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THE TWELVE STEPS

- 1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.**
- 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.**
- 3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.**
- 4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.**
- 5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.**
- 6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.**
- 7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.**
- 8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.**
- 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.**
- 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.**
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.**
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.**

THE TWELVE TRADITIONS

- 1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.**
- 2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.**
- 3. The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.**
- 4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.**
- 5. Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.**
- 6. An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.**
- 7. Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.**
- 8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.**
- 9. A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.**
- 10. Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.**
- 11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.**
- 12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.**

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DELEGATE

Hello, Area 25!

In looking back at my last submission to the GFP, I see that my prediction of an August vote via email was completely wrong. The GSB did discuss the alcoholicsanonymous.com situation at their meeting in July, but did not take any action. They will be discussing it further at the October meeting. More will be revealed!

I've had a wonderful time traveling the state and giving my report. As of this writing, I have a few more to give – District 21 on Sept. 9, an abbreviated report at the State Conference, the K.C. Central Office Delegates meeting on Oct. 14, and District 13 on Nov. 10. Hope I haven't missed anyone! I've been well fed and treated far better than I deserve, and I have thoroughly enjoyed myself. If your district hasn't had a chance to hear the report and would like to schedule a time, please let me know.

The staff at G.S.O. and the Trustee committees have continued to work on items approved by the Conference in April. Some of the updated pamphlets have already appeared on the A.A. website, and I'm seeing some of them at the K.C. Central office. Grapevine just announced a new book, "One Big Tent", will be available Sept. 20. I've included a picture of this book which I hope our GFP editor will be able to include in this issue.

As you can see, the General Service Conference is a year-long process. There have already been 6 items submitted for consideration for the 2019 agenda. The deadline for submitting items for 2019 is Dec. 15, 2018. These can come from areas, delegates, districts, groups, trusted servants, and any member of A.A. If you want to submit something, but aren't sure how, I'll be glad to help with the process.

A couple of days ago, G.S.O. released a report from the firm, Impact Collaborative. I.C. was hired to do a communications audit of A.A. A.A.W.S. wanted to know where our internal (within the Fellowship) and external (public) communications stood. I've shared the report and the Board Chair's letter with all Area officers, DCMs, and past delegates. It's a lengthy and complex report, and it provides some good criticisms that we need to address. The Boards will be working on this, and the GSC will be discussing it next April. There are a couple of things from the report that I wish to address here.

1) Communication up and down the triangle needs to improve. The two big breaks here are between GSRs and the Districts, and between Delegates and the Areas. What's not coming down the triangle from the groups and GSRs are ideas and support. What's not going back up the triangle from GSO are services that fit the needs of the Fellowship.

2) Relations between A.A.W.S., GV, GSO, Areas, & Intergroups/Central Offices lack consistency and cohesive unity, which not only hurts each element, but also hurts the ability of AA as a whole to carry the message. For example, I.C. found that the one of our Kansas intergroup/central offices lists 86 meetings, while the Area 25 database lists 101 meetings for the same locality. And the discrepancy between the two listings was nearly 50% - in other words, half of the information was inconsistent. Overall, relations between Areas and Intergroup/Central Offices was characterized as ranging from “working relationship” to “openly hostile”.

There are many questions that come to my mind: How well does our delegate communicate? Do GSRs pass along information (both up & down)? What can District & Area servants do to help GSRs? Is the relation between Area 25 Assembly/Committee, and the Central Offices on the “working relationship” end of the scale, or closer to “openly hostile”? How can we improve the accuracy of our meeting listings? How can we encourage and value more input from groups & GSRs? And I’m sure you will come up with more questions – good topics for some good discussions! Maybe this will lead to an Area inventory?

Let me close with this. At the group level, Impact Collaborative did find that our primary purpose is alive and well, and there was universal expression of this not only throughout the levels, but also from people who used to attend AA but no longer do. They all expressed the same sentiment: “A.A. saved my life.”

I'm looking forward to our State Conference in a couple of weeks and seeing many of you!

Dave R
Panel 68 Area 25 Kansas



AREA CHAIR

Greetings trusted servants

I'm excited to catch up with everyone in October while we're all still riding the wave of enthusiasm from another excellent State Conference in September and the Southwest Regional A.A. Service Assembly in Branson in October.

We'll have reports from various trusted servants who attended SWRAASA, as well as a final wrap-up on the State Conference. Personally I was really satisfied with the new venue, and the conference itself was full of amazing speakers. The Conference committee did an excellent job, as always.

Our delegate has asked for the Committee's help in brainstorming ideas for the official theme of the 2020 General Service Conference. This is one of many ways in which we, as individual members of AA, can have a direct and tangible voice at GSO, and I look forward to seeing what kind of ideas the Area can generate.

Please note that this will be our last Area function at the current venue in Salina. Beginning in January we will be meeting at a different location. The new hotel information will be on the Agenda. One big change is that the Area will be charged a flat rate for renting the large meeting rooms—meaning that our invoice will no longer depend upon booking a certain minimum number of rooms at the hotel. Individual members will still have the option of staying at the new hotel, and they will be providing us a group discount rate, but if members want to stay at different accommodations for their stay in Salina they are free to do so. Also, a big thanks to Darin H. for dealing with the new arrangements.

Yours in Service
Jon R.

AA Preamble

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

ALT. DELEGATE

Greeting Area 25 Members,

I have had the pleasure of speaking with DCMs across the state offering my service should they have any questions or concerns. I had some great discussions with DCMs on what is happening in their districts, and will be reaching out to GSRs in the 4 districts where I was unable to reach a DCM.

On July 14th I had the honor of giving the Delegate's Report to District 23 on behalf of Dave R., Area 25 Delegate, whom had another commitment.

August 15th I was invited to participate in the Southwest Regional Conference call which included the SWR Trustee, SWR Delegates, and Alt. Delegates. Yolanda F., Southwest Regional Trustee updates us on what was happening at the General Service Office and the progress on some of the items brought forward from the General Service Conference. Some of the items discussed were Strategic Planning, Communication Audit, Group Data Base, and more. I am sure Dave R. will be sharing more about this with you.

I also had the opportunity to travel with Dave to Salina for his District 5 Delegate's Report and am enjoying the opportunity to connect with members across the State.

I hope to see you all at the 61st Annual Kansas Area 25 State Conference "AA – A Solution for all Generations" September 14th-16th, 2018 at Hyatt Regency 400 W. Waterman St., Wichita Ks. You can register online at www.kansas-aa.org.

Remember to join us at the 2018 Southwest Regional AA Service Assembly that will be held in Branson, Missouri October 5th-7th 2018. "Service Begins with Us" This will be held at Branson Hilton Hotel and Convention Center. There is a lot to do in and around Branson, so think about making it a getaway for the entire family! Go to www.swraasa2018.org and get registered.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.
Sheri P., Alt. Delegate, Panel 68



ACCESSIBILITIES



In our meeting today, we were more focused on the problems with hard of hearing people in the groups. District 19 has been very active in this part they're found some solutions they have been shopping around for devices to help such as a Bluetooth microphone that would go around so that people could hear the speaker the prices of these range from 50 to \$320, and it would be the decision of the group to purchase such equipment and they would have the option to let other groups use the equipment with someone being responsible for it. We also talked about wheelchair accessible groups and letting people know what groups are wheelchair accessible and if their bathrooms are wheelchair accessible.

There has been contact with Kansas School for the Deaf they have contacted central office to see if they had any resources available for American Sign Language. We need to find out if there's any people in our groups that are knowledgeable with American Sign Language. And, if people that need these are going to be at the meetings when they are scheduled to be there.

Talked about the meetings online and in writing for people that are unable to make it to meetings. There was a meeting at the VA in Wichita that was created.

AL-ANON LIASON

I wanted to take a moment to explain what an Al-Anon liaison is. As Ellen on liaison I am a member of it AA and it is my responsibility to go to Al-Anon area assemblies and the Al-Anon state conference. I gather information of what is going on in Al-Anon in Kansas to cooperate with them. June 8th through the 10th was the Al-Anon conference in Wichita 155 people in attendance 18 of those people were aa members Al-Anon wanted to thank us for our attendance at our support. Next year the Kansas AlAnon conference will be in Wichita again June 7th through the 9th the theme is right here right now I hope that we can pump the numbers up to 175 or 200 and have even more of an AA presents on Saturdays we have a member speak and would like to have a participate with Al-Anon. October 5th-7th is the 23rd Spanish National Convention of Al-Anon and alateen at the Clarion hotel in Wichita November 2nd and 3rd Kansas area Al-Anon in Salina. Many of you have met Lisa B she is the AA liaison Lisa will rotate after our next State Convention our new AA liaison will be Steve P
Thank you that's all I have for now

Anissa P.

CHRONICLER

Hello Area 25!

The Chronicler Committee has been busy since April. Our primary focus has been to try to get updated group histories from as many groups as possible and update the existing inventory of materials both in paper and digital form. Many of the documents that were previously on the portable jump drive have been moved to the Google Drive for the Chronicler.

We had 8 members attend our meeting at the Assembly. We discussed in importance of trying to get updated histories for groups within our districts. We looked at the new group history form and agreed it provides more specific information on the group rather than the general area. One member offered to take the lead to get the new form translated to Spanish.

We also discussed how few oral histories that we have and how we should work towards trying to get these while we have time.

In the meantime lets get to work on those group histories!

In Service,
Bridget B - Area 25 Chronicler



Live and let live!

CORRECTIONS

Greetings from the Area 25 Corrections Desk! It remains a pleasure to be serving at the Area 25 Corrections Chair. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the committee meetings in October!

Yellow Can Fund: The Yellow Can Fund is entirely for providing conference approved literature for our members behind the walls of correctional institutions. I am pleased to report that the Yellow Can Fund had another solid quarter of contributions and has already provided almost \$18,000 in AA literature to groups behind the walls in 2018. Keep it coming!!!

We will be conducting the annual Yellow Can Fund Audit in Salina and we appreciate any feedback on how the Yellow Can Program might be improved to better serve the A.A. members behind the walls.

The committeeThe Yellow Can Fund had an incredible first quarter for contributions and has already provided roughly \$,7000 in AA literature to groups behind the walls in 2018.

Yellow Can Mailing Address:

Yellow Can Fund
PO BOX 23117
Overland Park, KS 66283
*Please include Group Name,
Group #, District # on Yellow Can
contribution checks.

When ordering corrections Yellow Can literature please contact Christian E. by phone or text message to verify order details.

Christian E.
corrections@ks-aa.org
(913) 710-8169

Area 25 Corrections Conference: We will be voting on the location and host district for the 2019 Area 25 Corrections Conference at the October committee meetings in Salina. Lets get ready for another incredible day of fun, food, experience, strength and hope. It is hard to imagine topping last year's conference but we are going to try!

Call for shared correctional experience: The trustees' Committee on Corrections is always looking for shared experience from our local corrections volunteers. The trustees' committee recommended exploring use of existing A.A. videos in the important work at juvenile facilities, updating the content of the Youth Prison Recovery Package (YPRP), and updating the Corrections Workbook with shared experience from local committees. The topic for shared experience is currently "AA materials used at juvenile correctional facilities." The deadline for shared experience is December 19th. Send sharing to corrections@aa.org. or call 212-870-3085.

GSO Staff rotation: As you may know, G.S.O Staff rotation took place on September 17 and Susan Ulseth will be the interim Corrections Coordinator until the position is filled on a more permanent basis. Currently there are two G.S.O. staff openings.

2nd National Corrections Conference: This conference will be held November 2-4 in Portland, Maine. For a flyer and details please visit <http://www.2018nationalcorrectionsconference.org/>. A.A. members who are involved in Corrections twelfth step activity across the U.S. and Canada coordinate this event. See you there!



CPC

I would like to thank Melissa for bringing in a carrying case that and had put together with all the information. And was very organized and there's a lot of information to go through that I have received. We had a good meeting this morning we talked about the blue letter to professionals because that's where ED left off when we last met. There's a QR code available to download the letter to professionals will get something along to go with the display so you can scan and get the PDF there is also a lot of info available in Spanish.



Lori C.

GRAPEVINE

- 7 present 6 districts represented
- Submit Your Story
- Grapevine issues coming up
- Old-timer issues due by August 20th
- What's on your mind Due September 10th
- Relapse due by October 10th if I got our big book turns 80 due by November 10th
- Letting go of resentments due by December 10th
- Grapevine workshops Saturday 7 to 8:30 area assembly one speaker confirmed "Write Your Story"
- Topeka District 8 first-year birthday subscription Drive raffle subscription and anniversary or events
- District 17 recycled Grapevine to treatment centers
- District 19 Wichita first Grapevine meeting
- District 21 Grapevine meetings every Thursday
- First week theme story Focus second week step story Focus third week tradition story Focus 4th week general discussion
- sobriety countdown youngest received subscription to Grapevine
- District 10 Sunday August 12th Grapevine workshops speakers Raymond S and Ed nuts and volts anniversary
- raffle subscription off
- District 5 new beginning and group 1
- Sporadically does Grapevine meetings
- District-8 language of the heart at Mother Teresa Church pick article and discuss parentheses very early stage
- parentheses
- La Vina Higher Ground Spanish-speaking treatment facility idea to start La vina drive for treatment and corrections
- - Dawn M.



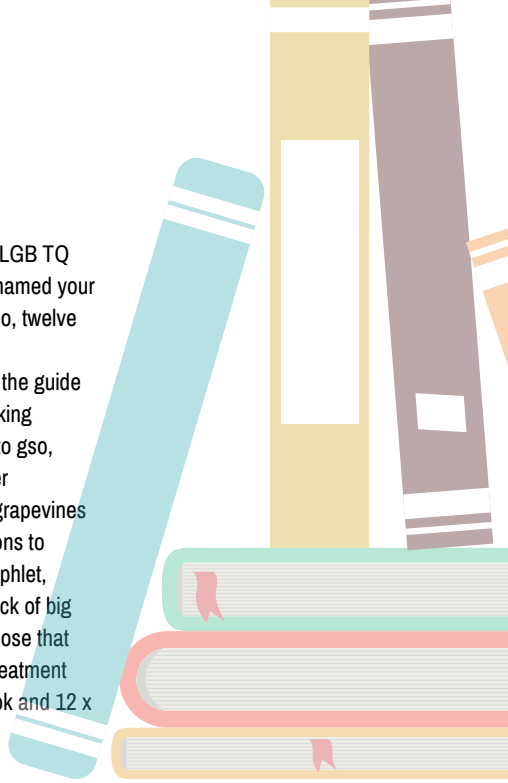
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If you or someone you know has a story, picture of your AA hall, birthday, memorial or idea please email to gfp@kansas-aa.org.

- Molly M., GFP Chair

LITERATURE

There are revisions from gso on pamphlets women in AA, LGB TQ alcoholics in AA, inside AA, Q&A on sponsorship, GSR renamed your groups linked to AA as a whole, living sober, your gso video, twelve traditions Illustrated, too young? young people and AA New from gso AA for alcoholics with mental health issues, the guide word, three Legacy pamphlets pamphlet for Spanish-speaking women in AA stories requested can be mailed or emailed to gso, Navajo big book audio, and annuity in the digital age poster Suggested activities from committee members were pool grapevines and spread them out, raffle off grapevines, give subscriptions to Grapevine for 1st birthday, hold meetings on different pamphlet, newcomer packets, cut and paste the concepts into the back of big book and 12 x 12, reading big book unto audio tapes for those that cannot read, taking literature into gels, prisons, libraries, treatment centers, Hospital, podcast available at www.aa.org big book and 12 x 12 follow the link on to listen to an audio version



Terry L
Area #25 Literature Chair

PUBLIC INFORMATION

We had a lot of good discussion there are 15 members in attendance at our group today thank you very much we had a lot of small little topics, the thigs I wanted to touch base about was when it comes to Pi its not only at area level one of the things that we could all do is check to make sure your group information on the website is correct ks-aa.org or google your group name and see what comes up. We discussed Different ways that the message gets carried P.I. public information I view it kind of like the library the information that we give out is to the public. How to get the message out there to people who really need this. That's all I got glad to be here thank you for letting me your serve.

REGISTRAR



Thank you all for your updates; the use of the change form is very appreciated!. Our Roster does not show anything but the alternate GSR's name, phone number, and e-mail. GSO still needs the full address; please put your full info on forms. Thank you all for your help

Sandy O. Registrar Chair



TREATMENT

Hello Friends!

A big thank you to everyone that attended Area Assembly in July and sat in on the Treatment break out session. We had a great turnout; everyone participated and shared through out the meeting on several different topics:

- How can larger towns/groups reach out and help the smaller towns/groups be active or involved in Bridging the Gap and carrying the message to treatment centers.
- Discussed April's Grapevine issue on Bridging the Gap.
- A member brought an article from Box 459, Winter 2017 issue on BTG. It was from Florida and it discussed how they implemented BTG and contacts on their Area website. I gave a copy to Area 25 Web Chair, he is going to look at it and see what he can possibly come up with for Area 25.
- Carrying the message to Youth Detention Centers and making sure they have a contact.
- Bridging the Gap Workshop Weekend is September 7-9, 2018 in Denver CO. I am looking forward to attending it, along with SWARSAA in Branson, MO in October.



"How is the detox going?"

Love and Service,
Cindy L.
Area 25 Treatment Chair

WEBCHAIR

We had 7 people in attendance today. As of 7/20/2018 we now have 1016 email subscribers in the MailChimp account was 847 in April. You can use the email tab on area website to sign up for notifications if you would like.

Some items were talked about today were new burger find your meeting and there is a link to submit updates. Had issue with notification going to my spam, mobile version of meeting guide app is not allowing filters like the desktop version is Dash going to look into this, we mulled over what might be best way to load meeting info to app keeping current format for now, then we got to talking about AA and search engines we suggest to DCM and G Sr to look at how your district and group show up via searches, this can be a rabbit hole in fixing errors and Miss information. This also is blurry line with pi Looking at possibly forming subcommittee to set up event or updating meetings? after meeting was shown article from box 459 winter issue 2017 about possible Bridging the Gap forms being added to area website - going investigate that

Peter. C - Webchair



MEMBER STORIES

How Concept IV Prevented a Work Problem – David R.

Concept IV

"Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional "Right of Participation," taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge." (Twelve Concepts for World Service, pg. 15)

"...we could never put all authority in one group and virtually all responsibility in another and then expect efficiency of operation, let alone any real harmony." (pg. 17-18)



Some years ago, I was the clinical supervisor at a treatment program. We had both residential and out-patient services, both of which included several group sessions and lectures. As supervisor, one of my duties was to insure that all such sessions were adequately staffed and that the workload was equitably distributed.

During a time of changes in the world of treatment standards, it became necessary for us to revamp the program completely, changing schedules, processes, procedures, and policies. Since this directly affected the clients, the director looked to me to design the new program. My daily staff meetings with the counselors started to include discussions about these changes, with many votes being taken about specific details. Close votes resulted in further discussions, until substantial unanimity could be reached. After some weeks of hard work, it seemed we had worked out the schedule, the processes, the procedures and the policy changes.





But one day I was discussing some of the proposed changes with a receptionist, and she was aghast at what we were about to do. My feelings of satisfaction and pride in the new program quickly faded as she made me aware that it would have a huge negative impact on her staff, as well as the records department and even the maintenance staff. I could see dark clouds of dissension building on the horizon. Any sense of harmony would be lost, and effectiveness would ultimately be diminished. Right then I realized that the clinical staff, myself included, had been taking the support staff for granted, and treating them as if they were second-class citizens in this work world. They didn't have a vote or even a voice in the matter. Without consciously knowing it, my staff was taking some work off their desks and dumping it on the support staffs' desks. I clearly needed to take this back to the drawing board.

At our next staff meeting, the reception, records, and maintenance staffs were all represented, with a vote. They were able to express their fears and concerns about the proposals, and to ask questions. They were able to educate the clinical staff about their current duties and the struggles they had with their workloads. Then we went to work on modifying the proposed changes, with compromises being made on all sides. When the new programming went live, of course there were some glitches. But these were quickly worked out in a spirit of cooperation, instead of anger and finger-pointing.

Before this experience, I'd always looked at the Concepts as something that only applied to the Conference - a remote thing that had little direct relevance to me. But when I realized that this concept could be applied in my work, it changed my thinking about them. I learned that participation is the key to harmony.

- David R.

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A.A. – A Solution for All Generations

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Saturday, October 20

8:30 – 9:20 am	Committee Meetings		Dukes Room
Committee	District	Chair	
Accessibilities	3, 10, 19	Carlos W.	
Chronicler	26, 31, 4	Bridget B.	
Corrections	24, 27, 9	Christian E.	
Cooperation w/Professional Community	6, 11, 22	Lori C.	
Grapefree Press	8, 13, 16	Molly M.	
Grapevine	2, 17	Dawn M.S.	
Literature	5, 18, 21	Terry L.	
Public Information	20, 23, 30	J.R. R.	
Treatment	1, 7, 14	Cindy L.	
Web	12, 15	Peter C.	

9:30 – 10:50 am
Reports from SWRAASA
Workshop: Possible themes for 2020 General Service Conference Dave R. Dukes Room

11 am
Final 2018 State Conference report Josh R. Dukes Room

12 pm – 1:30 pm LUNCH BREAK

1:30	Closed business meeting		Dukes Room
Chair report	Jon R.		
Secretary	Andy K.		
Treasurer's report	Janet B.		
Delegate	Dave R.		
Alt. Delegate	Sheri P.		
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DCM reports

Old Business:

1. Update from ad hoc committee on timing and frequency of Assemblies

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2. Update from ad hoc committee on Area finances

New Business:

Upcoming Events

January 18-20, 2019: Kansas Area Assembly **NEW LOCATION Hilton Garden Inn, 3320 S 9th St, Salina.**

April 13, 2019: Area Committee Meetings, Salina.

May 19-25: General Service Conference, New York.

July 19-21, 2019: Area Assembly.

September 20-22, 2019: Kansas Area Conference, Wichita.

October 11-13, 2019: Southwest Regional Forum, Houston, Texas.

October 19, 2019: Area Committee Meetings.

July 2-5, 2020: A.A. International Convention, Detroit, Michigan.



Northeast Johnson County - new location!
8720 Grant Street, Overland Park, KS 66212

The Promises

If we are painstaking about this phase of our development, we will be amazed before we are half way through. We are going to know a new freedom and a new happiness. We will not regret the past nor wish to shut the door on it. We will comprehend the word serenity and we will know peace. No matter how far down the scale we have gone, we will see how our experience can benefit others. That feeling of uselessness and self-pity will disappear. We will lose interest in selfish things and gain interest in our fellows. Self-seeking will slip away. Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change. Fear of people and of economic insecurity will leave us. We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us. We will suddenly realize that God is doing for us what we could not do for ourselves.

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