

Technology Chair Report – February 19, 2021

Tech Updates

- In January and February, the incoming Tech Committee members conducted several informative “knowledge transfer” sessions with the prior Tech Chair.
- As part of the Suffolk General Service (SGS) officer rotation, email accounts were transitioned to the new officers. All officers should use their SGS address for all SGS communications, avoiding personal email accounts.
- Officers and Committee Chairs who would like their minutes added to the SGS website should email a .PDF version to web@asuffolks-ny.org at their earliest convenience.
- We have a good team of people, but we could always use more help! Please email web@asuffolks-ny.org if you or someone you know has some tech skills and would like to participate on the web committee.

Online 7th Tradition Contributions

- Individuals and groups can directly make 7th Tradition contributions on our secured website, using either a credit card, Pay Pal, or a bank account. It is a safe, easy, and efficient process. Visit <https://asuffolks-ny.org/contribute/> to make your contribution today.

Email Communications

- **Please join the Suffolk County General Service emailing list tonight** by visiting <https://asuffolks-ny.org/subscribe/> and entering your email address (required). You will receive an email to confirm your subscription to the list, and as a further security measure you will be asked to confirm your humanity by checking a box. Members can unsubscribe from the list by either clicking the appropriate “unsubscribe from this list” link at the bottom of any email received from Suffolk GS, or by visiting <https://asuffolks-ny.org/unsubscribe/>.
- Please whitelist the sender Suffolk General Service sgsmail@asuffolks-ny.org to ensure delivery and that messages do not end up in your junk or spam folders.

12 Statements of Technology <https://naatw.org/12-statements-of-technology/> (From the National AA Technology Workshop)

1. We suggest implementing technology where it supports our primary purpose of carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
2. We are responsible and assess value when using self-support funds for technology initiatives.
3. We are responsible where anonymity is more vulnerable to a wider audience with increased speed or new sensation.
4. An informed group conscience is paramount to technology decision-making.
5. We strive to understand where Individual versus Group values are different.
6. We perform due diligence and rely on demonstrable A.A. experience.
7. We record non-technical requirements before making technology choices.
8. We take care to understand the property value and legal implications of technology used for A.A. purposes before making binding decisions.
9. We are responsible for transparency in discovery, process, & implementation.
10. We use technology to make information available, not to limit it.
11. We communicate and support the intended service level.
12. We consider how best to Pass it On.

SGS web guidelines: <https://asuffolks-ny.org/web-guidelines/>