

Greater Rochester Area AIS Service Center JUNE 2021

EVENTS

AIS Monthly Meetings 2021, 10:00 a.m.

Meetings will be virtual through July 2021

Upcoming Meetings:

July 10

No meeting in August

Link to AIS Rochester meeting minutes: http://aisrochester.org/minutes.html

Link to upcoming Anniversary meeting: http://aisrochester.org/anniversaries.html
For S.O.S. 21st Anniv. On 7/31 in Ellison Park: http://www.aisrochester.org/pdf/07312021.pdf

Book Depot Information

There is a new Electronic Welcome Newcomer "Packet" (eK10) available through all the eBook vendors. The cost is 1.40 - 1.99, depending on the vendor. Also, the WSO has redesigned the on-line bookstore. Buy from us locally, but check out the wonderful organization and clarity of our beloved CAL in WSO's new online store. And if you want an item from our Book Depot, please call or text Rebecca at (585) 472-6393. Some volunteers have returned to the AIS office but we still don't have daily coverage. Volunteering 2 hours at the AIS office is a wonderful service opportunity!

Newcomer Packets are a Success!

In the past year of sending Newcomer packets, we have mailed 270 packets from May 29, 2020, when we started, to May 28, 2021. Additionally, it has resulted in many 12th step calls. Many thanks to Mel for keeping this important work going.

Appeal from Finance Chair

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on June 3rd. Please see June 2021 Treasurer Report posted on our webpage. Note we are currently over \$300 in the red for the calendar year. Please consider supporting AIS Rochester through group and member donations and purchasing literature through our Book Depot. Remember at this time no fundraisers are planned for this year. Thank you for your support.

Membership Survey

The WSO is conducting a membership survey of Al-Anon members from 6/16 to 7/27/21. You can link to it from the WSO page and from the AIS Rochester home page.



The Survey Is:

- Conducted every three years since 1985.
- Open from June 16, 2021 to July 27, 2021.
- Available to all Al-Anon members, ages 18+ years—regardless of time in the program.
- Available in English, Spanish, and French.
- Short enough to be taken in 15 minutes.
- Mobile-friendly.

The Survey Is Not:

- Collecting personal information.
- Breaking members' anonymity



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Open Position Opportunities

I realize that November seems far off, but we need to start thinking about the positions opening at AIS Rochester that we will be voting on come November. All positions are for two years. We have a great team and we will help newly elected members transition into their new positions. If you would like to experience more growth in your program and connect through service with new people who are also in recovery, here is your opportunity. The following positions will be available:

- AIS Chairperson
- Secretary
- Book Depot Chairperson
- Volunteer Coordinator for Service Ctr.
- Finance Chairperson
- Intergroup Rep

This month I would like to feature the position of Book Depot Coordinator and the responsibilities for this position (by the way, this position is open to dual members).

- a) Maintain an adequate inventory of Al-Anon/Alateen Conference Approved literature (CAL) for sale at the Service Center; fill literature orders and dispense CAL to Al-Anon/Alateen groups and the community.
- b) Maintain inventory records.
- c) Inform AIS of new CAL publications; work with committee chairs to coordinate setups of CAL as needed for health fairs, days of Al-Anon and conferences.
- d) Study the WSO guidelines G-6, G-8, and G-31

Please contact me if you are interested in a position listed above, or if you have questions, at vicechair@aisrochester.org

New Beginners Meeting

We are happy to announce that a second Beginners Meeting will start on July 17 from 11:30 to 12:30. Please share the attached flyer with your groups. We have members willing to chair this meeting but as with all service positions it is important that we rotate. Are you or your group willing to commit to a couple of Saturdays a month? We could use your help in this important endeavor. For information, please contact vicechair@aisrochester.org.

AIS Group Meeting Information

Al-Anon meetings are opening face to face, hybrid, and continued hybrid. Please contact AIS at 585-288-0540 to update meeting information and share your experience, strength, and hope! To keep our promise to help family and friends of alcoholics, AIS Rochester will purchase a Zoom account for member meetings to use. The details of how this will work will be shared at the next meeting of AIS and through the website. We will look into the most economical account to purchase and report to AIS next month.

Speaking Opportunity

AIS Rochester is presenting at Norris Clinic starting this month, Mondays at 6 pm. If you are interested in speaking to people in treatment about Al-Anon, please call 585-288-0540 and bring a friend with you!

