Syracuse AIS Report May 20, 2017

Syracuse AIS services districts 3, 15, 18, 21, and 28. Our two goals for this year are to increase member outreach and to increase public outreach. We will again host an open house in the fall. Last year's open house, while small in attendance, was a successful start. We also plan on having an officer or coordinator attend at least one area district meeting to increase communication and connectedness between groups and the AIS. We want to encourage others to get involve with service so that they too can experience the benefits of service that we have. This is especially important as all positions are up for election this fall.

Our public outreach position remains vacant. However, we are not letting that stop our public outreach plans. Districts have been attending local events. District 21's Thursday Oswego group has been distributing hardcover copies of How Al-Anon Works We to area libraries, local treatment facilities, and our Federal House representative. We are in the initial stages of a project to place the public outreach tear-off poster in local laundry mats. We are exploring the feasibility of placing meeting information on local publications' event calendars. Additionally, we are research the cost of placing an "advertisement" about what Al-Anon is in at least one regional print publication.

Finally, the next issue of our newsletter focus will be on the joys of service and service sponsorship and details of the laundry mat outreach project.

Respectfully Submitted,

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