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TRADITION EIGHT by Bill Wilson Written July 1948

Throughout the world AAs are twelfth-stepping with thousands of new prospects a month. Between one and two thousand of these stick on our first presentation; past experience shows that most of the remainder will come back to us later on. Almost entirely unorganized, and completely nonprofessional, this mighty spiritual current is now flowing from alcoholics who are well to those who are sick. One alcoholic talking to another; that's all.

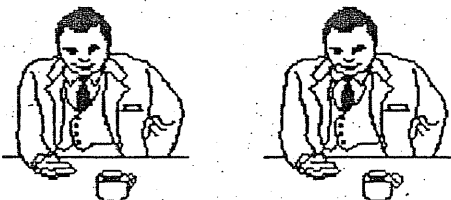
Could this vast and vital face-to-face effort ever be professionalized or even organized? Most emphatically, it could not. The few efforts to professionalize straight Twelfth Step work have always failed quickly. Today, no AA will tolerate the idea of paid "AA therapists" or "organizers". Nor does any AA like to be told just how he must handle that new prospect of his. No, this great life-giving stream can never be dammed up by paid dogooders or professionals. AA is never going to cut its own lifelines. To a man, we are sure of that.

But what about those who serve us full time in other capacities - are cooks, caretakers, and paid intergroup secretaries "AA professionals"?

Because our thinking about these people is still unclear, we often feel and act as though they were such. The impression of professionalism subtly attaches to them, so we frequently hear they are 'making money out of AA' or that they are "professionalizing" AA. Seemingly, if they do take our AA dollars they don't quite belong with us AAs anymore. We sometimes go further; we underpay them on the theory they ought to be glad to "cook" for AA cheap.

Now isn't this carrying our fears of professionalism rather far? If these fears ever got too strong, none but a saint or an incompetent could work for AA. Our supply of saints being quite small, we would certainly wind up with less competent workers than we need.

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WE WELCOME YOU....

The following are the Themes for the coming issues of newsletter.

- September: Justice
- October: Perseverance
- November: Spiritual Awareness
- December: Service

We hope that this will spur you to think about writing an article or some other demonstration of your thoughts on these Topics.

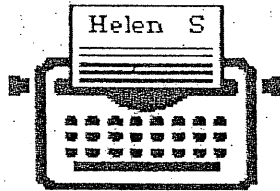
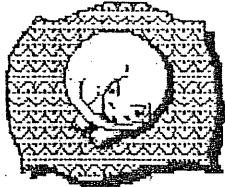
THIS MONTH : THEME : BROTHERLY LOVE

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YEARS OF SHARING

Helen's Corner ...



We can all express brotherly love, to one another, if we practice two thoughts: 1) The source of all life is God. Each and everyone of us are a part of God. The body is merely how we get around, a mobile home. Who and what we really are is contained in the words, "Our Father". Those two words also define the relationship between us all. We are a family. 2) Our personality is not God. If a person is angry or shy or a loner or whatever — we need to realize that they are acting this way because of fear. Stuff has happened to them which has caused them to create a wall of fear to prevent anyone from seeing this fear. If they can keep people away by being nasty than they feel secure and protected.

Loving everyone doesn't mean we like everyone. But what we need to remember is what we don't like is the way the person is expressing themselves. The point is we need to see beyond the personality and mentally acknowledge the fact that God created this person. And thank God for this reminder.

Brotherly love is "agape love". "Agape" means self-giving loyal concern that freely accepts another and seeks his good. Isn't this the way God loves us? Can we not try to express agape love to one another?

Brotherly love (agape love) begins when we realize the full meaning of the words, "Our Father". "Courtesy, kindness, justice, and love are the keynotes by which we may come into harmony with practically anybody," so says the 12 & 12 in discussing Step 10.

Three quotes, which I have found to be very helpful, concerning practicing brotherly love are...

1) "We can often ask ourselves, "Am I doing to others as I would have them do to me - today?" 12 & 12, p.93

2) "Sometimes we need to place love ahead of indiscriminate "factual honesty." We cannot, under the guise of "perfect honesty", cruelly and unnecessarily hurt others. Always one must ask, "What is the best and most loving thing I can do?" 12 & 12, p.92.

3) "Life takes on new meaning in AA. 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 not to be missed." Big Book, p.89.

Yours in the Spirit of AA
Helen S.

HISTORICAL ROOTS

Taken from the book "Serenity" by
Dr. Robt Hemfelt and Dr. Richard
Fowler

Twelve Step programs were born in the mid-1930s with the establishment of the first program, Alcoholics Anonymous. AA was adapted from a Christian revival organization referred to as the Oxford Group. Both the Oxford Group and the Twelve Steps have at their hearts the desire to take a healing message to people caught in unwholesome lifestyles.

Dr. Frank Buchman, a Lutheran minister of Pennsylvania Dutch stock, was the founder of the Oxford Group. While attending the 1908 Keswick Convention in England, Buchman had an experience that changed his life. Bearing resentments and feelings of ill will toward the official board of a hospice he had established and from which he had been compelled to resign because of differences with those board members, he entered a little church in Cumberland. His pride and anger had prevented his serving as a Christian minister should. Suddenly, in that church, through a woman's talk about the Power of Christ's redemption, he envisioned the suffering face of the crucified Christ. In that moment, he realized what a distance his resentments had placed between himself and God's unconditional love. Spiritually transformed, he was filled with an intense feeling of life as he surrendered his will and willfulness to God. The Oxford principles of surrender, restitution, and sharing were founded on his personal experience of spiritual conversion. The Oxford Group reached out to the suffering through house meetings, which included testimonies, personal witness, Bible study, and informal talks. Members were encouraged to find and work with persons who suffered from problems similar to their own. The use of attention-getting, easy-to-remember, easy-to-repeat slogans also became common in Group circles.

Bill Wilson traced his journey to sobriety through the Oxford Group. In November 1934, while he was still a practicing alcoholic, Bill was visited by an old friend, Ebby Thatcher, who had been restored to sobriety through the Oxford Group. One month later, while in a hospital undergoing treatment for alcoholism, Bill was again visited by Mr. Thatcher, at which time the principles of the Group were explained. It was at this time Bill had his transforming spiritual experience.

For the next three years, Bill pursued his recovery through the Oxford Group, which emphasized the following: 1) complete deflation (of false pride); 2) dependence and guid-

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Transformation
by Tom W., Willing to Grow

My name is Tom, and I am a recovering alcoholic. I spent many years of my life seeking bliss by using alcohol or a substitute for it. Today I don't need to drink, and I've found the bliss that eluded me all of those years. I find it in my relationship with God, as I understand Him, in my relations with human beings, and in my "everyday mind." Before transformation I held many false assumptions about God, the nature of bliss, and also about the language of illusion. I've examined these false ideas, and would like to share a few of my newly found views and recent experience with you.

Our text calls transformation "spiritual awakening" (Alcoholics Anonymous p.569). It doesn't matter what one calls it, as long as we're talking about the same thing. The Big Book goes on to say that "...the personality change sufficient to bring about recovery from alcoholism has manifested itself among us in many different forms" (p.569). I have had no sudden awakenings. My transformation has been of the "educational" and I might add, painful variety, and it includes body, mind, and spirit.

The physical or bodily part of my transformation doesn't require much elaboration. The body begins to regenerate itself 72 hours after the last drink and (barring permanent damage) continues to heal, if we provide it with: nature, rest, nourishment, pleasure, and medical care.

Next is the mental/emotional part, then the spiritual. I've found that before I could understand what spiritual meant, I had to work thru the mental debris first. For me this journey began with honesty and self-discipline. For example, I suffered from depression most of my drinking career. When I started to realize sobriety (reality), it occurred to me that I would have to unhook from depression. But, I wanted to remain depressed because it was familiar to me. I think sobriety is not about staying hooked to ones' depression. I had to make a decision to either hold onto it (depression), or to let it go. I decided the latter. I took my initial plunge into recovery, by doing so.

I ceased some of my rigid resistance toward reality. As a result I discovered that I needed to abandon many of my old, usual ways of doing things, some of my old thinking, and I needed to examine my beliefs about life.

Still on a mental/emotional note, allow me to share this: I discovered that there is no grace in self-abasement. This act is not being humble. This is outright attack. It's main purpose is to delay recovery. The only function that it has is to take an already confused mind and twist it, making it worse. I see short and long term sobriety's (members of A.A.) doing this act, both crudely and in subtle ways. This beating up of self, saddens me deeply. I too am guilty, I am no saint, I didn't come here by virtue. My ways of attacking self may be a little more subtle than some, but it's all the same. When a man or a woman undermines his or her own progress, thru self-abasement, no matter how its done, internal or in the presence of others, it serves only one cause, and that is to impede the natural flow of recovery. This is an alcoholic trait. This is one reason why we, or at least why I, can't handle alcohol. It's because I suffer from the ism's. These ism's (inner stuff maintained) impel me to beat on myself.

The action that helped me to stop making myself less, is a gift given to me by humans, that are members of A.A. This gift is called love. If old Tom W. is not able to love himself, how is he gonna love you, or anyone else? This love is the A.A. kind, and it asks no questions, nor makes no demands. It is the action that heals a confused mind, and disturbed emotions. It is what the God of my choice, IS. I can work the steps (application of the spiritual) and make my amends to others, but what about me? I need to give me, the gift of love, the nod of approval, the "matter" that recovery is made of, so that I can continue to heal. The past is gone, what remains are its memories. I'm looking to heal these memories; not run or hide from them. Growing spiritually means that one of the first things that I do, is to greet my alcoholic self with open arms.

Finally I'd like to touch on the spiritual part of recovery. I am the type that couldn't practice something until I understood it. Needless to say sobriety usually works the other way around. I have to practice it, before I can understand it. There is no substitute for experience. This practice requires blind faith, trust in my Higher Power, and also in humans (spiritual guides), and a general feeling of "things are exactly the way they are supposed to be."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PLEASE READ AT ALL MEETINGS:

WHEN YOUR GROUP IS HAVING A FUNCTION AT ANOTHER LOCATION DURING THE REGULAR MEETING TIME, PLEASE REMEMBER NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS, WHO HAVE ONLY THE SCHEDULE LISTING THE USUAL LOCATION, TIME AND ADDRESS. CONSIDER ACCOMMODATING THEM BY PERHAPS SIMPLY HAVING A FEW PEOPLE AT THE REGULAR LOCATION FOR THAT HOUR.

PLEASE NOTE:

ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT - MONDAY - 6:00 PM - is starting a new membership list - if you are a member or would like to be - come and join us!

CAMPUS - TUESDAY & THURSDAY - 12:30 PM - Buffalo State College, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Weigle Health Ctr., Rm. 203 (behind Student Union) is still meeting during summer and needs support.

TGIF - FRIDAY - 8:30 PM - Our Lady of Peace Church, 10950 Main Street, Clarence, NY. This group needs support and would welcome some fresh faces. Come join this group where sobriety abounds.

SATURDAY EARLY BIRD - 10 AM - have added Beginners, Discussion & Step Tables.

MEETING CHANGES:

GAY & LESBIAN, SOBER AND PROUD - 10:30 PM-12 AM - SATURDAY - Open Discussion-non-smoking and W/C meeting at Network Community Ctr., 239 Lexington Ave, at Ashland St.

LOCKPORT #1 - FRIDAY - 8:00 PM - has moved to Grace Episcopal Church, 100 Genesee St.(at Cottage St.), Lockport - is now NON-SMOKING.

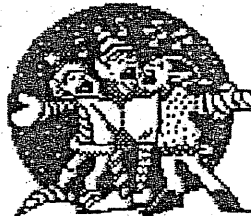
RUSH HOUR - TUESDAY - 4:00 PM - meets in the Palmer Room (2nd floor) at Harriman Hall.

ST. THOMAS - THURSDAY - 7:00 PM - meeting cancelled.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING

SUNDAYS - August 4 and September 1, 7:00 PM. at 80 Goodrich Street behind Buffalo General.

REMEMBER
Everyone Welcome.



Christmas Vigil 1991

The first organizational meeting will be held on August 17th at 210 Franklin St., at 1:00 PM. We will confirm our committee and begin our volunteer assignments at this meeting. Please!! We need participants from all areas of WNY to lend your expertise. Help to make this year's vigil the best yet, as we continue to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of A.A. in WNY.

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST 2,3,4 - ANY AGE - Weekend
the Park - Don Miller Park off
Sweeney, N.Ton. - see slinger for
details.

AUGUST 3 - SATURDAY - BIDWELL
MONDAY DISCUSSION - picnic at La-
Salle Park-Shelter#4-11AM-6PM.
Join us for a day of food-fun-fel-
lowship. Bring a dish to share.

AUGUST 4 - SUNDAY - SUNRISE
COURT - 4th Annual Picnic 11:00 AM
to 6:00 PM at LaSalle Park, Pavillion
#4. Games - hot dogs - hamburgers,
pop and coffee provided. Bring a
dish to share.

AUGUST 10 - SATURDAY - HAPPY
HOOR - AA picnic from 12 Noon -? at
LaSalle Park Shelter #3 - bring a
dish if you wish.

AUGUST 10 - SATURDAY - SIXTH
STEP - will hold a Free Family Pic-
nic at Oppenheim's Zoo on Niagara
Falls Blvd. from 10 AM-? Kiddie en-
tertainment - bring a dish to
share.

AUGUST 10-11 - SATURDAY & SUN-
DAY - GSA-DAY OF LEARNING at the
Park Inn International, West State
St., Olean, NY. Registration begins
at 6PM on Saturday with speaker.
Sunday, 9AM-5PM, panels. Ban-
quet at 6:30 PM, John G., GSO, 8 PM.
Registration \$5, Banquet \$13,
Alateen \$1. Send Hospitality dona-
tions to Day of Learning, 609 Gar-
den, Olean, NY 14760.

AUGUST 11 - SUNDAY - TRI-COUNTY
- picnic at L.K. Painters Ctr., Rte 39,
Collins, NY - 12 Noon with a meeting
at 4 PM-bring a dish.

AUGUST 17 - SATURDAY - AMHERST
SNYDER - 3rd Annual FOBB (Friends
of Bill & Bob) Golf Tournament at
Chestnut Hill Country Club. The \$50
fee includes coffee, doughnuts,
lunch, golf, carts, dinner and
prizes. Mail check, by August 5th, to
FOBB, Box 2, Kenmore, NY 14217. Call
Bill L. 838-4135; Chuck T. 834-1919

AUGUST 23-25 38TH ANNUAL
CHAUTAUQUA TRI-STATE ASSEM-
BLY - Pre-registration \$6 per per-
son by mail only-Treasurer, Box
118, Fredonia, PA 16124. For info 832-
9227.

SEPTEMBER 6 - FRIDAY - THANKFUL
- 12th Anniversary Open meeting at
10 AM with guest speaker-lunch &
goodies-bring a dish.

SEPTEMBER 7 - SATURDAY - WNY
G.S.A. 2ND ANNUAL TRADITIONS DAY
-Panels begin at 8:30 AM-5PM - reg-
istration \$8 - Best Western/Lock-
port Inn, 515 So.Transit,Lockport -
registration & dinner \$20 - dinner
at 7 PM; Speaker at 8 PM - Hospitality
donations and pre-registration:
W.N.Y.G.S.A., Traditions Day, PO Box
86, Amherst, NY 14226. No dinner
tickets sold after September 2, 1991.



*"The Miracle
Continues"*

FALL CONVENTION
OCTOBER 25th, 26th, 27th
CONVENTION CENTER
DOWNTOWN BUFFALO

This is a large order for me to accept, at times. All the discussions, book learning, and even pondering of sobriety (desired action) beforehand did little to appease my need to know. To deal with this problem it required me to make a decision. I had to decide if I wanted to achieve sobriety, or if I wanted to be "right." Achieving sobriety means that I accept others and myself, exactly the way that we are, and that I forgo my need to know, before I practice. Being "right" is just another way of insisting that life (sobriety) has guarantees, and that my way is the "best" way. I made my decision in favor of sobriety: it is my best chance at inner peace. I am not saying that this decision was easy, but I am saying that it was necessary.

As a result of this decision, I divided my recovery into two parts. One part physical or material, and the other part spiritual of flowing. For me the material part blocks the spiritual flow. When I focus in on the material, and when I insist on being "right", I lose my inner calm. So, my recovery is not about being "right", it is about being content, and it is about experiencing Inner Calm. When I consciously or subconsciously decide that I want to be "right", that's when I disturb the flow (spiritual), and I experience symptoms. These symptoms range from minor physical (bodily) annoyances like insomnia, headache, and backache, to major feelings of impending doom, like sobriety is all a dream; I'll soon awaken and think that it's not real; to symptoms like fear of taking that next drink. All of this disruption being caused within me, when I insist on being "right." It's easy to surmise which part of recovery that I spend most of my energy in: the spiritual of course.

The main culprit that I struggle with is ego. To me, ego symbolically represents, in part, my need to be "right" and my need to feel safe and secure. One would think that the self that tries to give up ego would be a battle ground. For me it has been, many times. But the further in recovery that I progress, the more the spirit takes precedence over the illusionary demands and desires of my ego. There is tremendous spiritual energy in making a decision. For me this energy is being used on my recovery from alcoholism. I believe that alcoholism can be arrested, one day at a time, by having thoughts, feelings, and taking action that are in harmony with the spirit, thereby allowing recovery to flow naturally. If its not flowing, then I'm not growing. Thanks for

We are beginning to see that our few paid workers are performing only those service tasks that our volunteers cannot consistently handle. Primarily these folks are not doing Twelfth Step work. They are just making more and better Twelfth Step work possible. Secretaries at their desks are valuable points of contact, information, and public relations. That is what they are paid for, and nothing else. They help carry the good news of AA to the outside world and bring our prospects face to face with us. That's not "AA therapy"; it's just a lot of very necessary but often thankless work.

So, where needed, let's revise our attitude toward those who labor at our special services. Let us treat them as AA associates, and not as hired help; let's recompense them fairly and, above all, let's absolve them from the label of professionalism.

Let us also distinguish clearly between "organizing the AA movement" and setting up, in a reasonably businesslike manner, its few essential services of contact and propagation. Once we do that, all will be well. The million or so fellow alcoholics who are still sick will then continue to get the break we sixty thousand AAs have already had. Let's give our "service desks" the hand they so well deserve.

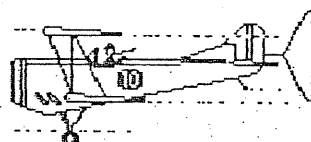
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ance from a Higher Power; 3) moral inventory; 4) confession; 5) restitution; 6) continued work with other suffering persons.

During a business trip to Akron, Ohio, Bill experienced a strong urge to drink. He knew, as a principle of his Oxford Group activity, that he could only retain his recovery if he were actively involved in helping others like himself. The man with whom he was finally linked was Dr. Bob Smith. They first met in May 1935, and Bill shared his own life story and his new found spiritual realization that if he persisted in his drinking, he would either go mad or die. They talked night after night. Dr. Bob finally began to share frankly with his new friend. After ten days of sobriety that ended in one final binge, Dr. Bob had his last drink on June 10 of that same year. Many people point to this date as the actual founding of AA, although it would not be known by that name for another four years.

In August of 1937, Wilson broke away from the Oxford Group because certain alcoholics had trouble with its rather aggressive evangelism. Also, Frank Buchman had assumed a controversial political stance, from which Bill wanted to distance himself.

Thus, AA became another link in the chain of brotherly love.



Movin' On In Sobriety

SENECA 12 & 12

Tammy B. 1yr.
 Walter W. 6mo.
 Bernia K. 6mo.
 Kathy M. 3mo.

THRUWAY

Dave B. 13yr.
 Ed R. 12yr.
 Don M. 11yr.
 Lee R. 11yr.
 Dick S. 8yr.
 Jane C. 8yr.
 Craig M. 8yr.
 Ed Z. 8yr.
 Bob C.II 7yr.
 Ed M. 6yr.
 MaryJaneM. 5yr.
 Betty G. 5yr.
 Perry L. 4yr.
 John K. 4yr.
 Peter S. 2yr.
 Danielle F. 2yr.
 Gary G. 1yr.
 Eugene C. 1yr.
 Bob K. 1yr.
 Maggie M. 9mo.
 Dick D. 9mo.
 Cyndi B. 6mo.

WHY

Fatsy N. 21yr.
 Dave C. 7yr.
 Alicia T. 5yr.
 Don K. 1yr.
 Tim K. 3mo.

WE CARE

AUGUST
 Marci S. 5yr.
 Bryan D. 2yr.
 Margie B. 2yr.
 Mary K. 1yr.
 Tom K. 3mo.
 Bruce L. 3mo.

JULY
 John Mcl. 2yr.
 Norman N. 6mo.
 Chris M. 3mo.

SUNRISE COURT

Dolores R. 10yr.
 Bob H. 5yr.
 Bobby G. 1yr.
 Lynn L. 9mo.
 Darryl V. 9mo.
 Shirley J. 3mo.
 Scott W. 3mo.

NORTH BUFFALO

Elizabeth G. 25yr.
 Barbara B. 18yr.
 Bruce B. 9yr.
 Kevin C. 8yr.
 Margo P. 8yr.
 Dudley S. 5yr.
 Gary B. 3yr.
 Richard W. 3yr.
 Arnie A. 2yr.
 Charles B. 2yr.
 Daniel G. 2yr.
 Daniel S. 2yr.
 Michael C. 2yr.
 Paul M. 1yr.
 Walter W. 6mo.
 Ronald D. 6mo.
 Herman A. 3mo.

AMHERST SNYDER

Frank L. 43yr.
 Elliot L. 31yr.
 Larry K. 13yr.
 Bernie A. 11yr.
 Joan T. 7yr.
 Chuck T. 7yr.
 Frank A. 6yr.
 Dodie B. 6yr.
 Ed M. 6yr.
 Dave W. 5yr.
 Paul H. 5yr.
 Julie R. 5yr.
 Dave S. 4yr.
 Donna K. 4yr.
 Chris S. 4yr.
 Matt L. 4yr.
 James M. 4yr.
 Brad B. 3yr.
 Lisa N. 3yr.
 Randy W. 2yr.
 Carl C. 2yr.
 Micky G. 1yr.
 John F. 1yr.
 Richard D. 1yr.
 Jim L. 1yr.
 Charles S. 1yr.
 Andy H. 9mo.
 Cyndi B. 6mo.
 James B. 3mo.

LOVEJOY

Bernie S. 19yr.
 Jackie J. 2yr.
 Bob G. 2yr.
 Doug P. 1yr.
 Bob G. 1yr.
 Greg N. 1yr.
 Mary K. 6mo.

WOMEN'S

WESTSIDE

Rose Marie C. 5yr.
 Valarie F. 4yr.
 Cindy C. 4yr.
 Janice D. 3yr.
 Laura M. 3yr.
 Patty L. 3yr.
 Fran R. 3yr.
 Kim S. 2yr.
 Diane B. 2yr.
 Laura 1yr.
 Cecilia D. 1yr.
 Georgia M. 9mo.
 Judy W. 6mo.
 Gilda R. 3mo.
 Cherryl S. 3mo.
 Maria O. 3mo.

H.O.W.

Ryan W. 3mo.

NEW ZION

Linda Z. 4yr.
 Kathy T. 1yr.
 Teddy Q. 1yr.
 Elizabeth F. 6mo.
 Amy K. 6mo.

GIVING

Dan W. 9yr.
 Larry S. 2yr.
 Joe O. 9mo.

EARLY BIRD

Pete D. 1yr.
 Terry W. 1yr.

COLD SPRINGS

Otis B. 7yr.
 Barb B. 5yr.
 Gloria D. 4yr.
 Cathy T. 3yr.
 Anthony D. 3yr.
 Derrie J. 2yr.
 Armstead D. 2yr.
 Dave C. 1yr.
 Ceil D. 1yr.
 Darryl V. 9mo.
 Kenneth C. 9mo.
 Keith C. 9mo.
 Frank B. 9mo.
 Willie B. 9mo.
 Blane H. 9mo.
 Jerry M. 6mo.
 Anthony D. 6mo.

IRON HORSE

AUGUST

Joe K. 10yr.
 Kate K. 9yr.
 Frank M. 4yr.
 Michael L. 1yr.
 Myron M. 1yr.
 Nancy S. 1yr.
 Tammie S. 1yr.
 Lisa D. 1yr.
 Jason Z. 1yr.
 Bernie K. 6mo.
 Henry Mc 6mo.

JULY

Jane C. 10yr.
 Steve L. 6yr.
 Steve K. 5yr.
 Dennis Z. 3yr.
 Gary B. 1yr.
 Ernie S. 1yr.
 Maryann S. 6mo.
 Norm K. 6mo.
 Tammy S. 6mo.

HAPPY HOUR

Jeanie A. 16yr.
 George B. 13yr.
 Dolores KR 10yr.
 Margaret S. 6yr.
 Fran R. 3yr.
 Edward C. 1yr.
 Ted Q. 1yr.
 Karen L. 1yr.
 Theodore T. 1yr.
 Ron T. 1yr.
 Sabrina H. 1yr.
 John H. 1yr.
 Betty W. 9mo.
 Trina H. 9mo.
 John L. 9mo.
 Sue M. 9mo.
 Ezeqiel M. 9mo.
 Bernice R. 6mo.
 Edward K. 6mo.
 RaymondW. 6mo.
 Chris M. 3mo.
 Shirley J. 3mo.
 Greg W. 3mo.

WE ADMITTED

Lucky M. 15yr.
 Lynn 2yr.
 Dan W. 2yr.
 Gary L. 1yr.
 Debbie Mc 1yr.

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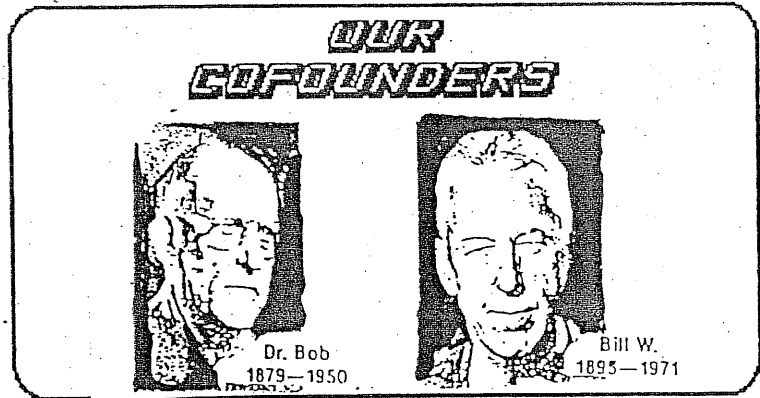
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CENTRAL COMMITTEE

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Central Committee meets on the first Sunday of every month at 7:00 PM at the COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, 80 Goodrich Street (behind Buffalo General Hospital).

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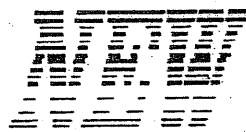
REMEMBER: WE ARE RESPONSIBLE.

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5 - Northern Tier:	Marion G.
6 - Southern Tier:	Cindy C.
7 - Northeast Buffalo:	Kevin C.
8 - Eastern Tier:	Bill M.

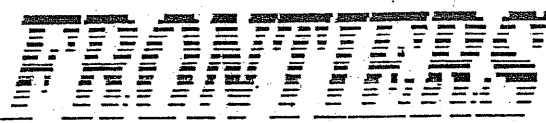
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EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND THE GSA MEETINGS.



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NEXT MONTH'S THEME : *Justice*



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AUGUST 1, 1991

PLEASE READ AT ALL MEETINGS:

WHEN YOUR GROUP IS HAVING A FUNCTION AT ANOTHER LOCATION DURING THE REGULAR MEETING TIME, PLEASE REMEMBER NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS, WHO HAVE ONLY THE SCHEDULE LISTING THE USUAL LOCATION, TIME AND ADDRESS. CONSIDER ACCOMMODATING THEM BY PERHAPS SIMPLY HAVING A FEW PEOPLE AT THE REGULAR LOCATION FOR THAT HOUR.

PLEASE NOTE:

ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT - MONDAY - 6:00 PM - is starting a new membership list - if you are a member or would like to be - come and join us!

CAMPUS - TUESDAY & THURSDAY - 12:30 PM - Buffalo State College, 1300 Elmwood Ave., Weigle Health Ctr., Rm. 203 (behind Student Union) is still meeting during summer and needs support.

TGIF - FRIDAY - 8:30 PM - Our Lady of Peace Church, 10950 Main Street, Clarence, NY. This group needs support and would welcome some fresh faces. Come join this group where sobriety abounds.

SATURDAY EARLY BIRD - 10 AM - have added Beginners, Discussion & Step Tables.

MEETING CHANGES:

GAY & LESBIAN, SOBER AND PROUD - 10:30 PM-12 AM - SATURDAY - Open Discussion-non-smoking and W/C meeting at Network Community Ctr., 239 Lexington Ave, at Ashland St.

LOCKPORT #1 - FRIDAY - 8:00 PM - has moved to Grace Episcopal Church, 100 Genesee St. (at Cottage St.), Lockport - is now NON-SMOKING.

RUSH HOUR - TUESDAY - 4:00 PM - meets in the Palmer Room (2nd floor) at Harriman Hall.

ST. THOMAS - THURSDAY - 7:00 PM - meeting cancelled.

COMING EVENTS:

AUGUST 2,3,4 - ANY AGE - Weekend in the Park - Don Miller Park off Sweeney, N. Ton. - see slinger for details.

AUGUST 3 - SATURDAY - BIDWELL MONDAY DISCUSSION - picnic at LaSalle Park-Shelter #4-11AM-6PM. Join us for a day of food-fun-fellowship. Bring a dish to share.

AUGUST 4 - SUNDAY - CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING - 80 Goodrich - 7:00 PM

AUGUST 4 - SUNDAY - SUNRISE COURT - 4th Annual Picnic 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM at LaSalle Park, Pavillion 4. Games - hot dogs - hamburgers, pop and coffee provided. Bring a dish to share.

AUGUST 10 - SATURDAY - HAPPY HOUR - AA picnic from 12 Noon -? at LaSalle Park Shelter #3 - bring a dish if you wish.

AUGUST 10 - SATURDAY - SIXTH STEP - will hold a Free Family Picnic at Oppenheim's Zoo on Niagara Falls Blvd. from 10 AM-? Kiddie entertainment - bring a dish to share.

AUGUST 10-11 - SATURDAY & SUNDAY - GSA-DAY OF LEARNING at the Park Inn International, West State St., Olean, NY. Registration begins at 6PM on Saturday with speaker. Sunday, 9AM-5PM, panels. Banquet at 6:30 PM, John G., GSO, 8 PM. Registration \$5, Banquet \$13, Alateen \$1. Send Hospitality donations to Day of Learning, 609 Garden, Olean, NY 14760.

AUGUST 11 - SUNDAY - TRI-COUNTY - picnic at L.K. Painters Ctr., Rte 39, Collins, NY - 12 Noon with a meeting at 4 PM-bring a dish.

1991 -- Christmas Vigil -- 1991

The first organizational meeting will be held on August 17th at 210 Franklin St., at 1:00 PM.

We will confirm our committee and begin our volunteer assignments at this meeting. Please!! We need participants from all areas of WNY to lend your expertise. Help to make this year's vigil the best yet, as we continue to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of A.A. in WNY. Bob J., Chairman

AUGUST 17 - SATURDAY - AMHERST SNYDER - 3rd Annual FOBB (Friends of Bill & Bob) Golf Tournament at Chestnut Hill Country Club. The \$50 fee includes coffee, doughnuts, lunch, golf, carts, dinner and prizes. Mail check, by August 5th, to FOBB, Box 2, Kenmore, NY 14217. Call Bill L. 838-4135; Chuck T. 834-1919

AUGUST 23-25 38TH ANNUAL CHAUTAUQUA TRI-STATE ASSEMBLY - Pre-registration \$6 per person by mail only-Treasurer, Box 118, Fredonia, PA 16124. For info 832-9227.

SEPTEMBER 1 - SUNDAY - CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING - 80 Goodrich - 7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 6 - FRIDAY - THANKFUL - 12th Anniversary Open meeting at 10 AM with guest speaker-lunch & goodies-bring a dish.

SEPTEMBER 7 - SATURDAY - WNY G.S.A. 2ND ANNUAL TRADITIONS DAY -

Panels begin at 8:30 AM-5PM - registration \$8 - Best Western/Lockport Inn, 515 So. Transit, Lockport - registration & dinner \$20 - dinner at 7 PM; Speaker at 8 PM - Hospitality donations and pre-registration: W.N.Y.G.S.A., Traditions Day, PO Box 86, Amherst, NY 14226. No dinner tickets sold after September 2, 1991.

OCTOBER 25th, 26th, 27th
FIFTIETH FALL CONVENTION
CONVENTION CENTER
DOWNTOWN BUFFALO

8th MONTH - 8th STEP *"Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."*

8th MONTH - 8th TRADITION *"Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers."*

Delphine A. Hoy,
Executive Secretary

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ENVELOPE SYSTEM!

The meeting was opened at 7:02 PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Preamble, Purpose of Central Committee, and the Twelve Traditions were read. It was moved by Charlie P. and seconded by Guy H. to dispense with readings of the minutes from the last meeting.

39 GROUPS WERE REPRESENTED:

DISTRICT #1 Bidwell - Bidwell Monday Nite - Fresh Start - Gay, Lesbian, Sober & Proud - Happy Hour - High Noon - Live&Let Live - Open Mind - Sharing & Caring - Sunrise Court - Womens Westside Disc
DISTRICT #2 Early Bird - Kenmore - Purpose - Why
DISTRICT #3 Cazenovia - Caz Manor - Ellicott - Father Baker - Perry Disc - Rainbow - Southgate - Urban
DISTRICT #4 Keep It Simple, Sister
DISTRICT #5 Niagara Frontier Mens - We Admitted
DISTRICT #6 North Java, Sunday
DISTRICT #7 Amherst Snyder - Cold Springs - Faith & Actions - Harmony - Kensington Disc
 North Buffalo - Sheridan - Spirit of Hope
DISTRICT #8 Common Problem - Matt Talbot - New Life - Williamsville

ENVELOPE SYSTEM: Don K. for Burr E.

	1990	1991		
JULY	\$ 692.00	\$ 691.58	\$ -0.42	(-0.06%) Decrease
YEAR TO DATE	\$4,505.87	\$ 4603.58	\$ 97.71	(2.16%) Increase

STEERING COMMITTEE - JULY 30, 1991

Cindi C.

The Steering Committee meeting was opened by Jack C. at 6:10PM. Others present were Shawn C., Bill M., Kevin C., Cindi C., Marion G., John B., Larry B., Jerome D., and Delphine H. Previous minutes were reviewed and accepted.

Again Delphine requested any information on the groups being in their proper districts be turned into the Central Office staff. All TFC meeting will be deleted from the lists. Corfu will be one of the groups moved from District 6 to 5. Bill M. proposed a date be picked to go over the lists for final okay. The October meeting was decided on.

Pertaining to the Fall Convention Co-Chairman, Shawn C. spoke with the individual we felt would be an appropriate appointment. There are a few stumbling blocks such as the general issue of anonymity in the business world, etc. Many solutions were brought up, however, the issue was tabled. Final decision will be made at the August Steering Committee meeting.

New Business: The purchasing of a portable air conditioner for the Central Office was discussed. They are approximately \$1000. It was moved that 3 bids be obtained and to go with the appliance that is the best for the least.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM with the Lord's Prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Larry B. (See Attached)

TREATMENT FACILITIES: Don H.

Kevin N. And Don H. want to thank Central Committee for paying our expenses while attending the NYS GSA Workshop in Utica, New York.

We want you to know that the sharing that is done among all of us who work in the areas of Treatment Facilities, Corrections, Grapevine, Cooperation with the Professionals and Public Information is extremely valuable. We have come back to Western NY with some new ideas of things we can do to better serve our Groups.

We are planning a TFC meeting for Thursday, August 22nd. It will be held at the meeting room next to the Central Office. We welcome all who wish to be involved in this type of service to come and join us.

Rotation from one job to another in AA is important in order to give us a wide exposure to different areas of service and also to prevent us from thinking that this is my meeting. Rotation breeds humility. This year GSA also paid to send Shawn C. to this workshop. Shawn serves as the co-chairman for the TFC at GSA. I was on the TFC panel and want you all to know that I praised the Western NY groups for their generous support of our committee. We are all very proud to be serving all of you. Again thank you from our entire committee for being there when we need you.

August 3,4,5 State Workshop at Utica, NY It was suggested that we should try to have better communication between the Correctional Facilities Committee and AA. What AA can do and what AA does not do. Be sure all volunteers know the rules of the facility. Explain to the administration the BRIDGE THE GAP program. Take old Grapevines to the meetings. New Correctional Facilities Directory will be out by November 1, 1991. It was suggested to try to have a Workshop for the facility for the Correctional Officers and administration. Also the state is talking that all coming to the facilities will be finger-printed. It was suggested that we should try to get a group to take over the AA meeting for volunteers. The subject of service was a big subject. Thanks for the opportunity to go to the Workshop.

SCREENERS REPORT: Norma F.

The Answering Service took 435 calls. 52 calls went out to Screeners. Calls were in reference to: 1. Reason for being in program for years, wants to drink again. 2. Bingo drinking only. 3. Canadian meeting 4. just talk 5. needs ride.

CENTRAL OFFICE: Delphine H.

A.A. INFORMATION	669		
PIC	0	12 STEP	25
CPC	0	LITERATURE REQUESTS	74
AL-ANON	57	REFERRAL TO OTHER AGENCIES	21
ALATEEN	2	REFERRAL FROM OTHER AGENCIES	8
ACOA	21	CENTRAL OFFICE	
METROCOMM SERVICE GROUP		OUTGOING CALLS	163
INCOMING CALLS	435	OUTGOING MAIL	\$215.16
OUTGOING CALLS	52	VISITORS	210

NEW FRONTIERS: Larry B. Everything running smoothly.

BUFFALO FALL CONVENTION: Delphine H.

No formal report was given, just a note that the committee met on Saturday, July 27th at the Hyatt as usual. The fact brought out was the lack of registrations being sent in to date.

CHRISTMAS VIGIL: Bob J.

Chairman reported that an organizational meeting on Saturday, August 17, 1991 at 210 Franklin Street, corner of Huron, at 1:00PM. Anyone interested in joining the committee or assisting in any manner is welcome to attend the meeting.

COURTESY REPORTS

G.S.A. - GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY Elvester McR.

Day of Learning in Olean on August 11, 1991

P.I.C. - PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE: Norma F. for Marcia W.

To Be Done: 8/9-8/18 - Erie County Fair - 5 persons covering 8 evenings at Educational Building of Fair Grounds with literature and question answering. 8/24 - Health Fair - Blasdell Junior Chamber of Commerce at Immaculate High School - 10:00 AM-4:00PM - 8/2-8/4 I'm at the Informational Workshop at Utica College, Utica, NY.

C.P.C. - COOPERATION WITH THE PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY: Bernie A.

Participated on a panel at the 12th Informational Workshop, Utica, NY. Erie County Library literature okay. Will see about them purchasing from GSO. Participating on a panel Day of Learning in Olean, NY on 8/11/91. Next year we will host in August, 1992 the GSA 13th Informational Workshop for New York State. It will be held at a local college. Cost about \$115.00 for 2 nights and 5 meals. Lower cost for just Workshop, about \$10.00 per person. Discussed will be CPC, PIC, TFC, CFC, and Grapevine.

RE-CAP

OLD BUSINESS: Steering Committee: Bob H. asked to have clarified the group redistricting. Vote on amendment to Procedures regarding Chairperson and Co-Chairperson was carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 7:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Patrick Hayes, Recording Secretary

Abbott Men's Disc.				20.00
Achievement				25.00
Action				125.00
Amherst Snyder		30.00		120.00
Broadway Bailey		5.00		15.00
Chapter IX				105.00
Chevy #1		25.00		25.00
Common Problem				25.00
Eternal Vigilance				60.00
Father Baker				50.00
Fireside				25.00
Happy Hour				45.00
Hill-Billy		15.00		45.00
Honesty		10.00		80.00
Kenmore				65.00
Lake Shore		20.00		90.00
Live & Let Live				50.00
Living Sober				50.00
New Zion				75.00
North Buffalo		10.00		80.00
Orchard Park Step				10.00
Rainbow		35.00		60.00
Remember When		25.00		25.00
Rush Manor				20.00
Seneca 12 & 12				10.00
Sheridan		10.00		80.00
Sobriety				50.00
South Buffalo				10.00
Spirit of Hope		5.00		20.00
Sunday Niters				60.00
Sunrise Court		20.00		110.00
Thruway				20.00
Twin Cities				30.00
We Care		10.00		70.00
WHY				50.00
Reimbursement-Wende				100.00
		220.00		1900.00
Expenses			Check #	Amount
Central Office - Attica			1020	54.00
Central Office			1021	52.50
Central Office - Wyoming			1022	61.75
Central Office - Holding Center			1023	110.00
M&T Check Supplies				66.16
RECAP			Total expenses	344.41
Balance Per Checkbook 7/25/91		391.48		
Add Receipts 7/25/91 - 8/25/91		220.00		611.48
Deduct Expenses 7/25/91 - 8/25/91				344.41
Balance Per Checkbook 8/25/91				267.07
Operating debit 8/25/91		(124.41)		

Abbott Men's Disc.				46.00
Action				125.00
Amherst Snyder	20.00			80.00
Beginnings				25.00
Broadway Bailey	5.00			15.00
Came to Believe				20.00
Chapter IX				105.00
Chevy *1	25.00			25.00
Common Problem				50.00
East Aurora	10.00			80.00
Eternal Vigilance				60.00
Fireside	25.00			100.00
Happy Hour				45.00
High View				3.00
Hill Billy	15.00			45.00
Honesty	7.00			28.00
Kenmore				65.00
Lake Shore	20.00			140.00
Lakeview				200.00
Live & Let Live				50.00
Living Sober				15.00
New Zion				75.00
North Buffalo	10.00			80.00
Orchard Park Step				10.00
Rainbow				50.00
Remember When	25.00			25.00
Rush Manor				40.00
South Buffalo				10.00
Spirit of Hope	5.00			20.00
Sunday Morning Breakfast				20.00
Sunday Niters				30.00
Sunrise Court	20.00			110.00
Thruway				20.00
Twin Cities				30.00
University Men's	25.00			200.00
We Care	20.00			140.00
WHY				100.00
Anonymous				40.00
	232.00			2322.00
Expenses		Check#	Am't	
Central Office - Renaissance		184	38.00	
Don Harvey - postage		185	12.00	
	Total expenses		50.00	
RE-CAP				
Balance per Checkbook 7/25/91		104.32		
Add Receipt 7/25/91 - 8/25/91		232.00		336.32
Deduct Expenses 7/25/91 - 8/25/91				50.00
Balance per Checkbook 8/25/91				286.32
Operating credit 8/25/91		182.00		

GROUP			Chapter IX		105.00	Giving		
1st Things 1st			Cheektowaga			Golden Slipper		
6th Step			Chevy #1	400.00	400.00	Good Life		
A Day At A Time	84.00	156.00	Clarence Men Disc II			Grand		
A Helping Hand	20.00	120.00	Clarence Men Disc		350.00	Grand II Joy Of Living		180.00
Abbott Mens at VA			Cold Springs		50.00	Grateful		
Abbott Mens Disc		60.00	Common Hour			H.A.N.D.		160.00
Acceptance	100.00	330.00	Common Problem		50.00	Half & Half		
Achievement		240.00	Community Center		75.00	Hamburg		
Action		150.00	Cornplanters Again		190.00	Handicappers		50.00
Active Achievement			Courage		240.00	Happy Hour		110.00
Age Doesn't Matter			Delaware Disc		177.55	Harmony	10.00	74.00
Albion		30.00	Derby	30.00	140.00	High Noon		
Alexander			Desire	50.00	75.00	High View		12.00
All Women			DeVeaux Disc		25.00	Hill Billy	75.00	255.00
Amherst Tree of Life		120.00	Downtown Disc			Honesty	30.00	240.00
Amherst Snyder	100.00	400.00	Downtown Men's	30.00	50.00	Humbly Willing		
Amsdell Lakeshore			Dunkirk		40.00	Ignatia		
Any Age			Early Beginnings			Inner City	40.00	160.00
Arcade			Early Bird			Inspiration		25.00
As Bill Sees It		10.00	Early Start			Iron Horse	20.00	20.00
Attitude Adjustment			Easier Softer Way			It		10.00
Attraction	100.00	480.00	Easy Does It			It's About Tim	10.00	10.00
Awakening			East Amherst		60.00	Just for Today		
Back To Reality			East Aurora	40.00	320.00	1st Step		
Beginner's Table			Eden-North Colli	150.00	150.00	Keep It Simple, Sister		80.00
Beginning in Sobriety I			Ellicott	25.00	175.00	Keep on Comin'		20.00
Beginning in Sobriety II			Ellicottville			Kenmore		65.00
Beginnings		25.00	Emergency			Kensington	25.00	100.00
Bidwell	60.00	180.00	Eternal Vigilance		250.00	Ladies Night		
Bidwell Monday Disc			Everybody's	50.00	70.00	Lakeshore	20.00	85.00
Big Book-Lockport		48.20	Eye Opener		480.00	Lakeview		
Big Book Study		30.00	Faith and Actions			Lazy Bee Ranch		
Blasdell			Father Baker	100.00	350.00	Let Go & Let G	25.00	100.00
Blasdell Monday Nite		100.00	Feelings	100.00	100.00	Lewport		
Blissfully Sober			Fireside	180.00	1680.00	Liberty Wome	153.00	299.00
Boulevard Women,		90.00	Fireside P.M.		75.00	Life Today		171.75
Brass	10.00	90.00	Ford			Lighten Up		225.00
Broadway-Bailey	10.00	105.00	Fredonia Bkft. Meeting			Live and Let Live		149.00
Brocton Discussion		50.00	Fredonia Discus	30.00	60.00	Living Sober	35.00	280.00
By the Book			Freedom	25.00	200.00	Lock City		91.00
Came To Believe		96.25	Fresh Start			Lockport #1		500.00
Campus - Buff State			Friday Nite Disc			Lockport Disc		
Castling			Friendly		50.00	Lockport Ladies		100.00
Cathedral Park		325.00	Friendship Fireside			Lockview		100.00
Caz Manor			Frontier		25.00	Lovejoy		
Cazenovia			Gah Nee Goin Geh			Lower River		72.00
Central Park			Gardenville			Marilla		20.00

Matt Talbot	25.00	225.00	Salamanca			Thursday Afternoon Disc	125.00
Mc Kinley Winners			Salamanca Freedom			Thursday Nonsmokers	
Medina New Life			Sally			Today	
Mercy		60.00	Salvation Army			Tri-County	25.00
Mid-day			Saratoga			Tuesday Men's Disc	20.00 114.50
Midnite			Saturday Earlybird			Tuesday Women's Disc.	10.00
Miracle			Saturday Night Disc	30.00	130.00	Turning Point	25.00
MOD			Saturday Night Alive			Twin Cities	50.00 250.00
Morning After			Saturday Nite Live			United Brotherhood	
Never Too Late			Searching for Serenity			Unity	229.00
New Awakening			Second Chance			University Mens	160.00 1280.00
New Beginnings			Security		10.00	University 12 & 12	
New Frontier			Seneca 12 & 12		20.00	Urban	30.00 150.00
New Frontier Womens			Serendipity			V.I.P.	
New Life	10.00	70.00	Serenity	60.00	270.00	V.I.P. Sunday	
New Westside			Sheridan	30.00	240.00	Valley	
New Zion		350.00	Silver Creek		50.00	Veterans	
Niagara Frontier Men's			Sober Trail			Victory	
Nite People			Sober Winners		25.00	We Admitted	10.00 10.00
North Buffalo	100.00	800.00	Sobriety Men's Disc		50.00	We Are Not Saints	
North Java		50.00	Somerset			We Care	30.00 210.00
One Day at a Time			South Buffalo		60.00	We Choose Life	12.00
Open Arms			South Town			We Have a Dream	5.00
Open Mind		60.00	Southgate		25.20	We Need You	
Opportunity			Southwestern	34.00	114.00	Wednesday Lunch	
Orchard Park Step		30.00	Spirit of H.O.P.E.	10.00	40.00	Welcome	267.00
Pass It On			Spiritually Willing			Welcome Home	
Patchin			Springville			West Seneca Sat. Nite	70.00
Peaceful			Springville-no smoking		30.00	Westfield	
Pendleton-Chapter V			St. Barnabus		60.00	Westminster	
Perry			St. Mark's	60.00	60.00	WHY	100.00
Positively Living			St. Thomas Group			Williamsville	75.00
Positively Living II		83.85	Step		30.00	Willing To Grow	35.00
Primary Purpose			Stepping Stones			Wilson	
Progress		200.00	Suburban	50.00	50.00	Women's Westside Disc.	
Purpose			Sunday Morning Bkft.		50.00	Working	
R.I.P.			Sunday Niters		140.00	You'll Never Walk Alone	
Rainbow		125.00	Sunday Third			Young, Sober & Free	
Ray of Hope	50.00	250.00	Sunrise Court	20.00	160.00	Youngstown	
Remember When	100.00	100.00	SUNY-Amherst Campus		60.00	Sharing & Caring	5.00 20.00
Renaissance I		100.00	Survivors				
Renaissance II			Swinging Door				
Renewal		50.00	T'n'T			55 Groups contributed	3386.70
Restored to Sanity			TGIF		100.00	Last month accum. contr.	20229.67
Rush Hall	25.00	200.00	Thankful		125.00	Accumulated total	23616.37
Rush Hour			The Road To Recovery				
Rush Manor		100.00	The Way				
S.S. Sobriety	40.70	89.07	Thru-way	300.00	2750.00	AUGUST 1991	

55 Groups Contributed			3386.70
Joint Meeting (expenses \$11.25)			20.06
New Frontiers Subscription			20.00
Envelope System			429.03
Literature			3881.24
Miscellaneous:	Slingers		68.00
	In Appreciation		5.00
		Total receipts	7810.03
DISBURSEMENTS			
	#10 Ellicott Square Court Corp.-rent		542.00
	Community Mental Health Ctr-CC mtg		35.00
	AA World Svc-seminar		20.00
	AA World Svc Inc-literature		53.20
	Community Mental Health Ctr		35.00
	Happy Spring Water-mtly		23.40
	Donald M. Harvey-Workshop TFC for 2		247.20
	The Buffalo News-mtly		279.60
	Office Warehouse-office supplies		223.03
	AA World Svc Inc-phamlets		613.28
	M&T Bank-fed with tax		614.56
	NY Telephone-mtly		134.92
	Copies, Inc.-over meter		65.15
	MetroComm-answer service		178.11
	AA World Svc Inc.-Spanish literature		390.80
	David F. Williamson - UPS		150.43
	Salaries		2023.20
	Petty Cash		50.00
	Bank charges		22.69
	M&T Check Supplies		51.00
		Total disbursements	5752.57
Balance Per Checkbook 7/25/91 9843.27 *			
Add Receipts 7/25/91 - 8/25/91		7810.03	17653.30
Deduct Expenses 7/25/91 - 8/25/91			5752.57
Balance per checkbook 8/25/91			11900.73
Operating credit for 8/25/91		2057.46	
	M & T Time Deposit		9006.40
	M&T Money Market		12428.59
	M&T Checking Accounts		11900.73
	Total Monetary Assets		33335.72
	Projected Prudent Reserve		-36000.00
*Adjustment	Reserve debit		(2,664.28)