# Promises



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'Expanding Conscious Contact'
workshop notes submitted by a member:

"In the quiet of the morning hour I come
to you for peace.

Give me the power to view the world today through
love-filled eyes. Help me be patient, gentle, wise;
to see beyond what seems to be;
O clothe me in your beauty,
this I pray —

give me the grace
to do your will today."

from Lifeline Sampler, June 1979, page 59

Our Higher Power has to big enough for the entire world and small enough for the individual *OA* member. Food is no longer our Higher Power.

Some writing suggestions included: keeping a 'Sunshine' Journal' - of prayers asked, prayers answered, and prayers not yet answered; writing 'Dear God' letters; and composing simple 'thank you



prayers' - such as 'Thank you God for doctors, for the medical staff, and for medical technology.'

When worrying about a decision - one member asks herself - "What happened with the last decision I had to make? Didn't HP get me through that one? Didn't I trust and rely on God?

Step Eleven offers us unconditional acceptance and a relationship with our Higher Power.

Our Higher Power will show us the way even if it is painful.

We can always pray for grace, gratitude, and forgiveness. One act of gratitude can make a difference in our day.

Members were encouraged not to deny themselves access to -- or cut themselves off from -- a Higher Power.



FAITH = Finding Answers in the Heart

FAITH = For All I Trust HP

PAUSE = Pray and Use Step Eleven

**PAUSE** = Pray and Use Spiritual Energy

HOPE = Hang On Pain EndsGOD = Great Out DoorsGOD = Gift of Discipline

**GOD** = Good Orderly Direction

**GOD** = Gift of Desperation

What is YOUR favorite Program acronym or saying? Share it with our members by submitting it by email to



NHIPROMISES@OANEWHAMPSHIRE.ORG



#### ROOTED IN RECOVERY

Region 6 Convention White Plains, NY October 18—20, 2019

Come join us for a weekend of

recovery from the disease of compulsive eating! The Convention offers workshops, keynote speakers, and opportunities to deepen our program. For more info, go to: <a href="http://oaregion6.org/2019/">http://oaregion6.org/2019/</a>



Celebrate OA's 60th anniversary at the 2020 World Service Convention in Orlando, FL, August 20-22. To stay up to date on the latest details, check out the Convention page or sign up to receive email updates at conventioninfo@oa.org



#### NEXT NHI BUSINESS MEETINGS

Sunday, Oct 6 & Sunday, Nov 3, 2019

2pm - 3:30pm

NHTI, Concord NH

Sweeney Hall/Room 210

## Upcoming 2019-2020 NHI BUSINESS MEETINGS

We welcome any member who would like to attend.

All meetings take place on Sundays from

2pm-3:30pm Sweeney Hall, NHTI Concord, NH

November 3, 2019	March 8, 2020
December 8, 2019	April 5, 2020
January 5, 2020	May 3, 2020
February 2, 2020	June 7, 2020

Business meetings are not held in Jul or Aug



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June & July 2019 7 <sup>th</sup> TRADITION DONATIONS					
Group name	Number	Amount			
Derry Thu 10am	40908	\$96.00			
Hollis Sun 5pm	46146	\$34.00			
Nashua Thu 5:30pm	52022	\$31.80			
Total		\$161.80			

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whole. Please submit all articles and notices to the Promises newsletter by the 20th of the month. Articles may be submitted online by using our Promises Submission form



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### Step 10

"Continued to take personal inventory and, when we were wrong, promptly admitted it."



The 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous