**GEORGETOWN GROUP SPEAKER MEETING FORMAT**

**Revised July 25, 2022**

**Start the meeting:**

* Chairperson introduces themself and gives sobriety date.
* Open the meeting: To remind us of why we’re here, and to focus our thoughts on that purpose, please join me in a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer.

**Read the Preamble:**

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for AA membership, we are self-supporting through our own contributions.

AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

* This is an **OPEN** meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous. All are welcome.
* Please silence your cell phones.
* Announce that coffee is $.50 and water $.50 a bottle.
* Identify the male and female newcomer contacts.
* Ask if there any visitors or newcomers who like to introduce themselves.

**Offer a desire chip while reading:** I would like to offer a desire chip. This is an outward symbol of an inward desire to stay sober for 24 hours. Would anyone like one?

**Ask if anyone is celebrating 30, 60, 90 days, 6 or 9 months of continuous sobriety. (Hand out chips to those celebrating any of these milestones.)**

* Ask if anyone is celebrating an annual birthday. They will be recognized at birthday night which is celebrated the last Friday of the month at 8:00 PM.

**Have someone Read “How It Works” USING THE BIG BOOK pgs. 58-60. (NOTE: If possible, have a newcomer read this.)**

* I have asked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to read “How It Works” from the Big Book pages 58-60
* Chairperson will read the tradition of the month.

**INTRODUCE THE SPEAKER. (HAVE THEM FINISH FIVE MINUTES PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING END TIME.)**

**After speaker is finished:**

* Pass the basket and remind everyone that the 7th Tradition states, “Every AA Group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” A $2 or $3 contribution is encouraged. If this your first meeting, it’s on us.
* Offer another desire chip.
* Remind members of the service opportunities on the whiteboard.
* Literature on the shelf is available for purchase. If you wish to purchase literature, please see the chairperson after the meeting.
* Read announcements for events taking place in the next 30 days. For all other announcements have people look at the bulletin boards. Also ask for any other AA-related announcements.
* **Ask for a show of hands of those willing to be sponsors.**
* Please clean up behind yourself**.**
* “Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.” Who you see here, what you hear here, when you leave here, let it stay here.
* Close with the Lord’s Prayer.

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