

As I'm writing my Delegates Corner I remember the first time that I made myself available for service, I had been three months sober and it was time for someone else to take the secretaries position, I don't know if I should say that unfortunately or fortunately there was no one available. Since I was very new it took about 2 hours out of the business meeting to decide if I was eligible or not for service.

Thank God that the group conscience voted in favor because that gave me a great opportunity to stay sober by doing my service for 6 months. I've learned that when I serve my fellowship, I received more than what I give specially when I have the opportunity to share my experience, strength and hope with others. I recently attended my home group just to get my feet wet into my new upcoming position. My sponsor suggested me to make myself available as a greeter or coffee maker at my home group. so when I was there, I was asked to share and at the end two newcomer approached me, as I was sharing with them I remember a portion of the fifth tradition that has always makes me feel the magic that it has been granted to us.

***The unique ability of each A.A. to identify himself with, and bring recovery to, the newcomer in no way depends upon his learning, eloquence, or on any special individual skills. The only thing that matters is that he is an alcoholic who has found a key to sobriety. These legacies of suffering and of recovery are easily passed among alcoholics, one to the other. This is our gift from God, and it's bestowal upon others like us is the aim that today animates A.A's all around the globe. (12x12 pg 150)***

On November 19th we are going to do the recording of the Concepts in San Francisco, I am looking for volunteers that can read and speak clearly to make it sound more professional.

I would like to thank those who are sponsoring our inmates by Caring the message with the Grapevine and La Viña, We have covered 46 gift subscription so far and we still have some more to go. Thank you for contributing to carry the message . I'm on my way to Utah Area 69 to facilitate a Workshop for la Viña and also I will be going to Visalia Area 07 the weekend after next to facilitate another Workshop.

By the time you received this the Elections Assembly has taken its course and I do want to thank every single one of you for making yourself available outgoing panel 65 and incoming panel 67, all the GSRs, DCMs, DCMCs, Area Standing Committees, Area Officers, Trustee at Large and all the service positions that we have in our fellowship. Only us can reach out the alcoholic who still suffers that's our high mission and only us can take upon this task, when I gave my last report at District 16, one of our past delegates came to bring me my button as an incoming past delegate. The words that he share with me really touched my heart, and you know what, those are the words of an alcoholic talking to another alcoholic, everything in our fellowship boils down to that only an alcoholic can really touch another alcoholics heart.

***For us, if we neglect those who are still sick, there is unremitting danger to our own lives and sanity. Under these compulsions of self-preservation, duty, and love, it is not strange that our Society has concluded that it has but one high mission-to carry the A.A. message to those who don't know there's a way out. (12x12 pg151)***

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