

Alternate Delegate Report: *Forum* Coordinator Spring Assembly, May 6-7, 2017

1. GRs – as *Forum* Representatives for your group, use *The Forum* in your meetings! Starting this Jan., an “Instant Meeting” feature was added and includes 2 or 3 brief sharings on the Step of the Month, plus thought-provoking and discussion-stimulating questions to get your meeting going. WSO would love to receive your feedback on how this feature is helpful (or not) in your meetings.

2. *The Forum Book* (working Title). This planned publication will be a compilation of favorite articles from past editions. WSO has so far received 441 favorites from readers. Encourage your members to send in their favorites, and send in yours, too.

3. *The Forum Writing Guidelines* (F-1) is being revised. Watch WSO’s website for the new .pdf as soon as it’s ready. WSO wants your sharings, particularly on the Steps, Traditions and Concepts. See the WSO website for details. GRs – keep your group supplied with the current writing submission info.

4. *The Forum* subscription form for the e-magazine version is even easier to find on the WSO website.

5. You can get your copy of *The Forum* by going to the WSO website, www.al-anon.org:

- Regular subscriptions of copies mailed to your home address cost \$11 per year.
- Electronic individual copies can be found at Amazon and Kobo for \$1.49 and at Apple iTunes for \$1.99.
- Annual electronic subscriptions are available from *Nook*, the Barnes & Noble electronic bookstore, for \$11. Individual copies are available for \$1.49.
- And keep your groups supplied with subscription forms. You can find order forms in the back of any copy of *The Forum* or online at the WSO website, www.al-anon.org.

6. Subscription Report

<i>The Forum</i> subscriptions	Sept. 2016	Dec. 2016	Gain/Loss
Total Number of subscriptions mailed:	22,694	22,655	-39
Total number of Al-Anon/Alateen Groups	13,803	13,719	-84
Subscriptions per group:	1.644	1.651	0.007
Virginia Number of subscriptions mailed	390	409	19
Virginia Number of groups	292	292	NA
e-Forum (Annual)	660	725	65
e-Forum (Monthly)	100	100	0

Terry Woodside, Area Alternate Delegate, twoodside1@verizon.net