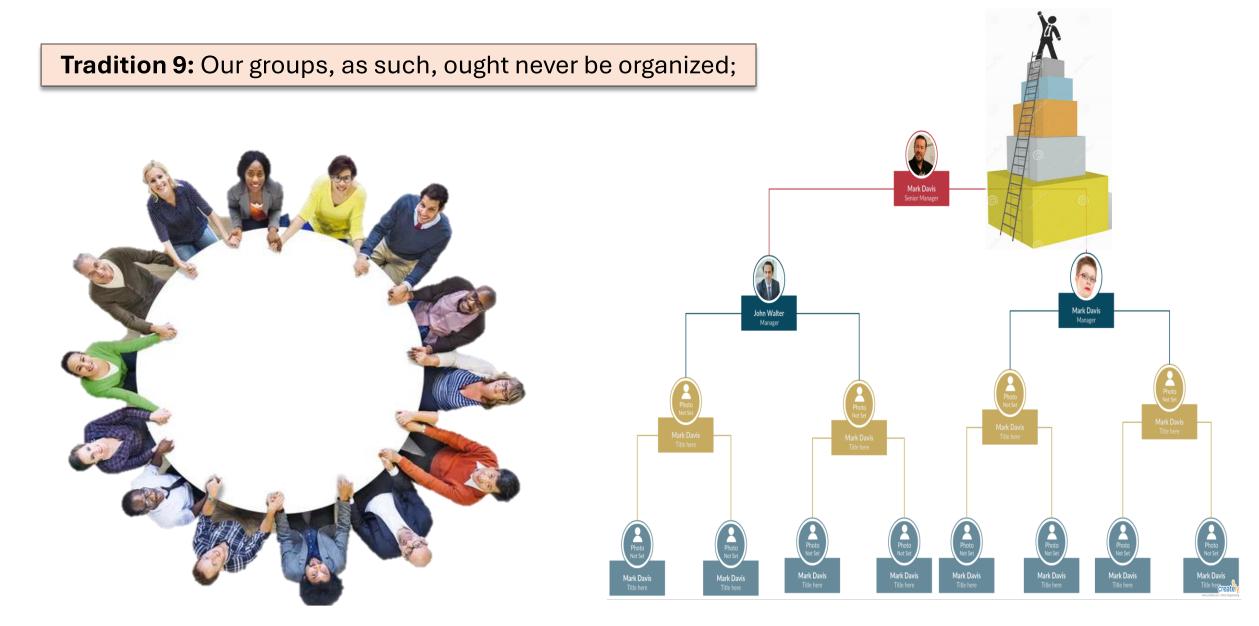


# Delegate's Report

NYN 2024 Fall Assembly September 28

- **AFG** Al-Anon Family Groups
- **GR** Group Representative
- **DR** District Representative
- AIS Area Information Service
- **LDC** Literature Distribution Center
- ISR Information Service Rep
- AWSC Al-Anon World Service Committee
- WSC World Service Conference
- WSO World Service Office
- AMIAS Al-Anon Member Involved (with) Alateen Service
- AAPP Area Alateen Process Person
- GEA Global Electronic Area
- **PEG** Permanent Electronic Group
- **GEMS** Global Electronic Meeting Search
- NERD Northeast Regional Delegate
- **NERT** Northeast Regional Trustess





Circle of Love and Support

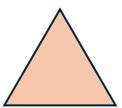
## Different ways of working together

### **Community for Fellowship**

- Equals all responsible
- Authority is Higher Power
- No rules practice principles
- Decisions made through Group Conscience together
- Knowledge Based Decision Making (KBDM)
- Obedient to the unenforceable
- Nonprofessional, volunteer time
- Take time & give time
- Pause, practice patience
- Follow our passion, take right action and let go of the outcome

### **Hierarchy for Control of Money**

- More Responsibility and Authority at Top
- People at the top have Authority
- System of rules & Laws
- People at the top make all the rules, people at the bottom follow rules
- Roberts Rules of Order
- Enforcers
- Time = Money
- Spending time (less time is better)
- Get it done Fast
- Measured by how well we achieved the outcome



# **Expanding Circle of Love and Support**

**Smaller to Bigger** 

Al-Anon Family Groups

**Districts** 

Area Information Service (AIS)

Area World Service Committee (AWSC)

Area New York North (NYN)

World Service Conference (WSC)



# Widen the aperture of our perspective



Participate in Group Conscience decision making - what's the course of action?

Process of widening the aperture of our perspective

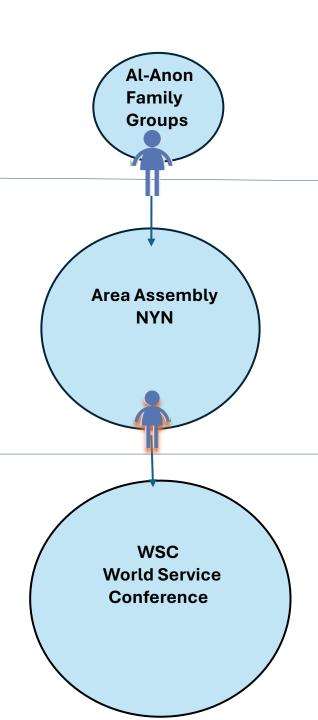
From the widest perspective we can provide better guidance

Taking right action



**Concept 3:** The right of decision makes effective leadership possible.

**Concept 4:** Participation is the key to harmony.



#### Concept 1:

The ultimate responsibility and authority of Al-Anon World Services belongs to the Al-Anon groups.

## Local



## **World Service**



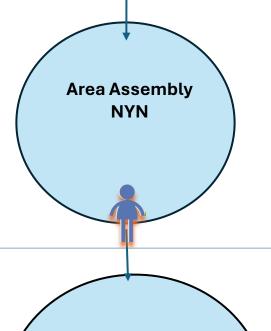
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Local

Area

New York North



**WSC** 

**World Service** 

Conference

WSO
World Service Office

\*Publish Literature
Data Base of all Groups
Help newcomers find meetings
Public Outreach

# **World Service**

**Concept 6:** The Conference acknowledges the primary administrative responsibility of the Trustees.

# Trustees

9 TAL – Trustee at Large 9 RT – Regional Trustee



#### Concept 9:

Good personal leadership at all service levels is a necessity. In the field of world service, the Board of Trustees assumes the primary leadership.

#### Who is Eligible?

Active member of AFG for at least 10 years

Service experience beyond the group level

Passion for the Al-Anon program

Apply for a position

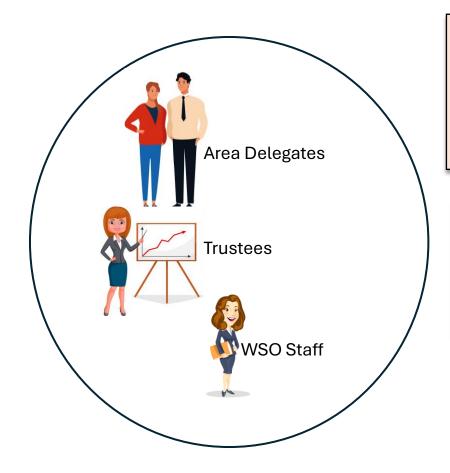
6 positions open each year (3 TAL 3 RT)

**Deadline to submit resume Aug 15<sup>th</sup>** 

# **Al-Anon** Local **Family Groups** Area **Area Assembly** New York North NYN **World Service WSC** WSO **World Service World Service Office** Conference \*Publish Literature Data Base of all Groups Help newcomers find meetings **Public Outreach**

### World Service Conference WSC

#### World Service Office WSO



**Tradition 8-** Al-Anon Twelfth Step work should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers

Concept 8: The BOT delegates full authority for routine management of Al-Anon Headquarters to its executive committees.

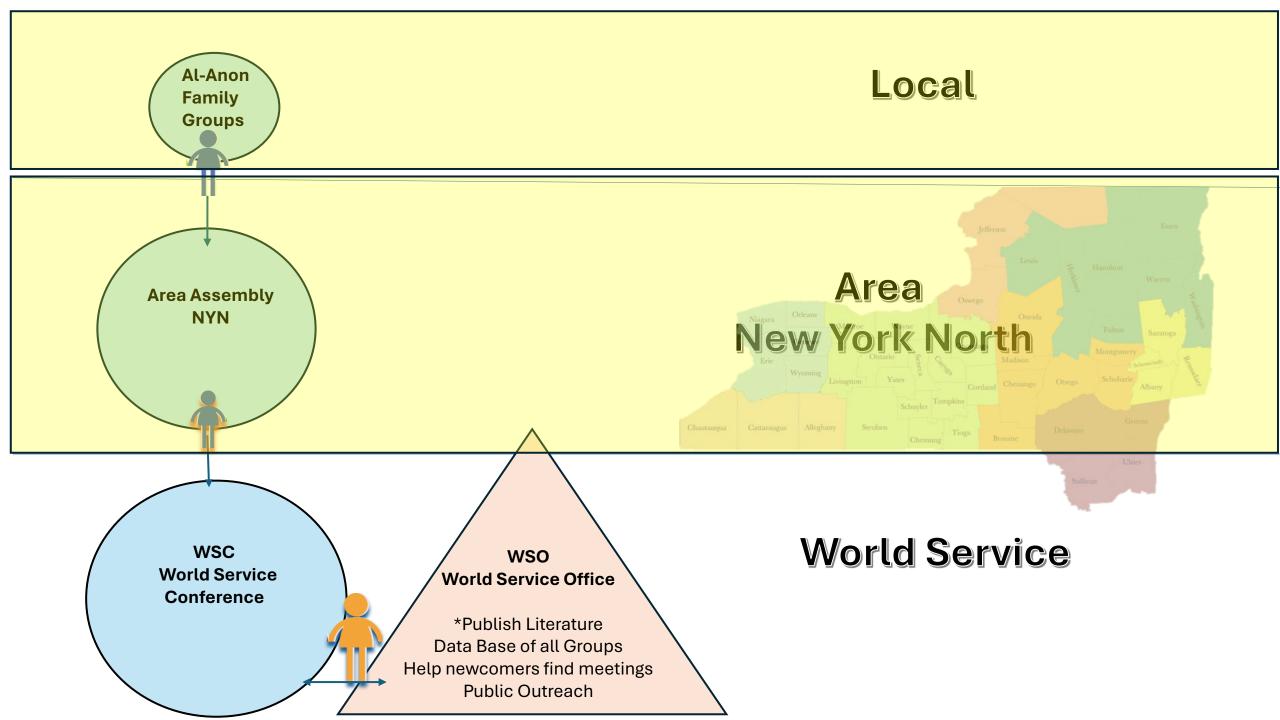
Board of Trustees

Executive
Committee

WSO Staff

Al-Anon Family Groups the Fellowship Follows Traditions (Traditional)

AFG, Inc Legal Entity - Follows By Laws with Traditional Approval from WSC



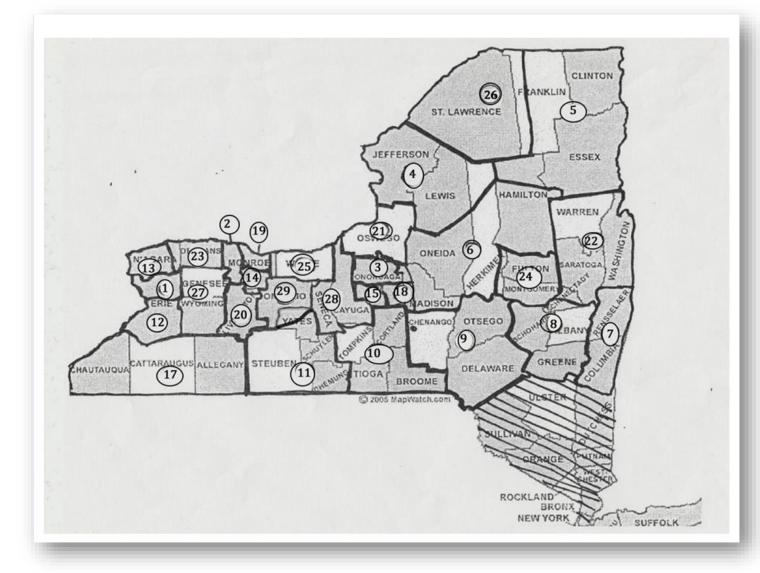
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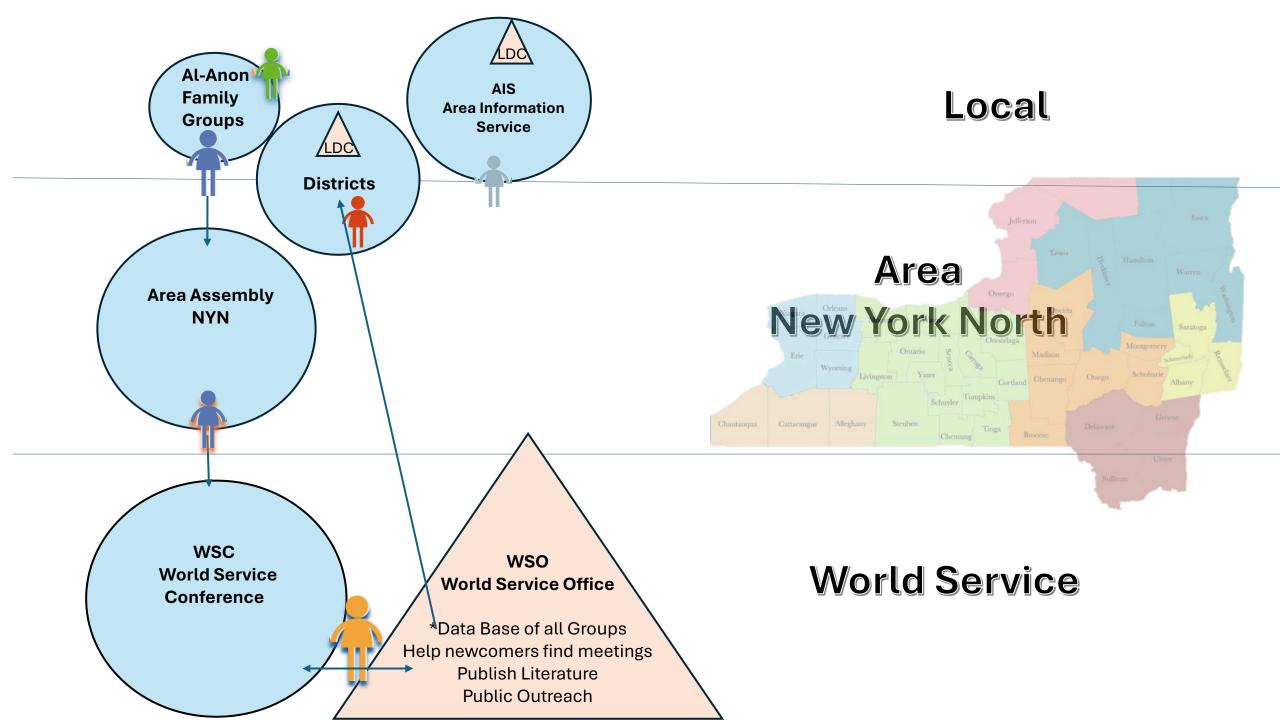
Each state forms an Area, but some states are divided into 2 areas, like NY. Canada is similar.

Each Area is divided into Districts.

NYN has 28 Districts

Districts are made up groups located close to each other that work together and support each other. Districts hold regular meetings (monthly) attended by GRs of the groups in that district.





**Tradition 9:** Our groups, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

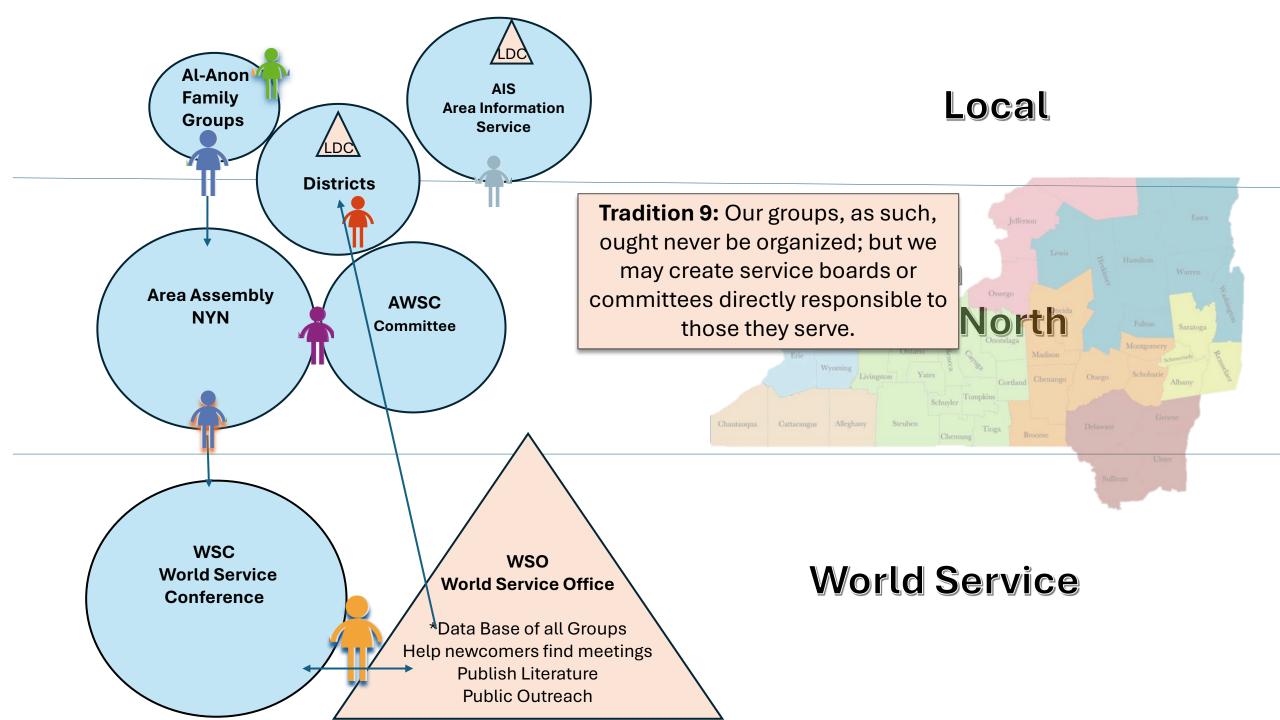


#### Area elects a Board of Officers

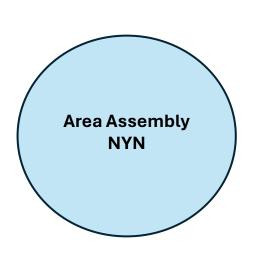
- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Delegate
- Alternate Delegate
- Immediate Past Delegate

#### **Coordinators**

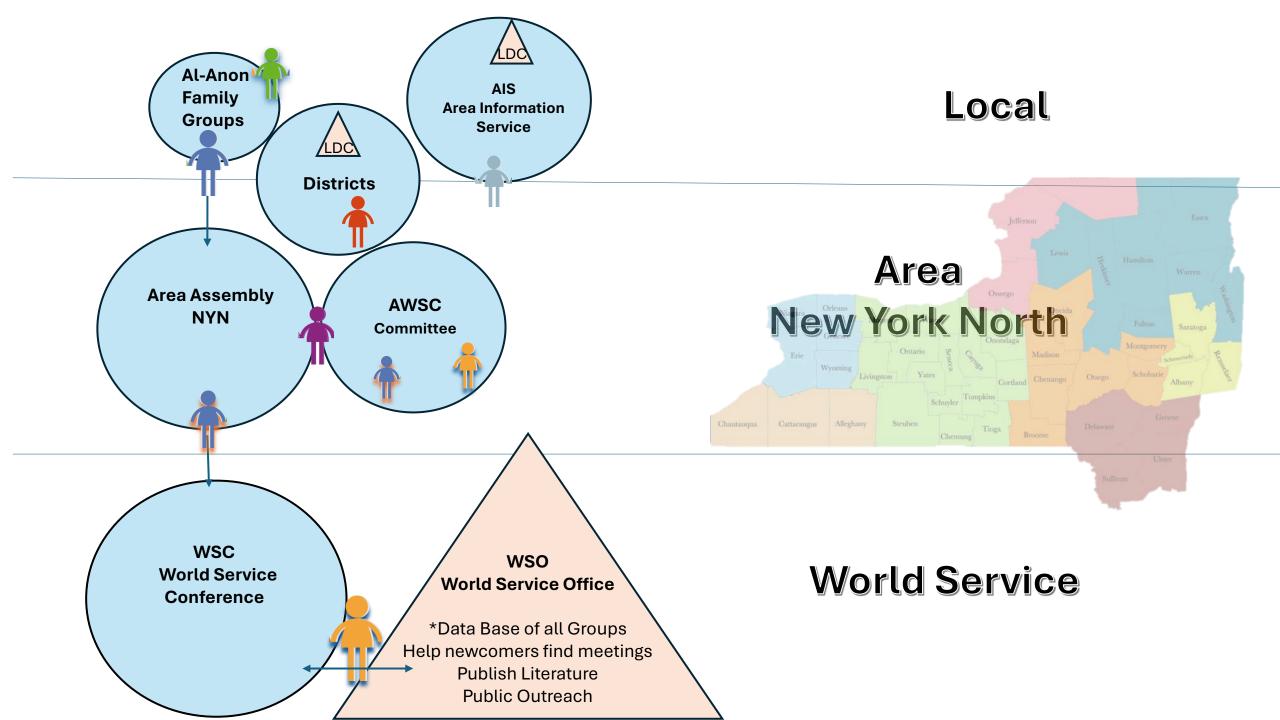
- Group Records Coordinator
- Alateen Coordinator
- Alateen Area Processing Person AAPP
- Archives Coordinator
- Conventions Coordinator
- E-Meeting Coordination
- Literature Coordinator
- Newsletter Editor
- Presentations Coordinator
- Public Outreach Coordinator
- Web Coordinator



# AWSC Area World Service Committee







# AWSC Area World Service Committee



The Officers and Coordinators bring forth procedural & policy issues and facilitate meetings.





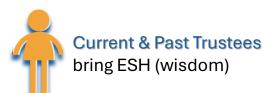
The Delegate brings information from the WSC and WSO.



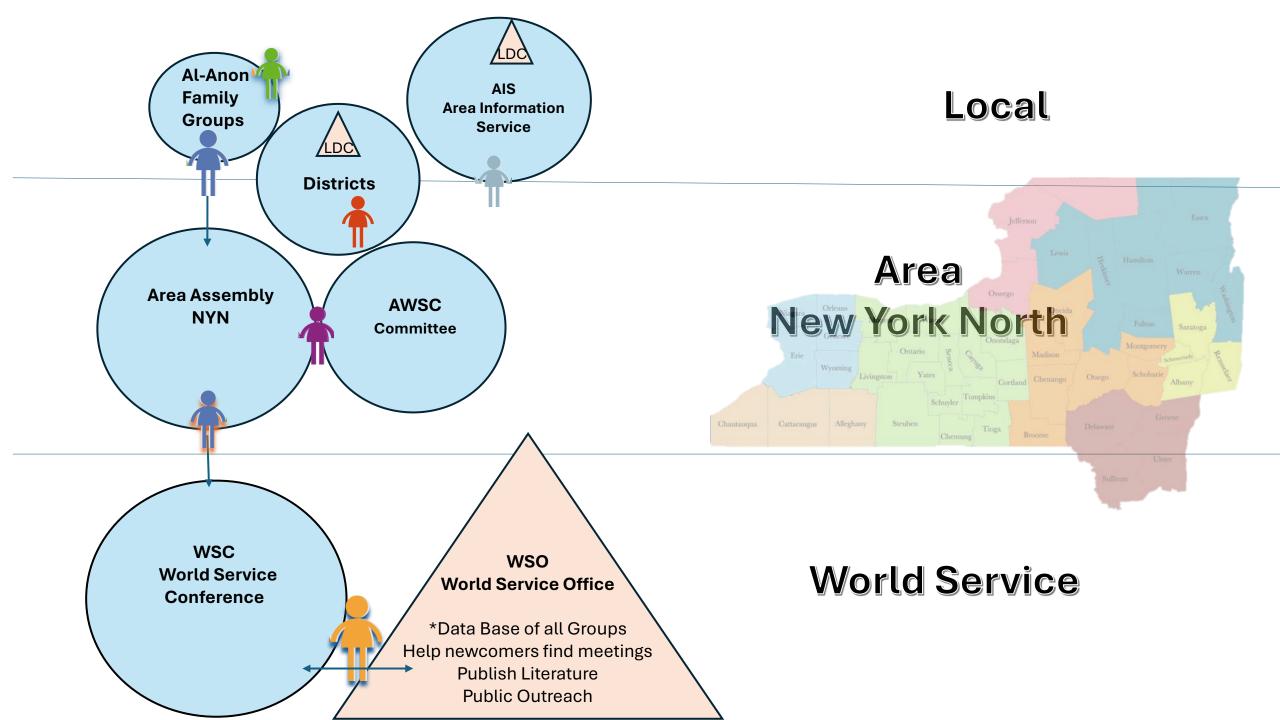
Past Delegates bring ESH (wisdom)

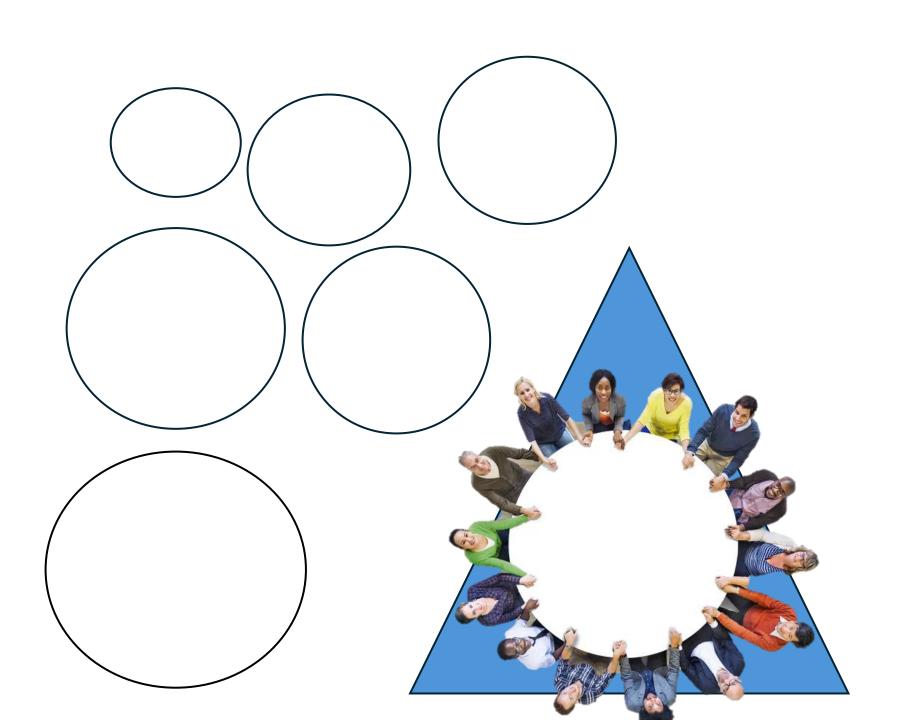


The District Reps bring forth issues that are of concern with the groups communicated through the Group Reps at the District meetings.











Find a meeting

# Data Base of Information about Groups







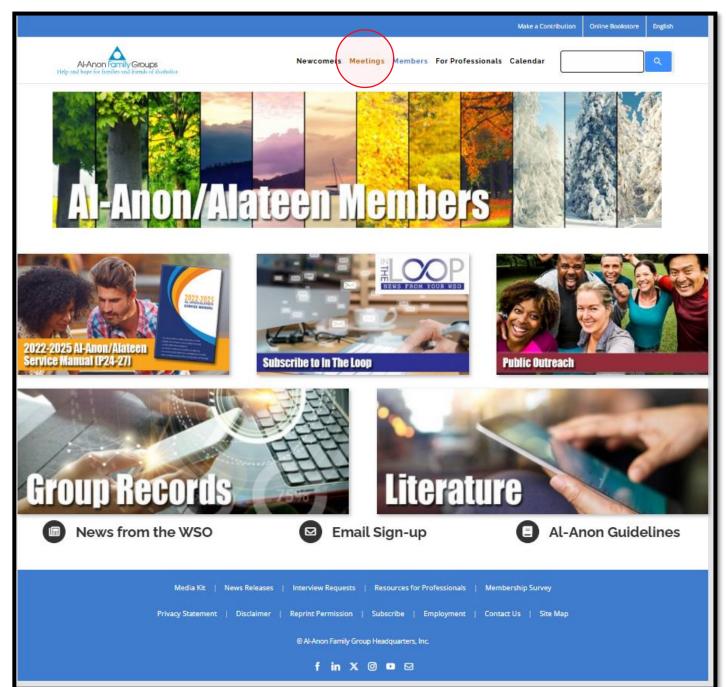
Enter data into the data base for all the groups in the area



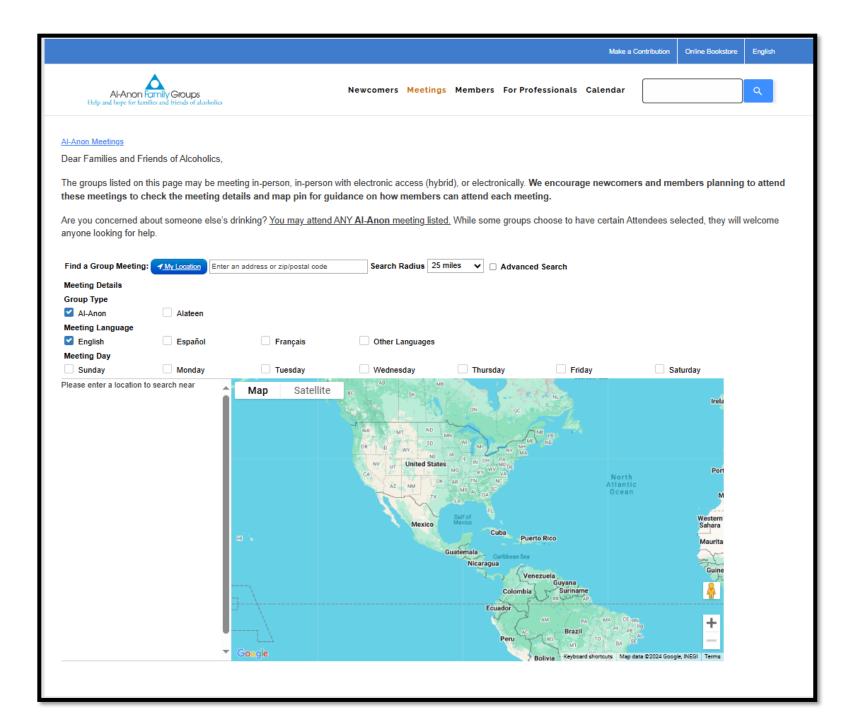
#### Newcomer find a meeting



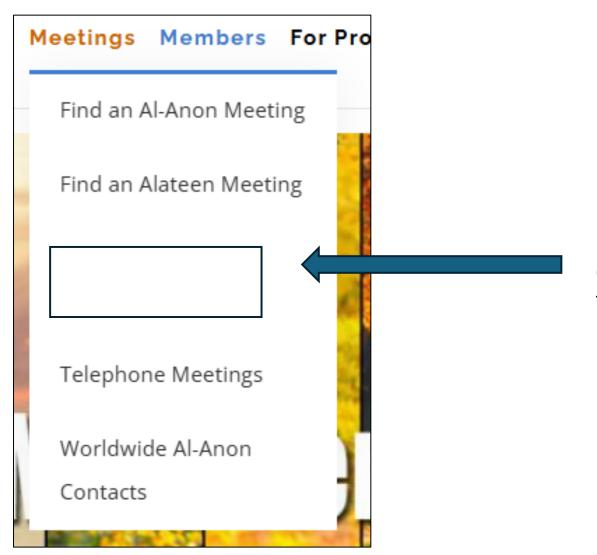
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# Meetings Members For Pro Find an Al-Anon Meeting Find an Alateen Meeting Telephone Meetings Worldwide Al-Anon Contacts



Group Type							
✓ Al-Anon	Alateen						
Meeting Language							
English Español		Français		Other Languages			
Meeting Day							
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Electronic / Internet search for meetings held through electronic devices such as computers, cell phones, touch screen pads using different "platforms" with Meeting IDs and Meeting Passwords and a link to the meeting.





#### Global Electronic Meetings

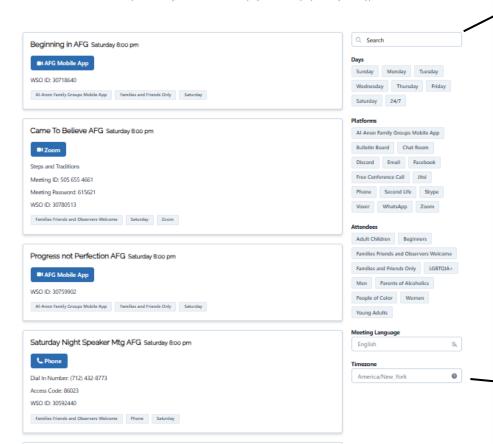
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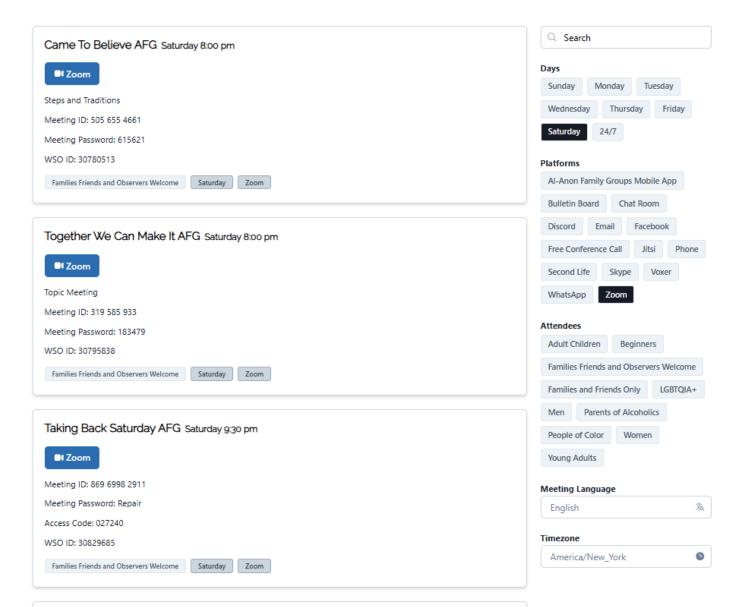
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Serenity Nite Live AFG Saturday 10:00 pm

# 2021 WSC Electronic Meetings became Groups

Created a new area Global Electronic Area (GEA)

Home for all registered Electronic Groups

During covid physical meetings went electronic

Some meetings came back to just in person, some hybrid and some decided to stay meeting electronically

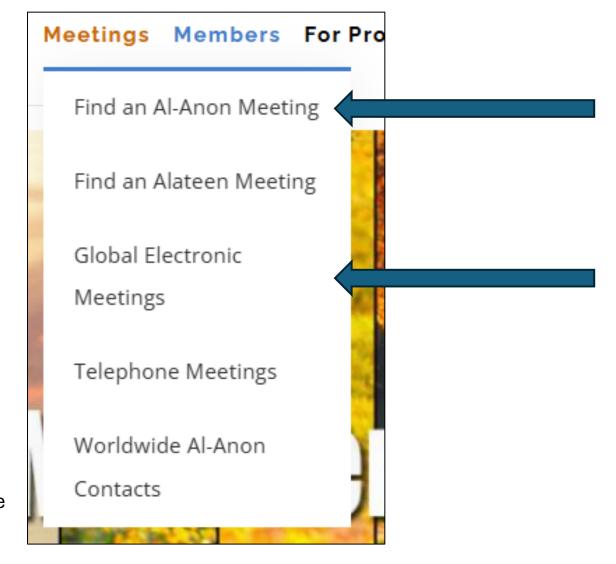
Temporary Electronic Groups registered as a physical meeting and still part of NYN not assigned to GEA

Electronic Groups want to stay connected to physical areas

WSO needs to know where to put electronic groups

Area has to decide if they can be part of the Area Structure

WSO asked all the areas to make that decision

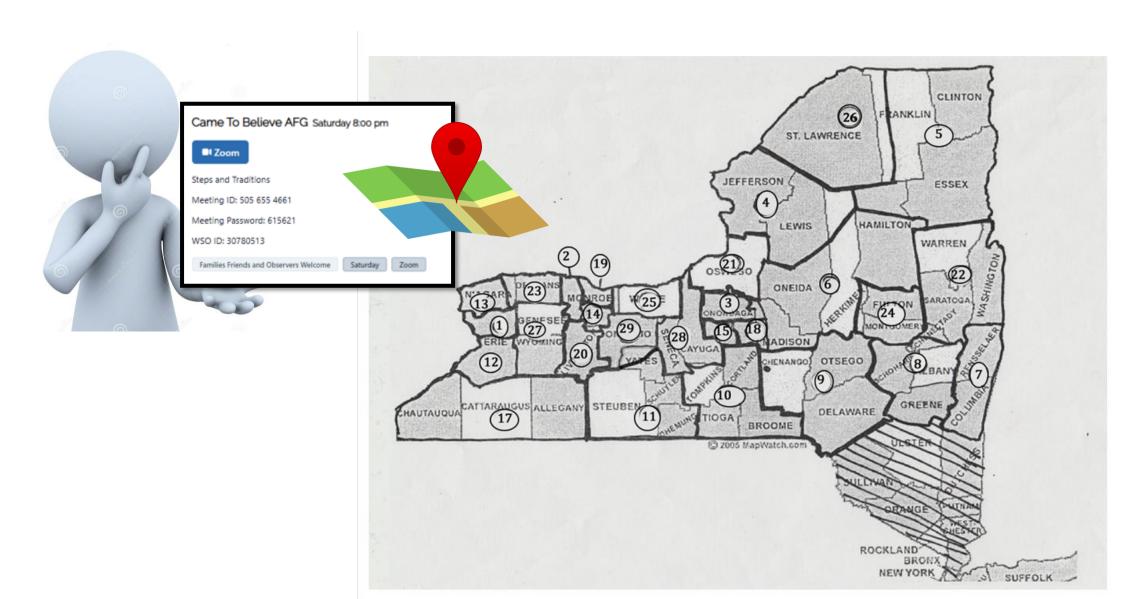


# New York North

# Are we going to accept electronic groups into our Geographic Area?



# What District will they belong to?



How do we include the GR's in our Assemblies?



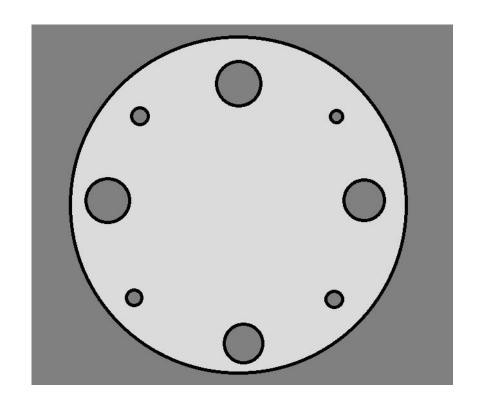


# Task Force to Accept Electronic Groups

- Follow KBDM model to answer the first part of the question should we accept electronic groups?
- Suggest changes to our Area Policies (Guidelines) to allow Electronic Groups into our geographical structure and participate in our Assemblies
- That is on the Agenda for GRs to discuss and decide today.

# Holes in our Circles of Support

- Groups contracted but not our service structure did not –
   we have holes unfilled service positions
- 28 Districts but only 14 DRs (Many groups lack GRs)
- Secretary position vacant
- IPD is also the Treasurer (short one officer position)
- Alateen Coordinator position vacant
- Public Outreach Coordinator position vacant
- Considering need for Technology Coordinator
- Same or more demands with fewer people -beware of the holes







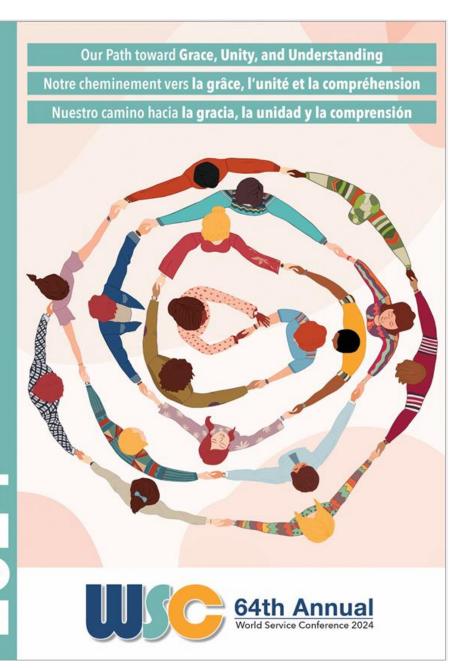
What will attract others into service?

Do our best with what we have and remember to ask for help.

Presume Goodwill and be supportive.

# QUESTIONS

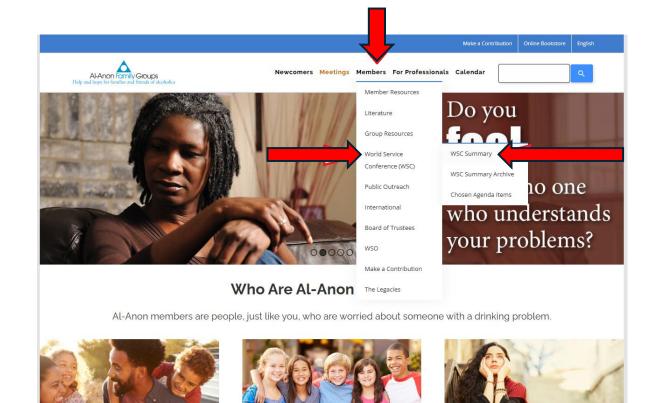
## Updates from the WSO



### 2024

## World Service Conference Summary

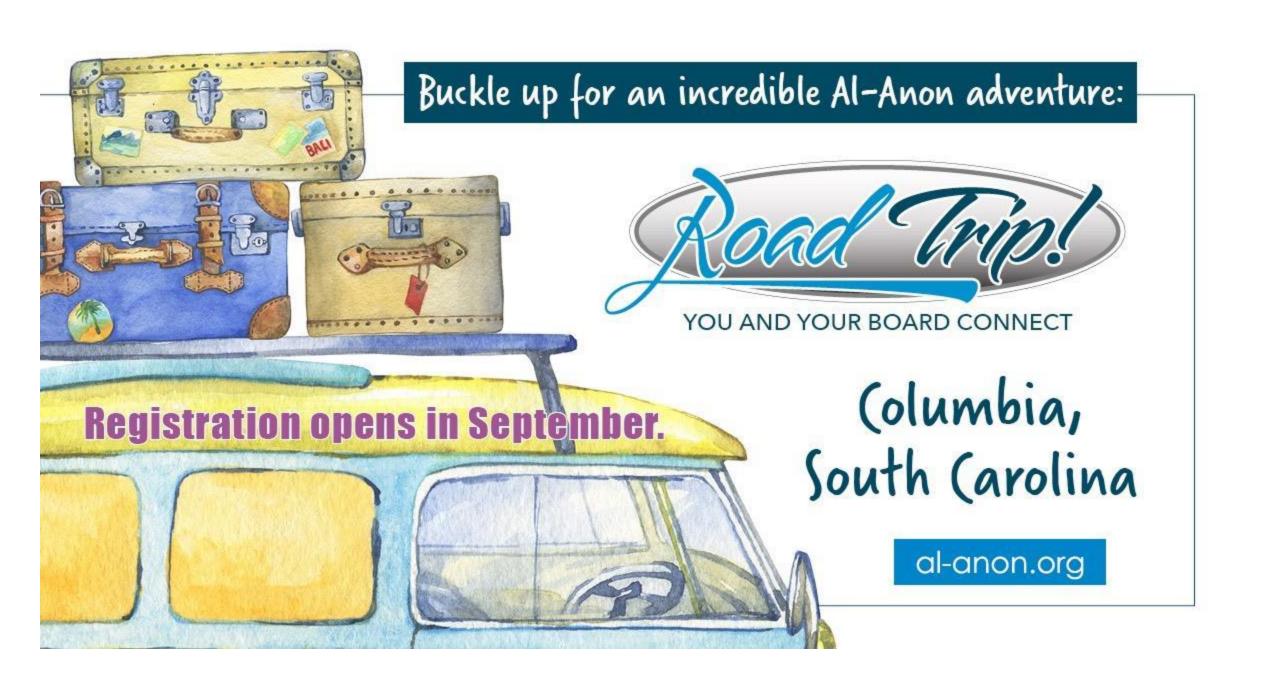
Now available on-line at Al-Anon.org
Printed Versions will be available to order soon



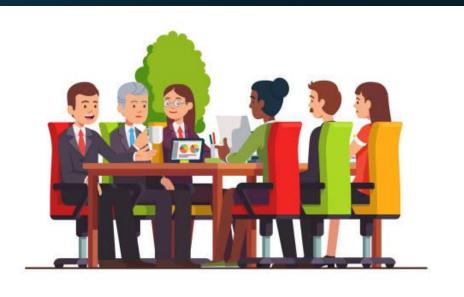
## **Board of Trustees Meetings**

- January
- April at the WSC
- July
- October Road Trip!





### Road Trip! You and Your Board Connect



- an opportunity to meet the WSO
   Volunteers who have oversight of AFG,
   Inc. Board of Trustees, the Executive
   Committee, and several WSO Staff
   members
- understand the committees on which they serve and how the WSC Structure works
- personal shares
- panels
- interactive sessions
- lunch, and snacks



The 2024 Road Trip! You and Your Board Connect will be held on **Saturday, October 26, 2024**in South Carolina

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

at Courtyard by Marriott Columbia Downtown at USC 630 Assembly Street Columbia, SC 29201

Registration Fee: \$30

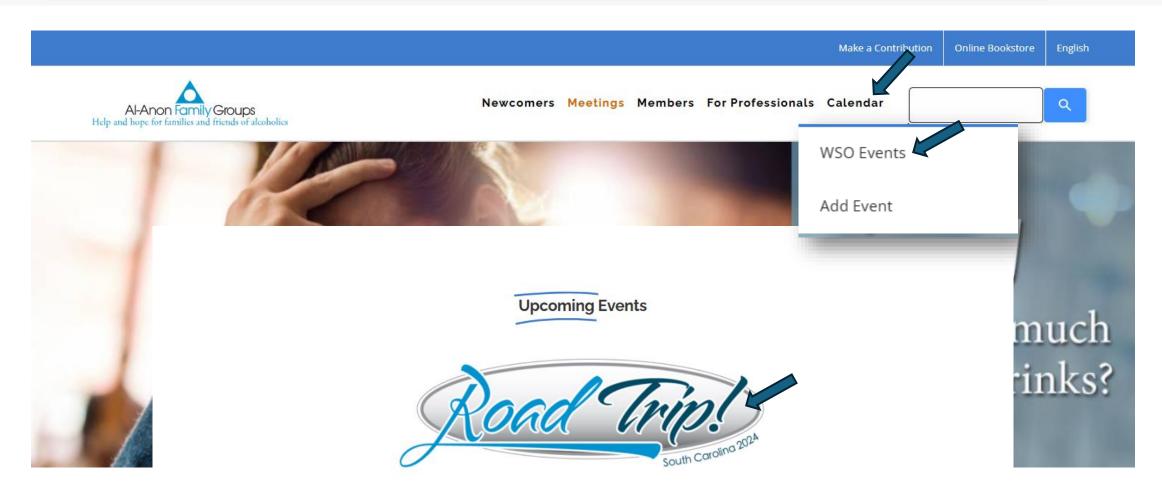
REGISTER NOW!



















### COB Letter

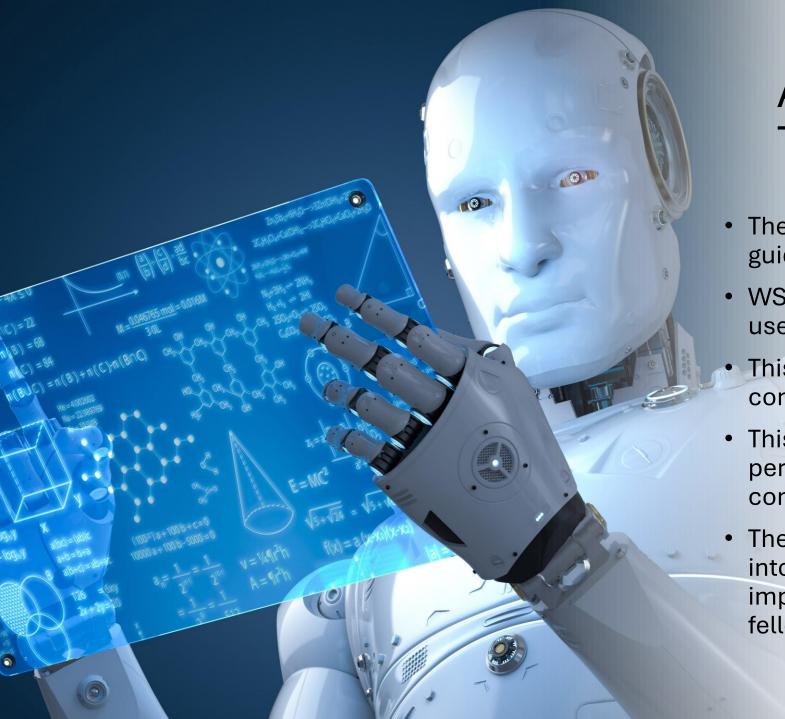


See **Delegate's** Report

# Highlights July Board of Trustee Meeting



- Approved a revised budget that is projecting a \$197,860 surplus.
- Approved the amounts for the Equalized Expense and the Full Cost for Delegates to attend the 2025 WSC in NYN.
- Voted to end the four-day WSC week trial and return to hosting the WSC across five days beginning with the 2026 WSC.
- Approved holding the WSC in the NY area for a six-year trial starting after the 2025 to allow for the Conference members to attend Stepping Stones once during their panel.
- Confirmed 2025 WSC will be held Thurs April 24<sup>th</sup> –
   Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Marriott Hartford/Windosr
   Airport Hotel, Windsor, CT. The Stepping Stones visit will
   occur Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.



## Artificial Intelligence (AI) The Cautionary Tale

- The Executive Director shared important guidance regarding Artificial Intelligence (AI).
- WSO Staff and Volunteers were asked not to use any AI tools unless licensed by AFG, Inc.
- This includes transcription features for web conference meetings.
- This approach is designed to protect personally identifiable information and the confidential nature of our meetings.
- The WSO staff will continue its investigation into how to safely utilize the technology to improve efficiency while protecting our fellowship from harm.

## **Choosing a Group's Name**

 Is the name welcoming and clear to the newcomer?

 Does the name exclude certain members or new members?



#### Digest of Al-Anon and Alateen Policies

The "Digest of Al-Anon and Alateen Policies" reflects policy statements that grew out of questions and experiences from the Al-Anon fellowship worldwide. They are interpretations of our basic guides, the Twelve Traditions and the Twelve Concepts of Service.

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#### Choosing a Group's Name

When choosing an Al-Anon or Alateen group name, consider the welcoming and comforting focus of Tradition Five. Anyone affected by someone else's drinking is welcome at an Al-Anon meeting. It is vital that group names are inviting, attractive, and avoid public controversy. Our spiritual growth has its roots in the principle of anonymity, to enhance the sense of belonging and unity.

A group's name may be a person's first impression of Al-Anon. Consider the lasting impact the group name can have on newcomers, members, the public, and professionals. The group's name and meeting information may appear on local meeting lists, printed materials, websites, as well as other venues for sharing public information. (see "Publicizing Meeting Locations" in the "Policies" section of this *AlAnon/Alateen Service Manual*).

Members weigh the guidance of the spiritual principles found in the Twelve Traditions when choosing a group name:

- Common welfare and unity for the greatest number in Al-Anon
- Al-Anon does not affiliate with or endorse any outside enterprise, such as, other Twelve Step groups, self-help groups, religious groups, rehabilitation facilities, or commercial businesses.
- The only requirement for membership in Al-Anon is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend.
- The name does not affect another group, Al-Anon, or A.A. as a whole.
- Al-Anon has no opinion on outside issues.

The Policy Committee and the World Service Conference have delegated authority and responsibility to the WSO for reviewing proposed group names for adherence to Al-Anon policies and principles.

(See additional guidance found in the "Al-Anon and Alateen Groups at Work" section.)



# Implementing the policy change on Choosing a Group's Name

- WSO will only register new groups and update existing group names only when their name does not contain community-identifying designations.
- Guide groups who currently have names containing community-identifying designations to consider removing the designations from their names and using the "participants/attendees" field for community identification.

### Community Identifying Designations

Women

Men

**Parents** 

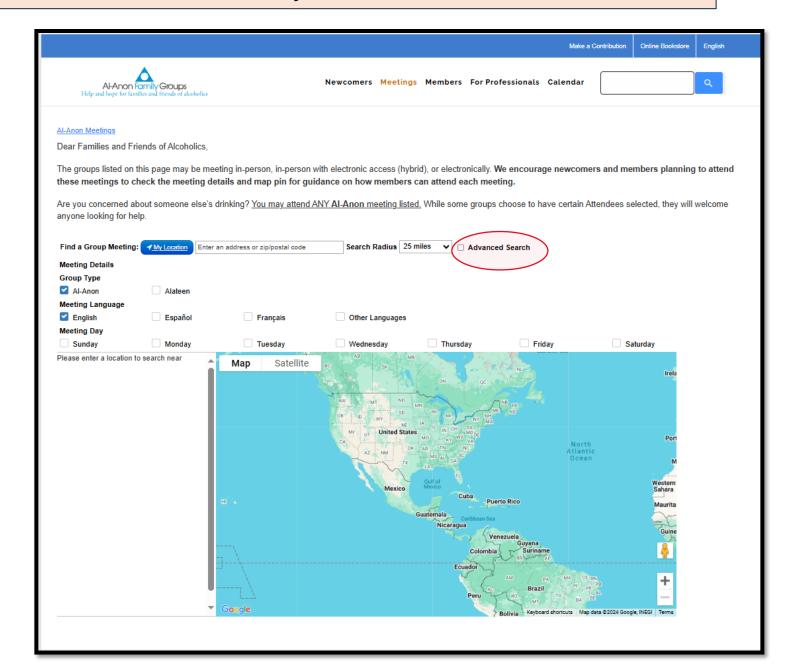
Adult Children

Young Adults

LGTBQ

People of Color

#### "use the "participants/attendees" field for community identification?



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Meeting Details						
Group Type						
✓ Al-Anon	Alateen					
Meeting Language						
English	Español	Français	Other Language	es		
Meeting Day						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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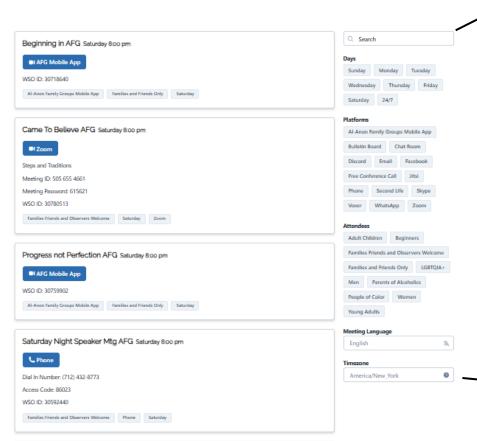
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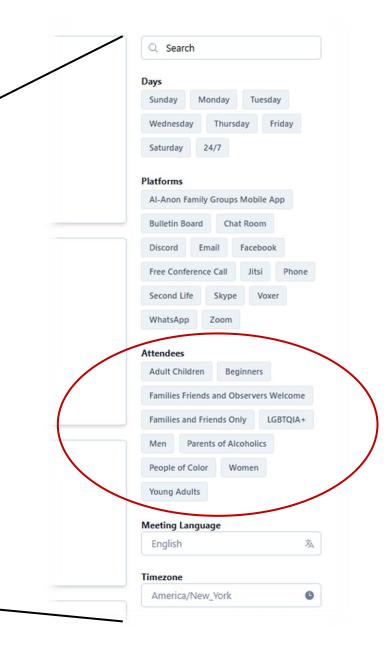
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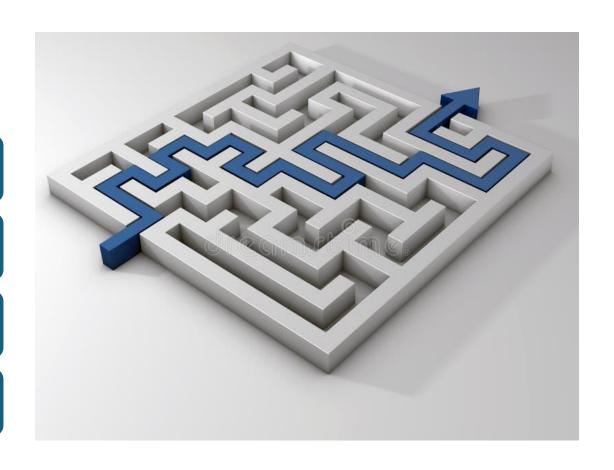
# Carry this guidance from the wider perspective back to your group conscience

Start discussion of Tradition 5

Is our name inclusive?

Is it welcoming to all?

Obedience to the unenforceable



## Open Position at Al-Anon WSO

International Specialist

Active member of Al-Anon for the last five or more years

Service beyond the group level
Passionate about Al-Anon service and
carrying the message

#### Are you that member?

See the position description for a summary of the job duties and position requirements - posted with my report on the area website (www.nynafg.com)

Send a cover letter accompanied by a service and professional resume to:

HumanRes@al-anon.org.

# We did not submit a bid to host 2025 BOT Road Trip!



# QUESTIONS