

Greetings everyone from the Alateen world. I'm hoping you all had a blessed Christmas and are looking forward to your last year in your service job and that it is a rewarding and productive one for Al-Anon and Alateen.

We soon will be wrapping up 2024. Area 18 Alateen is closing the year with 9 active groups. Some of these groups are struggling with numbers, but I'm seeing excitement in several AMIAS looking to get things going again. With 2025 arriving, it is the start of AMIAS and Alateen groups getting recertified, which is a very important part of Alateen. I'm hoping to get this wrapped up a little sooner for next year.

The Al-Anon Group Records Coordinator and myself have been checking to make sure that her record for Alateen groups matches that with the WSO record.

The dates for the Alateen Serenity Weekend at Wesley Woods in Indianola are April 11-13, 2025. We moved the date up a week to stay away from Prom. We will be doing the God boxes again as this seemed to go over well with the Alateens. Bob, from the Cedar Rapids group, has consented to making the permanent boxes again. The cost for each was raised from \$110 to \$120. The groups will need to be thinking about fundraising if financial help will be needed. Fort Dodge said they will be working towards this starting in January. This is an event for the Alateens from which they all really like to attend and receive much needed friendship, spirituality and love.

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year!!

Lovingly In Alateen,

Judy V  
Area Alateen Coordinator