

LITERATURE COMMITTEE REPORT ON JUNE 2020 ACTIVITY (SUBMITTED FOR JULY 2020 TELECONFERENCE)

Call for Literature Committee Volunteers

Literature needs for adult children are on the rise. We also have several exciting projects in the works to help meet those needs. We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- TRANSLATING
- WRITING
- EDITING
- PROOFREADING
- ILLUSTRATING
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VIDEOGRAPHY
- GRAPHIC DESIGN AND LAYOUT

June Highlights

The Literature evaluation subcommittee has finalized and approved a new draft policy for fellowship review and Conference approval of new ACA literature. The draft is being forwarded to the Board of Trustees for action.

Current Literature Projects

Ready, Set, GO!! (RSG). Ready, Set, Go!! is a workshop guide authorized by the 2018 ABC. The book was originally created by members of the West Great Lakes ACA Intergroup, as a four-part introductory meeting to ACA's 12 Steps. We also happy to announce that the *Ready, Set, GO!!* is in final editorial review. E-book and/or print production is scheduled to begin in late spring of 2020.

We anticipate having *RSG* ready for distribution in 2020.

RSG is adapted for a several workshop / study group scenarios:

- it can be used for one-day workshops
- it can be used in multi-part in-person and telephone meetings

A big lesson in developing this project is how challenging it can be to cover a four-part project in a single day. Thanks to the efforts of Toni P, Matt K, and other field-testing volunteers, the final one-day module testing is complete.

Closed Registered Online/Phone Meetings are still available for field testing. These sessions are offered as two 6-week sessions with screensharing. The workshop introduces the ACA program, the ACA 12 Steps, and a special *Ready Set GO!!* Inner Child Workshop, "Awakening My Little One."

Please direct any questions for this workshop to: acatoni5617@comcast.net

The "Ready, Set, GO!!" workshops are sponsored by the West Great Lakes ACA Intergroup IL#70. Field testing has been ongoing as ACA WSO Conference-Approved Literature. All content is ©ACA WSO INC. and is authorized for internal ACA Use only.

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ACA Bill of Rights. A draft of the ACA Bill of Rights has been completed and is in the process of being posted on the free downloadable literature page. It will enter an extended period of soliciting fellowship comments.

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The Loving Parent Guidebook is an expanded, experiential book to support BRB Chapter 8. We are preparing this book for beta release in the summer or fall of 2020.

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Getting Started (LBRB). The *Getting Started (LBRB)* The revision team for this project comprises original authors. The revision team meet 3-4 times a month to engage in an active process of editing and revision.

For information on this project, please contact Ralph B. via slack.

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Working an ACA Program with Others (Sponsorship Task Force). This group is developing language to support the unique ACA sponsorship models of fellow travelers. The current draft contains a complete table of contents, as well as a note on terminology. explains the range and types of working with others.

For more information, contact Justine F. on Slack.

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Spirituality in Literature. This Literature subcommittee study group focuses on how ACA discusses God and spirituality in its fellowship texts. The group is reviewing existing ACA literature and considering alternative ways to discuss ACA's spiritual dimension that are inclusive of all religious traditions, as well as those who are agnostic or atheists.

For information, please send an email to litchair@acawso.org, or contact the meeting facilitator, Lou B., via Slack.

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Please be aware that to participate in any Literature Development Subcommittee project, we must have received your completed, signed Nondisclosure Agreement (NDA) prior to the project launch. A nondisclosure agreement can be downloaded from http://www.repository.adultchildren.org/images/literature/ACAWSO_NonDisclosure_.pdf.

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TRANSLATIONS. International demand for literature is growing. Several groups are translating core literature into the languages of their childhood. New core literature that is offered for free download is uploaded when it becomes available. Resources for translation committees is available at <https://acawso.org/literature-translations/>. The Literature Committee is currently seeking a new Translation Subcommittee chair. Expressions of interest may be sent to litchair@acawso.org, or by using the literature volunteer form, at <https://acawso.org/literature-committee-volunteer-interest/>.

Free trifold in English and other languages can be downloaded from our site at <https://adultchildren.org/literature/free-literature-english-translated/>.

Any ACA member or group downloading free trifolds is asked to kindly make a one-time voluntary 7th Tradition contribution of USD10.00 or more as a token of appreciation for the downloadable trifold service.

If you choose to make a one-time voluntary contribution, please include a note letting us know that the contribution is made by a grateful member for this download trifold service. In either event, we graciously thank you for your support and help in carrying the ACA message.

Free downloadable literature can be copied for ACA meetings or personal use.

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ComLine. The *ComLine* is our quarterly publication where members from around the world share their experience, strength, and hope on the 12 Steps, Traditions, and Promises of ACA. To view current and back issues, please visit the ACA *ComLine* web page at <https://adultchildren.org/literature/comline/>.

Traditionally, the *ComLine* is published quarterly, with an ABC issue published separately. Beginning in 2020 we will publish the April issue in May. This will allow us to combine the ABC content with the regularly scheduled publication.

Deadlines for submissions for the next issue is August 1, 2020. Shares should be between 250-500 words.

To submit your share, please visit
https://forms.zohopublic.com/admin1564/form/ComLineShareSubmissions/formperma/w_DlmVxQY39eea7M3n_tpxNT_943hRlfBMJtJKgea5g

For more information and to find out how to share your experience, strength, and hope, see <http://www.adultchildren.org/comline>.

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WSO LITERATURE EVALUATION AND DEVELOPMENT. We are currently reviewing suggestions for new literature and changes to existing literature. Development, review, design, and publication of new literature are time-consuming, and major projects can take years to complete.

Literature evaluation involves a wide range of ACA members and viewpoints. In proposing new ACA literature, an author should be motivated by service, and surrender any notion of personal ownership.

The **WSO Literature Development Policy** outlines procedures for submitting a proposal for new literature or to change existing literature. The policy outlines the evaluation, development, and production processes. It provides criteria guidelines for members considering a proposal, as well as a timetable estimate.

The literature development policy can be found at <https://acawso.org/2018/03/13/wso-literature-development-policy/>.

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WSO LITERATURE SALES FOR JUNE

491 BRB e-books were sold. Total sold is 21,297 e-books.

105 *Strengthening My Recovery* e-books were sold. Total sold is 3,224 e-books.

254 BRB audio books were sold. Total sold is 9,295 audio books.

Sincerely yours in service,

Charlie H., Chair, Literature Committee
Robin R., Literature Committee Staff
David McB., Chair, Business Operations Subcommittee
Mardi M., Editor, *ComLine*

Senior Volunteers

Bonnie M., Loving Parent Guidebook,
Christine B. (Connecticut), Volunteer Coordinator
Greg R., Literature Evaluation Subcommittee
Justine F., Sponsorship Study Group
Louis B., Spiritual Inclusion Study Group

Christine B. (Toronto), IT tech liaison
Rich R., Bill of Rights development team