

## **TRADITION 4 CHECKLIST FROM THE AA GRAPEVINE**

**Tradition Four: 4. With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those groups ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individual should ever take any action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole without conferring with the Trustees of the General Service Board. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.**

- 1. Do I insist that there are only a few right ways of doing things in AA?**
- 2. Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA? Of nearby groups? Of Loners in Alaska? Of Internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?**
- 3. Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?**
- 4. Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?**
- 5. Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths—his lengths, not mine—to stay sober?**
- 6. Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?**