

2024 Area Assembly Inventory: Experience, Strength, and Hope in Service

A Comprehensive Summary of Our Collective Conscience

I. Our Spiritual Foundation: The Informed Decision-Making Process

Our Assembly thrives when we prioritize **principles over personalities**. The Informed Decision-Making Process (IDMP) is more than a procedure; it is the way we ensure our Higher Power is present in our deliberations.

- **Open Communication:** We commit to effective, transparent dialogue so that every decision reflects the true will of the Area.
- **The Power of Unanimity:** We strive for substantial unanimity, learning from our past to ensure that every voice—whether in-person or virtual—is heard before a vote is taken.
- **Spiritual Centering:** We find that taking time to center ourselves on the **Traditions and Concepts** before business helps us move away from ego and toward service.

II. Inclusion through Technology: Bridging the Distance

The Audio/Visual (AV) and Website components are the "electronic heart" of our Area, allowing us to fulfill our primary purpose by reaching those who cannot travel.

- **The Hybrid Lifeline:** Virtual participation creates a sense of belonging for newer GRs and those with physical or financial constraints.
- **Continuous Improvement:** We are committed to refining our tools—exploring closed captioning, improved chat functions for tech support, and ensuring visual equity so that "the whole room" is visible to those online.
- **Our Digital Home:** The Area website is our definitive resource. By visiting it regularly and supporting a dedicated "Service Updates" hub, we keep the flow of information current and accessible.

III. The Spirit of Hospitality: Welcoming the Next Servant

Our Assembly experience is defined by the warmth we extend to one another.

- **Rotation of Service:** By rotating responsibilities like Registration and Hospitality among

Districts, we share the workload and spark new creativity.

- **Visible Connections:** Wearing nametags and proactively introducing ourselves transforms a large meeting into a friendly fellowship.
- **The Joy of Service:** We attract new servants not by our work, but by our **gratitude**. When we model a positive attitude and share what we have gained from service, we make the "links of service" attractive.

IV. Preparation and Respect: Honoring Our Trusted Servants

We respect our members' time and effort by staying organized and disciplined.

- **Punctuality as Respect:** Being on time is an act of love. It provides the structure necessary to conduct our business without "guesswork" or fatigue.
- **Empowering the GR:** We support our General Representatives by providing simplified voting summaries, balanced "pro and con" information, and timely documents so they can confidently carry their Group Conscience.
- **Supporting Literature:** We strengthen our Area by purchasing Conference Approved Literature (CAL) through our local service centers and promoting *The Forum* as a vital tool for recovery.

V. Growth Beyond Business: Workshops and Speakers

The Assembly is not just a business meeting; it is a weekend of recovery.

- **Shared Wisdom:** Workshops allow us to learn from a diverse range of members, bringing fresh ideas back to our home groups.
- **Sunday Inspiration:** Our morning speakers provide the perfect spiritual reflection, sending us home with a renewed sense of purpose and hope.

Closing Thought

As we look forward, we remain dedicated to the idea that **participation is the key to harmony**. By practicing mutual respect, presuming goodwill, and keeping our hearts open to the guidance of a Higher Power, we ensure that our Assembly continues to be a beacon of hope for AI-Anon as a whole.

When I am of service to AI-Anon, I am of service to my own recovery.