Alateen Groups at Work," "Digest of Al-Anon and Alateen Policies," "World Service Handbook," and descriptive text explaining "Al-Anon's Twelve Concepts of Service." Current edition. Indexed, Spiral bound. (P-24/27) {\$11.00}

***Al-Anon-Alateen Groups at Work 2022-2025 (P-24)** Indispensable resource for members and groups. Includes Meeting Format, as well as ideas and information to encourage group unity. 80 pages. P-24 {\$1.00}

The following two pieces of literature are for sponsors or members considering being sponsors of Alateen meetings

Alateen Sponsorship, Is It for You? (S-27) Questions for Al-Anon members help to decide about sponsoring an Alateen group. S-27 {\$0.25}

***Guide for the Sponsors of Alateen Groups (P-29)** Basic information for Alateen Group Sponsors on starting and supporting an Alateen group. Six pages. P-29 {\$0.25}

***Alateen, Is It for You? (S-20)** Twenty questions for young people to decide if Alateen is for them. S-20 {\$0.25}

***Facts About Alateen (P-41)** Basic information about Alateen, for young people affected by someone else's drinking. Six pages. P-41 {\$0.25}

***Just for Today – Alateen bookmark (M-13)** Offers Alateen ideas for making each day special, and reminders for focusing on the present. Bookmark M-13 {\$0.25}

***Alateen Newcomer Packet (K-18)** Welcomes new Alateen members with helpful leaflets assembled in a booklet. Includes M-9, P-21, P-41, P-67, and S-20. K-18 {\$1.75}

***Just For Tonight Alateen – Bookmark (M-82)** Companion piece to Alateen's *Just for Today* offers Alateen ideas to help prepare for a peaceful, restful night. (M-82) {\$0.25}

***Do's & Don'ts Wallet card (Alateen) (M-9)** Helpful suggestions on what to do-and what not to do. Wallet card. M-9 {\$0.25}

***Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions for Alateen (P-18)** Great meeting topic guide on our first two Legacies. Includes questions, discussions, and personal reflections by Alateen members. 60 pages. P-18 {\$0.75}

***Alateen – A Day at a Time (B-10)** Daily help for teens. Positive sharings from Alateen members around the world. Indexed. 384 pages. B-10 {\$11.50}

- ***Information for Educators (S-64)** Answers the questions educators ask about Alateen. Six pages. S-64 {\$0.25}
- ***Courage to Be Me – Living with Alcoholism (B-23)** Alateen’s most comprehensive book, filled with shared recovery from Alateen members. Includes workshops for group discussions. Indexed, softcover. 326 pages. B-23 (\$13.00)
- ***Alateen-Hope For Children of Alcoholics (B-3)** Basic introductory book for teens affected by someone else’s drinking. Easy-to-understand explanation of alcoholism and the Alateen program. Indexed, softcover 128 pages. B-3 {\$9.50}
- ***Living Today in Alateen (B-26)** Alateen’s second daily reader shows how members practice the program right now, today. Indexed. 378 pages. B-26 {\$15.00}
- ***Alateen 4th Step Inventory Workbook (P-64)** This workbook keeps it simple for members of any age, with questions, cartoons, and space to write or draw your feelings. 48 pages. P-64 {\$5.00}
- ***Alateen 10th Step Sheet – daily checklist (S-6)** For Alateen members taking a daily inventory, this handy Step Ten sheet can help. S-6 {\$0.25}
- ***Alateens Share with Adults in Their Lives (P-67)** For any adult in contact with a teenager affected by someone else’s drinking. (Formerly titled Dear Mom & Dad.) Six pages. P-67 {\$0.30}
- ***Just For Today – Wallet card (Alateen) (M-11)** Offers Alateen ideas for making each day special, and reminders for focusing on the present. M-11 {\$0.25}
- ***Alateen Talks Back – Slogans (P-70)** Alateen members share how the slogans help, using prose, poetry, and artwork from the Alateen Talk newsletter. Illustrated. 32 pages. P-70 {\$2.00}
- ***Alateen Talks Back – Detachment (P-73)** Alateen members share on letting go with love, using prose, poetry, and artwork from the Alateen Talk newsletter. Illustrated. 32 pages. P-73 {\$2.00}
- ***Alateen Talks Back – Acceptance (P-68)** Alateen members share on accepting the reality of their lives using prose, poetry, and artwork from the Alateen Talk newsletter. Illustrated. 32 pages. P-68 {\$2.00}
- ***Alateen Talks Back – Serenity (P-69)** Alateen members share on searching for serenity using prose, poetry, and artwork from the Alateen Talk newsletter. Illustrated. 32 pages. P-69 {\$2.00}
- ***Moving On! From Alateen to Al-Anon (P-59)** Transitioning into Al-Anon described by former Alateen members as they continue recovery. 12 pages. P-59 {\$0.50}

Has Al-Anon Helped You?: Then Why Wouldn’t You Want To Give That Gift To Your Child?

(M-80) Tent card reminds Al-Anon members that Alateen is available for their children. Space is provided to fill in the location, day, and time of the nearest Alateen meeting. {\$0.25}

ALATEEN TABLECARD

All meetings should consider placing the Alateen Tablecard (M-80) as referenced above in view at each meeting.

WEBSITE ALATEEN OUTREACH POSTERS

There are two Alateen outreach posters on the AFG website where the ALATEEN tile is located. Both posters are AFG of MA and WSO approved. The QR codes on the posters link directly to a list of Alateen meetings available in the state. Please feel free to download them and use them for Alateen outreach.

EMAIL BLASTS

In the last few months I have been sending email blasts to ALL certified AMIAS in the state to keep them aware of some of the Alateen needs we might have in the state, as well as current Alateen requests for help and reference material.

POSSIBLE ALATEEN FACEBOOK

Investigating the idea of creating a private Facebook page just available to certified AMIAS in the state. Right now the email blasts I’ve been sending are kind of one way communications but does not meet the actual needs for connection amongst the AMIAS community we have in MA. This would create a platform for ALL AMIAS across the state to connect with each other for support and information.

ALATEEN TASK FORCES

I am currently serving on two task forces. (A) Area Behavior Safety Requirements (ABSR) Task Force – reviewing and revising this important Alateen document as suggested by WSO. (B) AMIAS training guidelines – assisting on creating a structural guidance document to assist future Area Alateen Coordinators

ALATEEN OUTREACH – PUBLIC LIBRARY OF BROOKLINE

Two AMIAS, including myself, will be doing an informal Alateen outreach event at the Public Library of Brookline in November. We will actually be meeting “live” teens that frequent the Youth section of the library.

ALATEEN REQUEST TO DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Many times the Alateen communications that are sent out just don't get shared with the AMIAS in the state. The communication platforms I presently use are:

- (A) the bulletin (which many times doesn't get read for an AMIAS to receive Alateen news or the AMIAS is not in attendance to hear if the report has been shared)
- (B) The AWSC Coordinator/District news reports that DR's receive monthly
- (C) The Assembly Coordinator/District news reports that GR's receive.
- (D) Direct email blasts to the AMIAS in the state

I sometimes find the information time sensitive so I believe the AWSC Coordinator/District News reports accomplish the best results. **The hand of Al-Anon is reaching out to DR's and asking for help. It would be greatly appreciated if you could please forward (by email) the AWSC (monthly) reports you receive prior to AWSC meetings, to your GR's when you receive them. Thanks in advance for any support you can give in this endeavor.**

DISCONTINUING AMIAS SERVICE WORK

Please inform Pam, our Alateen Process Person (office@alanonma.org) or I, Don, your Interim Alateen Coordinator (alateen@alanonma.org) if you need to discontinue your AMIAS service work.
