

Never Alone

Anchorage Area NA Newsletter

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We are currently looking for submissions!!

If you have stories, wisdom, humor, events, photos (No faces!), or announcesments you would like to share, please submit them to neveralonenewsletter907@gmail.com. Dealine for submissions is the 15th of the month.

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

If you are interested in working on the newsletter contact Amy U @ 907-952-5939. Subcommittee meetings are held the Thursday after area at Gwennies at 6:30 PM. Anchorage Area Service Committee (AASC) is in desperate need of members of our community to fulfill service commitments. I feel it's important for everyone to understand the positions that are available and the basic responsibilities for each. I was taught early on that when I'm asked to be of service, I should never say "No" and I've never come across a request I could not handle! It's also important that we be a part of so we can teach the next generation the importance of service.

Following is a tidbit from Sasha:

Hellurrr my name is Sasha and I'm an addict. I have had the pleasure of serving on several different levels from home groups, to sponsorship, to sharing in meetings, to area. From the jump I was raised in this program when you are asked to be of service, you never say no and always run it by your sponsor to ensure the commitment is feasible and the traditions and guidelines are taught, reviewed and respected.

When asked to be of service, I never said no. I didn't understand why at the time, I just knew it was sponsor directed and my sponsor had never steered me wrong before. What I now know is that service keeps me clean, grows my conscious contact with a power greater than me, teaches me to live in the principles, share what was freely given to me and serve a loving higher power.

Anchorage Area fellowship is at a place where we have so many wanting and willing to be of service and have heard they may feel intimidated and/or discouraged. I have been there as have countless others. Through some phone calls and Facebook posts, the fellowship thought it would be amazing to share in a newsletter what is available at area level and the responsibilities that come with it.

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Anchorage NA Helpline: 907-277-5483

(Continued from Page 1)...With April around the corner which is time for new subcommittee chair nominations, the following will focus on those subcommittees. If you are nominated by your home group for a subcommittee chair, you will be asked to attend area with your qualifications written out.

Should you need help with your qualifications, don't hesitate to ask someone who is or has been an active service member at area level!!

AASC Standing Subcommittee Chairperson

Term: 1 Year

Requirements: 2+ years abstinence and 2+ years service

Notes: Each subcommittee consists of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary

Below is a basic overview of each subcommittee and it's responsibilities. Please see the AASC guidelines for a more comprehensive description.

Public Information

Creating, updating and duplication of schedules; coordinates NA Hotline; provide and keep stocked pamphlets in the service area; provide treasurer with financial reports and maintain records of activities, expenditures, mailing lists, etc.

Hospitals & Institutions (H&I)

Contact point for Hospitals and Institutions interested in an NA meeting in their facility & maintains that relationship; locates and maintains list of qualified panel members and H&I meetings; considers new H&I meetings; provide treasurer with financial reports and maintain records of activities, expenditures, mailing lists, etc.

<u>Activities</u>

Organizes events, functions, fundraising events, learning days and assists region with functions; manages seed money; provide treasurer with financial reports and maintain records of activities, expenditures, mailing lists, etc.

<u>Literature</u>

Maintains inventory of literature & key tags; makes literature items available at events & activities; provide treasurer with financial reports and maintain records of activities, expenditures, mailing lists, etc.

<u>Newsletter</u>

Gather NA related letters, stories, announcements, upcoming events and the like for printing in the newsletter to conform with the Traditions and Concepts for Service; edits, copies and distributes the newsletter; provide treasurer with financial reports and maintain records of activities, expenditures, mailing lists, etc.

WE NEED YOU!!!!!!!

Anchorage area is in need of people ready and willing to do service work! Come be of service!