THE AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE!

AL-ANON LITERATURE SKIT

Two people are needed to do this skit; one to read and one to hold up each piece of literature as it is mentioned. If you wish to add a third person, you could make a sign that says *AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE* and that person could hold it up each time it is said.

Have all the literature needed arranged <u>in order</u> on a table in front of you. It's a good idea to highlight the book and pamphlet titles on this script to make it easier to see and be ready.

Ladies and gentlemen...Today I am going to talk to you about one of the most amazing products of our time. Maybe one of the most amazing products of any time! Certainly a product we are privileged to have right at our fingertips. No, it doesn't dice, it doesn't slice and you probably won't be the first person on the block to have it. Am I talking about a new kitchen gadget? No, I'm not! Am I talking about the latest diet aid? No, I'm not! What I have to share with you today is none other than...the AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE!! Something no alcoholic home should be without! AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE comes with no guarantees or warranties, but it is loaded with potential. Now just sit back and with the help of my lovely assistants, I will show you many of the wonderful features of the AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE.

We can make a start at UNDERSTANDING OURSELVES AND ALCOHOLISM (P-48) because today, AL-ANON IS SPOKEN HERE (P-53). As many of you know, alcoholism can put us on a MERRY-GO-ROUND OF DENIAL (P-3). We need to begin by identifying the problem...SO YOU LOVE AN ALCOHOLIC (P-14)...before we can find FREEDOM FROM DESPAIR (P-6) and be able to go FROM SURVIVAL TO RECOVERY (B-21). Let's begin by asking ourselves a few general questions:

DID YOU GROW UP WITH A PROBLEM DRINKER? (S-25) ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT SOMEONE'S DRINKING? (M-1) WHAT DO YOU DO ABOUT THE ALCOHOLIC'S DRINKING? (P-19) You might even be asking HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILDREN? (P-9) Ladies and gentlemen, I have many answers for you today that you can use as your **GUIDE FOR THE FAMILY OF THE ALCOHOLIC** (P-7). AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE has a message **TO PARENTS OF ALCOHOLICS** (P-16), for the man who asks **DOES SHE DRINK TOO MUCH?** (P-62), It also includes **SHARINGS FROM ADULT CHILDREN** (P-47). We can make lots of **SUGGESTIONS** (P-13) to lots of folks because **AL-ANON IS FOR MEN** (P-1), **ALL PEOPLE OF COLOR** (S-68), **ADULT CHILDREN** (S-69), or any family member or friend of an alcoholic. It even has **THE AL-ANON FOCUS** (P-45) for those recovering from alcoholism themselves.

This AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE gives everyone the COURAGE TO BE ME (B-23) by OPENING OUR HEARTS, and TRANSFORMING OUR LOSSES (B-29). It shows us PATHS TO RECOVERY (B-24), ways of DISCOVERING CHOICES (B-30), and also provides HOPE FOR CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS through ALATEEN (B-3). Why, it even gives us THREE VIEWS OF AL-ANON (P-15) from the alcoholic. AMAZING AL-ANON LITRATURE can make your life more manageable with the handy-to-have around the house **TWELVE STEPS & TRADITIONS** (B-8 and P-17). It even answers questions you may never have thought to ask, like: **WHY ANONYMITY IN AL-ANON?** (P-33), **WHY CONFERENCE APPROVED LITERATURE?** (P-35), and **WHAT'S SPONSORSHIP ALL ABOUT?** (P-31)

Now some of you might know about LIVING TODAY IN ALATEEN---A DAY AT A TIME (B-10 & B-26), but I'm MOVING ON FROM ALATEEN TO AL-ANON (P-59) today to tell you how you can learn about ALCOHOLISM, THE FAMILY DISEASE (P-4). AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE also makes it possible to learn about Al-Anon from the beginning as LOIS REMEMBERS (B-7) it, and you will hear from MANY VOICES who are on ONE JOURNEY (B-31). Some people think they have it made when sobriety comes, but AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE makes it clear that LIVING WITH SOBRIETY (P-49) is just another beginning. We still have to deal with the many DILEMMAS OF THE ALCOHOLIC MARRIAGE (B-4). We learn that when we use Al-anon IN ALL OUR AFFAIRS (B-15) and that WHEN we GET BUSY we GET BETTER (P-78), it helps provides a healthier outlook on life.

AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE can show you how changes are possible, if you have **THE COURAGE TO CHANGE** (B-16). It has a **BLUEPRINT FOR PROGRESS** (P-91 & P-5) for adults and the **ALATEEN 4TH STEP INVENTORY** (P-64) for the children. AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE provides **HOPE & UNDERSTANDING FOR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS** (P-94).

We <u>can</u> have HOPE FOR TODAY (B-27). JUST FOR TODAY (M-12) we can begin living a more balanced life. JUST FOR TONIGHT (M-81) we can find ourselves REACHING FOR PERSONAL FREEDOM (P-92) with improved INTIMACY IN

ALCOHOLIC RELATIONSHIPS (B-33). THE AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS (B-5) are here to help. You too, can learn to live ONE DAY AT A TIME IN AL-ANON (B-6).

AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE is available wherever meetings are held. Find **HOW AL-ANON WORKS** (B-22) using WALLET CARDS (M-7, M-8, M-10, M-11), BOOKMARKS (**Sponsorship** and **Outreach**), pamphlets (**THE CONCEPTS** P-57) and books.

AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE has something for anyone whose life has been affected by someone else's drinking. And for under a dollar a month, you can also receive the handy companion piece, **THE FORUM**, the monthly magazine of Al-Anon Family Groups, sharing recovery, unity, and service.

So, get a grip on what's happening with **AL-ANON**, **YOU AND THE ALCOHOLIC** (P-2). Take advantage of the experience, strength and hope with the AMAZING AL-ANON LITERATURE. It is possible that **AS WE UNDERSTOOD** (B-11) our past and our relationship to a Higher Power, things may change, bringing us a better life than we ever imagined. After all, ladies and gentlemen,

THIS IS AL-ANON (P-32)!! Accept no Substitutes!