

SERVICE ROCKS 2005! ***THE FESTERING RESENTMENTS!***

I MAKE THE COFFEE

(tune: "I Write the Songs"—Barry Manilow)

***I've been in service forever
and I've a story I can tell
I mix grounds and hot water all together
I make coffee, but not very well***

***I make the coffee that tastes like dirt
I make the coffee that makes your lips hurt
I make the coffee like thick pea soup
I make the coffee for my group***

EVERYBODY'S GOT TO DO THEIR PART

(tune: "Hungry Heart"—Bruce Springsteen)

***I used to rob banks and I went to the joint
Paroled last year but let me get to the point
My job in AA may strike you as funny
My home group trusts me now with all of their money***

***Everybody's got to do their part
Everybody's got to do their part
A thief as treasurer is not that smart
But everybody has got to do their part***

LET IT BE SERENITY
(tune: "Let it Be"—the Beatles)

When I find myself in times of trouble
my service sponsor comes to me
speaking words of wisdom, let it be
and in my hour of darkness
is when he tells me
"You need to work Step 3"
speaking words of wisdom, let it be
let it be, let it be, let it be, let it be,
keep it simple stupid, let it be

I CALLED MY SPONSOR
(tune: "The Sounds of Silence"—Simon & Garfunkel)

Hello sponsor my old friend
It's time to talk with you again
Because I'm listening to my committee
My head's a dang'rous place for me to be
It's like a bad neighborhood
where I should not go alone
So I grab the phone
And call you, my sponsor

I'm full of fear and doubt and shame
I should be past this, I feel lame
This whole progress thing is just so slow
My life is like a FOX reality show
And I can't turn the channel no matter how hard I try
So I cry
And call you, my sponsor

BENNY AND THE YETS
(tune: "Benny and the Jets"—Elton John)

Hey kids, Benny's at the meeting
He's never been in trouble
But life's given him a beating
He's never lost his job
Or home or kids or wife
But he's a high bottom drunk
With a really screwed up life
Well, he's never gotten a DUI
Ooh, but he's so spaced out
B-B-B-B-B-Benny and the Yetsssss

Yet means You're Eligible Too
And Benny this sure means you
He's got doubts and fears
He drowns in beers
he's never been to jail
But he's an alkie oh ho
B-B-B--Benny and the Yetsssss
Benny, Benny and the Yets

YOU ARE MY SPONSOR
(tune: "You Are My Sunshine")

You are my sponsor, my service sponsor
You piss me off when
You say "Go serve"
I cannot wait till
I rotate out of
This job that gets on my nerves

KING OF BLAME
(tune: "King of Pain"—The Police)

There's a big blue book in my life today
And I hope that this doesn't sound too clichéd
Looking for your part in your past is fine
but what if I find that the fault's not mine?

I did my 4th Step my sponsor said "It's lame"
Notmyfault dot com **should be my domain name**
Just induct me into **The Whiner Hall of Shame**
Guess it's my destiny to be **the King of Blame**
King of Blame **I'll always be**, King of Blame

IMAGINE VENTI
(tune: "Imagine"—John Lennon)

Imagine for a moment
A corporate-sponsored group
It could start a new trend
The Starbucks Intergroup
Imagine all the choices
Decaf, mocha malt
You
You may use lots of creamer
Or just drink your coffee straight
The Grande Latte group of AA
Is sure to really percolate

ANOTHER HOT CUP 'O JOE
(tune: "Another Brick in The Wall"—Pink Floyd)

We don't need no decaf coffee
We don't need no espresso
No fancy lattes mixed with cocoa
Starbucks leave our groups alone
Hey! Starbucks!

Leave our groups alone!

Lots of cream and sugar
Is what we need that is all
Makin' coffee fancy
You sure have lots of gall

OUR TRADITION ONE

(tune: "Mrs. Robinson"—Simon & Garfunkel)

And here's to you, our Tradition One
Common welfare comes before my own
My cover's blown
I'm kinda mad at our Tradition One
I'm just a small part of a greater whole
That was not my goal, I want a bigger role

TRADITION TWO

(tune: "Delta Dawn"—Helen Reddy)

Tradition two
What have you got me into?
All the leaders here just serve they're not in charge
And did I hear you say I have to rotate out today?
my ego's shrunk, but still it's extra large

GRAB MYSELF A GRAPEVINE

(tune: "Heard it Through the Grapevine"—Marvin Gaye)

Ooh, I bet you wonder what to do
When you're stuck in traffic feelin' blue
And no meeting when you're needin' one
Feeling down is really just no fun
You know I've felt that way myself
When I do I go to my shelf
Ooh ohh and I

Grab myself a Grapevine
and it quickly eases my mind
yes, I grab myself a Grapevine
I feel better in no time, **Do you subscribe?**

YOU DID ME WRONG
(tune: "Your Song"—Elton John)

It's a little bit funny, this fourth step of mine
And now that it's over, well I'm feeling fine
I know it's not much but it's the best I could do
My problems were all caused by not me, but you

You broke my heart good that day that you lied
Then you viciously smashed what was left of my pride
I don't bear a grudge with my feelings I'm in touch
but if you got hit by a Greyhound bus, I wouldn't cry much

And I'm tellin' everybody, **How you did me wrong**
My fourth step was all about you, 83 pages long
I hope you don't mind, I hope you don't mind
That I put down in words, **How you screwed my life up**
And I hope that you get yours

GROUP ELECTIONS TONIGHT
(tune: "Shadows of the Night"—Pat Benatar)

We're holding group elections tonight
And hands are being raised from left to right
But in two months they will be out of sight
Because they will flake out

FREAKY CREEPY FEELING
(tune: "Peaceful Easy Feeling"—Eagles)

Everybody seems to piss me off
No one seems as smart as me
They're all losers, morons, or just jerks
Everybody bothers me

But I've got a freaky, creepy feelin', due to rigorous honesty
That maybe, oh just maybe, **The a-hole's me**

SPONSOR ME
(tune: "Surfin' Safari"—Beach Boys)

I need a sponsor now, one who's gonna show me how
But not be the boss of me, **but not be the boss of me**

**Well I need a sponsor 'cause I need to work the steps
But I want one who will do as I say
I don't need a big book thumper or a service nazi freak
Just one to keep the judge away**

**I need a sponsor urgently (sponsor, sponsor, sponsor me)
But not one who will challenge me (sponsor, sponsor,
sponsor me)**

**Can we do it by email possibly? (sponsor, sponsor, sponsor
me)**

**Then it won't really bother me (sponsor, sponsor, sponsor
me)**

I found a sponsor now
One who I will allow
And my new sponsor is me
And my new sponsor is me

THE ROTATOR
(tune: “The Gambler”—Kenny Rogers)

On a warm summer’s evening
In a building down on Broadway
I’m training my replacement, in the way that I was shown

Now son, you listen caref’lly
To be a secretary
You just keep the meeting going
And don’t you whine and moan

You gotta open the building, make a pot of coffee
Follow the format, greet everyone
You never count 7th Tradition
While you’re listenin’ to the sharin’
There’ll be time enough for countin’
When the meetin’s done

ALL SCREWED UP
(tune: “All Shook Up”—Elvis)

Uh wella bless my soul
what’s wrong with me?
I became the new secretary
I don’t know what I’m doin’
or what I should do
I’m confused, I’m all screwed up
uh huh, huh yeah yeah yeah

well this whole thing has been a real trip
I don’t know if I should sign a court slip
my chairperson’s time is almost up
but I’m too scared to say **“Shut the hell up”**

Well I feel like I’m on an impossible mission
someone just stole the 7th Tradition
I don’t know what I’m doin’

or what I should do
I'm confused, I'm all screwed up
uh huh, huh yeah yeah
I'm all screwed up

MOVE ON

(tune: "Sail On"—The Commodores)

I'm moving down the street about a...half a mile or so
And if . . . you just have to know It's be...cause I'm angry

I've been in this group a while
And...time after time I've tried
To get ya'll to see my side, but now I'm going

'Cause I didn't mind
When you stopped signing court slips
Or when you said kids were not allowed
But when you changed from coffee to tea
Well that was just too much for me, yeah, yeah!

So I'll be on my way
I have a new group today
I've got a coffee pot
And a lot of resentments

HEY DUDE

(tune: "Hey Jude"—The Beatles)

Hey Dude, don't pour that cup
save some coffee for the newcomers
You suck up all the coffee each week
You're some kind of freak, a caffeine vampire

Hey dude, you tick me off
'cause when you're sharing, you yak forever
maybe you should find another home group

you selfish fruit loop, that would make our group
better, better, better, better, better, better, ooh!
Blah, blah blah, blah blah blah blah
Blah blah blah blah
Hey dude
Dude dude a-dudey a-dudey a-dudey dudey ow wow!
Blah blah blah blah
Hey dude

THE NEW THONG SONG

(tune: "It's the Same Old Song"—The Four Tops)

It's the same old song
Our business meeting is boring and long
It's the same old song
I think I'll liven it up by wearing a thong

THIS BOOK WAS MADE FOR THUMPIN'

(tune: "These Boots Are Made for Walkin'"—Nancy Sinatra)

You keep sayin' I'm a Big Book thumper
And you say it like it's a bad thing
Well I think you're a big conclusion-jumper
And frankly I don't think you know anything
'Cause this book was made for thumpin'
And that's just what I'll do
And one of these days this book
Is gonna thump all over you

ENDLESS SHARE

(tune: "Endless Love"—Diana Ross & Lionel Richie)

Five minutes, that's all the time that you have
To share in this meeting
That's not enough, I need to express myself
'Cause I'm like no one else

Oh crap
Here we go again
Blabbermouth is gonna talk all day
Well I share (you share, you share)
No matter how long it takes, and now it has begun
This endless share

MY LEAST FAVORITE THINGS
(tune: "My Favorite Things"—Julie Andrews)

Late starts and crosstalk and cell phones a-ringing
Coffee so nasty it makes eyes start stinging
Half of the members are sharing too long
These are the signs that a meeting's gone wrong

Dirt on the table and floors that need sweeping
13th Step freaks and the chairperson sleeping
Group money spent to rent new DVDs
To kill your group just attempt some of these

PLEASE READ ME
(tune: "Please Please Me"—the Beatles)

Oooh, Oooh
Last night my Big Book talked to me friends, da dup da do
and this is what it said to me friends, da dup da do
come on, come on, come on, come on
come on, come on, come on, come on

"Please read me whoa yeah and I'll help you"
it said this too:
"I know that you hurt inside so read me not the TV Guide
and I'll help, I will help
I will help you get the nerve to trust God and to truly serve
and you'll find peace and gain serenity"

Oooh, Oooh

Last night my Big Book talked to me friends, da dup da do
scared me so bad I had to pee friends, da dup da do
come on, come on, come on, come on
come on, come on, come on, come on

“Please read me whoa yeah and I’ll help
read me whoa yeah and I’ll help
read me whoa yeah and I’ll help you”

GENERAL SERVICE
(tune: “The Flintstones”)

General, General Service
has a lot of things for you to do
GSR to DCMC
and of course there’s more than just those two

Then there’s registrar and BTG
Lit Grapevine and the PI/CPC
General, General Service
has a lot of things for you to
a lot for you to
a lot for you to do!

LIAR
(tune: “Fire”—The Pointer Sisters)

Bump, Ba duh duh dump
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I’m sitting in a group, Ba duh duh dump
And list’nin to the chair, Ba duh duh dump
Some people are touched, Ba duh duh dump
But me, I don’t care, Ba duh duh dump

Everybody likes her, Ba duh duh dump
And her words they inspire, duh duh dump

But all I think
is
LIAR! Ba dump
Bump, Ba duh duh dump
LIAR!

THE SLOBBER SONG
(tune" "Hee Haw Slobber Song")
Where oh where is my sponsee?
I told him to meet me here at the hall
We're BTG members, we're meetin' a new guy
If no one shows up well
Thfffp! He'll be gone

WON'T GO WRONG THIS TIME
(tune: "The Longest Time"—Billy Joel)

Whoa oh oh
Won't go wrong this time
Whoa oh oh
Won't go wrong this

Well, my sponsor said "Don't fall in love. (ooh woo hoo hoo
hoo)

Wait twelve months don't give your life a shove." (ah ah ah)
I'll take my chances

I know how nice romance is...plus
I haven't got some in the longest time

Then my sponsor said "Will you grow up? (ooh woo hoo
hoo hoo)

It's not mating season for you are a sick pup!" (ah ah ah)
Oh what does he know?

I have a strong libido
And I'm sure that it will not go wrong this time

oh no

It went wrong this time
oh no
It went wrong this time

I THINK I'LL SHARE SOME MORE
(tune: "My Cherie Amour"—Stevie Wonder)

I think I'll share some more
Even though my time is up
I think I'll share some more
No one's told me to shut up
Think I'll share some more
Even though half the group is bored
I am special, I can't be ignored
I think I'm gonna share some more
Blah blah blah blah blah blah
Blah blah blah blah blah blah

YOU DON'T CALL YOUR SPONSOR ANYMORE
(tune: "You Don't Bring Me Flowers"—Barbra Streisand & Neil Diamond)

You don't call your sponsor
You don't work with others
Don'tcha know I have two jobs now
A car and a house with a mortgage to pay

I remember when
You couldn't wait for meetings
You used to hate to leave them
Now when they're over you just cut and run
Stop nagging me you sound just like my wife
Well I'm just saying AA gave you your life

I don't feel so serene now
You don't come to meetings
You don't call your sponsor anymore

SERVICE ROCKS!
(tune: "The Mickey Mouse Club Theme")

What's the message of the songs that we have sung for
you?

s-e-r-v-i-c-e r-o-c-k-s
though you've giggled, and guffawed the theme still will
get through
s-e-r-v-i-c-e r-o-c-k-s

Service rocks (Service Rocks!)Service rocks (Service Rocks!)
And now it's time for us to say goodbye
Bye! Bye! Bye!

The Festering Resentments leave this wondrous thought
for you, s-e-r...*Are you sick of us?*
v-i-c-e...*E...gad?*
r-o-c-k-s