

Pass It On

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Quarterly Newsletter of the
Al-Anon / Alateen Information Service of Anne Arundel County, Inc.
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AIS of Anne Arundel County meets quarterly in months of January, May, and September, on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church, 611 Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd, Severna Park, MD. For a free e-mail copy of this newsletter, please e-mail alanon@md-al-anon.org

Area Website www.marylanddc-alanon.org

WSO Web site www.al-anon.alateen.org

Members' area, www.al-anon.alateen.org/members

AIS Meeting 21 January 2009

Attendees: Kathy, Jennifer, Janice, Candy, Carol, Diane, Polly

The meeting was opened at 8:00 p.m. by Chairperson Diane with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Concepts of Service were read by attendees.

The minutes from the 17 September 2008 meeting were read by Diane and moved to accept by Carol and seconded by Janice. The motion was carried.

The Treasurer was absent because of hospitalization. An abbreviated Treasurer's report was provided by Diane. All bills have been paid and there is approximately \$1000 balance in account.

Jennifer reported that there is an error on the web site (PDF version) regarding the meeting time of the Arnold Monday Night meeting on College Parkway. The correct time of the meeting is 7:30 p.m..

COORDINATORS REPORTS

Diane reported that she has left literature at the Baltimore City Probation Offices. Janice inquired about where to get literature to be left at libraries. Diane informed the group that some pamphlets can be ordered at no cost.

Carol is working with Grace of Linthicum Thursday night to order literature in bulk to get a better rate on shipping costs. Groups who may want to be included in this order should contact Carol.

Kathy reported that the mailing list for Pass It On is being updated. Carol inquired about the publication date of the next Pass It On and said it might be helpful if it was available before some of the spring events occur.

Janice reported that Alateen is doing well and she will begin working with young people at the Annapolis shelter. She has been lead person for Alateen in Glen Burnie for 15 years and would like to step down. The best situation would be to have one lead person and one (or more) to assist. The lead person could be anyone in the county and is not limited to people in District 11.

Jennifer reported that Asbury Methodist is interested in starting an Alateen meeting.

Carol is trying to reach people who have volunteered for the Answering Service and is having a hard time getting people to respond to her messages. She asked that AIS members check with their home groups and have volunteers get in touch with her.

OLD BUSINESS

Area elections were held and results were listed in Pass It on and Al-Anon-Cer. Diane asked that any groups who want to receive Al-Anon-Cer should email her.

Although the issue of the Area 501.3c status has been resolved there are still some decisions pending on the issue of insurance for Alateen sponsors.

NEW BUSINESS

Glen Gardens will be doing a workshop but wanted to move it from spring to fall and have it at Glen Lutheran instead of Linthicum United Methodist. Since there is no policy prohibiting this they were encouraged to make the change. The tentative date is 19 September 2009.

The District 11 Picnic is schedule for Sunday, 21 June 2009. Cost is \$5.

After a brief discussion Carol moved that we purchase 100 copies of Al-anon Faces Alcoholism for distribution to medical offices and libraries. The cost is \$38. Janice seconded the motion.

The motion was carried.

The meeting concluded at 8:55 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

**Treasurer's Report for A. A. County AIS
January 21, 2009**

Groups Donations

Tues. Marley

Wed. Afternoon Delight

Annapolis Thur. Morning

Thurs. Davidsonville

Thurs. Linthicum

Thur. Glen Gardens

Fri. Night Glen. Burnie

Fri. Night Crofton

Fri. Night Fort Smallwood

Sat. Morning 10:00 Am

Sat Morning 11:00AM

District 11

**FULL REPORT UNAVAILABLE FOR THIS
EDITION**

Expenses

Answering Service

Bank Fee

Phone

News Let.

AIS Lit. Purchase

Total Expenses

Donations

From Reserve

Beginning Balance

Ending Balance

Approximately \$1000

Respectfully submitted R.L. M., Treasurer

CALENDAR 2009

Al-Anon Workshop, Harbor Hills Yacht Club, Davidsonville, MD , March 7, 2009

District 11 Al-Anon Family Picnic, Lake Waterford Park, June 21, 2009

District 11 Public Outreach Report

Dist 11 Linda – No Report this month.

Dist 15 No report this month

Dist 20 Patty- No report this month

Answering Service - Carol F

Carol reported that she has tried to contact current volunteers to firm up their schedules and to see if she needs to recruit more volunteers. Only Tuesday night is covered, Monday and Fridays are okay.

Alateen - Janice

Janice reported that she is retiring from lead person position and there is a current search on for the person to replace her. Annapolis Alateen is doing well. The meeting in Annapolis Shelter is going to meet 1x per month when she is able to schedule a time.

Meeting Changes – Monday night College Park-7:30 meeting, listed on website as 8PM.

Newsletter – Any articles or events to be included in the next edition of *Pass It On* need to be submitted ASAP. Send a copy by e-mail alanon@md-al-anon.org, or send with your Alt-GR to the next AIS meeting. Kathleen M will now be the Newsletter Editor.

Website –

Our Website, maintained by Bob/Linda M. is doing well and changes have been made. Please feel free to log on and give us your feedback! www.md-al-anon.org

District News –

District 11 – Spring Workshop will be taken by Glen Gardens but will be moved to September 19, 2009. Further information will be coming.

District 15 – Thursday Davidsonville needs help

District 20 – No Reports

Group Concerns:

Sunday –Jenkins Memorial needs home group members.

Monday- Harundale offers babysitters during meeting time.

Tuesday- Marley has healthy attendance usually 10-20 members.

Wednesday- NAC really needs members.

Thursday-Linthicum has few home group members.

Thursday- Asbury doing well, has regular home group members.

Friday-St Albans needs home group members.

Friday-Ft. Smallwood needs home group members.

Saturday-Linthicum needs home group members.

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**AIS of Anne Arundel County
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Spring Fling Dance

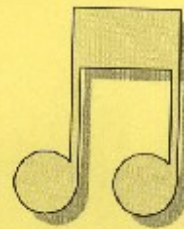
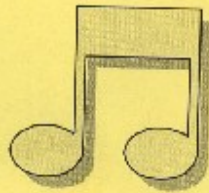
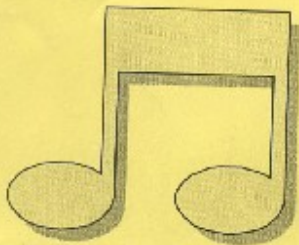
Hosted by District 9

Saturday, April 4th 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Lantern Gardens

7830 Philadelphia Rd.

Rosedale, MD 21237



\$12.00 per person

Chips, Pretzels, Cheese & Crackers

Sodas, Coffee, Hot Tea

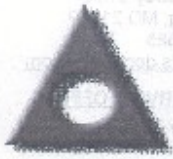
Bring a Dessert to share

Desserts Only! No other food Please!

For more information or tickets contact

Cass Y. Chairperson 410-276-2388

No children under 12



Al-Anon Area 24 MD/DC Spring AWSC Meeting

Saturday, March 21, 2009

St. Peter the Apostle Church

9201A Church St • Libertytown, MD 21762

9:30 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

(Coffee, Juice, Donuts and Bagels)

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Meeting

All Al-Anon members are welcome to attend!

Drinks, snacks and veggie tray will be provided. Bring your own lunch - the nearest fast food is ten miles away!

Directions:

From Points East & West take I-70
towards Frederick.

From Points South take I-270 North to
I-70 East

Then, from either direction:

Take Exit 62 (Route 75 North / New
Market/ Libertytown/).

Continue on Route 75 North approx. 7.5
miles to the traffic light at the
intersection of Routes 75 and 26.

Go through light; St. Peter's parking lot approx. 0.1 mi. on the left.



Al-Anon Launches Podcasts to Help Families

For the first time, Al-Anon Family Groups are offering podcasts to families and friends of people who have a drinking problem. Podcasts are audio recordings on the Internet that are available by subscription. The podcasts entitled "First Steps to Al-Anon Recovery" are at www.Al-AnonFamilyGroups.org. The subscriptions are free. An automated email will notify subscribers each time a new installment is posted.

Out podcasts give people a private and easy way to hear what Al-Anon has to offer. The series of six podcasts contains conversations with experienced Al-Anon members who anonymously explain how they realized they needed help to deal with a loved one's drinking. They also reveal how they overcame their fear of attending their first face-to-face Al-Anon meeting. These podcasts can benefit anyone who has been affected by a loved one's drinking. (Taken from Area Highlights distributed by WSO, Fall 2008).