

Website Coordinator Report

Coming soon: We are changing the Home Page to include Area News with colorful images that will link to different news items – you will be able to see it in early June at <https://alanonma.org>. It will be updated at the beginning of each month with new Area News.

We are planning to host a Virtual Website Tea next month. It's a great opportunity for GRs and DRs to get answers to questions about the website and the shared virtual platform for online meetings. This will include a tour of the website, the new Area News section, and how to make changes to the meeting list and add events to the calendar. An invitation for the Tea will be in the June bulletin and on our website.

Our Area's shared online meeting account is now open for Groups and Districts that would like to participate! This shared Zoom account can provide an affordable 2.5-hour weekly time slot for any MA Group (appearing on the MA Al-Anon/Alateen meeting list). Participating groups will have access to a host key to help facilitate their meetings. DR's can also request a 2.5-hour weekly time slot for district meetings. An email was sent to every group, with a link that includes information and a request form for groups that would like to use this service. If your group did not get this information, please contact our office manager at AFGofMA@aol.com. Thank you for your patience as we roll out this program.

Helpful hints and links:

- **Online meeting Zoom links change for various reasons** so please encourage your group members to go the website at <https://alanonma.org/meetings/> to log in, rather than send out zoom links to the meeting. The group can also send a URL (link) to the website meeting list page for their group, and members only need to select the "Join by Zoom" or "Join by phone" button.
- **In the rare event that the Zoom ID and password doesn't work, try** the "join by Zoom" button on the Website Meeting List. If the password doesn't work, please let the group know so they can request a change to the website meeting list.
- **Groups can make website meeting list changes** by going to <https://alanonma.org/meetings/>, clicking on your meeting, and clicking on "request a change to this listing" at the bottom of the page. Fill out the form and press submit. Our office manager also receives this information.
- **To add a group or district event on the calendar** <https://alanonma.org/events/>, go to <https://alanonma.org/add-event/>. Events are typically uploaded once a week to the website calendar. Our office manager also receives this information for the bulletin.
- **To add a service opportunity or Area news** to the website: go to <https://alanonma.org/service-opportunities-and-news-form/>
- **Purchase literature** to support MA Al-Anon/Alateen at <https://alanonma.org/literature-store/>
- **Make group or individual contributions** at <https://alanonma.org/contribute/>
- **Please do not use the old website URL (ma-al-anon-alateen.org)**. It is no longer connected to our new MA website <https://alanonma.org>

MANY THANKS to our creative Website team that is devoted to getting members and newcomers to meetings and events. And many thanks to all the group members and DRs who fill out our website forms to keep our meetings and events listings up to date. We cannot do this without you!

Come Join the Website team...

We warmly welcome additions to our website team and your feedback!

- In service, Terry S., Website Coordinator website@alanonma.org and the Website Team