

February 2018
Delegate's Corner

Oh I remember this from last year. It is the calm before the storm. Until the full Agenda Topics peek their little heads out, hopefully on February 15, there is not much a delegate can do except wait in eager anticipation. But there is so much a GSR can be doing! Lucky you! Right now is the perfect time to mention that Agenda Topics are coming up and to secure a date and time for a sharing session with your groups. (Pre-Conference Assembly is April 7th and 8th so you will need to have your sharing session(s) planned before that date.) Slowly ease your groups into action. You can show them the preliminary agenda topics. There are a few on there that have already sparked the interest of a few members. My suggestion for you is to discuss the Finance item of the Self Support Packet. You can get some from your District Treasurer or Central Office. Please be sure your group treasurer has one. Ask your Group if this information is helpful. If not, what would your group like to see? I am on the Finance Committee and last year we had a great discussion on this topic and made several suggestions for changes thanks to your feedback.

When the full list of Agenda Topics comes out on February 15, you will have more choices for your group to consider. The Board meeting of the General Service Trustees is this weekend and more topics will be decided for the Final List of Agenda Topics. If your group has never had a sharing session before, you might want to get them to decide how and when they would like to have one. Some groups do it before the meeting. Some groups do it after the meeting. (Oh, there are a few bold ones that do it during the meeting.) Some groups will do it at a different day and time at someone's home. Some do it for as little as 30 minutes; some will discuss a whole bunches in a few hours over yummy food. You've got to love group autonomy.

Do you have an Agenda Topic Workshop going on in your District? I hope you have that on your calendar. If there is not one in your District, there are other workshops throughout the Area in other Districts. Look in the District Report section of your CNCA Comments for announcements of Agenda Topics Workshops. Are all your travel plans finished for PRAASA? That's good. It might be a good time to call your service sponsor. They love hearing from you. Whatever you decide to do, I hope you have fun with it. This is an exciting time of the year which culminates at the Pre-Conference Assembly. I have faith that you will all do a fantastic job. I heard it in your voices last year as you came to the microphone. I heard your enthusiasm and love for AA in your shares. This year will be just as wonderful. I just know it.

Thank you for letting me be of service,
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