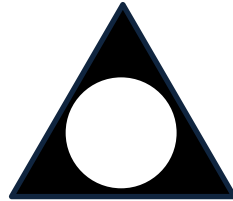


# Minnesota South Area 2017 Calendar



## **Al-Anon Declaration:**

*Let It Begin With Me*

*When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help,  
let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there,  
and – Let It Begin With Me*

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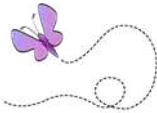
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*Today I believe that a Power greater than ourselves works through each of us. I see that happen at meetings, through phone calls, e-mails, on-line meetings, and in every group conscience ever held. I've seen amazing things happen both to and through Al Anon Family Groups, and today I trust that if this process works for the fellowship as a whole, then it can work within my life too. Many Voices, One Journey (B-31), page 391*

# JANUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  New Year's Day	2	3	4  	5	6	7
8	9  District 12 Meeting District 17 Meeting	10  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	11  AIS business Meeting 6:30 PM	12	13	14  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting  Island of Serenity Potluck/Speaker Meeting
15	16  Martin Luther King Day	17	18	19	20	21  District 2 Meeting District 4 Meeting District 5 Meeting  District 8 Potluck/Speaker Meeting
22	23	24	25  District 11 Meeting	26  District 4 Open Speaker Meeting  NYA Step Speaker/Potluck Meeting	27  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	28  District 8 Annual Potluck
29  Dist. 10 – 8 <sup>th</sup> Annual Potluck/Speaker Meeting	30	31	<p><i>We have the opportunity to grow and achieve personal progress when we strive for unity in situations involving family, friends, co-workers, and various other relationships. Tradition One can be a stepping-stone to a greater understanding of the value of working together for the greater good of everyone.</i></p> <p>Reaching for Personal Freedom (P-92), page 68</p>			

# FEBRUARY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>We discover through our relationship with our Sponsor that it is possible to encourage, to be patient, to listen, to share, to accept, and to begin again. Often, a Sponsor is the first person to give us unconditional love. This is a gift, and it is contagious.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sponsorship, What It's All About (P-31), page 11</p>			1	2  Ground Hog Day	3  <b>"TEAM" SERVICE EVENT</b>	4  <b>AWSC Meeting</b>  <b>"TEAM" SERVICE EVENT</b>
5  <b>"TEAM" SERVICE EVENT</b>	6	7  	8  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	9	10	11  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting  District 6 Potluck/Speaker Meeting
12	13  District 17 Meeting	14  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	15	16	17	18  District 4 Meeting
19	20  President's Day	21	22  District 11 Meeting	23  District 4 Open Speaker Meeting	24  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	25
26	27	28	<p><i>Tradition Two shows us how to practice the first three Steps as a group. We admit our own limitations, come to trust a Higher Power to guide us, and then turn the group conscience over to that Power.</i></p> <p>Paths to Recovery—Al Anon's Steps, Traditions, and Concepts (B-24), page 145</p>			


# MARCH 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>Many newcomers to Al-Anon feel they are different from everyone else, that no one has gone through exactly the same things. . . . However, once we've been welcomed into the group, we start to realize the circle has already widened to include us too.</i></p> <p>Al-Anon Is for Men (P-1), page 3</p>			1	2	3	4 <b>Lois's Birthday</b>
5	6	7	8 AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	9	10	11 District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting
12	13 District 12 Meeting District 17 Meeting	14 St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	15	16 	17	18 District 4 Meeting District 5 Meeting
19	20	21	22 District 11 Meeting	23 District 4 Open Speaker Meeting NYA Step Speaker/Potluck Meeting	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	

*There is something wonderfully reassuring about our Third Tradition. Although it is directed to the group, between the lines it tells me to focus my mind on the Al Anon program. This fellowship can change my life for the better as long as I refuse to allow distractions to confuse me.*

Al Anon's Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions (B-8), page 99


# APRIL 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>On a personal level, Tradition Four reminds us that although we have a right to do what we believe is best for us, so do those around us. We need to be considerate of others and not infringe upon their freedom. With this understanding comes not only independence, but also mutual respect and dignity.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">How Al Anon Works for Friends and Families of Alcoholics (B-22), page 112</p>						<p>1</p> <p><b>MNSA SPRING ASSEMBLY</b></p>
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
						<p>District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting</p> <p>Island of Serenity Potluck/Speaker Meeting</p>
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	District 17 Meeting	St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM		Sunlight of the Spirit	<p>District 2 Meeting District 4 Meeting</p> <p>Sunlight of the Spirit</p>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Sunlight of the Spirit						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	<p><b>World Service Conference</b></p>	<p><b>World Service Conference</b></p> <p>District 11 Meeting</p>	<p><b>World Service Conference</b></p>	<p><b>World Service Conference</b></p> <p>District 4 Open Speaker Meeting</p>	<p><b>World Service Conference</b></p> <p>Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting</p>	
30	<p><i>Faith has been likened to being in a dark tunnel and seeing no glimmer of light, but still crawling forward as if we did. Though our circumstances may seem dark indeed, when we turn to a Higher Power rather than to our own stubborn wills, we have already begun to move toward the light.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">In All Our Affairs: Making Crises Work for You (B-15), page 106</p>					

# MAY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 	5	6
7	8 District 12 Meeting District 17 Meeting	9 St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	10 AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	11	12	13 District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 District 4 Meeting District 5 Meeting
21	22	23	24 District 11 Meeting	25 District 4 Open Speaker Meeting NYA Step Speaker/Potluck Meeting	26 Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting Gopher State Round-Up	27 Gopher State Round-Up
28 Gopher State Round-Up	29 Memorial Day	30	31	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>La Quinta Tradición me dice para qué estoy en Alateen. Ya no tengo tiempo para hablar de nadie más ni permito que nadie me desvíe de mi camino. Necesito concentrarme para ayudarme a mí mismo y estar dispuesto a compartir con otras personas. Cuando lo haga, ayudaré a que nuestro grupo siga adelante para poder ayudar al que venga, incluyéndome a mí.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alateen—un día a la vez (SB-10), página 323</p>		

# JUNE 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>I've learned to apply Tradition Six to my life outside of Al Anon as well. I'm reminded that, in recovery, I feel that all of my existence has a primary spiritual aim. When I succeed in simplifying my life to include fewer problems of money, property, and prestige, I encourage myself to focus more clearly on my spiritual experience.</i></p> <p>When I Got Busy, I Got Better (P-78), page 46</p>				1	2	3
4	5	6	7 	8	9	10  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting
11	12	13  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	14  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	15	16	17  <b>Delegate's Report</b>
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28  District 11 Meeting	29	30  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	

*The most important fact I came to understand was that Al Anon offers a program for me, a place where I can concentrate on self-improvement. I focus attention inward, on my own growth and recovery. I pay heed to my behavior and attitudes. I change my thoughts.*

# JULY 2017


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>The Seventh Tradition has been a valuable tool that saved my life and my sanity. I discovered that being "self-supporting," as this Tradition instructs, does not mean doing it all by myself. It means doing as much as I can healthily do and asking for help with the rest. It also means letting others help me.</i></p> <p>Opening Our Hearts, Transforming Our Losses (B-29), page 158</p>						1
2	3	4 	5	6	7	8 District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting  Island of Serenity Potluck/Speaker Meeting
9	10  District 12 Meeting	11  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	12  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	13	14	15  District 2 Meeting
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26  District 11 Meeting	27  NYA Step Speaker/Potluck Meeting	28  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	29
30	31	<p><i>When we finally surrendered, we realized that we were only giving up our futile struggle against an incurable disease. Then we were free to focus on what we could do something about, rather than trying to change what we couldn't.</i></p> <p>How Al Anon Works for Friends and Families of Alcoholics (B-22), page 17</p>				




# AUGUST 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<i>Learning to detach from other people with love allows us to place a healthy emotional distance between ourselves and our loved ones without abandoning them.</i>		1	2	3	4	5 <b>AWSC Meeting</b>
6	7	8  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	9  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	10	11	12  <b>AIS Open House 9 am to 1 pm</b>  District 6 Picnic District 8 Meeting
13	14  District 17 Meeting	15	16	17 	18	19  District 4 Meeting
20	21	22	23  District 11 Meeting	24	25  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	26
27	28	29	30	31	<i>In the simplest terms, we find out where we leave off and others begin.</i> From Survival to Recovery: Growing Up in an Alcoholic Home (B-21), page 144	

# SEPTEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Si nuestras relaciones siguen la Novena Tradición como lo hacen nuestros grupos, entonces “nunca debieran organizarse”. Si bien esto no quiere decir que deban ser desorganizadas, sugiere simplicidad. Soltamos las riendas de la rigidez y de las reglamentaciones, teniendo presente que la igualdad se mantiene mediante el orden, el equilibrio y una división de responsabilidades.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Descubramos nuevas opciones (SB-30), página 262</p>					1 <b>Fellowship Weekend</b>	2 <b>Fellowship Weekend</b>
3	4  Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting
10	11  District 12 meeting District 17 Meeting	12  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	13  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	14	15	16  District 4 Meeting District 5 Meeting
17 	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27  District 11 Meeting	28  District 4 Open Speaker Meeting  NYA Step Speaker/Potluck Meeting	29  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	30

# OCTOBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 <b>MNSA FALL ASSEMBLY</b>
8	9  District 17 Meeting	10  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	11  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	12	13	14  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting
15	16	17	18	19	20	21  District 2 Meeting District 4 Meeting  Island of Serenity Potluck/Speaker Meeting
22	23	24	25  District 11 Meeting	26  District 4 Open Speaker Meeting	27  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	28
29	30  	31  Halloween	<i>Tradition Ten specifically reminds us that, no matter what the cause, Al Anon's name "ought never be drawn into public controversy." The reason is simple: outside issues can divert us from our primary spiritual aim. Members are always free to act as individuals in favor of their own personal causes, as long as they keep Al Anon's name out of it. Paths to Recovery—Al Anon's Steps, Traditions, and Concepts (B-24), page 220</i>			

# NOVEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>When I want my home life to change, sometimes I have to take the lead. I can do that with the help of the Eleventh Tradition. Instead of harping on how things could be better, I can "attract" my family to a new way of life by working the program in my life today.</i></p> <p>Alateen—a day at a time (B-10), page 326</p>			1	2	3	4 St. Paul AI-Anon Intergroup Gratitude Night  District 17 - Family Recovery Night
5	6	7	8  AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM	9	10  	11  District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting District 10 Meeting District 13 Meeting
12	13  District 12 Meeting District 17 Meeting	14  St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	15	16	17	18  District 4 Meeting District 5 Meeting  District 6 Potluck/Speaker Meeting
19	20	21	22	23  NYA Step Thanksgiving Speaker /Potluck Meeting  Thanksgiving	24  Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting  Founder's Day	25  Founder's Day
26	27	28	29	30		

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From Survival to Recovery: Growing Up in an Alcoholic Home (B-21), page 144

# DECEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>For group problems, as well as for our individual ones, we use that helpful phrase in the Twelfth Tradition which ends: "ever reminding us to place principles above personalities."</i></p> <p>One Day at a Time in Al-Anon (B-6), page 362</p>					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
			District 11 Meeting			District 6 Meeting District 8 Meeting
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		St. Paul Intergroup Service Meeting	AIS Business Meeting 6:30 PM			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Christmas Eve	Christmas				Waconia Friday Night AFG Potluck/Speaker Meeting	
31	<p><i>Today Al Anon is teaching me the real meaning of love. My fellow members gave me hope. Then they taught me what it is to love without a price tag. They loved me just as I was, and their only interest seemed to be that I grow to love and accept myself. As I did, I became able to love others.</i></p> <p>Blueprint for Progress (P-5), page 28</p>					
 New Year's Eve						

## **Locations and Times for District Meetings and Events:**

District 2 Meetings • Church of St Peter's • 1405 Highway 13 • Mendota Heights, MN 55150 • 10:00 AM

District 4 Meetings • Mt. Olive Lutheran Church • 2830 – 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.W. • Rochester, MN • 9:00 AM

District 5 Meetings • Coon Rapids Alano Society • 1635 Coon Rapids Blvd. NW • Suite 100 • Coon Rapids, MN 55433 • 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

District 6 Meetings • 6279 University Ave. NE • Fridley, MN • 9:30 AM

District 8 Meetings • Uptown House • 1344 Summit Ave. • St. Paul, MN • 11:15 AM to 12:45 PM

District 9 Meetings • To Be Determined • Plymouth II Alano • 610 Hopkins Crossroad (West End of Bldg.) • Minnetonka, MN 55343

District 10 Meetings • St. Joan of Arc Parish Center • 4737 Third Ave. S. • Minneapolis, MN • 6:30 PM to 8:30 P.M.

District 11 Meetings • Richfield United Methodist • 5835 Lyndale Ave. S. • Minneapolis, MN 55419 • 7:00PM to 8:00 PM

District 12 Meetings • Bloomington Alano Club • 2060 W. 98<sup>th</sup> St. • Room 3 • Bloomington, MN • 7: 00 PM to 8:00 PM

District 13 Meeting • To Be Determined • 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

District 16 Meetings • Fifth Avenue Alano • 1430 Fifth Ave. • Mankato, MN • 10:00 A.M.

District 17 Meetings • Fairmont Alano Bldg. • 214 Downtown Plaza • Fairmont, MN • 5:30 PM

23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sunlight of the Spirit Weekend • Holiday Inn • Fairmont, MN (Registration opens at 5 P.M. on Friday)

Al-Anon/Alateen Information Services of Greater Minneapolis • 7204 W. 27<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 101 • St. Louis Park, MN • 6:30 PM

ASSEMBLY • To Be Determined.

AWSC • To Be Determined.

DELEGATE'S REPORT • To Be Determined

District 4 – Open Speaker Meeting • Evangel Methodist Church • 2645 North Broadway Ave. • Rochester, MN 55906 • 7:00 PM

District 6 - Picnic • 6279 University Ave. NE • Fridley, MN

District 6 - Potluck Speaker Meetings • 6279 University Ave. NE • Fridley, MN • 1:30 PM (potluck) 2:00 PM (speakers)

District 8 – Annual Potluck • Recovery Church • 253 State St. • St. Paul, MN • 6:00 PM

District 8 – Beginners Meeting • Every Saturday • Uptown House • 1344 Summit Ave. • St. Paul, MN • 9:45 AM

District 10 - 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Potluck/Speaker Meeting • St. Joan of Arc Parish Center • 4737 Third Ave. S. • Minneapolis, MN • 5 – 8:30 PM

Family Recover Night • District 17 • Fairmont Alano Bldg. • 214 Downtown Plaza • Fairmont, MN

Fellowship Weekend • DoubleTree Park Place • 1500 Park Place Blvd. • St. Louis Park, MN 55416

Founder's Day • DoubleTree South • 7800 Normandale Blvd. • Bloomington, MN 55439

Gopher State Round Up • DoubleTree South • 7800 Normandale Blvd. • Bloomington, MN 55439

Gratitude Night • Location To Be Determined

Island of Serenity Potluck/Speaker Meeting • 16170 Arcadia Ave. SE • Prior Lake, MN 55372 • 6:00 PM

MNSA Public Outreach Workshops 2016 • Christus Victor Lutheran Church • 7510 Palomino Drive • Apple Valley, MN 55124 • 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Norwood/Young America (NYA) Step AFG • All Saints Lutheran Church • 511 Merger St. • Norwood/Young America, MN 55368 • 8:00 PM

St. Paul Al-Anon/Alateen Intergroup • 253 State Street • St Paul, MN 55107 • 7:00 PM

Waconia Friday Night AFG • Faith Lutheran Church • 800 Waconia Pkwy. N. • Waconia, MN 55387 • 8:00 PM