

Dear Al-Anon/Alateen Family;

We are reaching out to you for help and support of the 2013 Florida South Alateen Conference "The Rhythm of Recovery" which will be June 7-9, 2013 at the Lake Placid Camp and Conference Center in Lake Placid, Fl. The Conference is based on Music of all types. Our goal is getting 1 car per District with at least 2 Alateens who have been affected by the disease of alcoholism to have the opportunity to attend the Conference.

The Alateen Conference is an opportunity for our young members to become involved in service by planning an event with the help and support of Sponsors/AMIAS (Al-Anon Members Involved in Alateen Service). The Alateen Conference gives attendees the increased sharing experience of a wider Alateen membership. They join with their peer group to share their experience, strength and hope. Alateens gain a sense of belonging and learn that there are other teenagers with the same or worse problems than theirs. Alateens learn the principles of the Al-Anon/Alateen Program through fun and fellowship. Parents of Alateens entrust the care, supervision and security of Alateens attending the Conference to Sponsors/AMIAS who are certified by requirements which include fingerprint and background checks through the Florida local and federal law enforcement process VECHS (Volunteer and Employee Criminal History System). The 2013 Alateen Conference is supported and insured by Florida South Area 10.

Here are a few ways you can support the Alateen Conference and help them raise funds to attend:

- Invite Alateens to chair Al-Anon meetings and possibly split the basket collection with them.
- Alateens may have a bake sale, spaghetti dinner, hot dog or pizza sale or sell candy bars and cookies at Al-Anon meetings and events
- Monetary contribution by individual Al-Anon members could be given for scholarships for Alateens to attend the Conference. Donated boutique items and baskets geared to teenagers are also helpful. Donations of bottled water and non perishable snack items for the Conference are appreciated too.

We currently need Florida South Alateens and AMIAS to volunteer for these positions: Secretary, Hospitality, Decorations, Boutique and Raffle. We will probably have 3 organizational meetings. Communication can be through email or conference call if you are on the East Coast.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT!

2013 Florida South Alateen Conference Committee

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Registration forms will soon be available on the Area 10 website: www.southfloridaal-anon.org