

MAICO

GAAZETTE Editorial Policy

The mission of MAICO (Madison Area Intergroup Central Office) is to help A.A. groups within its service area (South Central Wisconsin) carry the A.A. message. MAICO helps coordinate and facilitate communication and cooperation among individual A.A. groups, area 12-step and other committees, and components of the A.A. service structure. MAICO provides needed services that are beyond the scope and ability of any individual A.A. group, and is at all times responsible to the groups it serves.

MAICO publishes a newsletter called "The MAICO GAAzette" which may include articles that reflect the full diversity of experience and opinion found within the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous. No one viewpoint or philosophy dominates its pages, and in determining the editorial content, the editors rely on principles of the Twelve Traditions.

The heart of the GAAzette is in the shared experience of the individual AA members working the AA program and applying the spiritual principles of the Twelve Steps. Yet what works for one individual or AA group may not always work for another. For this reason, from time to time, articles may be published that appear to contradict one another. Seeking neither to gloss over difficult issues, nor to present such issues in a harmful or contentious manner, the GAAzette tries to embody the widest possible view of the AA Fellowship.

The Charter of the General Service Conference guarantees the Central Office and thus the "The MAICO GAAzette" editor's right to accept or reject material for publication. MAICO staff and/or steering committee members evaluate articles and, while some editing is done for purposes of clarity, style and length, the editors encourage all writers to express their own experience in their own unique way.

Articles are not intended to be statements of AA policy, nor does publication of any article constitute endorsement by either Alcoholics Anonymous or MAICO. Articles are invited, although no payment can be made nor can material be returned.