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## Reaching Al-Anon People

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A newsletter of the Al-Anon Information Service of the Delaware Valley (AISDV). Serving parts of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties.

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### Celebrating PA Al-Anon Convention's 50th Anniversary by Kimberly M, District 2

I attended my first PA Al-Anon Convention last month. The beauty found in any convention is the similarity in story in the different faces and voices. In the beginning, I felt alone in my thoughts and feelings about myself and the situation around me. Then I arrived in a Group that understood me. In Service, I got to hear from members within the District. At the Convention I got to hear from people across the State share similar stories. The Convention is a celebration and reminder, we are not alone.

Havertown Monday Night AFG celebrated 36 years in June.

Bírdsboro Wednesday Níght AFG celebrated 33 years in June.

Coming up

July 14-16: Alateen Summer Conference, sponsored by the Northern Mid-Atlantic Alateen Assembly and Conference (NOMAAC), Shippensburg, PA

August 18-20: Pennsylvania Area Assembly, Harrisburg, PA

September 21: AISDV Service Board Meeting (electronic meeting for Information Svc Reps - ISRs)

## **Elections and Workshops at Pennsylvania Area Assembly**

Group Representatives (GR) and guests still have time to register for Assembly August 18-20. Get info from your District Representative (DR) or PA Al-Anon website. Register for hotel as well as Assembly. Register by July 20 for a discounted rate. <a href="https://assembly.pa-al-anon.org/product/66th-pennsylvania-area-assembly/">https://assembly.pa-al-anon.org/product/66th-pennsylvania-area-assembly/</a>

GRs will elect Pennsylvania Area officers and Delegate for panel 64.

Workshop titles thus far:

- New Daily Reader: A Little Time for Myself
- The Power of Service
- Al-Anon Spiritual Principles

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No longer meeting: Boots Road Al-Anon, Wednesday 10AM, West Chester, PA. As of 6/28/23.

An AISDV Institutions Coordinator is needed to help bring Al-Anon meetings to places like hospitals, rehab centers, and prisons. Are you feeling called to service? Call 215-222-5244.

Al-Anon and Alateen meetings are listed at aisdv.org. Icons identify Al-Anon meetings in Spanish, locations that are handicapped accessible, locations where AA also meets. Go to: http://aisdv.org/meetings.html

OFFICE: The proposal to establish a standing committee to guide work of the office is on 9/21/23 meeting agenda of AISDV Service Board. If you have questions or comments regarding the proposal, email Claudia W, AISDV secretary at: <a href="http://aisdv.org/contact.html">http://aisdv.org/contact.html</a>. To visit the office, call Ed T, Office Coordinator, 215-222-5244.

\* Thank you District Representatives (DR) for connecting groups in our fellowship. At this time District 1 is without a DR. Experienced GRs eligible.

#### THIS MONTH'S STEP, TRADITION, AND CONCEPT

**Step 7** Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

<u>Tradition 7</u> Every group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

<u>Concept 7</u> The Trustees have legal rights while the rights of the Conference are traditional.



A sharing on Step 7 from Jennifer S, District 2, Philadelphia

While my Higher Power provides the soil, sunlight, and rain, the 7th Tradition reminds me that I am solely responsible for watering and tending my own garden.

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