

NEW FRONTIERS

A.A. of the Niagara Frontier

October 2019

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER FOR ALL A.A. MEMBERS OF WESTERN NEW YORK AND THE NIAGARA FRONTIER



Moving Month

**WE ARE MOVING
AGAIN**

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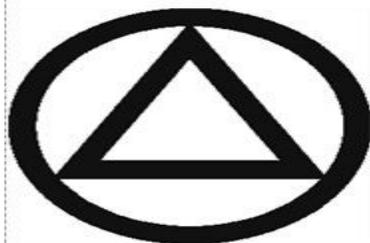
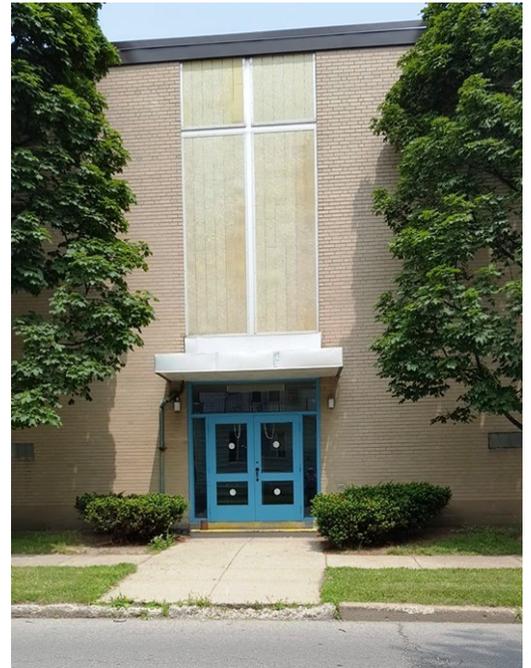
Oct.1st, and the 7th through the 21st

We will need a lot of help to move boxes & smalls!!!

**Save the date:
Oct.12th, 2019**

Please, please, please

come out and help!!!



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**Our Offi-
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The End of My Veiled Hypocrisy Cutting off My Own Escape

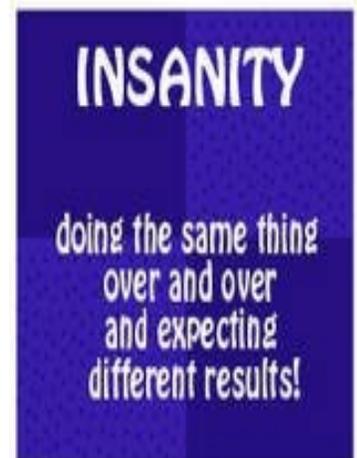
By Rick R.

From my early teen's right up to the present I have been to the extremes on both sides of the behavior scale, bad and good. I had two DUI's and totaled two cars while drunk, before the age of 19. I never drank like a gentleman; I drank for oblivion. I made up my own rules as I went along. As soon as I was old enough, I enlisted in the Navy and got out of Pittsburgh, in 1959 and went aboard a ship in Newport R.I. where I spent three years drinking and fighting. Aside from the night life, I did very well as a seaman and eventually a junior petty officer and I attribute that to the discipline and structure aboard ship. When my hitch was up I got discharged and tried civilian life again. I flew right over Pittsburgh to Los Angeles where my siblings had relocated to, and went right back to my old habits. After three years of that I was again circling the drain and remembered the success I had aboard ship and I missed the discipline and structure so I reentered the Navy. My seamanship and rigging skills were excellent but my nightlife was atrocious and it started catching up with me again. During that time, I got married, became a father, got divorced and was all over the pacific trying to deal with it all by correspondence. The last straw was when I started having problems getting back to the ship in the morning, and I was unwilling to lose my Navy career. On October 15, 1969 I showed up at an A.A. meeting and that put an end to my life as a drunk. As I look back on the way I integrated the A.A. program into my life I see many similarities in the way I applied the disciplines of my navy experience and more importantly, the attention to detail that compelled me to not overlook anything. Not only did I learn *what I was supposed to be doing*, but I learned *why I should be doing it*. Step ten suggests that we continue to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it. Understanding the spirit of this principle, and applying it at that deeper level, resulted in some profound behavioral changes and being honest with myself was the most essential part of it all. In a previous article, I explained that a year or so after being married to my current wife, of forty seven years, I made a statement to her that I should stop vilifying my first wife. Fifteen years later, at a meeting I offered \$100.00 to anyone that had ever heard me say one negative thing about my first wife and to this day, nobody can collect on it. I established a principle about that issue and then I cut off my own escape. Years later it occurred to me that, if I can shoot my mouth off about the "first wife discipline", and I am still gossiping and criticizing other people, then *am I not a hypocrite?* By sharing this revelation at an A.A. meeting, I am, once again, *cutting of my own escape at a deeper level*. Principles are not flexible. Today I cannot be judgmental about any other human being and still maintain my credibility. This example has been the most productive development that I have experienced in my later years in the program and it results in a level of peace of mind that I never expected. Getting right with my conscience was the driving force and neutralizing my EGO was the unexpected result. *Decision making* is easy when a person develops the right principles and lives by them, absent of all *escape clauses*. Accepting the world and the people in it exactly the way they are, has removed from me, the responsibility to correct anyone but myself. All of the criticism and character assassination has been replaced with empathy and compassion, surrounded by integrity and peace of mind.

Step 10 Promises

And we have ceased fighting anything or anyone—even alcohol. For by this time sanity will have returned. We will seldom be interested in liquor. If tempted, we recoil from it as from a hot flame. We react sanely and normally, and we will find that this has happened automatically. We will see that our new attitude toward liquor has been given us without any thought or effort on our part. It just comes! That is the miracle of it. We are not fighting it, neither are we avoiding temptation. We feel as though we had been placed in a position of neutrality—safe and protected. We have not even sworn off. Instead, the problem has been removed. It does not exist for us. We are neither cocky nor are we afraid. That is how we react so long as we keep in fit spiritual condition.

Alcoholics Anonymous pp.84-85



On October 30th, 1940, maybe nothing looked unusual at the Gibson Hotel on the outside -- same red brick exterior, same foot and car traffic there on Enright Street -- not the busiest or the quietest one in St. Louis. The dining room, with its dozen or so tables, may have held the normal number of hotel guests, most maybe there long term, some there for shorter stays. One wasn't present there in the dining room, and maybe a couple of people who came in, maybe shaky, said his name, to the worker at the front desk, who directed them to his room.

Fitzhugh F.'s room was where something truly new was happening in St. Louis: alcoholics getting together for the purpose of staying sober. So, as his room filled up with this new group, more than one may have had second thoughts. But they had the need for sobriety, and this one chance at it. And they had hope and help, brought to them by other sober alcoholics. Earl T and Sylvia K had come down from Chicago AA to help get things going. Though Father Dowling, the local priest who helped also, was not an alcoholic, he had gone to meet Bill W in New York. So this crowded room may have been a tense place, but it held hope. Maybe some of them could feel it as they sat down, and maybe they could even joke about all these drunks in a hotel room, who weren't drinking.

Whatever proceeded that first meeting, there are some things we can guess about the meeting itself. Less than 3 months later, a reporter from the St. Louis Star-Times would sit in on one and write about it, so that helps us imagine how the one in the Gibson might have gone. It may have lasted for 2 or 3 hours, enough that the air got thick with smoke. Fitz, Mary C, or someone else may have led off with a prayer, followed by time of silence. Though that may have felt uncomfortable for more than one of them, others may have sensed a peace in the room, hard to put into words and even harder to explain. Maybe Jack and Verna G. looked at each other, and one saw that the other had a peaceful face, for the first time in a long time. The big, red-and-yellow-covered book, "Alcoholics Anonymous," that had come out the year before was probably close at hand, and maybe Fitz read some of it out loud, next. Whatever was shared, whether about that reading, about their drinking, about all the different cities where this program was starting and the successes they were having staying sober--we may never know. But how they felt, during the movingly honest sharing, during the happy fellowship and refreshments they shared afterward, and as they walked out of the Gibson into a different world -- maybe we have all felt that too.

And so much was to come. Fitz would actively stay in touch with Bobbi B and others at GSO, that meeting and others would grow, Bill and Lois would visit on their tour of groups around the country, and much, much more. Just a few years and a few miles from that gathering of 6 at the Gibson, thousands of sober alcoholics would come together for the second international convention, where the leadership of AA would be shared by Bill with us. One woman up on the stage there, Cis G, would become a wonderful member of St. Louis AA, staying sober here across the decades, until she passed just this year with 66 years of sobriety!

But that night, after everyone else had left his hotel room, Fitz may have sat back and wondered what just happened, let alone what was to come. Meanwhile, the most important fact was right in front of him: he, an alcoholic, was staying sober, one day at a time.

(Sources--Carl B-Archivist of Eastern Missouri AA, Carol W-Chair of the Archives Committee, correspondence between St. Louis AA and GSO, Cis G recorded lead/talk, Gibson Hotel ad, My Search for Bill W by Mel B, and AA Comes of Age) Submitted by Chad P. via/for a grateful Area 50 Archives committee

STEP 10

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

Share your Experience, Strength and Hope

Please submit your announcements by the **12th**
for next month's issue
Articles can be submitted at any time

e-mail address: buffaloaa@hotmail.com

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Heard @ a Meeting

"Forgiveness is
giving up hope
for a better
past. "

IN MEMORIAM Things We Can Not Change

To all of our members who have lost family and loved ones
Jim S. 14y ~ Starting Over & By the Book.~
Dick B; :36 years~ Kensington & Grand Group's
Jack G. : 26years.~ Rise & Shine~
Jeremiah G : 7 years ~ Rise & Shine

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Acceptance/Welcome

Mark T. 20y
Ann K. 21y
Deb M. 22y
Kevin N. 31y

Amherst Snyder

Tim J. 6m

Any Lengths

Tom C. 3m
Peter V. 6m
Jeremy O. 1y
Dave W. 2y
Patty M. 5y
Lynn M. 25y
Dick K. 28y

East Amherst

John B. 3y
Brian W. 15y
Brenda K. 28y

Cold Springs

Maxie E. 8y
Andrew G. 30y

Courage

Jim G. 1y
Paul J. 8y

Eyeopener

Kristen P. 1y
David L. 3y
Jeff A. 3y
Stacy W. 3y
Dawn P. 4y
John N. 5y
Tony B. 5y
Jamie O. 13y
MaryKay B. 21y
Bill B. 26y
Ted 29y

Eyeopener South

Mike G. 6m
Ray B. 1y
Jason L. 4y
CJ A. 6y
Susan C. 12y
Kevin K. 24y

Fireside

Janet Y. 2y
Cheryl G. 5y
Johna S. 6y
Paul S. 9y
Bill P. 40y

First Step

Steve C. 2y
Brenda K. 11y
Zeny C. 40y

Fresh Start

Cheryl C. 26v

Golden Slipper

Dave G. 12y
H.A.N.D.
Michelle D. 26y

Holland

Dave G. 4y

Kensington

Dennis 4y

Lakeshore

Babs F. 2y
Bob M. 21y
John H. 39y

Marilla

Betsy 3y

N. Buffalo

Carl M. 2y
Philip C. 3y
Monika 3y
Forest P. 3y
Christian R. 3y
Alex P. 4y
Eddie G. 4y
Ashley K. 4y
Kathryn C. 5y
Katie D. 5y
Sean B. 5y
Andy H. 5y
Debbie K. 5y
Justin B. 6y
John P. 8y
Charles M. 8y
Eric V. 14y
Dragica 16y
Jerry C. 19y
Mary 21y
John M. 25y

N. Evans Men's

Rob A. 3y

Orchard Park Step

Nathan M. 30y
Al L. 39y

Q & A

Amanda C. 6m
Natasha 9m
Kellie S. 1y

Rise & Shine

James L. 3m
Chris S. 9m
Linda W. 1y
Robert R. 2y
Dave T. 3y
Dave G. 4y
Kaitlin W. 8y
Charlie H. 32y

Renaissance

Monique A. 3m
Peter D. 1y
Tiffany B. 2y
Danielle H. 4y
Ann K. 22y
Sue B. 30y

Sheridan

Tim C. 3y
Vanessa B. 4y
Christine N. 5y
Mary Jo 9y
Cindy S. 12y
Gary B. 25y

Sunday Morning B

Jim P. 6m

The Grove

Amy N. 3m
Peter L. 6m
Star L. 6m
Ray R. 6m
Nathan K. 6m
Crissy K. 9m
Tara C. 9m
Bryan L. 9m
Kat H. 9m
Megan C. 1y
Jamie D. 1y
Andrew L. 1y
Nick B. 1y
Jason Q. 2y
Jayne B. 2y
Nancy R. 2y
Bob P. 2y
Will K. 2y
Kathleen S. 3y
Molly K. 3y
Shawn A. 3y
Jeremy P. 4y
Pat K. 5y
John H. 24y
Richard O. 24y
Gary B. 25y

Thruway

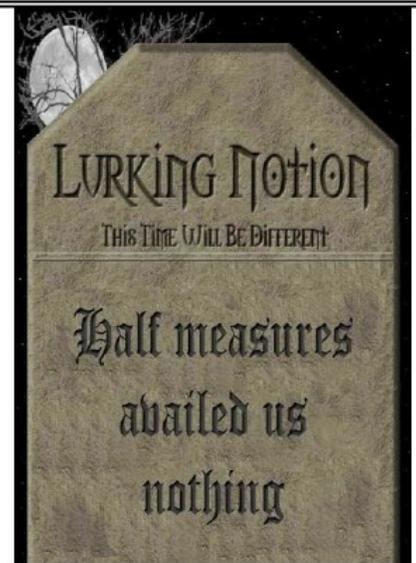
Rick W. 4y
Rick M. 18y
Jim R. 18y

Victory Women's

Kerry 2y
Jennifer 18y
Colleen 28y
Sally 30y
Sue B. 30y

Williamsville

Michael P. 2y



Group Anniversaries

Amsdell Step; 54y
Hamburg; 58y
Lancaster Daily Reprieve; 11y
Lighten-Up; 30y
Maple; 13y
Quitting Time; 8y
Ridge; 22y
Silver Creek Friendship; 50y
Sober Train; 11y
Spingville New Life; 16y
St. Mark's; 30y
Step It Up; 27y
The Gatehouse; 1y

Please remember to
have the anniversaries
submitted by
the 12th

**END OF BUSINESS
DAY 4:00 PM**

of the month
previous

LIFE WILL TAKE ON NEW MEANING. TO WATCH PEOPLE RECOVER, TO SEE THEM HELP OTHERS, TO WATCH LONELINESS VANISH, TO SEE A FELLOWSHIP GROW UP ABOUT YOU, TO HAVE A HOST OF FRIENDS - THIS IS AN EXPERIENCE YOU MUST NOT MISS. WE KNOW YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS IT. FREQUENT CONTACT WITH NEWCOMERS AND WITH EACH OTHER IS THE BRIGHT SPOT OF OUR LIVES. -ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, P. 89

PLEASE READ AT YOUR MEETING...HELP KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED :-)

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October 2019

IF YOUR GROUP IS NOT MEETING, PLEASE INFORM THE CENTRAL OFFICE. THIS INCLUDES THOSE MEETING DAYS WHEN YOUR SITE IS CLOSED FOR A HOLIDAY.

MEETING CHANGES

- **Renaissance group is moving.** No meeting Friday, Oct. 18. Will resume Oct. 21, 2005 Sheridan Drive. , Town of Tonawanda
- **Contemporary Woman's** is now a Closed Women's Group; Open Discussion the last Tuesday of the month.
- **Maple Group** has **Added** a Wed. meeting @ 10:30 PM. The Hope Center; 781 Maple Rd., Amherst, NY 14221.
- **NEW GROUP: Our Charge;** Monday's, 8:00 PM. The Hope Center, 781 Maple Rd., Buffalo 14221
- **NEW GROUP: Freedom Seekers;** Thursday's, 10:30 AM. Niagara Gospel Rescue Mission, 1317 Portage Rd., Niagara Falls 14301
- **PPG-Buffalo Group No Longer Meets;** was Tues. @ the Hope Center, 6:30 PM. OD, OS last week of the month.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Oct. 6th, Committee Meeting that meet prior to Central Committee 5:30 PM

St. Andrew's Church Parish, 111 Crocker & Reiman, Sloan, 14212,

Steering Committee (5:30 PM)

Public Information Committee meeting

Treatment Facilities Committee

Corrections Committee

Education & Participation

Nightwatch Committee

Envelope System (6:30 PM)

Followed By Central Committee 7:00 PM:

(Hosted by Lockport #1 Group)

~ Oct.7 **Convention Committee Planning Meeting**, St. Andrew's Church Parish, 111 Crocker & Reiman, Sloan, 14212

~ Oct. 29, **Internet Presence Committee Meeting**. Central Office, 7:00 PM, 17 Gierlach St., Sloan 14212

COMING EVENTS

- ~ Sept. 29, **Stone Soup Gathering**, Rain or Shine. 1PM-(PM. Speakers 3PM & 7PM. 9203 Morse Rd. East Concord, NY 14055. Information & Flyer on website
- ~Oct. 4-6, **33rd Annual Women in AA Fall Spiritual Weekend**. Stella Niagara Center for Renewal. Flyer on the website.
- ~ Oct. 12, **Corrections Day of Sharing**, 11AM - 3 PM; St. Bernard's R.C.C., 1990 Clinton St., Buffalo 14206
- ~Oct. 18-20, **Spiritual Weekend For AA Men** hosted by University Men's Group. Stella Niagara Center for Renewal. \$145 Flyer on the website.
- ~ Oct. 18, **First Step Group (NF)** hosting **2nd Annual Fellowship, Food, and Fun with Friends of Bill W.** Historic Holy Trinity Church 1419 Falls St. The entrance to the meeting is on 14th St. The doors will open 6:30pm followed by food at 7pm and the regular weekly meeting at 8pm.
- ~ Oct. 12, **Corrections Day of Sharing**, 11AM - 3 PM; St. Bernard's R.C.C., 1990 Clinton St., Buffalo 14206
- ~ Oct. 20, **Boulevard Helping Hands Annual Halloween Party**, 6 PM -Doors open, 7 PM-Speaker, 8 PM-Food, Music & Dancing & Frolic. Cash prizes for costumes. \$10.00.
- ~ Oct. 25-27, **78th Buffalo Fall Convention**. Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga 14225. Flyers & info will be posted when they become available.
- ~ Oct. 29, **Contemporary Woman's Halloween Gathering**, 5:30 pm, 216 Beard St., Buffalo 14214. Honoring our AA Elders & those that came before us. Countdown @ 6PM, Meeting @ 6:30 PM Food & Fellowship. Bring a dish if you wish. Costumes are encouraged, but not required.
- ~ Nov. 9, **Practice Principals # Relationships In AA"**, Presented by the Buffalo Education & Participation Committee. 1-4 PM. Kenilworth United Church of Christ, 45 Dalton Dr., Tonawanda 14223. 2 Panels & Refreshments.

We Now Have a Donate Button on our Website!!!

- 10th STEP: Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.**
- 10th TRADITION: Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be draw into public controversy.**
- 10th CONCEPT: Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.**

General Service Assembly

- ~ Oct. 5, **GSA District 5 meets** (1st Sat.)12 PM, St. Marks Episcopal Church, 61 Payne Ave.,
- ~ Oct 13, **GSA District 15 meets** (2nd Sunday) at Orchard Park Village Hall (basement) 4295 South Buffalo Street. After the Action Group.
- ~ Oct.13, District 11,(2nd Sunday) 5:15, Unitarian Universalist Church, 695 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo, 14222.
- ~ Oct. 14 & 28are **Archives work nights** @ New Office, @ 6:30pm. The monthly meeting details are available by sending an email to ARCHIVES@AREA50WNY.ORG
- ~Oct.19, **Archives Committee Meeting**:(3rd Saturday)10 Am @ Buffalo Central Office, 17 Gierlach St, Sloan 14212. WORKNIGHTS; 2nd & 4th Monday's, 7pm.
- ~ Oct. 24, **GSA District 16 (Southtown's) Meeting**. 7:00 PM (4th Wednesday), at 2063 Southcreek Rd., Eden 14057.
- ~ Oct.27, **GSA District 8 Meeting**, 5:00 PM, Brothers of Mercy 4240 Ransom Rd., Clarence.. Use Rear entrance.
- ~ Oct. 28, **GSA District 14 Meeting** (last Monday) 6:30 PM, 1864 Seneca St, Buffalo

Greetings from your Corrections Committee!

Male members: if you have been approved for entry into the Alden Correctional Facility and are interested in maintaining an individual commitment to the men's meeting out there we need to hear from you!

The list of approved members was passed on without any contact information!

Please contact:

Matt H.; 983-6834: mhydockaa@yahoo.com



Erie County Volunteer Clearance Form
Please return to Matthew Hydock 716-983-6834 or mhydockaa@yahoo.com

Name: _____

DOB: _____

NYS Driver's License or DMV Issued ID# _____

SSI # _____

Home Address _____

(The following info is for committee use)

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone # _____

Central Committee Minutes Sept. 8th, 2019

I am Responsible . . . When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help
I want the hand of AA to be there,
And for that, . . . I Am Responsible

The meeting was opened at 7 PM by our committee chair Reanne F. Everybody then joined in with the responsibility statement and after a moment of silence the meeting started the serenity prayer. The AA preamble, the purpose of central committee and the 12 traditions were read. A motion to accept last month's minutes was made and seconded. After the readings, David M spoke on Tradition 9. Come on out to join us next month to hear Cory speak on Tradition 10.

34 groups were represented: Groups in attendance break down by zones as follows. Zone 1- Buffalo, Main and High, Room To Grow, The Gate House, The Journey Zone 2- Acceptance, Brass, Chapter IX, Easy Does It, North Buffalo, Questions & Answers, Sober Train, Three Legacies, Welcome Zone 3 - Abbott Men's Discussion, All Is Well, Iron Horse, Ridge, South Buffalo, Thruway, Victory Women's Zone 4 - Action Group, Orchard Park Step Zone 5- Kitchen Table, Lockport #1 Group, Lockport Ladies Zone 6 - Derby Group, Lakeshore, North Evans Men's Zone 7- Fresh Start Zone 8 - Amherst Snyder, Fireside, Step It Up, Williamsville

Committee reports

Envelope System- Total for August 2019 is: \$672.66. 51 members, There were no new members but one returned. You can donate by check or charge and any amount as often as you want. Easy to donate yearly on your anniversary-Dianne

Steering committee - Meeting started at 530pm. Jeff and Brian in attendance, current and past GSA liaisons, Jeff reflected on the amount of meetings mostly GSA committee meetings, he is only required to attend intergroup and the 4 general GSA meetings. Brian discussed how GSA is forming an AD Hoc committee to work with the intergroup and GSA sub committees to avoid duplicate services. Jeff will present a written motion to amend the by laws. Chair of the Education & Participation committee has requested \$200- For Nov 9 workshop -Sue B

Financial - See detailed report within this publication

Treatment- 11 people in attendance, 2 new group Reps. Folded meeting schedules. 291 Elm commitments for 5th Thursdays at 6pm brought up and filled by Lighten Up. ECMC 4TH Tuesdays (Detox) needs to be filled, 4 people for 2 meetings. Kitchen Table has agreed to fill 4th Tuesday 8pm commitment at Stutzman's. Individual dates Oct 30th, Nov 27th and 29th, Jan 29th and 31st Will need volunteers for Stutzman's Friday at 7pm Wed and Saturday at 1pm. 5th Tuesdays of the month at Stutzman's is filled by Sober Train. Discussed books at ECMC, David will bring and stock books at Detox this week along with schedules. Discussed helping with office move on October 12th. Iron Horse verified its commitments at ECMC for 2nd Tuesday and 1st Sunday of the month.

Corrections - Verbal report given

Central office - TOTAL CALL's INCLUDING AFTER-HOUR's ; AA Call's: 351, 12-STEP:11, ALANON:2 VISITORS: 418, VOLUNTEERS: 6, Email's:415, Website Hit's; I don't have that info currently :(GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: HIP (Hope Is Promised)-1, LOW BOTTOM- 3, NORTH JAVA SUNDAY-4, LIGHTHOUSE-2, University Men's- 2, SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE-5, Simplicity-5.. A reminder, if you are your groups contact person & move ...Please contact the Central Office.

*Movers will be **moving furniture** on **Oct. 1st. Cable Phones and networking** will be done on **Oct. 10 & 11th**. Hoping you all come and help move boxes and smalls on

Saturday Oct. 12th):9:00 AM The **Central office will be closed on the 1st** (unless I get a volunteer. Also from the 7th until the 18th. Will reopen on the **21st. of October.**

*New schedules (2019-B) are in :) Yours in the fellowship of the Spirit...Terry B.

Night watch - verbal report given

PIC/CPC - 4 people in attendance. We committed to have a PIC table at World Sober Music Day on September 28th at the Hope Center- 781 Maple Rd Williamsville. Event is from 1pm-10pm. Open to the public. We will man table from 1pm-7pm. 3 participants taking on 2 hour shifts each. Still working on building our committee. We will discuss time slots to cover the Buffalo Fall Convention PIC table at our next committee meeting on October 6th. If you have any questions or concerns please email buffalopicpc@gmail.com. -Laurie H

Education/Participation -The Education and Participation committee met today at 5:30 pm with four members in attendance. We reviewed an updated list of meetings that do not send contributions or a rep to central committee. Next month we plan to begin calling the contact person for each group to inform them of our services and the service opportunities available to them.

We are also planning a workshop, tentatively scheduled for November 9th, with a topic of "Practicing These Principals: #Relationships In AA". There will be food and two panels focusing on how service and the traditions have helped the speakers navigate the various relationships in their lives, as well as two service presentations.

We offer a new Intergroup Representative (IR) Orientation beginning at 6:15 right before Central Committee each month. We had no new reps for orientation this month. If you are a new IR or would like more information about what we do at Intergroup, please join us next month!

Our next committee meeting will take place on Sunday, October 6th at 5:30 pm. If you would like to get involved but are unable to attend, please e-mail us at buffaloepc@gmail.com. Yours in service, Hannah W.

Internet Presence-

The new site went live in early August. Please be aware this is still a work in progress and there will be changes and improvements over time

Statistics:

For August there were:

30,976 Views; 6,970 Visitors

~ Continued on next page

New Frontiers ~ October 2019

(Central Committee Minutes Continued...)

Internet Presence- Continued:

Meetings

The new database is fully updated and being used to import to the website

Full turnover to Terry B for updates is on hold due to the Central Office move

The IPC will continue updates until the move is done

There are currently 420 meetings listed online

Our meetings are now part of the mobile app, The Meeting Guide, that app updates every 4 hours so changes on the website meetings may not reflect in the app immediately.

We are aware that the city for some meetings is changing to Buffalo. This is due to how Google does geo-location, it uses the metro area as per the post office. For now we have updated the Region to list the original city, except for Buffalo which has been broken down to East, West, North, South and Downtown.

There are also some customizations we are working with the GSO desk for the plugin/app to see if they can be implemented. This includes changing the field for District to Zone, among others to improve our update process.

Contribution page:

Page is set up for contributions to Central Office via PayPal

There were 100 visits to the page in August, still need to gather stats on how many contributions are made

Contributions to other TFC and Corrections is still under development, but there are PayPal limitations we need to work within

Online Forms:

The Meeting Form for new, update or remove is online on the site and has been used for corrections to meetings and for new meeting submissions.

A contact form is also online and has been used for submission of updates

Other forms will be converted soon.

Convention Registration

We ran into some technical issues with putting the registration online as well as some outside time conflicts. Hopefully this will be up and available in a few more days. Watch for it

When it goes live we will add a ticker to the home page scrolling notifications.

Other Activities

Email accounts - We are ready to create email accounts. Committees should contact me to decide on name format, the shorter the better.

All other presence platforms are on hold until website is live as that is taking the most time

Buffalo AA Fall Convention 2019 – Fourteen member of the convention Committee met on August 5 to further prepare for the Buffalo Fall Convention to be held at the Millennium Hotel October 25, 26, and 27.

This convention is a continuous series of events including panels, well known speakers from the US and Canada, social events, archives, hospitality, and open meetings.

Please urge your Home Group members to register NOW- “delay is dangerous” for the Event. The event for three days of listening, fellowship, and “Spiritual Growth” is \$20.

Also, get your friends together and register for the Banquet on Saturday night- we have a wonderful celebration of Sobriety Working for Us including a great dinner, countdown speaker followed by a dance. Banquet including Registration is \$65. Note the Banquet is half full now due to early supporters.

Reminder- this convention is self supporting and registration monies for the convention and Banquet all go to paying for the event costs.

Everything is coming together as we close in on the Event Date only 6 weeks from now and we humbly request we all rally to announce this event at meetings and let the newcomer and fellow AAs know about its happening. Its an experience “you shall not miss”

Note I have placed numerous registration forms and announcement Flyers on the front Table please take some and copy them for your friends and fellows.

Sincerely, Dean C. Chairman Fall Convention

Archives –

David G was selected the new archives chair. Most of the items have been moved from the office to our new room in the school building. Address: 111 Crocker St. Room 107 entrance on Franklin St. Sloan NY 14212. The archivist and two members attended the National Archives Workshop in Detroit. We will have an exhibit at the Buffalo Fall Convention. -Joanne

General Service Liaison – verbal report given

Old Business: None

New Business:

“Motion to give \$200 to Education & Participation workshop November 9th”: 2nd By Laurie H; Motion Passes

Motion to Close

New Frontiers ~ October 2019

2019				
Cash Flow Statement	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	YTD: 2019
Beg Bal Cash on hand	26,223.28	31,676.23	35,212.74	
Contributions				41,619.29
Groups	8,137.46	5,819.14	4,667.35	
Central Committee 7th tradition	47.00	54.66	58.00	492.21
Envelope System	537.66	1,267.66	672.66	8,251.28
New Frontiers Subs		63.00		273.00
Literature/Medallions/Pins	4,419.96	4,791.55	2,869.35	29,513.84
Literature Sales Tax	294.06	276.82	226.40	1,964.52
Literature Postage	29.01	24.68	16.48	162.45
Sales+/-	0.57	4.61	50.00	522.49
Archives Room Rent:				600.00
Committee Meetings	14.00	4.00	10.00	100.00
Misc			120.00	120.00
Transfer from PR				-
Conventions/Day of Sharing				6,275.00
Monthly Income	13,479.72	12,306.12	8,690.24	89,894.08
Expenses				
Building Rent/Utilities	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	8,000.00
Central Com. Rent	35.00	32.00	35.00	277.00
Payroll Gross	3,054.82	3,054.82	3,054.82	25,965.97
Employment Taxes	233.70	233.70	233.70	2,086.95
Unemployment Surchar	(7.08)	(7.08)	4.30	(48.80)
NYS Sales Tax				2,750.77
Insurance				
State Ins Fund(Travelers)	123.12			489.12
Health	711.43	711.43	711.43	5,925.44
D&O Insurance				1,943.86
Liability				-
Postage	420.00	201.65	206.35	1,941.31
Phone/Internet	142.21	144.18	144.18	1,141.11
Accounting				1,225.00
Paychex	53.82	65.82	53.82	583.78
Advt				
Dex YP	137.15	137.15	137.15	1,097.20
Local Edge				1,070.60
Literature Expenses				
Grapevine				375.70
World Services Inc	1,576.80	740.90	836.00	17,813.26
Hazeldon		422.14		422.14
Printers			2,367.63	2,868.29
Medallions		280.95		1,439.35
Office Supplies	213.52	818.70	1,255.58	3,688.63
Copies/ service contract	161.00	161.00	161.00	1,288.00
Copier Lease	129.00	129.00	129.00	1,032.00
Bank Fee's including credit c	42.28	67.26	97.24	478.69
GSA Host				-
Prudent Reserve				-
Seminar		575.99		575.99
Monthly Expenses	8,026.77	8,769.61	10,427.20	84,431.36
Monthly income (Loss)	5,452.95	3,536.51	(1,736.96)	5,462.72
End Balance	31,676.23	35,212.74	33,475.78	
Petty Cash	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Total Balance	34,676.23	38,212.74	36,475.78	
PRUDENT RESERVE	28,155.58	28,156.06	28,156.54	
Assets: Literature & Medallions	17,295.88	15,483.85	16,157.58	
Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	221.90	862.07	780.47	
Removed from Stock				
Corrections Facilities	3,470.48	3,526.48	3,572.69	
Contributions	259.00	329.21	175.00	
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00	
Expenses	200.00	280.00		
Balance	3,526.48	3,572.69	3,744.69	
Treatment Facilities	1,840.66	1,922.66	1,305.66	
Contributions	285.00	266.00	300.00	
Expenses	200.00	880.00		
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00	
Balance	1,922.66	1,305.66	1,602.66	

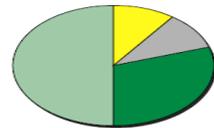
Intergroup wants to express our appreciation for those groups and individuals who have made generous financial contributions, and give a special thank you to all the members who have volunteered their time this year to help the sick and suffering alcoholic.

Bill W. wrote of Intergroup Offices, "Though not costly, these agencies are absolutely essential to our continued expansion—to our survival as a Fellowship. Their costs are a collective obligation that rests squarely upon all of us. Our support of services actually amounts to a recognition on our part that A.A. must everywhere function in full strength—and that, under our Tradition of self-support, we are all going to foot the bill."

"Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" pamphlet

Examples of Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities

Distribution of funds from groups that support four service entities



10% to district
10% to area committee
30% to G.S.O.
50% to intergroup or central office

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Concept X: Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

- Do we understand "authority" and "responsibility" as they relate to group conscience decisions by G.S.R.s, D.C.M.s and our area delegates? 4
- Why is delegation of "authority" so important to the overall effectiveness of A.A.? Do we use this concept to define the scope of "authority"?



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at the MILLENNIUM HOTEL

Archives Display & Speakers
All Day Topic & Interest Panels
Literature Table | Speaker CDs | Raffles & 50/50

FRIDAY NIGHT
Ice Cream Social & Sober Musical Play
SATURDAY NIGHT
BANQUET | FELLOWSHIP | DANCE

ALKATHON ROOM Opens at 10:00 pm

OUR GUESTS THIS YEAR:
THERESA F. from California | FRANCINE M. from Cleveland, Ohio
SCOTT H. from BC, Canada | ANTHONY M. from Buffalo, NY
ALAN N. from New York, NY

New Frontiers ~ October 2019

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2019

#	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		AUGUST	YEAR	AUG	YEAR	AUGUST	YEAR
5	7 Clan		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	12 Steps/12 Traditions	155.00	290.00		0.00		0.00
1	4th Step Stumblers/F.U.N.		20.00		0.00		0.00
5	6th Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	5th Tradition (Youngstown)		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	A Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Corners	0.81	0.81		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Men's	60.00	60.00		0.00	80.00	475.00
2	Acceptance/Welcom		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Achievement		200.00		0.00		0.00
4	Action		220.00		40.00		40.00
2	Age Doesn't Matter		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	AKRON AWARENESS		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	ALBION NEW BEGINNINGS		75.00		0.00		0.00
5	Albion Sunday Grapevine		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Alexander	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
	All Is Well		625.00		0.00		0.00
5	Amherst Snyder		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Amsdell Step		250.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age	200.00	450.00		0.00	30.00	80.00
3	Any Length	30.00	240.00		0.00		0.00
4	Arcade/ Yorkshire		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	As Bill Sees It		410.00		0.00		0.00
5	Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville)		50.00		25.00		25.00
5	Attraction	100.00	400.00		0.00		0.00
3	A VISION FOR YOU	50.00	150.00	50.00	150.00	50.00	150.00
3	Awareness		5.00		0.00		0.00
5	Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	BEACON OF HOPE		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Beginning In Sobriety II		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Beginning's Women		300.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Lockport		165.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Study	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel Saturday		50.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Bodhisatva		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Boulevard Helping Hand		100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Boulevard Women		30.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Buffalo Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Buffalo Creek		114.00		0.00		0.00
	Burt		170.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Wayside		320.00		30.00		30.00
3	By the Book		200.00		0.00		0.00
5	Carry the Message	50.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
7	Casting		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Cayuga Wake- Up Call		380.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor Sunday		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central City Café'		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Central Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Changing Our Way's	180.00	180.00		0.00	60.00	60.00
2	Chapter IX		300.00		50.00		50.00
3	Cheektowaga		830.00		0.00		0.00
5	Clarence Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Clarence Men's II		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Cold Spring	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
1	Commitment		150.00		0.00		0.00
	Contemporary Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Complanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
	Daily Reflections	150.00	270.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Depth & Weight		90.00		0.00		90.00
5	Derby		130.00		0.00		0.00
5	Desire		100.00		0.00		0.00
1	Downtown Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Dunkirk Monday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Early Bird Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Early Rising Obliging		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	East Amherst	120.00	220.00		100.00		100.00
5	East Amherst Traditions		120.00		0.00		0.00
4	East Aurora		200.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It		240.00		100.00		60.00
5	Eden		100.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		125.00		0.00		0.00
5	Everybody's	10.00	44.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Eyeopener	108.04	1902.45		0.00		0.00
4	Eyeopener South		902.40		386.74		0.00
5	Fireside	156.24	660.75		0.00		0.00
5	Fireside PM		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	First Step (NF)		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Forestville In The Solution		40.00		0.00		0.00
5	Forestville Sunday Serenity		100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start		150.00		0.00		0.00
1	Friday Night Lights		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Friendly		0.00		0.00		0.00

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#	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		AUGUST	YEAR	AUG	YEAR	AUGUST	YEAR
3	Gardenville		800.00		0.00		0.00
1	GAY & BI MEN LIVING SOBER		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Georgetown		150.00		0.00		0.00
5	Getting Better		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Gettin With It		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Giving		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Go to Any Length		750.00		0.00		0.00
5	Golden Slipper		244.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand		150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living	100.00	350.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grateful		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Hamburg		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	H.A.N.D.		50.00		25.00		25.00
1	HAPPY HOUR		40.00		0.00		0.00
7	Harmony		132.47		39.00		0.00
4	Helping Hand		100.00		125.00		75.00
5	High Noon		80.00		0.00		0.00
5	High View	100.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	H.I.P.		20.00		0.00		0.00
5	Holiday Village		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Holland	100.00	300.00		0.00		0.00
2	Honesty		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Hope's Horizon		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	How It Works/Men's	100.00	725.00		0.00		0.00
1	I Am Responsible	50.75	213.59		0.00		0.00
3	IF HE WERE SOUGHT		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Indepence (NF)		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Inspiration		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Intoxicated on Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Ironhorse	80.00	538.00		0.00	5.00	38.00
5	IT		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Just For Today/ Cheektowaga		130.00		0.00		0.00
5	Just For Today/ Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Keep It Simple Sister		75.00		0.00		0.00
2	Keep IT Comin'		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Kensington		75.00		0.00		0.00
2	KEYS OF THE KINGDOM		35.00		0.00		0.00
5	KITCHEN TABLE AA		48.02		0.00		0.00
5	Lakeshore		650.00		0.00		100.00
5	Lakeview		150.00		0.00		0.00
3	Lancaster Dailey Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lasalle		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Lawyer's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	LeWPort	50.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
2	Liberty Women		100.00		0.00		0.00
4	Life Today		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lighen UP		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	LIGHTHOUSE		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Living Clean		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Living in the Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lock City	25.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport #1		200.00		50.00		50.00
5	Lockport Discussion		200.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		275.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Tuesday		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockview		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Love		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Lovejoy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	LOWBOTTOM		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lower River		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	LUNCH BUNCH ALBION		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Main and High		92.00		0.00		0.00
4	Main Street		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Maple		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Marching Forth	30.00	85.00		0.00		0.00
4	Manila	90.00	292.80		0.00		0.00
3	Matt Talbot		340.00		0.00		60.00
5	McKinley Winners	75.00	268.00		0.00		0.00
5	Medina New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	MEDINA STEP WORK/BIG BOOK		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	Mercy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Mid-day		160.00		0.00		60.00
5	Midnight Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Morning After		125.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Beginnings/St. Vincent		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Newfane Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Life		192.50		0.00		0.00
1	New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.		134.00		0.00		0.00

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