SERVICE

Service at the convention takes us on a wonderful journey of recovery here is one member's experience with service:

Before OA, I didn't like people. Or didn't trust them, unless they could do something that benefits me, I didn't want anything to do with people.

After OA, with the love of my "people", I realized I am a convention person. Or at least an OA convention person. (Work conventions? No thanks).

Why do I like conventions? They are places where people come to recover. If they have recovery, they come away with stronger recovery.

OA conventions speak to me, they tell me stories that lead me to strengthen who I am as a person.

My Higher Power has a sense of humor. After COVID, the costs of recording our conventions increased by a factor of three. It would cost at least $200 for each member to purchase convention audio files.

So, my service at this time was to manually record these sessions by ourselves. We would go around, recording each session, downloading and editing them. These files are being viewed by thousands of OA members worldwide. And we did it for free.

I've been doing this service for a few years. It's time to turn it over. Because of this, I was able to teach a couple of really busy members to do this service during convention. While I would not necessarily listen to all sessions, my service means I "have" to! What a blessing.

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