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This week we reviewed items from:

Advisory Actions Concerning General Service Representatives and Groups (1951 – 2000)

Advisory Actions Concerning Other Important Matters (1953 – 2023)

Workshop references and materials referenced with focus on this week's links:

- General Service Advisory Actions (1951-2024): https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/M-39 Advisory Actions 1951-2024 ONLINE.pdf
- The A.A. Service Manual combined with Twelve Concepts for World Service: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en_bm-31_3.pdf
- General Service Advisory Actions (1951-2024):
 https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/M-39 0824 2.pdf
- The A.A. Service Manual combined with Twelve Concepts for World Service: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en_bm-31_3.pdf

Workshop references and materials referenced:

- 1. Service Manual (App. L Resolution for GS Conference Pg 127 (NEW) Pg 123 (Old) https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/BM-31 2024-2026 AA Service Manual 12-2024.pdf
- 2. The A.A. Group...Where It All Begins https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16 0624.pdf
- 3. General Service Conference Report (2024)
 https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/z 2024 FINAL REPORT anonymity EN 0918.p

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- 4. General Service Conference Report (2023) https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/z 2023 FINAL REPORT anonymity EN.pdf
- 5. Highlights in Box 4-5-9 https://www.aa.org/box-459
- 6. Your Third Legacy (essay in Language of the Heart, Pg 126)

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- 7. What is the Third Legacy? (essay in Language of the Heart, Pg 160)
- 8. To purchase a copy of *Language of the Heart* go to (https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/language-heart-softcover)

AA Tradition and How I Developed (CLUBS IN A.A. ARE THEY WITH US TO STAY?) https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-17 0724.pdf

Workshop references and materials previously referenced:

- 1. A.A. At A Glance: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/F-1 0624.pdf
- 2. A.A. Guidelines Conferences, Conventions and Roundups: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/MG-4 0324.pdf
- 3. A.A.® Guidelines Internet: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/MG-18 0623.pdf
- **4. A.A. Guidelines on Public Information:**https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/mg-7 0424.pdf
- 5. A.A. Legacy of Service: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-44 0924.pdf
- **6. A.A. Newsletters:** https://www.aa.org/newsletters
- **7. A.A.'s public service announcements are on the aa.org website:** https://www.aa.org/audio-public-service-announcement-downloads
- 8. AAWS Highlights: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/AAWS 2024 July Highlights.pdf
- 9. About AA Newsletter: https://www.aa.org/about-aa
- 10. Anonymity Letter to the Press (2/2024): https://www.aa.org/anonymity-letter-to-media
- 11. ANONYMITY ONLINE AND DIGITAL MEDIA:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/smf-197 en.pdf and https://www.aa.org/anonymity-online-and-digital-media

- 12. Anonymity Placard:
 - https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/en_anonymityplacard.pdf
- 13. Anonymity Resources on AA.org: https://www.aa.org/search?search=anonymity
- 14. Anonymity Statement Card: https://www.aa.org/anonymity-statement-card
- **15.** Area Service Sharing Session on Inventory: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1 Rtsn5x6376P86EKuubRObr8oOnp9OPS/view?usp=sharing
- **16. ASL A.A. for the Alcoholic with Special Needs:** https://onlineliterature.aa.org/ASL-AA-Alco-with-Special-Needs-DVD

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17. Behind the Walls Newsletter:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/f-97 spring2024.pdf

18. Box 4-5-9

https://www.aa.org/box-459

- 19. Concept's Checklist https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/assets/smf-91 en.pdf
- 20. CPC Workbook: https://www.aa.org/cooperation-professional-community-cpc-workbook
- 21. F-20 Anonymity Statement Card: https://www.aa.org/anonymity-statement-card
- **22. Fact File**: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/SM%20F-94%20AA%20Fact%20Sheet%20EN%200921.pdf
- **23. General Service Conference Structure** https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-116 GeneralServiceConferenceStructure EN 1121.pdf
- 24. Members Employed in the Feld of Alcoholism

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/MG-10 0924.pdf

25. Newsletter for Professionals:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/newsletters/f-13 winter2023.pdf

- **26.** P-16 The AA Group. . . Where It All Begins: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16 0624.pdf
- 27. P-35 Problems Other Than Alcohol

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/p-35 0624.pdf

28. P-48 Alcoholics Anonymous 2022 Membership Survey:

https://www.aa.org/alcoholics-anonymous-2022-membership-survey

29. PI Workbook:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/M-27i PubInfWorkbk.pdf

- 30. Preamble Background: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/smf-127 en.pdf
- 31. Press Releases

https://www.aa.org/press-media

- 32. Public Information (PI) Service Pieces: https://www.aa.org/pi-service-cards
- **33. Public Service Announcements (PSA) are on the aa.org website:** https://www.aa.org/audio-public-service-announcement-downloads
- 34. Regional Forum Video https://www.aa.org/regional-forum-video
- 35. SMF-176 Services Provided by G.S.O./A.A.W.S.

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/SMF-

176%20ServicesProvidedbyGSO%20EN%201221.pdf

36. Seventh Tradition Fact Sheet:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/F-203 7th Tradition Fact Sheet 2024.pdf

37. Speaking at Non-A.A. meetings: https://www.aa.org/speaking-meetings-outside-aa

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- **38. P-16 The A.A. Group...Where It All Begins:** https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-16 0624.pdf
- 39. Understanding Anonymity:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/P-47 0924.pdf

- 40. Unity and Service/Three Legacies Conference: https://www.3legacyconference.org/
- **41. What's New** button on the GSO website (near the bottom of the home page) https://www.aa.org/news-and-announcements
- **42.** There is also an archived newsletter *Markings* (published between 1981-2016): https://www.aa.org/markings-newsletter

Other Books:

- AA Comes of Age (AACOA) https://onlineliterature.aa.org/A.A.-Comes-of-Age
- Our Great Responsibility This is a compilation of Bill W's General Service Conference talks 1951
 1970 https://onlineliterature.aa.org/Our-Great-Responsibility
- Pass It On may be found at this link https://onlineliterature.aa.org/Pass-It-On

Grapevine Links

- **1. AA Grapevine's Podcast**, a new podcast drops every Monday: https://www.aagrapevine.org/podcast
- 2. AA Grapevine Store Books and Magazines (current and past issues): https://www.aagrapevine.org/store
- 3. Grapevine archive https://www.aagrapevine.org/archive/
- **4. Grapevine article on Podcasts**: https://www.aagrapevine.org/announcing-gv-new-podcast
- **5. Grapevine Workbook for reps.:** https://www.aagrapevine.org/sites/default/files/2023-12/GV Workbook Dec 2023.pdf
- **6. History of AA Grapevine on the podcast thanks for a great meeting:** https://www.youtube.co m/watch?v=9QFcGTDYIT8
- 7. La Vina archive: https://www.aalavina.org/archivo
- 8. Other Grapevine Rep Recourses are available at this link. Lots of good info! https://www.aagrapevine.org/gvr-resources
- **9.** Subscriptions for the Grapevine in the US https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/us-subscriptions
- **10.** The Language of the Heart: Bill W.'s Grapevine Writings (LOTH): January 1966, The Guidance of AA's World Affairs page 334: https://www.aagrapevine.org/store/language-heart-softcover
- **11. Grapevine Carry The Message Project:** https://www.aagrapevine.org/2023-carry-message-project

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Recordings from past Threads of Recovery workshops at RecoveryTapers.org:

- The recordings and reference links referenced from this series are going to be all under this link. They are available for free to listen/download. Enjoy and pass it on! https://www.recoverytapers.org/product-category/alcoholics-anonymous/advisory-actions/
- Michael B. and Penny P. Modem To Modem A History of Online AA audio: https://www.recoverytapers.org/product/michael-b-and-penny-p-mode-to-modem-a-history-of-online-aa/
- Service Manual Workshop 16-week series with Francine and Merri is at this link:
 https://www.recoverytapers.org/product-category/alcoholics-anonymous/service-manual/
- Service Manual www.AA.org Francine W., Palm Desert, CA & Merri M., Des Moines, IA #12
 : https://www.recoverytapers.org/product/service-manual-www-aa-org-francine-w-palm-desert-ca-merri-m-des-moines-ia-12/
- Previous Concept Workshop audios https://www.recoverytapers.org/product-category/alcoholics-anonymous/concecpt-workshops/

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