

This is Zoie, the new GSR Archives Chair. I am thinking about hosting a workshop or GSR event at the end of September or beginning of November called, "Transitioning Back Into The Rooms." Why that title? Because after going through the pandemic and being on Zoom, all groups now are going back in person, and for the first and fourth traditions, and the first tradition states, "our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to stay sober," but if you read the whole tradition, our common welfare comes first, thus each group has to transition back into the rooms, making sure they place the safety of other alcoholics in mind first, through following NY state guidelines, wearing masks, not wearing masks, taking temperatures at the door, serving coffee at meetings, not serving coffee at meetings, etc.. And as for the fourth tradition, "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole. Every group has their own rules, or shall I say their own guidelines in going back in person. Everyone has the choice to which what group they feel more comfortable in attending. Say a group doesn't have other alcoholics wearing masks, and the alcoholic feels uncomfortable, they can attend a meeting that has a mask requirement. Also, I am willing to find the first group that went back in person and how they transitioned back into the rooms. I would get a few chair people from groups to speak. I would also get a speaker to speak on how they transitioned going back in person using Hybrid meetings. This pandemic changed AA. Zoom changed AA. But now we are transitioning and going back to the rooms. Some alcoholics started on zoom. It would be so cool to get a alcoholic to speak who started their sobriety on zoom and now they are in the rooms in person. I can go on and on. I am going to Greece on August 9th, and coming back September 13th but I am taking my laptop with me and my mom has WIFI at her house in Greece so I can get get a committee with your approval and help, and I would also need technical help, and pull this workshop or event together while I am away. Also I was thinking the end of September or November because SIA does the Shareathon in which I am on the committee because I am on the Shareathon committee every year and this year I am co-hosting it, and the Big Meeting is in December. I was thinking of having this workshop at the SIA office on a Saturday morning with a brunch but if you think it would be successful it could be a event with lunch and all, and my stepfather owns a deli so getting food won't be a problem. My service email is archives@aasuffolkgs-ny.org. Please email me and tell me what you think.