

7th TRADITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

The recovered alcoholics here today are no longer helpless; thanks to the power of this program, but millions still suffer as we did.

If the help so freely given to us, is to be available to every sick alcoholic on the day they ask for help – then this group must sustain certain services beyond its own expenses.

Our service centres, 0800 number, web site, General Service Office and World Services are maintained by your contributions. These contributions maintain the heart of our communications between each other and the alcoholic who still suffers.

Traditionally AA Groups are self-supporting, we do not want other groups making this groups contributions.

We proudly impose an obligation on ourselves to pay our own way. As a responsible member, if you accept this principle, you may at this time share your strength and show your gratitude when the basket comes your way.

We are self-supporting through our own contributions. Those before us put money in the basket, so there were rooms, literature, phone etc to save lives. So why don't we be generous when the collection comes our way, so there will be a place for those yet to come.

Now before we close the meeting, we pass the basket in order to be self-supporting through our own contributions. This enables us to have the necessary funds for the production of literature that finds its way into hospitals, schools and prisons. It also enables some of our literature to be translated into other languages, so that the message may reach other cultures within our community and other countries in our region of the world. That is why it is so vital that we support our intergroup and General Service Office.

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We also have the running expenses of this group, our tea, coffee and rent etc. Then we have our share of the costs of phones, newspaper adverts and meeting lists etc. As you can see your contributions help us reach out to those who as yet have not been fortunate enough to find the solution we have.

In accordance with our seventh tradition, there are no dues or fees for AA membership. We pass the basket as a way to meet expenses, such as rent, coffee and literature. As we are self-supporting, we ask that our non alcoholic guests not contribute.

In keeping with our Seventh Tradition, each group is self-supporting. We have no dues or fees, but we do have expenses, so please give what you can. If you can't give, keep coming back, we need you more than we need your contributions.

Our Seventh Tradition states that we are self-supporting through our own contributions; therefore we pass this basket to pay for our meeting place, our coffee and our literature. (sometimes we add "If you are new it is not necessary to put anything in." and sometimes we even add "if you are old don't take anything out.")

AA's primary purpose is to carry the message to the alcoholic who still suffers. This message is carried by those who are no longer helpless thanks to the power of the AA program of recovery program. If the help so freely given to us is to be available to every alcoholic when they ask for help, this group needs to sustain certain services beyond its own expenses.

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In keeping with our Seventh Tradition, we are self-supporting through our own contributions. We of the Central Group accept the responsibility to pay our own way.

If you are new it is not necessary to put anything in, there are no dues or fees for AA membership. Please keep coming back, we need you more than your contributions.

All of us here got sober on the contributions of those sober before us, we therefore observe the Seventh Tradition, for those out there dying of alcoholism, that will need to get sober on ours.