Greetings from the Alateen world.

I'm happy to say the Alateen groups in our Area seem to be holding their own. We have a new AMIAS, Sarah E. in District 01, who is very excited about becoming an AMIAS. She's looking forward to reigniting the Young Person's Alateen in Sioux City. I'm excited for the prospects of a more active group there.

We have a tentative date set for April 4-6, 2025, for our next Alateen Serenity Weekend at Wesley Woods. However, this date might be changed as we have several older Alateens that will want to attend Prom next year. We are trying to work around their schedules so that we can have as many Alateens attend as possible.

I received an email from an AMIAS that knows of a young person wanting to attend a virtual Alateen group because they live in a town with no meetings. The AMIAS was inquiring if there are any Alateen groups meeting virtually. Right now there are electronic meetings on Mondays, 6&10 PM ET, Wednesday, 7&9:30 PM ET and Thursday, 7:30 PM ET. If you go to the Iowa Al-Anon website, click Alateen at the top, click on the WSO Site, Teen Corner, and then the Alateen Electronic Meetings. It is not an easy process and because of the anonymity, you have to have a camera on your computer and there is a waiting period before you will be let into the meeting, I still have some questions on this as to whether I would be able to attend as an AMIAS. I will be looking further into this.

I am so thrilled to announce that Gabe P. will be our Alateen speaker at the October assembly in Sioux City. He's been our Alateen speaker previously and I know he will do an excellent job. Thank you, Gabe, for being so willing to step up for us.

Lovingly In Service, Judy V. Area Alateen Coordinator/AAPP