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## Trustee Line for November 2017

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## Thoughts From The Trustees - Current and Past

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### Pressure Relief

11/18/17 - 1:38 PM

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters,

Given the discussion at our Fall Trustee meeting in Ontario, and the decision of the Board that conducting of Pressure Relief Group meetings should be temporarily suspended, I'm wondering whether we should also recommend that when reading from our Combo Book, all groups should skip the reading of #7 on Page 17.

It strikes me as contradictory to "encourage" every member to have something that we don't currently condone.

Any thoughts?

Your friend in recovery,

John B. - Area 13

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11/18/17 - 5:44 PM

Since Pressure Relief is more than just financial, leave page 17 how it is.

When I've been questioned on this matter, I tell members (as discussed in Ontario) that we can help with other matters than need "pressure relief".

Phil S. - Area 13

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11/19/17 - 6:21 PM

I sat through the entire discussion regarding Pressure Relief and nowhere did I hear that we were "temporarily suspending" Pressure Relief Group Meetings. What I did hear was that we were "temporarily suspending" conducting Pressure Relief Group Meetings using GA-approved literature but we could continue conducting them the old-fashioned way... with paper and pencil using the "concepts" of pressure relief. Can someone from the Executive Team please elaborate?

Thanks!

Jack R. - Area 1A

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11/20/17 - 1:29 AM

Hi John,

I was in Ontario, and it was my understanding from the discussion and decisions of the BOT that we are still allowed to conduct pressure relief group meetings with members. What we are not allowed to use are the forms and literature as they are currently being "updated".

Meetings in Los Angeles are still encouraging pressure relief, and we still continue to read what the Combo Book says on page 17.

Happy holidays!

Steve F. - Area 1, Past Trustee, Los Angeles

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