

**December 2018**

# **Pass It On**

## **The Akron Area Al-Anon Newsletter**

Al-Anon's 4<sup>th</sup> Concept of Service is:  
"Participation is the key to Harmony."

Get involved through service!  
We need office volunteers & service officers.  
Call the office at 330-645-1165

Office Location:  
3614 Manchester Rd. Suite 103  
Akron, OH 44319  
Website: [www.afg-akron.org](http://www.afg-akron.org)  
Call us at: 330-645-1165

Send meeting topics or anniversary flyers by the 15<sup>th</sup> of month to: [passitonafg@yahoo.com](mailto:passitonafg@yahoo.com)  
Your group donation of \$10 for the flyer can be sent to the office to assist with newsletter cost.

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### Inside

- November Meeting Minutes
- October Financials

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Mark your calendars!

#### Next

### Akron Intergroup Meeting

\*Tuesday 11/6/2018 @ 7:00 pm\*

Tuesday 12/4/2018  
Tuesday 1/8/2019  
Tuesday 2/5/2019  
Tuesday 3/5/2019

Open to all Al-Anon Members,  
ISRs, Group Reps, District Reps  
You are Encouraged to Attend!

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**IMPORTANT!!!!**

To contact an officer, please call  
the office and leave a message.  
They will return your call ASAP

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We are looking for fund-raising  
suggestions such as  
workshops, bus trips (for  
example - Stepping Stones in  
New York), and any other ideas.  
Workshops can be held at the  
Intergroup office.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please consider  
volunteering for the  
Treasurer and Co-  
Treasurer positions.  
We need you!!

District 25 and 41 need  
Alternate District Reps  
Please contact Mickie G. or  
Jo S. if you are interested.

### Announcements & Anniversaries

Save the Date  
District 48 Holiday Dinner  
December 1, 2018

Stow New Hope  
45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Monday, December 10, 2018

### See Flyers Inside

Annual Plea Letter is  
Included in this newsletter

PLEASE READ AT YOUR  
MEETING FOR (3)  
CONSECUTIVE WEEKS.

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES  
INCOME STATEMENT

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES  
BALANCE SHEET

DATE: Oct-18

PREPARED BY: Laurie R.

10/31/2018

DATE: Oct-18

PREPARED BY: Laurie R.

10/31/2017

| AL-ANON INCOME          | MONTHLY             | YEAR TO DATE        | AVERAGE/MO          | YEAR TO DATE        | Balance Carried Forward                            |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Literature              | \$2,170.23          | \$21,468.26         | \$2,146.83          | \$16,147.81         | \$ 1,089.93                                        |
| Group Donations         | \$361.56            | \$2,592.88          | \$259.29            | \$2,405.22          | \$2,694.08                                         |
| Individual Donations    | \$1,329.20          | \$1,329.20          | \$132.92            | \$1,702.01          | Interest                                           |
| Spring/Fall Workshop    |                     | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | Interest                                           |
| Newsletter Postage      | \$15.00             | \$225.00            | \$22.50             | \$200.00            | Total Income & Deposits                            |
| Fliers                  | \$10.00             | \$175.00            | \$17.50             | \$190.00            | \$ 2,719.08                                        |
| Miscellaneous           | \$7.50              | \$984.95            | \$98.50             | \$271.34            | Checking Disbursements                             |
| Ohio State Sales Tax    | \$129.79            | \$1,387.51          | \$138.75            | \$1,008.49          | Alanon Savings Withdrawals                         |
| Total Income            | \$2,694.08          | \$28,162.80         | \$2,816.28          | \$21,924.87         | Alateen Savings Withdrawals                        |
| <b>AL-ANON EXPENSES</b> | <b>MONTHLY</b>      | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> |                                                    |
| Rent                    | \$600.00            | \$6,000.00          | \$600.00            | \$6,000.00          | Total Expenses & Withdrawals                       |
| Gas                     | \$32.51             | \$444.14            | \$44.41             | \$433.89            | Current Balance                                    |
| Electric                | \$73.70             | \$713.26            | \$71.33             | \$649.62            |                                                    |
| Phone & DSL             | \$107.23            | \$1,074.65          | \$107.47            | \$1,953.47          | Checking Account Balance                           |
| Web Cost                |                     | \$140.05            | \$14.01             | \$0.00              | Prudent Reserve (CD)                               |
| Newsletter Postage      |                     | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | Prudent Reserve (Savings Acct)                     |
| Office Postage          | \$76.10             | \$369.56            | \$36.96             | \$129.46            | Alateen Savings                                    |
| Office Supplies         |                     | \$193.19            | \$19.32             | \$398.61            | Petty Cash                                         |
| Literature              | \$1,244.21          | \$16,005.61         | \$1,600.56          | \$10,721.36         | Total Current Account Balances                     |
| Copier                  | \$45.47             | \$332.68            | \$33.27             | \$753.74            | Al-Anon Out of Balance                             |
| Miscellaneous           |                     | \$1,142.72          | \$114.27            | \$646.45            | Alateen Out of Balance                             |
| Alateen                 |                     | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | \$214.50            | Total Accounts Receivable                          |
| Ohio State Sales Tax    |                     | \$1,228.92          | \$122.89            | \$1,274.59          | Literature Inventory                               |
| Total Expenses          | \$2,179.22          | \$27,644.78         | \$2,764.48          | \$23,175.69         |                                                    |
| Net Income - Expenses   | \$514.86            | \$518.02            | \$51.80             | -\$1,250.82         | Groups That Helped Keep The Doors Open. Thank You! |
| <b>NON-CASH EXPENSE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | Al-Anon Donations                                  |
| MOW                     |                     | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | Tues Solon Serenity                                |
| PIC                     |                     | \$26.88             | \$26.88             | \$11.25             | District 48 - for 100 schedules                    |
| Total                   | \$0.00              | \$26.88             | \$26.88             | \$11.25             | Focus on Growth                                    |
| <b>Al-Anon Savings</b>  | <b>MONTHLY</b>      | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> | Hudson Friday                                      |
| Deposits                |                     | \$60.00             | \$60.00             | \$0.00              | Circle of Hope AFG                                 |
| Withdrawals             |                     | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | \$0.00              | NewHope AFG                                        |
| Net Savings Dep.-WD     | \$ -                | \$60.00             | \$60.00             | \$0.00              | Happiness & Acceptance                             |

| ALATEEN INCOME           | MONTHLY        | YEAR TO DATE        |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| Group Donations          | \$25.00        | \$1,437.65          |
| Individual Donations     |                | \$859.51            |
| Miscellaneous            |                | \$0.00              |
| Total Alateen Income     | \$25.00        | \$2,297.16          |
| <b>AL-ATEEN EXPENSES</b> | <b>MONTHLY</b> | <b>YEAR TO DATE</b> |
| Literature               |                | \$0.00              |
| Korniac                  |                | \$675.00            |
| Miscellaneous            |                | \$300.00            |
| Total Alateen Expenses   | \$0.00         | \$975.00            |
| Net Alateen Inc.-Exp.    | \$25.00        | \$1,322.16          |

| YEAR TO DATE | YEAR TO DATE |
|--------------|--------------|
| \$240.00     | \$366.24     |
| \$366.24     | \$606.24     |
| \$606.24     | \$0.00       |
| \$0.00       | \$400.00     |
| \$400.00     | \$215.00     |
| \$215.00     | \$615.00     |
| \$615.00     | -\$8.76      |

| Delinquent Group Accounts | 60 Days | 90 Days | 120 Plus |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| Brecksville AFG           | 36.37   |         |          |
| Hope and Happiness        | 89.31   |         |          |

Al-Anon Out of Balance \$0.00  
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Total Accounts Receivable \$ 1,536.20  
Literature Inventory  
Groups That Helped Keep The Doors Open. Thank You!  
Al-Anon Donations  
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Tues Solon Serenity  
District 48 - for 100 schedules  
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Hudson Friday  
Circle of Hope AFG  
NewHope AFG  
Happiness & Acceptance  
Hudson Friday  
First Things First

## INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES OF 11/6/2018

Present- Cathy C, Dan C, Becky Z, Sharon M, Amber, Jo S, Mickie G, MaryBeth R, Mariann H Lucy M, Meg K, Don V, Sheri G.

Chairperson- Cathy called the meeting to order and the Traditions were read.

Co- Chair- Dan- 22 Newsletters mailed and 26 e-mailed.

Secretary- The minutes were approved by motion and vote.

Treasurer- Janet gave report- see report

Literature- not present. Becky gave report. She had 2 big orders today, she is keeping up with the orders, even with the added orders from Cleveland. Jo said the new book is selling well. She also said WSO still needs sharings for the Legacy cook. Also another new book based on collections from the Forum Stories. They need recent ones and suggestions for the Title. Jo suggested each group have a subscription, the cost is reasonable. Abby asked about the new intimacy book.

MOW- Sharon said there is still an opening for speakers at the St. Thomas meeting on Dec. 12 at 7:00. If the meeting is canceled they will notify her by 6:16.

She is stating to line up speakers for 2019. Jo suggested a sign up sheet be put in the Newsletter to help.

PIC- There are still recovery postcards available to place on billboard

Alateen- Wendy not present. There will not be fund raising at Gratitude Night due to conflict of interest. However book covers will be available at Intergroup and other Al-Anon functions. Jo talked about the expenses for Gratitude Night for, rent, book marks, beverages, etc. The money raised is to pay for Dr's expedience to the Spring and Fall Meetings.

Office Coordinator-- See report. Also volunteer needed for Wednesdays. Mickis said she would help temporarily.

OAA Liason- Cindy not here . Jo said all positions that needed filled were filled at the 2 Day Fall meeting, Jo will be ALT. Delegate she will have to give up being DR, so someone is needed to take that position. She and Mickie are having an information Meeting on Dec. 1 at 1:15 at the Intergroup Office, to explain what the responsibilities of the Dr and the Gr's and ISR. Food will be provided. She talked about the groups isolating if they aren't participating in the WSO. Becky announced that place settings for Gratitude Night are not needed just for this year, they will be using up what is left at the office.

Founders Day- Cathy and Dan attended a meeting 11/5. The new schedule will be Sat.- 9:30 to 10:30, Sponsorship. 12:00 Double Lead. 2:00 Songs of recovery. Other options for Friday, Long Timer Panel, Work shops or marathon al-anon meeting. Also time for alateen from 3:00 until 8:00.

Old Business- Mickie, Jo, Mariann and Lucy formed a task force to research possible fundraiser for Inter Group. Jo suggested 1 day work shop. And that Oct. And March are not good months to have it.

Mickie announced speakers for Gratitude Night, and passed around a sign up she to help out.

New Business- none

Cathy asked each of us to go around the room and state what we are grateful for.

Minutes submitted by Mariann H Secretary

## **Akron Area Al-anon Intergroup and Literature Distribution Service (AAIS)**

Please read this at 2 meetings so that all members may participate in the Seventh Tradition

Annual Appeal Letter

November 2018

Dear Al-Anon and Alateen members,

WHO WE ARE:

The Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup and Literature Distribution Service (AAIS) referred to as the Al-Anon Intergroup Office is a volunteer office for Al-Anon in the greater Akron area.

OUR PURPOSE:

- A. Promote unity of purpose
- B. Handle questions of policy, Inter-group relations and any internal problems that are presented: all such questions are to be considered and adjusted in accordance with the Al-Anon Family Group Traditions.
- C. Provide opportunity for exchange of group ideas
- D. Receive and respond to requests from individuals and organizations about the Al-Anon/Alateen programs.
- E. Issue a monthly newsletter
- F. Encourage new Al-Anon Family Groups and support their growth
- G. Maintain an internet website of Al-Anon/Alateen for our service area.

In order for the Akron Area Intergroup Office to serve the Al-Anon groups and the community, we rely on the generosity of the members and the Al-Anon groups for support. We thank you for your ongoing support and ask that members and groups consider making a commitment to support our annual appeal by making a donation. Your donation will help us meet operating expenses and will make a difference in our community by allowing the Intergroup office to continue to do Twelfth-Step work.

Personal contributions to AAIS may qualify as a charitable deduction. Donation checks should be made out to Akron Al-Anon Intergroup and sent to 3614 Manchester Road Suite 103, Akron, Ohio 44319

Sincerely,

Laurie R., Treasurer

LET IT BEGIN WITH ME – When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help, let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there and LET IT BEGIN WITH ME.

Remember that sharing your meeting topics can be a life line for a fellow Al-Anon member who is looking for answers.

Lockwood – Courage to be Me – Tuesdays at 7:30 PM

December 4 – Emptiness

December 11 – Fear of Abandonment

December 18 – Step 11 / Tradition 11

December 25 – NO MEETING

January 1 – NO MEETING

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District 51 Step Meeting - Sunday at 7:45 PM  
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These meetings need our experience, strength and hope to continue:

Acceptance & Happiness (Sunday at 6:30 in Ellet)  
Springfield Presbyterian Church - 671 Canton Rd (corner of Albrecht)  
And  
Kent Friendly AFG (Friday at 8:00)  
Kent United Methodist Church - 1435 E Main St  
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**TOOLS FOR RECOVERY – MONDAY NIGHT  
NEW MEETING LOCATION**

Effective Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> Tools for Recovery Al-Anon meeting will be moving from Cornerstone Church, 578 Killian Road, Akron, OH 44319 to a new location.

Meetings will be held in the new location of the Cornerstone Church Offices, **2717 S. Arlington Rd., Suite C, Akron, OH 44312** at 7:00 pm. The new church office is located in the back of the Green Physical Therapy and Sports Center Building located at the corner of Arlington and Killian Road. Use the entrance off of Killian Road to easily access the back of the building where Suite C is located.

**Stow New Hope  
45th**

**Anniversary**

**Come celebrate with us!  
Monday - December 10,  
2018**

**Holy Family Church**

3179 Kent Rd.

**Stow, Ohio**

Lower level-Room 1

Door Open - 7:30

Speakers at 8:00

**Updated Speaker Information  
Program**

**Tom and Hannah A.**

**Refreshment Served  
Finger Foods and Cake**

**An Evening of Experience, Strength, and  
Hope**

## Newsletter Subscription Form

If you wish to receive the Pass It On Newsletter please fill out the subscription form below and return to the Intergroup Office with your payment to start receiving hardcopy or email scanned copy for 2019.

**Subscription Rates: \$15 per year Hardcopy sent via US Mail  
\$5 per year scanned version sent via email**

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Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

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### Individual Subscriptions

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