

**From:** Call Squad Oversight Team (CSOT) and FWS Intergroup Call Squad Contacts  
**To:** S.L.A.A. Intergroup and Group Contacts  
**Date:** November 13, 2009  
**Re:** November/December 2009 Intergroup Discussion Items

**Dear Intergroup and Group Contacts,**

The holiday season is nearly upon us, but our dis-ease never takes a break. It is a wonderful gift you give to get the word out to the intergroups and groups to help the addict who still suffers. Your service to pass on this information helps S.L.A.A. continue to carry the message. We hope that wherever the holiday season finds you, your heart is filled with peace and serenity. Thank you for your service.

**Money Matters Update** - The FWS offices are now closed on Fridays due to a decrease in contributions from our membership. The FWS Office is the direct line to all S.L.A.A. intergroups, groups and individual members world-wide. The main responsibility of FWS is to carry the message- to help the addict who still suffers through distributing literature, coordinating business, supporting committees and communicating to all groups! The FWS Office is the arms and legs of our organization. Your individual meetings are the heart of our organization. Anytime, someone acts from their heart, the results are phenomenal!

**Service is gratitude in motion. Please help us keep the message moving around the world** by increasing your contributions in whatever way you possibly can right now. That includes time *or* money. As a fellowship, we cannot afford to lose momentum. Too many people need our help. Please consider intergroup contributions and members may set up recurring contributions through automated debits or credit cards (monthly) through [www.slaafws.org](http://www.slaafws.org). Those of us who are low on funds can help out just as much by joining our committees and serving there to get the message out to more addicts who still suffer. This is not just about money. This is a matter of the heart! Pump up the volume! This is a "we" program. We can do this if WE all pitch in.

#### **Preparing for the 2010 ABC/M**

The 2010 Annual Business Conference/Meeting (ABC/M) will be held in San Antonio, Texas August 10-13<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday-Friday) at the Hilton San Antonio Airport Hotel (see attached flyers in color and black/white for copying and distribution).

Normally intergroups world-wide begin planning for the ABC/M in January and February 2010 by electing or confirming delegates. The schedule of deadlines for the 2010 Annual Business Conference/Meeting (ABC/M) will be determined in the coming month and distributed in January 2010 as well as posted on the FWS website.

**Nominating BOT Candidates** - It is not too early to start thinking about candidates for the Board of Trustees. Leadership of S.L.A.A. is best served by groups sending good candidates for the Board. Please distribute this candidate flyer at your group/intergroup meetings.

Last month we asked intergroup contacts to find out for us, "**What can FWS, the Board or Conference do for you?**" (The Conference comprises delegates, the Journal editor, FWS staff, and the BOT). The 19 Conference Committees meet to discuss projects, budgets and ABM agenda items. Examples include: an internet committee, an anorexia committee, a diversity committee, a translations committee, a literature committee, and the Journal Committee. Fellowship Wide Services (FWS) includes the business work of the S.L.A.A. Corporation, they distribute literature, answer phones and are often the first contact new members have with our fellowship. The Board of Trustees is the service body of volunteers who manage the corporation. In order for these groups to be responsible to those they serve, they must hear from the groups and members of the fellowship.

Once again, we cannot say enough about how your service efforts help to keep the Fellowship informed so that the addict can find recovery in S.L.A.A. Thank you!

**In service,  
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