



Twelve Traditions of Cobblers Corner

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on groups unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or Cobblers Corner as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
6. An recovery group ought never endorse, finance, or lend Cobblers Corners name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every recovery group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Cobblers Corners should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. Cobblers Corner, as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Cobblers Corner has no opinion on outside issues; hence the Cobblers Corner name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.