



Greater Rochester Area AIS Service Center

May 2019

Events

<http://aisrochester.org/anniversaries.html>

AIS Monthly Meeting

Faith Lutheran Church

Upcoming Meetings

June 8

July 13

August 10

September 14

Hamlin Sunday Niters

36th Anniversary June 2, 2019

United Methodist Church

Hamlin NY

Penn Yan AFG 16th Anniversary

June 11th

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

136 Hamilton St.

Penn Yan, NY

East Side 55th Anniversary

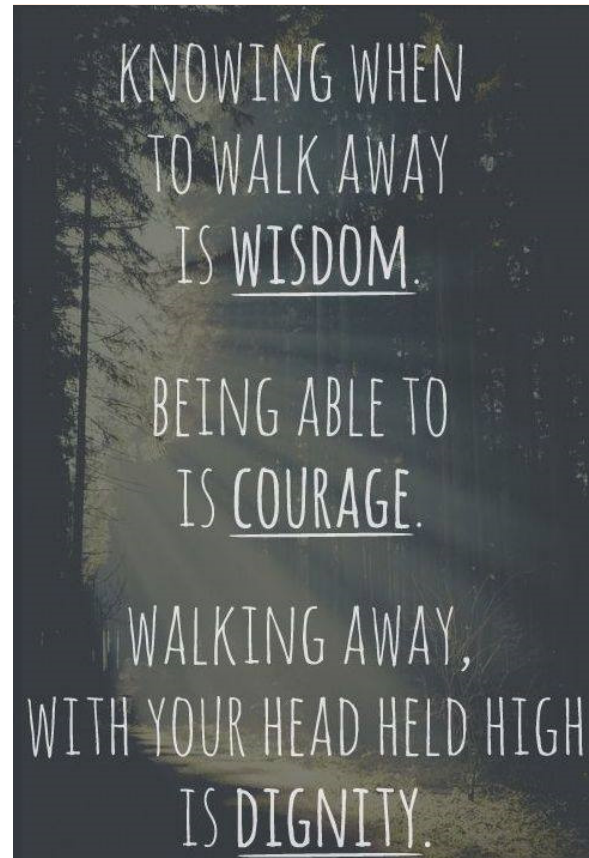
June 13th

First Baptist Church of East Rochester

Evening Serenity 36th Anniversary

June 14th

First Presbyterian Church of Chili



Office Hours:

- Monday 2:00pm to 4:00pm
- Tuesday 12:30pm to 2:30pm
- Wednesday 2:30pm to 4:30pm
- Thursday 9:00am to Noon
- Thursday 2:00pm to 3:30pm
- Friday 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Please call first: 585-288-0540



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Try something new: Service help needed

Can you:

- Give 2-3 hours of service a week at the AIS Office
- Share your experience, strength and hope with callers?
- Prepare literature orders?
- Be available for literature pickup
- Answer the phone and email?
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For further information call 585-288-0540

Sign up on line for the newsletter at
<http://aisrochester.org>

DEADLINE FOR June Newsletter June 15, 2019

This statement was implemented by the previous Newsletter Chair. I received it recently and am passing it along. Sheila

Newsletter: May 2017 Newsletter Report

Regarding the Rochester AIS Newsletter, feedback is always welcomed and I appreciate the help in streamlining this task. Because of your feedback and suggestions I will implement the following newsletter changes:

In May's Newsletter, I will be noting changes regarding event/anniversary flyers and registration forms. They will no longer be included in the newsletter. I will direct readers to access event/anniversary flyers/ registration forms by going to the aisrochester.org website & use the "Activities" drop down feature.

The rationale for this change is three-fold:

1. In order to send a large document, I am required to optimize (shrink) the newsletter. As a result, the resolution of document images (pdf flyers/registrations) is sometimes compromised. I am not willing to re-send original registration forms as some have requested but will suggest that these flyers can be accessed through the AIS website or original "organization" destination. This will be noted in the newsletter as stated above.
2. Feedback has indicated that the newsletter uses a substantial amount of printer ink, which is inconvenient and costly.
3. It has been observed that people in the meetings do not generally take the time to read the newsletter from the clipboard, so being able to access it electronically is more convenient.

When I send out the newsletter, I will **not** include the following directive in the distribution email:

GRs/ISRs/DRs: Please copy and post to your group's clipboard.

Instead, the directive will read:

There is a legitimate concern about the amount of ink required to print the newsletter; printing and posting it to your group's clipboard is optional.

Please make an announcement to your group that the Newsletter can be seen and subscribed to by going to the aisrochester.org website, (use "Information" drop down feature/click on newsletter).

Hopefully, use of our Rochester AIS Website will increase.

Thank you,

Connie T



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FYI: Second reminder

In the LOOP

<https://signup.e2ma.net/signup/1855605/1799701/>

In the Loop is automatically sent to all Al-Anon groups' Current Mailing Address (CMAs) of record, just like *Group eNews*, the WSO newsletter that preceded it, used to be. New CMAs are added as they are identified; however, since *In the Loop* is also for individual members, outgoing CMAs are not removed from the distribution list unless they ask to be removed or if their email bounces back.

All members are encouraged to register to receive *In the Loop* at al-anon.org/emailme.

Keeping It Safe: Follow this link (<https://al-anon.org/pdf/G34.pdf>) to become knowledgeable about safely precautions for Alateen.

Reports were recorded in the minutes and appear here as well as on our website:

AIS Meeting Minutes May 11, 2019

Present:

Rose – Serenity on Saturday ISR
John B. – Treasurer
Rebecca B. – Book Depot
Sheila S. – Newsletter Pat H. – Web
Committee Mel Y. – Volunteers
Maggie – Living in the Solution Pam k. –
Geneseo Family Group Jennifer B. – Courage
to Change Mike H. – Faith & Hope ISR

Rose opened with the Serenity Prayer. Rebecca Read the 12 Traditions, John Read the 12 Concepts, Sheila read the Warranties and Maggie read the Expanded Version of the 5th Concept.



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Roll Call/Introductions.

Reports: Rose - Substitute Chair

- April minutes - corrections made and approved - Motion by Pat, 2nd by Mel.
- No report regarding the Tureen Supper.

Treasurer: John - report approved - Motion by Sheila, 2nd by Mel.

- \$722.75 deposited from Tureen Supper. \$125 donation to St. Anne's.
- Filing to IRS for 2018 was done.
- Donations up a bit in March

Book Depot: Rebecca - report approved - Motion by Rose, 2nd by Sheila.

- Literature sold at Conference of the Lakes (COTL) \$420.60. \$63.10 of that amount was for public outreach.
- Well stacked for Spring Assembly
- Rebecca will use her judgement regarding handing out free literature for outreach.

Public Outreach: No Report

Newsletter: Sheila - report given

- When writing a report for the newsletter please check spelling, especially the spelling of Al-Anon.
- Statement in upcoming May's newsletter explaining what will go into the newsletter.
- Mel mentioned writing an article explaining how to use the website.

Volunteers: Mel

- One new person on Wednesday mornings.

Website: Pat

- Website updated regarding upcoming events and anniversaries.
- Under "Information" and "News from WSO" you will notice an article from "The Loop" called "The CAL Process-Al-Anon's Group Conscience in Action." This article is also in this month's May Forum magazine.
- AIS traffic was shown.

Activities: No Report or Chairperson

Intergroup Rep: No Report or Chairperson

Alateen: No Report or Chairperson

Finance: No Report or Chairperson

Unfinished business:

- By-laws - approved - motion made by John, 2nd by Mike.



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- Review of banking practices regarding groups - Lisa reported the Saturday group (Simple Beginnings) is looking into opening a checking account. Lisa will keep us informed.
- Newsletter - see above.
- Outreach to meetings - nothing new to report
- 2019 Spring Assembly/Convention at RIT Inn and Conference Center has plenty of support.

New Business:

- Summer meetings: Next meeting - June 8th - Rose will chair since Loron is unable to attend.
- Will meet July 13th
- No August meeting - leave rest of year as is.

Motion to adjourn, Mel, 2nd by Mike.

Closed with the AI-Anon Declaration and the Serenity Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat H. and Lisa M.

Anne O'Nimity says:

I am filling in while Chuckles takes a break. Some of these quips may seem familiar.

Take my advice, I am not using it.

A closed mouth gathers no foot.

If HP seems faraway, who moved?

I you open your heart, another heart will notice.

Don't play leap frog with a unicorn.

I want to thank the members who helped pull this Newsletter together. I am very grateful to all.

Sheila



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