



# Flagstaff Intergroup Newsletter

October  
2017

*Flagstaff*

**Intergroup** is made up of representatives from Flagstaff Area Groups plus other AA members who coordinate local AA activities. Some of these activities include:

- Answering calls when anyone, anywhere reaches out for help
- Providing a meeting list for Flagstaff and surrounding areas
- Maintaining a website [www.flagstaffaa.org](http://www.flagstaffaa.org)
- Keeping an active 12-step list
- Publishing a newsletter
- Maintaining Flagstaff's all volunteer Central Office from which literature and chips may be purchased
- Planning special events to build unity and enjoy our sobriety

**Does your Home Group have an Intergroup representative?**

**Come Join Us: 2nd Monday of every month, 6PM, 2102 E. Third Ave.**

## **Tradition 10: Alcoholics**

Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

### ***From the Grapevine's Tradition Checklist:***

- Do I ever give the impression that there really is an "AA opinion" on Antabuse?
- Do I breach this or any of its supporting traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious, ways?
- How can I manifest the spirit of this tradition in my personal life outside and inside AA?

## **Concept 10: Every service**

responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

### ***From the Concepts Checklist:***

- Do we understand "authority" and "responsibility" as they relate to group conscience decisions by G.S.R.s, D.C.M.s and our area delegates?
- Why is delegation of "authority" so important to the overall effectiveness of A.A.? Do we use this concept to define the scope of "authority"?

**Let's not forget:**

## **AA's Responsibility Declaration**

**I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.**

## **No, Thank You**

*A new study highlights a wide variety of approaches that former problem drinkers take to determine how and whether to tell people in social situations that they don't drink. Many participants reported trying to avoid the issue altogether, either by "passing" as a drinker (holding a cup but not drinking) or by simply turning down offers of a drink without saying why. If asked directly, some would make excuses for not drinking – citing health problems or being on medication that didn't allow them to drink alcohol. Some would try to change the subject. A few, particularly those who had been sober for a longer period of time, reported being open about their history of problem drink, particularly if they thought it would defuse a situation that threatened their sobriety or if they thought it would help others who may be struggling with problem drinking*  
-Grapevine February 2016

## **From the Grapevine's At Wit's End**

*No objection*

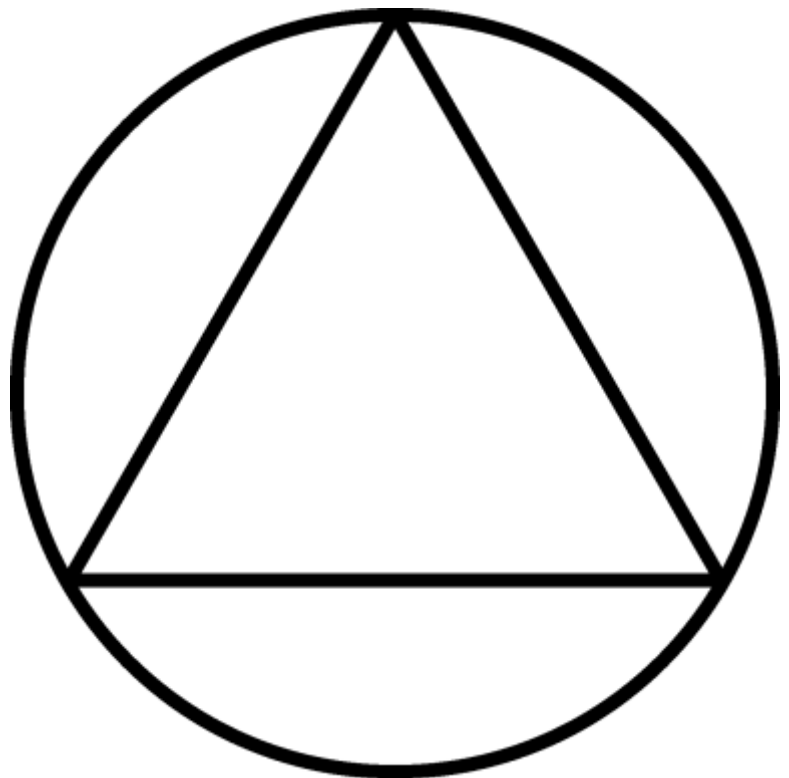
*A drunk was arrested for selling home-distilled whiskey. At the trial, his lawyer put him on the stand and asked the jurors to look carefully at his client. "Now, ladies and gentlemen of the jury," concluded the lawyer, "you've looked carefully at the defendant. Can you honestly believe that if my client had any whiskey he would sell it?" He was acquitted. (February 2016)*

## **From the Treasurer:**

Reports from October and November will be combined next issue.

Send contributions to: Flagstaff Intergroup, PO Box 31205, Flagstaff, 86003 or your Intergroup Rep can bring it to a meeting.

**Happy Halloween!  
Stay safe and sober!**



The Flagstaff Intergroup Central Office is located at 2102 E. Third Ave.  
Central Office: (928) 774-4353 Hotline: (928) 779-3569  
Office hours depend on you! Volunteers are needed to keep the office open. Can you help?

## **Please announce:**

- **Fall 2017 Alcothon at the Phoenix Building: Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM**

