### **Al-Anon Idaho Area 13 Newsletter**

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#### **Mark your calendar for these events!**

July 21 – AWSC (Area World Service Committee) Meeting. 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM at the Kopper Kitchen in Boise

July 28 –Share Your Story Workshop. 10:30 AM- 12:30 PM at the Al-Anon Alateen Literature Center at 1111 S. Orchard (use Entrance 6) in Boise. Refreshments served.

**September 14-15** – Al-Anon Idaho Area 13 Fall Assembly. – Twin Falls. Stay tuned for more details.

If you have events to add to the calendar, please send them to <a href="mailto:area13newsletter@gmail.com">area13newsletter@gmail.com</a>.

Event hyperlinks are appreciated

#### **Face-to-face meetings**

CLICK HERE to visit the Find a
Meeting feature on the Al-Anon
Alateen World Service Office (WSO)
website.

#### **Electronic meetings**

CLICK HERE to access the list of Al-Anon electronic meetings (such as phone, chat, Skype, email, discussion boards, etc)

#### **Idaho Area 13 Map**



**District 1 - Northern Idaho** including Bonners Ferry, Clark Fork, Coeur d'Alene, Hayden Lake, Kellogg, Osburn, Post Falls, Sandpoint, St. Maries

**District 2 - Central northern Idaho** including Clarkston (WA), Cottonwood, Craigmont, Grangeville, Kamiah, Kendrick, Lenore, Lewiston, Moscow, Orofino, Pullman (WA), Riggins, and Weippe

District 3 - Midwestern Idaho including Boise, Eagle, Emmett, Garden Valley, Kuna, McCall, Meridian, Mountain Home

**District 4 - Central Idaho** including Bellevue, Buhl, Burley, Filer, Gooding, Hailey, Jerome, Ketchum, Rupert, Shoshone, Sun Valley, Twin Falls

**District 5 - Southeastern Idaho** including Afton (Wyoming), American Falls, Chubbuck, Malad, Pocatello, Preston, Soda Springs

**District 6 -Mideastern Idaho** including Arco, Ashton, Blackfoot, Challis, Driggs, Dubois, Idaho Falls, Mackey, Rigby, Salmon, St. Anthony, Tetonia **District 7 - Western Idaho** including Caldwell, Homedale, Middleton, Midvale, Nampa, Nyssa, Ontario (Oregon), Payette, Weiser

Thank you for your interest in the Idaho Area 13 Al-Anon Newsletter! This document is published on the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month with the deadline for submissions being the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. If you have items to be included in the newsletter, please email them to <u>area13newsletter@gmail.com</u>. Please keep your submissions to 140 words or less and include relevant links if possible. Your feedback for the newsletter would be greatly appreciated. To receive this FREE monthly newsletter, email <u>area13newsletter@gmail.com</u>.

# The importance of keeping your group records updated

Imagine if you're someone looking for an Al-Anon meeting to attend. You've made the decision to get some help and go online to look for information. Perhaps you've been that person yourself.

In order to help people in need find Al-Anon meetings, the group records need to be kept updated. The great news is that you can do it simply by using this link: <a href="CLICK">CLICK</a>
<a href="HERE">HERE</a> to register your new group or to update information for an existing group.

Your active thoughtfulness is helping someone in need. Thank you so much for your service!

Remember that when you & your groups purchase books & pamphlets from the Literature Center, you are supporting Al-Anon and Alateen in Idaho!

Check out Al-Anon on Twitter at <a href="http://twitter.com/AlAnon\_WSO">http://twitter.com/AlAnon\_WSO</a>

Check out Alateen on Twitter at https://twitter.com/Alateen WSO

CLICK HERE to access the Area 13 website to download meeting schedules for any or all of the seven districts in Idaho Area 13

#### **District 1 Undate**

The summer months usually mean less attendance at meetings. Our attendance has stayed pretty consistent except we have several meetings that meet at a local church. The church will be closed the next 2 weeks due to vacation bible school. As a result of that, our meetings have had to move to other locations so attendance will probably be down. One of our newer meetings had to move due to the building being sold but attendance has stayed steady. Our district newsletter editor has been doing an awesome job of reporting when and where meetings change. We try to give newcomers the information to access the newsletter on line.

Sally G.- Alt. DR District 1

#### **District 2 Update**

Ok, so here is what is going on for July in District 2: There will hopefully be elections for District Representative, Alt. District Rep., Secretary, & Outreach, on Thursday, July 12th at 6p.m. The June workshop went well, with small participation. It has been an interesting six months needless to say. Have enjoyed seeing all other DRs and GRs from around the area, is good to see some positive changes within the area too. I would have never guessed how much I have grown and changed through my years of service to our wonderful recovery program. One just does not realize what be part of can do in ones life, for the better. I have held different trusted servant positions over the years and they have helped make me the person I am today, along with all the folks I have met and worked with. My prayer is that more newer members with the yearning to learn and experience in this wonderful program will take a leap of faith and participate in their own recovery, as well as helping our Districts and Area become the best we can be. Yours in Service Carol G.

#### **District 3 Undate**

District 3 now has 30 meetings per week, 26 Groups (four Groups have two meetings), 14 GRs, and 9 Email Contacts. Email Contacts are Group Members who do not vote but have volunteered to be a "contact" between District and the Group. This arrangement allows us to have contact with 23 of our 26 Groups. While not ideal, it does provide a means of communication. District 3 is also working hard to enhance our Outreach "reach". Our Outreach Coordinator has been reaching out to lots of various groups in the Treasure Valley to introduce them to Al-Anon. Please see the Special Newsletter for more information.

We are also considering enhancing our support of smaller Groups and are currently exploring ways to help GRs from small Groups attend Assembly.

We are having fun now!

#### **District 4 Update**

No District 4 update was provided for this month.

#### **District 5 Update**

No District 5 update was provided for this month.

#### **District 6 Undate**

District 6 does not currently participate in the Area 13 activities.

#### **District 7 Update**

No District 5 update was provided for this month.

Because we could all use a little blank space...

#### AAISC (Literature Center) Summer Hours

Beginning July 1, 2018 Monday through Saturday 12:00-3:00 pm. The Literature Center is located at 1111S. Orchard, Suite 172 in Boise. Contact the Lit Center at al.anon.idaho@gmail.com or 208-344-1661.

### *The Forum* Needs Your Help!

While your writings on the first four Steps are always welcome, there is a greater need for sharings about Steps Five through Twelve. Especially needed are sharings on all of the Traditions and Concepts of Service.

#### THREE WAYS TO SHARE

1) Submit online: to

al-anon.org/18forumshare

2) Email to: wso@al-anon.org

3) Mail to:

The Forum

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## New Outreach Opportunity for Professionals

To increase awareness of Al-Anon Family Groups, the World Service Office would like to reach out to Al-Anon-friendly professionals who would be willing to write articles and/or participate in on-camera interviews. Click on the following link for more details: <a href="Professional Resources Survey">Professional Resources Survey</a>

Thank you for everything you do to reach out to the families and friends of alcoholics.