AWSC Report

Area Archivist

March 2010

- 1. I have been able to help a few groups in our Area find out their Anniversary date. Although I do not have the Area's records yet, I have been able to contact WSO, and report back on the findings.
- 2. One of the responsibilities of the Area Archivist is to "collect and preserve the heritage of Al-Anon/Alateen's past in the NYN area", I CANNOT do this if I have no idea which District has an Archivist. Please let me know if your District has Archivists. If there is not an Archivist, then if the Secretary (?) for that District could just forward me the information I can compile it correctly for your District.
- 3. When and where can I conduct a workshop or presentation about the Archivist position? I can compile a power point presentation for the upcoming assembly. This can be one that just continually runs.
- 4. Do you have any old or out dated CAL? Are you willing to part with it for the good of Al-Anon? Does anyone have photos from past Al-Anon events? Are there any local newspaper articles of meetings? Could I borrow any of the above mentioned material to put together a "display of historical memorabilia"?
- 5. How can more publicity be given to encourage participation at the level of group, district and AIS within the Area?
- 6. Does anyone have the space to hold the Archivist material that lives closer to me? (Plattsburgh)Certain restrictions apply.
- 7. I am going to try and prepare an Archivist information packet that can be easily emailed out to the various districts. This saves on the printing of paper that may just be tossed in the trash.
- 8. I will bring a binder to AWSC that will let everyone see what the Archivist job description is and what the guidelines are.
- 9. Suggestion: Keep a binder at your group and fill it with all of your flyers, newsletter, or any other information. This keeps it together and helps all in the group to stay informed. It can be done by anyone in the group and kept with the group's literature. Every month or so pack it all up and mail it to the District Archivist.

"Accurate group data is essential: every year, the WSO provides meeting information to thousands of callers on the toll-free meeting information line. " (From The Forum, copyright 2009 by A-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. One-time reprint permission granted by A-Anon Family Group Headquarters, Inc. Just think, if you could not find that first meeting you went to, where would you be today? It is just as important to keep an accurate record of the history each member is creating, while being a part of this worldwide organization. It is the responsibility of each group to keep our history alive. Please help to play your part in protecting the future of Al-Anon, by preserving the heritage of our past.

Archivist Member Survey

This is a short confidential survey that I ask you pass out at your meetings and have each member fill out. This will give me some idea of the people in our groups. I want to use this to create an informative display for our upcoming assemblies and conventions. Please fill it out, and email or mail me the information. Thanks in advance. All information will not be linked to any person by name, and if you feel more comfortable you can leave your name off.

Name: (optional)
Time in program, month started:
Home Group, District:
Position held (past and present):
Favorite CAL:
Favorite saying:
Favorite Sep:
Tradition:
Concept:
Do you have a sponsor?
Do you have any sponsees?