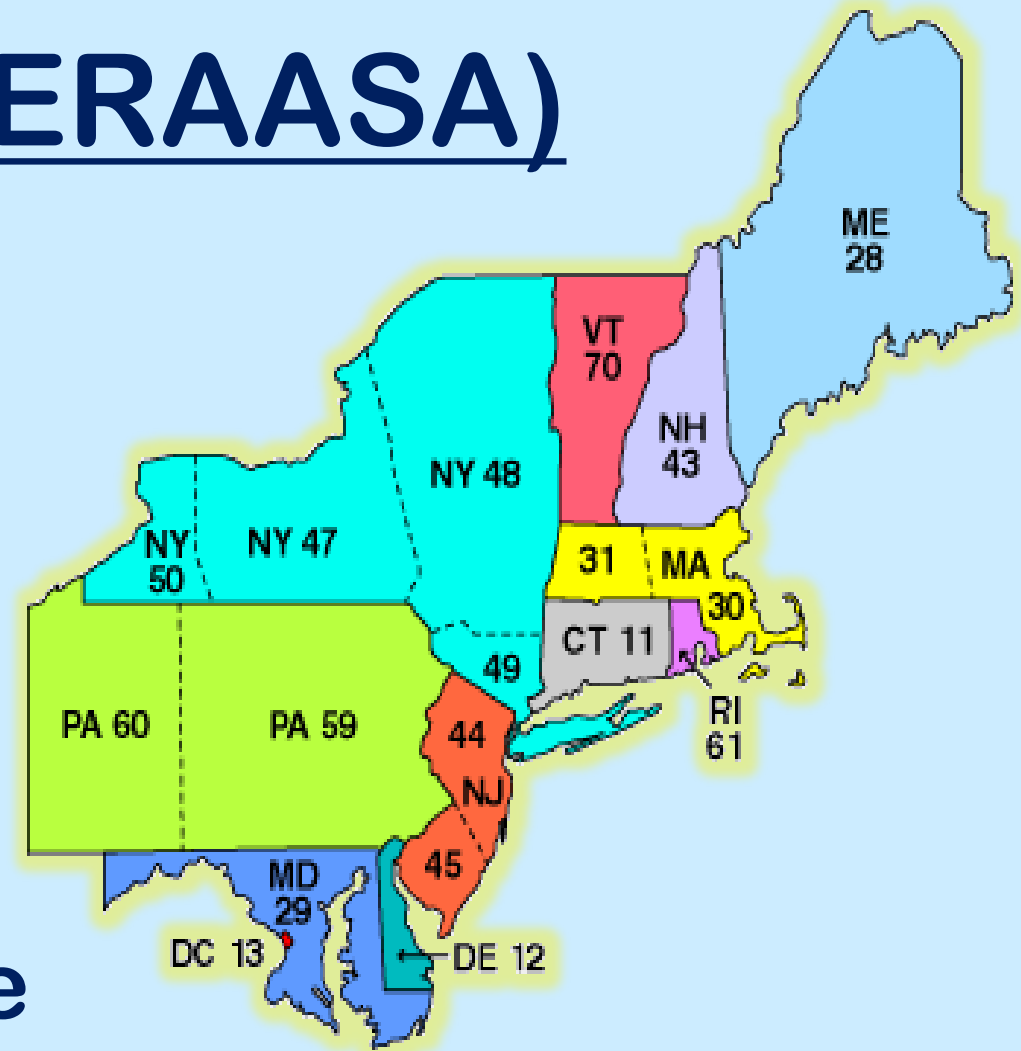
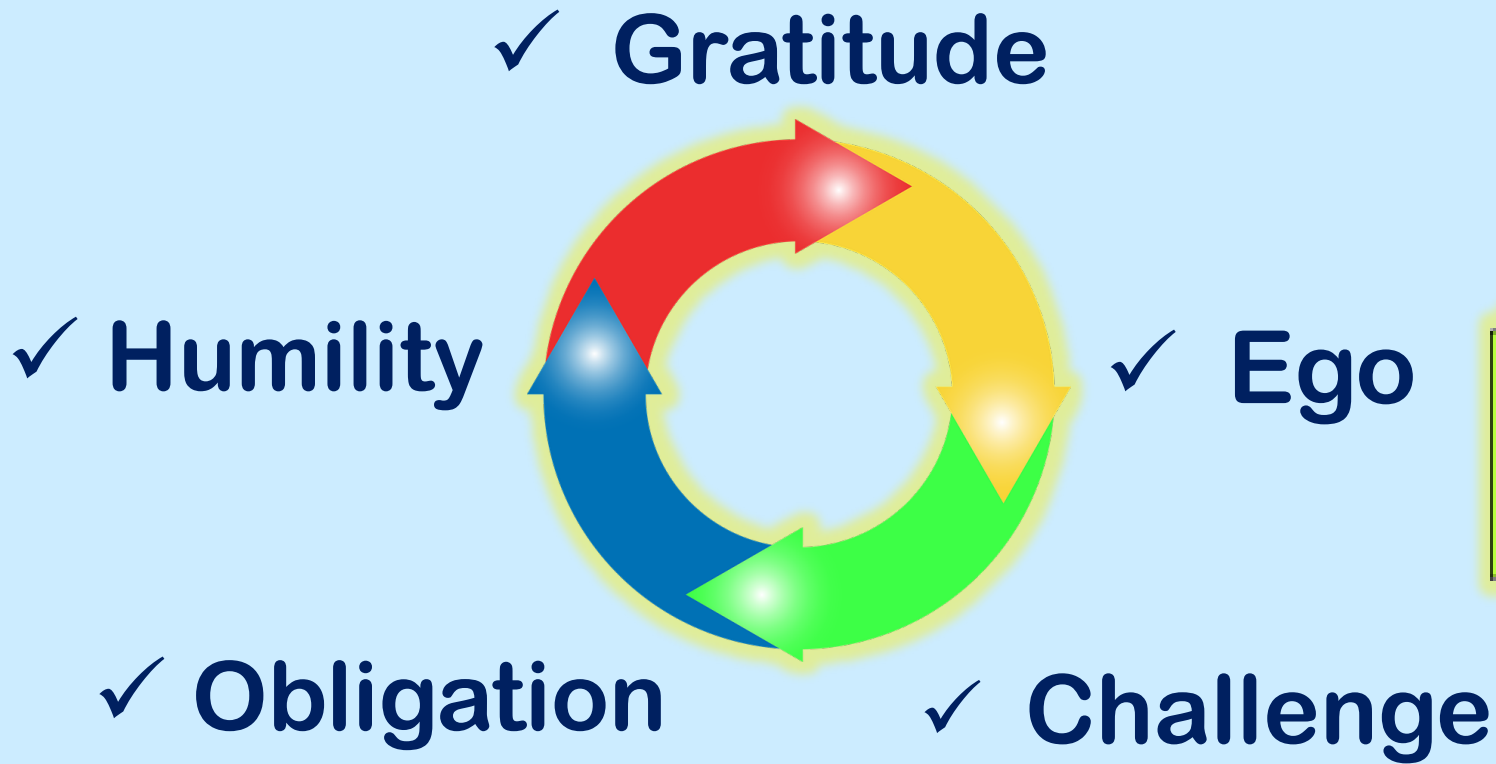
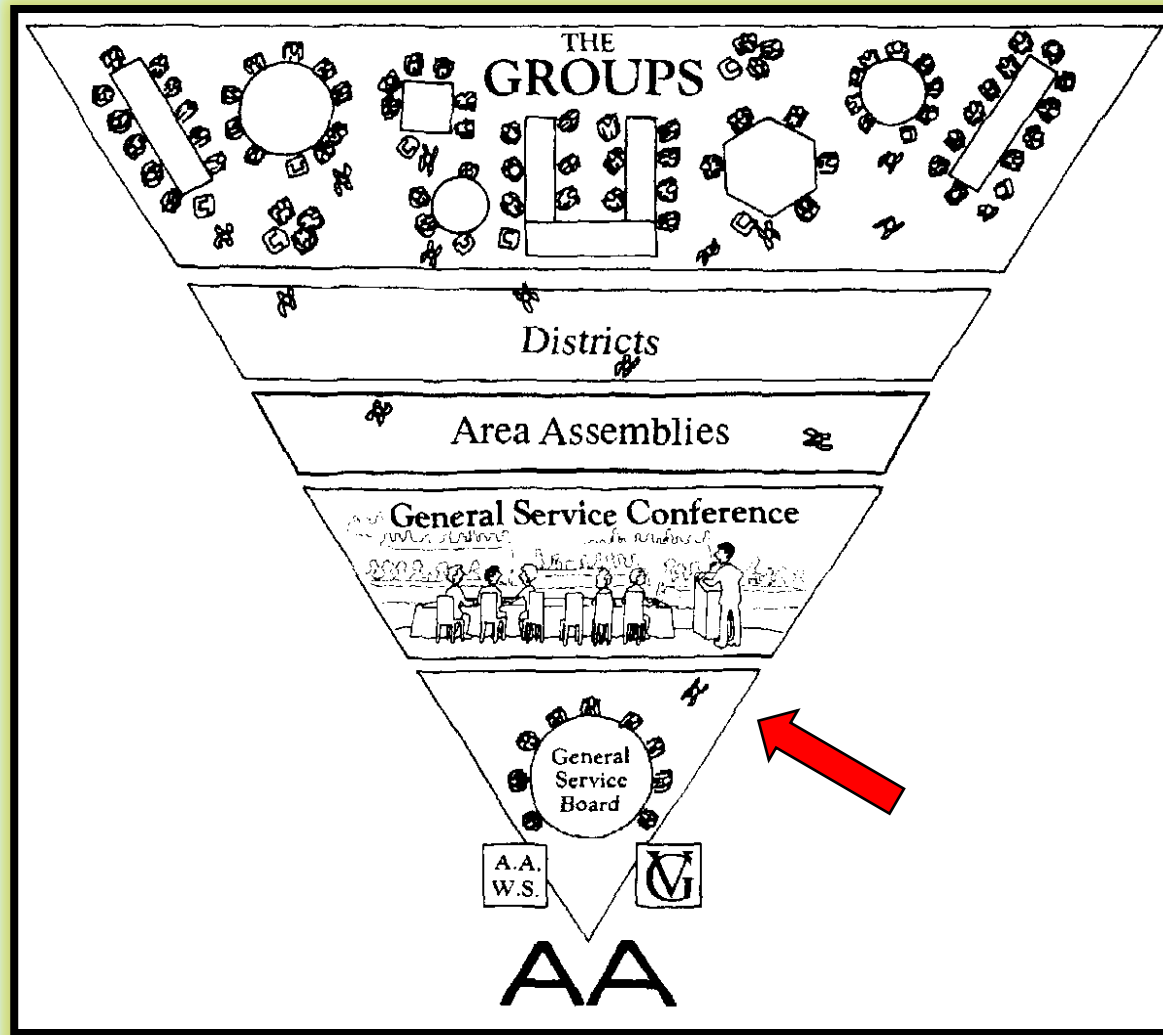


# Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly (NERAASA)



# The Northeast Region



323,041 Members

15,084 Groups

18 Delegates

11 States

# This is What it's Like For Me

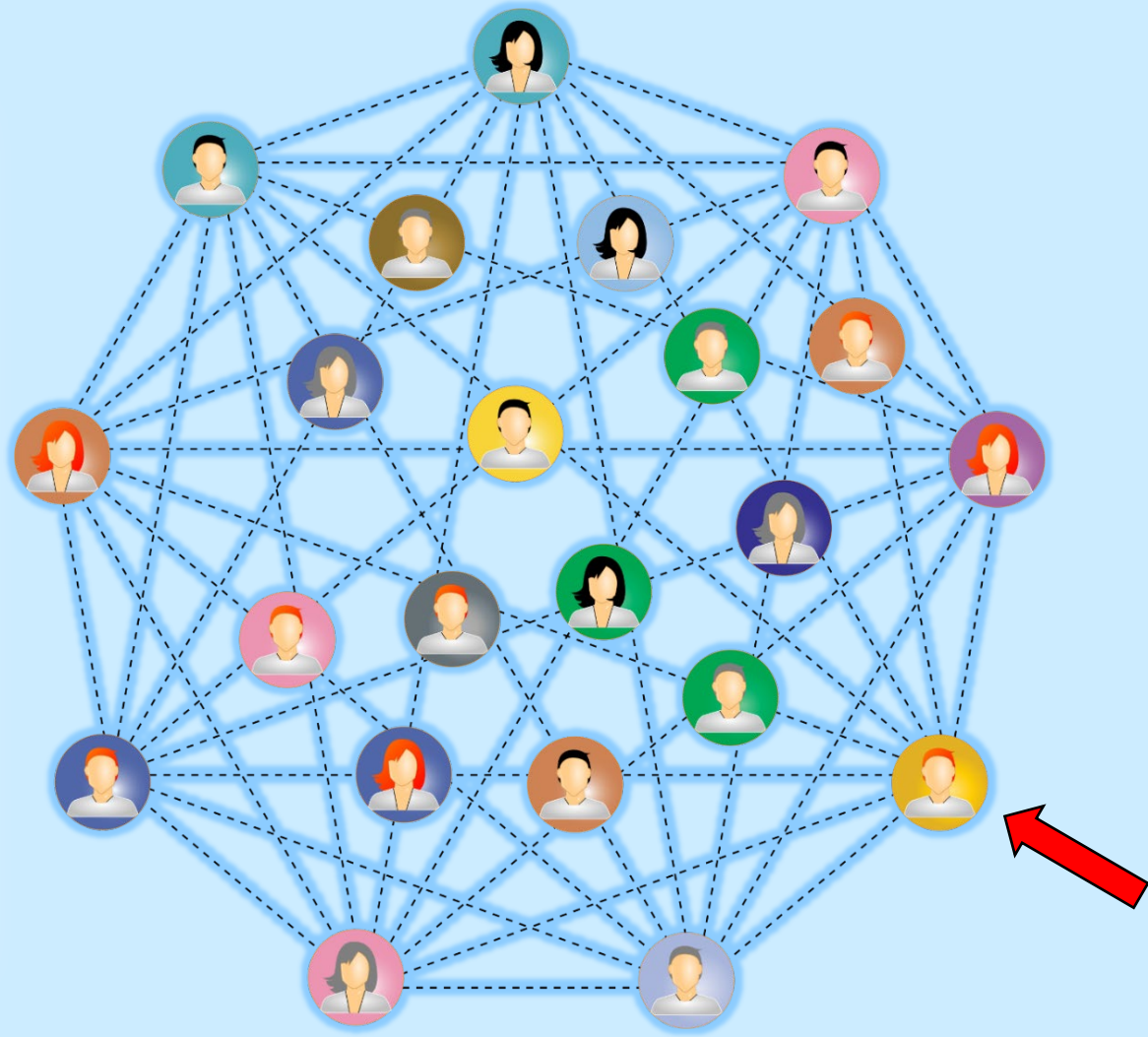
Service Material from the General Service Office

**REGIONAL MAP OF US AND CANADA**  
This map represents a general outline of Regions.



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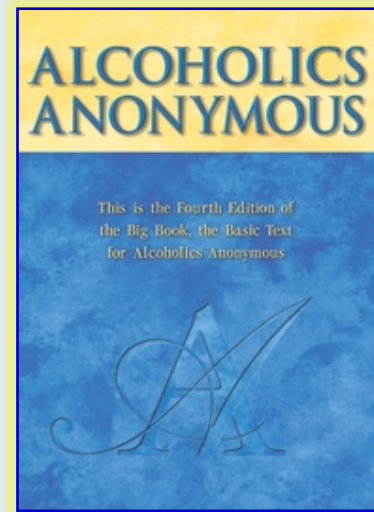
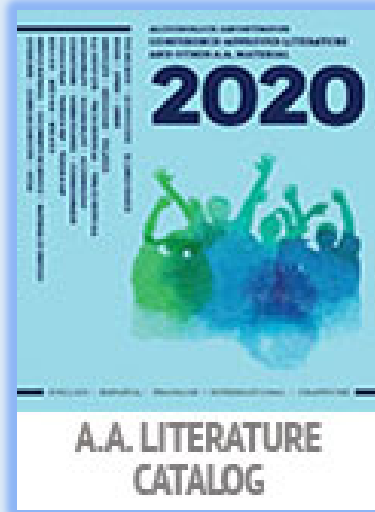


# Meeting Guide APP is Being Expanded to Include Online Meetings

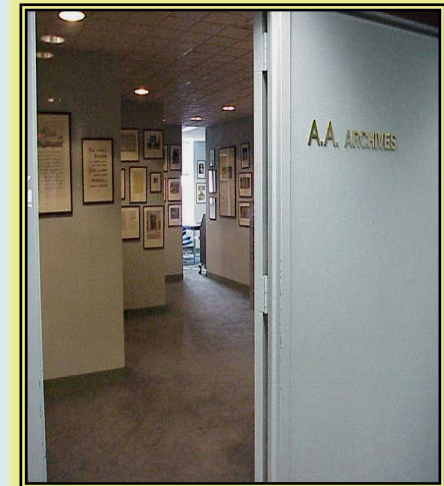
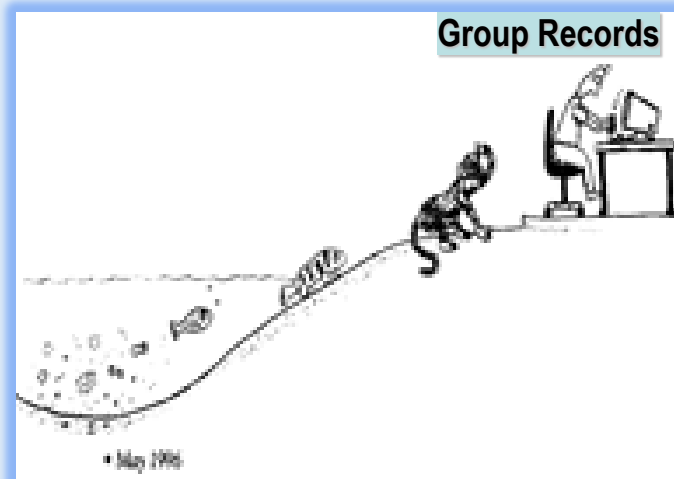
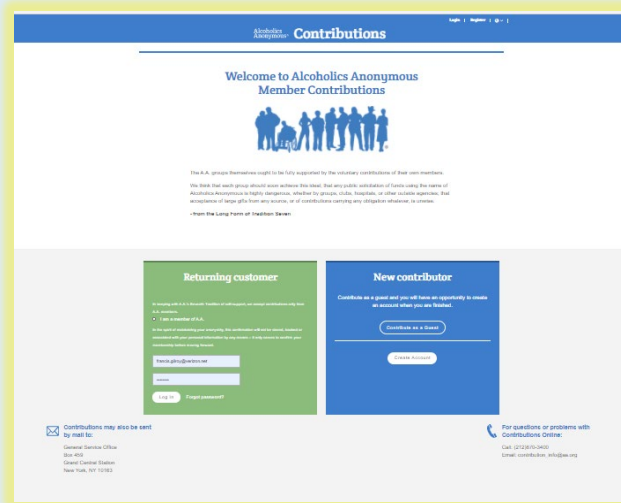


# GSO's Two Basic Functions

## • Publishing:



## • Services:



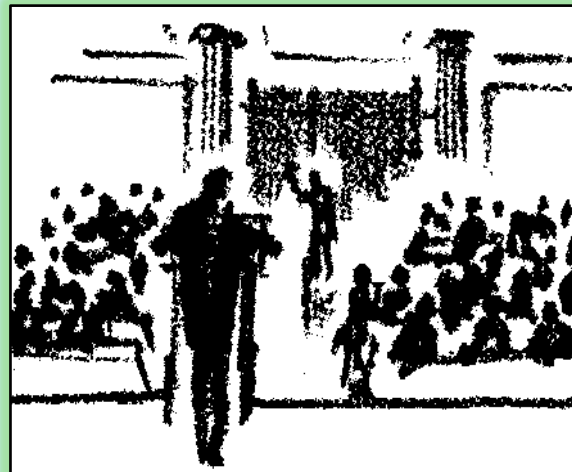


✓ 2020 Two  
US-Canada  
Forums



✓ 2021 Four  
Regional  
Forums  
(Possibly Eight)

✓ 2020 4-Day  
Conference



*The group conscience  
will, in the end, prove  
a far more infallible  
guide for group affairs  
than the decision of  
any individual group  
member. . . .*

✓ 2021 8-Day  
Conference

# 2020 Financial Highlights

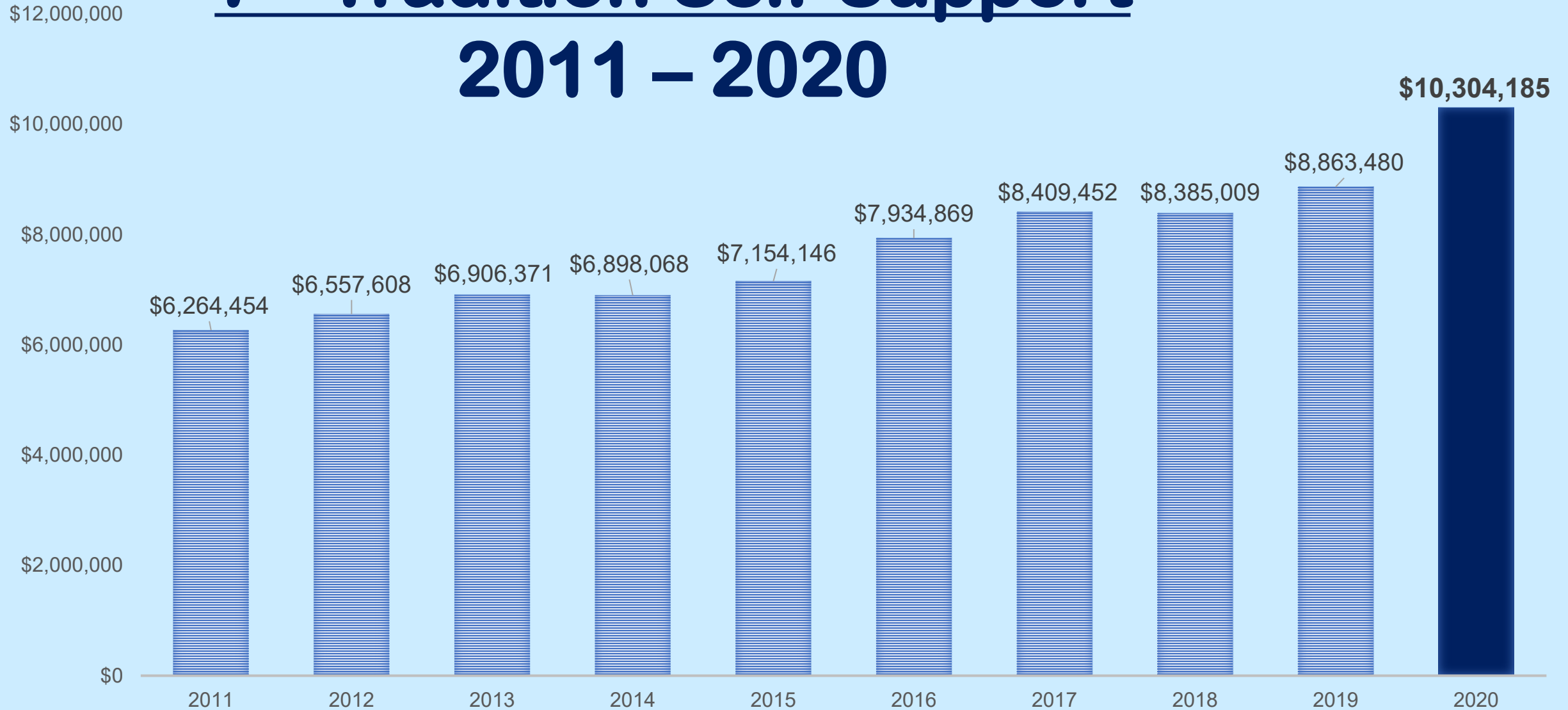


# 2020 Financial Highlights

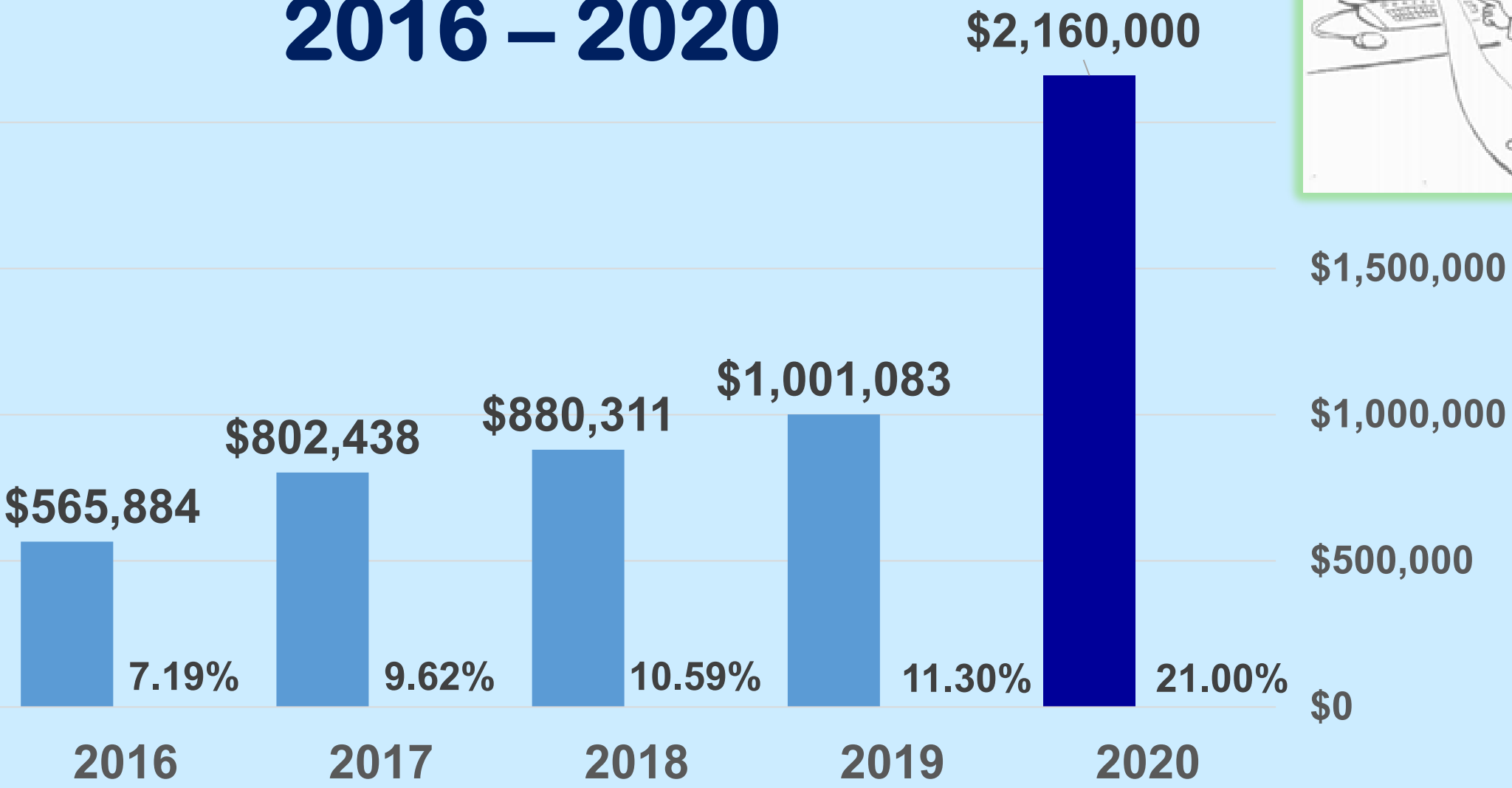
- ❖ 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition of Self-Support: \$10.3 million our highest ever!
- ❖ In 2019, Contributions approximated - \$8.9 million.
- ❖ Cost of Services to the Fellowship: ###.# million (estimated).
- ❖ In 2019, the Cost of Services approximated - \$11.8 million.
- ❖ Reserve Fund of \$12.3 million approximates 7.7 months.
- ❖ In 2019, our Reserve Fund approximated 9.2 months.



# 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition Self-Support 2011 – 2020



# Growth of On-Line Contributions 2016 – 2020



# International Convention (Detroit)

<b>Initial Amount from our Event Insurance:</b>	<b>\$ 971,092</b>
<b>Amount Subsequently Received:</b>	<b><u>\$1,181,042</u></b>
<b>Final Insurance Settlement:</b>	<b><u>\$2,152,134</u></b>
<b>*Amount Allocated to AA Grapevine, Inc.</b>	<b><u>\$ 180,000</u></b>
<b>Cost of our Event Insurance:</b>	<b><u>\$ 57,507</u></b>

\*To cover pre-Convention expenses (translation expenses, project editors, administrative support, etc.).

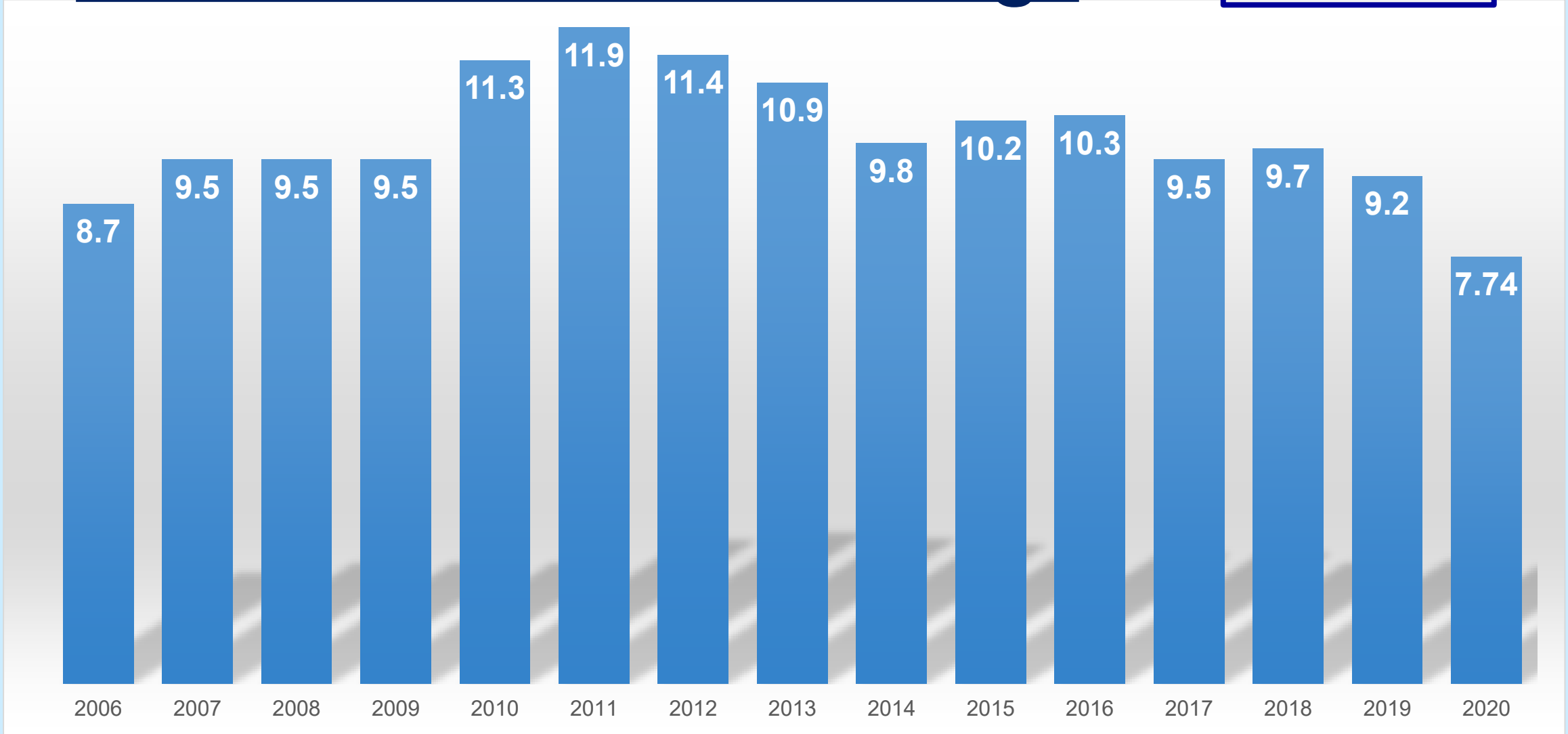
# Reserve Fund

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Reserved Fund – (\$ in Thousands)	\$12,297**	\$15,900	\$15,935	\$14,353	\$14,959
Recurring Operating Expenses (\$ in Thousands)	19,076**	20,700	19,736	18,059	\$17,410
<b>Number of Months</b>	<b><u>7.74</u></b>	9.2	9.7	9.5	10.3
<b>Groups</b>	<b>74,949*</b>	<b>68,478</b>	<b>68,478</b>	<b>66,860</b>	<b>66,336</b>
Reserve Fund per Group	\$164.07	\$232.00	\$232.71	\$214.67	\$225.50
Number of Members	1,525,043*	1,418,177	1,418,177	1,381,954	1,362,402
Reserve Fund per Member	<u>\$8.06</u>	\$11.21	\$11.24	\$10.39	\$10.98

By Conference action, the “Prudent Operating Reserve” was defined as an amount equal to the preceding year’s combined operating expenses of AA World Services, AA Grapevine and the General Fund of the General Service Board. As such, operating expenses include “office and operating expenses” but not the Cost of Products.

# Reserve Fund Ratio Number of Months Coverage

15-year  
Average =  
**10.04** Months



# 2020 Update COVID-19 Impact

## Carrying our Life-saving Message Continues

- ✓ **As a result of implementing ERP, the work continues – remotely.**
- ✓ **Our GSO Staff ensures that our vital services are readily available throughout the Fellowship.**
- ✓ **Virtual General Service Board and other Committee meetings are conducted remotely.**



# The Corona-Coaster



# Since Joining the Board ...

Virtual  
Forums

Web  
Design

You win a few, you lose a few.  
Some get rained out.  
But you got to dress  
for all of them.

*Satchel Paige*

Virtual  
GSC  
“Reboot”

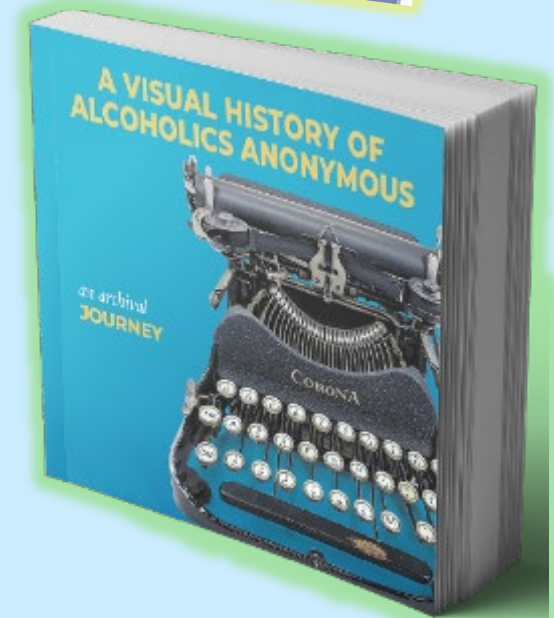
Meeting  
APP

Tremendous “Fellowship Rally”



# Other Good News Stories

- ✓ Languages: To date, AAWS copyrighted literature is translated into 110 languages.
- ✓ The “Big Book” is available in no less than 73 languages, including the original English, most recently: Russia (Tatar) and India (Oriya).
- ✓ This year, the International Convention’s souvenir book was released on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ✓ See also <https://onlineliterature.aa.org> .

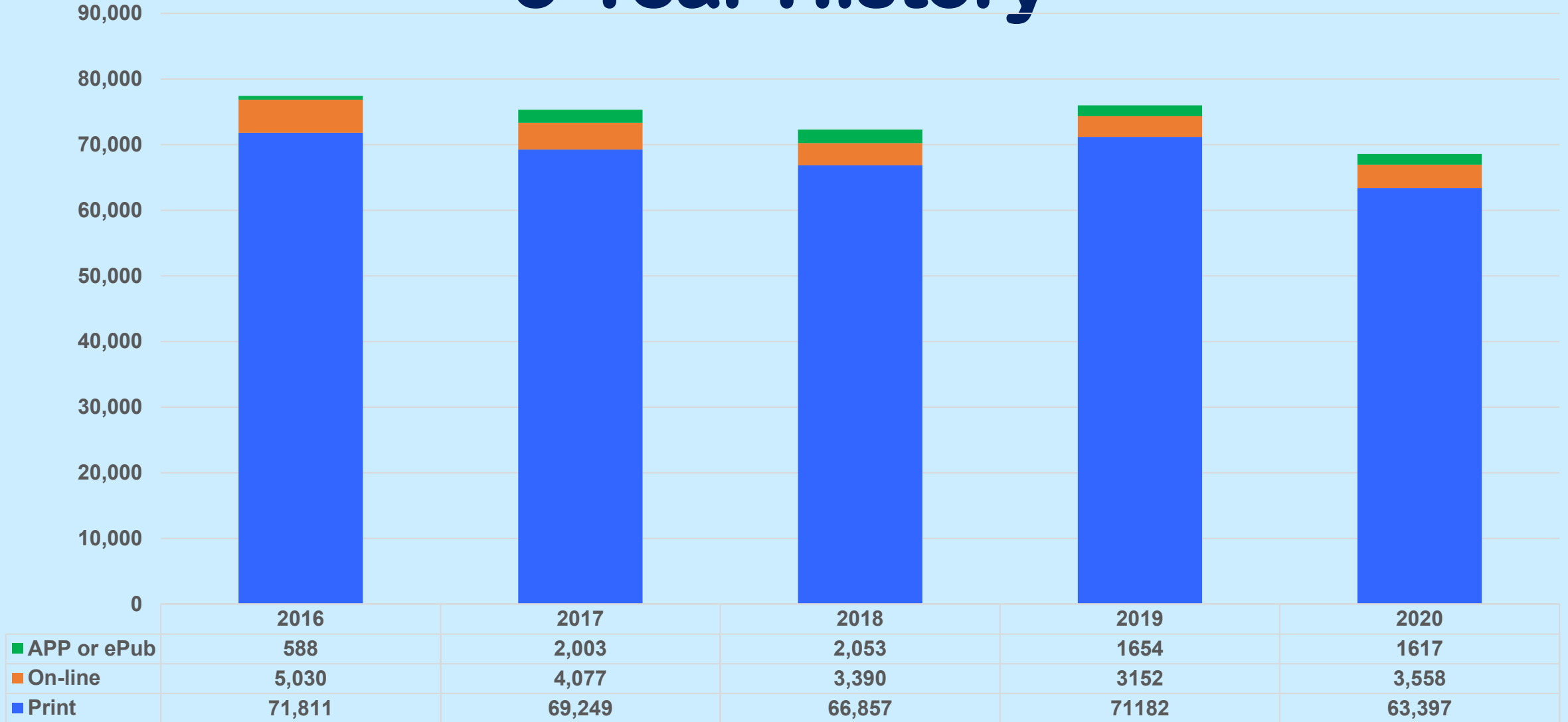


# 2020 Grapevine Highlights

- ✓ Chris C., a former AAWS Publishing Director and collaborator on several Grapevine projects, is currently the Acting Publisher for our AA Grapevine and La Viña (AAGV/LV).
- ✓ AAGV/LV have signed several “tablet” vendor contracts. At present, we are working with Correction and Hospital & Institutions Committees to upload our literature on those tablets.
- ✓ AAGV/LV have been seeing our book sales increase at a steady pace. However, at present, we’re nowhere near our 2019 levels.

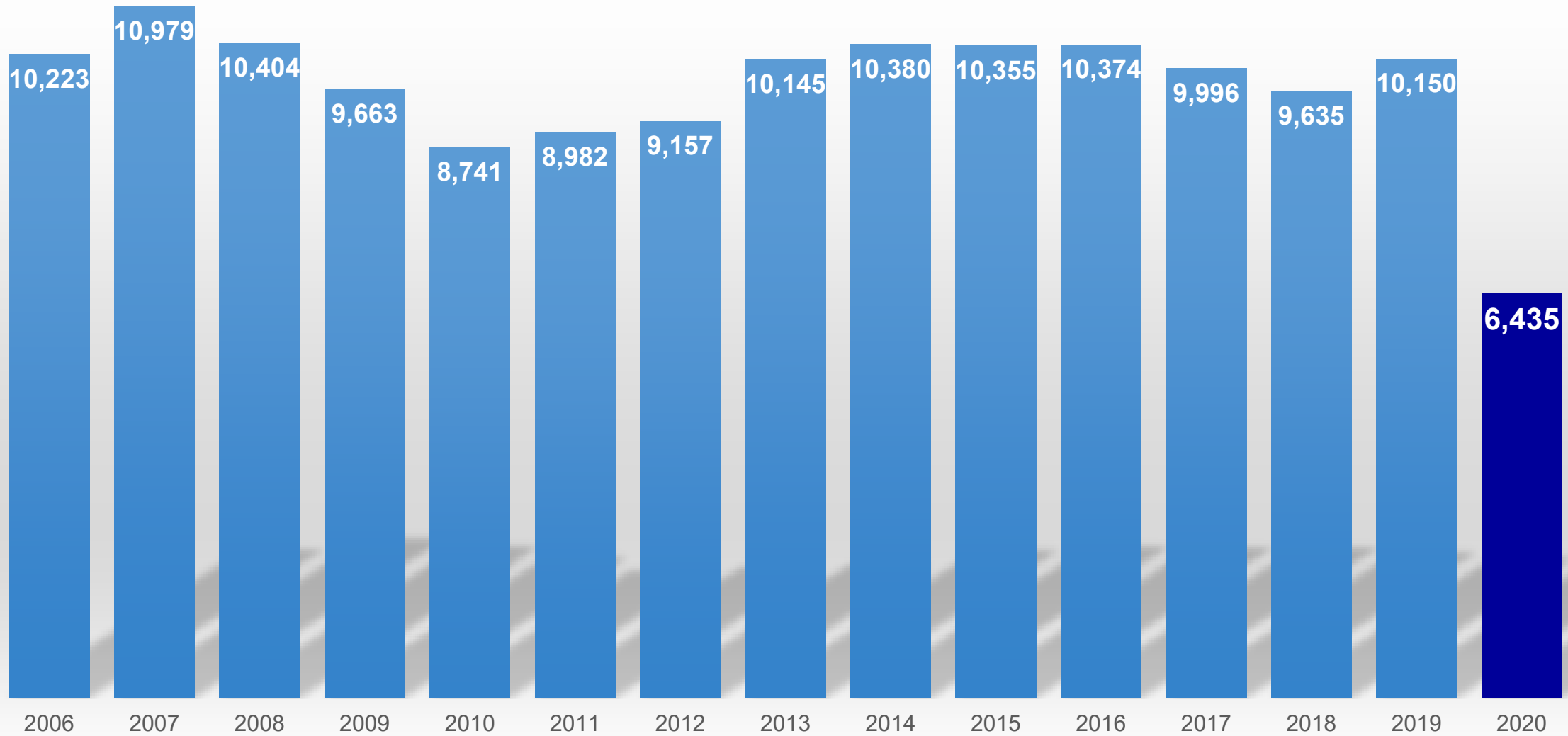


# Grapevine Average Circulation: 5-Year History



# La Viña Circulation: 2005-2020

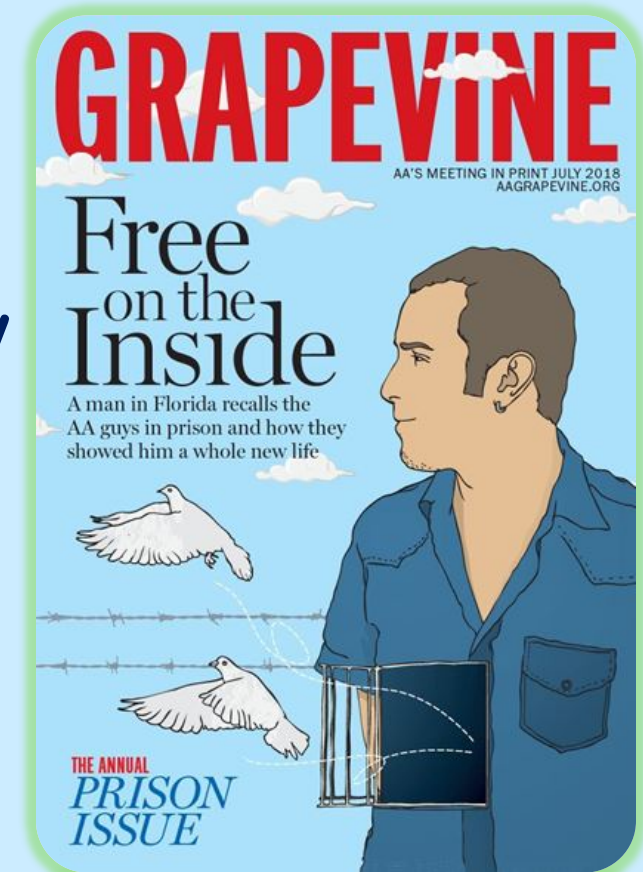
15-year Average  
= **9,708** Issues



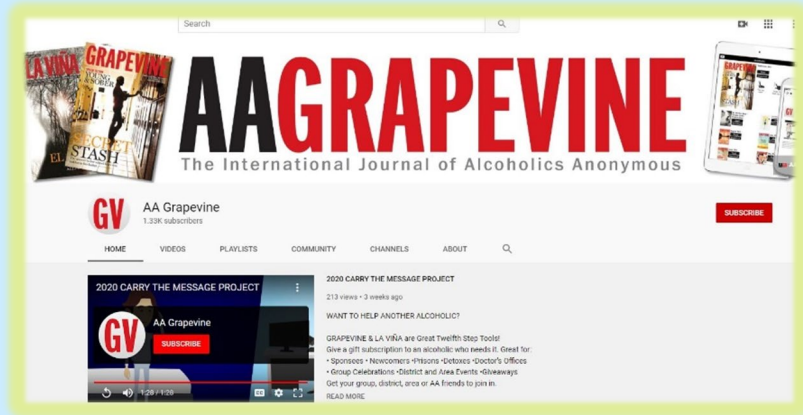
# 2020 Grapevine Highlights

- ✓ AAGV/LV YouTube is seeing new subscribers each month. We have resumed collecting audio stories for YouTube or possibly even podcasts.
- ✓ AAGV/LV “*Carry the Message*” Project (a monthly Twelve Step call to those seeking our help) sold almost 5,000 subscriptions throughout 2020.
- ✓ Two New Books: “*Free on the Inside*” and “*Voices of Women*” in Spanish will, ideally, be ready for our 71st General Service Conference.

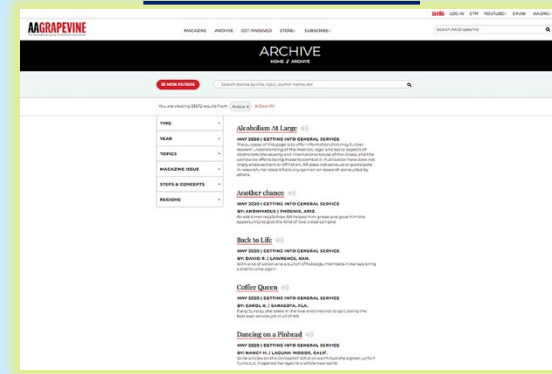
Submit articles to: [www.aagrapevine.org/contribute](http://www.aagrapevine.org/contribute)



# AA Grapevine on YouTube



# Digital Archive



# eBooks, Audiobooks



# Grapevine Daily and La Viña Weekly Quote(s)

# We Also Have ePubs



## **GRAPEVINE** Daily Quote

April 20, 2020

"When I begin to worry about things I can do nothing about, I tell myself to accept what you can't change. Often I've used the ideas in the Serenity Prayer as a trigger for relinquishing my need to control and as a reminder to take action when some discontentment can be remedied."

El Granada, California, March 1989, "A Program of Action," The Best of the Grapevine, Volume 3

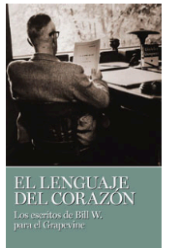


## CITA SEMANAL CON **LA VIÑA**

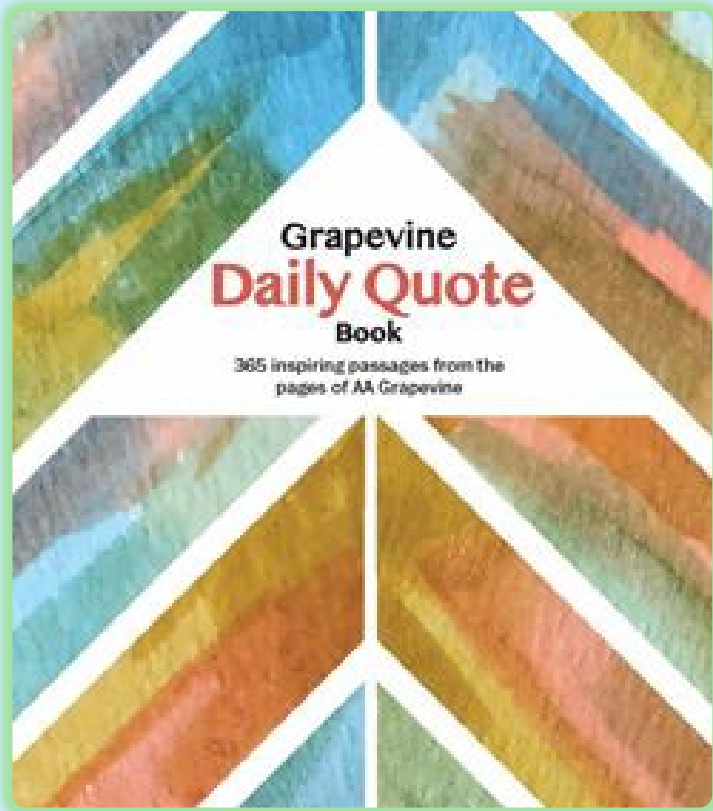
20 de abril

"Las formas en que nuestros alcohólicos 'dignos' a veces han tratado de juzgar a los 'menos respetables' son, en retrospectiva, algo absurdas. Imagínate, si puedes, un alcohólico que juzgue a otro".

Bill W., cofundador de A.A., agosto 1946  
"¿Quién es miembro de Alcohólicos Anónimos?"  
El Lenguaje del Corazón



# What Can I Do Right Now – with no Further Obligation?



Sign up to receive Grapevine Daily Quote!

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# Intergroups and Central Offices

## **A.A.® Guidelines**

**Central or  
Intergroup Offices**

from G.S.O., Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

The A.A. Guidelines below are compiled from the shared service experience of A.A. members throughout the U.S. and Canada. They also reflect guidance given through the Twelve Traditions and the General Service Conference. In keeping with our Tradition of autonomy except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole, most decisions are made by the group conscience of the members involved. The purpose of these Guidelines is to assist in reaching an *informed* group conscience.

Intergroup  
Representative





# Trustees' Fiduciary Duties

## ✓ Duty of Care:

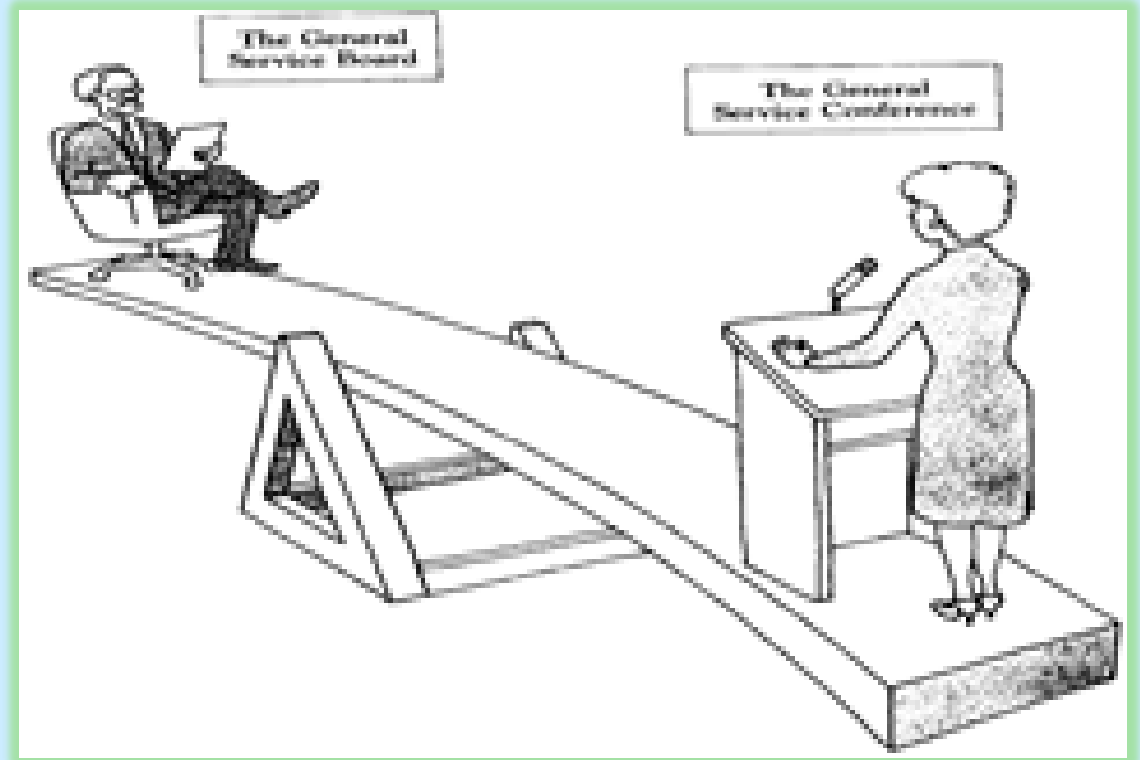
- Attend meetings,
- Come prepared, and
- Follow-up on action items.

## ✓ Duty of Loyalty:

- Undivided allegiance, and
- In the best interests of AA.

## ✓ Duty of Obedience:

- Faithfulness to the organization's mission.



# How It Works - Trustees' Committees

- ✓ Archives
- ✓ Audit
- ✓ Compensation
- **Conference**
- ✓ Corrections
- ✓ CPC / Treatment / Access & Remote
- ✓ Finance & Budget
  - ✓ “ad hoc” Finance Advisory Team
- **General Sharing Session**
- ✓ International
- ✓ International Convention and Regional Forums
- **Literature**
- **Nominating**
- **Public Information**

# Remember the Connection ...

