



Safety in AA: An Important Consideration--Who's Responsible?

From the SENY Delegate - Panel 65

The issue of safety in A.A. has been around our Fellowship from the very beginning. Early on, we dealt mainly with the disruptive drunk who showed up at our doors and how to make him/her feel welcome while also making our other members feel comfortable and safe. At times we would be able to take them aside in a corner and try to calm them down; other times they needed to be escorted out of the meeting. In each instance, however, it was group members' responsibility to carry this out in accordance with our First Tradition: "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity."

In an article entitled "Disruptive Members at A.A. Meetings" from Box 4-5-9, Fall 2010, a disruptive and/or threatening member is defined as "one whose actions intimidate or frighten newcomers so that they cannot hear the A.A. message". Such a definition really applies to everyone seeking to hear the A.A. message, not just the newcomer. For me, "disruptive and or threatening" implies a broad spectrum in terms of behavior: from being drunk, to abusive language, to highly provocative dress, to criminal behavior--to name a few. In each instance, group members have a responsibility to address such disruptive behavior.

In another article in Box 4-5-9, Fall 2010, entitled "A.A. and the Law" the following passage is referenced: "While we share in a spirit of trust, both at meetings and individually with sponsors and friends, A.A. members are subject to the same laws as every other person. Our communications are not privileged in the legal sense nor do we have any special protection status under local, state, or federal statutes. A.A. membership does not grant immunity from local laws and being at an A.A. meeting does not put anyone beyond the jurisdiction of law enforcement officers....Carrying our message and abiding by our Traditions is, essentially, an internal affair--we can't expect others to be guided by them in the same way that we are. Yet, A.A. is not a world unto itself."

"As those familiar with carrying the message into treatment or correctional facilities can attest, A.A. members doing such service are held to the standards those institutions expect; similarly, A.A. meetings and groups pay rent and must adhere to the conditions established by their landlords..." There are other safety issues we need to touch upon that are no less equally important, namely consideration for those with disabilities, the non-English speaking alcoholic who comes to your meeting, the handling of a group, district or area's money and our 11th and 12th Traditions concerning anonymity."

Briefly, in terms of the first two, does your area or county meeting book reflect meeting places that are handicapped accessible and/or contain handicapped-friendly facilities? Are you also able to direct/point out to non-English speaking members whether or not there are meetings nearby available to them in their language or do you have a group member who can speak to them in their language as a means of making them feel more comfortable/welcome? How comfortable are we with those responsible for handling your finances?

Lastly, on the subject of anonymity, many of us have experienced anonymity breaks more frequently today with the advent of new social media technologies than ever before. The A.A. service piece SM F-197, entitled "Anonymity Online" addresses many of these concerns. You can write the General Service Office and request a copy of this piece or download it online at www.aa.org.

Peace and serenity,

Jim W.

Your voice in *The Link*

Are you willing to share your experience, strength and hope about your service in A.A. at the group, district, county or area level? **The Link** is published ten times per year and welcomes articles from all AA's in our area. Please limit your article to 275 words, and email it to link@aaseny.org or mail it c/o The Link Editor, P.O. Box 571, NY, NY 10116. Thanks!

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"Supporting Our Future"

Theme of AA's 2017 General Service Conference

Apathy and the Power of the Purse

From the DCM, District 608

Apathy is defined as lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern.

The power of the purse is the ability of one group to manipulate and control the actions of another group by withholding funding, or putting stipulations on the use of funds. The power of the purse can be used positively (e.g. awarding extra funding to programs that reach certain benchmarks) or negatively (e.g. removing funding for a department or program). The power of the purse is most often utilized by forces within a government that do not have direct executive power, but have control over budgets and taxation. This term appears in Concept VII which reads:

"The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: that the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness."

This Concept attempts to clarify the relationship and balance of powers between the General Service Conference and the General Service Board. On the one hand, the Board is invested with complete legal power over A.A.'s funds and services, while on the other hand the Conference has such great influence and financial power that it could overcome the legal rights of the Board.

The power of the purse here comes from the ability of the delegates to cut off the financial support provided by the groups. *"Theoretically, the Conference is an advisory body only, but practically speaking, it has all of the ultimate rights and power that it may ever need."*

When I first read this topic, my first thought was: This all boils down to communication. But let me backtrack a bit. Apathy is basically not caring about something. But what brings about apathy? In my view apathy as related to AA services and finances can arise for many reasons:

- Some may think that their \$1 (or \$2) is too small to make a difference.
- Some may think, given the ubiquity of AA's presence in the media, notably TV and movies, that AA must be doing really well indeed. Maybe they even think we get royalties...
- Some may use apathy as a passive-aggressive show of displeasure with direction or leadership: "I'm not putting money in the basket, they don't do anything for us."
- Many may just not know what AA needs money for beyond their group level.

To me, whatever the origin this apathy stems from insufficient communication, from a poor knowledge or understanding of what AA services are and do, and most importantly, for whom. This apathy is then translated

So what could bring about a change here? To me it is all about communication. AA's should have a better understanding of what AA Services are, what they do, who they help and how. Knowledge is empowerment. AA's are a grateful lot and I do believe that given a reason to care, we wholeheartedly will.

To that effect, GSO recently circulated a newsletter entitled: *Your Seventh Tradition Contributions: Carrying Our Message Beyond The Group Level*. In it GSO lists several of its very important services such as: website maintenance, corrections correspondence, translations, publishing, and more. These services reach out to those who are not able to access our message as well as to professionals who come into contact with the still suffering alcoholic.

That newsletter is a great tool and first step. Efforts like this should be lauded and shared with corresponding enthusiasm by areas, districts and GSRs. Ultimately AA service contributions are made by members, and if our members don't know why they should care, they are hardly to blame for their apathy towards AA services. It is up to us to get that information across to the groups. We as a Fellowship need to look at what we're doing to try to engage our membership. Specific ways in which to achieve that are beyond the scope of this article but I hope that the need for better communication between our service organizations and our groups is clear.

In this day and age it is hard to imagine that delegates would have the power to withhold funds to the General Service Board. It would require an almost instantaneous channel of communication between the delegates, i.e. the Conference, and all the groups. And if delegates were to try to use the Power of the Purse negatively, the effect would be felt only years later, and would persist for years. But as Concept VII also states: "The Board does have the legal authority to veto a Conference Recommendation — but in actual practice, it never has done so." As Bill tactfully puts it, the trustees "simply refrain from using their legal right to say 'no' when it would be much wiser, all things considered, to say 'yes'."

Therefore in this time of apparent apathy the Power of the Purse, this power the delegates are supposed have, should be used in a positive way to foster the Conference's goals. A campaign of information, of caring and of responsibility that we start today may not bear fruits immediately but it may come to sustain us for generations to come.

Whatever we decide to do, whether we decide to create new committees or panels for discussion, pamphlets, workshops, group events, or whatever other actions may come from our awareness of this need; what we in general service can do right now is to communicate: more, better and constantly. Educating our groups and members and helping them be as passionate about the fellows they don't see as they are about those they do.

Gil K. (incoming Treasurer for MGSM, 2017-2018)

We Need You!

From the DCMC, Nassau County

When I first encountered AA, I was wracked with fear, humiliation and shame; and, I later realized (once I understood this baffling term), I was "incomprehensibly demoralized." After a short period of time, I started to believe that there was indeed a solution for my drinking. This belief was confirmed as member after member talked about how their life was and what it is like today. Although I wasn't sure HOW they got it, I wanted what they had, and stayed long enough to find out how they got it. This experience is possible for any alcoholic willing to stay and do the work. The work, as I have come to know it: join a home group, get a sponsor, go through the Steps, have a host of friends through Fellowship, and get involved in service. Most of this work is performed in our home group. All of us who have taken the opportunity to do service outside of our home group realize we have been given a great and special gift.

There are a couple of questions I need to be vigilant about responding to every day: Does service to members give me a sense of real purpose in life? Do I owe AA a debt of gratitude, a debt that I can never repay? The quote for May 19 in *Daily Reflections*, taken from *As Bill Sees It* states: "And he well knows that his own life has been made richer, as an extra dividend of giving to another without any demand for a return." The last sentence in the same reflection (written by another member) states, "When my life is full of a loving God of my understanding and I give that love to my fellow alcoholic, I feel a special richness that is hard to explain."

The following paragraph is found in the *The A.A. Service Manual*. "Good communication is of vital importance. In Twelfth Step work, there is no end to communication. The sponsor talks with the drunk; speakers share their experience; we share with each other. But when it comes to general service work, communication has a tendency to break down. It can take hard work to get the attention of alcoholics, but with creative approach, they can be encouraged to take time out from the nuts and bolts of recovery to think about another phase of their new lives. Once A.A. members are well informed about service, they often want to become involved and to take on their own service responsibilities."

We have committees doing service 'in the field' bringing the message to those who need it. All of our members are volunteers, unpaid for their service work, and giving without strings attached. Back in the day of the Selective Service when the military draft was in effect, a picture of Uncle Sam circulated with the message: 'Uncle Sam Needs (or Wants) You.' This also applies to us in general service. We need your help. Please talk to member(s) about getting involved in service. And remember, 'No one can do everything, but everyone can do something.'

Steve K.

Of Beverages and Baskets

From the GSR, Chinatown Group

A few years ago, I served as Treasurer for a large group. I passed the basket during the secretary's break, moving from row to row, church style. I soon noticed a pattern. Those who had brought in coffee drinks from Starbucks rarely put money in the basket. Moreover, these same AAs had ignored the meeting's prohibition on bringing beverages into the meeting. Signs to this effect were plastered on the walls. The secretary made a reminder announcement at the beginning of our meeting and again at the break. Many AAs did not seem to think this applied to them. Apparently, contributing to the 7th Tradition basket didn't either.

I don't think I'm going out on a limb on this: we're a defiant bunch. Bill W. writes exactly that in the 12&12: "...defiance is the outstanding characteristic of many an alcoholic."

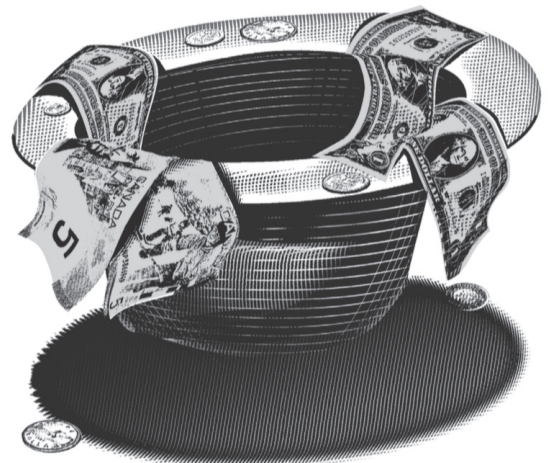
I asked my sponsor about all this. He felt many AAs didn't understand where the money went. And that can "justify" being stingy.

I've considered this in my recent GSR commitment. I've tried to better understand myself where our contributions go. I've tried to communicate this to my group in my weekly announcements. My strategy has been to cut through any defiance with information. That may not work to get someone sober, but I think it can help to get a few more dollars in the basket.

By the way, the meeting with the beverage problem eventually had to create the position of "beverage monitor," charged with stopping AAs from bringing in beverages. That's another way to overcome defiance, although not when it comes to the 7th Tradition.

P.S. My current home group, Chinatown, allows beverages (as well as dumplings from the little shop next door). Just clean up after yourself please.

Michael M.



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The 2017 General Service Conference Theme: "Supporting Our Future"

The topics for presentations, discussions, and workshops relating to this theme are:

"Growth"

- Diversity – Outreach and Attraction
- Safety – An Important Consideration
- Communication – Today and Tomorrow

"Participation"

- Fellowship vs Membership
- Leadership: I Am Responsible
- Is Your Voice Heard?

"Contributions"

- Spirituality and Money
- Fully Self-Supporting Our Obligations
- Apathy and the Power of the Purse

In the spirit of unity, Area 49 groups and their members are encouraged to discuss and reflect upon these topics and the future of support for all levels of service in AA.

NERAASA 2017 is a great opportunity to discuss these topics with other trusted servants: GSRs, DCMs, area committee members, and Intergroup/Central Office representatives from throughout the northeast region:

NERAASA 2017

26th Annual

NORTHEAST REGIONAL A.A. SERVICE ASSEMBLY

February 24-26, 2017 – Framingham, MA

All A.A. members are welcome!

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA) is for the GSRs, DCMs, Area Committee Members and Intergroup/Central Office Representatives of the Northeast Region to discuss General Service Conference related issues and concerns affecting A.A. as a whole, as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity and service common to the Areas of the Northeast Region.

2017 General Service Conference Theme:
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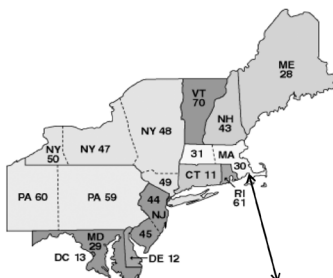
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Online registration opens September 15, 2016
at <http://www.neraasa2017.org>

Kickoff "Redball" Meeting Thursday
February 23 at 8:00 pm

Onsite registration begins at
12:00 noon, Friday, February 24, 2017

Panel 1 begins on Friday at 3:00 pm



Hosted by Area 30
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Any questions, contact:
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Pre-registration deadline:
January 27, 2017

Countdown to Fun and Fellowship: Exciting Program Planned for 2017 Convention

Have you ever noticed how old timers tend to keep it simple?

For the 2017 SENY Convention, March 24-26, they suggest, for example, that there be a balanced program of workshops and meetings covering the 36 Principles (Steps, Traditions and World Concepts). They also advise: be sure to include topics of current relevance to members and always keep in mind the good of AA; don't forget the three-legged stool of service, unity and recovery; make sure the convention theme (Supporting Our Future) is reflected in the program; and, last but not least, do our best to ensure that a fun time and lots of fellowship is available for all."

With that mix of guidelines, the Program Committee for the 2017 Convention has developed an exciting roster for our new venue, the Renaissance Westchester Hotel, including:

A Setting for Enhanced Fellowship

In a spacious mansion connected to the hotel, we will host the Hospitality Suite with three separate fellowship areas, Archives Exhibit, A.A. Media Center and Friday Evening Entertainment.

Mindful Meeting Topics

The Herd Concept – Unity as a Lifeline • A Grapevine Writing Workshop • Archives Trivia • Special Needs – Is your group welcoming to the newcomer? • Life Balance – What Shape is Your Triangle? • Old Timers Meeting • LGBT awareness sessions • Corrections: getting the message "on the inside" • Young People – Supporting Our Future • Hispanic Districts • Al-Anon meetings daily.

As Program Chair, it has been an honor and wonderful learning experience to work with Program Committee members who offer perspectives from the counties across Area 49. Together, we have studied the experience of previous conventions, reviewed survey results and walked through our beautiful new convention location in a retreat-like setting. We are meeting challenges, and having fun, too!

With the convention just four months away, it's a good time to register and make hotel reservations. A Registration flyer is available in this issue of The Link. You can also find this information on SENY's website. For more information, contact convention@aaseny.org.

Sally B.

Program Chair 2017 SENY Convention

24th World Service Meeting Held in New York

“One World, One A.A., One Language of the Heart.” Such was the theme of the 24th World Service Meeting (WSM), held at the Hilton Westchester Hotel in Rye Brook, New York, October 23-27, 2016. Hosted by the General Service Board of A.A. of the U.S. and Canada, the event brought together representatives from over 40 countries or linguistic zones around the world, providing a continuing international forum for shared experience and ideas on carrying the A.A. message of recovery from alcoholism.

Since its inauguration in 1969, the WSM has succeeded in bringing together far-flung A.A. service centers and reflects a final vision of co-founder Bill W., who believed there could be “one world of A.A.” to assure that help would always be available for sick alcoholics wherever they might be or whatever language they might speak. The event alternates biennially between New York and other locations around the globe, convening in such diverse cities as Cartagena, Colombia; Auckland, New Zealand; Oviedo, Spain; Malahide, Ireland; Mexico City, Mexico; and Warsaw, Poland.

Described as a living and growing exchange of experience responding to the needs of A.A. worldwide, the meeting covered a number of relevant topics and offered sharing between A.A. structures that are well established and those that are just beginning to solidify.

Workshops on country-to-country sponsorship, the home group, A.A. service and spirituality, and the advantages and disadvantages of social media in A.A. highlighted the meeting. But as always, at the heart of any A.A. gathering is the sharing between one alcoholic and another, and in a presentation titled “We are not a glum lot,” Loreta B. of Lithuania shared some of her story. “When I came to A.A., I was only 29-years-old. Now I know how young that was. I had lost a son, lost a good home, lost teeth, lost weight. I was broken from the truth.

It’s hard to tell how alone I felt. And while I did not have money to put into the Seventh Tradition basket, service began for me on the first day. “I washed many a cup, swept the floors after meetings. I used to come hungry, belly rumbling. It was a shame, but I really wanted to stop drinking. From the first day, I felt a peace, a safety — meeting after meeting.”

Loreta stayed sober, stayed involved, and eventually found herself in New York as a WSM delegate. “Over nineteen years ago,” she noted, “I wasn’t any good to myself or anyone else. Now I feel what it means to be of service. It is an indescribable feeling one cannot buy. I am part of the Fellowship.”

As Bill W. wrote in 1960, “From the beginning, communication in A.A. has been no ordinary transmission of helpful ideas and attitudes. Because of our kinship in suffering, and because our common means of deliverance are effective for ourselves only when constantly carried to others, our channels of contact have always been charged with the language of the heart.”

And thus members from around the globe discussed — in workshops, committee meetings, and presentation sessions — a broad range of topics related to Recovery, Unity and Service. Ultimately, having made new friends and strengthened A.A.’s worldwide connections through their sharing, delegates journeyed home to pass along the experience, strength and hope they had gathered, to enrich A.A. in their own countries and further extend the hand of our worldwide Fellowship.

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A “Mock” A.A. Meeting With a Purpose (excerpt)

It’s a real A.A. meeting. Or is it? It takes place in the classic church basement. Coffee and light snacks are available. As the meeting begins, the chair introduces a speaker, who shares his or her experience, strength and hope. Afterwards, people speak on the topic. At the break, there are announcements about anniversary celebrations, workshops, and business meetings, and the Seventh Tradition basket is passed. The meeting ends with the Serenity Prayer.

But this meeting, while peopled and chaired by sober alcoholics, is not real, or not quite. It is a “demonstration” meeting for the benefit of the 20 or so student doctors who sit at the back of the room, observing. This demonstration or instructional meeting is the brainchild of the Area 78 C.P.C. committee in Calgary, Alberta — an ingenious and powerful instrument for ensuring that doctors (and nurses) are introduced to A.A. early in their careers.

Keith A., chair of the Area 78 C.P.C. committee, says that these demonstration meetings have been going on in Calgary since 2009, when C.P.C. members were struggling to figure out how best to reach out to busy doctors in a large city. They realized that it might be more effective to try to contact the doctors just before they graduated, when they would almost certainly be more accessible, and have more time. Through a C.P.C. member with connections to the University of Calgary, the program was set up, and it has flourished. In seven years, 950 doctors have attended the demonstration meetings, which the university makes mandatory for the student doctors. The A.A.’s who take part in the demonstrations must have at least a year’s sobriety, and while the meeting is mock, the sharing is not. “It has to be from the heart,” Keith says. “The topics are either ‘My Doctor and I,’ or ‘Religion and Spirituality,’ the latter of which is important, since doctors are reluctant to recommend people to a program they think is overly religious in nature. We have student doctors from all religions, all countries, all walks of life. When they see we are a spiritual program, they can appreciate what’s going on.”

After the demonstration meeting, Keith says, the student doctors are reorganized into small groups, each with two doctors and two A.A.’s. The student doctors ask the A.A.’s how the program and the Steps work, how they deal with denial in a patient, how to speak to the family of an alcoholic. The second part of the meeting is scheduled for an hour, and, according to Keith, the student doctors almost never leave when the hour is up.

The Area 78 C.P.C. committee runs a similar program for student nurses, both at the University of Calgary and at Mount Royal University, also in Calgary.

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 December 31, 2016

Place: Asbury Methodist Church,
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Time: 7 p.m. Speaker Meeting
 8 p.m. Dinner
 Music and Dancing:
 8 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

Price: \$25.00 p.p. prepaid
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District 412 invites you to the
Christmas Day Alkathon

Sunday, Dec. 25th, 2016

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 -open meetings on the hour-

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Calendar of Events

Visit www.aaseny.org for complete, up-to-date information. E-mail agenda@aaseny.org to add an event.

12/6/16	7:00 pm	Orange County Grapevine Committee Meeting: First Presbyterian Church, Campbell Hall, Rte. 207, Campbell Hall, NY 10916
12/7/16	8:15 pm	District 601, AA 12 Concepts Meeting: Bronfman Center, 7 W. 10th St., NY, NY b/w University Pl ace & Fifth Ave
12/10/16	12:00 pm	SENY Archives Committee Meeting: SENY Office, 199 Lincoln Avenue, Bronx, NY 10454
12/11/16	10:00 am	SENY Corrections Committee Meeting: SENY Office, 199 Lincoln Avenue, Bronx, NY 10454
12/11/16	11:00 am	SENY Intergroup Liaison Meeting: SENY Office, 199 Lincoln Avenue, Bronx, NY 10454
12/11/16	7:00 pm	Staten Island General Service Meeting: Oakwood Heights Community Church, 345 Guyon Ave, Staten Island, NY
12/12/16	7:30 pm	Queens County General Service Meeting: Saint Mary Gate of Heaven Church, 101-18 104th St., Queens, NY 11416
12/13/16	7:00 pm	Putnam County General Service Meeting: Mt Carmel Baptist Church, 76 Gleneida Avenue, Carmel, NY 10512
12/14/16	7:00 pm	Bronx Upper Manhattan General Service Meeting: Bedford Park Congregational Church, 3008 Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx, NY
12/14/16	7:00 pm	District 602 General Service Meeting: 208 West 13th Street, New York, NY (ask front desk for meeting room #) Steering Committee: 6:45
12/16/16	8:00 pm	Suffolk County General Service Meeting: True North Church, 1101 Lakeland Avenue, Bohemia, NY 11716
12/17/16	2:00 pm	2017 SENY Convention Planning Committee Meeting: SENY Office, 199 Lincoln Avenue, Bronx, NY 10454
12/18/16	9:30 am	Asamblea de Distritos Hispanos: location TBD
12/18/16	10:00 am	SENY Treatment Facilities Committee Meeting: NY Intergroup, 307 7th Avenue #201, New York, NY 10001
12/18/16	3:00 pm	Sullivan County General Service Meeting: Sullivan County Community College, 112 College Rd., Loch Sheldrake, NY 12759
12/19/16	7:30 pm	Nassau County General Service Meeting: Nassau Intergroup Office, 361 Hempstead Tpk, West Hempstead, NY 11552
12/20/16	6:30 pm	Manhattan County General Service Meeting: Seafarer's House, 123 East 15th Street, New York, NY 10003
12/20/16	7:00 pm	Orange County General Service Meeting: First Presbyterian Church, Campbell Hall, Rte. 207, Campbell Hall, NY 10916
12/20/16	7:15 pm	SENY CPC & PI Joint Committee Meeting: NY Intergroup, 307 7th Avenue #201, New York, NY 10001
12/21/16	7:30 pm	Westchester County General Service Meeting: Memorial Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Avenue, White Plains, NY 10605
12/25/16	8am-9:45pm	District 412 Christmas Day Alkathon: Park Slope United Methodist Church, 410 6th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY

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