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News from around District 26

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"The purpose of the District 26 Unity Council is to educate AA groups and the public on AA principles and to promote harmony among AA groups through the practice of the AA 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts. We are a fellowship of alcoholics from different groups within the District that encourages participation and service"

The District 26 Unity Council meeting for October will be at the Praxis Church, Mio October 21. Starts at 10:00 am but come early for fellow ship coffee and doughnuts.

October 13-15: Mackinaw Island Weekend

November 4: Midland Spirituality in Recovery

November 24-26: Troy MCYPAA

See these and more at <http://www.dist26aa.org>

Does your group have a GSR (General Service Representative) ? If so, great, then you are hooked into the service structure of AA and your group has a voice in Alcoholics Anonymous. If not, then why not take a look at the pamphlet "GSR, May be the most important job in AA". Your GSR attends local District meetings and brings back valuable information to your Group as well as informing the District, Area, and on to the GSO the concerns of your group. The next Area Assembly is in Clinton on December 3 (See the web site www.cmia32.org). Your attendance at the GSR meeting will be welcome. You don't have to actually be a GSR to attend. Come and share your experience, strength, and hope with us as we all trudge the road to Happy Destiny.

Step Ten: Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

This thought brings us to *Step Ten*, which suggests we continue to take personal inventory and continue to set right any new mistakes as we go along. We vigorously commenced this way of living as we cleaned up the past. We have entered the world of the Spirit. Our next function is to grow in understanding and effectiveness. This is not an overnight matter. It should continue for our lifetime. Continue to watch for selfishness, dishonesty, resentment, and fear. When these crop up, we ask God at once to remove them. We discuss them with someone immediately and make amends quickly if we have harmed anyone. Then we resolutely turn our thoughts to someone we can help. Love and tolerance of others is our code.

Tradition Ten: Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

No A.A. group or member should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues - particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever.

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

Now, this is my favorite Concept, Can you see why?
In service **A. E. Newman**