

AFG Area 9 – Florida North Guidelines

Alateen Roundup

Purpose

Our Area Alateen Roundup is:

1. A one-day event for and about Alateen
2. Open to members of an Alateen Group and also to other teens who may be interested in Alateen
3. Supervised by certified AMIASes and other Al-Anon members for support
4. Low-key, relaxed, fun, and inviting; practicing the principle of attraction rather than promotion – we hope to welcome teens to the joys of recovery
5. Not designed to be held at a commercial amusement park; we recommend not using this kind of venue

Funding

AFG Area 9 budgets a particular amount toward the Roundup. The Hosting District may provide other funds as well. Area Districts can be invited to participate by providing support.

Host District

The Host District will need lots of participation (the key to harmony) and it is recommended to include as many members as possible.

1. **Work directly with Area Alateen Coordinator and Area Alateen Process Person (AAPP)** to ensure compliance with all forms required by the Area 9 Alateen Safety & Behavioral Requirements
2. Event Chair should be an Area 9 Certified AMIAS or at least go through Area Training
3. Set the date, time and place of the event
 - a. Be sure to check the Area calendar
 - b. It is possible to hold this event in cooperation with another Area meeting
4. Decide on a suggested donation, theme, logo, workshop topics, and agenda
5. The Alateen Roundup Chair is an Event Chair and, as such, is temporarily a member of the AWSC Panel
 - a. Participation at AWSC and Assembly is paid for by the Area from the time of hosting until the first meeting after the Event Chairs have voice but no vote at AWSC.
6. Create a Notebook of the Event, to be passed along to the next Hosting District

Committee Suggestions

You may organize the Roundup in many different ways. These are suggested committees that could be used to assist. They may be combined or organized at the discretion of the Host District Committee.

1. Food
2. Program, Games, Sports, Recreation
 - a. Create an Alateen meeting program for teens attending
 - b. Create an Al-Anon meeting program for parents and other adults
 - c. Raffle baskets or prizes
3. Set up and clean up
4. Registration (be sure to use all Area forms and meet the Area Requirements)
5. Publicity
 - a. Create flyers for Area Website and to distribute at Area meetings

Other Suggestions

- The event has often been held from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.
- The host committee is encouraged to have workshops for Al-Anon members so that adults are nearby but separate from the teens.
- Teen events should be a mixture of recovery and fun. It would be a great idea to get current Alateens involved in planning.
- Safety of the teens and the Al-Anon members is a priority. The event must comply with all Alateen Safety & Behavioral Requirements of the Area. Use of Area forms and cooperation with Area Alateen Coordinator and AAPP is a must.
- Some events have had the name of the AMIAS who is responsible for that teen on the Forms and on the nametags. Responsible party names need to be easily available to all adults at the event.