Group Inventory

The purpose of a group inventory is for the home group members to get together and determine how well the group is meeting its primary purpose; where it is doing well and where it can improve.

TRADITION FIVE — "Each group has but one primary purpose — to carry the message to the addict who still suffers?"

"What is our message? The message is that an addict, any addict, can stop using drugs, lose the desire to use, and find a new way to live. Our message is hope and the promise of freedom. When all is said and done, our primary purpose can only be to carry the message to the addict who still suffers because that is all we have to give." (Basic text 6^{th} Edition – pp 67 - 68)

- 1. How well are we carrying the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers?
- 2. Does your group make newcomers fell welcome? How or how not?
- 3. Does your group keep in mind that the newcomer is the most important person at any meeting? How or how not?
- 4. What more can we do as a group to carry the message?
- 5. What can we do to make new members feel more at home? Do we form into cliques or act indifferent to newcomers? Do new members stay with us?
- 6. Has the atmosphere of recovery in our meeting changed over the last year, either for better or worse?
- 7. Are you doing all you can to make the meeting place itself attractive to new people?
- 8. Does your group support the recommended NA fund flow system? If not, why not?
- 9. Is your meeting conducted in an atmosphere of unity?
- 10. Does your group present a clear NA message?
- 11. Does your group maintain "An Attitude of Gratitude"?
- 12. Do you encourage everyone to take part in your meetings?
- 13. Is the group attracting addicts from different backgrounds? Are you seeking a good cross-section of your community?
- 14. Do new members stick with you, or does the turnover seem excessive? If so, why? What can you do as a group to change this?
- 15. What more can your group do to carry the message?
- 16. Does your meeting format need any changes?
- 17. Are all of the service positions in your group filled? If so, are they rotated on a regular basis? If not, why not?
- 18. Are your business meetings productive and orderly?
- 19. Can you do anything to improve your business meetings?
- 20. Do you keep an adequate supply of literature?
- 21. Is the Seventh Tradition properly explained to the group ... where the money goes and what it gets used for? Is the money used accordingly?
- 22. Is the money passed on to Area after group expenses? If not, why not?
- 23. Do members of the group support the Area subcommittees and events?