

**Alternate Delegate's Corner: May 2023**

During this month (April) a members from my home group with one month of sobriety that currently holds the coffee position expressed to us how hard was to share in the meeting, how shy and difficult was to talk to anybody. Few days later we had very small attendance 4-5 of us, one person walked our room and in to his very first AA meeting, he looked lost, confuse and desperate. Our one month coffee maker approached this gentleman and offered him a cup of coffee and a piece of sweet bread, after we read the Bill's Story the few of us shared on the discussion on that chapter, when we were about to close the meeting earlier this guy finally spoke, he share for about 5 minutes the pure message of AA mentioning the word "hope" more than once, making the perfect and necessary connections and phrases encouraging the new guy to come back, between these unperfect alcoholic hearts the meaning of having the solution available made perfect sense.

This is how sobriety becomes possible. Days turn into weeks, new members sparks with a new language, new thoughts, new tools just as early AA members dreamed and saw our their future as our present today in sobriety.

We continue to be a physical part of this magnificent program. These new members continue to be my direct link to the pioneers of AA, the AA Structure and the principals as we see it today since 1935. The Conference process, is the continuing discussions from our earliest members. Should we publish a new book? What are we called? Can women and others join AA? What about Atheists? How do we sustain ourselves financially? These questions have evolved just as our new generations. Listening and staying focus mixing gratitude with responsibility, Eric our Delegate through all of who participates on the common solution, contributes keeping AA available re-evolving the solution for all our UpToDate needs.

The Conference this year took actions to ensure that our message stays relevant. Representatives from the United States and Canada gathered together to share solutions to problems our Fellowship faces. Eric will share with us what happened, and what will happen next. I encourage you to invite your home group members, sponsees, and sponsors to hear the Delegate's Report and listen to the story of the work that was done and how your work and love for AA becomes part of the constant solution.

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