

UNITY NEWSLETTER



July 2022

Volume 46; Issue 7

“Here are the steps we took” by Clarence Snyder Working With Others

Dr. Bob Smith sponsored Clarence Snyder into this simple program. Clarence repeated this approach with other alcoholics in Cleveland where he achieved a high recovery rate. Here is the approach the A.A. pioneers used to carry the message to the person who suffers from a seemingly hopeless state of mind and body. Clarence remained very active in A.A. until his death in March 1984.



There are five phases to the Twelve Steps:

- STEP 1: ADMISSION,
- STEPS 2 and 3: SUBMISSION,
- STEPS 4, 5, 6, and 7: CONFESSION,
- STEPS 8 and 9: RESTITUTION,
- STEPS 10, 11, and 12: THE LIVING STEPS, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

STEP SEVEN: On your knees you ask that these defects be removed, these shortcomings listed in your inventory... Both on knees, the sponsor says: “Lord, here is your child, ____ (name) _____. He is coming to you in all humility to humbly ask your forgiveness, believing that anything he asks in prayer, he humbly shall receive.

Person repeats after sponsor: “I, ____ (name) _____, humbly ask you oh Lord, to remove my shortcomings and forgive me, my sins and trespasses, and ask in all humility that you will remove my defects and shortcomings because I am one of your children and I truly believe. Thank you, Amen.” Sponsor: “Your sins are removed in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.”

Both: “Thank you, Amen.”

STEP: 07

*““Humbly asked Him
to remove our
shortcomings”*

In This Issue

- Overview: Step 7 / Tradition 7.....p. 2
- On the 7th Step -- AA Grapevine - Aug. 1945p. 3
- Intergroup News....p. 5
- Intergroup Financial Reportp. 7
- *Every AA Ought to Know*.....p. 8
- June 2022 Intergroup Meeting Minutes.. 9-10
- AA Gen. Services Office, Request for Manuscripts.....p. 11
- Events.....p 12-20
- “On the Lighter Side”p. 21

Step Seven: Humbly ask Him to remove our shortcomings.

SINCE this Step so specifically concerns itself with humility, we should pause here to consider what humility is and what the practice of it can mean to us.

Indeed, the attainment of greater humility is the foundation principle of each of A.A.'s Twelve Steps. For without some degree of humility, no alcoholic can stay sober at all. Nearly all A.A.'s have found, too, that unless they develop much more of this precious quality than may be required just for sobriety, they still haven't much chance of becoming truly happy. Without it, they cannot live to much useful purpose, or, in adversity, be able to summon the faith that can meet any emergency.

Seventh Step Prayer

My Creator, I am now willing that You have all of me, good and bad. I pray that You now remove from me every single defect of character which stands in the way of my usefulness to You and my fellows. Grant me strength, as I go out from here to do Your bidding.



Tradition Seven (long form):

The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies, that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligation whatever, is unwise.

Then, too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority.

Tradition Seven Checklist:

1. Honestly now, 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?



Concept VII and Checklist: The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.

- Do we act responsibly regarding the "power of the purse"?
- Do we realize that the practical and spiritual power of the Conference will nearly always be

On the 7th Step -- A.A. Grapevine, May 1945, Vol. 1 No. 12

"Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings."

We all know that it is God's will that we live clean, wholesome lives; that we think clearly and become persons of honest decision. This we know we cannot do until we become our real selves, so, in desperation, we alcoholics revert to prayer. We humbly ask God to remove our shortcomings; to restore us to our natural selves, so that we may think clearly on our problems.

Emerson says, "None will ever solve the problem of his character according to our prejudice, but only in his own high unprecedented way."

Character is undoubtedly accumulative, and in removing shortcomings it stands to reason that we are striving to build character. This can be done by observing our errors, and, one at a time, correcting them on the spot.

We have already accepted this "Power greater than ourselves" as a reality. Something to which we can pray, expecting to receive help. So now we ask for courage to look at our shortcomings honestly. To recognize them for what they really are, and not what we might wish them to be.

What are some of our shortcomings? Let us list just a few: 1. Excessive drinking. 2. Resenting help. 3. Resenting the good fortune of others. 4. Defending ourselves when we know we are in the wrong. 5. Jealousy and envy of all kinds. 6. Shunning responsibility.

Through the grace of God we have found A.A., which teaches us that we are sick people and that alcohol in any form or amount is out. So we stop drinking. That takes care of our number one problem.

We must be willing to accept help of all kinds without resentment. This takes a little time, as we are the world's most sensitive persons. We know too well that we have neglected all of our talents and abilities for alcohol, and we have terribly guilty feelings, made more acute by persons who are already in better circumstances than we are. Nevertheless, we learn to suffer our hurt feelings and start building a constructive, happy life.

Defending what we call our "pride" is one of the most difficult shortcomings to remove. Many of us have thought of pride as something virtuous, something to be honored. Well, what have we left, we who are humbly seeking help, that we can put on exhibition as virtue? Often we cannot actually put our finger on anything in our make-up of which we are really proud. So we break down our false pride, and exchange it for humility.

The most beautiful art in the world is simple, with few lines, little fuss and complications. So we try being simple for a change. Just plain honest simplicity. We look for the best in our fellow man, "Pardon the wrong in him; hark to the song in him."

By accepting God's help, we learn to think clearly; to play fairly; and to give generously.

Elizabeth W.
Boston, Massachusetts

DISTRICT MEETINGS

District 1 meets the first Saturday, every other month (Jan, Mar, May, etc.) at 11am at the Renaissance Center.

District 2 meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at the Mountain Home VA, Johnson City.

District 3 meets the first Sunday of the month at 12:30pm at the Morristown Group.

District 4 meets the first Sunday of even months at 2:00pm at Happy Destiny.

District 50/51 meets the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm at Intergroup.

Intergroup Committee meets the third Monday of the month at 6:30pm on Zoom. Meeting ID: 190 817 792; Password: 076583.

Want to do Service Work for Intergroup?

Use the form below, OR sign up online here:

<https://www.etiaa.org/contact-us/>

East Tennessee Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous – Gratitude With Service form

Return to: ETIAA; 9217 Park West Blvd #B3; Knoxville, TN 37923

865-522-9667

Manager@etiaa.org

www.etiaa.org

Date: _____ *First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ *Phone _____

*City _____ *State _____ *ZIP _____ Sex _____

E-mail address _____ Alternative Phone _____

* Required for listing in 12th Step List

ETIAA UNITY Newsletter Subscription / Renewal (Free subscription for email issues; \$12/year for mailed issues)

Volunteer Service Options

Check only those you are willing to commit time to:

12th Step List Volunteer

☐ Weeknights

☐ Weekends

☐ Weekdays

Phones Night & Weekend

☐ Weeknights

☐ Weekends

Committees of Interest

Check only those you are willing to serve on:

☐ Public Information / Cooperation with the Professional Community

☐ Intergroup Representative

☐ Office Worker

☐ Archives

☐ Outreach

☐ Spanish Liaison

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

We can't do it without you! Intergroup volunteers help carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers, and provide groups and individuals with literature and other resources. It's a great gig! If you have at least 6 months of continued sobriety, come join us!

Fill out your info at the office, or online at

<https://www.etiaa.org/contact-us/>.

In the Office

Rebekah	Dave	Dennis
Jill	Patty	Tara
Glenn	Eddie	Beth
Pete	Paul	Bruce
Charlie	Kathy	Marie
Susi	Rick	Katie
Bob	Audrey	Rob
Robin	Fawn	

Website

Sterling
Eammon
SuZanne

Meeting List

Barb

Hotline:

Clara	Barb
Bob W	Patrick
Susie	Austin
Susi	Rebekah
Emily	Ron M.
Anna	Frank T.
Carole	Bill E.
Jimmy	Randall

Intergroup Board

Rhonda	Barb
Dave	Susi
Marian	Tami
SuZanne	Jacque
Beth	

AA Birthdays / Anniversaries

Seymour Sharing Group

Nick T. 37 years

Tennessee Group

Marion G. 35 years

Monday Night Men's Group

Terry K.	35 years	Dan L.	2 years
Paul P.	16 years	Mike C.	1 year
Zack S.	16 years		

Intergroup Office News

In August East Tennessee Intergroup of AA will be celebrating 40 years. We are excited to have been able to serve the AA community in our area for so long. We would love to add some history of ETIAA over the years to next month's newsletter. If you have any stories or information about the formation of our central office, please contact manager@etiaa.org.

We need service workers to help with Mobile Intergroup at the 3rd quarter assembly July 23rd. Please contact manager@etiaa.org to let us know you are willing to help.

Grapevine now has a podcast. It can be found at <https://www.aagrapevine.org/podcast>

Service Work Opportunities

We are in need of a Hotline Coordinator and an Events Coordinator.

We need new service workers for our 12 Step List. These workers answer calls from people who need to talk to an AA member after they have been screened by the hotline worker. They usually need to talk to someone of the same sex about the program and potentially meet at a meeting.

**Contact us to find out how you can help us
carry the message!**

Unity Newsletter

is a monthly publication of East Tennessee Intergroup about, by, and for members of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). Opinions herein are not to be attributed to AA. Except when indicated, this publication does not imply endorsement by either AA or the Newsletter. Delegates to the General Service Conference on April 24, 1972 agreed that the use of full names and addresses could improve communication within the Fellowship. Consequently, we may use full names for AA service members. To ensure anonymity, it is requested that the Newsletter be kept within the Fellowship.

Submissions

Is your group celebrating Birthdays/Anniversaries? Are you? Do you have AA-related questions or myths that Intergroup of East Tennessee Alcoholics Anonymous (ETIAA) can answer for you? Is there an "In Memory" group member to be recognized? We encourage all appropriate submissions by sending them to: Newsletter Coordinator, managr@etiaa.org

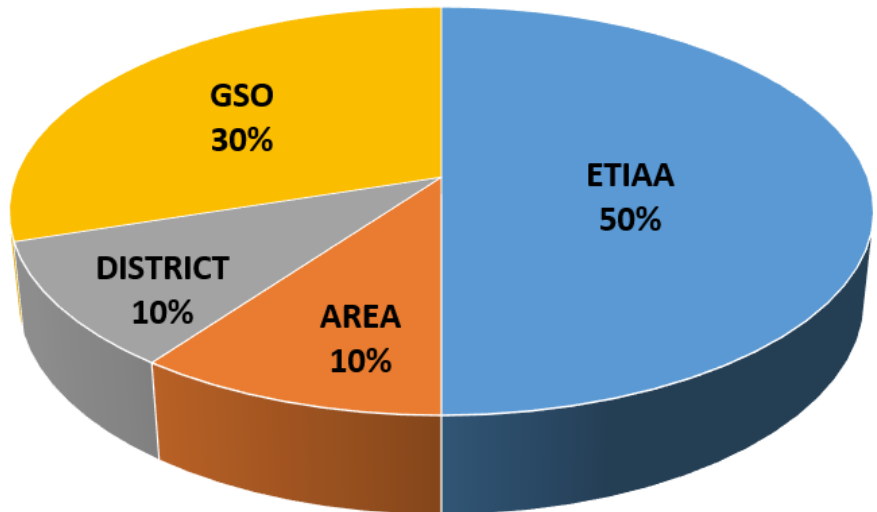
7TH TRADITION SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTIONS

How can groups participate?

To help support AA's essential services, the General Service Conference suggests that individual groups, through an informed group conscience, adopt a specific contribution plan tailored to meet the group's financial situation. Once the basic group expenses have been taken care of (for example, rent, refreshments, AA literature, Grapevine literature, local meeting lists, GSR travel expenses to attend service functions) and a "prudent reserve" has been set aside to cover any emergency contingencies that might arise, the group may decide to further carry the message by sending money to the following AA service entities.

- The local district, which communicates directly with the groups, providing the district group conscience for the area assemblies and serving as a link between the area delegates and the GSRs.
- The area committee, which coordinates vital AA activities over a broad geographic area, sends a delegate to the annual General Service Conference, holds area assemblies to determine the needs of the Fellowship, and provides information at all levels of service.
- The local intergroup or central office, which may provide phone service for Twelfth Step calls and other inquiries, coordination of group activities, AA literature sales, institutions work, public information, and cooperation with the professional community activities.
- AA's General Service Office, which functions as a storehouse of AA information, communicating with members and groups around the world, publishes AA literature, and supplies information and experience to professionals and others interested in AA.

[Self-Support—Where Money and Spirituality Mix. Go to: www.aa.org/assets/en_US/f-3_selfsupport.pdf]



Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Contribution Addresses

ETIAA East Tennessee Intergroup of AA
9217 Park West Blvd #B3
Knoxville, TN 37923
865-522-9667 www.etiaa.org

New ways to contribute:

Paypal Manager@etiaa.org or
865-320-8649
Zelle Manager@etiaa.org or
865-320-8649
Venmo @ETIAA

General Service Office
Grand Central Station
P.O. Box 459
New York, NY 10163
www.aa.org
The GSO prefers online contributions

Area 64 Assembly
2500 Murfreesboro Pike
Suite 105 Box 235
Nashville, TN 37217
www.area64assembly.org

District 1 Treasurer
Barb Sapp
4137 Skyland Dr,
Kingsport, TN 37664

District 2 Treasurer
PO BOX 1872
Johnson City, TN 37605

District 3 Treasurer
John H.
1466 Darbee Dr.
Morristown, TN 37814

District 4 Treasurer
P.O. Box 6642
Maryville, TN 37802

District 6 Treasurer
Richard B.
105 Mariner Point
Clinton, TN 37716

NEW ADDRESSES

AA District 50/51 Treasurer
9217 Park West Blvd
Suite B-3 (ETIAA)
Knoxville, TN 37923

Please mail all District 50/51 contributions to the Intergroup Office. Specify on the check AND on the outside of the envelope that it is for district 50/51.

Please be sure to include your Group Name and Number.

Intergroup Financial / Contributions Report

GROUPS DONATING	Jul 21—		GROUPS DONATING	Jul 21—	
	May '22	May '22		May '22	May '22
1ST THINGS 1ST KNOXVILLE	813.83	4,146.78	MARYVILLE 12 STEP		300.00
4-WAY GROUP		275.00	MEMORIAL RECOVERY		50.00
4TH DIMENSION	520.00	1,400.00	METRO GROUP		350.00
AGE OF MIRACLES		25.00	MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S		500.00
ANON CUSTOMER		50.00	MORRISTOWN GROUP		400.00
AREA 64 HOST COMMITTEE	90.00	150.00	NEW BEGINNING- LOUDON		35.00
BACK TO BASICS- OAK RIDGE		153.00	NEW BEGINNINGS KNOXVILLE		50.00
BIG BOOK RECOVERY		25.00	NORRIS CLINTON GROUP		91.00
BLOUNT COUNTY GROUP		450.00	NORTH GATLINBURG		1,050.66
BREAKFAST CLUB	20.00	460.00	NORTH STATION GR		11.00
CARING AND SHARING		17.32	NORTHSHORE		150.00
COLONIAL GROUP		300.00	Nueva Esperanza		100.00
COLONIAL HEIGHTS		170.00	ONLINE LUNCH BUNCH	79.88	947.39
CONCORD GROUP		250.50	PHOENIX GROUP		1,294.00
CONTRIBUTION JAR	14.32	179.84	PRIMARY PURPOSE- OAK RIDGE		680.00
COOKIE GROUP		480.00	PRIME TIME		780.00
DANDRIDGE UNITY		96.00	RIVERSIDE GROUP		174.81
Dist 4 PICNIC		18.00	ROANE COUNTY UNITY		1,476.00
DISTRICT 3		100.00	SAT. MORNING BIG BOOK STUDY		1,524.15
DISTRICT 50/51		540.00	SATURDAY MORNING SERENITY	224.00	508.50
DOWN ON THE RIVER		480.00	SERENITY IMPROVEMENT		1,200.00
FOUNTAIN CITY SERENITY		600.00	SEYMOUR SHARING		734.53
FRIDAY NIGHT MEETING		375.00	SOBER PRIDE		254.05
FRIDAY NIGHT OUT		15.00	SOBRIETY AND BEYOND		258.25
GROUP PRIMARY PURPOSE	180.00	180.00	SOBRIETY SOCIETY- SO-SO		525.00
GROUP WITH NO NAME		1,590.00	Square Customer	262.46	2,114.62
HAPPY DESTINY		750.00	Stepping Through Sobriety		63.00
HAPPY HOUR	1,120.00	4,098.43	STEPS FORWARD	100.00	320.00
HIGH NOON ROGERSVILLE		174.00	TCYPAA		0.70
HIGH NOONERS-P40	500.00	2,925.00	TELLICO VILLAGE		240.00
I Am Responsible Mtn City		100.00	TENNESSEE GROUP		634.44
Jaywalkers		300.00	TRUDGING THE ROAD		192.96
Johnson City Women's Group		100.00	TUESDAY NIGHT LOUDON		75.00
KEEP LEANING FORWARD		92.58	TURNIP PATCH		242.15
KODAK HWY 66		250.00	UNKNOWN GROUP		310.00
LAFOLLETTE-THERE IS HOPE	20.00	220.00	WEARS VIY CARRIAGE HOUSE		105.55
LUNCH BUNCH- GREENEVILLE	59.36	710.40	WEST KNOXVILLE GROUP		115.50
			WORKING WITH OTHERS		117.00
			TOTAL	\$4,003.85	\$40,222.11

East Tennessee Intergroup of AA fiscal year is July 1 -June 30



Every AA Ought to Know

From: "The Three Legacies of Alcoholics Anonymous"

Dr. Bob was essentially a far more humble person than I.

In some ways he was a sort of spiritual natural, and this anonymity business came rather easily to him.

He could not understand why some people should want so much publicity.

In the years before he died, his personal example respecting anonymity did much to help me keep my own lid on.

I think of one affecting instance in particular, one that every AA ought to know.

When it was sure that Dr. Bob was mortally afflicted, some of his friends suggested that there should be a suitable monument or mausoleum erected in honor of him and his wife Anne - something befitting a founder and his lady.

Of course this was a very natural and moving tribute. The committee went so far as to show him a sketch of the proposed edifice.

Telling me about this, Dr. Bob grinned broadly and said, God bless them.

They mean well.

But for heaven's sake, Bill, let's you and I get buried just like other folks.

A year after his passing, I visited the Akron cemetery where Dr. Bob and Anne lie.

The simple stone says not a word about Alcoholics Anonymous.

Some people may think that this wonderful couple carried personal anonymity too far when they so firmly refused to use the words "Alcoholics Anonymous" even on their own burial stone.

For one, I do not think so.

I think that this moving and final example of self-effacement will prove of more permanent worth to AA than any amount of public attention or any great monument.

Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, pages 136-137
(Thanks Ronny H.)

June 2022 Intergroup Meeting Minutes

Open with Serenity Prayer and monthly Tradition at 6:30.

Present via Zoom: - Tami D, Rhonda, Jacque H., Marian G., Clara M., Steve S., Dave S., Scott S., Beth C., Jim F., Jimmy, Barb S., Erika W., Jody, Dave,

Groups Represented: First Things First Group., TN Group, Saturday Morning Big Book Group, Happy Destiny II Group, High Nooners Group, So-So Group, Morristown Group.

Previous minutes were accepted as is motion Barb S., seconded by Jacque H., all in favor.

Manager's Report – Clara M

- Welcome new IGRs – Clara welcomed new reps to the meeting. If you need anything reach out to the office manager @ 865-320-8649 or manager@etiaa.org.
- Remind – Clara asked for anyone wanting to be added to the Remind App for staying up-to-date with announcements and updates to add their contact information in the Zoom chat box.
- Office Manager Training Update – Quickbooks training completed. Clara is now working on getting all systems to communicate better for inventory purposes.
- Office Manager Hours – Clara stated she will be in the office on Tuesday's starting at 7:30am, the rest of hours will vary from week to week.
- AAWS backorders – AAWS is experiencing lengthy delays in fulfilling orders placed. An order of "As Bill Sees It" placed in January just arrived last week. The office still has 3 previously placed orders outstanding. Clara to bump up the quantities of items ordered in an effort to ensure we don't run out of stock.

Treasurer's Report – Dave S.

- Year to Date P&L \$5521.25
- May Group contributions \$4053.85 (there is a \$50 accounting error in Quickbooks that will be corrected, in one spot shows \$4003.85 but will be corrected. Bank account reconciled.
- June 1-20th contributions \$1402.38
- Dave reported all accounts healthy.
- Motion to accept Treasurer's report by Dave S., seconded by Jim F., all in favor.

Hotline – Susi M. – not present

Service Workers – Dave S.

- Dave advised all shifts on Wednesday now covered.
- Dave will be on vacation 06/25-07/15, Susi M will be filling in.

Archives – Barb S.

- Barb has tried to contact the State of TN archives in Murfreesboro for direction on what to keep in our Intergroup Archives but no one has returned her calls to date. She did take home a box of items for possible Archives that were at the office and she is going to go through the box and catalogue the items and present the list at the next Intergroup meeting.

Website – Barb S.

- Barb requesting assistance with understanding the Website report. There were 213,000 clicks to the website. Top performing item on website was the meeting list.
- Barb is doing meeting updates every 2 weeks.

June 2022 Intergroup Meeting Minutes (Cont.)

Accessibilities – Susi M. – not present (Susi will not be taking over this position until Hotline is covered)

Spanish Liaison – open

CPC/PI – open

Treatment – Jacque H.

- Jacque reported she was unable to attend the District meeting with Marian as she has to work on Saturdays now. Nothing else to report.

Corrections – Marian G.

- Marian attended the District 4 meeting where she met the Corrections Chair for that district. Nothing else to report.

Outreach – Susi M. – not present

Events – SuZanne A. – not present – SuZanne is giving up this position.

Mobile Intergroup – Beth C.

- Beth stated she will be doing the mobile intergroup for the 3rd Quarter Assembly to be held July 22-24th at the Cedar Bluff Rd Holiday Inn and volunteers are needed.
- The Mobile Intergroup was present at the District 3 Picnic and the sales totaled between \$300 - \$400.
- Best asked for ideas for covering this position as the prep, set-up, event, breakdown and restocking post event are very time consuming. Perhaps a co-chair to be elected. Be thinking about this and provide any feedback.

Old Business:

- Office shelving – Trey M has been working on the shelving and it is about halfway with the project. What has been completed is looking good!
- Hybrid Intergroup Meetings – Clara, Beth and Dave were present for the meeting in the office and all others were present via Zoom. All went well except for the sound in the office was a little off.

New Business:

- Clara requested no more than \$100 for the purchase of a Bluetooth microphone for those attending the Intergroup meeting in the office. Barb S made a motion to approve the funds and Dave S seconded. All in favor.
- Clara wants to add an Anniversary Announcement to the August Newsletter and requested ideas and feedback. Possibly writing about Intergroup history, have people submit writings about what Intergroup means to them, etc. Please let Clara know what ideas you come up with.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm, with motion by Dave S.

Next meeting to be held Monday July 18th at 6:30 both on Zoom and in the Intergroup Office.

Requests for Manuscripts

The General Service Office of AA in New York City is soliciting for manuscripts for:

- the 5th Edition of the AA Big Book, *Alcoholics Anonymous*,
- the 4th Edition of the Spanish-language Big Book, *Alcohólicos Anónimos*, and
- *A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic Pamphlet*

See details below to the appropriate submitting channels, word limits, format requirements, and other important information.

Alcoholics
Anonymous®

www.aa.org

General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous, Inc.

475 Riverside Drive, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10115 / Telephone: (212) 870-3400

Submissions for the 5th Edition of Alcoholics Anonymous:

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 3500 words, double spaced, in 12-point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages. Please include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of the submission. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files.

The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not. Stories will be accepted in English, French or Spanish. Further information on where to submit your story will be provided to the Fellowship through Box 4-5-9, the A.A. website and more. If you have any questions, please write to:

5BBStory@aa.org

Submissions for the Spanish-language Alcohólicos Anónimos :

The committee is seeking stories of recovery from a wide representation of the Hispanic community. Stories of recovery may also include: Ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity; Diversity of social status; Experiences of sobriety during the pandemic; Newcomer and old-timer experiences; Accessibility experiences; Spiritual experiences' A.A. meetings on virtual platforms; and Sobriety and mental health.

Suggested format: Stories written in Spanish, English or French will be accepted from any Hispanic member of the A.A. structure in the United States and Canada. Use the same format as described above in the 5th Edition notice. **Deadline:** Please submit on or before December 15, 2022. Email: **4LGHistorias@aa.org**

Subject Line: "Fourth Edition Spanish" Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central, Station, New York, NY 10163 The words "Fourth Edition Spanish" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

Submissions for the "A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic" Pamphlet :

The committee is seeking stories of recovery from all African American, Canadian, Caribbean A.A. members from the English, French and Spanish-speaking Black communities in the A.A. structure in the United States and Canada. Stories of recovery may also include: Experience, Strength, and Hope; Steps, Traditions, Concepts; Ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity; Diversity of social status; Sponsorship; A.A. Service; Safety & Racism; Military; Black Mental Health and Diverse Abilities; BIPOC A.A. meetings; Atheist/ Agnostics. The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-800 words, double spaced, in 12-point font.

Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 6 pages. Include your complete name, address, and email/phone information on the first page of your manuscript. A copy of your manuscript should be retained for your files. The anonymity of all authors will be observed whether their story is selected for publication or not. Instructions for submitting your manuscript: **Deadline:** Please submit on or before October 31, 2022.

Email: **pamphletstories@aa.org** Subject Line: A.A. for the Black and African American Alcoholic Postal Mail: Attn. Literature Assignment, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163. On the envelope: The word "Pamphlet" should be written on the envelope and at the top of the first page of the manuscript.

JOHNSON CITY CENTRAL GROUP ANNUAL

PICNIC

A series of black silhouettes depicting various picnic activities: a person standing, a person sitting on a bench, a person sitting at a picnic table with a basket, a person standing, a person sitting in a lawn chair, a person standing, a person grilling food, a person jumping, and a person flying a kite.

CENTRAL GROUP ANNUAL PICNIC

**MONDAY, JULY 4, 2022 9AM - 9PM
FAMILY FUN, GAMES, PRIZES**

- 9 - 9 FUN AND FELLOWSHIP - *WE ARE NOT A GLUM LOT!!***
- 12:00 - HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS AND COLD DRINKS PROVIDED
BRING A DISH TO SHARE**
- 2:00 TERRIFIC SPEAKER -
MARIAN G. - KNOXVILLE**



**WINGED DEER PARK, MEREDITH PAVILION ON BOONE LAKE
4137 BRISTOL HWY., JOHNSON CITY TN 37601
CARROLL CREEK RD. ENTRANCE**

3rd Quarter Assembly

July 22-24, 2022

"But we aren't a glum lot."
-Alcoholic Anonymous, pg. 132



WHERE:

Holiday Inn West
Cedar Bluff
9134 Executive Park
Drive
Knoxville, TN 37923
(865) 693-1011
\$111 per night + tax
Breakfast included

Group Code:
Area 64

CONTACT:

Robin G @ (865) 438-3571
robingavilan@gmail.com

Jeff J @ (865) 719-2722
jackson.jeff45@yahoo.com



AA COOKOUT AND CAMPFIRE MEETING

- When.. Saturday July 9th 5-9pm
- Where.. Lafollette Tennessee at White Bridge on Demory Road

The food will be provided

Swimming is optional

Bring a chair and Spirituality



EAST TENNESSEE INTERGROUP

IT'S BACK

SPEAKER MEETING AT SEYMOUR SHARING GROUP

LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

7PM FELLOWSHIP

8PM SPEAKER

DATES FOR 2022:

JULY 29; AUGUST 26; SEPTEMBER 30;
OCTOBER 28; NOVEMBER 25; DECEMBER 30

Serenity in the Scenic City

August 26-28, 2022

DoubleTree by Hilton

407 Chestnut Street
Chattanooga, TN
37402

423-756-5150

Room Rate : \$121.00

Reservation Code: SIC

Reserve by: 07/06/2022

Speakers

Earl H. / Los Angeles, CA

Teresa F. / North Hollywood, CA

Larry S. / Marietta, GA

Amanda B. / Montgomery, AL

Harold M. / Bowling Green, KY

Pre-registration: \$30.00

At the Door: \$35.00

For additional information or questions, please email or call:

Hostcommittee@yahoo.com or (423) 888-2122 or (423) 508-5139

Please make check or money order payable to "Host Committee" and mail to:

Serenity in the Scenic City

P.O. Box 22602

Chattanooga, TN 37422

Or

You can register at www.Serenityinthesceniccity.org

Mastercard, Visa, Discover and American Express accepted on Square

Please complete and send bottom with registration payment

AA Alanon Volunteer Scholarship

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Name on Badge: _____

AA Alanon Volunteer Scholarship

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Name on Badge: _____

Committee use only (Paid via):

Check

Square

Cash

Scholarship

New Meeting:

DESIGN FOR LIVING GROUP



WOMEN'S BIG BOOK STUDY

Starting June 5th

SUNDAYS @ 5:30

CONCORD UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

Enter using 4 West Door

Contact Tami @ 865-310-4142

NEW MEETING PLACE OFFERED

South Knoxville Church of Christ at 760 Chapman Hwy. is offering a meeting place to the AA community. If you are interested please contact: J.L. Stelle at 865-607-3361

The Saturday Morning Big Book Group Invites you to....

The 3rd Annual Family Afterward Picnic

Saturday

August 6, 2022

12:00 to 4:00

McFee Park

917 McFee Road, Farrgut

Walking trails, athletic fields, playground and Splash Pad
We are under the Pavilion...bring your family



Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Buns, Condiments
and paper goods will be provided.
We ask that you bring a side dish
or desert and your own drinks.



ARGENTINA

**SAVE
THE DATE**



CANADA

***"Beyond Language,
Culture and Geography:
Sobriety Within
Everybody's Reach."***

Alcoholics Anonymous®
North/South
Virtual Special Forum
about Remote Communities

Interpretation available in English, French and Spanish.

The event will be open to all members.

Registration and agenda information to follow.

Saturday, July 16, 2022



1st Things 1st Picnic Brunch

August 21st

After our Group Conscience

10 am-2 pm

West Hills Park Gazebo

410 N. Winston Rd. Knoxville, TN

Shareable food welcome

Open to All



62nd International Conference
of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous

ICYPAA

NEW ORLEANS

September 1st-4th, 2022 | Hyatt Regency New Orleans



Music to my Ears

Pre-registration \$30



Scan here to register!

Or go to

www.ICYPAA.ORG/Registration



"Oh I could tell you where self-help is, but that'd sort of defeat the purpose, wouldn't it."



"What fits your busy schedule better, AA meetings 1 hour a day, or being dead 24 hours a day?"

Newsletter Subscription

If you would like the newsletter mailed to your home, please fill out the form to the right and mail it to the address shown below. Include \$12.00 for a one-year subscription to cover postage.

ETIAA
9217 Park West Blvd #B3
Knoxville, TN 37923

-OR-

Sign up at ETIAA.org for a free email subscription.

July 2022



Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____