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



God's Conscience is a Group Conscience

Tradition Two: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Each tradition that comes after the first one is a path to accomplishing Tradition 1. The 1st tradition discusses the importance of personal recovery and how our actions can affect the welfare of our group. Am I able to be a healing force through God reliance and practicing the principles contained within the 12 steps or is gossip more my game? Am I striving to become informed about AA as a whole by reading the literature, visiting various groups and talking to more experienced members?

Keeping in mind the unity that Tradition 1 talks about, we can move to Tradition 2 and talk about a group conscience. The traditions are principles that weren't figured out in advance. Most of what the traditions attempt to protect against came from a trial and error method by the pioneers of A.A. In our groups, it is not strange to find that just like in our personal alcoholism we can, and we gladly do, yield to the will of God. This tradition reaffirms that the only real authority to be found in A.A. is that of spiritual principle, never of personal authority.

Nowhere in A.A. is there a human authority that can compel an A.A. group to do anything. This is why it is vital for the welfare and survival of the group to use the group conscience atmosphere, where there is no direct authority from any member. Often, when new, I asked myself where the people who were running this thing met to sit and talk about the direction of a meeting or group before things were brought to a vote. Much to my surprise there were no secret meetings of the "wise" and "educated" members prior to talking about the groups business. The trust, of the group making a decision, has been left up to a caring God.

Tradition 2 eludes to the leaders of a group doing their duties with no delusion of power. The 12 & 12 talks about the difference between an elder statesmen and a bleeding deacon. "The elder statesmen is one who sees the wisdom of the group's decision." The bleeding deacon is the person who believes that an A.A. group cannot get along without him and may attempt to fix the bid for reelection to a service position with no real intention of serving.

Part of being a leader in a group is being wise enough to hear all points of view on a subject. Often the minority opinion is undervalued and unspoken in our fellowship. This opinion is in fact the catalyst for development in a group. If we think of the group as an entity and we also think of ourselves as an entity, we can see how both can have character defects. When a member attempts to act like a senator vs. a servant, self-centeredness prevails. When the group allows for God's voice to be heard, we can truly accomplish the unity that is described in the 1st tradition.

Overall, I believe that the 2nd tradition is about having humility in all dealings with the group. As long as my voice is able to be heard, while allowing the group conscience to prevail through God reliance, the 2nd tradition is being adhered to.

*Yours in service and unity,
Jeff B.; Depth & Weight Speaker Group*



Step-Four: When And Why¶

→ The top paragraph of page 64 tells us: “Though our decision was vital and crucial step, it could have little permanent effect unless at once followed by a strenuous effort to face, and to be rid of, the things in ourselves which had been blocking us. Our liquor was but a symptom. So we had to get down to causes and conditions.” This important paragraph not only tells *when* to begin Step Four, it tells *why* we are to do Step Four, and get on with the rest of the program of action!¶

→ *When?*—I found it vitally important to begin Step Four *‘at once’* per instructions because if delayed the immediate enthusiasm may well begin to diminish, e.g.: Depending on the outcome of the Friday night high school football game I would be either elated, talkative and cheerful... or sad. But a few days later this “great effect” would disappear (see page 63 – bottom). Immediately following the Third Step Prayer I was willing to be as honest as I could be, but a few days later, Well, you know how it is... emotions wax and wane!¶

→ *Why?*—Perhaps the most important of the wonderful rewards of Step Four is that we learn tools explaining how to *face and berid of the things in ourselves which had been blocking us*. (Remember in the Third Step Prayer we asked to be relieved of the bondage of self?)¶

→ In the following few pages we learn tools to help rid us of **resentment** and needless, illogical and illogical **fear**. We also come across tools that teach us to discover when we have been **selfish and dishonest**.¶

→ This great news should encourage all of us to look forward to this step with glee, rather than the usual fear and dread so often heard around the tables. This is one reason that I *never* allow sponsee's do Step Four alone—they need sponsor guidance right from the beginning! I have them pray to God, asking for knowledge of their defects and shortcomings, then write them down as they spontaneously come to mind. This may take a few days of prayer and scribing, but it exonerates much of the panic. This is because the writing comes spontaneously without having to think it out—God has provided the information automatically! Of course, later, they may add as they see fit, but never subtract. After this we go through the Fourth Step process as laid out in the Big Book on page 64 thru 71.¶

Bob S., Richmond, IN; The Paper III, April 2014

What Happened Here????

I have tilted more windmills in my 39 year stay in AA than was reasonably necessary. I have been 100% right that we have lost our way, but is the source of our disconnect I have been wrong about. This is, and is not, about advances in the treatment community which has made large strides to understand the malady from a clinical and advisory perspective. AA does not take that view on any advancements, we cooperate. We are not any kind of treatment program. We are a spiritually centered organization whose purpose is to engender God's natural healing powers to those whose lives we touch and we are the only experts on our program of spiritual, not clinical recovery. For years I have argued about people breaking our time-honored traditions for the wrong reasons. They are not committed to the greater good of AA as a whole, they have become committed to recovery on an “I gotta be me”, not for what is good for the whole. We are like passengers on a sinking vessel, clinging for life and dependent on each other for our survival. Those who know how to swim lead the charge and others hang on for dear life till they are competent swimmers. That doesn't happen in the first few years of recovery (10-15), it is an experiential endeavor honed on years of trial and error. The spiritual journey is fraught with misconceptions and the delusional belief that we are more enlightened than our reality proves. Our great strides in early recovery are limited/ enhanced by our sense of being saved from disaster by our associations with like minded survivors, all trying to point in the same direction. Are we really like minded? Are we aware of the spiritual power engendered in group participation? Do we realize the spiritual benefits and energizing experience of obedience to our principles as we truly learn to be part of a whole?

My first sponsor, ZEB Z, represented the treatment community for a public entity and I believe he wanted me to do the same. It is not my cup of tea, although I learned a great deal of relatively useless information about clinical treatment and diagnosis. My point of reference has always been “If you can't smell, um you can't tell um”. Through all my misconceptions and delusions my earliest years of sobriety were the most fun. We hung out, talked AA, played cards, had picnics, dinners and debated who was the most enlightened of the lot, placing bets on those who didn't meet our delusional criteria of being really sober. Delusion is pretty arrogant at times. The sense of belonging was what we really were after and we had that.

As I have aged rather ungracefully, I have sought deeper answers due to infirmity and limitations. Still asking what happened here? I am convinced that AA and Society is in a spiritual vortex of decline. We argue useless info about who is right and who is wrong without ever asking ourselves, what is the REAL PROBLEM we should be working on. We highlight the periphery dishonesty without ever thinking of just telling the truth. Political correctness is king, in spite of the effect on the very life of our society's ABSOLUTES: HONESTY, PURITY, UNSELFISHNESS AND LOVE. I plan on moving back in that direction, rather than argue. We relied on our God's (Never to be called by name so we didn't eliminate those not quite enlightened as ourselves.) But, that is where our power lies. Spiritual growth for the purpose of eradication of our merciless oppressor, which works just fine. Other discussion is just purposeless distraction from our primary purpose.

Shawn C. (A continuously sober member since 1979)

archives



Monthly archives articles are to be about something in our AA history that until we get a second writer, will come every other month from me, Lila M. I looked at ideas but keep coming back to the fact that to me, April is the Conference month & all about that upcoming conference report.

To many AA's in WNY, the question what is 'the Conference' goes unanswered. A simple answer is that in the unorganized structure of AA, the groups are in charge of ALL changes to AA (big book, pamphlets, and how we handle fellowship-wide topics about drunks like safety). AA groups communicate with the conference by sending a rep to General Service area assemblies where their elected delegate goes for a yearly week-long conference where those actions are taken (or not) to make the suggestions from the groups into form – like someone at a group wanting the AA Preamble to be IN THE BIG BOOK. That is called an "Agenda Item" and is just one of dozens of items our delegate will be voting on THIS YEAR. At the end of the conference, all the details come to us in a "conference report" distributed by the delegate.

Special note to all contributing-to-archives groups (THANK YOU – your funds paid for my room and registration), NERAASA was wild in what I learned about my own disabilities and I didn't even know that there were audio recordings of the General Service Conference presentations, which they are developing a policy on. Recordings are really important to my life since I had the stroke. NERAASA is all about next April's Conference's agenda items – and for the agenda items in Archives, the book of Bill W. conference talks is something I'm REALLY looking forward to reading, considering how his Emotional Sobriety letter changed my ability to breathe. The idea that the Preamble is not available in the Big Book as "the AA Preamble" was the agenda item that shocked me, and I looked at that it has been taken to conference three times before (it is parts of the Foreword to the First Edition). Also, that note on the end of Bill's story remarking to go to Bob's story on page whatever in the book is an interesting idea that I figure will not occur because it seems too simplistic. Archives is all about how AA history changes and the groups changes through the Conference is in those conference reports I love to review.

Heard a speaker remarking about his recovery changing over two dozen years ago from thinking the 7th tradition basket was used to fund only his homegroups rent and expenses to realizing that his group contributed to AA as well, to his district/ intergroup, to the area committee, and to our General Service office in New York City. He spoke of the hundreds of thousands of pieces of mail that's responded to there and the thousands of phone calls from doctors, lawyers and social workers as well as us alcoholics that would go unanswered if we tried to handle this with volunteers locally each being responsible for AA all over the world. I'm so grateful someone was RESPONSIBLE enough to explain Unity to me six years ago.

To all the readers in our fellowship, thank you for reaching out to the newcomer and for every hour you've read the pages that create in a willing soul the change they've been dying for. In Love and Service, Lila Mc., WNY Area 50 Archives Committee chair

4th STEP:

"Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves."

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

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Heard @ a Meeting

**No matter how deep your bottom was
It took 12 steps to get out**

IN MEMORIAM Things We Can Not Change

To all of our members who have lost family and loved ones

Tom H. 26 years, formally of Cheektowaga Group

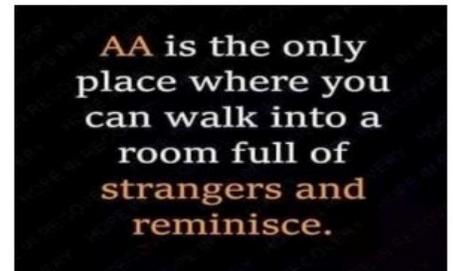
Our thoughts and prayers are with you

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Alexander		Fireside		Renaissance	
Augustine C.	20y	Elaine R.	3m	Don K.	3y
Greg F.	23y	Janet Y.	6m	Harold S.	3y
Vicki B.	27y	Dick M.	9m	Caitlin H.	4y
Ron B.	31y	Barb B.	2y	Velvet J.	4y
Acceptance/Welcome		Erica J.	2y	Bob M.	6y
Darleen L.	5y	First Step		Ann J.	11y
Tiffany T.	6y	Mark N.	3y	Tara M.	18y
Linda C.	6y	Robert M.	10y	Debbie M.	24y
Imca S.	7y	Jerome K.	12y	Kate B.	28y
Craig K.	7y	Golden Slipper		Jim B.	31y
Julia W.	8y	Paul H.	25y	Dick G.	41y
Joseph O.	11y	Kurt K.	36y	Remember When	
Harold S.	22y	H.A.N.D.		Nelson H.	9y
Bob W.	25y	Gary S.	4y	Rise & Shine	
Chuck D.	42y	Ironhorse		Joey G.	2y
All Is Well		Justin G.	2y	Keith W.	2y
Linda J.	1y	Jerry M.	3y	Tina A.	3y
Larry F.	6y	Scotty S.	34y	Tom C.	6y
Amherst Snyder		Just For Today		Tyrone C.	9y
Jim B.	9m	Paul C.	23y	Ed P.	16y
Jeff R.	25y	Dave M.	29y	Sue S.	35y
Marty M.	37y	Nick	36y	Serenity	
Any Lengths		Rita F.	44y	Craig K.	7y
Brian M.	1y	Lakeshore		Robin B.	9y
Coldspring		Walter W.	9y	Sheridan	
Wally G.	21y	Greg H.	29y	Caitlin H.	4y
Courage Group		Terry B.	31y	Cherie W.	4y
Erin L.	6m	John B.	31y	Mark H.	24y
Easy Does It		Lockport #1		Sunday Morning	
Norm F.	9m	Laurie H.	14y	Breakfast	
Stephen C.	9m	Wally E.	33y	Jennifer D.	3m
Tony N.	9m	Al McC.	47y	Andy H.	3y
Margaro	1y	Main & High		Swormsville	
Justine	4y	Larry H.	30y	Ron S.	2y
Eva H.	27y	Marching Forth		Tom F.	3y
Trish P.	27y	Kay G.	32y	Cindy M.	9y
Eyeopenetr		Marilla		Lisa M.	25y
Dave C.	1y	Shirley	31y	The Grove	
Brigette	2y	New Life		Thomas B.	1y
Barb B.	2y	Jiggs L.	29y	Amy C.	1y
Jim S.	8y	Roger	30y	Ron W.	1y
Dan Z.	6y	North Buffalo		Mark M.	1y
Kevin	12y	Jonathon J.	2y	Nathan S.	1y
Susan Y.	16y	Herb N.	5y	Tyler H.	1y
Rick H.	25y	Rachel F.	6y	Bob D.	1y
Alan C.	27y	Mike V.	16y	Josh O.	2y
Bill F.	27y	Purpose		Scott M.	2y
Tammy M.	35y	Ashley W.	2y	Sandie Q.	5y
Helping Hand		Kevin C.	17y	Ed W.	28y
Nancy P.	20y	Harold S.	22y	Thruway	
Holland		Dick B.	35y	Dick M.	9m
Julie Ann K.	2y	Jack G.	40y	Steve C.	5y
Eyeopenetr South				Fred S.	31y
Scott S.	1y			Bryant G.	33y
Brady B.	1y			Williamsville	
Joanne G.	1y			Jessica	3m
Bev S.	2y			Mel	3m
Steve G.	2y			Jim G.	3m
Susan B.	3y			Dan Z.	6y
Tony V.	8y			Ryan L.	19y

It is plain that a life which includes deep resentment leads only to futility and unhappiness. To the precise extent that we permit these, do we squander the hours that might have been worth while.

By Book, Chap 1, pg 88

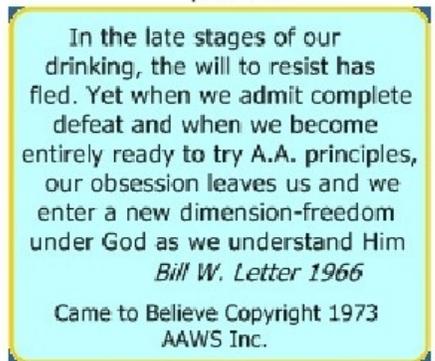


GROUPS CELEBRATING

Attraction-48y
Casting-44y
Cheektowaga- 61y
East Amherst- 44y
First Step; 47y
Lewport- 60y
Purpose- 43y
Ray of Hope- 37y
Serenity on the Lake- 19y
Victory Women's-13y
Welcome- 46y

Please remember to have the anniversaries submitted by the 12th

END OF BUSINESS DAY 4:30 PM of the month previous



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

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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

- **North Evan's Men's Group** time was incorrect in the printed schedule., They meet at 9:30am, Saturday's. The Wesleyan Southtown Campus, 2063 South Creek Rd (GPS: 2063 Shadagee Rd., Eden,) North Evans)14057 @ Rt 20.
- **New Group: Lighthouse; Tues. 7:30 PM**, Grove St. Christian Church, 85 Grove St., Tonawanda 14150. Open Discussion. WC.
- **New Group; Keys of The Kingdom;** (Women's) Wed. 6:30 PM. Presbyterian Church, 1822 Huth Rd., Grand Island 14072. Child Care \$5.00 per child.
- **Grateful Group** has added a **Sunday, 7:30 PM** meeting. Church of the Nativity, 1530 Colvin Boulevard, Tonawanda 14223
- **Casting Group** is changing it's **start time to 6:30 PM**. Tuesday's, Jesse Nash Center, 608 William St., Buffalo 14212
- **New Group: Perseverance;** ECMC Clinic, 5087 Broadway, Depew, 14043. Wednesday's 12 Noon. Open Big Book Discussion.
- **MID-DAY Group** ;Mon @ 12:30 PM, now meet at **ENDEAVOR**. (formerly Mid-Erie Clinic), 1520 Walden Ave., Cheektowaga.
- **Arcade Group** on Thursday's has moved to **Yorkshire** Free Methodist Church, 3172 Main St., Yorkshire, 14173. Thursday, 8PM.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: COMMITTEE MEETINGS

~ Apr. 8; **Committee Meeting that meet prior to Central Committee 5:30 PM**
St. Andrew's Church Parish, (Corner of Crocker & Reiman) , Sloan, 14212,
Steering Committee (5:30 PM) in CO
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 Position Of Neutrality)

~ Apr. 9, **Convention Committee Meeting**, 6:00PM, St. Andrew's Church Parish, (Corner of Crocker & Reiman) , Sloan, 14212,

COMING EVENTS

~ Apr. 20-22, **Women of AA Annual Spring Spiritual Weekend at Stella Niagara** - Lewiston. Come for a week-end of sharing powerful personal stories of life-changing recovery from that hopeless state of mind and body. The triumphs that led recovered women through each step on their pathway to freedom are shared to be part of the solution for YOU. Activities include movies, morning meditation, in small groups and spiritual advisers available for one-on-one assistance. Meals and fun provided - see Information and Flyer on website www.buffaloaa.org/upcomingevents.htm

Apr. 25 **Serenity On The Lake 19th Anniversary**. Pizza & wings at 7pm, Speaker at 8pm. St. Anthony's Church , 421 Commercial St. (Rt. 249), Farnham 14061. Door Prizes. All are Welcome.

~ Apr. 28; **Sober Jam II**, Doors open @5PM, Speaker @ 6 PM, Music @ 7 PM. Please Bring A Dish to Share. If you play an instrument, sing, write music or play cover songs, come share your gifts. The Hope Center; 781 Maple Rd., Amherst.

~ **Nov. 2-4, 77th Buffalo Fall Convention**. Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga 14225. Flyers & info will be posted when they become available.

Yours in the Fellowship of the Spirit...Terry B.... Executive Secretary

4th STEP: "Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves."

4th TRADITION: "Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole."

4th CONCEPT: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

General Service Assembly

~ Apr 14 , **GSA Area 50**, Topic: Pre-Conference Report. 12 Noon. Central North First Trinity Church, 1570 Niagara Falls Blvd, Tonawanda 14150. (Hosted by District 4)

~ Apr. 21 , **Archives Committee Meeting; 2nd MONDAY** 6:30PM. Buffalo Central Office, **Work night's**; 4th Monday's.

~ Apr. 18, , **GSA District 16 (Southtown's) Meeting**. 7:00 PM(3rd Wednesday's), at 2063 Southcreek Rd., Eden 14057.

~ Apr. 29 ; **GSA District 8 Meeting**, 5:00 PM, Brothers of Mercy 4240 Ransom Rd., Clarence.. Use Rear entrance.



"Self-pity is one of the most unhappy and consuming defects that we know. It is a bar to all spiritual progress and can cut off all effective communication with our fellows because of its inordinate demands for attention and sympathy. It is a maudlin form of martyrdom, which we can ill afford. "The remedy? Well, let's have a hard look at ourselves, and a still harder one at A.A.'s Twelve Steps to recovery. When we see how many of our fellow A.A.'s have used the Steps to transcend great pain and adversity, we shall be inspired to try these life-giving principles for ourselves."

Bill W Letter, 1966

Envelope System

"personally helping to ensure AA for the future"

"Every A.A. wants to make sure of his survival from alcoholism, and his spiritual well-being afterward. This is just as it should be. He also wants to do what he can for the survival and well-being of his fellow alcoholics. Therefore he is bound to have a vital interest in the permanence and well-being of A.A. itself."

Bill W., *Language of the Heart*, p. 166

Central Committee Minutes March 4th, 2018

The meeting was opened at 7 pm by our committee chair Tina D. Everybody then joined in with the responsibility statement and after a moment of silence the meeting started the serenity prayer, recited by all. Dan read the AA preamble. Roman read the purpose of central committee and Tina read the traditions. After the readings, Jessica (Nightwatch) gave a very inclusive and well prepared presentation on tradition 3. Come on out to join us next month to hear Hanna (Three Legacies) speak on tradition 4. A motion to accept last month's minutes was made and seconded. 32 groups represented 57 people in attendance

Groups in attendance break down by zones as follows. Zone 1- Buffalo Group, Main and High, Zone 2 – Acceptance, Brass, Depth & Weight, Daily Reflections, Easy Does It, How it Works, North Buffalo, Position of Neutrality, Step Action Group, Three Legacies, Welcome Group Zone 3 – Abbott Men's Discussion, Iron Horse, Matt Talbot, Southgate, Sunday Morning Breakfast, Thruway. Zone 4 – Tuesday Men's Discussion, Zone 5 –, Lockport #1, Lockport Ladies. Zone 6 – As Bill Sees It, Sobriety Men's Discussion. Zone 7 – Fresh Start, Zone 8 – Achievement, Amherst Snyder, Eye Opener, Fireside PM, Lighten Up, Step it up.

Committee Reports

Envelopes System - The Envelope Committee met March 3rd 2018. 1. The Envelope System was established to allow individual AA members to directly contribute money to Buffalo Central Office to ensure that it can continue to carry the message. 2. Our committee continues to inform AA groups about the financial needs of Central Office and how to use the Envelope System purple brochure to contribute financially. We do so during business meetings or an announcement times within the meetings. 3. Please suggest at your Home Group that when a member has an anniversary of sobriety that they use the envelope system as a way of giving back. For example 5 years sober they could give \$5 a month for the year. It is tax deductible. Use check or credit card. An individual may donate up to \$3,000 a year. 4. We ask that each Home Group keep a supply of these purple brochures on your literature rack. They are free from Central Office. The Envelope Committee meets at 6:30 prior to the Central Office meeting. Same location. Yours in service Pat G.

Steering Committee - Met on 3/4/18 at 5:30pm with 12 people in attendance. Checked with groups, read yellow card, proposal of pa system.

Financial – Please see full financial report within this publication.

Treatment – No written report submitted

Corrections – Met today and we had 12 people in attendance. Shannon gave NERAASA report and the committee will be implementing some ideas from the conference that other areas are doing, and are working well for them. The committee decided tonight that in the upcoming months we are re-approving people that need to be, and scheduling individuals to go into the county facilities. In the meantime, we will be trying to go through a different chief for scheduling as the current contact is very slow to respond (if at all). We are getting an abundance of new volunteers for our state prisons and are able to start new meetings in Collins. Corrections is getting moving with help from district 16 so please encourage your group to have a corrections rep to spread this vital service even more. Shannon

Central Office - TOTAL CALL'S INCLUDING AFTER-HOUR'S ; AA Call's: 428, 12-STEP:13, ALANON: 2, VISITORS: 215, VOLUNTEERS: 5 volunteers Email's:531, Website Hit's; 101,035 / of them 9,170 Unique Visitors, Total number of visits: 21,468. All Numbers are down from last month. Number of forms received to add to our 12th Step List: 0. We sent out the Newsletter via online sign-up to 119 people; of them only 28 were open :(1) GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: The Journey-1, Sober Train-2, What's Going On-2, Intoxicated On Life-5, & MERCY-8 Yours in the fellowship of the Spirit... Terry B.

Night Watch – Met 3/4/18@ 5:30pm with 2 members. We are covered with Nightwatch volunteers for the next two months. Meeting with a man from Derby on Tuesday because his group wants to get involved. Currently going over the 12 step call list and phone numbers. Also checking email candidates for 12 step calls. Reviewing addresses and phone numbers for the 12 step call list. Jessica

PIC/CPC – Met 3/4/18 at 5:30pm with 5 people present. Randy attended the CPC roundtable at NERAASA and another committee member attended the PI table. A PHD student from UB wants us to come speak to grads and undergrads next month. Gehessy's Center Set for Saturday info. We now have a secretary. Have Dr. pamphlets for primary care physicians. Looking to get information to union halls. Contact us at buffaloPICPC@gmail.com. Submitted by Randy

Education/Participation - The Education and Participation committee met today at 5:30. There were 7 members in attendance. We reviewed the prototype of a PowerPoint presentation for new Intergroup Representatives and discussed possible changes and improvements. We also reviewed some print material to be included in new IR Packets. For next month, members will further edit these and other materials, at which point we will vote on whether or not to include them in the orientation. Our next committee meeting will be at 5:30 pm immediately before the next Intergroup meeting in April. We can be reached at buffaloepc@gmail.com. Yours in service, Hannah W.

Buffalo AA Fall Convention 2018 – No report given, no representative present.

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(Central Committee Minutes Continued...)

Archives - Brevity effort: Thank You for my recovery. Archives reported to 3 of the 4 intergroups last month! Worknights on the 2nd & 4th Monday evenings each month at 6:30 in the archives office. The monthly archives meeting was held on 3rd Sat each month @ 10am @ 17 Gierlach in Buffalo NY (backdoor) but this month will be held at the Niagara Falls Cataract City convention in the Sheraton in front of the casino. Interested in history or love how this process has evolved? STOP BY PLEASE for more info!

Special attention has been going toward gathering group histories and getting them to New York's GSO Archives, as well as getting oral histories from long-timers.

Donations recvd from Ironhorse, Women Making the Effort, Sobriety Men's Discussion in Hamburg and Main & High. Thank you SO MUCH for your support of our efforts to maintain the history of this area that spans these 8 counties of western New York --- and for getting me to NERAASA (rpt in archives article).

Upcoming displays are the March 16-18, 2018 Cataract City Spring Convention in Niagara Falls, New York. March 10th display at All Is Well 2nd anniversary in West Seneca and on the last weekend of March SouthGate's 41st anniversary Mar 24 and Dunkirk's Anniv Mar 26. Lewport's anniversary display is Apr 24 and the full display on May 5th for the Archives Breakfast at Cheektowaga's Infant of Prague!

We'd love to display the archives at your group anniversary or special event – your PRIMARY PURPOSE efforts may be assisted by this sharing the history of AA at YOUR MEETING more than you can know.

And the usual reminder to all AA members of these 8 counties of Western New York – throw NOTHING group-related away without considering your unborn alcoholics to come, which is the purpose we work hard at keeping our area documented accurately and the reason for the existence of this ARCHIVES Committee. Yours in service, Lila M., your grateful Area 50 Archives Committee Chair

Accessibility - No report given, no representative present.

General Service Liaison - The February 3rd area committee meeting and March 3rd assembly meeting delta primarily with 2 issues. The issue of self support for assembly meetings was addressed at the committee and a motion to be fully self supporting for assembly meeting expenses was drafted. Traditionally groups, districts, and intergroups were responsible for the costs of hosting these events. The increased attendance at the area assemblies as well as the ability of the area to afford the expenses made a need for change necessary. The motion was discussed at length, modified and passed at the area assembly. The second topic was rebuilding the district structure. The area committee decided that the gsa education chair, Nadav, would lead the discussion at the area assembly. The topic of spirituality in service was chosen. We heard the experience, strength and hope from 8 DCMs on the spiritual connection that they experienced as the districts became operational. As always, a spirit of open-mindedness, willingness and cooperation was reinforced as we moved forward in caring the message. Yours in Service, Brian Barry liaison

Old Business:

Welcome 4 new group representatives to Central Committee, Elizabeth (Women Making The Effort), Cheryl (Lighten Up), Kelly (Step Action), and Larry (Main and High)

Discussion was held over the microphone system set up at our meeting today. Many are interested in keeping the system so that all may hear and be heard. A motion was made to purchase a PA system for Central Committee was tabled for further recommendations/research from the steering committee. The steering committee will also explore options for storage and transport of the system.

New Business :

Welcome new members tonight! Reggie (Fresh Start) and Frances (Southgate)

The steering committee proposed a portable PA speaker with 2 wireless mics. Questions came up regarding the quality of the proposed unit. Concerns over microphones not being able to function properly due to Bluetooth. A motion was made to purchase the equipment. It was put to a vote with 11 in favor, and 22 opposed. The minority discussions did not change opinion or vote. Motion defeated.

A motion was made and seconded to appoint an Adhoc committee to explore sound equipment and make recommendations. Rich agreed to head up the Sound System Adhoc Committee and report back to us with their findings.

Coffee Makers/Snacks : Thank you to the coffee maker (Terry) and the Group providing snacks for the meeting tonight (Questions and Answers Group). Next month, we look forward to snacks provided by the Position of Neutrality Group
Group Announcements :

The Annual Archives Breakfast is coming...May 5th

The next SoberJam planning meetings will be held at the Hope Center (Thursday, March 15th at 7:00 pm, and Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 pm. SoberJam is April 28th

Yours in Service, Guy R. (Central Committee Recording Secretary)

Cash Flow Statement	Jan-18	Feb-18
Beg Bal Cash on hand	24,128.19	26,240.64
Contributions		
Groups	6,610.45	3,717.11
Central Committee 7th tradition	86.00	80.66
Envelope System	1,779.66	1,395.66
New Frontiers Subs	64.00	
Literature/Medallions/Pins	4,504.75	2,559.88
Literature Sales Tax	276.27	221.09
Literature Postage	24.17	10.47
Sales +/-	288.33	(6.36)
Archives Room Rent:	300.00	
Committee Meetings	24.00	26.00
Misc(Aug)Security Deposit Return		
Transfer from PR		
GSA Hosting 3/2017		
"Gratitude Month" (NOV)		
Conventions/Day of Sharing		
Monthly Income	13,957.63	8,004.51
Expenses		
Building Rent/Utilities	1,000.00	1,000.00
Central Com. Rent	35.00	35.00
Payroll Gross	2,909.36	2,909.36
Employment Taxes	260.38	260.38
Unemployment Surchar	(6.06)	(6.06)
NYS Sales Tax	278.27	
Insurance		
State Ins Fund(Travelers)		309.00
Health	612.63	612.63
D&O Insurance	1,080.00	
Liability		841.98
Postage	174.74	404.50
Phone/internet	137.17	137.17
Accounting		
Paychex	258.19	145.46
Advt		
Dex YP	372.70	186.35
website		
Local Edge		
Literature Expenses		
Grapevine	577.35	1,094.70
World Services Inc	3,021.67	1,300.00
Hazeldon		
Printers		
Medallions	187.00	334.62
Office Supplies	257.66	521.33
Copies/ service contract	161.00	161.00
Copier Lease	129.00	129.00
Bank Fee's including credit ca	266.12	109.36
GSA Host	130.00	200.00
Prudent Reserve		5,000.00
CO Seminar		
Monthly Expenses	11,842.18	15,685.78
Monthly Income (Loss)	2,115.45	(7,681.27)
End Balance	26,240.64	18,559.37
Petty Cash	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Balance	29,240.64	21,559.37
PRUDENT RESERVE	23,147.65	28,148.07
Assets: Literature& Medallions	15,339.87	16,457.24
Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	433.49	245.90
Removed from Stock	167.12	
Corrections Facilities	1,375.02	1,406.02
Contributions	354.00	109.00
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00
Expenses	320.00	
Balance	1,406.02	1,512.02
Treatment Facilities	1,145.45	1,043.45
Contributions	181.00	110.00
Expenses	280.00	
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00
Balance	1,043.45	1,150.45

YTD: 2018

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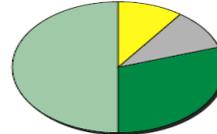
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Intergroup wants to express our appreciation for those groups and individuals who have made generous financial contributions, and give a special thank you to all the members who have volunteered their time this year to help the sick and suffering alcoholic.

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

50% to Intergroup or Central Office
30% to General Service Office
10% to WNY General Service Area 50 committee
10% to district

RESENTMENT IS LIKE DRINKING POISON AND WAITING FOR THE OTHER PERSON TO DIE.

~ carrie fisher

There Is A Solution.

Concept IV: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

- Do we understand the spiritual principles underlying the "Right of Participation"?
- What does "in reasonable proportion" mean? Do we understand when it is appropriate for A.A. paid staff to have a vote at the General Service Conference or in our local service structure?
- Do we expect that, because we are A.A. members, we should be allowed to vote at any group, even if we are not active members of that group?

New Frontiers ~ April 2018

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018							
Zone	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR
5	7 Clans		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	12 Steps/12 Traditions	170.00	170.00		0.00		0.00
1	4th Step Stumblers/F.U.N.		0.00		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		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Acceptance/Welcome		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Achievement		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Action		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Age Doesn't Matter		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Albion Grapevine		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Albion New Beginnings		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Alexander		0.00		0.00		0.00
	All Is Well	250.00	250.00		0.00		0.00
8	Amherst Snyder	138.47	138.47		0.00		0.00
6	Amsdell Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Any Length	30.00	140.00		0.00		0.00
4	Arcade		200.00		50.00		0.00
6	As Bill Sees It		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville)	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
6	Attraction		100.00		0.00		0.00
	Awareness	5.00	5.00		0.00		0.00
6	Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Beginning In Sobriety II		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Beginning's Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Lockport		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Big Book Study		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell Saturday		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Bodhisattva		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Boulevard Helping Hand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Boulevard Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Buffalo Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Buffalo Creek		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Wayside		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Book		79.00		0.00		0.00
6	Carry the Message	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
7	Casting		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Cayuga Wake- Up Call		220.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor Sunday		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central City Café	122.00	122.00		0.00		0.00
6	Changing Our Ways		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Chapter IX	100.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
3	Cheektowaga		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	Clarence Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Clarence Men's II		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Cold Spring		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Commitment		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Contemporary Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Complanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Depth & Weight		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Derby		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Desire		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Downtown Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Dunkirk Monday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Early Bird Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Early Rising Obliging		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	East Amherst	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
8	East Amherst Traditions		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	East Aurora		450.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It	30.00	60.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
6	Eden	75.00	75.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Everybody's	75.00	75.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Eyeopener		709.81		0.00		0.00
4	Eyeopener South		385.00		154.00		0.00
8	Fireside	53.89	53.89		0.00		0.00
8	Fireside PM		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	First Step (NF)		108.14		0.00		0.00
	Forestville In The Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Forestville Sunday Serenity		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start		100.00		0.00		0.00
1	Friday Night Lights		385.00		0.00		0.00
5	Friendly		0.00		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018							
Zone	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR
3	Gardenville	440.00	440.00		0.00		0.00
8	Georgetown		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Getting Better		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Gettin With It		40.00		0.00		0.00
1	Giving		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Go to Any Length		400.00		0.00		0.00
5	Golden Slipper		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grateful		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Hamburg		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	H.A.N.D.		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Harmony		51.00		0.00		0.00
4	Helping Hand	25.00	50.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	50.00
8	High Noon		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	High View		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	H.I.P.		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Holiday Village		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Holland		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Honest Solutions		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Honesty		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Hope's Horizon	220.00	220.00		0.00		0.00
2	How It Works/Men's	75.00	150.00		0.00		0.00
	I Am Responsible	38.20	38.20		0.00		0.00
3	IF HE WERE SOUGHT		75.00		0.00		0.00
	Independence (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	65.00	143.05	4.00	4.00	5.00	11.00
8	IT		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Just For Today/ Cheektowaga		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Just For Today/ Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Keep It Simple Sister		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Keep On Coming		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Kensington		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Lakeshore		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Lakeview		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Lancaster Dailey Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Lasalle		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Lawyer's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	LewPort	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Liberty Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Life Today		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lighten UP		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		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Discussion		500.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		0.00		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
5	Lower River		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Main and High	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
4	Main Street		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Maple		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Marching Forth	30.00	80.00		0.00		0.00
4	Marilla	50.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
3	Matt Talbot		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	McKinley Winners		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Medina New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	MEDINA STEP WORK/BIG BOOK		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Mercy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Mid-day		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	Midnight Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
	More Friends Of Bill W.		118.00		0.00		0.00
2	Morning After		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Beginnings/St. Vincent		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Newlone Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Life		77.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Outlook		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.		97.50		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

Zones	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR
2	North Buffalo	98.00	196.00		0.00		0.00
6	North Evans Men's		50.00		0.00		0.00
4	North Java Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	North Java Sunday		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	One Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Open Arms		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Orchard Park Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Our Meeting @ the VA		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Page 33		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	PERSEVERANCE		55.00		0.00		0.00
5	Point of No Return		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	POSITION OF NEUTRALITY		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Pride		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Primary Purpose		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Principles Bef. Personalities		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Purpose/Tonawanda		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Questions & Answers		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Quitting Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ray of Hope		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Recovery Near the Gardens	10.00	10.00		0.00		0.00
1	Reflections		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Remember When		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Renaissance		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Renaissance Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Renewal		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Ridge		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Rise and Shine		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Rochester		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Rural is Plural		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Sally		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Saratoga		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Saturday 12 & 12		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Saturday Night Alive		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sat. Nite Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Searching For Serenity		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Second Chance		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Serenity		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Serenity on the Lake		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Serenity Trails		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Setaside		195.30		0.00		0.00
2	Sheridan	50.00	175.00		0.00		0.00
6	Silvercreek Friendship	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Simplicity		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sister's & Brother's		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Sober Saturday	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sober Trails	34.93	34.93		0.00		0.00
2	Sober Train		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sober Winners	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sobriety Men's Disc.		100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sobriety On The Canal		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sobriety on a Sat. Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sobriety on the Lake		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Sobriety Sisters		41.65		0.00		0.00
3	South Buffalo		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	South Town		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Southgate		30.00		0.00		0.00
4	Southwestern		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Spiritual Progress	20.00	20.00		0.00		0.00
4	Springville Sat. Afternoon		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Springville Tues. Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Springville Wed. Noon	10.00	10.00		0.00		0.00
4	Springville New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Sprout into Sobriety	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
8	St. Barnabas		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	St. Mark's		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Starting Over/By The Book		72.00		0.00		0.00
2	Step Action Group	292.11	292.11		0.00		0.00
8	Step it Up (Wehrle)		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Steps 1, 2 & 3	135.00	135.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sunday @ 8:00		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sunday Grapevine		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Sunday's Best		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sunday in Cattarugas	98.00	98.00		0.00		0.00
3	Sunday Morning Breakfast	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
1	Sunrise Court		190.00		0.00		0.00
8	SUNY Amherst Campus	104.00	104.00		0.00		0.00
2	Surrender and Hope		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	TGIF		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Thankful		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	The Absolutes		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	The Beginnings Of Recovery		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	The Derby Lunch		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	The Grove		100.00		100.00		100.00
3	The Herd	75.00	75.00		0.00		0.00
1	The Journey		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	The New Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	The Noon Meeting		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	THE NORTH COLLINS		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	THE YORKSHIRE		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Three Legacies	43.51	43.51		0.00		0.00
3	Thruway		0.00		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

Zones	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR	FEB	YEAR
8	TnT		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Today		50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Tri County		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Try Again		150.00		30.00		30.00
4	Tuesday Men's AM		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Tuesday Women's		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Turning Point		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Twin Cities		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	TWO PONDS		20.00		0.00		0.00
8	Unity		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	University Men's Disc.		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Valley		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Victory		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Victory Women's		0.00		0.00		0.00
	VIP		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Wake Up Call		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	WE(Women's Experience)		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	WE BELIEVE		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	We Care		450.00		0.00		0.00
	Westfield		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Westminster		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	What's Going On		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Why		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Williamsville		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Willing To Grow		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Wilson Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Wilson Smith Alumni		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Women Making the Effort		150.00		20.00		20.00
1	Women's West Side		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Working		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Youngstown		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Anonymous	50.00	150.00		0.00		0.00
	Bill H.		20.00		0.00		0.00
	Mary M.	10.00	10.00		0.00		0.00
	Donna F.	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
	Sally Ann S.	19.00	19.00		0.00		0.00
	TOTALS	3717.11	10327.56	109.00	463.00	110.00	291.00

Tradition Four: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

- Do I insist that there are only a few right ways of doing things in AA?
- Does my group always consider the welfare of the rest of AA? Of nearby groups? Of loners in Alaska? Of internationalists miles from port? Of a group in Rome or El Salvador?
- Do I put down other members' behavior when it is different from mine, or do I learn from it?
- Do I always bear in mind that, to those outsiders who know I am in AA, I may to some extent represent our entire beloved Fellowship?
- Am I willing to help a newcomer go to any lengths – his lengths, not mine – to stay sober?
- Do I share my knowledge of AA tools with other members who may not have heard of them?

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