

## AWSC Report

Summer is finally here and almost over. I sent all the Alateen forms to WSO with the changes.

I want to share how Alateen became a part of Al-Anon.

Teenagers of families realized their problems differed from those of adults in Al-Anon. A teenage boy whose parents were in AA and Al-Anon had been successful in trying to solve his problems by using the AA Steps and slogans.

With his parents' encouragement he asked his friends with alcoholic parents to join him in forming a group to help other teenagers. In 1957 Alateen was started.

In response to articles distributed by WSO, 10 new Alateen groups were registered and by 1958, the Board of Directors announced 31 new Alateen groups with 39 more proposed, and it's decision to establish an Alateen Committee.

My question is where are the parents of teenagers needing Alateen? Our Alateen meetings are losing members and closing. The need for recovery is now, not when they are parents themselves.

WSO is planning a conference call with Alateen coordinators and AAPP persons. I plan on joining the conference calls and I hope to have some new news for our next newsletter.

Love in Service,

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