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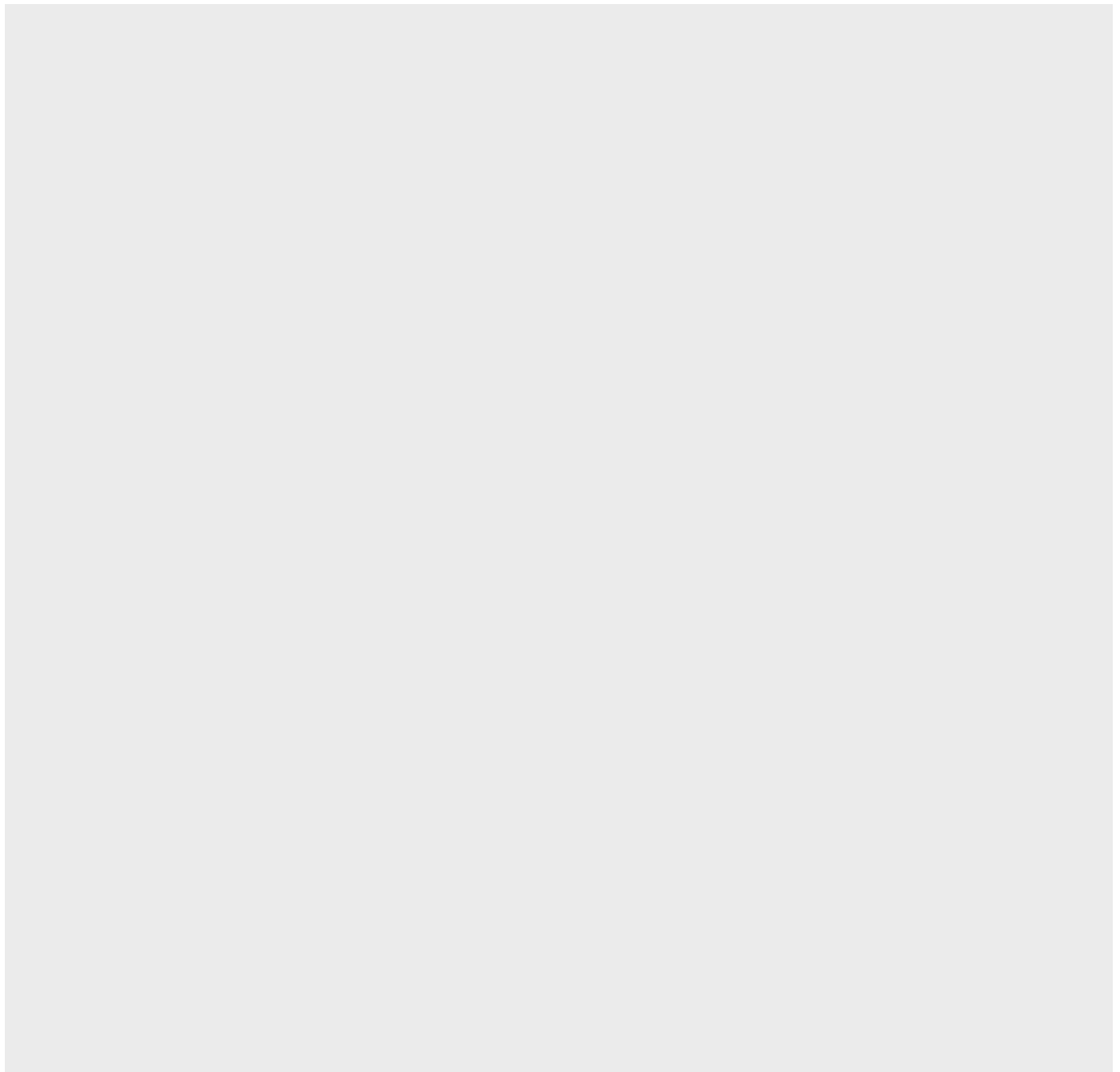
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**2020 World Service Convention: Save the Date and Register for Email Updates**

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Sunshine of the Spirit: 60 Years Around the Sun!



The 2020 World Service Convention is **twelve short months away**. Have you saved the date? Block your calendar from August 20–22, 2020, and **sign up to receive email updates** about registration (opening in January), special hotel rates, the master schedule, and much more. Send an email to [conventioninfo@oa.org](mailto:conventioninfo@oa.org) and include your full name (first and last name) and either your US state/territory of residence or your country. Your information will be kept confidential to the World Service Office. **Sign up today!**

Sign up for Convention updates by email

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**Seventh Tradition of OA Pamphlet Update: US\$5 Suggested Meeting Contribution**

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SUPPORTING GROUPS AND  
SERVICE BODIES

## Seventh Tradition of OA

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*Every OA group ought to be  
fully self-supporting, declining  
outside contributions.*



In March 2019, the Board of Trustees voted to **increase the suggested meeting contribution to US\$5**. This decision was made to account for inflation and OA's increased reliance on oa.org, social media tools, and other information technology to **carry worldwide our message of recovery through OA's Twelve Steps**. Today, the *Seventh Tradition of OA* pamphlet has been updated to include the US\$5 suggested contribution.

**Replace your current stock of pamphlets** with the new version. [Download a PDF](#) from the "Group Treasurer Materials" section of the [Documents page](#) at oa.org or [contact the World Service Office](#) for assistance in updating your translated version.

[Download the new Seventh Tradition of OA pamphlet \(PDF file\)](#)

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## Apply to the Delegate Support Fund

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Intergroups and service boards can apply for **delegate support funding** for World Service Business Conference 2020! Applications and complete paperwork **must be received by the region board for that delegate** by October 1, 2019, and next received by the World Service Office no later than November 1, 2019.

**It is critically important for the strength of OA worldwide** that the voice of OA's entire community be heard at Conference. Decisions affecting OA for years to come are made each year at WSBC, and input is needed from all service bodies so that these decisions are truly representative of OA as a whole.

Download the [Delegate Support Fund application](#) from the [WSBC page](#) or from the [Documents page](#) under "World Service Business Conference: Frequently Used Documents" (click the "Delegate Support Fund Application" link).

[Download the Delegate Support fund application \(DOCX file\)](#)

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## Important Dates and Deadlines

Find and submit information about local OA events to OA's [Event Calendar](#).

### Fellowship Day

#### August 17–18

[Sponsorship Day](#) Join your local OA members as we recognize the importance of sponsorship for our recovery.

### World Service

#### August 16

WSBC 2019 Final Conference Report posted to WSBC web page.

#### September 9

WSBC 2020 First Conference e-Documents posted to WSBC web page.

#### October 1

WSBC 2020 [Delegate Support Fund applications](#) due to region boards.

Translation Assistance Fund [applications](#) due to WSO.

#### November 1

WSBC 2020 [Delegate Support Fund applications](#) due to the World Service Office.

### Lifeline Magazine

#### September 15

[How OA Changed My Life](#) Describe life before and after being in OA and share your threefold recovery.

[My OA Birthday](#) OA's 60th birthday will be celebrated January 18–19, 2020. Share about your OA birthday—what it took to reach this milestone and its significance for you.

[Departments](#) Send your contributions for Bits and Bites, Step Study (Step One), Living Traditions (Tradition One), Newcomers Corner, Service and Recovery, and Share It.

Send your story to [info@oa.org](mailto:info@oa.org) with subject "Lifeline." Download our [Writers' Guidelines](#) for more information.

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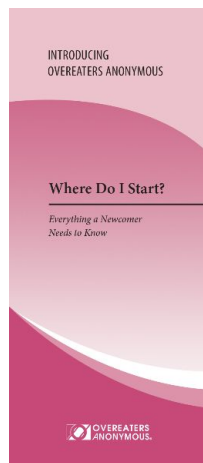
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## UPDATED: *Strong Meeting Checklist* and *OA Group Inventory*



Is your meeting safe for all members? This question has been added to the [Strong Meeting Checklist](#) and to Part 1 of the [OA Group Inventory](#). Other questions in these documents have been reordered and rewritten for clarity. Download them now to **replace your older versions of these documents**.

## Newcomer Pamphlet Translations Expanded



OA is carrying the message to newcomers worldwide! Now *Where Do I Start?*, OA's essential newcomer pamphlet is available in **Mongolian, Serbian, and Zulu!**

[More literature in more languages](#) means more OA meetings and recovery around the globe. To request translation or licensing for *Where Do I Start?* [contact the World Service Office](#) or your region trustee.

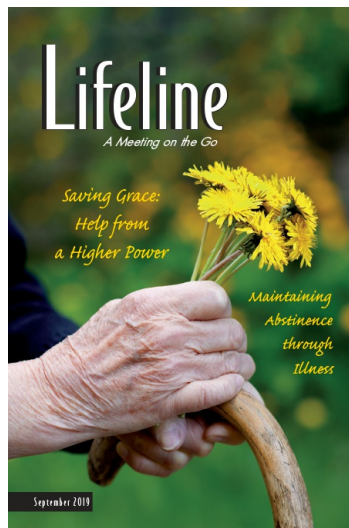
## Apply for Translation Funds by October 1



Anyone in OA can help translate literature into other languages. The easiest way is to donate to OA's Translation Assistance Fund by going to [oa.org/contribute](http://oa.org/contribute) and selecting the fund in the Designation Menu. Another way is to apply for help from OA's Translation Assistance Fund. [Applications](#) for the next round of funding are due **October 1, 2019**. For more information about translating OA literature, visit the [Literature Translations page](#).

Click Here to  
Find a Meeting

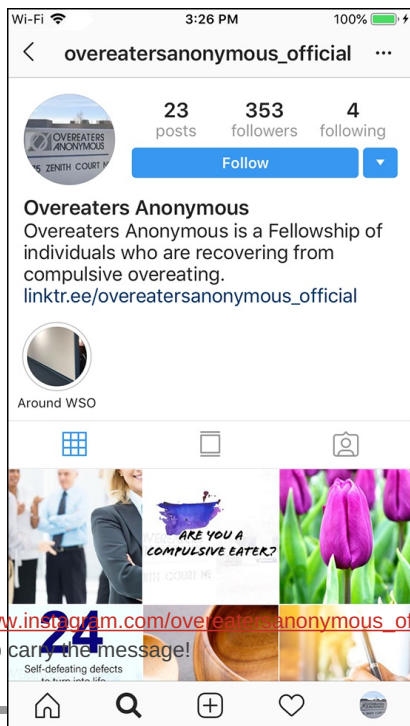
Subscribe by August 20 to Get the September Issue of  
*Lifeline*



You'll find inspiration and strong recovery in the September issue of *Lifeline*. Read about the lengths members have gone to remain abstinent, including one member who overcame a badly flooded apartment, record snowfall, and his own chronic health problems and stayed abstinent through it all. In his own words, "I took things one day at a time, sometimes **part of a day at a time**, and continually turned my will over to the care of God." You'll also read wonderful, tangible stories of **Higher Power helping** in a time of need. It's all in the September issue. [Click here to subscribe](#) by Tuesday, August 20, so you don't miss it!

[OA event info?](#)  
Find details or submit your own to Event Calendar at [oa.org](http://oa.org).

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