

BC/YUKON ARCHIVES QUESTIONNAIRE

RE: INDIVIDUAL PERSONAL HISTORY

...How did you yourself get to AA?

...Where did you hear about It?

...Did you have a sponsor? If so, how did it help you as a Newcomer?

...What contributions did you yourself make to the Fellowship's growth and don't be unnecessarily modest

...When was AA started in your town or area? Where were meetings held? Homes? Churches?

...By whom? Were there early members who especially contributed to the growth and success of the Group?

...How were they started? i.e. Offshoot of the Parent Group? Quarrel or split with the first or main Group? One person starting Group?

...What was AA like in the early days in your area?

...How did you contact new members? How was 12th Step work done?

...Did you seek co-operation of local community and professional agencies? Ministers? Doctors? Law enforcement agencies?

...Who were the Founders and Group Officers of the early Groups?

...How often were meetings held? What kind of meeting format was used? (Speakers? Open Meetings? Closed Discussion? Any Public Meetings held?)

...Were there any special problems that arose during the early years - growing pains, etc.?

...What was the Group's first name? Did it change? If so, when? Was there more than one change of name? What is the present name of the Group?

...Do you know how the first Group was received by the community when it was started?

...Do you think you're Group or Groups has/have had Influence in your community? Has the attitude of your local professional people, particularly towards alcoholism, been changed by contact with the local members?

...Conferences or Conventions held? When started? How often held? Well attended?

...Does your Group read the Preamble? AA... What It Is? Only for Newcomers? Hardly ever? Never? Why?

...Does your Group insist on Group Treasury accountability?

..When did a Clubhouse (if you have one) start? Under what circumstances? Did any problems develop? How were they resolved?

..Was there any opposition to AA or Intergroup feuds in your area? If so, please elaborate?

...Do you celebrate Anniversaries? Individual and Group? How?

...Is there Al-Anon in your community? Good relations? Alateen?

...Have you experienced growth In your Group? In your Area? Who approaches AA today? More young people? Women? Minorities? Are all made welcome? Are there any special problems?

..."Outside Agencies" In your Area? What is your relationship with it (them)? Many referrals? Any problems with these?

...Do you participate In Provincial or Regional get-togethers? Conventions? Conferences? Forums? Service Assemblies or Workshops? Etc.

...How has AA changed, (if it has) since you first encountered it?

...How can G.S.O., the Area or District help more? Please explain.

...Do you approve of Area/District Committee activities? PI/CPC Committee/Institutions Committee? Etc.

...Does your Group approve and take part in District/Area activities? If not, why not?

...Is your Group changing? In what way?

...What would be the "Ideal" group?

...How can "Carrying the Message" best be achieved?

...How could most Groups improve appreciably?

...What Is the main "Handicap" within your Group?

..What is its main attribute?

...How does your group handle "slips"?

...From your long-term sobriety perspective, what is most essential towards continuous sobriety? Please elaborate.

...What constitutes the best 12th Step work? Who is best qualified?

...Do Newcomers receive enough emphasis to enable them to decide if they really are an alcoholic, or are they rushed into the first three Steps too rapidly? Should Chapter III (first few pages) be read In these cases? State opinions and recommendations.

...Are appropriate A.A. Pamphlets given to the Newcomer? List of Names (Group members)