



# Never Alone

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The Anchorage Area NA Newsletter



# WE NEED YOU

## **We are currently looking for submissions.**

If you have stories, wisdom, humor, events, photos (No faces!), or announcements that you would like to share, please send them to: [Nick.baker2@gmail.com](mailto:Nick.baker2@gmail.com). Deadline for submission is the 15th of the month. Currently the majority of our submissions are coming from 2-3 people and while they are doing a great job, it would be awesome to have a greater breadth of local sobriety included in the newsletter. My request for next month is for someone to write a 1/2 -2 page article on step 6 and your experience with it! I will gladly take submissions on other topics as well! Thanks

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep Anchorage Area Narcotics Anonymous members informed of the events and happenings of our fellowship. Every attempt is made to adhere to NAWS guidelines for newsletters. The content contained herein expresses the views and knowledge of its contributors, not N.A. as a whole.

If you are interested in working on the newsletter contact Nick B @ 907-202-1108. Meeting dates are varied.

**Anchorage NA Helpline: 907-277-5483**

# Area Service News and Notes!

## H&I News

Call for H&I Volunteers.

The Anchorage H&I committee is looking for members of the fellowship to get involved in our H&I Panels. The panels are pretty thin, usually with one or two volunteers available per week. To participate, you may contact Victorious, our H&I Chair, at 202-6559. Or you may contact a panel leader if a particular commitment appeals to you. Some of these have significant clearance requirements, while others do not.

Our commitments include



Facility	Panel Leader	Schedule	Contact
Anchorage East	Craig O	Monday 7 pm	Doug 244-6030
Anchorage West	Tony L	Wednesday 6:30 pm	Doug 244-6030
Cordova House	Vacant	None	Doug 244-6030
Genesis House	Vacant	Tuesday 7 pm	
Hiland Correctional	Victorious	Saturday 1 pm	Victorious 202-6559
Glennwood	Doug	Saturday 4 pm	Doug 244-6030
Clitheroe Mens	Dave L	Tuesday 7 pm	Dave L 903-7343
Clitheroe Womens	Echo	Monday 7 pm	Echo
Goose Creek Correction	Frank Z	Wednesday 7 pm	Frank 242-6717
SARP (Salvatin Army)	Pius	Wednesday 8 pm	Pius 301-9005
Akila House	Alan B	Monday 7 pm	Alan B 310-7858
API	Vacant	None	Doug P

The Anchorage H&I committee invite any of our fellowship with 6 months clean or more to get involved. (at 6 months, you may share as a panel volunteer.)

Anchorage H&I meets on Monday after Area at Wings and Things in the Mall on Arctic and 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue. All are invited. Victorious is committed to providing orientation to any who need it at the meeting.

# Area Service News and Notes Continued!

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## REGIONAL NEWS

Alaska Regional Committee of NA met April 25<sup>th</sup>. Minutes are posted on AKNA.org. The highlights are as follows:

- Our regional delegate team returned from the Western State Zonal Forum meeting, which was held in Phoenix this year. The WSZF report is located on the AKNA.org web site on the "Region" page.
- Alaska Region will host the WSZF meeting in Feb 2018. Golden Heart Area has agreed to host the event.
- The 2017 and 2018 ARSC budget passed.
- The H&I Chair, Audrey B, was voted in. (By the way, Audrey hosted an H&I segment at the Anchorage learning days recently.)
- Shannon D was voted in as Regional Treasurer.
- The Guidelines need a final up or down vote. Golden Heart used an old version of the guidelines to get conscience so they need to revisit a few items. When that is done, the final draft revision of the Regional Guidelines will be distributed to the Areas for the final "up or down" vote.

## Voting on Western States Zonal Forum!

Again?

Why are we voting on the Motion to fund the ARD to Western States Zonal Forum *Again*?

Last Summer, Anchorage voted to approve a motion to send both members of our Regional Delegate team to the annual Western States Zonal Forum conference. The Motion passed at the October Regional meetin. This increased our WSZF budget from \$1000 to \$2000 per year. The upside of this effort is that the ARD participates in the WSZF discussion and collaboration, exchanges information with other regional delegates and NA World Services, and, by this, becomes a more effective RD. [By the way if you want to read the report from the RD about this year's WSZF, it is posted on "Region" page of the AKNA.org web site. It is a good report.]

The motion in May to *re-consider*" the WSZF motion came from Clean and Serene, which is Doug P's home group. He brought it to his skeptic homeys, who were kind enough to listen to it, and they authorized bringing it to Area.

Doug brought the re-consideration motion to his home group because his friend Dennis is the Kenai RCM and Kenai has not been able to get past the WSZF motion.

Kenai was so opposed to the WSZF motion they voted against the budget at the April 25<sup>th</sup> Regional meeting *because it included the WSZF line item increase that was based on the motion of 6-months earlier.*

Why is Kenai so upset by this budget? There is a roughly \$10,000 budget this year, our anticipated revenue is \$5000 and there is \$13,000 in the bank. If we spend all the budget (by the way we usually don't), guess what? We will have \$8000 left in the bank at the end of the year.

With this kind of guaranteed declining bank balance, Kenai stated they would rather spend the \$1000 on growing and developing our fellowship in Alaska, using it on something like Outreach to Hub communities.

Oh by the way, the Regional Chair holds that there is a time when all of us need to surrender and let go for the sake of unity – and it appears that that time has come for Kenai.



# Events and Happenings!

Jun'17	EVENT	LOCATION	HOST	DONATION
2 - 4 TBA	<i>Valdez Area of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  NA in Tents Campout	Valdez Glacier Campground  Valdez, AK	Valdez Area of Narcotics Anonymous  Larry K <a href="#">Valdez Campout Information</a>	Bring your own camping gear Soon to Come: Flyer for more details
4 10 a.m.	<i>Fairbanks Area of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  Angel Rocks Hike  <a href="#">Angel Hike Flyer</a>	Meet at Johansen McDonalds Drive to Angel Rocks at 10:30 a.m. Fairbanks, AK	Fairbanks Area of Narcotics Anonymous	Meeting at the top of the rocks Bring your own water and bug dope
23 - 25 TBA	<i>North Pole Outlaws of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  Annual Women's Retreat  <a href="#">Golden Heart Women's Retreat Flyer</a>	Twin Bears Camp Milepost 30 Chena Hot Springs Road Fairbanks, AK	North Pole Outlaws of Narcotics Anonymous  Nancy B 907.799.1690 or Ashley B 907-750-2097	Bring your own camping gear See flyer for most details
30 TBA	<i>Mat-Su Valley of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  Rally in the Valley  <a href="#">Flyer to come soon</a>	TBA  Mat-Su, AK	Mat-Su Valley of Narcotics Anonymous	Detail to Come
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Jul'17	EVENT	LOCATION	HOST	DONATION
28 - 30 TBA	<i>Fairbanks Area of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  33rd Annual Blow Out Planting the Seed	Twin Bears Milepost 30 Chena Hot Springs Rd Fairbanks, AK	Fairbanks Area of Narcotics Anonymous  Sara P 907-338-8265 <a href="#">Submit Logo Email</a>	Logo Contest Accepting logos or ideas until March 15 Winner gets a T-shirt
Aug '17	EVENT	LOCATION	HOST	DONATION
4 - 6 TBA	<i>Kenai Area of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  Campvention	Alaska Christian Retreat Mile 89 Sterling Hwy Deville Rd. Soldotna, AK	Kenai Area of Narcotics Anonymous  Mandy	Details to Come
Sep '17	EVENT	LOCATION	HOST	DONATION
Oct '17	EVENT	LOCATION	HOST	DONATION
6 - 8 TBA	<i>Alaska Region of Narcotics Anonymous</i>  33rd Annual Convention  <a href="#">Flyer to come soon</a>	TBA  Anchorage, AK	Alaska Region of Narcotics Anonymous	Details to come

