

Call for Contributions

Wilmington Intergroup Archives is compiling a collection of material related to the Covid-19 Pandemic of 2020. We welcome submissions from all members of the fellowship whether you are a member of long standing or newly arrived.

A.A. Archives Guidelines tell us that “Archives service work is more than mere custodial activity: it is the means by which we collect, preserve, and share the rich and meaningful heritage of our Fellowship. It is by the collection and sharing of these important historical elements that our collective gratitude for Alcoholics Anonymous is deepened”. They further state that “A.A. members have a responsibility to gather and care for the Fellowship’s historical documents and memorabilia. Correspondence, records, minutes, reports, photographs, newspaper and magazine articles from the past and the present should be collected, preserved, and made available for the guidance and research of A.A. members and others (researchers, historians, and scholars from various disciplines)-for now and for generations to come.

There is no doubt about it. We are going through a most challenging time in our history. We have been presented with a task of historic proportions, and we have responded with prompt and creative solutions. The solidity of the program of A.A. and the dedication and flexibility of its diverse members drives the success of our ongoing enterprise.

Please help us in making a lasting record of how our Wilmington Intergroup Area has continued to provide

services “Consistent with A.A.’s primary purpose of maintaining our sobriety and helping other alcoholics achieve recovery...” during this time of duress.

Your level of service could be anything from calling with an idea up to assisting with assembling the collection. Writing is not a necessary skill, and all offers of assistance will be appreciated. I welcome all contacts.

Examples: (Not limited to these, use your imagination)

Emailed announcements and fliers sent to groups and districts

Board, District, and Group Meeting Minutes

Schedules and dates of online activities

Personal recounts of your experience, strength, and hope

Celebrations you might have had as a group or individually

How you practiced the steps, and challenges you had

Stories about sponsorship

What got you through the dark times

If you need help with getting your information together Archives staff is there to help.

If you would like to be involved with this project please contact Ashley or Carol A. at Intergroup 910-794-1840 or by email at wilmingtonintergrouparchives@gmail.com.

