

Archives Coordinator Report
Fall 2025 HAWSC
Submitted by Jess G.

I have attended three Area Archives Coordinator meetings so far this year (March, June, and September). I shared the Archives 101 Slideshow I created for Spring Assembly to the AFG Connects Archives Community at the request of a fellow Archives Coordinator who wanted to use it as a template for her Area.

The Archives Thought Force has continued to meet regularly and our goal is to complete our recommendations before the Spring 2026 Assembly.

In preparation for the Fall 2025 Assembly, I've also been searching past PDF files of World Conference Summaries and searching (by clicking CTRL + F) "Hawaii". I found some gems including writings from Marlene D., our first Hawaii delegate in 1976. Which means Hawaii Area will celebrate 50 years next year!

Interestingly, Marlene D. wrote the following for the 1977 WCS:
~~ACROSS THE NATION AND CANADA.~~

Specialization of Groups

In a spirited but healthy exercise in differing opinions, Conference members addressed themselves to the specialization and subdivision of members into groups which cite a particular life-style or condition in their names; i.e. Parents, Separated, Stag, etc. Those who proposed a change in the Policy advocated not registering groups who used a name which would imply a restricted membership. Others felt that a group name was part of its autonomy and that the policy should remain the same. Currently, the WSO will register "any group designating itself as an Al-Anon Family Group with the understanding that it will abide by the Traditions and that meetings will be open to any Al-Anon member." The decision of the Conference was not to amend the policy. Marleen D., Hawaii, presided at this exchange.

WSO Archives highlighted the following anniversaries:

P-78, When I Got Busy I Got Better turns 30 years old this year.

B-8, Al-Anon's 12 Steps and 12 Traditions turns 20 years old this year.

Al-Anon's 75th Anniversary

Al-Anon's 75th Anniversary Celebration was approved by the Board and announced to Conference. The Celebration will take place on April 25, 2026, with a tour of the WSO and dinner. All Al-Anon members are welcome.

Group records report 11/7/ 2025 Fall Assembly

Yolanda group records coordinator

This is the information I received after attending the October 11, 2025 zoom Afg meeting.

It discusses what the WSO procedures are when Al-anon groups are reported as not meeting.

My comments are in parentheses the rest is the letter that was sent to me

I'll include the letter as well.

Memorandum

TO: Area Group Records Coordinators

FROM: Valerie Stump, AFG Records Coordinator

DATE: June 11, 2021

RE: Updated WSO Procedure for Al-Anon Groups Reported Not Meeting

Every month the WSO receives an average of 70 "Report a Problem" notifications submitted from the al-anon.org meeting search. Thanks to your cooperation and ongoing dedication, the majority of these notifications are resolved very promptly—within a matter of days.

We're grateful for your valuable service on behalf of the friends and families of alcoholics to provide accurate meeting information to anyone seeking Al-Anon's help.

One of the options members have in the "Report a Problem" menu is "Reported Not Meeting." This is used when a member tries and fails to find a meeting at the designated time, day of the week, or location displayed on the meeting search. WSO Staff have a process in place to resolve the status of groups "Reported Not Meeting" and recently reviewed and revised its procedures.

As of June 1, 2021 groups that continue to be in "Reported Not Meeting" status after initial attempts to resolve the status will be inactivated. The initial process involves multiple levels of outreach and can take up to three months (see below). To date, only 25 groups

are affected by the change in procedure. We are sharing this information with you and encourage you to share it with your Area Delegate and District Representatives who are also involved in this process.

AFG Records follow-up timeline after a group is reported not meeting:

The group is placed in Reported Not Meeting status in the WSO database the same day.

The meeting is temporarily removed from the al-anon.org meeting search and the toll-free meeting information line until the status of the meeting can be verified. This is so members do not continue to be directed to a meeting that may not be meeting.

DAY 1 – DAY 3: AFG Records staff contacts the group the same day the report is made.

The group has three business days to respond.

- o The group verifies the status of the meeting.

- o The status of the group is updated.

(Contact would be made through the CMA (current mailing address) and or the group's email.)

DAY 4 – DAY 34: If the group has not responded within three business days, staff sends a notice to the Area Group Records Coordinator.

The Area Group Records Coordinator has 30 days to respond.

(This would be me. I would contact the DR's to ask what is going on with that group.)

- o The Coordinator verifies the status of the meeting.

- o The status of the group is updated in the Online Group Records application

DAY 35 – DAY 65: If there is no response from the Area Group Records Coordinator, AFG

(Then AFG would ask the DRS what's going on or if there's no DR they would ask the area Delegate.)

Records staff notifies the District Representative (DR) or the Area Delegate (if there's no DR). The DR has 30 days to respond.

- o The DR verifies the status of the meeting.

- o The status of the group is updated through the Area process or by the WSO.

DAY 66 – 96: If there is no response from the DR, AFG Records staff notifies the Area Delegate. The Delegate has 30 days to respond.

- o The Delegate verifies the status of the meeting.

o The status of the group is updated through the Area process or by the WSO.

AFTER 96 DAYS: If the group is still in "Reported Not Meeting" status after 96 days, the group will be inactivated by AFG Records staff.

In the past, after all of the attempts to reach the meeting had been exhausted, the process would start over again with the Area Group Records Coordinator. This created an ongoing cycle of unfinished work for multiple Area trusted servants as well as AFG Records staff.

In the meantime, the meeting was not listed on the WSO meeting search anyway. In reviewing the process, we determined that it was not a prudent use of limited Area and WSO resources to continue to pursue a different resolution to the question of group status for this very small number of groups that could not be reached or did not respond to multiple and prolonged outreach attempts.

Again, thank you for all that you do to help the families and friends of alcoholics. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Valerie Stump, the AFG Records Coordinator at valerie@al-anon.org or (757) 563-1600 ext. 1643.

Hawai'i Area Alateen Coordinator Report

Fall Assembly 2025

Currently Certified AMIAS in Hawai'i Area

Hawaii Island: 13

Kauai: 6

Maui: 12

O'ahu: 11

TOTAL: 29

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Alateen's Goal #1: Establish at least one Alateen meeting on each of 4 islands-
COMPLETED

Alateen's Goal #2: Use culturally relevant strategies to attract new Alateens –
IN PROGRESS

Alateen Scene Newsletter

The Alateen Scene newsletter was created and was sent to all District Reps, island Alateen Coordinators for distribution to their GRs. , Additionally, the Alateen Scene was posted in Groups IO. Newsletters were distributed in:

2024: October, November, December

2025: January/February; March/April; May/June; August/September; October; November/December

Alateen Thought Force

An Alateen Thought Force used the KBDM process to determine the important issues with Alateen in the Hawaii Area. The Thought Force met five times throughout 2024-2025 and recommended that an Alateen Task Force work on a recommendation that AMIAS across the Hawaiian Islands undergo fingerprinting and a background check before serving as AMIAS.

Alateen Task Force

An Alateen Task Force replicated the KBDM process used by the Alateen Thought Force to research, select, and recommend a process for adding fingerprinting and background checks for AMIAS. This recommendation would begin January 1 2025, and continue through January 1, 2026 ,as a trial program. AMIAS certified before January 1, 2026 will not be required to undergo a background check and are grandfathered in as they are currently in service to Alateens. All AMIAS must go through the recertification process by June 2026.

Alateen and WSO Group Records

Initial applications to become an AMIAS were sent to the Hawaii Area Alateen Coordinator. All applications were processed through WSO and each AMIAS was assigned a WSO number. The recertification process will gear up in January 2026.

Alateen Groups

The Hawaii Area currently has at least one Alateen meeting per island. Two Alateen meetings are held at a local church. One Alateen meeting is held at youth and teen shelter. One Alateen meeting is held at a local community center. While attendance growth has been slow, each island Alateen Coordinator and their AMIAS are committed to ensuring a continuation of each meeting.

The focus for Hawaii Area Alateen is to engage school personel such as counselors, administrators, and teachers, in learning more about Alateen and bringing Alateen into schools. This will expand the opportunities for students to participate in Alateen meetings without having to travel to other sites for meetings..

Web Coordinator Report Fall Assembly 2025

Aloha mai kākou,

It's been an exciting six months as Web Coordinator.

I am working with the Archives Thought Force and looking forward to building a solid base for searchable online archives. I am regularly uploading updated schedules, and with the assistance of the districts, keeping our online/hybrid meeting schedule up-to-date.

I have added a new SlideShows section to the website that contains presentations from assemblies and instructional presentations.

The most hectic and exciting part of the Web Coordinator position is always the lead-up to the assemblies, it can be stressful, but it is also very rewarding when everything is up and running and works as intended.

In the past year we've had 7197 Unique visitors, up 16% from the previous year, and 12,277 site sessions, up 5% from the previous year. We've had visits from 41 countries and from 48/50 US States (every state except for South Dakota and West Virginia.)

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan

Web Coordinator

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