October 2023 The Pikes Peak Pint



SERVICE OFFICE

- Hours: Tuesday Friday 10am 2pm
- Area Service Office Manager: Jeanette
- Open service office volunteer positions:
 - Tuesday and Wednesday, noon 2pm
- We would like to expand our hours to include one late day and Saturdays.
 - o If you are interested in one of these times please call.
 - o A minimum of 6 months of sobriety is suggested.
 - For more information contact (719) 573-5020 or email: serviceoffice@coloradospringsaa.org

Numbers of interest from the last Intergroup meeting (October 10, 2023):

- At the Area Service Office 55 persons walked in for services during September. Many of those needed materials like Big Books and 12&12s.
- 47 persons called in by phone, many looking for meetings and information.
- One 12-step call was handled.
- The ASO has two volunteer positions to fill, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 2pm, both days. Volunteers will answer the phone, help make packets of information, and greet persons coming into the office. Those looking for service work opportunities are encouraged to contact the ASO at 719 573-5020.

What is the Area Service Office (ASO)? There are approximately 300 individual AA meeting groups in the El Paso County, Teller County area, also known as District 7. The ASO strives to make AA books, literature, medallions, and other materials available for purchase by local groups. The ASO also operates Night-Watch, which fields phone calls around the clock during non ASO operating hours. The ASO maintains the online website, meeting schedule, as well as facilitating Zoom meetings. The "Programs" subcommittee of ASO puts on several area events each year, including the Long-timers Luncheon, Founders' Day picnic, the annual Gratitude Dinner, and every New Year's Eve the "Alcathon," to provide an alcohol-free News Year's Eve and New Year's Day celebration involving meetings each hour of the event, as well as food and speaker sessions.

Have a Smartphone?

Download the free Meeting Guide! Google Play or Apple App Store Meeting Guide syncs with area, district, intergroup/central offices and international general service office websites, relaying meeting information from more than 400 A.A. service entities directly to the app. Over 100,000 weekly meetings are currently listed, and the information is refreshed twice daily.



https://www.aa.org/meeting-guide-app

Step 10:

Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Tradition 10:

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Tradition 10 CHECKLIST:

- Do I ever give the impression that there really IS an "AA opinion" on Antabuse? On Tranquilizers? Doctors? Psychiatrists? Churches? Hospitals? Jails? Alcohol? The federal or state government? Legalizing marijuana? Vitamins? Al-Anon? Alateen?
- Can I honestly share my own personal experience concerning any of those without giving the impression I am giving "AA opinion"?
- What in AA history gave rise to our Tenth Tradition?
- Have I had a similar experience in my own AA life?
- What would AA be without this Tradition? Where would I be?
- Do I breach this or any of its supporting Traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious,

ways?

How can I manifest the spirit of this Tradition in my personal life outside of AA?
 Inside

of AA?

Concept 10

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority– the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

AA Birthdays, September and October

High Noon Group October AA Birthdays

□ Bobbie K. 1 year

□ Doug L. 29 years

Below are the following AA Birthdays from We are Not Saints:

October:

Nadine H. 10-19-2018 5years Amy C. 10-87 36 years Sandra D. 10-13-82. 41 years

Belated September:

Bill B. 9-1-21 Scott A. 9-4-20 Tom H. 9-16-03 Jeff S. 9-2-08

New Woman Group:

Kathy F. 46 years
Amber P. 20 years
Barbara M. 3 years
Nancy B. 33 years

Debbie C. 31 years
Donna 2 years
Vicki H. 5 years
Desi C. 1 year

Friday Womens:

Charlene B. 10 years
Kimberly 1 year
Patty K. 36 years
Jimmie N. 24 years
Dawn B. 31 years

Walt The Talk

Bill B. 10-31-91

Zara K 10-10-21 Kyle B. 10-5-22 Jon G. 10-6-20 Leslee 10-10-11 Todd M. 10-28-18 Danny P. 10-8-17 Laura G. 10-16-11 Nikki G. 10-6-20 Dawn S. 10-31-21 Nick M. 10-28-22

AA Group Announcements!

- **The Downtown Group** @ 210 North Corona Street has space if a meeting or a group is looking to gather somewhere. Contact John O. 719-291-3240 for further information.
- Apex Group @ 2021 W. Pikes Peak Avenue needs support! Apex Group meets Fridays at 6pm, at the Sacred Heart Church in room 10.
- Calvary United Methodist Church We have a meeting space available for any 12 step group that needs it or is starting up.

Derf Bergman
Pastor, Calvary United Methodist Church
4210 Austin Bluffs Parkway
Colorado Springs, CO 80918 (church mailing
address)
5370 Artistic Circle
Contact the service office for information.

Does your group have important announcements?

- Send announcements, flyers, and information to: pint@coloradospringsaa.org
- To subscribe, visit https://www.coloradospringsaa.org/news-event-s/news/
- The Pint is formatted following the monthly Intergroup Meeting that meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Send your information by the end of the day, second Wednesday of each month, to be included in the following Pint.

Alcoholics Anonymous®

General Service Office of Alcoholics Anonymous

www.aa.org

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

Please direct all communications to: P.O. Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163 Fax: (212) 870-3003

STORY SOLICITATION

"A.A. for the Native North American Alcoholic," Pamphlet Update

Deadline for submissions: December 31, 2023. Submit your story form:

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/cef87490c3ae4c3b9e6e50ce9eb33b24

The trustees' Literature Committee has opened a call for recovery stories in response to the 2021 General Service Conference advisory action regarding the pamphlet "A.A. for the Native North American Alcoholic," stating that the pamphlet be updated to include current stories of recovery and a new title that is respectful and inclusive. The committee is seeking stories of recovery from all Indigenous communities in the A.A. structure in the United States and Canada.

Stories of recovery may include but are not limited to:

- Experience, Strength, and Hope
- Steps, Traditions, Concepts
- Ethnic, cultural, gender and LGBTQ diversity
- Diversity of social status
- Sponsorship
- · A.A. Service
- · Safety & Racism
- Military
- Sobriety and Mental Health
- Experience in A.A. meetings
- Atheist/Agnostics
- Newcomer Experiences
- Cultural Reconnection

The suggested format for typed manuscripts is 500-1,000 words, double spaced, in 12-point font. Handwritten manuscripts should be approximately 5 to 8 pages. Please 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:

<u>Deadline</u>: Please submit on or before **December 31, 2023**.

Submit Your Story Form:

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/cef87490c3ae4c3b9e6e50ce9eb33b24



Email: pamphletstories@aa.org

Subject Line: A.A. for the Native North 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.

Thank you for your participation in the process!

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Upcoming Events

Make plans to attend the 2025 A.A. International Convention scheduled in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. See video at https://www.aa.org/international-conventionAlbert Normandin/DestinationVancouver



Area 10

WINTER ASSEMBLY 2023



NOVEMBER 17-19, 2023

Parking details

- Daily parking: free
- Overnight parking: inquire with hotel

Accommodations

DoubleTree Hotel DTC \$119/night Group Code: CDTWAA Reserve by October 26 for discount Follow this link or call 800.222.8733

Food & Beverage Information

Please pay onsite with cash or PayPal

- Lunch Buffet | Saturday, \$23
- Ice Cream Social | Saturday night, \$16
- Coffee | \$4 per cup or \$10 for 3 cups

Join us for the open Saturday speaker meeting at 7 pm!

Hosted by District 13 | Service opportunities available Contact Laura S. at winterassembly2023@gmail.com



Interested in Being of Service with Intergroup or District Committees?

Archives

- o Chair: Doug L.
- For info on Archives workdays at ASO, please email: archives@coloradospringsaa.org

Nightwatch

- o Chair: Stephanie
- Contact Area Service Office for more info 719-573-5020 or nightwatch@coloradospringsaa.org

Pint

- Mike H.
- Collect local AA stories and announcements and send to pint@coloradospringsaa.org

Programs

- o Chair: Kimberly H.
- Contact Area Service Office for more info 719-573-5020 District

CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community)

- o Chair: Derek G. Meets
- 4th Sunday of the month, 3:30pm, at Walk the Talk (2334 Vickers Drive)

Corrections

- Chair: David P.
- Meets 4th Saturday of every month at 10am, @ Area Service Office (1353 S 8th St)

• PI (Public Information)

- o Chair: Jacque I.
- Meets 3rd Saturday of the month, 2:30pm, @ Area Service Office (1353 S 8th St)

• Treatment & Bridging the Gap

- o Chair: Clint
- Meets monthly, 2nd Wednesday @ 5:30 PM online. Contact treatment@coloradospringsaa.org for questions or Zoom meeting details.

Supporting A.A.'s services

While contributions cover each group's rent and other expenses, the Seventh Tradition is essential to all areas of A.A. service. It is both a privilege and a responsibility for groups and members to ensure that not only their group, but also their intergroup/central office, local services, district, area, and the General Service Office remain self-supporting. 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 group's expenses have been taken care of the group may decide to further carry the message by sending money to the following A.A. 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 G.S.R.s.
- The area committee, which coordinates vital A.A. 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; coordinates group activities; and facilitates A.A. literature sales, institutions work, public information, and cooperation with the professional community activities.
- A.A.'s General Service Office, which functions as a storehouse of A.A.
 information, communicating with members and groups around the
 world; publishes A.A.'s literature; and supplies information and
 experience to professionals and others interested.

Where to Send Contributions:

** Please include Group Name and Group Number on check, money order, or app transaction**

Area Service Office Payable to: Colorado Springs Area Service Office 1353 S. 8th Street, STE 209 Colorado Springs, CO 80905

District 7
Payable to: District 7
PO Box 26252
Colorado Springs, CO 80936

Area 10

Payable to: Area 10 Treasurer

12081 W. Alameda Parkway, #418 Lakewood, CO 80228

General Service Office (UPDATE)
Payable to: GSO
Post Office Box 2407
James A Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407