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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE EAST TEXAS AREA AL-ANON/ALATEEN ASSEMBLY

A Message from the Chair ~ Lynn S. ~

Texas East Area Al-Anon and Alateen Members... I could never have imagined that our last year of Panel 58 would be such a total CHANGE from our normal group, district, Area World Service Committee (AWSC) and ETAAA Assembly meetings!

I am grateful that my Al-Anon and Alateen service experience over the years has been in the rooms with smiling faces, loving sharings and most of all laughter and hugs. Our area has been educated this year on how to continue our program of recovery virtually. Something I never dreamed would even be needed and let alone that I could learn to do.

The September 12th AWSC virtual meeting approved and it was affirmed by the area GRs, the Nov 7, 2020 assembly meeting will be held as a virtual meeting. October 16th the Area Web Coordinator, Dorie J., will have the AWSC member's assembly reports and the link to the virtual assembly meeting posted on the Texas East Website. Currently, the AWSC confirmed the elections, the proposed 2021 Area Budget and the ETAAA Alateen Guidelines and Behavioral Agreement be on the Assembly business agenda. Please see the proposed meeting agenda for the one day ETAAA meeting in this issue and on the website.

I hope that each of you have been thinking about how you can serve your group, district, AIS, or Area. Remember the Area job descriptions are posted on the Texas East Website. ETAAA has used Resumes in the past for the service positions at the area level. Because we have not been able to see and talk face to face at the area level since the 2019 November assembly, candidates are encouraged to use the resume that has been formatted in a fill-able PDF and posted on the Texas East Website. Please send your resumes to me and I will forward them to be posted on the website. This will provide the voting GRs an opportunity to review the qualification and experience of each candidate standing for an area position. The resume has also been included in this issue. If you have any questions, please contact me at amias200387@yahoo.com.

This is the time that we begin to look to the future (2021-2023) for our next leaders in our service structure. The *Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual* 2018-2021 version two(2) page 69 is a great reference to learn the way the groups connect to Al-Anon worldwide. **Quote: "A group that fails to have a Group Representative (GR) denies its members a voice and causes a break in the link of communications."**

I want to thank District 7 and DR Allyn D. for transitioning the Fall Assembly from a face to face to a virtual meeting as smoothly as possible. The information for registration can be found in this newsletter issue and on the Texas East Website.

Now thank you to Texas East Area Al-Anon and Alateen members for giving me the opportunity to serve you as your Area Chair. It has been an honor and it has given me another chance to **practice...Educate – "Listen and Learn" Communicate – "Keep an Open Mind"**

Coordinate – "Let It Begin with Me" Facilitate – "Easy Does It"



Calendar of Events

Fall Assembly 2020
Nov. 6-9 2020
Virtual Meeting

Spring Assembly
May 14-16 2021
Holiday Inn
5701 South Broadway
Tyler, Texas

All Texas Al-Anon
Alateen Conference 2021
February
February 19-21, 2021
Virtual meeting

POSSE
March 26, 28 2021
Disciples Oak Camp and
Retreat Center
Gonzales, Texas
etxposse@yahoo.com

Deadline for Submissions for
the next issue of *The Beacon*

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Delegate Report-Kay C. -

If you have any questions on that information and/or the information/ideas presented in this report, please reach out to me at kacexdel58@gmail.com

World Service Conference (WSC). The 2021 WSC will be held April 12-16, 2021 at the Westchester Marriott in Tarrytown, New York. The theme of the conference will be

Moving Forward with Unity, Courage, and Perseverance
Avancemos con unidad, valor y perseverancia
Allons de l'avant avec unité, courage et persévérance

WSO Finances and WSC Equalized Expense: Although contributions are at an all-time high, WSO is still operating at a projected deficit of \$420,000. Group and individual contributions are still needed. You can contribute directly to WSO at <https://al-anon.org/contributions/>.

Since the WSC was held virtually, the Board of Trustees has made a decision to refund the Area \$1571.35. We had a choice to give the money as a gift to WSO, take a refund, or use the money a **partial payment towards the 2021 Delegate's equalized expense**. Since the deadline to answer was prior to the Assembly, the Treasurer, Chair and I decided that we would apply it to the 2021 WSC expenses. *I would like the GRs at the Assembly to consider, making a donation of at least \$2000.00 to WSO. As our Area has not made a donation to WSO, this year. If the GRs would like the AREA to send a donation to WOS, A GR will need to make a motion during new business of the Assembly.*

Because of the change in the venue for the WSC, I have a non-transferrable flight credit of \$590.20, WSO has invited the Texas East Area to determine how to make use of this flight credit, whether it be in service to Al-Anon in your Area (e.g., represent TX East along with the 2021 Delegate at the 75th Al-Anon Birthday party in NY, or attend the South Central Regional Delegates Meeting) or inviting your Area Delegate to use it for her personal use as a thank you. *A GR will need to make a motion during new business to address how the airline credit should be used.*

Zoom Account. I established a etaaavirtual@gmail.com Pro **Zoom for about \$15.00 a month, to conduct the Delegate's Q&A**. Since that time, we have used this account to hold AWSC meetings and other Area events and have found it to be useful. *If the Area would like to continue to have a virtual account, a GR will need to make a motion at the November Assembly to fund a web-based account and add it to the budget as a line item.* The Account would be for Area use and not a platform to hold Al-Anon group meetings.

District Visits. One of my responsibilities is to visit Districts when invited. Over the last three years, I have been able to visit 67% of the Districts in person or virtually. Due to our virtual environment, I was able to visit District 6 and District 13 on the same day. I also visited District 5 virtually.

Delegate Chats. **As a result of a poll taken at the Delegate's Q&A**, I have held two Delegate Chats open to all members of **Al-Anon. The first Delegate's chat on Service was well attended** by members not holding positions above the group level. **The second Delegate's chat was a panel discussion of Area Coordinators and AIS Liaisons** who talked about their positions and then we

had a Q&A. This Delegate Chat was attended by AWSC members and 3 to 4 members who did not hold positions **at the Area level. The third and final Delegate's Chat will be about Service Sponsorship- Time and Date to be announced.**

Unifying Rural and Large Geographical Areas. A WSC Task Force was charged to create a survey to gather information about challenges that keep groups and groups members from being connected to the Area and/or District. The goal was to have members complete the survey to quantify the value or importance of being connected beyond the group level. The workshop was geared towards DRs since, as links of service, they are in the best position to reach out to the groups that are not connected to the service arms (district and area). The WSC requested that the Delegates implement the survey in their Area. Due to our virtual environment, California north reached out and asked if other Delegates wanted to participate in a Workshop on this topic. I saw this as an opportunity for our AWSC to interact with members from another Area. Several of the AWSC attended the workshop on this topic on Sept. 5, 2020 and took the survey. There were 37 English speak participants. Spanish interpretation was offered, but not utilized. 5 Areas were represented (CA(N), FL(S), NY(S), TX(E), and Saskatchewan Canada. Overall, the workshop developed several strategies to reach out to all groups and members of an Area or district. At the AWSC it was decided that our Area should hold this workshop and open it to all members of the Area. The Area workshop will be held in December. Be on the lookout for the flyer.

Thought Force on Fear of Change. No further action will be taken by WSO from this thought force as there is a significant amount of conference approved literature available on this subject. I have asked Dorie has posted the skit developed by the Thought Force about the fear of change <https://texas-al-anon.org/east-tx-area-53/>. It is a fun and thought-provoking skit.

In closing, it has been my honor and privilege to serve as Texas East Delegate for the last three years. I have grown spiritually and personally through service. I look forward to serving as a past Delegate and mentoring others in Service.

Take care and see you at the Assembly.

Alt. Delegate Report-Mattie T. -

Hello everyone and I hope you are all staying safe in the mist of this unusually strange year of 2020. I keep thinking I am living in the Twilight Zone. I just wear my mask **and sing my song "Can't Touch This" (smile). Well here are some gems from WSO, enjoy.**

Where to Find Hidden Gems in AI-Anons Pamphlets

AI-Anons Conference approved pamphlets are perhaps **among our fellowship's most under-used** resources. They contain a treasure trove of valuable insights.

Where can I find the “Do’s and Don’ts” list?

There are several versions; the most well known is in *Alcoholism, the Family Disease (P-4)*.

Alateen Do’s and Don’ts (M-9)

Alcoholism, the Family Disease (P-4), pages 21-22

A Guide for the Family of the Alcoholic (P-7), pages 9-10

So You Love An Alcoholic (P-14), page 3

Where can I find the “An Open Letter from an Alcoholic”?

Three Views of AI-Anon—Alcoholics Speak to the Family (P-15), pages 2-3

Where can I find “A Checklist for Evaluating Our Maturity”?

Alcoholism, the Family Disease (P-4), pages 19-20

Where can I find the “Four Primary Ideas”?

AI-Anon and Alateen Groups at Work (P-24), pages 21-22

Where can I find the “Three Obstacles to Success in AI-Anon”?

Alcoholism, the Family Disease (P-4), page 22

The Twelve Steps and Traditions (P-17), page 21

AI-Anon and Alateen Groups at Work (P-24), page 22

WSO Open Positions:

Position: Magazine Editor, Reports to Associate Director – Literature

Job Brief: The Magazine Editor ensures that AI-Anon magazines have content that supports the strategic goals and spiritual principles of AI-Anon Family Groups. The Editor also implements promotional activities for *The Forum* and *AI-Anon Faces Alcoholism*. If interested please contact Human Resources if you would like to apply or if you have any questions about this position. Resumes and cover letters can be emailed to HumanRes@AI-Anon.org.

AI-Anon’s First Official MobileAppReleased!

The AI-Anon Family Groups Mobile App marks the next evolution in AI-Anon recovery. Now, with just a couple taps in the app, English-, Spanish-, and French-speaking AI-Anon members and newcomers from around the world will be able to come together for AI-Anon recovery.world will be able to come together for AI-Anon recovery.

What it is:

- **A social app for AI-Anon** members to connect with one another to share our experience, strength, and hope

- A new platform for electronic meetings
- **A way to connect with your AI-Anon** family in private chats
- **A place to create and update a digital AI-Anon** journal
- **A place to stay informed on the latest information from the** World Service Office (WSO)
- **A place to purchase additional content such as a daily member** sharing

What it is not:

- **A face-**to-face meeting list

To watch the app launch video, read more information, and find links to download the AI-Anon Family Groups app from iTunes and Google Play, visit alanon.org/mobileapp.

Vali Fayen
Executive Director

REDUCED SHIPPING COST ON LITERATURE

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many groups are not meeting in person. Therefore, it has become difficult for members to obtain literature through traditional methods. In an effort to enhance the affordability of literature for members, the flat rate shipping cost of \$10 has been reduced to \$5 for individual orders under \$50 in the US, Puerto Rico, and Bermuda. Shipping costs for orders in Canada will be reduced to \$10 for individual orders under \$50. This special shipping rate will be available for a limited time.

Niketa Williams
Director of Finance & Operations

Area Alateen Coordinator~Jayne G.~

Greetings to All,

Wow! What a summer, in more than ways we ever imagined. **Or at least I didn't have a clue.**

So we wrapped up with our re-certification cycle with the majority of AMIAs re-certifying using the web based workshops that was offered. The majority signed on for another year even though a number of Alateen meetings quit meeting face to face. But we are ready when face to face meetings come back.

We do have a short number of web based Alateen meetings, they are not as well attended as the face to face meetings. In a WSO Area Alateen Coordinators web meeting that was discussed. The consensus was that many of the kids are probably web based fatigued as many had switched to on-line learning. It will be nice to return to sitting together and sharing.

We were successful in having POSSE at the end of July at our usual place in Gonzales. Although we started with 27 people registered and a guest from WSO planned, in the end we had ten participants and WSO furloughed all travel for their employees. The small number allowed us all to have our own

rooms and plenty of space to spread out and social distance throughout the weekend. The weather was beautiful and the company was a delight for me

There are a few items I would like to finish up before my term ends at the end of the year. One will need to be presented at the Assembly for Group Representative votes. The ETAAA Behavioral Guidelines will need to be updated to reflect the new law concerning the legal age of tobacco use. The current copy can be seen on the Texas website in the tab for AMIASs.

There are two sides to the Guidelines. One side for the **Alateens and one side for the "Certified Alateen Sponsor, Parent, or AI-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service"** On both pages, item number 13 states the age of tobacco use as 18. The law has changed in Texas to 21 as the age for use of tobacco products. So we will need a Group Representative to bring this to the floor for the update. In the lower section for the certified sponsor, parent or AMIAS has a section titled Sponsor or Parent and Alateen Behavioral Agreement. **Item number 3 reads "the use of cigarettes or tobacco products is prohibited by minor Alateens." As Alateens are by definition all under 21, the word "minor" needs to be removed.** This also will need to be brought up by a GR and voted on.

This has been a challenging year for all of us and I am grateful for all the assistance I received to accomplish all that I was able to do. I want to thank all the AMIASs and District Alateen Coordinators and our AAPP for their cooperation and willingness to roll with the punches.

I am sad we may not see each other before we turn to the **new panel, but it's been a great and wonderful learning experience** that proves, TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT!

Thank you for allowing me to Serve.

Area Alateen Process Person-Brenda H.

Considering the obstacles 2020 has put in our path, Area 53 can be extremely proud of its dedicated AMIAS members who made the effort to complete their re-certification. In total, 49 people completed recertification.

We thank the remaining 36 AMIAS individuals for the service they offered. If you have an AMIAS in your district who wanted to recertify but could not obtain it because of the impact COVID-19 had on them, please encourage them to complete an initial certification as soon as one becomes readily available. And not only should you encourage a previous AMIAS you might also consider joining them in the training.

For the 49 who did complete their re-certification, Area 53 and all of your local Alateens thank you!

Public Outreach Coordinator-Lynn B. -

Within the discussions on AFG connects, other POCs are asking about experience running PSAs on Spotify and Pandora.

For the unenlightened, both are internet radio platforms. **Personally I wouldn't have thought of this type of media as a way to bring the message of AI-Anon to others.**

This highlighted the importance of Rotation of Service.

Rotation of service does not only allow other members to serve and give back, but it brings a fresh perspective. A new set of skills and passion.

This ensures that AI-Anon itself grows.

I want to thank you for the opportunity and honor to have served as your Public Outreach Coordinator. Your willingness to allow me to be a trusted servant has changed my understanding of my self, others and my relationship with my Higher Power.

It has truly been a humbling experience to have been a part of a panel that faced many unprecedented challenges. Navigated through these things by repeatedly demonstrating how the AI-Anon program and the tools (employing the steps traditions and concepts of AI-Anon, presuming good will) and the spiritual focus (understanding the importance of relying on a higher power.) leads to effective decision making and sometimes even harmony!

I am excited to see what comes next for our Area 53!

Spanish Coordinator-Myrthala C. -

Hi from Laredo, hope you are enjoying your summer and of course taken the necessary precautions to prevent getting the COVID-19. As a Spanish Coordinator, I continue to keep our Spanish groups informed about news from OSM by forwarding email received by them. Also, I continue to encourage **District's Spanish coordinators to visit our website and check all information available to them.**

One of my responsibilities as a Spanish Coordinator is to help with translation when requested during District meetings within our Area. Last July District 6 asked if I could be present during their Zoom District meeting and provide translation to their Spanish speaking members. It was an interesting experience since it was a simultaneous translation, but I found out it can be done, so it is my hope that Spanish-speaking members attend more District/Area meetings and Assemblies so they can expand their recovery and be aware of what our program of AI-Anon/Alateen offers in addition to meetings. I am dreaming big with a 20/20 vision...**Myrthala C.**

Website Coordinator-Dorie J. -

Now that ETAAA will be online this November, I could use some assistance. There will be reports and resumes to upload, polls to create, info sheets to produce and more **PRIOR to assembly. If you're interested in learning more (or teaching me) about Zoom and Wordpress, email me: doriejafg@gmail.com.**

Group Records Coordinator-AI M.

As the GRC for area 53 this is to explain the flow of information to make certain that people can find an AI-Anon meeting to attend, It begins with a GR1 form done by the GR which can be sent to them by me or their DR. This form should be

Group Records Coord. Report (Cont'd)

filled out completely, including Area number, District number and WSO ID number. If you do not know any of this your

DR will have what you need. Then check the boxes showing all the changes you are making. Email the completed GR-1 to me and I make the changes on the WSO meeting list. This is the fastest way to update your group.

There are other ways to submit the changes, such as sending it directly to WSO.

This method may add up to one week to make the changes. If you send it to your AIS office it can add up to two weeks to get to me and then I make the changes. Also, frequently the form is incomplete or missing information. All due to not fully understanding how WSO and the Area flow works.

When I don't have enough information or incorrect information I have to return to sender to resubmit with the needed information.

After I make the changes I make hard copies for my records. When I have a couple of completed GR-1s, I send

After I make the changes I make hard copies for my records. When I have a couple of completed GR-1s, I send them to the DRs or the District Group Records Coordinator (GRC). I am required to send certain information to the AIS offices once a quarter but I do it monthly. Every quarter I send a mailing list to the Beacon Editor. On the AIS and Beacon reports I put all new changes on top so they do not have to go through the whole list

When I get a returned mail notification or a meeting not open notice I forward it to the DR to confirm.

Newsletter Editor~Rene D.~

It is my honor and privilege to serve as *The Beacon* Newsletter Editor for the last 3 years. I want to thank Lynn S. for guiding me through these last three years.

I am excited to see what the next three years will bring to this newsletter and to the person who will put it together.

I will not be running for any positions in the District, AIS or Area. One of my goals for now is to serve on the group level and serve as a Board Member on the All Texas Al-Anon Conference (ATAAC) representing San Antonio for the next three years starting in January 2021.

Archives Coordinator~Patti W.~

No Report

District 1~Mandy T.~

District 1 Groups continue to thrive in spite of the severe weather and COVID.

Most groups are continuing to meet on Zoom and some have opted to join other groups via zoom. One group has opted for a **"Whatsapp" group chat and that is working for them.** Technology is our friend and we are maximizing its potential. We are very grateful for technology. A couple of groups are meeting face to face at this time.

All meetings are posted on our website and open to all members who wish to join. We have members attending from Canada and several states in the US.

For our next District meeting we are hoping to be able to meet face to face, however we are also prepared to meet via Zoom.

District 2~Ginny M.~

No Report

District 3~Susan J.~

Greetings to all from District 3!

Since the Coronavirus and COVID-19 came into our lives and our District, we like all of you have had to change how our Groups meet, or in some cases discontinue meeting for the short-term. Some Groups continue to meet following social distancing guidelines, wearing masks, and limiting the number of attendees or moving to a bigger space. Other groups are using technology to conference in for weekly meetings or have chosen to suspend meetings due to lack of attendance.

Our AMIASS have recertified for the coming year and are hopeful for the future of Alateen in our District although the Alateen Group has not been meeting due to lack of attendance and the pandemic.

We will be having a District Meeting on September 19th focusing on this being an election year at the Group, District, and Area levels and how to encourage participation and make that happen. I am looking forward to the upcoming AWSC Meeting on September 12th for guidance and information I can pass on to our groups.

District 4~Carol B.~

Our June District 4 meeting was done via a conference call. We agreed to postpone our A Day In Al-Anon until 2021. We also voted to make a sizable contribution to the WSO. We agreed to hold our September meeting via Zoom.

Our September District 4 meeting will focus on District elections for positions to be held for the next 3 years. A list of the **District 4 positions is included in our District's newsletter The Light.** We encouraged our groups to hold their elections prior to our District meeting and District elections.

I continue to encourage our groups and members to attend the Delegate chats to learn more about our Al-Anon organization.

District 4 Report (Cont'd)

I look forward to our next District meeting, 1pm, September 19, via zoom.

District 5-Heather N.~

District 5 continues to operate virtually. A few meetings are beginning to meet face to face; however, the majority are still meeting electronically. One of our GRs, Terri D, and a team of 5 volunteers completed a Media Outreach project. The purpose of the project was to contact and thank as many TV and Radio Stations in our district that had previously **aired our PSA's and to send them the new PSA's that WSO released in 2019. They also contacted TV and Radio Stations that had not previously aired our PSA's. Also, as a result of the project, a radio talk show host has requested an AI-Anon member to be a speaker on his radio show.**

Here is the breakdown for the number of PSAs sent out:

Radio Stations	15
Spanish Radio Stations	6
TV Stations	7

They did such an incredible job and produced some awesome results.

Thank you, Terri and team, for your amazing service!!!

Kay C. was able to join us for our September Quarterly Business Meeting. It was great to have her join us before the end of her panel. We held Service Position Elections at the meeting. Though we did not get all the positions filled, we hope to at our December meeting. Looking forward to the November Assembly!

District 6-Anna A.~

Greetings from District 6

Well, we've had an interesting summer with our first ever virtual district meeting, which went very well considering it was a series of firsts. We learned a lot, which will help us make our next virtual meeting run smoother and more efficiently. The best part was that GRs who had not attended a district meeting in the past were now able to participate thanks to our virtual format. We were also able to provide language interpretation/translation for our Spanish speaking members, which also made everything more inclusive.

And speaking of our next district meeting, our GRs voted to have that one virtually as well. This meeting is scheduled for October 17 and will hold additional challenges since we will be electing new officers and coordinators for the next term. We already have several ideas on how to make everything work, and I hope to start practicing everything at the end of September.

We are also continuing to keep track of group meeting cancellations and virtual meetings that have temporarily taken the place of face-to-face meetings. This list is based on spe-

cific information received from the GRs that want this information posted and can be found on the Austin AI-Anon/Alateen Information Center website.

As much as I miss the hugs and fellowship and want to get back to face-to-face meetings, I also am now convinced more than ever that virtual meetings are here to stay. They have **provided that bridge for more inclusivity, and I'm interested to see what our GRs think of making hybrid meetings a permanent fixture. I'm looking very forward to seeing where all of this takes us.**

Wishing everyone health, safety, and happiness.

District 7-Allyn D.~

District 7 continued to discuss the Fall Assembly at our July 18 quarterly meeting. After considering the facts that the Marriott is still at reduced capacity, our planned speaker from WSO was furloughed, there are continued uncertainties about the pandemic and many members are concerned about or unable to participate in gatherings, District 7 formed a thought force to come up with options for the Fall Assembly. In addition to five District 7 members, it included Heather N from District 5 and Jennifer S. from support District 8. At a follow-up District 7 Assembly Design meeting, the thought force presented their suggested option that the assembly be held virtually. Discussion included the possibility of a panel presentation on Friday night on how we have **"focused on recovery" in a year of low vision. However, it became clear that it was prudent to keep it simple, focusing on assisting the AWSC in conducting a clean business meeting with elections, leaving that Friday night open for any AWSC needs or last minute run throughs.**

This information was presented at the AWSC virtual meeting on Sept 12, 2020. The AWSC in response, reached consensus that the meeting should indeed be virtual. It was determined important to seek input from the GR's on this decision, however, so the DRs reached out to their GR's, asking for comment with a Sept. 16th response deadline. The response from the GRs was a majority being supportive of a virtual fall assembly.

District 7 has created a new simplified online registration form in English and Spanish and is working closely with the AWSC to determine best practices for the technical aspects of the assembly. A flyer with the new schedule and links to the registration links is in the Beacon and on the Texas and Houston AIS websites. Registration will be free this year, but since there will still be expenses associated with setting up the webinar, contributions will be gratefully accepted to offset via the District 7 Venmo account: @East-TX-AI-Anon-District-Seven or via check made out to AI-Anon District 7, mailed to PO Box 3603, Conroe, TX 77305-3603.

DRs will assist GRs with questions regarding registration and voting, so District 7 GRs and members are encouraged to contact Allyn D for assistance. Some GRs are thinking about **forming small "watch gatherings" to assist those who are not as tech savvy or have limited access to internet.**

East Texas Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly (ETAAA)

Area World Service Committee (AWSC)

September 12, 2020

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Chairperson: Lynn S. opened the meeting at 9:20 am. Paula H. led the Serenity Prayer.

Welcome and Introductions: Lynn S. read the primary function of the AWSC on p. 155 of the *2018-2021 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual*.

Reading of the Concepts of Service and General Warranties of the Conference: Ginny M. read the Twelve Concepts of Service and General Warranties on p. 17 of the *2018-2021 Al-Anon/Alateen Service Manual*.

Secretary: Paula H. called the roll, and 23 out of 28 voting members were present. The following Coordinator was not in attendance: Spanish. The following Districts had no representatives in attendance: District 9 and District 12. The following Al-Anon Information Services (AISs) had no representatives in attendance: Austin and Houston Hispanic.

The minutes of the February 1, 2020 AWSC meeting were approved as printed in *The Beacon* (Volume 52, Issue 2).

Treasurer: Jennifer S. presented the current Financial Report and the ETAAA 2021 proposed budget. Contributions to the Area are down; expenses are also down due to diminished travel. No seed money has been returned from the Spring 2020 Assembly that was cancelled.

The ample reserve was at \$21,288.61, but because of a past **motion, the Area's ample reserve was set at \$20,000. \$1288.61** was transferred to the Area checking account; the current balance of the checking account is \$33,049.01, and the current ample reserve is \$20,007.63.

Regarding the 2021 budget, contributions and income were not changed. The expenses for the Archivist increased because after elections in November 2020, the new Archivist will have to change storage facilities for the archives. The web hosting fee decreased for the 2021 budget, and the **Delegate's expense to attend the South Central Regional Delegates' Meeting (SCRDM) decreased since the 2021 meeting is** in Louisiana, which is closer to the Texas East Area.

A new motion will need to be made and approved at the Area Assembly in November for the AWSC Transitional Meeting. A motion \$3000 that be used for the last AWSC Transitional Meeting was only for the 2018 AWSC Transitional Meeting.

Lynn S. asked the Officers and Coordinators to check their individual budgets and contact Jennifer S. with their requests for the 2021 budget. The budget will be presented to the AWSC in November prior to the Area Assembly.

There was a break at 10:25 am; the meeting resumed at 10:45 am with the Serenity Prayer.

Delegate Report: **Kay C.'s full report is posted on the Texas East Area website.**

The 2021 World Service Conference (WSC) will be held April 12-16, 2021, at the Westchester Marriott in Tarrytown, New

York. The theme of the conference is "Moving Forward with Unity, Courage, and Perseverance." Attendees will visit Stepping Stones at the close of the conference.

Although contributions have increased to the World Service Office (WSO), WSO is operating at an estimated deficit of \$420,000, and it is possible that the ample reserve will have **to be used to make up for the shortfall. Since this year's WSC was held virtually, WSO decided to refund the Delegate's Equalized Expense.** A suggestion was made to apply **\$1517.35 to the Delegate's Equalized Expense for 2021. Also,** Kay has a flight credit of \$590.20 that cannot be used for WSO business, and WSO has asked Texas East Area to determine how to use this flight credit. Kay asked that this be put on the agenda to be discussed at the Area Assembly in November 2020.

Kay has visited 66% of Districts in Texas East and is planning on attending more. She asked that District Representatives consider inviting her to their meetings.

Currently, Kay has a Pro Zoom account for \$15.00 a month **that is being paid from the Delegate's budget. If the Area** would like to continue to use a virtual account, it will need to be decided by the Group Representatives (GRs) at the November 2020 Assembly, as the account will be funded through the Area.

Kay shared feedback on the California North workshop on Unifying Rural and Large Geographical Areas. Both Unifying Rural and Large Geographical Area and a Cloud Based Filing System will be discussed under New Business.

Alternate Delegate: Mattie T. has a full report on the Texas East Area website. There is a position open at WSO for magazine editor; resumes and cover letters can be emailed to HumanRes@al-anon.org.

The new daily reader is being proofread; at this time no further sharings are needed. Members are encouraged to share **on the Members' Blog and submit sharings to the CAL Corner.** WSO has reduced the shipping cost for literature orders to \$5. Mattie will write an updated report and send it to Dorie J. for publication on the Texas East Area website.

Reports:

1. Spring Assembly 2020 – Georgia M., Alternate Delegate, District 5, presented a financial report. \$3,069.30 will be reimbursed to the Area. The hotel will refund the deposit money. The \$497.01 that was allocated for the speaker will be returned. The Assembly report is on file.
2. Fall Assembly 2020 – Allyn D. received \$3500 seed money for the Assembly. There has been \$500 raised and this money and probably all of the seed money can be returned to the Area. The supplies that were donated can be passed along to the next host District for the Spring 2021 Assembly.

In July District 7 held a Thought Force on whether to hold the Assembly in person or virtually. Due to hotel restrictions, the necessary services to provide a face to face Assembly will not be present. The District 7

Thought Force's suggestion was to hold the Assembly virtually. This will be discussed under New Business.

3. Spring Assembly 2021 – DebiSu Y., Chairperson from District 9, was not present and there is no report on the Texas East Area website.
4. Area Excess Operating Fund Task Force – Jennifer S. reported that since there is such a short period of time left in the current term, the current Task Force does not wish to continue. The Task Force has been disbanded for now

Break for lunch at 12:05 pm. Meeting resumed at 12:35 pm.

Discussion Items Posted on the Texas East Area Website:

1. ETAAA Guidelines and Behavioral Agreement – Jayne G. reported that item #13 on both sides of the guidelines is also no longer valid, as the Texas law was changed to the age of 21. On the Sponsor or Parent and Alateen Behavioral Agreement, item #3 states: **“The use of cigarettes or tobacco products is prohibited by minor Alateens.” A suggestion was made to change the word “minor” to “legal age”.** Lynn S. suggested posting the ETAAA Guidelines and Behavioral Agreement in a general area of the Texas East Area website and in *The Beacon*.
2. Knowledge Based Decision Making (KBDM) Spanish Translation – The document stated that the purpose of **the KBDM discussion item was as follows: “To have the Area budget reports and proposed budget to be available in Spanish as well as English at all Assemblies and to have *The Beacon* translated into Spanish and posted on the Area website.” Input was given by participants of the AWSC, who answered the KBDM questions.** Lynn asked the District Representatives (DRs) to take the KBDM questions to their Groups to discuss and asked that the results of the discussions be presented to the AWSC.
3. Cloud Based Filing System – Kay C. stated as part of her **Delegate's Report the following: “Currently, Officers, Coordinators, and Liaisons keep individual records and are the caretakers of all past records for their positions. Many other Area and Regional groups currently keep their records in a cloud-based system and have no issue. In considering the transition of Officers, Coordinators, and Liaisons on January 1, 2021, it is requested that the AWSC members respond to the following KBDM questions concerning using a cloud-based document storage system so that we can have an informed discussion.”** After much discussion by the AWSC, it was determined that the discussion had been a Thought Force using the KBDM questions. Lynn asked that the Thought Force be moved to a Task Force for a Cloud Based Filing System. Dorie created a poll vote regarding if the AWSC wanted to move forward with a Task Force. The majority were in favor; 18 voted Yes, one voted No, and three abstained. Lynn will appoint a Task Force to present recommendations to the AWSC at a future date.

Break at 2:10 pm. Meeting resumed at 2:22 pm.

4. Unifying Rural and Large Geographical Areas – Kay C.'s full report on this topic is on the Texas East Area website. There was discussion about presenting this virtually to the Area at the Fall 2020 Assembly and to the AWSC. After the discussion, a poll vote was taken on the following question: Does the AWSC want Kay to present a workshop on unifying rural and large geographical areas outside of the Area assembly? The vote passed with 19 voting Yes, two voting No, and two Abstaining. The time and date of the presentation will be determined.
5. Zoom Account – **Delegate's use to continue the use of** this account by the Area – Kay C. is willing to do a presentation on the Area purchasing a Zoom account for Area use. After much discussion, a poll vote was taken on the following: A consensus was taken to ask the GRs if they would like a Zoom account for the Area, and if so, would they like for it to be added as a line item to the budget yearly? The vote passed with 20 voting Yes, 0 No, and 0 Abstentions.

Area Coordinator Reports Posted on the Texas East Website

The following reports are posted on the Texas East Website: Area Alateen Coordinator, Area Alateen Process Person, *The Beacon* Editor, Group Records Coordinator, Public Outreach Coordinator, Spanish Coordinator, and Website Coordinator. There was some information that was given during the AWSC meeting that was not in the website reports. The Area Alateen Coordinator, Jayne G., will forward this information to the DRs and AIS Liaisons. The Area Alateen Process Person, Brenda H., mentioned that a change was made in the fees for the background checks for AI-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service (AMIAs). If a person has no misdemeanor or felony charges, the background check fee will be the same. However, if the person has charges, the fee has been raised \$4 over the original fee. *The Beacon* editor asked members to renew their paper/email subscriptions before December 31, 2020. The subscription form is on the back of *The Beacon*; the form and the fee need to be mailed to the address given on the form. Reports are on file.

Deadline for submitting articles to the Fall issue of *The Beacon* is September 25, 2020.

DR Reports Posted on the Texas East Website

The following reports are posted on the Texas East Website: Districts 5, 6, 7, 8, and 13. The following reports were given orally: Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, and 12. Reports are on file.

AIS Reports Posted on the Texas East Website

The following reports are posted on the Texas East Website: Austin AIS, Houston AIS, Beaumont AIS, and San Antonio AIS. Reports are on file.

Unfinished Business

1. Area Excess Operating Funds Task Force – Jennifer S. **covered this in her report. (See #4 under “Reports”.)**
2. Assembly Host Committee Guidelines Review – Lynn S. reported that review of the guidelines is still in process. Members of the committee are the six DRs from Panel 58 that have hosted the assemblies during this panel.
3. Policy and Procedures Handbook – Mattie T. reported that the Policies and Procedures committee has been disbanded and recommended that a new committee be appointed on the next panel.

New Business

1. ETAAA Proposed Budget for 2021 – There was a question on the \$3000 for the Transition Meeting. After much discussion, it was decided that the \$3000 be removed from the budget for the Transition Meeting and to leave that line item for the meeting blank. The GRs will decide on an amount for the 2021 Transition Meeting at the November 2020 Assembly.
2. Appointing a Task Force for Area Meeting List Publishing Policy – Lynn S. will appoint a Task Force.
3. Minority Opinion Letter of April 8, 2020 – There was disagreement with how the May 2020 Assembly was cancelled. The GRs have the ultimate authority and might have had different ideas on how to hold the assembly; they were not consulted. It was mentioned that the Concepts need to be followed.
4. 2020 Fall Assembly – Only three AWSC members indicated that they were willing to attend an in person Assembly. There was much discussion on whether to hold the assembly virtually or in person. Based on the discussion and facts presented from District 7, the Host District for the November 2020 Assembly, Lynn S. asked for a consensus from the AWSC for the Assembly to be held virtually. Seventeen voted for the Assembly to be held virtually. Then Lynn asked for a consensus of the DRs to **take the AWSC’s recommendation to the GRs for their feedback/input by Wednesday, September 16. Seventeen voted for the DRs to take the AWSC’s recommendation to the GRs for holding a virtual Assembly**

Meeting closed at 5:10 pm with the Serenity Prayer and the AI-Anon Declaration.

Paula H.

Texas East Area Secretary

District 7 Report (cont’d)

***Finally, but just as importantly, District 7 will hold its own elections on Sunday October 11, 2pm virtually. Contact Allyn D. about any position you may be interested in. This district is full of wonderfully talented people and service is an integral part of personal recovery in AI-Anon. Our meetings are quarterly, do not last long and have pleasant fellowship. Many thanks to those who already participate at the district level and for all that was done in preparing to host the Fall Assembly. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as DR these past three years. WE have accomplished much **“Focusing on Recovery”!**

District 8~Jennifer Stejaskal~

Greetings from District 8!

We are continuing to survive 2020 with all it has to throw at us. With pandemics, hurricanes, tropical storms and all it has been quite a year. We have a few meetings that are able to meet face to face, some that are still unable to meet and a few using Zoom as an online platform. After having to cancel our April quarterly meeting we had a virtual district meeting on July 18th. We agreed as a district to purchase a yearly pro Zoom account for ongoing virtual district and AIS needs as well as for use by our groups as a meeting platform. If your group is wanting to use Zoom for their meeting please contact me at jenniferstejaskal@gmail.com to set your meeting up for regular Zoom meetings during this time.

We also can accept your group and individual donations to AIS and our District on our website at <https://www.setxalanon.org/district-information> now. You will find a lot of information on our website so be sure and check it out!

Our next district meeting will be on October 17th starting at 9 am. GRs please watch your emails to know if we will be meeting virtually or in person as time gets closer.

District 9~John Branham~

No Report

District 10~Shelia Emmert~

In February District 10 hosted the AWSC meeting in Longview. Our district meeting scheduled for March 21, 2020 was cancelled due to COVID19. Kay's report given at the Feb. AWSC meeting was emailed to all the GRs in district 10 since we were unable to meet in person. Due to my recent move from Tyler to Longview, and all that entails, I'm just now learning about Zoom meetings. We will attempt to have a district Zoom meeting on Sept. 26, 2020.

The COVID virus has caused some confusion to say the least, but we are survivors and this too will pass. Some of the churches where we were previously meeting have shut their doors, but we found other places to meet. Three of the

District 10 report (cont'd)

smaller meetings in the rural areas are not meeting at all, or are only meeting occasionally. There is at least one zoom meeting on Wednesday at noon, but when we meet in person we practice social distancing and wearing our masks. The plan for our Sept. district meeting will include voting elections for district positions, and information related to the upcoming Nov. Assembly.

District 12-Candy N.-

Our April District meeting was cancelled. We were able to have a face to face (with social distancing) District meeting in July although only 8 GRs were able to attend. Very little has been happening in District 12 since the COVID outbreak. Most group meetings were suspended with some having restarted recently with COVID restrictions. Several groups have been using Zoom meetings during the pandemic and some are beginning to have hybrid meetings.

Public Outreach has been on hold.

Some of AMIAS (AI-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service) attended Zoom Certification Training. This opportunity for virtual training was very appreciated.

The annual Serenity Celebration fundraiser had to be postponed indefinitely due to COVID restrictions.

We will be holding our District Elections on October 10, 2020 face to face but are also planning a remote option.

District 13-Sarah W.-

The biggest news in our District is that we will be hosting our first live District Meeting, post our virtual zoom meetings earlier in 2020. Hopefully we will see participation grow, as zoom turned out to have limited participation. The next District meeting, along with elections, will be October 17, 2020. We will have lunch, a speaker, and then the meeting. We look forward to being together again, and I, Sarah W. District Representative, look forward to being our speaker and sharing my story! This is only the second time that I have spoken outside of a meeting, so it makes me nervous, but I know from my years in AI-Anon that I will be given the right words when the time comes.

AIS LIAISON REPORTS**Austin AIS-Kathy J.-**

The Austin AI-Anon/Alateen Information Center (AAIC) Board met on August 18, 2020 at 6:30pm via Zoom. There were enough voting members present represent a quorum.

- Patrice O is now the new person handling all the phone and email inquiries that come into the Info Center. It is

mostly asking about Zoom meetings

- The Chairperson position will be up for election at the November meeting due to current chairperson, Sam Z, is moving out of the county.
- The Treasurer position will be up for election at the November meeting. Celeste T has served a full 3-year term.
- The Info Center will be able to pay obligations through the end of 2020 despite minimal income in the past several months.
- The Info Center Board is investigating setting up a Venmo account for groups to pay for their literature orders and for donations. We may decide this at the next board meeting.
- The Board discussed how important it is for the groups and members to be able to purchase literature from the AAIC. We are currently working on some options and should be able to inform the groups about this soon.
- AAIC has sufficient literature inventory to last at least until the end of the year.
- The Meeting List Chairperson position is still open. This person would facilitate updating the website and meeting list and working with the webmaster. Ability to work on the website is not required.
- Next AAIC Board meeting will be on November 16, 2020 at Info Center (as now scheduled).

Beaumont AIS-Suzanne R.-

We held our Quarterly meeting on July 18 on ZOOM; it was our first since January 18, and it was good to see everyone, even if only digitally. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 17 and will probably be online once again.

CHALLENGES - Our main challenge, finances, is due to the near-total shutdown caused by the pandemic and COVID-19. We closed the office the week of March 23 for walk-in business, with only our manager, Greg G. coming in once a week **to keep affairs in order and bills paid. Three "hot-shot" members' names were set up to fill to any literature needs. There were few people's minds on buying literature, however, so our income flow was lessened severely. We've also lost potential income due to the cancellation of both our District 8 March Concepts Workshop and the AA District 90 August Convention, at which we always have a literature table with good sale.**

SUCCESSSES - Our AIS/LDC Office reopened in mid-June to little walk-in traffic, and we remain open on Tuesdays 10-3 and Wednesdays and Thursdays 10-12:30; on alternate **Thursdays, we're open 10-3.** Our 24/7 Hotline has never closed at all, thanks to many volunteers.

Another Success: our District 8 Webmaster, Jennifer S. has **installed a "PAY NOW" button on our setxalanon.org website,** thus enabling our members to make donations to either AIS or Dist. 8 online.

Houston AIS-Gretchen Van D. -

Over the past six months, even as COVID-19 has changed the world around us, the Houston AI-Anon Information Service (AIS) has strived to be a consistent point of information and connection for newcomers and members—with the website (www.houstona-lanon.org) hosting District 4, 5, and 7 eMeetings lists, with volunteers answering after-hours calls, with regular distribution of our newsletter and helpful emails, and, **by keeping “a light on” in the bookstore and office (M-Th, 10am-3pm)** to answer questions and to provide Conferece Approved Literature (CAL).

For the months of July and August, the office answered 173 telephone calls, volunteers answered 30 after-hours calls, and the office/bookstore fulfilled CAL literature orders, providing 382 items. As part of its service, the bookstore offers **members same day “contactless” literature pick-up**--in addition to shipping--and provided 18 contactless pick-ups in July and August.

Houston Intergroup is busy planning its 2020 virtual Face-to-Face fundraiser/Day in AI-Anon, scheduled for Saturday, October 3, from 10:00am-3:30pm. **Intergroup’s quarterly speaker meeting**, which was last held on August 1, 2020 will next be held virtually on November 7, 2020, and the speaker will be Gay S.

The next Houston Intergroup Board of Directors Meeting will be held on October 25 via Zoom, and the next quarterly Intergroup Service Representative meeting will take place on the same day. Zoom details are at the Events tab at www.houstonal-anon.org. All are welcome.

In all, Houston Intergroup, as both an AI-Anon Information Service and a Literature Distribution Center, continues to play a pivotal role in supporting the Houston area AI-Anon community, even—and especially--during these unprecedented times.

Houston Hispanic AIS-Esperanza L. -

No Report

San Antonio AIS-Rene D. -

I am honored to have served as an Liaison for San Antonio AIS. The website is being updated with face to face meetings or zoom meetings by all the groups. The bookstore and Club Twelve are still closed. The monthly speaker meetings have started again and Alamo Heights United Methodist Church is the new location until Club Twelve re opens.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO - EAST TEXAS AREA 53

(Please attach this form to your check or money order)

District Number: _____ Group # _____

Group Name: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

City: _____ CK/MO #: _____

Amount: _____

Sent by: _____

Please do not send cash by mail.

Make checks payable to: Treasurer- ETAAA.

Mail to: Treasurer – ETAAA, PO Box 1324, Silsbee, Texas 77656

ETAAA Financial Report 2020	1 st Qtr 3/31/20	2 nd Qtr 6/30/20	3 rd Qtr 9/30/20	4 th Qtr 12/31/20	Total YTD	2020 Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
Income							
Assembly Surplus	4,031.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,031.59		
Fall 2019	4,031.59				4,031.59		
Spring 2020					0.00		
Beacon Income	30.00		36.00		66.00	200.00	(134.00)
Contributions Income	4,941.64	1,837.58	1,435.39		8,214.61	18,000.00	(9,785.39)
Fall Gratitude Basket					0.00		
Miscellaneous Income		25.00	1,288.61		1,313.61		
Unallocated Funds from 2019	4,031.59	25.00	1,288.61	0.00	0.00	10,332.00	10,332.00
Total Income	9,003.23	1,862.58	2,760.00	0.00	13,625.81	28,532.00	(14,906.19)
Expenses							
Travel / Expenses	2,779.63	49.50	547.34	0.00	3,376.47	14,300.00	(10,923.53)
Alateen Coordinator	475.74	49.50	168.56		693.80	2,200.00	(1,506.20)
Alateen Liaison					0.00	400.00	(400.00)
Alateen Process Person	65.99		204.86		270.85	1,000.00	(729.15)
Alternate Delegate	117.35				117.35	600.00	(482.65)
Archives					0.00	500.00	(500.00)
Beacon Editor	299.73				299.73	500.00	(200.27)
Chair	290.56				290.56	800.00	(509.44)
Delegate			91.90		91.90	1,100.00	(1,008.10)
Group Records	366.48				366.48	500.00	(133.52)
Public Outreach	168.06				168.06	600.00	(431.94)
Past Delegates	421.81				421.81	3,000.00	(2,578.19)
Past Area Chairpersons					0.00	500.00	(500.00)
Secretary	217.05				217.05	800.00	(582.95)
Spanish Coordinator					0.00	500.00	(500.00)
Treasurer	76.29		82.02		158.31	800.00	(641.69)
Website Coordinator	280.57				280.57	500.00	(219.43)
Other Expenses	1,633.00	918.01	1,138.00	0.00	3,689.01	4,832.00	(1,142.99)
Beacon Publishing	1,438.00	665.04	940.00		3,043.04	3,300.00	(256.96)
Storage Unit for Archives	168.00	168.00	183.00		519.00	800.00	(281.00)
Web Hosting Fee		69.97			69.97	132.00	(62.03)
Audit Committee Expense					0.00	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Expense	27.00	15.00	15.00		57.00	100.00	(43.00)
Misc Workgroup/Workshop Expense					0.00	500.00	(500.00)
Transitional AWSC Meeting							
World Service Conference	0.00	0.00	58.51	0.00	58.51	2,700.00	(2,641.49)
Area's Gifts to WSC					0.00	300.00	(300.00)
Delegate's Equalized Expense to WSC					0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)
Delegate's Incidental Expenses to WSC			58.51		58.51	400.00	(341.49)

SC Regional Delegate Meeting	4,482.75	214.08	0.00	0.00	4,696.83	6,700.00	(2,003.17)
Delegate	746.68				746.68	900.00	(153.32)
Chair	398.96	214.08			613.04	900.00	(286.96)
Immediate Past Delegate					0.00	0.00	0.00
Active Past Delegates	2,688.11				2,688.11	4,000.00	(1,311.89)
Alternate Delegate	649.00				649.00	900.00	(251.00)
Total Expenses	8,895.38	1,181.59	1,743.85	0.00	11,820.82	28,532.00	(16,711.18)
Net Income Less Expenses	107.85	680.99	1,016.15	0.00	1,804.99		1,804.99
Extraordinary Income/Expense							
Income							
Returned Seed Money	3,500.00				3,500.00		
Received Alateen Background Checks	34.75	13.90	340.55		389.20		
Spring Birthday Basket					0.00		
Total Extraordinary Income	3,534.75	13.90	340.55	0.00	3,889.20		
Expenses							
Seed Money	3,500.00	3,500.00			7,000.00		
Fees paid Alateen Background Checks	34.75	13.90	352.55		401.20		
Spring Birthday Basket to WSO					0.00		
Total Extraordinary Expenses	3,534.75	3,513.90	352.55	0.00	7,401.20		
Net Extraordinary Income Less Expenses	0.00	(3,500.00)	(12.00)	0.00	(3,512.00)		
Profit/(Loss)	107.85	(2,819.01)	1,004.15	0.00	(1,707.01)		
Checking Account Balance							
Beginning Balance	34,217.77	34,325.62	31,506.61	32,510.76	34,217.77		
Increase/(Decrease)	107.85	(2,819.01)	1,004.15	0.00	(1,707.01)		
Transfer to CD							
	34,325.62	31,506.61	32,510.76	32,510.76	32,510.76		
Ample Reserve Fund (CD)							
Beginning Balance	21,008.65	21,127.86	20,000.00	20,015.26			
Increase/(Decrease)	119.21	121.11	15.26	0.00			
Ending Balance	21,127.86	21,248.97	20,015.26	0.00			

May 14-16, 2021

East Texas Area Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly Spring 2021

***Moving Forward with Unity,
Courage, and Perseverance***

Special Guest Speaker: Diane B., South Central Trustee

Holiday Inn-Conference Center

5701 South Broadway, Tyler, Texas 75903 (903) 561-5800

Ask for ETAAA rate \$79+tax (includes continental breakfast) for 2 queens or a king room. Rate applies until April 30.

Doors and registration begin at 4 PM Friday, May 14.

Registration Details

Alateen Notice: When registering, all Alateens must turn in a completed ETAAA Behavioral Guidelines Form and be accompanied by a responsible registered adult. Notarized Permission and Medical Forms are to be kept by the responsible registered adult. Forms can be obtained from an Alateen AMIAS or Alateen Coordinator.

Name: _____ Name on badge: _____

Email address: _____

Mailing address: _____ Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Group Name _____ District #: _____

GR ___ DR ___ AMIAS ___ First Assembly? Y/N Years in the program _____

Al-Anon \$35 ___ A.A. \$35 ___ Alateen \$5 ___ Dinner Buffet * \$25 _____

***Buffet tickets must be purchased in advance.**

Please register by April 21, 2021 to be assured of a seat at dinner.

Vegetarian or Gluten Free options for lunch and/or dinner. (Circle your preferences.)
(Box lunch included in registration.)

Mail registration and check payable to District 9 ETAAA Assembly, to: District 9 ETAAA Assembly,
P. O. Box 9826 Tyler, TX 75711, by April 21. Registrations accepted at the door.

Would you like Spanish Translation services? Y / N

Al-Anon/Alateen Texas East Area 53 Officer /Coordinator Resume
This is a Fillable Form. Use this side only; no attachments. Send completed resume to Lynn S. at amias200387@yahoo.com. This information will be posted on the Texas Al-Anon website under the member tab.

Date: _____

Area Position willing to stand for: _____

Personal Information

First Name and Last Initial	Years Active in Al-Anon/Alateen:
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Alateen Al-Anon/Alateen Service Experience, beginning with most recent (include dates)

Area Experience:	Dates (from – to)
District Experience:	Dates (from – to)
Group Experience:	Dates (from – to)

Other information:

Personal history, including education, training, work and other volunteer experience. Please be general (e.g., secretary at law firm; PTO president, etc.):
Tell us something about yourself:

Asamblea de Al-Anon / Alateen de la área este de Texas (ETAAA) con elecciones

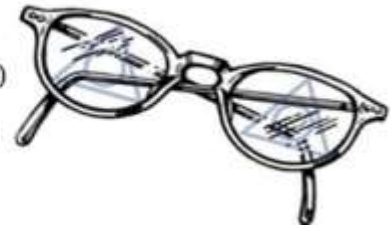


20/20 Vision:

Enfocándose en la Recuperación

Sesión Virtual
(Información de conexión próximamente)

El Sábado,
Noviembre 7, 2020



Horario:

9:30 - Intercambios DR / GR (la sala virtual se abre a las 9:00 para instrucciones de la reunión y verificación del dispositivo)

10:30 - Descanso

11:00 - Reunión de aprobación de la agenda de AWSC

12:00 - Almuerzo (por su cuenta)

12:45 - Regreso a la sala de reuniones

1:00 - Llamada al orden de la reunión de negocios de ETAAA

Regístrese GRATIS en línea:

Inglés: <https://www.questionpro.com/t/ARFB4ZisCx>

Español - <https://www.questionpro.com/t/ARFB4Zi8cE>

Si necesita asistencia para registrarse o cualquier pregunta sobre la Asamblea, comuníquese con: Allyn D. 281-808-1170, Kurt N. 832-265-3799 o el representante de su distrito.

Para cubrir los gastos de la Asamblea, las contribuciones son aceptadas con todo gusto por: Venmo: @ East-TX-Al-Anon-District-Seven, o cheque a nombre de: Al-Anon District 7, enviado por correo a PO Box 3603, Conroe, TX 77305-3603

East Texas Area Al-Anon/Alateen Assembly (ETAAA) With Elections



20/20 Vision: Focusing on Recovery

Saturday
November 7th, 2020
Virtual Session Only
with Spanish Translation



(Connection Information Forthcoming!)

Schedule:

- 9:30 – DR/GR Exchanges (Virtual room will open at 9:00 for pre-meeting instructions and device check)
- 10:30 - Break
- 11:00 - AWSC Agenda Approval Meeting
- 12:00 - Lunch (on your own)
- 12:45 - Back to the meeting room
- 1:00 – ETAAA Business Meeting Call to Order

Register *FREE* online:

English – <https://www.questionpro.com/t/ARFB4ZisCx>

Spanish - <https://www.questionpro.com/t/ARFB4Zi8cE>

For assistance registering or with questions about the Assembly, contact:

Allyn D. 281-808-1170, Kurt N. 832-265-3799 or your district representative.

To cover webinar expenses, contributions are gratefully accepted by:

Venmo: @East-TX-Al-Anon-District-Seven, or check made out to:

Al-Anon District 7, mailed to PO Box 3603, Conroe, TX 77305-3603.

9:00 a.m. Open meeting room - test our devices and display our names. e.g.: Jane Doe GR or John D. DR - Dorie J.

Dorie will open breakout rooms for:

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. GR Interchange - facilitator Mattie T., Alt. Delegate - Spanish Translation - Translator, Myrthala C.,

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. DR Interchange

Both of these meetings will have the opportunity to discuss the items to be voted on in the business meeting.

1. Election of Area Officers and Coordinators
2. Proposed 2021 Budget
3. ETAAA Alateen Guidelines & Behavioral Agreement
4. **Kay's Flight credit of \$590.20 from the cancelled World Service Conference (WSC)**

10:30 - Break

11:00 - AWSC - Assembly Agenda approval meeting

12:00 - Lunch (on your own)

12:45 p.m. - Back to the Meeting room – test devices and names

1:00 p.m. - Business meeting call to order - Lynn S.

Roll Call – Paula H.

Minutes of the 2019 Fall Assembly printed in the *Beacon* Volume 52 Issue 1 to be approved

Current Financial Report & 2021 Proposed Budget – Jennifer S.
(both are posted on the website in order to give the GRs the opportunity to review and be prepared for discussion)

I will be using a KBDM Agenda:

The following reports will be posted on the website: If these reports have a need to be updated from the website report, please tell the chair "I want to pull my ___report." State the addition and end with "Everything else is the same."

Delegate Report

Alt. Delegate Report

ETAAA Host District Committee Reports

Area Coordinators

DR Reports

AIS reports

New Business –

ETAAA Alateen Guidelines and Behavioral Agreement Update

Election of Delegate, Alt Delegate, Officers and Coordinators

Proposed 2021 Budget

Flight credit of \$590.20

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Let it Begin with Me

When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help,
let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen
always be there, and – ***Let it Begin with Me.***

Que Empiece por Mi

Cuando alguien, dondequiera que sea, pida
ayuda, que nunca falte allí la mano de Al-Anon y
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