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

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#### **Mark your 2018 calendar for these events!**

**February 3– Steps Come Alive** (District 3) - Eagle Methodist Church (THIS EVENT IS SOLD OUT)!

**February 10 – Al-Anon and AA Open House** 10 AM- 2 PM. 1111 S.
Orchard (use Entrance 6) in Boise.
Refreshments served.

March 3 – AWSC (Area World Service Committee) Meeting. 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM at the Kopper Kitchen in Boise

March 10 – Sponsorship Workshop (District 5) Location and other details pending.

July 5, 2018 – Day of Connecting Al-Anon's International Convention Baltimore, Maryland

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.

## Attention **Professionals**

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the Resources for Professionals portion of the Al-Anon WSO website.

### **Check out the newly updated websites**

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to see the newly updated World Service Office (WSO) website.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to check out the new look of the Idaho Area 13 website.

### **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>.

#### Did you know...

that every bit of service helps? You may not have a lot of time to give to service but EVERY bit of time you give makes a difference! Whether your service is helping set up or clean up a meeting, telling somebody about Al-Anon, serving on a committee or any of the MANY service opportunities available, you are assisting others. However, you are also helping your own recovery as you put into practice what you are learning at meetings and in readings. How about that!!

#### **Asking for your input**

The 2018 Al-Anon Membership Survey is open for your participation from Jan. 10 to Feb 27, 2018. CLICK HERE to participate.

#### A special letter from Janet D

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to read a special letter from Janet D, our Idaho Area 13 Chair.

#### **District 1 Update**

We have four new GRs starting their first term of service so we are excited and thankful for those newbies stepping up! Our first district meeting of 2018 will be January 16th where we will be doing some major planning for the Spring Assembly! Also we are having a fabulous Bingo fundraiser Saturday Feb 24th from 4-8pm in Sandpoint (526 S. Olive St). Potluck theme is Childhood Favorites! Money raised goes to toward the AA Cone ruin with Al-Anon participation in May. Hope to see as many of you as possible at both these great events!

#### **District 2 Update**

As District 2's DR, we are looking for more unity and working together to be of help to the groups, to work with GRs & members in workshops to educate us in working the steps, the traditions and concepts not only in business meetings but helping to carry the message. We have most of the trusted servant positions filled. The first meeting of year will begin with a new look at District 2 and what will help it work more smoothly. I trust in our Higher Power to assist us in our endeavors. Yours in service Carol G

#### **Map help needed**

Do you have the ability to help make a map of Idaho that is a bit more user friendly for this newsletter? If you are willing to help with this short service project, please contact Jane F at <u>area13newsletter@gmail.com</u>.

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

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the Area 13 website to download meeting schedules for any or all of the seven districts.

#### **District 3 Update**

District 3 started off 2018 with a Boundaries and Bridges Workshop that was very informative and a nice fundraiser. We had three panels of Members discussing and answering questions on boundary issues for marriage, work, and family.

On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, we conduct our Second Annual "Steps Come Alive" workshop with Larcine H from Hayward, CA presenting. Some of you may have heard her at Woman to Woman. This has been a very successful event for D3 and we look forward to hearing Larcine speak.

This Summer we are going to have a brand-new event with local Al-Anon artists donating a piece for auction. Painters, Sculptors, and Wood-Workers will be contributing. This should be fun time of gathering and camaraderie.

Lastly, we will have our Lasagna Dinner again in December. This has always been a wonderful... (so ends my 140 words).

# **Area World Service Committee meeting**

The next AWSC meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Kopper Kitchen in Boise,

# Area 13 Service Openings

Area 13 is looking for a Public Outreach Coordinator.. For more information, contact Janet D at Janetafg95@gmail.com.

#### **District 4 Update**

My name is Joan B. I'm the new DR. At our October meeting we said good bye to Laurie B. And thanked her for her service. We had a pot luck after the meeting and played games. Saturday Dec.9 we joined forces with AA and held a Magic Valley AA and Al-Anon Christmas dinner. Turkeys and ham were cooked by volunteers and everyone brought side dishes. Linda R. Was the Al-Anon speaker. She was awesome. AA put on a skit and they had a speaker. It was well attended by both programs. 145 attended. The next thing on dist. 4 agenda is the Sept. 2018 assembly.

#### **District 5 Update**

We are planning a sponsorship workshop for March 10th. That is all we have planned but we are looking forward to the exciting workshop. Kathryn D. from Lava Hot Springs and Kevin B. from Utah are or trainers.

With Love and Gratitude Doug C. D5 DR

### **District 6 Update**

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

#### **District 7 Update**

District 7 now has an official Spanish group in Ontario soon to be on the schedule for Monday night @ 7. A big thanks to Beth at the Literature Center for helping us get Spanish books and newcomer packets..

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for a list of Al-Anon phone meetings or <u>CLICK HERE</u> for a list of electronic meetings. **BONUS!** <u>CLICK HERE</u> to access the Al-Anon Family Groups YouTube channel.