

Literature Coordinator's Report

Panel 61 - Area 9
June 2021 Assembly

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1) Notes from **World Service: Literature Coordinator's Digest (AFG Connects) - Tom Coffey, Associate Director - Literature**

Electronic Welcome, Newcomer! (eK-10) Is Coming Soon: The newly revised and reformatted electronic version of the AI-Anon Newcomer Packet (K-10) is in the final stages of production. More details will be announced soon, when it will be available through a variety of vendors, just as our current eBooks are. In the meantime, electronic meetings can provide the following URL to newcomers so they can sign up to receive an email with newcomer information: al-anon.org/welcome. The newcomer will be prompted to enter a personal email address and the digital information will be immediately delivered. Members may wish to share this in their meetings and include it in their meeting formats when welcoming new members. *(Please note that the revised paper version of Welcome, Newcomer! will not be available until inventory of the current version is depleted.)*

Three New Literature Motions from the 2021 World Service Conference (WSC): The 2021 WSC carried three motions regarding Conference Approved Literature, which were based on recommendations from the Literature Committee. The first was for development of a **new Alateen bookmark** based on the Just for Tonight AI-Anon Bookmark (M-81). Like the Just for Today Alateen Bookmark (M-13), ***its contents will come from the teens themselves.***

The second motion was to add a **new preface to the book**, The Dilemma of the Alcoholic Marriage (B-4), that would place it in historical perspective and to develop a booklet made up of "gems" from the original, possibly including some new material.

The final literature motion discussion was to create a **new introduction to our first daily reader**, One Day at a Time in AI-Anon (B-6) from 1968. This will provide an historical perspective on the book, and at the same time emphasize the timeless nature of AI-Anon's spiritual principles that the book so wonderfully exemplifies.

Many Voices, One Journey (B-31):

Celebrate Al-Anon's 70th Anniversary and learn about our rich history by purchasing this book at the reduced price of \$8.00 plus shipping, through June 30, 2021. Find it on our website at al-anon.org/onlinestore.

Members Blog: Have you read or written a sharing for the Member Blog? Have you encouraged other members to do so? Please check it out at al-anon.org/member-blog.

Sharings needed for "CAL Corner": Please urge members to share in writing about how a piece of CAL has helped them with their recovery. We are currently looking for sharings about

- Al-Anon's Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions (B-8),
- Living Today in Alateen (B-26),
- Discovering Choices (B-20), and
- Opening Our Hearts, Transforming Our Losses (B-29).

Please see the writing guideline for "CAL Corner" in the Guidelines & Procedures folder under the "Library" folders in the Literature Coordinator community of AFG Connects or at: al-anon.org/pdf/CALcornerSharingRevised%202018.pdf.

2) Area 9 Literature-related activities:

a) **Pilot Zoom Writing Workshop** - April 17th, 2021

b) **Upcoming Zoom Workshops:**

- i) **Vision Board Workshop** - July 10, 2021 Details - see below. *Awaken your creativity and connect with your HP!*
 - ii) **A new look at the "old readers"** - July 24, 2021 2:00 pm to 3:00 Eastern. Space is limited. To register, contact Sandra at literature-61@afgarea9.org
 - iii) **"Lois Remembers" workshop** --- in development for Fall 2021
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Al-anon **FREE** virtual workshop

create a **VISION BOARD**

Sat July 10, 2021 2:00-3:30 Eastern time

Made from words and images cut from magazines, a Vision Board is an inspirational collage. It is a way to tap into your innermost dreams, goals, and ideal life. It can point you to HP's will for you. And, making a vision board is **FUN**.

What you'll need:

An assortment of magazines/catalogs to cut up

A glue stick

Scissors

A posterboard, foam board, or large piece of cardboard

Markers and/or stickers are nice but optional

No art ability is required. Instructions will be provided at the workshop.

Space is limited. To register and get the Zoom number: email Sandra F, literature-61@afgarea9.org
