

**NORTH FL AREA
Literature Coordinator Report
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CAL QUOTE CORNER


“
...she had never heard
a speaker say, "I was
saved by my momma."
”

- *Parents of Alcoholics*
Reprint (R-18), pg. 8

****SPECIAL NEWS**:**

- **AREA LITERATURE WEPAGE!** I'm happy to announce that the Literature page on the Area website is now up & running! It features 3 sections of "Frequently Asked Questions" as well as quick links to 5 of my literature projects. Recently added was the photographic timeline of CAL pamphlets & books - which has been updated so that it now covers 1963 to 2017. The webpage (& the PDF timeline document for downloading) can be found by clicking here: www.afgarea9.org/literature or by going to the main North FL Area website, navigating to the "Members" tab & then choosing "Literature". Enjoy a trip down CAL memory lane! (P.S. I'm currently working on a second timeline for service tools & additional items so stay tuned!)
- **Spring Assembly / TEAM Event:** Be sure to stop on by any time *after 6pm* on Friday (May 5th) thru Sunday (May 7th) *up until 12pm* to see a multi-media display showing a best-of compilation of 4 of my literature projects. It will be in the Barron room along with the Group Records display.
- **CAL Chat Podcast:** Episode 10 has been posted & is ready to listen to! It's in 4 parts & features *How Al-Anon Works* (B-22) & the *Just For Today* bookmark (M-12). To hear it, please visit the show's webpage at: www.calchat.libsyn.com (or you can subscribe to it for free on iTunes, Google Play Music, iHeartRADIO, & **most recently on the apps: Stitcher as well as Tuneln** — you'll be notified every time a new episode is posted.)

Be a part of the "CAL Chat" podcast!



- Talk about your favorite literature.
- Share how it has improved your life...
- Your story is valued & I can't wait to hear it!

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- **Instagram Literature Project:** Are you planning to take any CAL with you on summer vacation? If so, snap a photo of where you take your CAL & e-mail them to me to post for other members to see! I'm also still currently looking for quite a

few landscape pics that I can add lines from the Serenity Prayer to. The pictures don't necessarily have to feature CAL. You can "donate" any *landscape* photos along with a particular slogan you'd like me to add to them too!



Please e-mail any pics to this address that is just for this Instagram project: CALChatFan@gmail.com. That way, I can strip the photos of all personal metadata & geotags before I post them (so your anonymity is protected). To see all the pics posted so far, visit: www.instagram.com/calchatfan1. No account sign-up is needed to view them.

- **January 2017 Chairman of the Board Letter:** Pasted below are recent CAL literature decisions from WSO:

The following Interim Actions were taken by the Board during the time period of November/December 2016: In an effort to assist in decreasing budgeted expenses, reduce costs and to apply the use of emerging technology and communication options, the Board of Trustees approved the following recommendations from the Finance Committee:

📖 **World Service Conference Summary (P-46):**

The Board voted to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to discontinue the complimentary printed copy of the **World Service Conference Summary** (P-46) to all World Service Conference (WSC) members, past WSC members, and Area World Service Committee members beginning in 2017. A digital copy will continue to be available on-line. Printed copies will be available for purchase for those who desire a hard copy. The **Conference Summary** will be priced to cover the costs of printing and shipping.

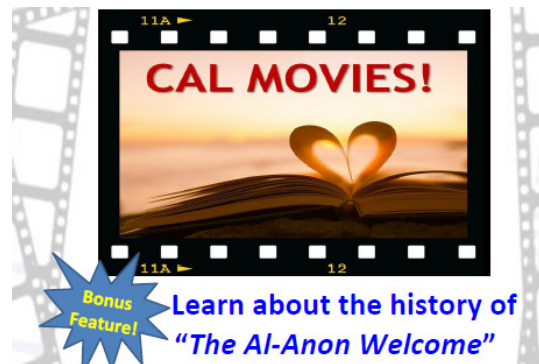
📖 **Complimentary printed copy of the Service Manual (P-24/27):**

The Board voted to discontinue the complimentary printed copy of the **Service Manual** (P-24/27) in English, French, and Spanish to groups within the World Service Structure beginning in 2018. A digital copy of the most current version will continue to be available on-line to each registered group. Printed copies will be available for purchase. All newly registered groups will continue to receive a complimentary printed copy as part of the registration process.

📖 **How Al-Anon Works for Families and Friend of Alcoholics (B-32):**
Both as an outreach tool and as a contributor to revenue, the softcover version of **How Al-Anon Works** is considered a success. Based on these facts, the Board approved to end the trial of selling the softcover version of **How Al-Anon Works for Families and Friend of Alcoholics (B-32)** as a Public Outreach project within the World Service Structure and to adopt printing the soft cover version in English, French, and Spanish for general sales. The price will remain at \$6 per copy and no discounts offered.

The **2017 World Service Conference Summary** (P-46) typically comes out in August & the new 2018 **Service Manual** (P-24/27) in the early part of next year. Now that the free copies are going away, please be sure to contact your local LDC in advance for any pre-orders of the hard copies you might need for individual members, or at the Group or District level.

- **NFA AFG Convention 2017 CAL Workshop:** On Saturday, August 26th, from 10:15-11:00am, I'll be presenting a workshop on literature at the 2017 Convention. It will be an entirely new way to look at CAL with a selection of my best-of "CAL Movies"! If you haven't registered for the Convention yet, click on this link: www.afgarea9.org/convention2017.
- **"CAL Movies" Presentation/Workshop:** On Saturday, June 10th, from 9:30am-12:00pm in Orlando, I'll be doing a premiere run of all the "CAL Movies" along with a workshop to about the history of "The Al-Anon Welcome." The flyer is available on the District 10 website at: www.al-anonorlando.org/events & the Area website's event calendar at: www.afgarea9.org/members. Hope you can attend!



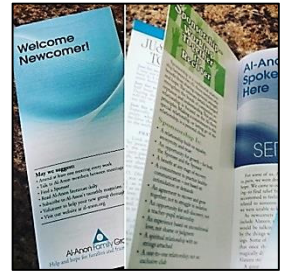
- **Writing Workshops:**
 - District 11 will be hosting a Day of Workshops on Saturday, June 3rd, in Palm Bay from 9am-4pm. The flyer will be available on the D11 website at: www.spacecoastal-anon.org.
 - District 4 will be hosting a Writing Event on Saturday, July 15th, in Flagler Beach. The flyer is available on the D4 website: www.nfdist4afg.org/events.

I'll be giving the first presentation about breaking through barriers of fear & creativity, followed by Jill O., the Area Alternate Delegate, for the writing portion.

****Jill & I are happy to travel to any District to give this Writing Workshop while there is still half a year left in our term!
Just e-mail us your prospective dates.****

NEW LITERATURE INFO:

- The general **Newcomer Packet** (K-10) is now shipping in *booklet* form – no price change. If groups want to insert any *additional* pamphlets (or items such as meetings lists) in **Newcomer Packets**, they'll have to order the other packets that still come in a sleeve: K-18, K-21, K-23, & K-24. Currently, there are no plans to turn those into booklet form. It's just the general packet (K-10) for now.
- **Courage to Change (eB-16) e-Book Update:** WSO is now able to offer this daily reader in English, French & Spanish as one book. You may purchase it from your third-party vendor at \$9.99 US. There are direct links for ordering on the Al-Anon Online Store at www.al-anon.org/onlinestore under the “Electronic Literature” category.



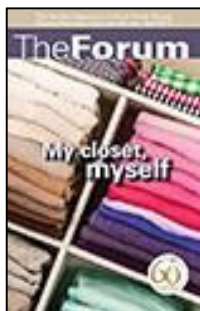
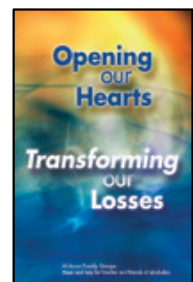
- **Alateen Talk Newsletter:** (no item #): An electronic copy of the Winter edition of **Alateen Talk** 2016 is now posted on the WSO's Al-Anon/Alateen Public Outreach website & Areas/local websites can link to them. Click here to view excerpts from this 2-page document: www.al-anon.org/alateen-talk.

ADDITIONAL INFO:

- **Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2018:** The deadline to order the 1st printing will be here before you know it! **The first printing can be ordered until 5 p.m. ET, Wednesday, July 5, 2017. Magazines will be shipped before September 1, 2017.** It's a good idea to set a reminder a few days before so this deadline is not missed because, as stated on the form: “No exceptions can be made.”
- **District LDC's Conference Call:** In July we will be having our *last* conference call (for this panel) with District LDC's.
- **WSO Calendar Quotes for 2018:** On April 4th, twenty CAL quotations (in English, Spanish, & French) were e-mailed to all the District LDC's that can be used by Al-Anon service arms in 2018 calendars without completing the currently required reprint permission request form. The only stipulation is that you include the “Reprinted with permission” attribution to the quotation immediately following it & the credit line supplied by WSO. Please contact myself, or your local LDC, if you'd like to get these 20 quotes!



- **Sharings Needed for New Daily Reader:** As of this April, WSO's Literature Committee has received enough sharings to proceed with developing introductory text for the intimacy book & the parents/grandparents pamphlet! However, they still need more sharings for the new daily reader, for which they have received 1,070 so far.
- **Sharings Needed for "CAL Corner" in *The Forum*:** WSO always needs more sharings about how CAL has helped members with their recovery. Please urge members to write. They could especially use articles about ***Opening Our Hearts***, ***Transforming Our Losses*** (B-29), ***Alateen's 4th Step Inventory*** (P-64), ***Hope for Today*** (B-27), & ***The Dilemma of the Alcoholic Marriage*** (B-4). Please contact me directly if you need a copy of the "CAL Corner" sharing sheet.
- **CAL Sample Chapter:** Each quarter WSO posts a sample chapter of Conference Approved Literature on both the Public Outreach site, www.al-anon.org & the Members' site, www.al-anon.org/members. From April through June it will be ***From Survival to Recovery*** (B-21). From July through September it will be ***Opening Our Hearts***, ***Transforming Our Losses*** (B-29).
- ***The Forum Book* (working title):** There is still time to submit your suggestion for your favorite ***Forum*** article(s) to be considered in the new upcoming book.
Have you ever read a ***Forum*** sharing that:



- 📖 helped you to look at something a bit differently?
- 📖 made you laugh?
- 📖 touched your heart & reminded you that you aren't alone?
- 📖 had a unique way of presenting the topic/subject?
- 📖 will stand the test of time?

These are the types of sharings WSO would like to include in ***The Forum Book*** (working title). The piece is intended to compile thoughtful sharings from past issues of ***The Forum*** (between 2005 – present) that are important enough to be read for years to come. To submit a past article for consideration, go to the Members' website at www.al-anon.org/members. Click on Individuals, Featured Publications, ***The Forum***, & then ***The Forum Book*** (working title). They'll need to know the title, month, & year in which it appeared in the magazine.

With gratitude in service,

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Happy Reading!

