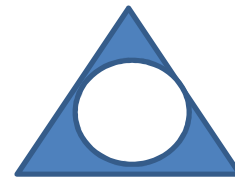


Area 35 World Service Committee

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Wisdom in the Mountains



September 15-17, 2017

Attitash Grand Summit Resort

775 Route 302, Bartlett, NH

Join us for some fun, fellowship and sharing at our NH Al-Anon and Alateen Convention with AA participation. A full weekend includes recovery workshops during the day, Saturday night dancing, and dynamic speakers. Also, The Summit has a heated swimming pool. Be sure to *call the hotel* at 888-554-1900 and use Code NH Al-Anon to reserve your room early for our special Al-Anon rates.

An online convention registration form is available on the NH Al-Anon/Alateen website (<http://nhal-anon.org/convention>). The online form includes a 2.2% PayPal transaction fee. Pre-registration is \$25.00 through 8/16/17. Walk-in registrations cost \$30.00 at the door. One check for your group of registrations is fine. We are pleased to offer a diverse meal selection this year. Please order your meals early. A limited number of meals will be available for purchase if you miss the deadline. The Hospitality Room will have snack food but not full meals. Non-perishable food for sharing will be gratefully accepted.

Have you had a chance to walk the Diana's Baths trail yet? This is an easy, handicap-accessible walk to Diana's Baths, a beautiful pool of mountain water constantly refreshed by the waterfalls above. We'll be meeting in the hotel lobby at 3:00 pm, Friday, September 15, to carpool to the trailhead. You may sign the Waiver for this once you get to the hotel.

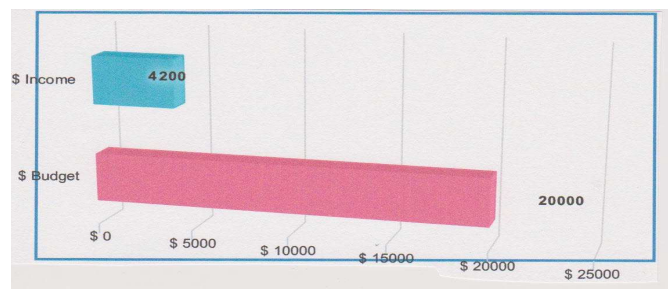
It takes a group effort to put on such a grand event as Convention. If you would like to **volunteer** to help out, please be sure to complete the Service Sign-Up section on the registration form or contact me at conventionregistration@nhal-anon.org, or the Convention Chair.
Yours in service,

Jack

Convention Registration

July Financials

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This graph, prepared by Area 35 Treasurer, Garry, shows the budget for New Hampshire in pink. Receipts through July are in blue. What's wrong with this picture?

NEW BEGINNINGS AL-ANON 9TH ANNIVERSARY

Please join us in celebration of our 9th anniversary on Sunday, August 6th, 2017

9:00 AM –10:15 AM

Upstairs at 100 Community Campus Drive
off Lafayette Road Rd, Portsmouth NH
(Park in rear lot)

AA and Al-Anon Speakers
followed by a raffle

and pot luck downstairs at the Green Bean

The NH Area Alateen AMIAS (Al-Anon Members in Alateen Service) Requirements Task Force needs an NH attorney to review the latest revisions to this Area document. Are you an attorney? Would you be willing to donate your time and expertise in service to the Area by reviewing the completed document? Please contact the Area Chairperson at Chairperson@nhal-anon.org

It's a Mystery

Somewhere out there is a convention labyrinth lovingly crafted by the husband of our Convention Chair, Trish. But where is it? If you know, contact convention@nhal-anon.org.

LIKE ACRONYMS?

LOVE- Let Others Voluntarily Evolve

PhD- Patience, hope, direction

HALT- Hungry, Angry, Lonely, Tired (Got these? Take care of yourself, then call your sponsor)



This is part
of
carrying the message

N.H. Al-Anon runs in the background, always there when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, but it depends on monetary support from all local groups. This year, \$20,060 was budgeted, with \$8,218.83 paid out as of August 1.

The answering service budgeted \$1,000, of which \$455 remains. Archives storage is \$80 over the budgeted \$700. The 2017 Convention received \$2,000 in seed money. Past Active Delegates expended the budgeted \$450 for their NERD Meeting. The state's Division of Charitable Trust was paid its annual \$75 fee for nonprofits. Rent for the World Service Committee to meet at Concord Hospital was budgeted for \$175, which has been used up mid-year. Our Delegate's line is \$1,000 with \$529 remaining. Other officers have a \$675 budget, with \$583 remaining. Coordinators have spent \$505 of their \$1300 line. Mileage has a balance of \$2,371 of its \$3,000 line. There are other unexpended lines in the budget. A detailed report is available online.

The question for groups to discuss at the district level is, What can we contribute to help our trusted servants maintain Al-Anon's quality and support? There's more work to be done.

OPEN or CLOSED
MEETING?...

If your life is affected by another's drinking you are welcome to attend any meeting listed except those identified as Alateen.

Alateen meetings are restricted to teenagers.



If you want to attend a meeting due to training requirements or if you are interested in learning more about Al-Anon please attend only the meetings on the list that are identified as Open. Meetings listed with the code "O" next to them are Open meetings. Meetings with the code "C" next to the listing are Closed meetings. If a meeting has neither a "C" nor an "O" code listed it is considered to be an Open meeting.

Your First Meeting- There is no pre-registration process. Simply choose an appropriate meeting from the list. Then show up at the location on the day and time listed. Please let those in attendance know that it is your first meeting. They should welcome you and provide some literature that you can take home following the meeting to read at your convenience.

Find meeting schedules at nhal-anon.org.

Not just a matter of words...



In Al-Anon there is only one Conference - the World Service Conference, which is held every April for all of the Delegates to meet. Even their International, held every 5 years, is a Convention. I had thought the words were interchangeable. ~ Toni

Al-Anon Areas (states or parts of states) have conventions and Group Reps gather to vote at assemblies where Area business is done. Districts hold meetings to discuss and make plans with local Group representatives.

SUBMISSIONS to Alanews are encouraged. Your own reflections about an Al-Anon topic, group news, anniversaries.. it's all good. Aim for the 15th of the month but if you miss the deadline, send it anyway and hope.

SUBSCRIPTIONS are similarly encouraged. Send your email address to alanews@nhal-anon.org to be added to the mailing list. If anyone from another Area wants to swap newsletters, please inquire. We're a worldwide fellowship, so let's go!



2017 NH Al-Anon/Alateen Convention
Live the spirit of concept 5: **participation is the key to harmony** Ways and Means participation: raffle baskets and homemade items Hospitality participation: tasty treats and friends

contact convention@nhal-anon.org

