

# AA District 18 Newsletter

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## DISTRICT 18 BREAKING NEWS

We have a number of news items for District 18 this month.

- **\*New Meeting\*** There is a new 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meeting in Edwardsville called One Breath at a Time. It is an open meeting that meets at 7a on Fridays at St. Andrews Episcopal Church.
- The next printing of the Where and When will have a QR code to allow you to hook into our website to show upcoming meetings.
- The events calendar does not appear to have functionality for displaying on the front page of the website. The website committee continues to keep an eye for updates that allow upcoming events to display on the front page of the website.

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## Tradition 7 Checklist

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine. This month's questions reflect questions related to Tradition Seven. This will be the last tradition of the traditions checklist as Tradition 8 was the first tradition that was covered. We hope that these questions have stimulated and continue to stimulate dialog on practicing these traditions in all of our affairs.

### Tradition Seven: Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

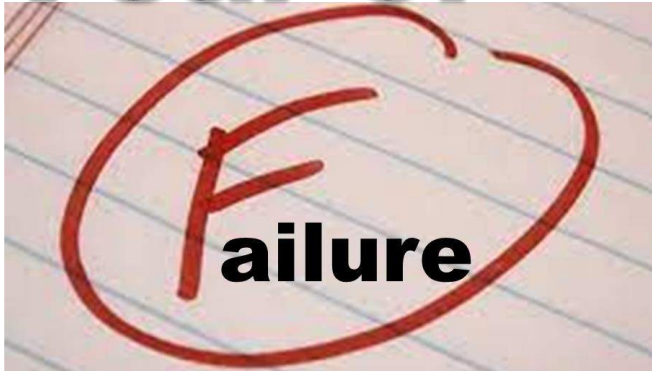
1. Do I do all I can to help AA (my group, my central office, my GSO) remain self-supporting? Could I put a little more into the basket on behalf of the new guy who can't afford it yet? How generous was I when tanked in a barroom?
2. Should the Grapevine sell advertising space to book publishers and drug companies, so it could make a big profit and become a bigger magazine, in full color, at a cheaper price per copy?
3. If GSO runs short of funds some year, wouldn't it be okay to let the government subsidize AA groups in hospitals and prisons?
4. Is it more important to get a big AA collection from a few people, or a smaller collection in which more members participate?
5. Is a group treasurer's report unimportant AA business? How does the treasurer feel about it?
6. How important in my recovery is the feeling of self-respect, rather than the feeling of being always under obligation for charity received?

### Answer to Question 2:

When I look at non-AA magazines today, I'd have to guess that half the magazine is advertisements. Sometimes they are full-page advertisements, mainly from drug companies. The advertisements split up the articles so they don't really flow. I wonder how many companies would be banging on the doors of the Grapevine office, asking for advertising space.

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# Fear of



For as long as I can remember, I've always had a fear of failure. I'm not exactly sure what the driving force of this type of thinking was. I don't want to blame or point fingers at anyone for causing it. But as I looked back using the tools of AA, it was of my own making. Trying to live up to others' expectations, my own expectations, were the main cause of my troubles. Being the oldest of four siblings, it was expected that I be a good role model and good brother. I often didn't relish the position but did enjoy the perks. It wasn't a requirement of my parents that I be a good role model, but one that I thought was expected of me. And I failed at being that role model once I found alcohol as an escape. Alcohol had begun to take precedence over the perceived role model duties I assigned myself. For a long time, I used alcohol to escape being a good role model and good brother. As years passed, I felt like I had failed at being a role model, and my drinking kept increasing to suppress those feelings of failing.

I had a good plan for staying sober before AA and I carried that into rehab. I soon learned in rehab that believing I would stay sober because I almost died from it, would not keep me sober. I learned that my brain is functioning basically like a VCR tape, paused while not drinking. As soon as I take that first drink, the VCR tape would begin to play from where it was paused, and I would be drinking just like I was when I stopped, maybe worse. I didn't want to drink anymore, but fear of failure was there again knowing what I just learned.

When I was leaving rehab, they suggested I go to AA and attend at least 3 meetings a week, which I did. I was trying to absorb everything that I

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*Tradition 7 cont'd*

The companies that would be interested in advertising, know their target audience, which are people with addiction problems, impulsive behaviors, money problems, easily distracted and maybe those looking for an easier, softer way, etc., while looking to cash in for themselves. If the Grapevine became profitable through advertisements, then would the next logical step be to pay those who contribute their articles? As an alcoholic, I am an opportunistic person, so I may want a piece of the pie for my time and effort. Eventually, everyone involved with the Grapevine and those contributing may become more focused on the money, rather than the message it conveys.

For someone new to AA, the Grapevine seems very expensive. At \$28.97 per year (12 issues), that breaks down to \$2.41 an issue. For the cost of a couple beers, I can receive the Grapevine every month. Considering how much I spent on alcohol each month, this is cheap. As a supplement to my AA program, I just might relate to something someone contributed that will help keep me sober today. As I am easily distracted, the advertisements would definitely distract me from the message, sobriety.

I like Grapevine's approach to the magazine, keeping it simple, straight-forward and on topic. The Grapevine just shows us that you don't need to be profitable to put out great content and a message that reaches us all. - John G

## **Answer to Question 4:**

For me, it is preferable for more people to be contributing smaller donations, than for a few people to be contributing large donations. When thinking of tradition 7, the line in the 12&12 regarding this tradition always comes to mind, "Those who pay the piper, are apt to carry the tune".

If there are only a few members contributing large sums of money, they may start attaching demands. This could potentially compromise the ability of the fellowship to function and make decisions independently.

Additionally, when large sums of money get involved in any organization, it can lead to all sorts of problems. Bill W. mentioned that \$5,000 caused havoc in the fellowship for years. If we're focused on what to do with money, not only does it create for conflict in determining what to do with the money, but it also away our focus on carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffer.

Because of the chaos that the \$5,000 caused in the fellowship, they put a limit as to how much any one individual member could contribute annually so we can function independently, maintain harmony, and can focus on our primary purpose. -KS

*Fear of Failure (cont'd)*

heard and suggested in the meetings I attended. I far exceeded what rehab had suggested for the number of meetings I should attend. After about 3 months of being sober, I began working with a sponsor. Even though I was working the steps with his guidance, that fear of failure was just as present in the back of my mind. Prior to AA, I had tried quitting on my own numerous times, which all ended with failure. I was sure I did not want to drink alcohol again, but that fear of failure was still there. Fear of letting everyone down if I took that first drink. I would like to tell you that I worked the steps hard, but I was hesitant to put in a hard effort and there were hiccups on a few. I had heard that if I didn't do a thorough 4th and 5th step, I would drink again. Fear of failure was present while I was working step 4, for I didn't not want to leave any stone unturned. I was afraid I might have missed or overlooked something. The same is true for the 5th step.

After 5 years of not having a job, I began applying for jobs. As I applied, fear of failure was there again. It was driving questions like 'Am I good enough?', 'Why haven't you worked in 5 years?', 'Can I remember how to do the things I used to do?', 'How do I convince someone I am the right person for their position.' I was trying to control every aspect of finding a job, like where the job was located, what I might be doing. And nothing was working. It was then that I decided to turn it over to God and let him guide me. This was truly the first time that I 'Let go and let God.' And he guided me to a great company where I am able to do the things I knew how to do and even allowed me to do things I only dreamed about doing. From then on, I've given the reigns over to God, and things began changing for the better.

As time has passed being in this program, the fear of failure slowly diminished. What used to be a driving force in my life, and what used to be a fuel for my drinking is not as powerful as it once was. Drinking made me feel like a failure. I realize now that I am not a failure and that I should not fear failure. I've learned that not everything in life is going to turn out the way I envision or planned it. There may be setbacks. And that is ok, as long as I continue to try with God's assistance, and let Him drive the bus.

- John G

## **IMPORTANT DATES IN JULY AA HISTORY**

**JULY 2, 1960 - FATHER ED DOWLING DIES.**

**JULY 2, 1965 - FIRST SELLING OF BEST OF BILL AND POCKET-SIZED 12 AND 12.**

**JULY 2-3, 1955 - BILL W TURNS "THE FELLOWSHIP OVER TO THE FELLOWSHIP" AT 4:00 PM. 5000 ATTEND 20TH ANNIVERSARY AT ST LOUIS CONVENTION.**

**JULY 3-5, 1970 - 10,900 ATTEND 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF AA IN MIAMI. BILL W GAVE HIS LAST TALK TO AA.**

**JULY 4 - HE WHO HAS A FIFTH ON THE FOURTH MAY NOT COME FORTH ON THE FIFTH...**

**JULY 7, 1940 - BILL ATTENDS 1ST SUMMER SESSION AT SCHOOL OF ALCOHOL STUDIES AT YALE UNIVERSITY.**

**JULY 14, 1939 - BLYTHEWOOD SANITARIUM DR HARRY TIEBOUT GIVES BIG BOOK TO MARTY M. WHO PROMPTLY THROWS IT BACK AT HIM.**

**JULY 22, 1877 - WILLIAN DUNCAN SILKWORTH BORN IN BROOKLYN, NY.**

**JULY 22, 1980 - MARTY M. EARLY AA WOMAN AND FOUNDER OF NATIONAL COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCE (NCADD) DIES.**

**JULY 23, 1940 - PHILLY AA'S SEND 10% OF KITTY TO ALCOHOLIC FOUNDATION, SETS PRECEDENT.**

**JULY 23, 1943 - NEW HAVEN REGISTER CT REPORTS ARRIVAL OF AA'S TO STUDY WITH E. M. JELLINEK.**

**JULY 28-30, 1950 - 1ST AA CONVENTION. CELEBRATES 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF AA IN CLEVELAND.**



## Upcoming Events for July

### WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE MEETING

- DATE: TUESDAY, JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> 2022
- TIME: 6:00P
- PLACE: ON ZOOM
- MEETING ID: 860 4525 2243
- PASSCODE: 508512

### D18 HANDBOOK COMMITTEE MEETING-HYBRID

- DATE: SUNDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2022
- TIME: 1:15-2:00P
- PLACE: AT CSO AND ON ZOOM
- MEETING ID: 860 0054 3107
- PASSCODE: 093088

### GSR MEETING-HYBRID

- DATE: SUNDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2022
- TIME: 2:00P
- PLACE: AT CSO AND ON ZOOM
- MEETING ID: 860 0054 3107
- PASSCODE: 093088

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

- DATE: SUNDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2022
- TIME: 3:00P
- PLACE: CSO

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### ARCHWAY TO FREEDOM CORRECTIONS WORKSHOP

- PUT ON BY DISTRICT 18 AND DISTRICT 2 (MISSOURI)
- DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>
- TIME: 9:00A-12P
- PLACE: CSO AND ON ZOOM
- PLEASE SEE FLIER FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

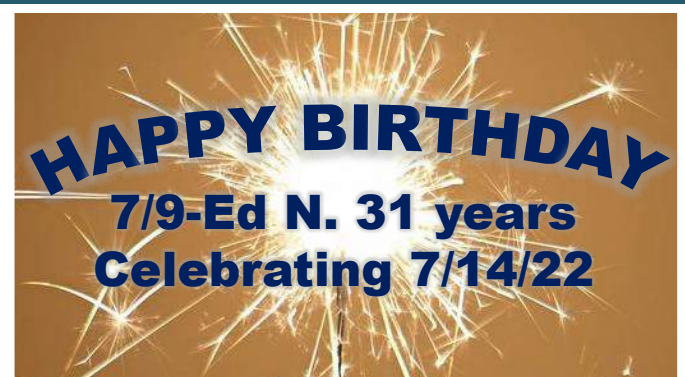


When I first got into the program, I wanted to know what God's will for me was. I wanted very concrete directions My original thought was that meditation could start opening some channels in communicating with Him. After several years of meditating, the only thing I could ascertain, was that God's will, is doing the next right thing. While I was okay with this answer, I wasn't entirely satisfied with it either.

At a meeting, someone mentioned that if you want to know God's will, you have to get to know God. It dawned on me that while I had sought God, I hadn't gotten to know Him that well. That started a completely new journey in my relationship with Him and I explored several different ways in getting to know Him better.

In today's Daily Reflection, they were talking about our relationship with our higher power. The passage states, "if I am to be bold enough to ask for His guidance, I must act as if He has provided it".

In getting to know Him better, He has given me new understanding. While most of it still comes back to doing the next right thing, so many things that we place importance on, are not important in His grand scheme. I am content with the answer He has provided and feel that this understanding will deepen, as I continue to understand Him better. -KS



## D18 July Sudoku Puzzle Challenge

**Directions:** Fill in the sudoku puzzle below using the numbers 1-9. Each row, column and square (9 spaces each) had to contain the numbers 1-9, without repeats of any numbers within any row, column or square.

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|   |   |   | 1 |   | 5 |  |   | 9 |
|   | 7 |   | 3 |   |   |  |   | 6 |
|   |   |   |   | 4 |   |  |   |   |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  | 2 |   |
| 8 | 4 | 9 |   |   |   |  |   |   |
|   |   |   |   | 8 |   |  | 4 | 1 |
|   | 9 | 1 | 2 |   | 6 |  |   |   |
|   | 8 |   |   |   | 1 |  | 5 |   |
| 2 |   |   | 7 |   |   |  |   |   |

DO YOU HAVE AN UPCOMING EVENT OR A BIRTHDAY IN AUGUST, or are you interested in contributing to the newsletter? Please send any of the above to [info@aa-district18.org](mailto:info@aa-district18.org) by 8/7/22 being mindful of our steps and traditions. Any suggestions or comments are always appreciated and can also be sent to [info@aa-district18.org](mailto:info@aa-district18.org) . Thank you for subscribing to our newsletter!

## D18 July Sudoku Challenge answer key

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 9 |
| 1 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 6 |
| 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| 6 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 8 |
| 8 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 7 |
| 7 | 5 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 1 |
| 5 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 4 |
| 3 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 2 |
| 2 | 6 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 3 |

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**“REFRESHMENTS TO BE SERVED AFTERWARDS (NOTHING GOURMET)”**

# 72nd GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE

Quick reference 12 concepts illustrated

## AGENDA

### Recommended

- A. 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC Theme will be "A.A.'s 3 Legacies - Our Common Solution **Passed**
- B. Presentation Topics:
  1. Our Common Perils and Common Solution
  2. Using A.A.'s Literature in Carrying the Message
  3. Fostering a Thriving 3 Legacy Culture **Passed**
- C. Workshop Topic: Practicing Our 12 Traditions Across All Group Settings **Passed**

## COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY (CPC)

### Committee Considerations

- A. The Committee made suggestions to increase posts on LinkedIn
- B. "A.A. in Your Community" The Committee requested that a final draft be brought back to the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC
- D. The Committee requested that a final draft be brought back to the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC for a new pamphlet to help mental health professionals

### Took No Action

- E. The Committee took no action on a pamphlet to reach doctors and suggested a service piece on how to speak to our doctors

## CORRECTIONS

### Additional Consideration

That the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition Big Book include a reference to more information available at aa.org

### Took No Action

- B. Reconsider use of "Person in Custody"
- C. Consider request to limit changes to the book "Alcoholics Anonymous"
- D. Request to make Literature changes slowly and with primary purpose in mind

## FINANCE

### Committee Consideration

- A. The Committee requested a full review of the self-support package, with all service piece language updated to be a consistent message for the US and Canada

### Additional Consideration

The committee requested a full review of the pamphlet "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" to clarify that contributions sent to the General Service Office are made to the General Service Board

### Took No Action

- B. Regarding adding a historical disclaimer regarding language to the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions, the Committee took no action, stating that this is covered in the current forward to the book
- C. Regarding a request to handle all changes to the book, 12 steps and 12 Traditions, in footnotes, the Committee took no action, stating they did not want to mandate a specific format

## GRAPEVINE

### Committee Consideration

- B. The Committee forwarded suggestions to the Grapevine Office to encourage members to submit anonymity-protected content for Instagram Account
- C. The Committee recommended suggested book titles for 2023 be accepted

### Additional Consideration

The Committee requested that the Grapevine Office consider the feasibility of using American Sign Language (ASL)

### Took No Action

- D. The committee discussed the wide-ranging impact the AA Preamble change has had on the Fellowship. The committee felt that after careful consideration of Fellowship feedback, it would be premature to quantify the impact when many A.A. members are still either uninformed or ambivalent about the change. The committee emphasized that at every level of our Conference process there is a reciprocal responsibility of all A.A. members and trusted servants, of participation and communication, to embrace the guiding principles of trust and transparency.

## LITERATURE

### Recommended:

- B. Add the following text to the pamphlet "Q&A on Sponsorship":  
(p.14) Stress the importance of A.A. being a safe place for all members, encouraging members to become familiar with safety service material (p.23) add "sponsorship can also help a group to create a welcoming and secure environment. Safety is an issue affecting all members and it is important for groups to remain accessible to all who are seeking recovery. Sponsorship can help keep the group focused on the common welfare." **Passed**
- D. That the draft pamphlet "The Twelve Steps Illustrated" be approved **Failed**
- E. That the video animation of the pamphlet "Twelve Concepts Illustrated" currently published by the General Service Office of Great Britain be adopted and produced and a draft be brought to the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC. **Passed**
- G. The draft of the pamphlet "Young People and A.A." be approved **Passed**
- N. To update the existing "12 Traditions Illustrated" and review a draft next year **Passed**
  01. The updated pamphlet "Is A.A. for You?" be approved **Passed**
  02. The updated pamphlet "Is There an Alcoholic in Your Life?" be approved **Passed**
  03. That the updated pamphlet "Frequently Asked Questions About A.A." be approved **Passed**



- S. That the book Experience, Strength and hope be updated to include stories removed from the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous. **Failed**

#### **Committee Consideration**

The Committee review progress reports on the following items and returned to changes and return to 73<sup>rd</sup> Conference:

- H. A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic
- I. A.A. for the Native North American
- J. The 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the book Alcoholics Anonimos
- K. Translation of 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Alcoholics Anonymous to plain and simple language
- L. Requests for study guide workbooks
- M. Fifth Edition of book, Alcoholics Anonymous

#### **Additional Considerations**

That the booklet *Living Sober* be revised to add a paragraph (Chapter 29, page 76) "Of course, A.A. is a reflection of the larger society around us and problems found in the outside world can also make their way into the rooms of A.A. But by keeping the focus on our common welfare and primary purpose, groups can help provide a safe and secure environment for all their members"

#### **Took No Action**

- R. The Committee took no action on a request to re-consider changes made to the book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and return to the original text. There did not appear to be a consensus among members

#### **POLICY / ADMISSIONS**

##### **Recommended**

- C. The Policy and Admissions Committee will approve routine Observer Requests from outside the US and Canada with full Conference approval **Passed**
- E. The full background material will be available prior to 2/15 of each year in English, Spanish and French **Passed**
- F. The Committee recommended to restore the paragraph removed from "Freedom From Bondage". **Failed**

#### **Committee Consideration**

- A. The Committee requested a new cost and spiritual analysis of holding the General Service Conference in other locations around the U.S.
- B. Three possible dates for the 2026 General Service Conference were recommended: 4/26-5/2, 4/19-25, and 5/3-9
- D. The Committee looked forward to further research regarding use of virtual methods for polling the Conference between meetings

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

##### **Recommended:**

- J3. Revisions to the pamphlet "Understanding Anonymity" were recommended **Passed**
- J4. That the pamphlet "A.A. Fact File" be retired **Passed**

- L. Format changes, two new questions and six changed questions on a 2022 membership survey were recommended **Passed**

The Committee recommended a 2022 membership survey with a cost not to exceed \$20,000 **Passed**

#### **REPORT AND CHARTER**

##### **Recommended**

- B. The Committee approved that *The A.A. Service Manual*, Chapters 8, 9, 10, and 11, be revised to correct inaccuracies and provide clarity and consistency in roles, responsibilities, between the GSO, AA GV and AAWs. **Passed**

The Committee approved removing items 5 and 6 that related to Regional Directories be removed from the Scope of the Report and Charter Composition, Scope and Procedures **Passed**

#### **Committee Consideration**

- C. The Committee approved creating a new section in the *Twelve Concepts for World Service*, "Amendments" and that the updated Chapter 11 and updated descriptions of the current GSB committees

#### **Additional Consideration**

The Committee discussed a possible edition of the *A.A. Service Manual* in ASL and requested A.A.W.S. research the feasibility and bring a report back to the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC Areas, Districts and Intergroups are encouraged to make ASL interpretation and service opportunities available to the Deaf Community

#### **Took No Action**

- D. The Committee took no action on a request to add a "GSR Preamble" to the GSR Pamphlet
- E. The Committee took no action on a request to move "The Doctor's Opinion to page one in the book Alcoholics Anonymous

#### **TREATMENT/ACCESSIBILITIES**

##### **Recommended:**

- F. That the Long Form of Tradition Five be added to the pamphlet, "*The A.A. Group*" on page 12 in the section "What is an A.A. Group?" at the next printing **Passed**

#### **Committee Consideration**

- A. The progress report was reviewed and accepted for the pamphlet, "A.A. for the Older Alcoholic", and numerous changes were suggested, including making the format more accessible, due to accessibility challenges with the current fold-out version
- B. The progress report was reviewed and accepted on military audio interview and several suggestions to reach out for stories were suggested.

#### **Took No Action**

- G. The Committee took no action on the request to remove the sentence "Nobody has ever dies due to of lack of sleep" in the section "Getting

plenty of rest" in the booklet Living Sober. The Committee noted that later in the section "if the condition persists, it may be advisable to check with a good physician who understands alcoholism well"

## TRUSTEES

### Recommended

- C. The approval of the slate of trustees and officers for GSB, (C) A.A. W.S., Inc. Board, (D) Grapevine Board, and A.A. Grapevine, Inc. Board. **Passed**
- F. That the "Suggested Procedure to Reorganize the GSB and the boards of A.A. W.S., Inc. and A.A. Grapevine, Inc. be approved with the final procedure to be determined by the GSC considering such action **Passed**
- G. That the pamphlet "Do you Think You Are Different?" be updated to stories representing greater diversity and bring a report to the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC **Passed**

### Additional Consideration

In regards to the pamphlet "Do You Think You Are Different?", it was suggested that the Trustees

- 1. Review accuracy and effectiveness of direct translation practices which do not present an authentic and culturally relevant message to linguistic communities and,
- 2. That the A.A. Grapevine consider using this pamphlet as a recurring theme to allow for
- 3. presentation of a diverse group of current voices finding a common identification

### Took No Action

- F. The Committee took no action on the request to highlight service roles differently in the pamphlet "The A.A. Group"

## ARCHIVES

### No Recommendations

## INT'L. CONVENTIONS / REGIONAL FORUMS

### Committee Considerations

- A. The Committee reviewed the report regarding surveying the fellowship on methods to close the Big Meetings at the International Convention and acknowledged that a survey will be conducted in May 2022, via numerous methods
- B. The Committee made suggestions to improve attendance at Regional Forums: 1) Retitle utilizing more current language 2) Utilize digital and non-digital communications option to ensure full accessibility

## FLOOR ACTIONS

### Recommended

- 2. That edits continue to the draft pamphlet "12 Traditions Illustrated" keeping in mind: color, diverse expressions of spirituality and

accessible interpretation of meaning in the illustrations **Passed**

- 3. That the Trustee Committee will consult with the Survey Methodologist to address concerns about verbiage and approve a final survey to release this year **Passed**
- 5. That the Ad Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups develop a plan to create one or more non-geographic areas for online and telephone groups, with a progress report at the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC **Failed**
- 7. To develop a process for creating the GSC background material, keeping in mind the Conference desire for material to be targeted, balanced and with relevant historical content **Failed**
- 9. To reaffirm the 1995 Conference Advisory Action that the first 164 pages of the Big Book, the Forewords, "The Doctor's Opinion," "Doctor Bob's Nightmare" and the Appendices remain as is **Failed**

### Declined to Discuss

- 1. The translation of the book Alcoholics Anonymous to plain and simple language, include the Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts in their existing form in English
- 4. The GSC impose a one-year moratorium on any new agenda item received through 9/15/2022, with items held for the 74<sup>th</sup> GSC, allowing the GSB time to adjust and align their process to accommodate 2022 recommendation to provide simultaneous translation of all background material
- 6. To add a GSR Preamble to the GSR pamphlet
- 8. That changes to the book, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions be return to their original text, reversing the changes made by the 71s GSC



# Speakers

**AA** Tim H, Louisville KY

April F, Newburgh IN Doug R, Tujunga CA

Carol T, Tujunga CA Erin B, Fairview Park OH

**AI Anon** Britney G, Rocky River OH



## Line Up of Events



**Open Mic Night!**

All kinds of Music

**Ice Cream Social**



**Air Guitar Contest**

**Sing Along**

# November 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 2022

Santa Claus, IN

Event Opens at 4:00 CST Nov 4

**AA 2022**

**Tri-State Convention**



## Sobriety Rocks!

**\$35 Registration by Oct 10<sup>th</sup>**

**\$20 Saturday Night Banquet**

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**\$40 Registration after Oct 10<sup>th</sup>**

**and no banquet**

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**Joe C. 812.653.6638**

**Zach H. 812.351.1568**



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