

Service: Coffee Cups To the Conference

Of the Three Legacies bequeathed by A.A.'s founders, the Third Legacy, Service, is perhaps the most misunderstood. Many A.A.'s recoil at the words "service structure," pointing out that everyone knows A.A. is not organized. Others brush the idea off as unrelated to individual recovery.

What *is* service, anyway? There's no short, sweet answer. A non-A.A. who attended the opening dinner of the 1982 General Service Conference remarked that every cup of coffee among A.A.'s leads ultimately to the Conference. He might have been echoing the words of co-founder Bill W., who, in a talk at St. Louis in 1955, described services as ranging all the way from making coffee to national and international action.

Jim O., Southern California area delegate, has strong feelings on the matter. He wrote: "When the subject of A.A. service comes up, you sometimes hear a member say, 'I don't care about that stuff. It's just business and politics. All I need is my own recovery in my own group.'

"What this member doesn't realize is that he has been dependent on A.A. service, not just from the time he called A.A., but for many years before that. How did he know there was an A.A. to call? Or how did his wife or doctor or pastor know about A.A. to tell him? Because a public information committee, a basic part of the service effort, has worked for years to tell people what A.A. is and how to reach it.

"How did A.A.'s number get in the telephone directory? Why was a concerned A.A. at the other end of the phone when he called for help? A.A. service put them there. If he is in a prison or institution, he can't go out to find sobriety through our program, so A.A. service takes the program to him.

"He received A.A. literature at his first meeting. How did that literature get written and printed and distributed so it would be there for him when he needed it? A.A. service, through our literature committees, made sure that it would be.

"The member who dismisses service as having no rela-



tion to his own recovery has missed the point. He is sober today because service made it possible. Service is our Twelfth Step, extended to reach thousands of suffering alcoholics we would never reach acting as individuals."

The local group is where service begins. There, it takes the form of coffee-making, ashtray-emptying, serving as a group officer. For most groups, service moves outward through the G.S.R. (general service representative), its link with the overall service structure. When a group elects a G.S.R., it gains a voice in worldwide A.A.

In a flyer sent out before the 1982 Conference, Jeanie H. invited participation in an interdistrict meeting to discuss topics on the Conference agenda. She pointed out that A.A. groups actually *own* A.A.'s service entities, and asked, "Is your group an absentee landlord? Silent partners have no voice and no vote. To be an active, fully franchised 'owner,' your group needs only to elect an interested, active G.S.R. who conveys your wishes. When your delegate goes to New York for the Conference, will he or she know what *your* group thinks? Or *you*?"

A D.C.M. (district committee member) from Western Ontario, R. M. D., related service to personal recovery after completing his term: "Selfishness and self-centeredness — this very basic problem can prevent us from placing A.A. principles over our own personalities. If service has not enhanced your sobriety, then just maybe your true motive is still somewhat selfish. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help others to achieve sobriety. We cannot have a better opportunity to do this than in service."

Group Inventories Can Be Adventures

A friend of ours recently found himself caught up in the inventory section of the pamphlet "The A.A. Group" (pages 37-38) and experienced a dismaying shock of recognition—he found himself answering "no" to several of the questions. Clearly, he felt, he and his home group were not reaching a good cross section of the community, had done little to bring the A.A. message to professionals who might guide active alcoholics to A.A., and had a high membership turnover for no obvious reason. He proposes that the group have an inventory meeting—soon.

Bill M., G.S.R. from Fredericton, N.B., reported on one such inventory. Bill wrote that 11 members of his roughly 20-member group read and answered each of the 13 questions in the pamphlet, and came up with three serious resolutions: "To invite our public information chairperson for District 5 to attend one of our meetings to develop ways *our* group can help *his* committee; to make our own experiences known to the district assembly and G.S.O.; and to follow up on all suggestions (which were many) at our next meeting." He described the group experience as "bitter-sweet: We were dismayed and delighted, saddened yet encouraged."

Delighted and encouraged are good words for it, since frequently, just the act of participation in an inventory meeting can breathe new spirit and dedication into a group.

A question central to every group inventory is: Are we welcoming newcomers? Not every newcomer has the good fortune to get to a beginners meeting. One Texas member, Allen M., wrote that his initial experience was filled with fear, loneliness, confusion, and anger because no one noticed or offered to help him at his first meeting, even after he mustered up the courage to identify himself as a newcomer. He heard a lot, he said, about "fellowship," and would have liked to see some of it. But he kept coming back and is there to bring up the question in his own inventory meetings today, reminding himself and his fellows that the "newcomer is the most important person in the room."

Bristol Fashion, an English newsletter, offered five answers to the question "How much do we owe our A.A. group?":

"We owe it our *loyalty* (carrying out the good work of our group as well as helping other groups); our *presence* (if everyone stayed at home, there'd be no meeting); our *dependability* (for success, it works two ways; we depend on it and it on us); financial *support* (both for the group and to spread the word—expenses go on whether or not we're present); and our *influence of a godly life* (the

life we live helps make it either easier or more difficult for others to stay sober. We should live in such a way that our lives are a blessing to others in A.A.)."

Since how the *group* is functioning is the direct result of how its *members* are functioning in relation to it, such an approach could enhance the adventure of group inventory.



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Two Symbols Ensure An Accurate Message

From the writing of the Big Book till now, the written word has always been one of A.A.'s most effective means of carrying the message. Yet in a fellowship where there are no musts, only suggestions, it's a formidable task to put A.A. principles and practices into words acceptable to all.

The circle and triangle symbol, which appears on all Conference-approved publications, embodies one familiar answer. Though it may not guarantee absolute unanimity, it is our assurance that any book, booklet, or pamphlet on which it appears represents the broadest possible range of current A.A. experience in the U.S. and Canada. All Conference-approved publications (and all substantial changes in such publications) go through a lengthy and painstaking process of review by trustees' and Conference committees, and the final product represents the informed group conscience of A.A. as a whole.

The symbol does *not*, of course, signify *disapproval* of any other publication. It is simply a device for identifying A.A. literature.

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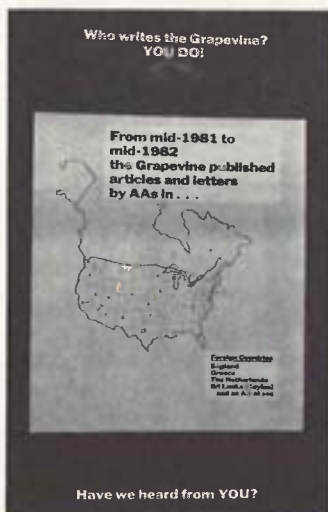
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A smaller, but equally familiar, symbol—the copyright symbol—also appears on A.A. publications. The question has occasionally been asked: Can A.A.’s spiritual principles be copyrighted? Of course not. From the beginning, co-founder Bill W. encouraged the widest possible dissemination of the A.A. message, and over the years the Steps, Traditions, and portions of other literature have been extensively reprinted and used by other organizations and in the media—with permission.

When the Steps are reprinted without credit or permission, however, A.A.’s copyright is endangered, and the possibility of distortion arises. Thus, in 1978, the A.A. World Services Board adopted a reprint policy designed to be as generous as possible, to ensure consistency in granting permissions, and to treat everyone equitably. Briefly, it requires that:

- The Steps be listed in their entirety and in sequence;
- They be clearly identified as originating with Alcoholics Anonymous;
- A proper credit line be given.

It must also be stated that any interpretations or editorial comments are those of the author and not of A.A.



Grapevine Mirrors A.A. Around the World

Who writes the Grapevine? *You* do! A new display at Regional Forums makes it clear that Grapevine articles come from A.A.’s in nearly all the states and provinces of the U.S. and Canada.

The first issue of the Grapevine, published as a tabloid-size newsletter in June 1944, ran an interview with its founders (“six ink-stained wretches”). One of them remarked, “We six are sort of garage mechanics, servicing the paper. We don’t write it. . . . We wrestle with the

punctuation, paste up the dummy, and hope for the best.”

That is still true nearly 40 years later. The three A.A. editors, along with members of the volunteer editorial board, have a careful selection process. Each person reads every manuscript; all then discuss it and come to a group conscience decision. Often, it’s a painful process, since far more manuscripts come in than will fit in the 48-page magazine, and fine material sometimes has to be turned down because of space limitations. Once a manuscript is selected, though, few changes are made. Even when cutting or editing is needed, the writer’s style and meaning remain intact.

If you have something to share with fellow members, put it in writing (if you have a typewriter and double-space the manuscript, it’s appreciated — but not required), and send it to: The Grapevine, PO Box 1980, New York, NY 10163.

Three 1976 Delegates Now Regional Trustees

Three new regional trustees were chosen by the General Service Conference in April and will attend their first quarterly trustees weekend at the end of July. Joan U., Natalie S., and Ken D. reflect the diverse backgrounds and wide geographical spread of the Fellowship today. Coincidentally, the three served together as delegates to the 1976 Conference.

Joan U., who will serve the remaining two years of Bud G.’s unexpired term as West Central regional trustee, hails from Aurora, S.D. Reached by phone at her farm, Joan spoke of a good day’s work just finished. “My two sons and I just finished planting the corn, and we start on the soybeans tomorrow, if the good weather holds out.” Joan is a widow; of 11 children, two remain home and work with her on the family farm.

Sober 13 years, Joan says sobriety has transmuted what some might consider a harsh life into one that is “rewarding and meaningful.” A.A. history is a special enthusiasm, and she is active in collecting records of the Fellowship in her area.

Natalie S., from Bellevue, Wash., Pacific regional trustee, has been sober and active in A.A. for 22 years. Natalie is particularly excited over the success of the annual woman’s luncheon in Seattle, which she helped launch a few years ago.

She is an enthusiastic runner and ran in the New York City marathon in 1981. A veteran of 15 years’ participation in marathons, Natalie likens the sport to recovery. She practices at least four days a week—a constant activ-

ity, like the quest for sobriety. "The freedom I feel when I run is very much like the freedom I enjoy as a sober person," she explains.

Eastern Canada regional trustee Ken D. has been sober 13 years, and believes strongly in activity as the key to continued sobriety. "Worry about other people, and you won't have time to worry about yourself," he says.

Ken's most recent A.A. involvement has been in planning and organizing a business and professional people's lunch in his home city, Moncton, N.B. Each participant invites a non-A.A. guest from one of the professions. Two members and two guests are seated at each table, to chat informally after a speaker talks about what A.A. is and does.

What of his new job? Ken says, "I regard being an A.A. trustee as an awesome responsibility, but I'll take it a day at a time."

T.T.Y. Now Ready for Calls From the Deaf

Another service for the deaf and hearing-impaired—a T.T.Y. machine—has just been installed at your General Service Office. The number: 1 (212) 686-5454.

Service material on deaf groups is currently being updated. In order to share the greatest amount of information, we need help from all of you:

- Are there deaf groups in your area? If so, how did they get started? What methods are successful?
- What specific literature helps most in reaching deaf alcoholics?
- Does your central office or intergroup have information about deaf groups and contacts?
- Does the group provide funds for an interpreter if required, or is payment handled individually? Do any groups use volunteer interpreters?
- Do A.A.'s act as interpreters? If not, are nonalcoholics welcome at closed meetings?
- Do many hearing-impaired people use lip reading to communicate?

Both "A Brief Guide to Alcoholics Anonymous" and "A Newcomer Asks" have been published in large print and simplified language for the deaf. These, along with a list of deaf groups, contacts, individuals who have worked with sign language, and suggestions for working with the deaf are available now — and will be updated in line with your ideas and suggestions as soon as we hear from you.

What else do *you* know that we need to know? All suggestions are welcome.

Tenth-Graders Agree A.A. Is the Best

"A.A. is best." Most of us in the Fellowship would say those words unhesitatingly. They came, though, from a tenth-grade student who had attended an A.A. public information presentation at school.

Karen Shisler, tenth-grade teacher at the Norfolk (Virginia) Academy, wrote that she gave a written test a few days after local A.A.'s had spoken to her class. Among the comments:

"Once an alcoholic, always an alcoholic."

"There is no cure, but there is recovery. A.A. is best."

"Alcoholics . . . don't believe they're alcoholics. They think only skid row bums have the problem."

"No matter how much or how little a person drinks, if it causes him or her or someone around him a problem, that is alcoholism."

"Everyone is capable of being an alcoholic."

"A recovered alcoholic lives one day at a time, going without drinks day by day."

Sounds almost like a meeting, doesn't it?



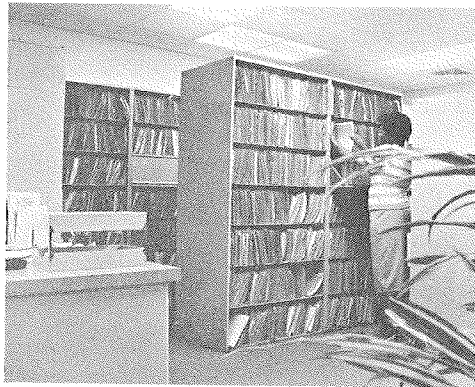
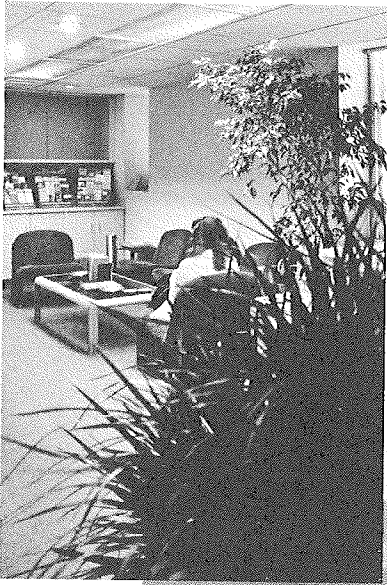
T.T.Y. machine enables the hearing-impaired to "talk" with G.S.O. in writing.



A.A. archives store and display history, and provide ample room for researchers.

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G.S.O. and the Grapevine Are Spruced Up, Raring to Go, and Ready for Visitors

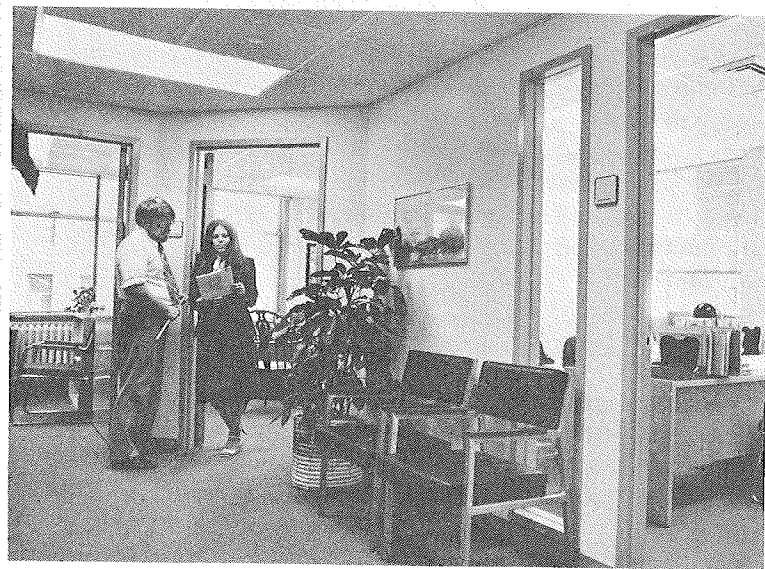
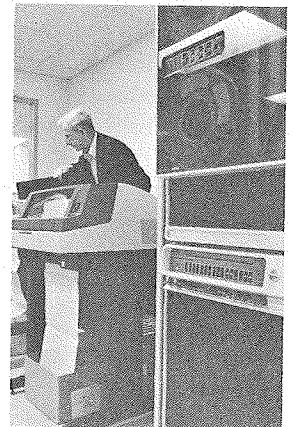
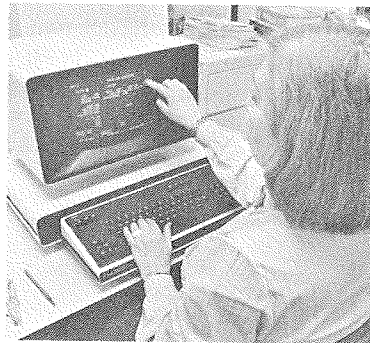


Years of A.A. experience are more accessible in a new File Department, and members of Steno Department now work outside staff offices. (All people in photos are nonalcoholics.)

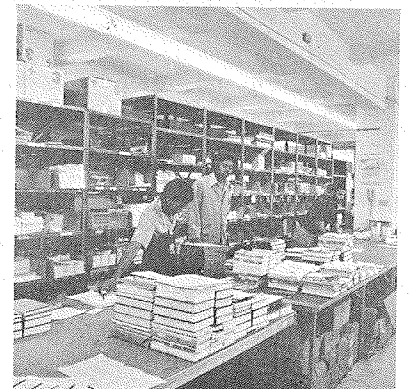
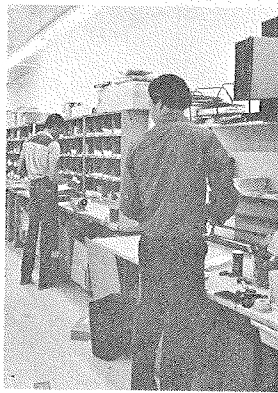
Member waits to pick up a literature (love); and G.S.O. members enjoy lunch in "odland" setting.



Computer terminals at desks mean questions can be answered immediately; the G.S.O. computer, Enterprise, keeps records completely up-to-date.



Roomy and well-lighted, the Grapevine editorial offices are typical of staff offices on both the fifth and the eighth floors.



Mail (left) and Shipping Departments now fill entire sixth floor—more room for prompt, efficient service

A Brandy Bottle Tells Its Own A.A. Story

The collecting bug has hit A.A. with a vengeance. Visitors to the British Columbia/Yukon archives might be startled, however, by one item of memorabilia—a not-quite-empty bottle of brandy, resting in its own custom-made, velvet-lined box.



The story is that back in 1939 one of the first Vancouver members to get sober was given the brandy by his son in celebration of one year of sobriety. The purpose: to give shaky prospects a much-needed drink on the way to a hospital or first A.A. meeting. He passed it on to a sponsee as a first anniversary present to be used in the same fashion, and that same bottle has been handed down from sponsor to sponsee ever since, with each new sponsee "owner" writing his name on it before giving it away. So important was that one bottle and all it represented to A.A. in the area that it has now found a permanent home in the archives.

Helpful Hints Galore In Current Mailbag

Besides some gratefully received compliments and encouragement, the mailbag is loaded with helpful hints.

Don D. of the Gung Ho Group in Long Beach, Calif., wrote regarding the "A.A. Groups' Dilemma: Those Other Addictions" (April-May issue).

On "the combination of alcoholism and other chemical dependency: I daresay if one were to try to separate the two, that is, keep a meeting strictly confined to alcoholism, groups would lose maybe one-third of their members!

"Perhaps the answer may lie in special groups—but might that not lead to further fragmentation and dilu-

tion? I feel that a strong and/or positive leader can keep the main thrust of a meeting centered upon alcoholism.

"Actually, this is all well covered in Tradition Three. At the time I was getting sober, it was all I could handle to deal with the essential problem of alcohol."

Bill K. of the Tanglewood Group in Winter Park, Fla., addressed the smoking problem.

"After the preliminaries and before discussion begins, all nonsmokers and those who wish to join them are invited to move into a nearby room. This provides a small separate meeting, often attended by smokers who abstain for an hour. I have emphysema, and our little arrangement has been a boon to me."

"Let's Make Them Want to 'Keep Coming Back'" (February-March issue) inspired comments from Germany and Canada.

Peter T. in Berlin wrote, "Well, it's an ever-green difficulty . . . in order to keep old-timers as well as the newcomers coming back, there is only one way:

"Keep A.A. in its original form sharing 'round the table'; stick to the original recovery program only, strive to keep its principles pure, leave all organizing and strategic pedagogical tendencies out of A.A."

A reminder of another traditional method, the chip system, came courtesy of Wally D., in Ottawa, Ont.—with a slight difference.

"At most meetings after the speaker qualifies, we offer a poker chip to aid with our sobriety. You say, what's new? Many groups offer the chip after one month, three, one year, etc. We offer the white chip as a *desire* chip. This is in keeping with the Third Tradition. Those taking the chip are told that they need not be members of A.A. or of the particular group they are attending; they need only have a desire to stop drinking."

Finally, Leonard F., secretary of the Auburn, Calif., Over 50 Group, sent us an invitation to the group's first anniversary meeting. In it he wrote:

"After visiting the Pasadena, Calif., Seniors for Sobriety Group on Memorial Day last year and witnessing and hearing the enthusiasm, the decision was made to pull all stops and give the Auburn Over 50 Group our best shot. We have a steady influx of newcomers, the message is being carried, and we feel we are doing a service in the community. It's been a great year—and for me, the best of my life."

"Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions" is now available in an album of five cassettes. The album cover is the same as the book's familiar blue dust jacket. The difference: a Braille tab on the outside, and one on each cassette.

The album may be purchased for \$25.00.

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Items and Ideas on Area Gatherings for A.A.'s—Via G.S.O.

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1982

Calendar of Events

August

- July 29-Aug. 1 — *Des Plaines, Illinois*. Intl. Doctors Annual Mtg. Write: Ch., I.D.A.A., 1950 Volney Rd., Youngstown, OH 44511
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Campbell River, British Columbia, Canada*. Eighth Annual Rally. Write: Ch., Box 652, Campbell River, B.C. V9W 6J3
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Delmar, Maryland*. 12th Annual State Conv. Write: Ch., 4810 Carmen Dr., Ellicott City, MD 21043
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Hull, Quebec, Canada*. Ninth Congrès de la Vallée de l'Outaouais. Write: Ch., Apt. No. 1705, 158 Ave. McArthur, Vanier, Ont. K1L 8E7
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Elbow, Saskatchewan, Canada*. Fourth Annual Camp-Out. Write: Ch., Box 173, Elbow, Sask. S03 2J0
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Kerrville, Texas*. Fourth Annual Hill Country Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 2153, Kerrville, TX 78028
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Sioux City, Iowa*. Second Annual Tri-State Camp-Out. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 3445, Sioux City, IA 51102
- July 30-Aug. 2 — *Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia, Canada*. SOS Fun in the Sun. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 246, Port Clements, B.C. V0T 1R0
- July 31-Aug. 1 — *La Ronge, Saskatchewan, Canada*. Seventh Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 347, La Ronge, Sask. S0J 1L0
- July 30-Aug. 1 — *Meeker, Colorado*. White River Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 1036, Meeker, CO 81641
- 5-8 — *Hot Springs, Arkansas*. 42nd State Conv. Write: Ch., 2326 Louisiana, Little Rock, AR 72206
- 6-8 — *Hampton, Virginia*. 33rd Area Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 6398, Newport News, VA 23606
- 6-8 — *Bowling Green, Ohio*. 26th State Conf. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 401, Toledo, OH 43692
- 6-8 — *Rivière du Loup, Quebec, Canada*. Eighth Congrès, Dist. 405. Write: Pres., C.P. 181, Rivière du Loup, P.Q. G5R 3Y3
- 6-8 — *Squamish, British Columbia, Canada*. Ninth Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 390, Brackendale, B.C. V0N 3G0
- 6-8 — *Casa Grande, Arizona*. 16th Annual Agape Weekend. Write: Secy., 813 W. San Miguel, Phoenix, AZ 85013
- 6-8 — *Indio, California*. Eighth Annual Maad Dog Daze. Write: Cent. Off., 454 N. Indian Ave., Palm Springs, CA 92262
- 6-8 — *Tulameen, British Columbia, Canada*. Camp-Out. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 1173, Princeton, B.C. V0X 1W0
- 9-15 — *Tenerife, Canary Islands*. Second Nat. Spanish Conv. Write: O.C.S., 12, Apartado 1160, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Islas Canarias
- 11-14 — *Charleston, West Virginia*. 38th Annual S.E. Conf. Write: Com., P.O. Box 622, Charleston, WV 25322
- 12-15 — *New York, New York*. 25th Intl. Conf. of Young People. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 5288, F.D.R. Sta., New York, NY 10150
- 13-15 — *Northfield, Minnesota*. 34th Annual S. Minn. Conf. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 147, Dennison, MN 55018
- 13-15 — *Austin, Texas*. Chisholm Trail Roundup. Write: Ch., 1105 Castile Rd., Austin, TX 78746
- 13-15 — *Peoria, Illinois*. State Conf. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 483, Morton, IL 61550
- 13-15 — *Sparks, Nevada*. Fifth Annual Sierra Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 3529, Sparks, NV 89431
- 13-15 — *Moorhead, Minnesota*. Ninth Annual Red River Valley Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 558, Moorhead, MN 56560
- 13-15 — *Odessa, Texas*. Eighth Annual W. Texas Roundup. Write: Ch., 2700 Bagley, Odessa, TX 79763

Closed Meeting Topics From the Grapevine

August: "It It Feels Good . . ." can start a discussion of self-indulgence; "Little Surrenders" has insights into Step Seven; and "All Things to All People? No!" and "No Fanfare, No Foofaraw" could lead to lively meetings on both Traditions Three and Twelve.

September: "Sponsors Pro Tem" provides one solution to the need for sponsorship; "Throwing in the Towel" gives help on the Third Step; and "Let's Not Flaunt It!" relates the anonymity Tradition (Twelve) to individual humility.

13-15 — *Houston, British Columbia, Canada*. Second Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 173, Houston, B.C. V0J 1Z0

13-15 — *Barrhead, Alberta, Canada*. Dist. 9 Seventh Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 215, Barrhead, Alta. T0G 0E0

14-15 — *Windsor, Nova Scotia*. Mini Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 63, Newport, Hants Co., N.S. B0N 2A0

20-22 — *Omaha, Nebraska*. Cornhusker Roundup #5. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 425, Bellevue, NE 68005

20-22 — *Dallas, Texas*. Lone Star Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 5112, Richardson, TX 75080

20-22 — *Guelph, Ontario, Canada*. 13th Annual Conv. Write: Ch., 209-3189 King St. E., Kitchener, Ont. N2A 1B2

20-22 — *Omak, Washington*. Second Annual Easy Does It Camp-Out. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 692, Okanogan, WA 98840

20-22 — *Syracuse, New York*. Third Annual Institutions-P.I./C.P.C. Workshop. Write: Ch., 2501 James St., Syracuse, NY 13206

20-22 — *Winston-Salem, North Carolina*. 35th State Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 18412, Raleigh, NC 27619

Planning an October, November, or December Event?

Please be sure to send your information on October, November, or December events for A.A.'s in time to reach G.S.O. by August 15. This is the calendar deadline for the October-November issue of *Box 4-5-9* (to be mailed September 15).

Naturally, G.S.O. cannot check on all the information submitted. We must rely on local A.A.'s to describe the events accurately.

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21-22 — Grenfell, Saskatchewan, Canada. Summer Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 68, Grenfell, Sask. S0G 2B0

26-29 — Atlanta, Georgia. Second Annual S. Reg. Young People's Conf., Write: Ch., P.O. Box 13888, Atlanta, GA 30324

27-29 — Mammoth Lakes, Georgia. Sixth Annual Hi-Sierra Camp-Out. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 8033, Mammoth Lakes, GA 93546

28-29 — Havre, Montana. Mini Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 2442, Havre, MT 59501

September

3-5 — Chapleau, Ontario, Canada. Golden Group Roundup. Write: Ch., Golden Group Roundup, Gen. Delivery, Chapleau, Ont. POM 1K0

3-5 — Beaver, Utah. Seventh Annual Beaver Mtg. Campvention. Write: Ch., 29515 Wisteria Valley Rd., Canyon Country, CA 91351

3-5 — Corvallis, Oregon. 32nd Area Conf. Write: Ch., 2480 S.W. 3rd, Corvallis, OR 97333

3-5 — Denver, Colorado. Tenth Nat. Spanish-Speaking Conv. U.S./Canada/Puerto Rico. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 11035, Highland Sta., Denver, CO 80211

3-5 — Penticton, British Columbia, Canada. 17th Annual S. Okanagan Roundup. Write: Ch., Box 524, Penticton, B.C. V2A 6K9

3-5 — Dryden, Ontario, Canada. Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 9, Gp. 19, R.R. 1, Dryden, Ont. P8N 2Y4

3-5 — Evansville, Indiana. Second Indiana Conf. on Young People. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 4005, Evansville, IN 47711

3-5 — West Palm Beach, Florida. Second Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., 1728 Latham Rd., W. Palm Beach, FL 33409

4 — Flint, Michigan. Young People's Pig Roast. Write: Ch., 9129 Suncrest, Flint, MI 48504

4-7 — Broken Bow, Nebraska. Eighth Annual Camp-Out. Write: Com., 316 South 11th. Broken Bow, NE 68822

7-12 — Ocean City, Maryland. 25th Annual Session by the Sea. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 23, Denton, MD 21629

9-12 — Jekyll Island, Georgia. Fourth Annual Serenity Weekend. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 98, Nahunta, GA 31553

10-12 — Moodus, Connecticut. 24th Annual State Conv. Write: Ch., Garland Rd., New Preston, CT 06777

10-12 — Montreal, Canada. Intl. Lawyers Annual Conv. (French/English). Write: Ch., P.O. Box 77, Place Bonaventure, Montreal, P.Q. H5A 1A3

10-12 — Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. 31st Annual Conf. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 4342, Ottawa, Ont. K1S 5B3

10-12 — Santa Maria, California. 15th Annual 22nd Dist. Conv. Write: Ch., 21-200 N. McClelland, Santa Maria, CA 93454

10-12 — Revelstoke, B.C., Canada. 14th Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 792, Revelstoke, B.C. V0E 2S0

10-12 — Dunnville, Ontario, Canada. 16th Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 163, Dunnville, Ont. N1A 2X5

11 — Point Pleasant, New Jersey. Day of Sharing. Write: Ch., 66 Brookwood Pkwy., Jackson, NJ 08527

11 — St. Hyacinthe Sortie, Centre Ville, Quebec, Canada. Third Mini Conf., Dist. 87-24. Write: Ch., 2430 Laframboise, St. Hyacinthe, P.Q. JS2 4Y2

11 — Seattle, Washington. Annual N. Coast Assy. Write: Ch., 3015 N.W. Market, Box 308, Seattle, WA 98107

16-19 — Gulf Shores, Alabama. 27th Annual Area Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 101, Foley, AL 36536

17-19 — Oxnard, California. Fourth Annual Ventura County Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 7139, Oxnard, CA 93031

17-19 — Colorado Springs, Colorado. Area Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 9802, Colorado Springs, CO 80932

17-19 — Wichita, Kansas. State Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 1979, Wichita, KS 67201

17-19 — Grand Rapids, Minnesota. N. Minn. Seventh Annual Workshop. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 469, Grand Rapids, MN 55744

17-19 — Fort Worth, Texas. 19th Annual Area Assy. and Conf. Write: Ch., 3801 Wayside Ave., Fort Worth TX 76110

17-19 — Sheridan, Wyoming. Fall Business Conf. Write: Secy., 607 W. Loucks, Sheridan, WY 82801

18 — Lewes, Delaware. Second Annual Picnic. Write: Ch., Rt. #2, Box 183-C, Lewes, DE 19958

18 — Newburgh, New York. Fifth Annual Share-A-Day. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 366, Newburgh, NY 12550

19 — Providence, Rhode Island. Third Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 9342, Providence, RI 02940

24-26 — Duluth, Minnesota. 37th Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 6771, Duluth, MN 55806

24-26 — Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada. Ninth Annual Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 165, Medicine Hat, Alta. T1A 7E8

24-26 — Palmyra, Virginia. N. First Annual Young People's Conv. Write: Ch., 1057 W. Broad St., Suite 24, Falls Church, VA 22046

24-26 — Bull Shoals, Arkansas. Second Annual Autumn in the Ozarks Conf. Write: Ch., Rt. 1, Box 183, Lakeview, AR 72642

24-26 — Monroe, Louisiana. We Care Group Eighth Anniv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 1056, Monroe, LA 71201

24-26 — Olowalu, Hawaii. First Annual Maui Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 510, Makawao, HI 96768

24-26 — Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. W. Canada Reg. Forum. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 459, New York, NY 10163

24-26 — Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada. Area Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 412, Salisbury, N.B. E0A 3E0

25-26 — Winchester, Virginia. 28th Annual Fall Get-Together. Write: Secy., P.O. Box 593, Winchester, VA 22601

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1-3 — Butte, Montana. Fall Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 1266, Anaconda, MT 59711

8-10 — Lake Yale, Florida. 15th Annual Autumn Mtgs. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 996, Merritt Island, FL 32952

8-10 — Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. First Annual Freedom Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 15978, Philadelphia, PA 19103

8-10 — Buffalo, New York. 12th Annual Reg. Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 817, Derby, NY 14047

9-11 — North Bay, Ontario, Canada. 27th Annual Area Conf. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 494, North Bay, Ont. P1B 8K3

14-17 — Albany, Georgia. 29th State Conv. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 936, Albany, GA 31702

15-17 — Bayne, Michigan. 30th State Conf. Write: Ch., Box 868, Gaylord, MI 49735

15-17 — Grenada, Mississippi. N. Miss. Roundup. Write: Ch., P.O. Box 2025, Big Creek, MS 38914

15-17 — Rome, New York. 31st Annual Conv. Write: Ch., Box 33, Rome, NY 13440

15-17 — Sacramento, California. Annual Fall Conf. Write: NCCAA Ch., 1046 Irving St., San Francisco, CA 94122

22-24 — Beaumont, Texas. Ninth Dist. Mini Conf. Write: Treas., 2035 W. Lucas Dr., Beaumont, TX 77706

23 — Washington, District of Columbia. 40th Banquet W.A.I.A. Write: Ch., 1637 13th St., N.W., Washington, DC 20009

23 — South Bend, Indiana. 11th Michiana Conf. Write: Ch., 2345 Cassopolis, Elkhart, IN 46514

29-31 — Rochester, New York. Second Annual Conv. Write: Ch., Suite 1036, 183 E. Main St., Rochester, NY 14604

29-31 — Duncan, British Columbia, Canada. 13th Annual Rally. Write: Ch., Box 595, Chemainus, B.C. V0R 1K0

31 — Lubbock, Texas. All Serenity Gp. Round Robin. Write: Ch., 4002 Ave. A, Lubbock, TX 79412