

## **Conference Steps and Traditions Committee (CSTC)**

You have probably heard that S.L.A.A. is in the process of creating a 12 & 12 Book for our Fellowship. If you would like to stay informed about the work that is being done and the progress as it is being made, please send me your email address and I will set up a distribution list. (All email addresses will be kept confidential via a blind CC). This group will be known as “Friends of the 12 and 12 Book Project.”

To join this email list send your email address along with your first name and last initial (add your location or phone if you’d like) to [steps\\_traditions@slaafws.org](mailto:steps_traditions@slaafws.org) with a request to become a CSTC “Friend” or send your request through the S.L.A.A. FWS website's Contact Us / Conference Committees / CSTC Committee page.

You may also include questions, comments and suggestions in your email.

Respectfully submitted in service,  
Ava M.  
CSTC Chair

### **So What Is Going on with the 12 & 12 Book Project?**

At last year's ABM a **Professional Literature Task Force** was formed to work on the process detailing how professional literature would be developed as well as a financial plan to pay for the expenses. The group is nearing a point where they will be ready to submit plans to the Board of Trustees.

The **12 & 12 Book Project Subcommittee** of the CSTC set up three goals for the year:

- 1) Coordinate with the Professional Literature Task Force
- 2) Keep the fellowship informed
- 3) Continue to collect sharing sheets

To help keep the fellowship informed, the subcommittee has collected 12 anonymous sample sharing sheets. These have been approved by the subcommittee and permission granted from the authors. Look for these on the SLAA website where sharing sheets may be submitted.

This “Friends” email distribution list is another way to keep the fellowship informed. If you would like to be on the list, have them send an email to [steps\\_traditions@slaafws.org](mailto:steps_traditions@slaafws.org).

In an effort to meet the third goal of continuing to collect sharing sheets, the committee is experimenting with “Collective Effort Sharing Sheets.” An example of how this has worked is that in a meeting, the leader announces that the topic will be Tradition X. As the group discusses this Tradition, someone takes notes, types them up and submits them as a sharing sheet, not from one person but from a group. These are being incorporated into area retreats and workshops as well. All members of the fellowship are encouraged to experiment with these.

To date, one Intergroup has held a Traditions Writing Workshop. Several successful workshops were held for Steps in the past and hopefully this idea will catch on since our greatest need now is for more Tradition sharing sheets.

Thank you for your interest and please use the email address above to submit any questions you may have.

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