aaHG Preamble/Intro

(The Chair is responsible for finding readers, if applicable,)

Welcome to an HOME GROUP.ORG (Meeting/Topic/Hour) This is an open meeting of alcoholics anonymous and all are welcome here, especially newcomers. We are here for you 24 hours 7 days a week. Let's open this meeting with a moment of silence followed by (prayer of your choice)

A.A. PREAMBLE:

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people 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 A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. 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.

GROUP CONSCIENCE:

A Group Conscience meeting is where all members of a Home Group come together to discuss issues and/or ideas. Our next Group Conscience will be **Saturday April 27th 11AM EST.** Agenda will be posted on aaHG website in advance of the meeting.

You are ALL welcome to join in. To connect to the meeting, click on the "Group Conscience & Training Room" button on our main page!

TRADITION 7:

Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions. aaHomeGroup is seeking 7th tradition contributions as we are in need of funds to support our basic expenses including zoom operational costs, web hosting, and Big Book program. Please go to www.aaHomegroup.org and click on the 7th tradition link to contribute via Venmo or PayPal. Now is a great time to give back to aaHomeGroup.

SAFETY:

Here at aaHome Group we take the safety of our meetings and platform seriously. In addition to being guided by the traditions, this group follows zoom community standards and AA safety guidelines. If you have any concerns or questions about safety, or are reached out to inappropriately, please reach out to a host or cohost. And, as always, anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all of our traditions, so who you see here, what you hear here, when you leave here, let it stay here

SERVICE:

If you would like to do service on our platform please visit the service tab on our website to fill out our service member volunteer form, or reach out to a host or cohost for more information. We require service members to have 60 days of sobriety to join the service team. Next Service Training Module 1 - Friday April 5th 8PM EST & Module 2 - Saturday April 6th 2PM EST. Please check the aaHomeGroup website under the 'service' tab for a list of upcoming training dates and times. You can also email service@aahomegroup.org with any questions. Also if anyone wants to know what Service is all about, Please join us at any Module 1 training.

AAHG Newsletter:

The Trudge AAHG official newsletter Issue #3 is posted on the website:

https://tinyurl.com/3npdp5p7

OUR NEXT ISSUE: COUNTDOWN TO SUMMER

In addition to submissions of personal stories of ESH, we are looking for articles on

- Coping Strategies for Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Graduation Celebrations
- Your Favorite Sober Hobbies
- Staying on the Beam in the Summer Time

We also welcome questions for our advice columns – "Ask an Elder Statesperson" and "Newcomer Corner."

Submit Newsletter questions and/or submissions to: communications@aahomegroup.org

SPONSORSHIP:

A sponsor is someone who has worked the steps who helps guide us through the steps and the book "Alcoholics Anonymous." If you are willing to sponsor feel free to post that in chat and if you are in need of a sponsor please post that in chat as well.

In the Chat: If you have 90 days or less of sobriety OR are celebrating an AA birthday, please type your first name & day count in the chat Ask to Raise Hand: Please raise your hand if you have 90 days or less, or are celebrating an AA Birthday. You will be called to share your day count in just a moment. (Anyone with hands raised from last meeting, please lower them until after the newcomers are introduced) Ask Participant to Read HIW/12 Steps Etc... Welcome the Newcomers

OPTIONAL TO SAY BEFORE GOING TO HANDS

Cross talk during an AA meeting is giving advice to others who have already shared, speaking directly to another person rather than to the group, negatively commenting on another's share, or questioning/criticizing /arguing with a person.