

HAWAI'I AREA 17

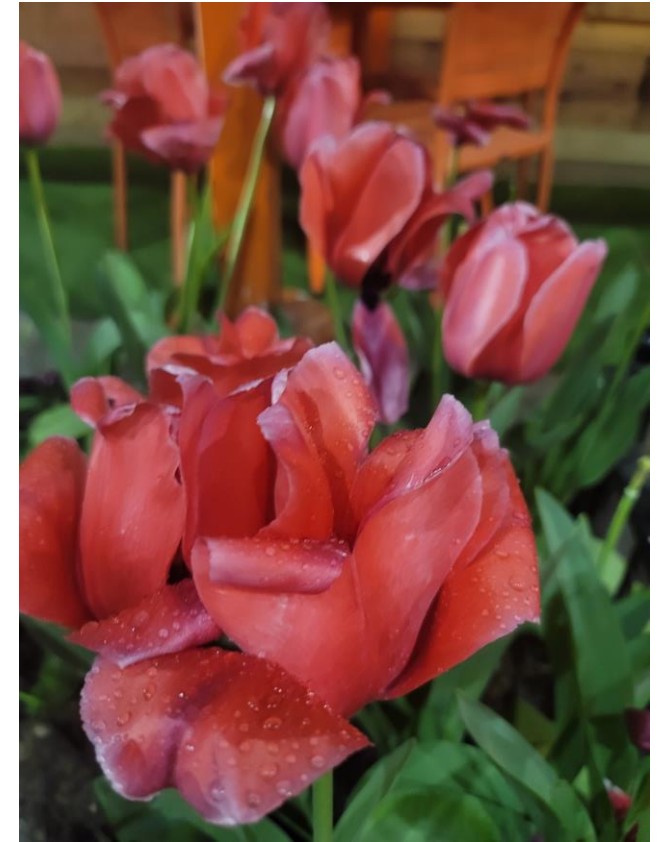


A.A. IN A TIME OF CHANGE

# Budget Assembly

## Delegate Report

*August 27, 2022*



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# 72<sup>nd</sup> General Service Conference

*A.A. Comes of Age 2.0: Unified In Love  
and Service*

KUNANE DREIER, PANEL 71 DELEGATE  
HAWAII AREA 17

# DELEGATE REPORT BACKS

WHERE	WHEN
District 8 – Kona	June 11, 2022
District 7 – Hilo/Hamakua District 12 – Puna	June 12, 2022
District 4 – Windward	June 23, 2022
District 10 – Waikiki	July 7, 2022
District 17 – Waianae	July 21, 2022
District 5 – Maui No Ka ‘Oi District 11 – Kihei District 13 – Tri-Island	July 30, 2022
District 6 – Kauai	September 5, 2022
District 9 – Central North Shore	September 20, 2022

# DELEGATE REPORT BACK on the Website

Delegate Report Back PPT

Delegate Report Back written

Remote Communicator

General Service Board Report

AA World Services Board Report

AA Grapevine Board Report

Around the Picnic Table – The Financial Report

Trustees' Ad Hoc Committee – Online Group Participation

72<sup>nd</sup> GSC Summary Report by Area 93

# 72nd GSC – Final Reports

Spanish translation will be available.

- PDF – end of August
- Shipped end of October

## Hawaii Island

- Tommy
- 3 districts
- 30

## Maui

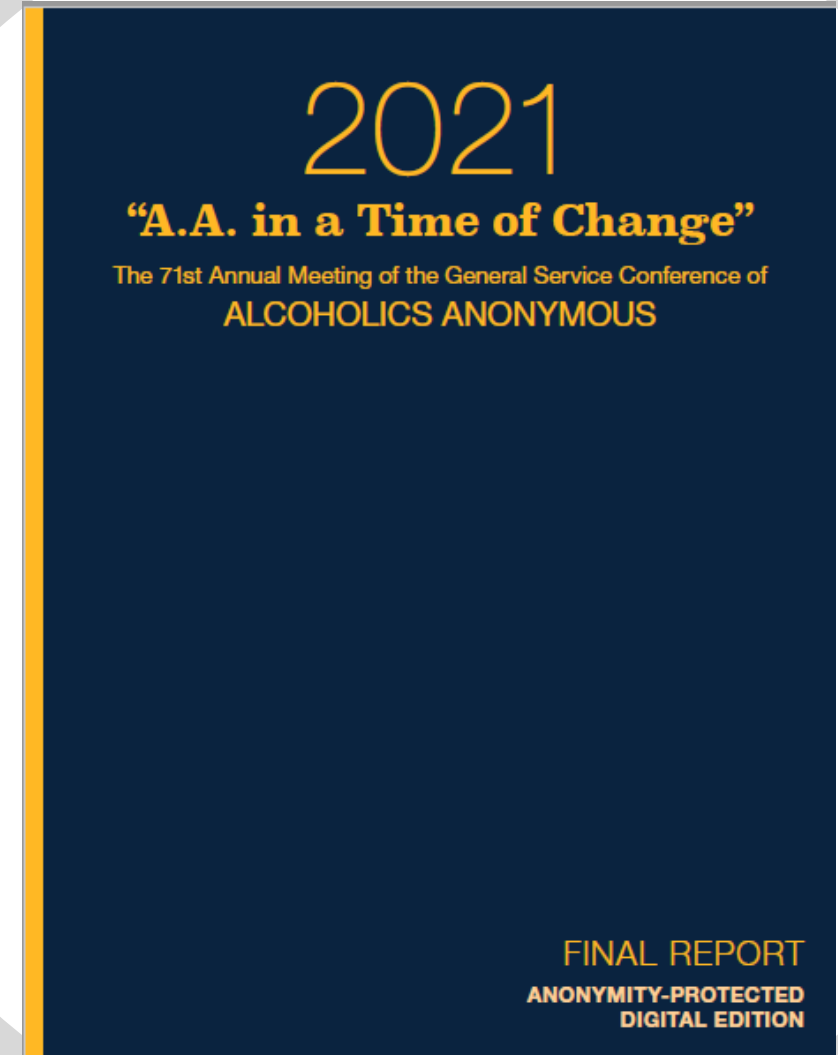
- Mike
- 3 districts
- 30

## Kauai

- Kalei
- 10 (?)

## Oahu

- Kunane & Deborah
- 7 districts
- How many?



# Alcoholics Anonymous on O'ahu

There is a Solution

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If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours.

# THERE IS A SOLUTION

[FIND A MEETING](#)



# North/South Connections Forum



## TIME ZONES

Chile	New York	Argentina
10:00	11:00 am	11:00
10:20	11:20 am	11:20
12:20	1:20 pm	13:20
13:00	2:00 pm	14:00
15:00	4:00 pm	16:00
15:45	4:45 pm	16:45
17:45	6:45 pm	18:45

## PROGRAM

**Welcome and Opening Remarks** – General Service Board Chairs from US/Canada, Argentina, and Chile

### PANEL #1 – Language

- *A.A.'s Language of the Heart*
- *Finding Solutions to Language Barriers*
- Questions & Answers

**BREAK** - With videos

### PANEL #2 – Culture

- *Rediscovering Culture Through A.A. Participation*
- *Hidden Communities*
- Questions & Answers

**BREAK** - With videos

### PANEL #3 – Geography

- *Carrying Our Message Near and Far: In-person and Online*
- *Strengthening Our Structure Through Service*
- Questions & Answers

**CLOSING REMARKS**



# North/South Connections Forum

*I went to Argentina, Chile, Canada and around the U.S. in a day.*

- Mare did an amazing job representing Area 17 and sharing about “The Hidden Community – Seniors in A.A.”

What I saw, heard and felt... The Language of the heart

- A speaker from Chile shared “I took a 6-hour bus ride to share my story. Not knowing if anyone wanted to hear it.”
- A speaker from Alaska shared about her work translating our A.A. message in her native Intuit language.
- So much gratitude from North to South for the event, the speakers and mostly the messages being shared.

*The Language of the Heart*



**PACIFIC  
REGION  
DELEGATES  
CALL**

## Agenda

### Meeting between the Trustees' Literature Committee and the Conference Committee on Literature

August 8, 2022

- Welcome and Introduction of all members
- Chair remarks
- Review item – Twelve Traditions Illustrated (started in 2016)
- Review item – Matrix (2017)
- Discuss the accuracy & effectiveness of direct translation practices (2022)
- Discuss the pamphlet based on AA's Three Legacies
- Discuss the pamphlet "Too Young"
- Consistent Messaging across the pamphlets – example from the Corrections Desk
- Final Questions and Comments

# MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

Type	ID Number	Group Name	District	Group Language	Group Address
In person	000004791	<b>Kaneohe Discussion Group</b> <b>CONFIRMED - 25 SURVEYS</b>	District 04	English	Kokokahi YWCA Kaneohe Discussion Group 45-035 Kaneohe Bay Dr Kaneohe HI 96744 United States
In person	000036582	<b>No Laurel Resting Group</b>	District 04	English	Windward Unity, 46-005 Kawa St., Suite 303, Kaneohe, HI 96744, US
In person	000038126	<b>Nooners Group</b>	District 07	English	Hilo Bayfront Soccer Field Pavilion, 744 Kamehameha Ave, Hilo, HI 96720, US
In person	000372471	<b>Sober Eastside Wahine Group</b> <b>CONFIRMED - 25 SURVEYS</b>	District 06	English	Kapaa United Church Sober Eastside Wahine Group 1315 Ulu St Kapaa HI 96746-1653 United States
virtual	000306574	<b>Pacific Hui Group</b> <b>***Left Message</b>	District 02	English	Pacific Hui Group 2650 Kalakaua Ave Honolulu HI 96815-4730 United States

# AA and the Native North American

- Gerry R., Panel 67, Montana - ACM
- Indigenous Peoples
  - Hawaii
  - Pacific
- Trustee's Literature Sub-Committee
- Will be a member



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# Pacific Regional Forum

hosted by:  
Area 69



**IN PERSON !**

[WWW.2022AAPACIFICREGFORUM.COM](http://WWW.2022AAPACIFICREGFORUM.COM)



Sept. 16 - 18, 2022

**PACIFIC  
REGIONAL  
FORUM**

Mariott Downtown @ City Creek  
75 W Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah

**RECOVERY ELEVATED**



# PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM

A stylized background illustration featuring a range of mountains in shades of brown and orange, with some peaks covered in white snow. In the foreground, there is a green field with several dark green evergreen trees. The overall style is flat and geometric.

## “How to be all Inclusive”

- Opening remarks – 3 minutes
- 2 questions
- 2 minutes to share

Sept. 16 - 18, 2022

**PACIFIC  
REGIONAL  
FORUM**



# Pacific Regional Trustee Visit

- Orientation Assembly
- District 8 – Kona
- January 21 & 22, 2023



**PRAASA**  
**2023**

March 3-5,  
2023

AREA 05 SOUTHERN  
CALIFORNIA  
Área 05 Sur de  
California

**Southern California Area 05  
is hosting PRAASA 2023**

**(Pacific Region A.A. Service Assembly)**

**March 3 – 5, 2023**

**in**

**Los Angeles, California**

**PRAASA 2023**

Host Areas

(Shown in Order of Scheduled Automatic Rotation Starting in 2017)

07	CNI	Fresno	1968	Sacramento	1987	Fresno	2002	SACRAMENTO	2017				
42	NV	Reno	1969	Las Vegas	1973	Reno	1979	Las Vegas	1986	Reno	2003	SPARKS	2018
09	MSC	Anaheim	1980	Torrance	1993	Irvine	2004	IRVINE	2019				
03	AZ	Phoenix	1970	Tucson	1976	Tucson	1991	Tucson	2005	Tucson	2020		
93	CC	Woodland Hills	2006	Burbank	2021								
58	OR	Portland	1982	Portland	1992	Portland	2007	TBD	2022				
02	AK	Anchorage	1981	Juneau	1994	Anchorage	2008						
06	CNC	Santa Clara	1983	San Jose	1996	Oakland	2009						
05	SC	Santa Maria	1971	Bakersfield	1990	Los Angeles	2010						
17	HI	Honolulu	1978	Honolulu	1989	Kailua-Kona	1999	Honolulu	2011				
72	WW	Pasco	1972	Seattle	1977	Tacoma	1995	Bellevue	2012				
18	ID	Boise	1974	Pocatello	1985	Boise	1998	Boise	2013				
08	SDI	San Diego	1984	San Diego	1997	San Diego	2014						
69	UT	Salt Lake City	1975	Salt Lake City	1988	Ogden	2000	Layton	2015				
92	WSE	Spokane	2001	Spokane	2016								

# PRAASA 2026

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MEMORANDUM

August 19, 2022

TO: General Service Conference Members

FROM: Deb K., AAWS Board Chair  
Bob W., GSO General Manager

RE: Update on time-sensitive matters

Please direct all  
communications to:

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Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163  
Fax: (212) 870-3003

Warmest A.A. greetings to all!

Here is a brief update on time-sensitive matters that we hope you will find useful.

- **GSO Staffing Changes.** As you may know, we have had some recent staffing changes at the GSO. Please understand that out of respect for our past and current employees, we do not discuss details surrounding the transition of any of our employees. However, we thank those who have transitioned for their work and commitment while at GSO and wish them success in their future endeavors. We are grateful for your understanding.
- **BOX 4-5-9.** *Box 4-5-9* has been reposted on [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org). The original version was paused in response to concerns that were raised; we apologize for any confusion this caused as we evaluated our workflows and the range of feedback that was received. At a recent interim meeting, AAWS agreed the most prudent course supporting our unity was to have one version of *Box 4-5-9* in distribution and reposted the original article.

**General Service Conference (G.S.C.)  
Proposed Agenda Item Submission Form**

***Annual deadline for submissions for a General Service Conference is September 15\*.***

What types of proposals, suggestions or ideas rise to the level of needing a General Service Conference “action” or “decision”?

Proposals that are important to the future of Alcoholics Anonymous, policy decisions or request for changes to Conference-approved literature and items that might require the collective conscience of the Fellowship. The trustees, corporate directors and staff bring together years of experience in A.A. service in making decisions about the appropriate process or disposition of proposed Conference agenda items. Warranty six reminds us “that though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government...” *The A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts for World Service* page 72.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Attn: Reporters, editors, and producers

## LGBTQ+ individuals find help and hope in Alcoholics Anonymous

Members share their stories of recovery and of finding support and acceptance in A.A. meetings

(NEW YORK, July 6, 2022) The principles of Alcoholics Anonymous encourage the ideals of participation, inclusion, and unity for members and groups.

Since A.A.'s founding 87 years ago, individuals from diverse groups and backgrounds have found help and hope for their drinking problems in the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. Among these members are LGBTQ+ individuals who have shared their experiences in the A.A. publication [LGBTQ Alcoholics in A.A.](#) In A.A. you will find a community of kindred folks from every walk of life and "of every stripe." For people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning (LGBTQ), A.A. extends a helping hand, an open heart, and a life-saving program of recovery to any person seeking help with a drinking problem. Irving, an A.A. member, shares, "The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking. I was no longer fearful that my sexual orientation would be an issue—that I had to keep some big, dark secret. I had a true desire to stop drinking. That was all that mattered. People in the meetings didn't care that I was gay. We had the same purpose—to stay sober. I was always greeted warmly and told every time to 'keep coming back.'"



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### **2025 International Convention, Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Frequently Asked Questions About the  
2025 International Convention & Travel to Canada**  
*Updated July 12, 2022*

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July 15, 2022

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Dear Area Delegates:

In 2001 the General Service Conference recommended that the bid process for city site selection for International Conventions be moved forward from ten years to twelve years out from the event. Therefore, Site Selection for the **100th** Anniversary International Convention in 2035 will take place during 2023 which allows for the widest range of cities available to select from for the dates of our events.

Traditionally, the International Convention will be held from July 5-8, 2035. These dates have been selected in the past to take advantage of favorable "holiday weekend" hotel rates, and to allow attendees extra days to vacation in the selected city. However, to allow bidding cities the flexibility to provide their best offer that would maximize hotel and facility rates, equal consideration will be given to any weekend in the months of June or July 2035.

Enclosed is the 2035 Area Delegate Bid Questionnaire. If your area is interested in hosting the 2035 International Convention, please complete this questionnaire and return it to this office no later than November 30, 2022. The role of the host area is to **provide a local volunteer committee of approximately 4,000 A.A. members.**

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# OFFICE OPERATIONS

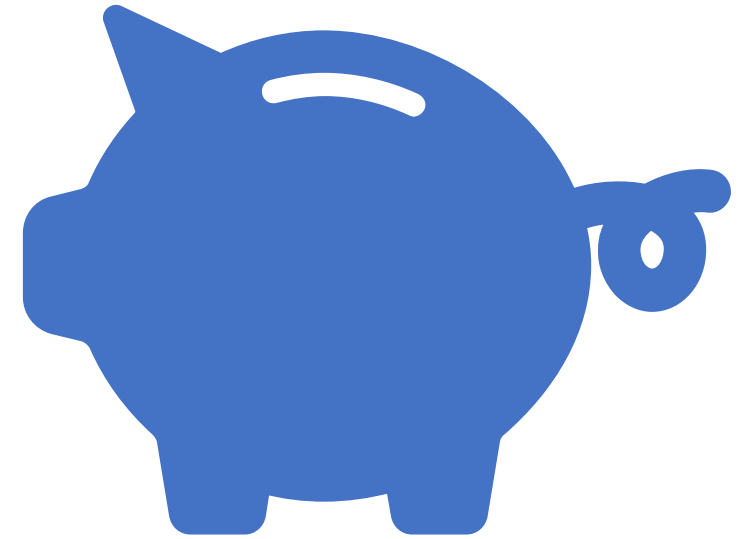
*(Jan – June 2022)*

- 15, 650 unique email inquiries
- 4, 400 phone calls
- 3,343 Area/District/Group updates
- 22,283 pieces of incoming mail
- 10,957 pieces of outgoing mail
- 15,750 literature orders
- 4,891 Fellowship Connection updates



# FINANCES – *Unaudited*

- \$837,909 June contributions
- \$5,011,648 YTD – 50% of projected income
- Contributions made online cost \$2.67 less than sending in a check.
- Literature sales: \$5,764,906 YTD gross (52% projected income)
- \$8,221,046 total operating expenses (47% of budget)
- Reserve fund: \$12,892,600 – represents 7.65 months
- Grapevine sales: \$799,585 YTD



# General Service Conference

- EDW process is in year 02.
- 72<sup>nd</sup> GSC
  - 82 agenda items
  - 9 floor actions
  - 35 Advisory Actions
  - 78 Committee Considerations
- Proposed agenda item deadline is September 15<sup>th</sup>
- 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC draft agenda reviewed
- Saturday ancillary meetings warrant another night at the hotel



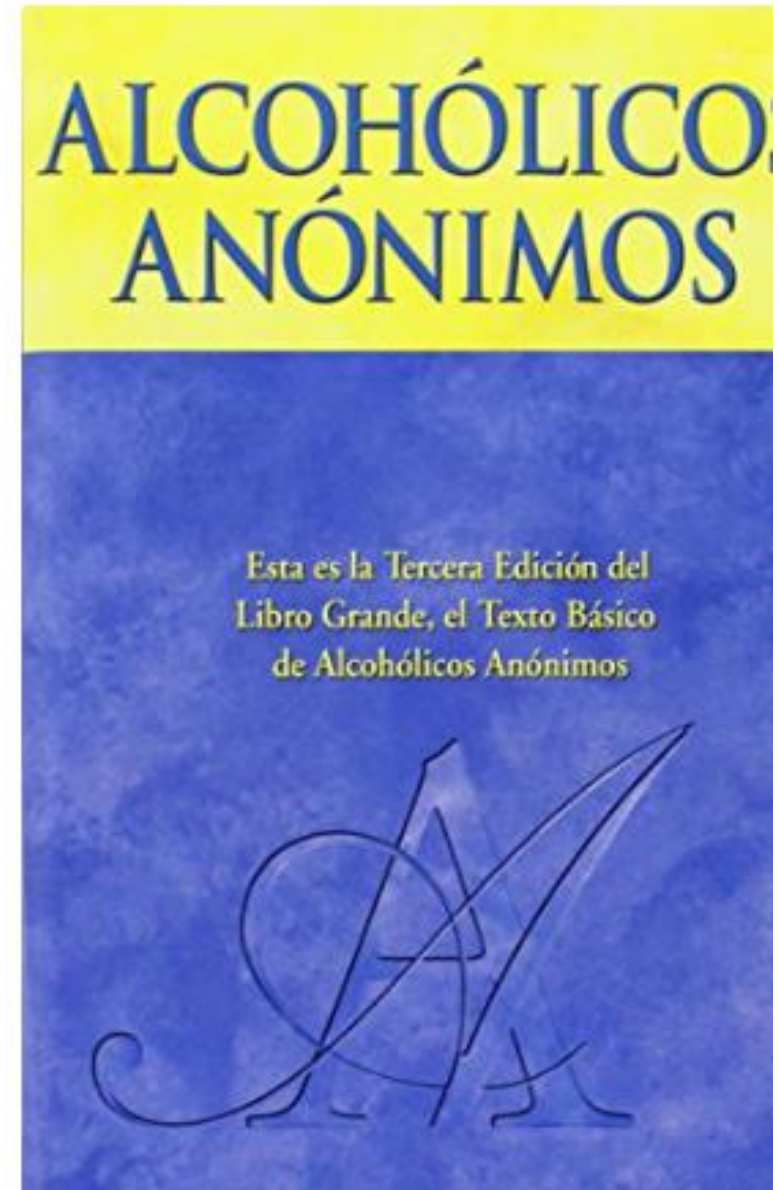
# Trustees' Committee on Literature

## 5<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Big Book

- <https://www.aa.org/bubmit-bigbook-English-5th>

## 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Spanish Big Book (*October 31<sup>st</sup>*)

- <https://www.aa.org/submit-bigbook-Spanish-4th>





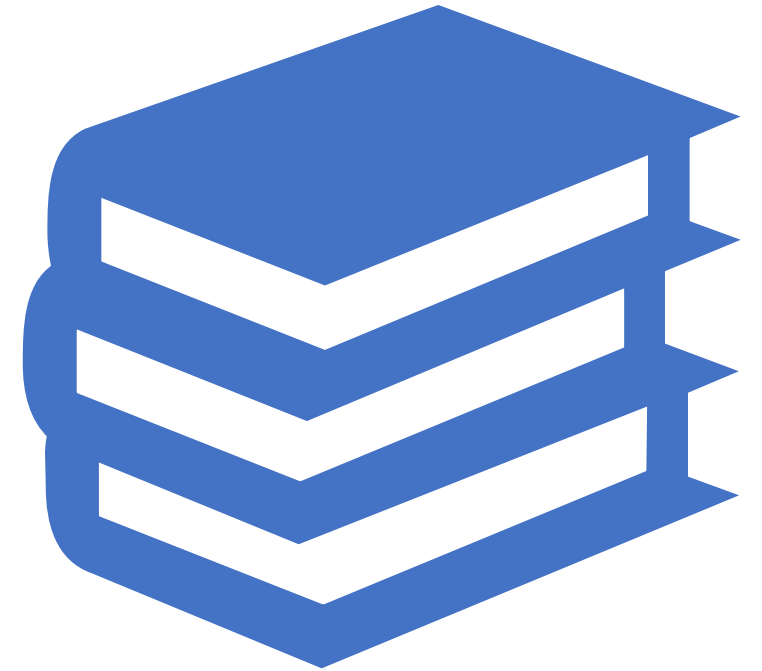
# Trustee's Committee on Literature

- **Big Book**

- Jacketed order in process – August thru October
- Jacket-less printing starting October
  - Reduce backorders,
  - Streamline turnaround time
  - Better navigate supply-chain disruptions
  - Reduce delivery times and cost

- **Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions**

- Jacketless printing in November or December





# ONLINE GROUPS

- 718 virtual groups listed with GSO
  - 558 GSRs
  - 143 Alt. GSRs
- Trustee's Ad Hoc committee will have a report for the 73<sup>rd</sup> GSC