

Trustee Line – Current Issue

August 2023

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1. BOT Agenda for Chicago:

August 9, 2023 -9:30 pm

Item 23. CURRENT LITERATURE

Combo Book – Inside Front Cover – Poem under the Table of Contents – Wording in the

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poem.

Current Version: I sought my soul, But could not see, I sought my God, But He eluded me, I sought my brothers and sisters, and found all three.

Proposed Version: I sought my soul. But could not see, I sought my God, And He led me, To my brothers and sisters, which unlocked the key.

Jerry P. – Area 8 – Chicago, Illinois

Published poem of William Blake (11-28-1757 TO 8-12- 1827)

“I sought my soul, But my soul I could not see. I sought my God, But my God eluded me. I sought my brother, And I found all three.”

Do we acknowledge the original poem and not change it? Do we use the intended version of the author? (I fully understand that the poem is in the public domain).

Bill B – Past Trustee Area: 6 (was a Trustee in NJ)- State: FL

2. Is it Gambling?

August 9, 2023-9:30 pm

Someone sent me the following email and I decided to post it here for your opinions.

Please respond to Anonymous

I have a friend who just came back to the program, and has been trying to be a professional pickle ball player. This is not his career or source of income, he has a successful full time job. He just enjoys the athletic competition and wants to see how good he can be. With pickle ball you have to enter tournaments to increase your ranking. The tournaments charge an entrance fee and the winners get a cash prize and trophies. Some in the meeting have said that this is gambling, for me I don't agree with that but I wanted to get your opinion. If the answer to the above statements are that you think it is gambling how would your opinion change if;

1. someone else paid the entrance fee?
2. If any money were won and it were donated to charity or forfeited all together?

Thanks,
Anonymous

Andy R – Past Trustee – Area: 13B-South Jersey

August 13, 2023 – 11:00pm

My knee-jerk response to this question has always been “If you have to ask...”. But I think this question deserves a better answer. To me, compulsive gambling has always been more about the “action” than the end result. Whether or not what he is doing meets the accepted definition of gambling for the compulsive gambler is the least of his problems. EVEN IF someone paid his entry fees, and EVEN IF he gave away anything he won, he is still “in action” IMHO. And for a compulsive gambler, any kind of “action”, even friendly competition, can be a harbinger of bad things.

Jack R. – Current Trustee -Area: 1A -California

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