

## **Alateen Coordinator Report, Fall Assembly 2023**

Was it just last year, Fall Assembly 2022 when I was selected for this position? I must be careful; it seems so long ago to be so recent! It has been a busy year, with much ado in January and February to get AMIAS training going before the WSO deadline. But we did it. This was not all my effort, no one Al-Anon member provides all the effort in anything AFG.

AMIAS safety training is required annually. Yes! Every year we need to renew our certification to serve Alateen as AMIAS (Al-Anon Member Involved in Alateen Service). Your district APP will ask if you are willing to continue serving and ask a few questions regarding your participation in Al-Anon. Every three years we will ask you to redo a background check which includes fingerprints. Our goal is to provide a safe place for Alateen to continue as part of our worldwide fellowship of Al-Anon Family Groups.

I have been given the opportunity to do the Safety Training at a few district meetings, at the Spring Assembly and over the phone or by zoom. Some aspects remain unchanged, but I look for ways to keep it interesting and valuable. There are some opportunities coming up by the asking. What? Is it that simple?

Almost. I am at your service – with a little bit of planning. Ask me. No, really! Ask me!

One of the problems that affects Alateen in Utah is finding Al-Anon (and AA) members to get certified as AMIAS so that every group has two AMIAS in their meeting. This is a “MUST” in Utah Al-Anon. Some localities just haven’t been able to achieve this yet.

I asked UTAC, the annual Alateen Conference to require all volunteers to become certified and that did happen- but this year’s Conference did not survive the wet, wet season and the camp was still flooded or at risk of flooding at Conference time. But the camp is reserved for next year and we’ll be prepared again. UTAC is an Area activity, open to Alateen members and AMIAS from all of Utah groups. Become involved!

The Area Chair will also be asking for a UTAC committee that will meet throughout the year to keep our Alateen Conference strong and healthy. As with any committee, rotation of service helps new ideas to come in while longer serving members are able to step back and not feel overextended.

Have you seen the new *Alateen ‘Just For Tonight’* bookmark? It’s great. Watch for it in a group near you. We can always use another bookmark!

Love in Service, Ked K, Alateen Coordinator