2026.10.01
October Group Conscience Meeting
DRAFT NOTES FOR APPROVAL

Opening

Alexis is chairing with Gody
Open meeting with serenity prayer
Approx 86 members attending

Approval of Prior Month's Notes

No corrections to September meeting minutes
Meeting minutes are approved

Service Reports

Group rep report:

See notes available on our website:
https://www.everydailyalanon.org/_files/ugd/d70307_b987ff0ca5b044ee99a819d88b298367.pdf

Treasury report:

Treasury report here: September 2026
Have created a group Venmo so that the Venmo is not attached to a specific name.
Question: When would it be effective?
Not specific time but it works now
Question: How will we know who the treasurer is if we have a generic venmo account?
Can email group secretary, group conscience, etc. Have had consistent reporting. Would email.

Group Venmo is approved for use.

Secretary report:

Next service round will begin in November, going through February 2027.
Please consider serving to keep the meeting going.
We will talk more about how to sign up

Group conscience report:

Alexis's term is formally ending at the end of the year. Please reach out to gc@everydailyalanon.org if you have questions or would like to volunteer.
Please also stay to the script if you are a daily chairperson.

Announcements

Zoom admin announcement - Zoom is always adding new AI features, our tech person goes in to Zoom settings periodically and shuts those off. If you are a host/chairperson and something isn't working right, please reach out because perhaps one of the Zoom settings has been adjusted. Wanted the group to know.

Old Business

Thought Force on Service Structure

How to streamline service, how to make it easier to sign up.
Multiple bullet points under the thought force.
A member reviews a way for members to sign themselves up for service, via an electronic form. This would allow all members to see the current service status, and would keep the signups out of email and would allow us to record all service members via this format.

Questions and thoughts:

A member wanted to know if someone needed to reneg/cancel on service, is there a way to do that via the form?

No, at this time it is not self-service, member would need to email someone

Is there a mechanism to ensure that people don't sign up for the same service position two rotations in a row?

That is still the recommendation, but there is not a check in the form.

Do we consider chat host on Tuesdays the same or different as chat host on Wednesdays?

They are the same, it is the role that matters, not the day.

A member notes that another online group just has a google sheet that people can fill in, and says that any barrier to signing up for service is rough.

A member notes that it is the group conscience of this group that someone not take the same position twice in a row.

A member notes that she wasn't aware that if she was Monday chat this round, she couldn't be Tuesday chat next round.

If someone signs up via the form, do they get an email in follow up?

Transition to service coordinator

Thought force put together a service coordinator position. Proposing to have this position so that person is the point person for signing up for service and answer any questions related to service. If the service coordinator cannot answer questions, they can direct you to the right person. Question examples: how do I chair, how do I do tech?

Proposal: Thursday time after the meeting to help people get introduced to service
Second Th: Step into service, with service coordinator and interested parties
Third Th: Meet and greet with current service members: Hands on training sessions with senior service members, so a new person can get familiar with how to do particular positions
Fourth Th: general service meeting/open questions

What problem or need is the proposed service meeting schedule trying to address?

This is a consolidation, instead of calling someone 1-1 then there is the opportunity to get more information about each position.

What is the time frame?

This is just an idea, nothing is being implemented today and if the group doesn't want it.

A member discusses that it was hard to fill service positions this past round, so the thought force was trying to help figure out ways to improve service, ways to get people involved, ways to lower the barrier.

A member says that the length of service time required is intimidating, and another group allows you to just sign up for the day.

A member notes that people, especially newcomers, can be confused when there is something different on Thursdays. There isn't time for fellowship, and people can think, "what does this have to do with me?"

A member asks whether the Thursday service time starts at 8:30 or 8:45?

The proposal states that it would start at 8:45, so it wouldn't cut into regular time.

Seems like there is a lot of questions about these Thursday opportunities, how things would be implemented, etc. The service coordinator would help to answer these questions and we do have a nominee for this position.

A member notes that the service coordinator role was introduced in Sept meeting, the other items (electronic signup, Thursday service) are net-new as of this month.

A member is concerned that the service coordinator role, while it was discussed last month, hasn't had the role description available for group review. The member would like to ensure that the group has the role description for long enough to review and would like to push it to next month.

A member believes that we should accept the thought force's suggestions as trusted servants, and would like to move on but knows this is important.

Is it an option to have a trial of the service coordinator, since this is a service heavy month, and see if there are things that are working or needing to change?

A member notes that we do have a volunteer for service coordinator,

A member believes that this role is incredibly important. The GC secretary has been forced to act as the service coordinator for a long time, and we also have other open service positions (co-treasuer, alternate group rep) that those positions aren't supposed to fill.

There is a proposal to have a one-month trial for service coordinator. In KPDM, there isn't really voting, but there are no adamant objections.

There is also a KPDM motion to use the electronic signup, and no objections here.

Thus, Jessica is OK for a trial basis for service coordinator. We are OK for electronic sign up for this month.

A member wants to know if someone would run the meetings on Thursday for service?
A member also wants to see if we could have one Thursday meeting to get folks in service before next group conscience meeting/next service round.

Sharing Frequency

There have been multiple discussions across 2023 and 2026 about group members' sharing frequency. We haven't made any changes to the script, the group conscience chairs have heard that this is a topic of interest and also wants folks to know that this has been a topic prior.

Group Conscience Agenda

A member notes that group members should be deciding/voting on the agenda, and it isn't the responsibility of the chairs to put the agenda together. Member would prefer that there is a mechanism for the group to participate in agenda creation.

Closing

Close with serenity prayer.