

? La Viña Celebrates 25 Years

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La Viña, A.A.'s Spanish-language meeting in print, turns 25 this year, and its ability to connect Spanish-speaking members in the U.S. and Canada to each other and to the A.A. service structure has grown since its very first issue appeared in June of 1996. "La Viña is about community," says Karina C., the magazine's associate editor. "We reached out to members recently to see if they wanted to share their thoughts with us about what the magazine has meant to them for our June/July anniversary issue and we received over 100 messages. The community has realized how important it is to have this opportunity to share experiences with each other and to connect with people halfway around the world." "

La Viña has become an important tool for Hispanic members to come together and share their stories," says Irene D., the magazine's former editor and a current G.S.O. staffer. "If you imagine the early days of A.A., when alcoholics were first forming groups and discovering others like themselves, that's the service that La Viña facilitates."

The idea of a Spanish-language publication modeled after Grapevine began in the late 1980s as a direct response to the fact that the Spanish-speaking Fellowship in the U.S. and Canada had grown exponentially in the previous few decades. For some time, Spanish-speaking members of A.A. in North America had wanted to be able to read and submit articles to Grapevine as original stories in their own language. And, while local bulletins and magazines — such as AKRON1935, in Spain; Compartimiento, in Guatemala; and Plenitud, in Mexico, just to name a few — have appeared in Spanish-speaking countries over the years, these have generally been geared to their national service structures.

In 1991, the General Service Conference issued a recommendation that Grapevine begin publishing at least one article in Spanish every month. In 1995, the Conference gave its approval to a five-year trial run of a Spanish-language edition of Grapevine. Ames S., currently G.S.O. executive editor, was managing editor of Grapevine at the time, and he remembers how it all began. "We did a pilot issue completely in Spanish and brought it to the International Convention in San Diego that year. At this point the proposed magazine had no name and consisted of Grapevine stories translated into Spanish. Along with the pilot issue, we passed out a form asking, 'Is this something you would be interested in?' And we received back a considerable number of names and addresses of potential subscribers — both English and Spanish-speaking."

Happy, Happy Birthday!

The Over Thirty Club

Keep Coming Back!

These are folks who have donated at least one dollar a year in gratitude for their sobriety to YOUR Central Office. There are birthday envelopes available at the office or you can get them from your Central Office Delegate. We appreciate the people who show their gratitude this way.

SHEILA A. 4 YEARS OLATHE GROUP

ERICA W. 1 YEAR SUNSHINE GROUP

Please make certain to include your name and group when sending in your birthday donation.

All of these people got their names in the paper because someone took the time and trouble to let us know they were celebrating. Be proud of your old-timers! Call the office 816-471-7229 and let us know of anyone who is celebrating 30 or more years of sobriety. Let them know you care enough to share!

LARRY B. 40 YEARS HOPE GROUP

JOHN J. 30 YEARS NORTHEAST GROUP

STARTING NOVEMBER 1st, 2019, THE SUBSCRIPTION RATE FOR THE CHANGING TIMES WILL BE \$15 PER YEAR.

Starting in January 2020, we will only be mailing out copies of the newsletters to those who have a paid subscriptions. Event flyers will not be mailed with the newsletter. After several months of discussions at CO delegates meetings and by the Board of Directors approval, we have voted in these changes. We are not stopping publication of the newsletter. Any individuals or groups wishing to receive the newsletter may have one mailed to them by subscription. The cost will be \$15.00 per year.

The newsletter will as always be available on our website and can be printed out at your convenience. Current monthly flyers will also be available next to the newsletter on our website and can be downloaded and printed, either together or individually.

Copies of the newsletter and flyers will be available at the CO for you to pick-up, free of charge. We will also have copies at the CO Delegates meeting. If you have any questions, please call the Office at 816-471-7229. This is a cost saving effort.

The email accounts at Central Office are :

thedirector@kc-aa.org—Teresa A.

themanager@kc-aa.org— Michael O.

kccentraloffice@kc-aa.org—General Office Mailbox

Calendar of Event—JULY 2021

JULY 24, 2021 HARRISONVILLE GROUP'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY AND ANNUAL FISH FRY HARRISONVILLE CITY PARK SHELTER 9 HARRISONVILLE, MO

JULY 30— AUGUST 1, 2021 MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION CAPITOL PLAZA HOTEL 415 MCCARTY STREET JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65101

AUGUST 8, 2021 SERENITY HOUSE 2 YEAR ANNIVERSARY 4600 E. 63RD STREET KANSAS CITY, MO 64130

AUGUST 28, 2021 PASEO GROUP'S 74TH ANNIVERSARY 7:00 P.M. 3151 OLIVE KANSAS CITY, MO 64109

SEPTEMBER 24-26, 2021 64TH ANNUAL KANSAS AREA 25 CONFERENCE HY-ATT REGENCY 400 W.WATERMAN STREET WICHITA, KS 67202

NATIONAL AA ARCHIVES WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 29 — OCTOBER 3, 2021 HILTON SAN ANTONIO AIRPORT HOTEL 611 NW LOOP 410 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78216

OCTOBER 22-24, 2021 27TH ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI VALLEY REGIONAL CONFERENCE TOWN AND COUNTRY INN AND SUITES 110 NORTH 54TH STREET QUINCY, IL 62305

CENTRAL OFFICE WEBSITE

(www.kc-aa.org)

We have a new feature in the upper right hand corner. You can now view our website in Spanish & 13 other languages. PDF's and flyers will not translate.

The Kansas City Central Office publishes the "Changing Times". The views and opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Central Office or AAWS, Inc. The editor reserves the right to edit for length and clarity, and for accuracy concerning the quoting of AA material. "Changing Times" is about, by, and for the members of the Fellowship of AA. Quotes from Alcoholics Anonymous, the Twelve Step and Twelve Traditions, The Service Manual and Conference Approved literature and pamphlets reprinted with permission of AA World Services, Inc. and the Grapevine, Inc. There is a subscription form on the back page of the issue. It is \$15.00 per year. Thank you all for your contributions and support of the Changing Times and your Central Office. We publish something for everyone, the mistakes are in the newsletter for a reason, so everyone will have something to appreciate.

Area Service Schedule

KANSAS AREA 25 COMMITTEE MEETING

- ◆ Hilton Garden Inn- Salina, KS 3320 S 9th St
Salina, KS 67401 785-309-0440

MISSOURI AREA 39 ASSEMBLY

Best Western Inn 3120 S. Limit Ave. Sedalia, MO
1-660-826-6100

2021 SCHEDULE

- January 16 — 17
- March 27 — 28
- June 26 — 27
- September 18 — 19

Would you please help us carry the message to our siblings behind the walls? It's better to *get* to go to jail than to *have* to go to jail. For further information, please contact us: Missy M. 913-702-7348 / Ted U. 913-940-0610

We have found much of Heaven and we have been rocketed into a fourth dimension of existence of which we had not even dreamed.

YOU WILL BE MISSED

If you know of any member of the fellowship who has gone to the big meeting in the sky. Please send an email to:

themanager@kc-aa.org

JOHN K. SKRWARCZ
COLLEEN L. SKRWARCZ
CURTIS M. SKRWARCZ



District Service Schedule

DISTRICT 9 KS

2nd Thursday of each month at Turner Group
 4845 Shawnee Dr. Kansas City, KS 66106.
 Committees meet at 6:30PM, District meeting at 7PM.

DISTRICT 10 KS

1st Thursday of the month at Church of the Resurrection. 8412 W. 95th St., Overland Park, KS 66212
 Committees meet at 6PM, District meeting at 6:30PM

DISTRICT 23 KS

2nd Saturday of the month at Westside Presbyterian Church 1024 Kasold, Lawrence, KS 66044 at 10AM

DISTRICT 2 MO 2:00pm.

3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SOBER SKIRTS 28TH & SACREMENTO St., JOSEPH MO 64507

DISTRICT 3 MO

2nd Tuesday Every Month at 2PM at Liberty Group 1323 E. County Rd. H, Liberty, MO 64068

DISTRICT 4 MO

DISTRICT 6 MO.

3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm at KC Group 1, 311 W. 80th Terr., KCMO 64114

DISTRICT 7

at 2:00pm. Simple Sobriety, 1040 SW Luttrell St., Suite A, Blue Springs, MO. 64015

DISTRICT 8 MO

DISTRICT 10 MO

Second Sunday 2pm, Harrisonville , 106 N. Independence, St Harrisonville, MO 64701

DISTRICT 11 MO

5:45PM, Eldorado Gr., 1305 S Park St., Eldorado, MO. 64774

DISTRICT 12 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 6:00pm Alano Club, 1800 E. 30th, St., Joplin, MO. 64804

DISTRICT 14 MO

2nd Sunday Every Month at 2pm Hillcrest Presb. Church, 818 E. Norton Rd., Springfield, MO. 65803

New Treasurers, Please let us know where to have the donations sent for your district!

GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE
 PO Box 459
 Grand Central Station
 New York, NY 10163
 Or online at www.aa.org

KANSAS AREA 25
 KANSAS AREA ASSEMBLY
 PO Box 388
 Westmoreland, KS 66549
 Or online at www.ks-aa.org

WESTERN AREA MISSOURI AREA 39
 WAMO TREASURER
 WAMO Treasurer
 PO Box 93
 Carthage, MO 64836

KANSAS DISTRICT 23
 Treasurer
 PO Box 1939
 Lawrence, KS. 66044

WAMO DISTRICT 4
 Treasurer / Lewis B.
 2020 Lake St.
 Sweet Springs, MO. 65351

WAMO DISTRICT 6
 Treasurer
 PO Box 410894
 Kansas City, MO 64141

YELLOW CAN FUND AREA 25
 PO Box 23117
 Overland Park, KS. 66283

WAMO DISTRICT 1
 Treasurer Julius D
 First United Methodist Church
 102 N Main St
 Maryville, MO 64468

WAMO DISTRICT 7
 Treasurer Rob A.
 P.O. Box 6952
 1951 NE Rice RD Lees Summit,
 MO 64055

KS DISTRICT 9
 Treasurer
 PO Box 12518
 Kansas City, KS 66112

WAMO DISTRICT 2
 Treasurer
 2619 Duncan
 St. Joseph, MO 64507

WAMO DISTRICT 10
 Treasurer
 P. O. Box 453
 Peculiar, MO. 64078

KS DISTRICT 10
 Treasurer
 PO Box 15436
 Overland Park, KS 66285

WAMO DISTRICT 3
 Treasurer; Doni P.
 PO Box 1139
 Liberty, MO 64069

WAMO DISTRICT 17
 Treasurer
 424 Dickenson St.
 Chillicothe, MO 64601

NEW TREASURES, PLEASE LET US KNOW WHERE TO HAVE THE DONATIONS SENT FOR YOUR DISTRICTS

Tradition Seven

“Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”

A 7th Tradition poster is now available on the KC Area Central Office website under the Announcements section.

It is suggested that each group pay its bills and establish a prudent reserve based on monthly expenses. Once this is done, the excess amount may be distributed as follows:

50% to Central Office

30% to General Service Office

10% to District

10% to Area Committee

This is one suggested distribution plan from the pamphlet, “Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix. F-3. It is available here at the office.

GROUP CHANGES

NEW GROUP

**CAAMPFIRE GROUP TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. WEST-
WOOD PARK 48TH AND STATE LINE AT THE FIRE PIT**

MEETING CHANGES

TURNER GROUP DELETE SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

KEEP IT SIMPLE ODESSA DELETE ALL NOON MEETINGS

**LEAVENWORTH GROUP #1 ADD SUNDAY 7:00
P.M. CLOSED**

ROCK BOTTOM GROUP DELETE ALL MEETINGS

**KEEP IT SIMPLE — ODESSA DELETE SUNDAY,
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY
7:00 P.M. MEETINGS**

Central Office Delegate June 13, 2021

Lisa opened the meeting with the Serenity Prayer.

Secretary Report: Deiatra D. read minutes of last meeting. They were accepted as read.

Treasure Report: Shawn L.

Total Income= \$10,348.25

Total Expenses= \$10,799.47

Net Loss= (\$451.22)

Board Report: Art; Things going good, taking meetings live without hybrid. When we meet live it's a great way to fellowship. We need to get back to holding meetings at different groups and the 10am time.

Office Report: Teresa; the office shelves are stocked and bills are paid. Streets are one way now, headed west. Office donations are down as they have been all year. We need a new credit card machine. Price is \$300.00. We will check out prices with other companies.

Business has been slow. Please visit the Central Office and volunteer. Open Mon-Fri, 10:00am- 3:00pm.

Old Business: None

New Business: Should the office go back to regular hours?

Teresa thinks we should keep hours as they are, due to salaries being cut back. John agrees we should keep new hours. However, he is open to suggestions. Josh also agrees and says maybe we can re-evaluate as time goes forward.

Delegates asked; Should future meetings be live or hybrid? The vote was unanimous that we go live for all meetings. Tony offered to host the July meeting at the Harrisonville Group. We will meet July 11th, at 106 N. Independence in Harrisonville. 10 AM

Topic: Are groups inviting other groups in for Speaker Meetings and if so when and what days are their Speaker Meetings?

Lenexa Group – Janet is attending, delegate isn't here.

Holden Group- Susan, there've been no changes. Things are good.

Northeast Johnson County- Don, they held their 65th Anniversary. 67 years of sobriety were present, and two people with 10 days. Thursday, elections will be held.

Olathe- Josh; things are back to normal. Speakers meetings on Saturday's and other groups are always welcome.

Blue Springs Group. – Steven; Things are back to normal. We have Birthdays and Speakers every Saturday.

Simply AA- Jeff; we're back to normal and doing hybrid meetings. They're having trouble getting the women back to physical meetings.

Nuts and Bolts- Kyle; Some small changes to group. Fridays are speaker meetings. Monday's are book study meetings. Visitors are always welcome.

Liberty Group- Anthony; Strong attendance now, and no mask mandate. Speaker meetings, Fridays at 8pm.

Turner Group- Stan; they're 7th year Anniversary Celebration, July 11th at 6pm.

You Are Not Alone- Felica; this is her first time here. Attendance is good, no mask required. Speaker meetings on Sundays at 7pm.

Sobriety First Olathe- Cheryl; Attendance great, and no masks required. Picnic, June 27th at Cedar Lake starts at 10am with Gratitude meeting. There will be speakers, food, music and fun.

Bethel- Chris Things are back to normal, attendance is picking up, and they're doing alright.

Park Hill Group- Dawn; we still have some members who don't remove masks. Zoom Speaker meetings are Fridays at 8pm. Leaders of the speaker meetings reach out to other groups for speakers.

Sunshine Group in Lawrence- Ross; Never closed their doors and gained a lot of new members. Picnic had 66 members in attendance. Back to holding hands during prayer at end of meeting. Speaker meetings every Friday, except the last Friday of the month is for Birthdays.

Richmond Group- John; No changes, and speakers on Fridays at 7pm. They're working on getting out to other groups on Sundays. Finances are good.

Harrisonville Group- Tony; didn't close and things are back to normal. Anniversary; July, 24th celebrating 70 years. Speakers 8pm last Saturday of the month.

Paseo Group- Mike; Paseo Group celebrates 74th Anniversary on August 28th. Voted to take all meetings to hybrid. Speaker meetings on Sundays 10am and Mondays 6pm. If you're in need of a speaker call Mike at Central Office.

New Chosen Few- Deiatra; We're open at the Footprints location Mon, Wed, Fri, and Sat at 2pm Speaker meetings for Birthdays and other celebrations.

Baldwin Group- Lisa; Big Book Study on Mondays. Speakers are welcome, and we will discuss visiting other groups.

Teresa A: Please let her know if you would like her to speak, she is willing.

Closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted; Deiatra Davis- Secretary

GROUP ATTENDANCE

MAY 2021

BETHEL	OLATHE
BLUE SPRINGS	PARKHILL
FAMOUS BALDWIN GROUP	PASEO
HARRISONVILLE	RICHMOND GROUP
HOLDEN	SOBRIETY FIRST
LENEXA	TURNER GROUP
LIBERTY	YOU ARE NOT ALONE
NEW CHOSEN FEW	Total attendance 22
NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY AA	
NORTH OAK	

We need email addresses for your group treasurer or someone in your group so we can email statements to them.

Send info to: thedirector@kc-aa.org

“Our first duty, as a society, is to insure our own survival. Therefore we have to avoid distractions and multipurpose activities . . . Sobriety—freedom from alcohol—through the teaching and practice of the Twelve Steps, *is the sole purpose of an A.A. group* ... We have to confine our membership to alcoholics and we have to confine our A.A. groups to a single purpose. If we don’t stick to these principles, we shall almost surely collapse. And if we collapse, we cannot help anyone.” **Bill W. / Problems Other**

GROUP DONATIONS

GROUP NAME	MAY	YTD 2021	GROUP NAME	MAY 2021	YTD 2021
449 GROUP	20.00	120.00	EXCELSIOR SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	139.12
6th CHAPTER GROUP	0.00	0.00	EYE OPENER GROUP	0.00	224.00
A VISION FOR YOU GROUP	60.00	60.00	FAMOUS BALDWIN GROUP	0.00	300.00
ACORN GROUP	25.00	125.00	FREEDOM 11 GROUP	0.0	0.00
ALIVE AGAIN	50.00	300.00	FRIENDS OF SOBRIETY –PERRY, KS.	0.0	0.0
BASEHOR GROUP	0.00	15.00	GALLITAN UPPER ROOM	0.0	0.00
BETHEL GROUP	75.00	500.00	GRASSROOTS GROUP	0.0	0.0
BEYOND SOBRIETY WOMENS MTG	0.00	0.00	HARRISONVILLE GROUP	100.00	600.00
BILL'S FRIENDS	25.00	150.00	HIGGINSVILLE GROUP	0.00	0.00
BLUE SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	400.00	HOLDEN AA GROUP	0.00	160.00
BONNER SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	178.50	HONEST DESIRE	10.00	60.00
CAME TO BELIEVE—GLADSTONE BLVD	0.0	0.0	HOPE GROUP	0.00	563.59
CAME TO BELIEVE-O.P.	0.0	0.0	HUMBLE BEGINNINGS A.A.	0.00	0.00
CAMERON CROSSROAD GROUP	0.00	50.00	INDERPENDENCE #1 AA GROUP	0.0	0.00
CHAPTER FIVE GROUP - CLAYCOMO	0.00	0.00	IT'S NEVER TO LATE GROUP	0.00	0.00
COLLEGE BLVD. NOONERS	0.0	0.0	JAYWALKERS GROUP	56.00	493.00
CORE GROUP	0.00	0.00	JUST US GIRLS	510.00	510.00
COURAGE TO CHANGE	0.0	0.0	KANSAS CITY GROUP #1	0.0	0.0
DESOTO GROUP	0.0	0.00	KEEP IT SIMPLE GROUP—O.P.	0.00	256.38
DISTRICT 4 MO.	0.0	0.00	KNIGHTS OF SOBRIETY	20.00	120.00
DISTRICT 7 MO.	0.00	1760.00	KNOB NOSTER GROUP	0.0	0.0
DISTRICT 11 MO.	0.00	0.00	LATHROP GROUP	0.00	0.00
DOWNTOWN BASEMENT GROUP	0.00	0.00	LEAVENWORTH GROUP #1	0.00	823.01
EASY DOES IT—LAWERNCE	0.0	0.00	LEAWOOD/PRAIRIE VILLAGE GROUP	0.00	150.00
ENGLEWOOD WINNERS GROUP	20.00	40.00	LEE'S SUMMIT GROUP	0.00	0.00
ENTIRELY READY GROUP	0.00	30.00	LENEXA GROUP	125.00	750.00
EUDORA MIRACLES GROUP	0.0	0.00	LIBERTY GROUP	100.00	700.00
ARCHIE GROUP	0.00	6.00	LIVE AND LET LIVE GROUP	0.00	5.00
COMMON SOLUTION	0.00	30.94	LIVING MIRACLES	0.0	0.00
HAMILTON EVENING OPEN AA	20.00	20.00	GARDEN CITY #1	0.00	0.00

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GROUP NAME	MAY 2021	YTD 2021	GROUP NAME	MAY 2021	YTD 2021
MARCELINE GROUP	0.00	50.00	PRIMARY PURPOSE GROUP	100.00	670.00
MI GROUP	0.0	0.0	RECOVERY PLUS	217.56	548.80
MONDAY NIGHT TURKEYS	0.00	0.00	ROE CENTER GROUP	0.00	200.00
MUSTARD SEED GROUP	0.0	0.0	SECOND CHANCE—WARRENSBURG	25.00	25.00
NEVADA GROUP	0.00	5.50	SEDALIA 12 X 12	0.0	0.0
NEW BEGINNINGS—MARSHALL	20.00	43.00	SERNITY GROUP	0.0	0.0
NEW CHOSEN FEW GROUP	0.00	55.00	SHAWNEE GROUP	0.00	250.00
NEW FELLOWSHIP	0.0	0.00	SIMPLE SOBRIETY GROUP	0.00	260.00
NEW TONGANOXIE GROUP	0.0	0.0	SIMPLY AA—KC	0.00	44.29
NEW VISION GROUP	30.00	175.00	SLATER GROUP	0.0	0.00
NORTH KANSAS CITY GROUP	41.75	210.50	SOBER SKIRTS	0.00	45.00
NORTH OAK GROUP	80.00	480.00	SHELTER KC GROUP	0.00	0.00
NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY GR	100.00	600.00	SOBRIETY FIRST GROUP	35.00	175.00
NORTHLAND MIRACLES GROUP	0.00	0.00	SOUTH KANSAS CITY GROUP	0.00	0.00
NUTS AND BOLTS—LENEXA	0.00	200.00	SOUTH LEAWOOD GROUP	0.00	1280.20
OLATHE GROUP	80.00	240.00	STOCKTON GROUP	0.00	600.00
ONE DAY AT A TIME GROUP	0.0	0.0	SUNSHINE GROUP—LAWRENCE	50.00	150.00
OUR PRIMARY PURPOSE	0.0	0.0	SWEET SPRINGS GROUP	0.00	0.00
OVERLAND PARK FELLOWSHIP	0.00	138.75	THE WAY OUT GROUP	0.0	0.0
P III	46.67	66.67	TICKLED NOT TO BE PICKED	0.0	0.00
PARKHILL GROUP	100.00	630.00	TONGIE GROUP	0.0	0.0
PASEO GROUP	50.00	150.00	TURNER GROUP	0.00	350.00
PFLUMM SOBER	0.00	254.60	TWELVE AND TWELVE GROUP	0.0	0.00
PLATTE CITY SOLUTIONS	50.00	200.00	UNION HOUSE #1	0.00	20.00
PLEASANT HILL GROUP	0.0	0.0	UNITY ON THE PLAZA	100.00	600.00
M.C. GROUP	0.00	100.00	WARD PARKWAY GROUP	0.00	500.00
New Path AA Group	0.00	429.25	WARRENSBURG GROUP	25.00	25.00
ANONYMOUS GROUP OF MEN	0.00	250.00	WE ARE ONE GROUP	0.00	240.00
CAN WE TALK	0.00	25.00	WING AND A PRAYER	0.0	0.0
KEARNEY	0.00	640.00	WITH NO RESERVATION	134.00	224.00
			UNIT GROUP	0.00	164.00
			DISTRICT 9 MO.	0.00	11.00

GROUP DONATIONS

GROUP NAME	MAY	YTD 2021
ALMOST HOME RECOVERY GROUP	0.00	250.00
ACCENT ON SOBRIETY	35.00	185.00
ANY LENGTHS	20.00	20.00
BUTLER GROUP	0.00	75.00
CLINTON GROUP	0.00	60.00
GRAND AVENUE DOWNTOWN	0.00	0.00
NEW BEGINNINGS RICHMOND	0.00	1012.27
OSKALOOSA KS AA GROUP	25.00	75.00
RICHMOND GROUP	0.00	30.00
UNION HOUSE 2	0.00	20.00
TOTAL	2,780.98	23,106.37

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2021 Conference Advisory Actions

Conference Advisory Actions represent recommendations put forward by the standing committees of the General Service Conference that have been discussed, voted on and approved by the Conference body as a whole with substantial unanimity (defined as a majority of at least two-thirds). A sampling of Advisory Actions from the 2021 General Service Conference appears below in abbreviated form. A complete list, along with the full report of additional items considered by each Conference committee, will be published in the Conference Final Report (available from G.S.O. in late summer).

Agenda — That the theme of the 2022 Conference be “A.A. Comes of Age 2.0: Unified in Love and Service.”

Cooperation with the Professional Community — That a dynamic A.A.W.S. LinkedIn page be implemented by G.S.O., to provide current and relevant content about A.A. to professionals in accordance with A.A. principles and Traditions; and that the updated draft pamphlet “Members of the Clergy Ask About Alcoholics Anonymous” be approved with minor editorial changes and retitled “Faith Leaders Ask About Alcoholics Anonymous.”

Corrections — That revisions be made to A.A.W.S. literature directed to members behind the walls and that the terms “inmate” and “offender” be replaced with “person in custody.”

Grapevine — That the AA Grapevine Board implement an Instagram account.

Literature — That a fifth edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous, be developed, including an update of stories to better reflect current membership; that revisions be made in the essays on Steps Six and Twelve in Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions and the long form of each Tradition be added at the end of each respective chapter; that the pamphlet “A.A. for the Black and African-American Alcoholic” be updated and the draft pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women in A.A. be approved; that a draft version of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous (Fourth Edition), be translated into plain and simple language and be developed in a way that is accessible and relatable to as wide of an audience as possible.

Public Information — That podcasts to communicate on topics with similar sharing as can be found in Box 4-5-9, About AA, aa.org, and sharing from AA

Grapevine and La Viña be produced and distributed by G.S.O. in cooperation with the Grapevine office.

Report and Charter — That the fully revised manuscript for the 2021-2023 Edition of The A.A. Service Manual combined with Twelve Concepts for World Service be approved.

Floor Action — That the Preamble revision replacing the words “men and women” with the word “people” be presented to the General Service Board for approval as the new revised A.A. Preamble.

*****NEW POLICY*****NEW POLICY*****

CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BEGIN A NEW POLICY WITH CREDIT BALANCES. THE CUSTOMER WILL BE NOTIFIED AT 60 DAYS TO USE THE CREDIT OR IT WILL EXPIRE AND BE CONVERTED TO A “CENTRAL OFFICE ANGELS” DONATION.

Concept VII

The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.

This concept may appear to be contradictory; it may look like the collision of an irresistible force with an immovable object. On the one hand we see a Board of Trustees which is invested with complete legal power over A.A.'s funds and services, while on the other hand we find that A.A.'s General Service Conference is clothed with such great traditional influence and financial power that, if necessary, it could overcome the legal rights of the Board of Trustees. It can therefore give the Trustees directives and secure compliance with them — practically speaking.

Central Office MAY Finances

Income \$12,950.14

Expense \$13,765.23

Net Loss = (\$815.09) *These are preliminary numbers*

2021 JUNE GROUP DONATIONS \$2,780.98

2020 JUNE GROUP DONATIONS \$1,684.20

We now have a five month prudent reserve. At the October, 2015 Board of Directors meeting a motion was made, seconded and passed that Central Office establish a six month prudent reserve. We are almost there.

Each group has the ability to make these numbers change If you do not see your home group listed here, it is because Central Office has not received a donation. Please ask why. If your group feels we need to be of more service in some area, please let us know. We cannot change that of which we are ignorant.

As per your request, we are now publishing a more complete financial report. I hope this pleases those of you who have asked for it. If not, please let me know what else you would like to see. After all, this is *your* money! We at Central Office try to be good stewards of it.

Our Accountant, Janet B. of the Lenexa Group tries to come in as soon after the first of the month as possible so you can get final numbers. There will be months, however, that we will print preliminary numbers because of the publishing date. That will be noted above.

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