

ZOOM

Meeting Script

Welcome to the **North Shore Alano** (time and name of meeting), a regularly scheduled, virtual meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. This is a closed meeting (unless listed as *open on northshorealano.org/online-meetings page), meaning the only requirement is the desired to stop drinking. With online meetings it is difficult to monitor who is in the room, please remind family or friends that may be in the room while you are in an online meeting, “What you hear here, when you leave here, please let it stay here.” The **North Shore Alano** at 607 Lake Street. in Evanston, Illinois is opened for some, not all, live meetings – which will include five additional onsite weekend meetings. Please check our website for details. As for now, we will continue all Zoom Meetings along with a couple Hybrid* meetings, available on our website’s online and onsite meeting pages. The church and **North Shore Alano** board, has decided to lift the mask mandate for onsite meetings. However, anyone may wear a mask at their discretion.

During the comment portion of the meeting please confine your comments to your problems with alcohol (certain meetings allow discussion of drugs). Please keep your comments brief so as many people as possible may share. Also, please mute your microphone while the meeting is in session, until the chair or host calls on you. This meeting ends promptly at (time).

I’ve asked (someone) to read (whatever readings this meeting regularly uses – all readings are available on our website: northshorealano.org/readings page).

Announcements: As a result of a few meetings recently being Zoom bombed, we need hosts to sign in as info@northshorealano.org or have someone attending each Zoom meeting be able to sign in, in order to lock and remove the intruding participants rather than just stopping the meeting. This is very important; we do not want to scare away any new comer. Does anyone have any announcements for the good of AA? May we now have a brief quiet time.

In keeping with the mission of AA, to be here for the newcomer, the **North Shore Alano Board** will provide literature for newcomers. For those who are new to AA and have not previously attended an in-person meeting, we have a link on our northshorealano.org/literature page to purchase from CASO. If you are unable to purchase literature, please contact the **North Shore Alano** at either **847.328.9830** or info@northshorealano.org and we will be happy to help.

The 7th Tradition states that every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting through its own contributions. Your donations help to keep our doors open. The suggested donation is \$3.00 or more. To reduce administration costs the **North Shore Alano** strongly recommends setting up recurring monthly payments via PayPal, via our northshorealano.org/contributions page or you can send a check or money order to our post box at: **North Shore Alano – PO Box 949 – Evanston, IL 60204-0949** - Thank you for your continuing support!

These questions are not meant to embarrass you, only to get to know you better. Is there anyone here attending their first meeting of AA in life? (make sure to check all heads and chat) If so, please raise your hand and introduce yourself. Is there anyone in their first week of sobriety? Is there anyone at this meeting for the first time? Is there anyone celebrating an AA anniversary? Or a birthday?

If you are new to AA, struggling, or in need of a sponsor please use the chat function on Zoom to convey your thoughts. For those willing to help, please follow those comments and respond as you are able.

This brings us to the (format of meeting). comments (show of hands or hand raise Zoom option)

Thank you all for attending, we will now close with (Serenity Prayer, Lord’s Prayer)