



NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

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Hi Sylvia:

To answer the last part of your letter first, no N.A. mail should go anywhere but Box 622 this was the cause of much confusion before and it is only now that it is almost straightened out.

I have always encouraged the use of full names within the fellowship except in the traditional qualification, the use of initials in large groups leads to much confusion and finds little to recommend it as far as I'm concerned. I do try to be careful in such things as mail so that I do not spell out Narcotics Anonymous at the same time I use a name on an envelope.

Qualifications for Trustees are now being worked out and as far as we now know will be taken up at the next trustees meeting. If you have any suggestions send them as soon as possible so they can be included.

#1. see folder 'The Group'

Anyone who is an ADDICT. That is the anyone we are talking about, not a nurse or a psychologist or a member of the school board or the P.T.A. or a 'Pure'alky. An ADDICT who later may serve in any capacity where they qualify.

This has little or nothing to do with the types of meetings that a group conducts. A group may allow participation by many different people as part of its choice in 'carrying the message'. This is particularly true in groups where leaders choice is part of their policy. I feel that where the 'Newcomer' is really considered, questions as to the appropriateness seldom arise.

#2.

If anyone insists on going contrary to policy and tradition we cannot stop them in any ordinary way. At least we can tell them that what they invoke as group conscience, is really group unwillingness to benefit from the experience of others and let them learn their own hard lessons.

Here are the flyers for the service conference, please get them into the right hands in your area, I'm sending others to everyone south of San Francisco.

Yours in Fellowship and Love.

Jimmy Korman
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