WHAT’S HAPPENING AT THE WSO?

Convention Planning
Along with the International Convention Committee and several BOT members, the WSO Staff is serving on the planning committee for the upcoming S-Anon and S-Ateen International Convention in Nashville, TN, January 18-20, 2019. This unique event, the first of its kind, is taking place separate from Sexaholics Anonymous, who will be hosting their own International Convention in Madrid, Spain.

S-Anon and SA are autonomous fellowships and have different service structures. S-Anon’s organizational structure lists North America as the “parent” service arm. Our World Service Office assists other countries as appropriate to develop their own service structures, but our WSO currently does not support International Conventions in countries other than the U.S. and Canada. S-Anon and S-Ateen will hold an International Convention in Seattle, July 12-14, 2019. SA will also hold an International Convention the same weekend at the same location.

New Service Literature
“If I have been on the S-Anon online store recently, you may have noticed that Service Literature publications have been reorganized. Physical copies of Service Literature can still be purchased through the online store, but the method of downloading these pieces has been simplified. A PDF can be downloaded directly from the product page without going through the checkout process, or by visiting the Member Site and selecting “Service Literature” under the Literature drop down menu.

Navigating the Online Store
The Public Information and Outreach Committee and the S-Ateen Committee recently designed and received approval from the BOT for the print and distribution of five new outreach posters. Groups who wish to do community outreach now have several options for poster designs for both S-Anon and S-Ateen. The posters are available for purchase now; check out the online store for more information.

Upcoming Events
- July 13, 2018
  S-Anon World Service Conference
  St. Louis, MO
- July 13-15, 2018
  S-Anon/S-Ateen/SA International Convention
  St. Louis, MO
- January 18-20, 2019
  S-Anon and S-Ateen International Convention
  Nashville, TN
- July 12-14, 2019
  S-Anon/S-Ateen/SA International Convention
  Seattle, WA

For more information or to register for a convention, visit www.sanon.org.
FROM THE TREASURER’S DESK

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Revenue -7,373 -2,584 7,911 1,342

* January—May
** Income and Expenses associated with January 2019 International Convention

FINANCIALS EXPLAINED

Seeing the 2017 Year End Actual, Revenue figure may raise some important questions regarding the WSO’s financial stability. It’s true, the numbers do not lie. The WSO experienced a large deficit in 2017, but there is more to the picture than meets the eye.

First, S-Anon maintains a Prudent Reserve, currently in the neighborhood of $73,000, so we are in no danger of financial collapse. In 2017 we budgeted for $11,000 in International Convention Proceeds, and only $2,282 materialized. In addition, we needed to reprint Working the S-Anon Program in 2017, an expense ($4,827) that shows up on the Literature Publication Expenses line. Although this was a considerable investment, sales of 5,475 copies of the Green Book will net the fellowship approximately $61,000 over the next three years. Finally, we realized that reviewing WSO operations and making some significant changes could achieve some savings. The following changes have been made or are in process.

- Updated Shipping and Handling Charges to accurately reflect shipping rates
- Switching to a credit card processing company with lower rates
- Approving the relocation of the WSO to an office with lower rent
- Negotiating lowered insurance and utility rates

WSO BY THE NUMBERS

As of June 2018…
- 334 Registered Face-to-Face Meetings
- 8 Registered Phone & 11 Skype Meetings
- 1 S-Anon & 3 S-Ateen Online Meetings
- 2 S-Ateen Face-to-Face Meetings
- 14 Long Distance Sponsors
- 12 Phone Support

WSO UPDATE
**TIPS FOR ATTENDING THE WSC IN ST. LOUIS**

Dear Delegates,

I love lists. Give me tasks to check off, and I’m all over it. So here’s my gift to you — a checklist of things to do and items to bring that will make the most of our day together at this year’s World Service Conference in Saint Louis on Friday, July 13.

**LET US KNOW YOU’RE COMING.**

Remember to let the World Service Office know if you’re planning to attend. RSVP: 615-833-3152 or sanon@sanon.org.

**READ THE MOTIONS.**

We have three motions to consider this year. Delegates received them by email on May 1. The motions are also posted on the Member Site.

- **Motion 1:** Call for a Fellowship Wide Group Conscience to change the language of some of our Steps and Traditions
- **Motion 2:** Approve publication of a book of S-Anon stories taken from the S-Anews archive
- **Motion 3:** Restructure World Service Conference regions to set up two regions for Canada

**SHARE THE MOTIONS WITH YOUR AREA GROUPS, AND GATHER FEEDBACK.**

Remember, the purpose is not to take a vote at the local level. Invite members’ comments and concerns. Then come to the WSC ready to listen and vote your conscience.

**DON’T FORGET YOUR LUNCH MONEY.**

We’ll have a nice salad buffet, with bubbly waters, fruit and desserts in one of the hotel suites. Your cost this year is $13. We’ll collect payment at the beginning of the WSC. Cash or credit card. When you RSVP with the WSO, let us know if you have special lunch needs such as vegan, gluten-free, etc. Our thanks to the Saint Louis planning committee for their help with these arrangements.

**BRINGING A LAPTOP? PACK AN EXTENSION CORD.**

We’ll have plenty of power outlets in the room, but you’ll need to bring your own extension cord.

**READ THE WSC MEETING PACKAGE BEFORE YOU ARRIVE.**

We’re changing up the agenda a bit this year and adding in some small group discussion activities. Take a good look so you’ll be ready to go. Read the committee reports and contact the chairs ahead of the meeting with questions or concerns. If you need a hard copy, print it out at home. We’ll only have a few copies printed for observers on the day of the meeting. If you haven’t received your package, please contact the WSO to have it emailed again.

If you have any questions as you check off your list, let me know. You can reach the World Service Conference Committee at wscchair@gmail.com. Otherwise — we’ll meet you in Saint Louie!

—Cindy F.

World Service Conference Committee Chair

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**WILL YOUR AREA BE REPRESENTED AT THE WSC?**

These areas are still in need of Delegate Representation. Call or email the WSO for more information.

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arkansas
- Delaware
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Mississippi
- Montana
- Nebraska
- New Hampshire
- New Mexico
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- South Carolina
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Phone
- Online

**ST LOUIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

**REGISTER ONLINE BY JUNE 30TH**

**WALK-INS ARE WELCOME!**
S-Ateens, You are Welcome Here

International Conventions offer an especially helpful introduction to the S-Ateen fellowship for newcomers. At these face to face events, S-Ateen members benefit from the shared experience, strength and hope gained from one another in meetings tailored specifically for young people, ages 12 to 19. S-Ateens are also welcome to attend any scheduled S-Anon meetings as well joint fellowship open speaker meetings.

Interesting Inquiries

What happened to the password for the member site? You may have noticed that the password for the Member Site has been removed. After receiving member feedback and reviewing website analytics, it was decided that the password could be a deterrent to helping those for whom the Member Site was originally created. Since the Member Site does not have any sensitive information, it was decided that the password is no longer necessary.

Can we use S-Anon’s letterhead and logo? Only the WSO is authorized to use the S-Anon letterhead and logo. Alternatively, we recommend your group design its own letterhead by using a predesigned template. The information included on the letterhead could be your group name, contact information, or website.

Do you have a recommendation for how local events can take online registrations? A quick online search can render a list of the many online ticketing platforms available for registration management. This is a great alternative to mail-in registration forms.

Our S-Anon Zoom meeting is interested in expanding its subscription and meeting availability, what’s next? We recommend conducting a business meeting, vote members into service positions, and begin brainstorming/researching how to structure a Zoom account for S-Anon meetings.

Can the website be translated into different languages? Translating the website into multiple languages is a project that will be further investigated later this year. If you are interested in helping with translating, let us know!

The WSO links local websites to www.sanon.org. Creating a website is a wonderful way for groups to participate in service work!

For more information, read Creating a Local S-Anon Website, available on the Member Site.