

OA Service Body Bulletin

May 2022

Attention Service Body Contacts

You are receiving this quarterly bulletin because you are listed as a contact for your service body. If you are no longer the contact, please update this information with the [World Service Office](#) or email Lorie, group registration coordinator, at laurence@oa.org for help.

Please share this information with your groups.

Our Annual Appeal Is Almost Here: Make an Extra Contribution to World Service

OA will soon send the 2022 Annual Appeal letter to all service body contacts, and we are asking for it to be read aloud three times at all meetings. We encourage you to listen to the letter and answer the call. Make an extra contribution to support ongoing world service initiatives, such as:

- our invaluable Find a Meeting database on oa.org,
- powerful OA literature,
- the support structure to make literature translations possible to members around the world, and
- World Service Business Conference, which is evolving to include more OA delegates worldwide than ever before.

It's easy to give online! Go to oa.org/contribute and select "2022 Annual Appeal Letter" in the "Designation" drop-down menu. Thank you for your contribution!

[Contribute](#)

Board of Trustees Revises Guidelines for Sharing Literature Electronically

In a [letter to all OA groups and service bodies](#), the Board of Trustees has outlined new guidelines for screen- and audio-sharing portions of OA-owned literature. The new guidelines allow OA groups to temporarily screen- and audio-share a limited amount of literature during OA meetings that convene via videoconference. OA groups that meet virtually via other digital platforms may request written permission to screen- and audio-share limited OA

literature during their meeting.

These guidelines were drafted in response to concerns voiced by the Fellowship and are intended to balance OA world service's obligation to protect OA copyrights on behalf of the Fellowship and the Fellowship's need to refer to OA literature during virtual meetings.

All OA members are asked to read and share and follow the complete guidelines in this letter.

[Read the screen-sharing letter](#)

Send Your Story of Recovery to the New Lifeline Blog—Launching Soon!

Lifeline will soon be back in our pockets and purses, this time as a blog on oa.org! As we look forward to the return of Lifeline, we invite you to share your recovery by sending in a submission. Send us your recovery-focused story, digital painting, song, video, or any other type of digital media, and we will put it in the queue for eventual publication. Read the new [Contributor Guidelines](#) for suggestions and use our [submission form](#), found at oa.org/lifeline to send us your submission.

Let's share the miracles of our individual recoveries through this Twelve Step program! Let's make the new Lifeline blog a great resource for the Fellowship and for those who are just discovering OA online. Thank you for your service!

[Go to Lifeline on oa.org](#)

Read In-Depth World Service News in the Second Quarter 2022 Issue of A Step Ahead

The Second Quarter issue of A Step Ahead is now online and features:

- a complete account of items up for vote on the WSBC agenda
- a sweeping survey on the state of sponsorship in OA
- an important audiobook announcement for Overeaters Anonymous, Third Edition
- What's New From WSO
- and more!

Stay in the loop with world service news! Read A Step Ahead!

[Go to A Step Ahead on oa.org](#)

Secretaries: Review Your Meeting Info in Find a Meeting

Group Secretaries: Do your part for the still-suffering compulsive eater by making sure your meeting details are up to date. First, look up your meeting, and then if any information needs to be corrected, go to [Edit a Meeting](#).

If you need to convert your meeting to or from a hybrid meeting, you must contact the WSO directly. See our [Hybrid Meeting Instructions](#) for more information.

Thank you for your service!

Important Dates and Deadlines

Post your local OA events to OA's [social media page](#) (link opens a third-party website) by clicking the "Send Message" button on that page. Include all event information and a contact email address that maintains member anonymity. You may also drag-and-drop your event flyer into the message.

Translation Assistance Fund

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Translation Assistance Fund [applications](#) are due.

- Update your affiliated meetings information at [Find a Meeting](#)
 - Learn more about [Automatic Recurring Contributions](#) (ARC).
 - Follow Overeaters Anonymous on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)
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