

DISTRICT 28
Meeting Minutes
August 28, 2016

Officers/Chairs present at meeting:

DCM – Steve N.
Alt. DCM – Paige B.
Treasurer – Jen B.
Secretary – P. J. O.
Archives Service Coordinator - Denis S.
Grapevine Service Coordinator – Valerie M., Alt.
Intergroup Liaison – Dean B.
Literature Service Coordinator– Lisa B.
Men’s Corrections Service Coordinator– Al M.
Public Information Service Coordinator – Janet B.
Technology Service Coordinator – Rich M.
Treatment Service Coordinator – Rich M.
Workshop Service Coordinator – Jay B.

GSRs/Alt. GSRs and Visitors present at meeting:

Janet B. - Alt. GSR, Attitude Adjustment Group
Sandy H. – GSR, Crystal River Group
James C. – Alt. GSR, First Thought Wrong Group
Al M. – GSR, Holder Way of Life Group
David B. – GSR, Real Happy Hour Group
Rich M. - GSR, No Name Group
David B. – GSR, Real Happy Hour Group
Dean B. – GSR, Sober Sand Gnats Group
Gail K. – GSR, Won Rebos Group

Visitors: Shana D., Sue C., Bob M. and Lacey E.

Welcome by DCM:

Steve N., DCM, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Serenity Prayer

Declaration of Unity

Responsibility Statement

Recognition of New GSRs: None

Roll Call: Secretary P. J. O. took roll call and Minutes. DCM, Alt. DCM, Treasurer and Secretary were present and 9 groups were represented. There were three visitors: Shanna D. from the Crystal River Group,

Secretary's Report:

Everyone had received copies of the Minutes of the July 31, 2016 meeting, which were approved upon motion and second.

Treasurer's Report: Jen B.

Jen presented the final Report through the end of July, 2016, consisting of the Income and Expense Sheet and Contribution Report; copies were distributed to everyone. The Income and Expense Sheet showed a beginning balance of \$3768.35; income from contributions, 7th Tradition collections and Pink Can donations in the amount of \$368.00; expenses of \$855.72,

and an ending balance of \$3280.63. Upon motion and second, the Treasurer's report for July was accepted.

Jen also presented a preliminary summary of the monthly report for August, which had a beginning balance of \$3280.63. There had been some Pink Can and other donations, some checks had been written and it appeared that the closing August balance would be \$3605.18.

The 7th Tradition Basket was passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Archives Committee: Denis S.

Denis advised that the Archives Committee was continuing to prepare for its presentation of the history of District 28 at the next Area Assembly in Gainesville. The presentation will be made at about 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 1. DCM Steve N. is putting together a PowerPoint slide show and presenters are collecting information. Denis and Steve are asking the home group representatives to submit pictures of the insides and outsides of their meeting places. The pictures and other information of interest can be sent to archives@aadistrict28.org . Members' faces should be away from the camera. Hope you can all be there.

Denis also reported that this month the Archives Committed had recorded the oral history of the founding of the Sober Sand Gnats Group presented by founding member John S.

Accessibilities Committee: No report.

Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee: No report.

Public Information Committee: Janet B.

I was thrilled to get our new "electric green" Where and When. With a lot of volunteer help, all the meetings in the Inverness area and the Wahoo meeting received a stack. Our busiest dispenser of schedules, the SW Central Driver Improvement station got the first bunch plus a few Grapevines that they requested for their waiting room.

The following sites were stocked this month: County Probation at the Salvation Army; Sheriff's Substation and the Yana Club in Crystal River. Paige B. delivered to Seven Rivers Hospital and Bob G. took care of the VA Clinic in Beverly Hills. The Centers got a stack for their lobby plus some for their counselors and clients. Also visited were: Sheriff's main station, State Probation & Parole, Drug Court, Citrus County Courthouse, Chamber of Commerce, Central Motel, Children's Visitation Center, Share Club Auditorium, Lakes Region library, Citrus Memorial Hospital and the Highland Boulevard Laundromat.

The Health Department in Inverness has now reopened with a new provider and all the stacks were filled with their own literature. After asking for permission, they suggested that I place our schedules on a table. I may put a holder out later.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet B., P.I. Service Coordinator

Men's Corrections Committee: Al M.

We have been doing meetings. I have some thrilling information for you. I have Bob M., and he would like have my job. He is qualified; he has a good outlook and a lot of energy. He has been to the jail and has been approved there. I would like to have him in place as soon as possible. DCM Steve then appointed Bob as Men's Corrections Chair for the rest of this panel, with that action then being approved by the group.

Al said that he would stay around to help as long as Bob needed it. Al said that serving as Chair had been a great experience for him, sometimes frustrating, but had help keep him sober.

Women's Corrections Committee: No report.

Grapevine Committee: Paula D. (Report presented at meeting by Valerie M.)

First of all I would like to thank my Alternate Grapevine chair, Valerie M., who has been a wonderful support to me throughout the panel. She has worked diligently beside me, behind the scenes to help me prepare for Area and District events. This is another service opportunity for Valerie to present the Grapevine report for us tonight! Thank you Valerie!

I will be placing a Grapevine/La Viña literature order for the October 2016 Assembly. Included in this order will be the 2017 Trilingual Calendars. If you are interested in receiving one, please contact me before September 3, 2016. The following prices include taxes and shipping: Wall Calendar \$10.00, Pocket Calendar \$5.00.

AA Grapevine is offering a “Grow your Grapevine” drawing. The Winner of the drawing will receive a mixture of Grapevine literature. Currently North and South Florida Areas are tied in the number each has submitted. Each Area has submitted one card! At our meeting tonight, there are multiple entry cards. They do not need to be 100% completed to be submitted. Please take some back to your groups to be reviewed and / or completed. If you would like to return the cards to the District Grapevine Chair or Alternate chair, Valerie, we will be happy to submit them for you.

More information can be found on AAgrapevine.org website.

Thank you for allowing us to serve,

Paula and Valerie

Literature Committee: Lisa B.

Thank you for the opportunity to grow and serve Alcoholics Anonymous through District 28's Literature Committee. In the doldrums of summer, the Literature Committee examined the published Service Material and focused on The AA Preamble: Background Material:

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.

**** (1) The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. (2)There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. AA 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.**

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****Bold font and numeration are mine and not part of the Preamble.**

The Preamble was introduced in the June 1947 issue of the AA Grapevine magazine.

The original version differed in two ways from the familiar form we all know: 1) It stated that the only requirement for membership is an “*honest* desire to stop drinking,” and 2) it contained only the very brief statement “AA has no dues or fees.” The word “*honest*” was deleted in 1958. A delegate to the General Service Conference suggested that since “*honest*” does not appear in the Third Tradition, it might be deleted from the Preamble. Discussion followed and in the midsummer meeting of the General Service Board of Trustees the deletion was ratified. Since then, the Preamble has read simply “a desire to stop drinking.” At the same time, the phrase “AA has no dues or fees” was clarified to read as it presently does: “There are no dues or fees for AA membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions.” AA has evolved and is continuing to do so...we, as members, miraculously do the same! Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Technology Committee: See Website Committee Report, below.

Treatment Committee: Rich M.

Things are going well at the Centers in Lecanto. The Women's meeting continues. Lynn has been helping out and had some volunteers. There is an AA meeting for the women every Sunday evening, mostly younger women. And they are going well.

NCI Liaison: Dean B.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rick T. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

Jen B. took Roll Call. There were 11 groups present and 19 members in attendance with 4 visitors. There were no new Reps.

Secretary Jen B. read the minutes from last month's meeting and they were accepted as read.

Treasurer Paige B. read the final expense report for July. Beginning balance of \$3,229.42, ending balance of \$3,139.20. Accepted as read. Paige B. went over the draft for August.

Trustees Reports: Janet B., Sandy H., and Bill M. had nothing to report. Denis S. reported that Events are still being run well.

Hotline Report: Gail K. of the Won Rebos Group reported 28 calls. Three active wet calls, the rest looking for meeting locations. Thank you Won Rebos for stepping up for the month of August.

Website Report (ncintergroup.com): Webmaster Steve N. reported 586 sessions by 425 different users in the past month. Each visitor looked at an average of 3.22 pages. Of special importance is that 276 or 47% of the sessions and 150 or 35% of the unique users were on mobile devices.

The overall bounce rate was a phenomenal 47.27% indicating when visitors arrived they stayed and processed our information. The mobile device bounce rate was even better at 43%.

The 10 most visited pages were Meetings in general, Meetings by Day (days in order were: Wednesday, Tuesday, Sunday, Saturday, Friday, Monday, and Thursday), Meetings by Location, NCI Calendar, Newcomer Information, Contact Information, Information Links, Minutes, Young People, and Contributions. The most downloaded items were: Traditions mp4 by Chet P., State Convention Flyer, Where and When, Journal 01/2012, Journal 01/2012, Journal 02/2016, and the Responsibility Statement.

Alternate Chairperson Steve N. reported he is heading up the committee for re-locating our meeting location, and he congratulated Chairperson Rick T. for the work he has done with and for NCI.

Journal Report: September issue will be going out next week.

Events: Rich reported for Lynn that Events are being managed well.

Speaker for the Picnic in the Park is being worked on, and we need grills and vehicles to haul stuff to the picnic. Chili Cook-off is slated for October, location to be determined.

Old Business: Motion from last month's meeting to create a position for an Alternate Treasurer was discussed. Structures and Guidelines state "changes can only occur at the Annual Meeting in January or at a special meeting declared for that purpose." A special meeting will be held during the regular monthly meeting in October.

No New Business.

Motion to Close was made and we closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Gratefully submitted by Dean B. Thank you for trusting me with this position.

Dean B.

Workshop Committee: Jay B.

Jay would like to schedule a workshop for the last part of October, either the 22nd or the 29th. He has reserved the meeting facility at Our Lady of Fatima for those dates and has to let them know which one we will use. He has several topics available, but would like to use this occasion for a workshop on "How to Chair an AA Meeting." This is a topic on which there will be a lot of input and a lot of different opinions, which is good. The group agreed that this would be a good topic and the consensus was that October 22 would be the best date. There were some concerns raised about the date for the Chili Cook-off but it was ultimately decided we could work around that if necessary and go to the 29th. So it is the plan to do the "How to Chair an AA Meeting" workshop on October 22nd.

Website Committee: Steve N.

There were 967 sessions by 736 different users in the past month. Each session visitor looked at an average of 2.15 pages. The ten most visited pages other than the start page were meetings, help now (hot line number), legacies, contact us, calendar, where and when, information links, archives, about us, and mobile. The most downloaded items were training video, training audio, where and when, state convention flyer, picnic in park flyer, Florida unity flyer, long timer meeting flyer, and legacies.

People sought meetings by location in the following order: Inverness, Dunnellon, Lecanto, Floral City, Inglis, Holder, Homosassa, and Crystal River. The meetings sought by day in order were: Sunday, Friday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Monday, Saturday and Thursday.

An interesting statistic is that the hours of most visits were 1 and 2 p.m. followed by midnight and 1 a.m.

For those still hung up on hits, there were 10,128 total hits in the past month by 1,037 unique visitors.

Thank you for allowing me to serve,

Steve N, District 28 Webmaster

Alt. DCM: Paige B.

My name is Paige and I am an alcoholic who has the privilege of serving District 28 as an Alternate DCM and its Where and When Chair.

The latest print version of the Where and When, August 2016 in bright lime green, has been distributed and is available at the monthly meeting of District 28. The next printing is planned for January of 2017. Anyone with change information may send it to floridadistrict28@gmail.com. A reminder; the most up to date meeting information is always available online.

I would like to take a minute to acknowledge and thank Steve N. for his amazing abilities and effort in the maintenance of our on-line Where and When and our websites.

The next Area 14 Assembly, in Gainesville, is scheduled for September 30th, October 1st and 2nd. Rooms will be reserved. Please let me know if you plan to attend and need accommodations no later than Sunday, September 25th, 2016 at the monthly meeting or at floridadistrict28@gmail.com. For more information, an agenda, area news, a map and minutes, visit aanorthflorida.org . Area 14 Panel 67 elections will take place on Sunday the 2nd of October at the assembly. The third legacy in action is amazing to witness and even more amazing to take part in. Often it is a lengthy process. Please plan to stay later on Sunday the 2nd, perhaps to 3:00 pm.

District 28 has been invited to present its history at the next Area Assembly Archives Workshop on Saturday at 10:00 am.

The 17th Annual Serenity Weekend Women's Fall Conference 2016 will be held in Cocoa Beach, FL from September 9 through the 11th, 2016.

I received flyers containing information on the Florida Unity Roundup taking place in September on the 23rd, 24th and 25th in Jacksonville. For further information please contact www.floridaunityroundup.com.

In December, from the 2nd through the 4th, the 2016 Southeast Regional Forum will take place in Orlando at the Marriott in Lake Mary, FL. There is no charge to attend regional forums. You can always register on-site. To register on-line go to www.aa.org, click on, "For AA Members." All who register will receive a Final Forum Report. GSO requests pre-registration where possible to support event preparation. Meals and lodging are "On your own." The Lake Mary Marriott is offering a special group rate of \$129.00 per night. The group code is SERF. The deadline to take advantage of the group rate is November 14, 2016. For more information including a tentative schedule of events, a flyer will be available at the monthly service meetings and on our district and intergroup websites.

Me Plus One. A flyer from District 11 was distributed at the assembly outlining a Me Plus One initiative. Please take a copy to your group for consideration and let us know what you think either at our next monthly meeting or at floridadistrict28@gmail.com.

I have redeemed the Grapevine and La Vina subscriptions donated to the districts of Area 14. The magazines are scheduled to arrive in approximately four to six weeks. They will be given to the Corrections Committees for use in the local jail.

I am thrilled to see that several groups have joined the Pink Can initiative. The monies collected go directly toward the purchase of AA literature. The literature is carried by the Corrections Committees to those that are incarcerated locally.

Elections for District 28 Officers, DCM, Alternate DCM, Secretary and Treasurer, to serve on panel 67 for the years 2017 and 2018 will take place on Sunday, September 25, 2016. District 28 Officer Service Resumes may be submitted either at the monthly business meeting or to Steve or me at floridadistrict28@gmail.com. Service resumes for those seeking to serve in District 28 Committee Chair positions may also be submitted at the monthly meeting or online. District 28 Committee Chair positions include; Accessibilities Chair, Archives Chair, Corrections Chair-Men, Corrections Chair-Women, CPC Chair, Grapevine Chair, Literature Chair, Nature Coast Intergroup Liaison, Public Information Chair, Technology Chair, Treatment Chair and Workshop Chair.

Please consider joining us at District 28 on Panel 67. No one need be an expert or have prior experience. One day at a time we learn, we serve and we grow.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige B.

DCM: Steve N.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your DCM for District 28. As I approach the end of my service time I am so grateful that A.A. is alive and well in Citrus County - thanks to the willingness to serve by so many of you.

As we come to the August meeting of 2016, I want you all to carefully consider the service resumes of those willing to stand as trusted servant. Also please consider the service positions where no one is standing and see if you would like to grow into that office or position. Elections will be held on September 25 and I encourage everyone to participate in the service

opportunities of District 28. Remember that the basis of AA service is that we are of service to others by following God's directions. He plans and administers and expects us to carry out our responsibilities as expressed in the responsibility statement:

*I am Responsible.
When Anyone, Anywhere
Reaches Out For Help,
I Want The Hand Of A.A.
Always To Be There.
And For That,
I Am Responsible!*

I can certainly testify that a mighty change took place when I turned from being a "loner" to being a "volunteer" - a "trusted servant." When I was newly sober, I wasn't ready for very many responsibilities beyond greeting people, opening the meeting room door, making coffee and doing even that much seemed like a big concession on my part. As I developed in sobriety by working all of the steps, my responsibilities came to be greater. I was asked to go on Twelve Step calls. I was asked to lead meetings. I was asked to speak at meetings. I was asked to be an Intergroup rep and a GSR. Men asked me to sponsor them. My responsibilities kept getting progressively more demanding until I became your DCM. I cannot tell you how much I have come to know through your help that I need to hear the voice of sobriety within me and accept new responsibilities because the more service I give, the more I grow and the easier it is to stay sober. Responsibility and sobriety go hand in hand for this alcoholic. I urge you to try it!

Please feel free to contact me with any District 28 concerns, suggestions, etc. This truly is an organization of the upside down triangle and I am dependent upon your input to be an informed DCM for District 28.

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Old Business:

1. District Business Meeting Relocation Committee. I have the honor of heading that up. If anyone would like to help us or know of any possible locations, please let us know.

2. Pink Can funds. The question raised at the last meeting was whether funds raised in a non-profit organization can be designated for a particular purpose. Steve researched this issue and has found no legal research indicating that there would be a problem with what we are doing; the practice of designating funds is acceptable legally and consistent with an organization of this size and nature. We are not a non-profit corporation. The concern of the IRS was with 'money-laundering,' which is not an issue here. The IRS had found instances of major non-profit corporations accepting large contributions that were supposedly earmarked for a particular purpose, with the money then being laundered and used to take over or otherwise divert the corporation from its original purpose. In our case, not only are we a very small entity, but we are self-supporting through our own contributions; we do not solicit or accept outside contributions and there is no danger of us being taken over by a large contribution that makes a large contribution. An accountant familiar with accounting for non-profit associations has been consulted. It was suggested, for transparency, that a separate line-item be maintained to report the income and expenses associated with the program. Use of the term "designated" as opposed to "earmarked" was recommended. In the future, we will use the term "designated" rather than "earmarked" when referring to Pink Can funds. The program is working very well. Lisa B., from

Won Rebos, confirmed the success of the program at her group. Jen noted that we had received approximately \$121 in the first two months.

New Business:

A. Elections. Steve reminded everyone that election of District 28 officers will be held at the next meeting and read the resumes that had been submitted this far: Paige B. for DCM and P. J. O. for Alt. DCM. Steve advised further that Sandy H. (II) had very recently submitted a resume for the position of Secretary via email, which was read to the group. All resumes would be attached to the minutes. No one had submitted a resume for the Treasurer position and no offers to stand for election to any position were made from the floor. Home groups should be advised that resumes for all positions can be submitted any time including the next meeting.

B. Consider changing the date of the monthly meeting. This task is also part of the Meeting Relocation Committee's work. The meeting date is set by our Structures and Guidelines so we will need to review that. What we would like to do is change the meeting date to the second Sunday of each month. We believe this would avoid conflicts with the major holidays in most years, and it would simplify the Treasurer's job to some extent. Sandy H.(I) volunteered to help Steve on these issues, and Steve welcomed anyone else who would like to assist. There may be an issue with regard to amending the meeting time. Because these changes would involve a conflict with Structure and Guidelines as presently constituted, any proposed change would have to be laid over before a final vote. Paige agreed that the proposed change would be a good idea. However, it was noted that there may sometimes be an Area 14 Assembly on a second Sunday. These matters are referred to the now-renamed Relocation and Time Committee for study.

C. Budget. Jen pointed out that Post Office box fee had increased this year from \$56 to \$60, and we had budgeted \$56. We need to amend. A motion to amend to \$60 was made, seconded and allowed.

D. Budget. Jen pointed out that we had some additional events and we had a workshop coming up. We are in excess of the budgeted \$200, so we need a motion to increase. A motion to increase the Workshop-Special Events budget from \$200 to \$325 was made, seconded and allowed.

Announcements.

The next Journal will be published in September.

Tradition 8 and Concept 8 will be sent out with the July Minutes.

Upon motion and second, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Tradition 8 and Concept 8

Tradition 8: "Alcoholics Anonymous Should Remain Forever Nonprofessional, but Our Service Centers May Employ Special Workers"

There is a saying heard in the rooms, "In order to keep it, you must give it away," with the key word being "give." As Step 12 says, "Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these Steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and to practice these principles in all our affairs." The 8th Tradition ensures that anytime a newcomer reaches out for help, he will receive it, free of charge. Members freely share their own experience, strength, and hope with the newcomer and by doing so, help themselves by reinforcing their own recovery in the process.

Many times, newcomers to the program will go to their first meeting expecting to find trained professionals who are there to help them. What they find instead is a fellowship of equals who are gathered together for mutual support. There are no doctors, therapists or counselors, only other members who have or have had the same problem in their lives. That's not to say, some of those members are not doctors and professionals, but they leave those outside affiliations at the door.

It's how the AA program works. Giving it away in order to keep it.

On the other hand, AA organizations at the national, state and sometimes regional level do have service centers which serve the fellowships as a whole by printing and distributing literature and meeting schedules, maintaining answering services, and other tasks. These central offices and service centers many times involve more work than volunteer service workers can provide, so some do hire full- and part-time employees to do the necessary labor to keep them running smoothly.

Tradition 8, therefore, allows for the "special workers" to be hired and paid a salary to do the work that volunteers cannot cover.

The sacrifice for tradition 8 as described by SE Trustee Chet A. is that we sacrifice the right to be paid for sharing the message we received for free to others. The 8th Tradition is so very simple but greed no matter how you try to rationalize it, is still greed. As it is implied in our 8th Tradition: "freely ye have received, freely give". Twelfth-step work should not be paid for! Both AA members lose, the newcomer is already in an outsider's position because of paying for services, the paid "professional" offering the message of AA is put in a position to compromise all that he is offering because of his profit. He loses what AA has given to him big time.

The questions we must ask ourselves about tradition 8 from the Grapevine are:

1. Is my own behavior accurately described by the Traditions? If not, what needs changing?
2. When I chafe about any particular Tradition, do I realize how it affects others?
3. Do I sometimes try to get *some* reward—even if not money—for my personal AA efforts?
4. Do I try to sound in AA like an expert on alcoholism? On recovery? On medicine? On sociology? On AA itself? On psychology? On spiritual matters? Or, heaven help me, even on *humility*?
5. Do I make an effort to understand what AA employees do? What workers in other alcoholism agencies do? Can I distinguish clearly among them?
6. In my own AA life, have I any experiences which illustrate the wisdom of this Tradition?
7. Have I paid enough attention to the book *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions*? To the pamphlet *AA Tradition—How It Developed*?

Concept8: "The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities."

While this concept talks about the heavy duty obligations and duties of the trustees of AA as a whole, it also reminds each AA that we too must be responsible. We need to examine our willingness to be responsible by asking ourselves some simple questions:

1. Am I willing to volunteer to clean up after A.A. meetings? Am I willing to serve as Secretary, Leader, Speaker, Coffee-maker, Intergroup Service Representative or General Service Representative? Am I willing to take directions? Have I stopped saying "no" in my heart to any

A.A. requests that involve responsibility? Am I responsible about going on any A.A. twelfth step calls when asked, day or night?

2. Am I willing to be responsible in love relationships and at work? Am I spiritually responsible for what I think and for my emotional moods? Am I willing to be responsible for my spiritual condition through working a program or do I still expect others to take care of me because I am unwilling to be responsible for myself?

The basis of this concept is that we are of service to others by following God's directions. He plans and administers our lives and oversees all. He expects us to carry out our responsibilities in his grand design. We are vital and important to God. He needs us! He delegates to us the privilege and responsibility of carrying the message. In this concept, Bill describes the importance of keeping separate the functions of custodial oversight and executive action. We should see this idea as a parallel to our relationship with our Higher Power. God oversees our lives and expects us to take action. We are not to be in charge of life and execute. We are here to execute only.

Although we are not trustees, we have a parallel responsibility. In working this concept, we should make A.A.'s motto our own: "I am responsible when anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help. I want the hand of A.A. always to be there: And for that, I am responsible." Each of us from Trustees to ordinary members has as their responsibility to see that we act in a way that will ensure AA continues for all alcoholics to follow us.