

NEW FRONTIERS

A.A. of the Niagara Frontier

August 2017

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



Central Office Has Moved!!!



Our new space is located at 17 Gierlach, Sloan, NY 14212

Next to St. Andrews Church

MOTION TO CHANGE BY-LAWS:

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If passed, this motion will require the following bylaws to be changed.

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Background Information:

Excerpts from The Twelve Concepts for World Services by Bill W

Concept IV

Throughout our Conference structure, we ought to maintain at all responsible levels a traditional "Right of Participation," taking care that each classification or group of our world servants shall be allowed a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

"It was years before we saw that we could never put all authority in one group and virtually all responsibility in another and then expect efficiency or operation, let alone real harmony."

"There is another good reason for 'participation,' and this has to do with our spiritual needs. All of us deeply desire to *belong*. We want an A.A. relation of brotherly partnership. It is our shining ideal that the 'spiritual corporation' of A.A. should never include any members regarded as 'second class.'

Deep down, I think this is what we have been struggling to achieve in our world service structure. Here is perhaps the principal reason why we should continue to ensure 'participation' at every important level. Just as there is no second-class A.A.'s, neither should there be and second-class world service workers, either."

archives



Note from Lila M. chair of Area 50 Archives Committee: This month our writer chose to celebrate August since the 16th of August in 1935 was the first time an alcoholic was treated for alcoholism. This **change** in treatment of alcoholics is important to me because my mother was treated for alcoholism with electroshock therapy that she talked about freely, which included how it changed her ability to focus.

While I wish I could just use the article he sent, but I couldn't substantiate that it is completely factual, so am going to just include a link to it and use some of his message in wording from what is found at <https://www.nwhm.org/education-resources/biography/biographies/ignatia-gavin/>

And feel free to read over the AA info about her at: http://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/sister-mary-ignatia-1889-1966

The following article shows the love, dedication and contribution that Sister Ignatia made to Alcoholics Anonymous and it's being what it is today. From the beginning, while working with one of AA's co-founders, she believed in the dignity and the rights of those that came under her care to be treated equally and to get well.

““One day,” Sister Ignatia later recalled, “Dr. Bob came into the admitting office and seemed rather down. Then he told me about his problem, and that he and his New York friend couldn't seem to get anyone to take his patients because they were too “jittery” and disruptive.” In that era, alcoholism was considered a moral failing, not a disease. She listened to his plan to get alcoholics out of their environment and to indoctrinate them with a new philosophy of life. On August 16, 1939, she agreed to admit the first patient, subtly listing the diagnosis as “acute gastritis.”

St. Thomas Hospital thus began its reputation as the first religious institution in the US to treat alcoholism as a disease. Sister Ignatia not only struggled against established practice to admit them, she also circumvented restrictive hospital policies so that recovering alcoholics could counsel others. She created a small ward for them, a testament to her belief that alcoholics could recover. Some hospital staff disliked these disruptive patients, and Sister Ignatia had to search for financial support for her unconventional programs.

New Yorker Wilson returned many times to Akron, and the trio of Sr. Ignatia, Dr. Bob, and Bill worked together to shape a formal program for alcoholism. It included various methods to sober up the patients and then care for their medical needs and introduce them to the developing principles of AA. To each person who completed the program, Sr. Ignatia gave a Sacred Heart of Jesus badge, a religious symbol that had been used by some Irish temperance movements in the 1840s. Each person had to promise to return the badge to her if he took another drink of alcohol.”

We think of Bill and Bob as the co-founders of Alcoholics Anonymous, but they really had a lot of help from the men and women around them. A large part of that help and support came from caring people that were not even alcoholic. There are many people to be grateful to that gave of their time, their efforts, and their love to what we so freely enjoy today in AA.

Submitted by David C. of Sobriety Men's Discussion

8th STEP; “Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.”

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

If you always do

What you already did

You always get

What you already got

IN MEMORIAM Things We Can Not Change

*To all of our members who have lost family and loved ones
Our thoughts and prayers are with you*

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Acceptance/Welcome

Bonnie 1y
Serena 2y
Kathy S. 3y
Lisa M. 30y
Barbara S. 31y
Janet K. 31y
Lucky 41y

All Is Well

Danny T. 36y

Amherst Snyder

Kerry 1y
Mickey G. 27y
Lynn L. 28y
Tom C. 35y

Any Lengths

Aaron L. 2y

Big Book Lockport

Bob V. 2y
John M. 12y

Boulevard Women

Judy S. 2y
Margaret K. 4y
Marie G. 16y
Donna F. 29y

Courage

Dave D. 1y
Ben G. 5y
Mike B. 10y
Marge B. 28y

Derby

Mary S. 1y
Mark F. 4y
Bob O. 44y

Easy Does It

Miraya V. 1y
Mande M. 1y
Meg O. 1y
Todd S. 2y
Stephen H. 3y
Melynie 8y
Jeanne L. 10y
Barbara C. 20y
Lisa Y. 26y
Kathy M. 34y

Eyeopener

Harold F. 2y
Don K. 2y
Alison F. 2y
EJ 4y
Clare K. 7y
Sean H. 7y
Kim D. 8y
Scott S. 25y
John L. 34y

Eyeopener South

Ken A. 2y
Colleen O. 4y
Gregg C. 23y

Fireside

Christine H. 3y
John M. 3y
Michele D. 5y
Barbara H. 6y
Paul M. 9y
Nick K. 10y
Todd P. 11y
Connie D. 19y
Maria F. 21y
Craig C. 22y
Don 26y
Pete W. 28y

Fresh Start

Carol S. 7y
Roosevelt M. 11y
Tina C. 17y

Golden Slipper

Pattie S. 7y
Bob S. 30y

H.A.N.D.

Kevin C. 34y

Harmony

Brian T. 10y
Loretta W. 25y
Neil F. 25y
Theresa D. 26y

Holiday Village

Kathy M. 10y
Judy D. 15y
Shirley Z. 26y
Dawn R. 39y

Holland

Mike C. 1y
Rich W. 2y

How It Works

Karl R. 2y
Steve V. 7y
Chuck B. 28y
David N. 29y
John K. 42y

Ironhorse

Amanda S 5y
Jan B 7y
Rich T. 24y
Frank M 30y
Kate K 35y

Just For Today

Greg 5y

Kensington

Ellie M. 39y

Lakeshore

John L. 1y
Tom T. 24y

Lewport

Cody G. 4y
Lenny B. 13y
Pat H. 20y

Lockport #1

John H. 1y
Steve T. 1y

Lockview

Bob B. 4y
Jeff M. 9y
Derrick S. 10y

Marrilla

Ron 33y

New Life

Adam 1y
Heidi 1y
Chuck B. 2y
Ruth 8y
Audrey 9y

North Buffalo

Edward C. 6m
Justin B. 1y
Damien D. 2y
Eddie K. 2y
Matt B. 4y
Gordy M. 9y
Lisa Jo S. 14y
Lisa G. 23y
Kathy T. 27y
Susan O. 29y

Orchard Park Step

Colleen O. 3y
Karen G. 7y
Tom T. 24y
David C. 33y
Nancy L. 37y

Purpose

Kelly E. 4y
Julie B. 6y
Tim T. 18y
Sue G. 22y
Pat K. 38y
Bobbie M. 38y
Lucky W. 41y

Remember When

Stefan S. 3y
Valerie H. 11y
Debbie B. 15y
Jerome M. 17y

Renaissance

Robin D. 6m
Nancy O. 6m
Barb K. 7y
Melissa D. 14y
Fran K. 24y
Randy G. 30y
Mike M. 30y
Patsy N. 46y

Rise & Shine

Norman B. 6m
Dennis T. 9m
Danni B. 2y
Rick T. 2y
Teresa C. 3y
Ronita J. 5y
Bryan F. 6y
Dave H. 6y
Elaine E. 7y
Kevin M. 11y
Michelle G. 20y
Marion S. 22y
Bernie P. 22y

Rural is Plural

Tom O. 21y

Serenity

Chuck O. 6y
Steve V. 7y
Ross I. 9y
Paul S. 12y
Lucky 41y

Sheridan

Christie R. 5y
Lisa M. 30y

Springville New Life

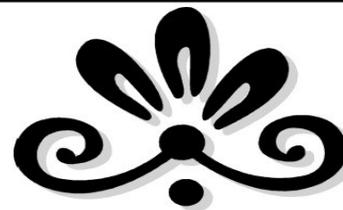
Suzy S. 7y

Surrender & Hope

Paul S. 12y
Tim T. 18y
Lucky W. 41y

The Grove

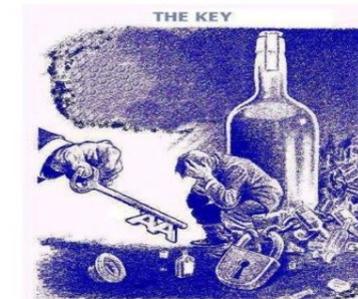
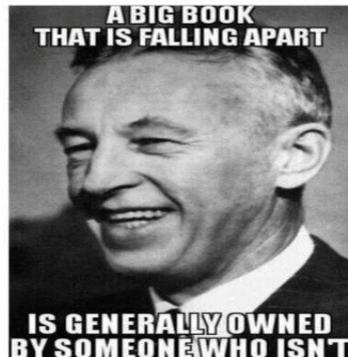
Brandon M. 1y
Joy L. 1y
Robert H. 1y
Dan G. 2y
Joe E. 2y
Louis N. 2y
Jim R. 3y
Kevin M. 7y
Janet F. 9y



Group Anniversaries

Age Doesn't Matter: 38y
Alden New Life: 42y
As Bill Sees It: 28y
Big Book-Lockport: 37y
Commitment: 14y
Derby: 43y
Fresh Start: 34y
Grand: 47y
Ironhorse: 42y
Lockport Ladies: 28y
Marilla: 29y
Point of No Return: 11y
St. Barnabas: 37y
Sunday's Best: 18y
Three Legacies: 17y
We Care
Youngstown: 33y

Please remember to have the anniversaries submitted by the **12th** **END OF BUSINESS DAY; 4:30 PM** of the month previous



Thruway

Scott S. 25y
Elizabeth B. 32y
Lee R. 37y
Dave B. 39y

Williamsville

Rachel 3m
Larry S. 3v

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

- **AA on Broadway; No Longer Meets.** Helps Buffalo, Friday, 4 PM. 384 Broadway, Buffalo
- **Position Of Neutrality: Added;** Fri..7:30 PM; Grove St. Church, 85 Grove St., Tonawanda.
- **Rainbow North Group Temporarily No Longer Meets.** Hope Center, Saturday 7:15 PM, 781 Maple Rd., Williamsville.
- **Cemetery Gates Group** has changed its name to **Awareness.** Genesis Center, Saturday, 1 PM, 2161 Seneca St. Buffalo.
- **Remember When Group has Moved;** Saturday's, 12:00 Noon; Durham Memorial Outreach Center , 200 E. Eagle St. corner of Michigan, Buffalo East, 14204.
- **We Don't Know group Has Moved;** Thursday's 12:15 PM, St. Andrew Parish , Crocker & Reiman St's, 34 Francis St., Sloan 14212
- **Buffalo Group** has **Moved** to 547 Tonawanda St., Buffalo 14207. Same schedule times.
- **Midnight Discussion now starts at Midnight :) Hope Center, 781 Maple, Williamsville 14221..**
- **Turning Point Meeting** will **no longer** be an **open** meeting the **last** wk of the month. I also is a **Big Book Study.** Thursday's, Immanuel Church, 107 Scott, Tonawanda 14150
- **Powerless Group;** Monday's 5:50 PM, **No Longer Meets.** St. Kolbe Center, 176 Clark St. Buffalo.
- **New Group: Position Of Neutrality: Added; Wed. 8 PM,** St. John's Grace Episcopal Church, 51 Colonial Circle 14222 Open Discussion.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: COMMITTEE MEETINGS

~Aug 4, **Envelope System Meeting;** FRIDAY, 4:00 PM, Tim Horton's 1750 Niagara Falls Blvd. Tonawanda

~ Aug 6 , **Committee Meeting that meet prior to Central Committee 5:30 PM**

St. Andrews Church, 34 Francis Ave, Sloan, NY 14212

Followed by Central Committee @ 7 PM

(hosted by Brass Group)

Steering Committee (5:30 PM, Buffalo Central Office)

Corrections Committee Meeting

Public Information Committee meeting

Treatment Facilities Committee

Nightwatch Committee

~ Aug 7 **Convention Committee Meeting,** 6:00PM, St. Andrews Church, 34 Francis Dr. Sloan 14212

~ Aug 14, **Archives Committee Meeting;** 2nd MONDAY 6:30PM. Buffalo Central Office, Work night's; 4th Monday's.

~Jul 29, **General Service Assembly;** SATURDAY 12 Noon, North Gate Free Methodist Church, at 350 Bank St. Batavia NY hosted by the Genesee Wyoming intergroup .

COMING EVENTS

- ~ Jul 28 & 29, **Queen City Round-Up**, Trinity Episcopal Church, 317 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, 14202. \$25 per person includes food, Speaker & Workshops. Friday, 6-9pm, Saturday, 10am-4pm. Aug 17-20; **7 Clan Day of Sharing**; 5075 Susies Lane (off Upper Mountain Rd.), Sanborn 14132. See flyer for details.
- ~ Aug 26, **Easy Does It 9th Annual Picnic**, 10 am Anniversary/Speaker , 11 am Picnic (ends around 1) Lincoln Park Shelter #2, Decatur & Parker Town of Tonawanda. Burgers & dogs. supplied..Please bring Sides!!!.
- ~ Aug 29, **Derby Group 43rd Anniversary**. 7 PM, eating Meeting Speaker @ 8PM. Bring a dessert if you wish
- ~ Sept 4, **Matt Talbot Picnic**; Speaker, Food, Fun...Details to follow :)
- ~ Oct. 21, **Memorial for John C.** (past delegate). 1PM - 5PM, The Hope Center, 781 Maple Rd., Amherst.
- ~ Nov. 3-5, **76th Buffalo Fall Convention**. Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga 14225. Flyers & info are out and on the website: www.buffaloaany.org.

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

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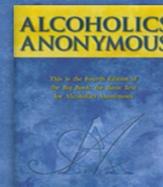
8th TRADITION: "Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers."

8th CONCEPT: The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities



THE BIG BOOK

The title of the book Bill Wilson wrote is Alcoholics Anonymous, but it is referred to by AA members as the Big Book. Its main objective is to help the alcoholic find a power greater than himself that will solve his problem, the "problem" being an inability to stay sober on his or her own.



The best apology is changed behavior.

GSA News

Elections for GSA Panel 68 positions will be held at noon on September 9 at Salem Lutheran Church, [271 Whitfield Ave., Buffalo, NY](http://www.salemchurch.org).

All positions are for 2 year terms beginning January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2019.

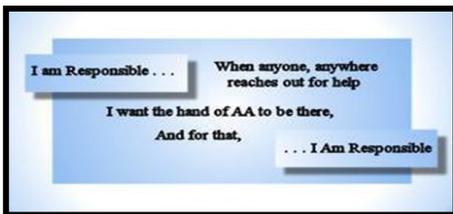
The following positions will filled:

Delegate; Chair (Alt. Delegate); Co-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and chair of the standing committees - Accessibility, Archive, CPC, Corrections, Finance, Grapevine, GSA Education; GSR Orientation; PIC, Treatment, Website.

If you are interested in standing for one of these positions you can attend the Assembly and stand and give a brief summary of your qualifications for the position when that position is called for election.

To learn more about the process contact Chuck B - areachair@area50wny.org or Hank K - areacochair@area50wny.org

Central Committee Minutes July 2nd 2017



The Meeting was opened up at 7:01 and was kick started by our chair Zach F with the responsibility statement. After a moment of silence, the group all joined in with the serenity prayer. Next we had a couple readings, Indie read the preamble, Hannah read the purpose of central committee and Randy read the traditions.

Then Diane Gave a fantastic talk on tradition 7 and explained the interworking of AA and money. Next month

we will hear Dan the Man D. give a talk on tradition 8.

49 People were present at the meeting and 31 groups were represented which breaks down as follows.

Zone 1, Main and high. Zone 2, Depth and Weight, Hot it works men's discussion, North Buffalo, Renaissance, Step action Group, The Grove, Three Legacies, Turning Point. Zone 3 Abbott Men's Discussion, Any Lengths, Buffalo Group, Cheektowaga, and Matt Talbot Thruway. Zone 4, Action group, Orchard Park Step, Tuesday Men's discussion. Zone 5, Lock City, Lockview, Twin Cities group. Zone 6, carrying the message, Changing our Ways, Derby Group, Lakeshore, Sobriety Men's Discussion. Zone 7, Fresh Start. Zone 8, Fireside, Step it up, Williamsville, Women making the effort.

Committee reports –

Envelopes System- The envelope committee met on Friday June 30th 2017. In attendance was Diane D. Al D. & Pat G.

1. The envelope system was established to allow individual AA members to directly contribute money to Buffalo Central Office to help with operating expenses and Ensure that Central Office can continue to carry the message.
2. Please take back to your homegroup this suggestion. When a member has an anniversary of sobriety encourage them to use the envelope system as a way of giving back. For example if you have 16 years sobriety you could give \$16 in a one-time payment or \$16 monthly for a year.
3. Our committee continues to inform AA groups about the financial needs of central office and how to use the envelope system to help. We do so during business meetings or at announcement times during meetings.
4. Please reassure your groups that even with central office moving the current purple envelope system brochures are usable since the change of address with the post office is in effect for the next year.
5. Our next committee meeting is Thursday (not Friday) August 3rd 4:30 p.m. at Tim Hortons 1705 Niagara Falls Boulevard.

Yours and service Pat G.

Central Office – Central Office Report; June 2017,

TOTAL CALL'S INCLUDING AFTER-HOURS; AA Call's: 384, 12-STEP: 20, ALANON: 0, VISITORS: 167, VOLUNTEERS: 5, Email's:502, Website Hit's; 97,275 / of them 9,073 Unique Visitors, Total number of visits: 19,248... Number of forms received to add to our 12th Step List: 0.

GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: HUDSON & WADSWORTH-7

We will be moving the Central Office on Saturday July 22nd. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE HELP!!! We will start at our current office at 9:00 am. Load trucks go to new location and unload. Following the move we will have Jim's weenie wagon :) !!!

The office will be closed from July 18- July 26th for final packing and unpacking. On Friday the 21st the telephone switchboard & cable will be moved to new location and activated. Copiers will also be moved by our copier servicemen on the same day.

Yours in the fellowship of the Spirit... Terry B.

Steering Committee – We met on July 2 2017 and 7 people were in attendance. We are moving our central office and need lots of volunteers to help us move. You will be fed if you show up. Zones 1, 4, 7 need steering committee Representatives, Respectfully Alan D

Treatment – The treatment committee is currently responsible for bringing the hand of Alcoholics Anonymous into 6 facilities. With the help of 35 groups, there are collectively 11 "tfc meetings" a week going on at these facilities.

We met 7/2/17 at St. Michael's church. There were 11 members representing 8 groups. We discussed a couple of missed commitments and how to ensure that this doesn't happen again in the future. Also a group stepped down from their commitment at ECMC rehab on the second Tuesday of the month. This position is available for any group that does not currently have a commitment with TFC.

Outside of joining our committee, there are a few areas where AA members, and groups, can be of service through treatment.

1. Individuals may take a speaking commitment at Horizon Village Terrace House on a Thursday at 6pm.
2. All groups who currently have commitments through the Treatment Committee can, and should, send a representative to our monthly committee meeting to inform us about anything more we could be doing to be of service to them, and also to allow us to inform their groups, through them, about anything pertinent to their continued Twelfth step work through TFC.
3. Any group that is interested in taking on a commitment at one of our facilities is more than welcome to contact us and we will do what we can to fit them in. Groups are currently bringing meetings into ECMC, Salvation Army, Turning Point, the V.A., and Reflections
4. Area Treatment is forming a Bridging the Gap program for all of Area 50. At this moment any member willing to help clients leaving Treatment Facilities "bridge the gap" between treatment and AA can sign up on the new "Bridging the Gap Volunteer Form" found on the Area 50 web page. www.wnyarea50aa.org. We will be calling everyone who has currently signed up to be a "Bridge" over the next couple weeks to tell them that we are about to go live. As soon as this is done we will be approaching facilities and to get this program up and running.

Thank you to all groups and individuals who are involved in this vital 12th step work. To get involved, or if there are any issues you need to contact us about, please email us at buffalotfc@gmail.com or come to our monthly meeting the 1st Sunday of the month 6/4/17 at St. Michaels Church 5:30pm. Yours's in service, Jesse S. Treatment Committee Chair

Corrections – Met on July 2 with 7 people in attendance. Erie County Holding Center, Men's and women's meeting have been scheduled and attended, scheduled through December. Alden Correctional Facility men's and women's meetings occurring weekly and staffed by AA volunteers. Literature was purchased to leave at Alden for use during meetings. Wende and Attica, 8 men's are scheduled to attend orientation for these facilities on July 8th. Committee will increase focus on state facility volunteers and sending a women's meetings in Lakeview. Parolee orientation is 3rd wed each month at Evergreen Health Center 845am. Collected 8 dollars for central office meeting. Sue

Nightwatch – The Nightwatch Co met today at 6pm. We are currently updating the 12 step list. We are working on recruiting new groups to get involved in Nightwatch. WE are also contacting volunteers from last year to help cover upcoming months. If you as an individual are interested in service and want to join the Nightwatch co. please see me after the meeting or just show up next month here at 530. If you think your group may be interested in taking a Nightwatch commitment, talk to them about it. I would love to come to your business meetings and tell you more about what we do. Raeanne F

New Frontiers ~ August 2017

(Central Committee Minutes Continued...)

Current Convention – The 2017 BFC will be held on Nov 3,-5th at the millennium hotel. 2040 Walden Ave Buffalo, NY 14225. The cutoff date for the 50 dollar early bird price is 8/4/17. Please register soon! WE mailed a registration flyer and 3 additional sheets for registration only for a total of 10. Our 7th committee meeting will be held on 7/3/17 at 6pm at central office. If anybody has any suggestions good, bad and or indifferent please contact me at 7168666612. Thank you for the opportunity to serve alcoholics anonymous! Your BFC 2017 Chair David F
PIC/CPC – Six people were present with two new members joining. Assigned colleges and universities to members to pursue presentations and info to medical students, social workers, and rehab counselors. Getting together pamphlet packets for Doctors. Randy

Archives – July 2, 2017 regarding June Report to the Buffalo Central Committee

“Whenever a society or civilization perishes, there is always one condition present; they forgot where they came from.” Carl Sandburg
Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you this past month.

We reported to 3 of the 4 intergroup in these 8 counties of Area 50. We had our regular monthly Archives Committee meeting which has now changed to on a Monday (not Sat morning), and worked on both of the two monthly Archives Work nights (2nd and 4th Mondays)!

We displayed for GSA (General Service Assembly) on June 17th in Olean and at the Question & Answers on Grand Island anniversary on June 29. Upcoming display is July 15th for Main and High, and then September 15th & 16th are the NYPENN Day of Learning event in Olean so we'll be there! There's also the Olean groups picnic but I'm unsure of when that is right now. We'll be at the Buffalo Fall Convention Nov 3rd. Spiritual Progress put in their request for next year already!

The display has not yet been requested for the NYSIW (New York State Informational Workshop) in Rochester August 4-6 but we'll be in attendance either way where we learn how the other three areas of New York are improving on reaching our primary purpose.

Urgent request to all members of AA – please keep an ear out for any AA members who express an interest in our history or of being in service. Our committee is minute and had a recent loss of members, bringing the number of fulltime members (who do not have other fulltime service positions) back again to two other than me, and one is our dearest snowbird. Please do not approach the person who may be interested, but get their info to me so I may do so – just a name and a homegroup will work.

As YOUR archives committee, we request groups please ensure that their group histories are archived with GSO in NYC – and if you're unsure, PLEASE request yours so we can find those we are missing. THANK YOU TO THE “CHANGING OUR WAYS” GROUP THAT HANDED ME THEIR HISTORY TO SEND TO GSO! We can send you a form and will forward it correctly for you at no cost whatsoever. Contact me at ARCHIVES@AREA50WNY.ORG for further details or how to get involved in this process for the meetings YOU currently attend. We are a financially autonomous committee with our only resources being group contributions and special events. We receive NO funding from any part of AA for ANYTHING, so we rely upon your group and/or individual support to fund our archival work, pay rent for the repository, and participate in archival activities. Note that no funds are used to get members to events and each member pays their own way into events except out of area issues – donations are used ONLY for rent and archival efforts as approved by the entire committee and are protected by the multi-signature checking account. Please send any contributions to Area 50 Archives at 681 Seneca Street in Buffalo NY 14210. We appreciate anything at all – and we thank you for your support of our mission.

We'd love to display the archives at your group anniversary or special event - remember we appreciate a 30days advance notice so transportation can be set up! 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

GSA – The assembly meet on June 17, 2017. @ The first Baptist Church 133 South Union st Olean NY. Hank K. gave a presentation on the progress of Turning on the lights in area 50. How it's been going! Also there were presentations from Jesse, chair of the treatment committee, and Lila from the archives committee. The next meeting will be held on July 29, 2017, @ Northgate free Methodist church 350 Bank St Batavia NY... hosted by Genesee Wyoming intergroup. Any questions or details contact Nick b. Lockport #1 home group.

Accessibility – We are looking for more foreign languages that are spoken by our members. So far we have Spanish, French, Polish =, and Hatvien. If you or someone that you know speaks a language please get in contact with me through the GSA email. Our ASL signers are doing well in their training. Hopefully they'll be ready in another year to do the meetings, PAT M

Recap –

Central Office - Saturday July 22 – 9 am to move central office please come and help out, we need bodies to move

Office closed July 18 – 27th for the relocation

Archives - is now meeting on the second Monday at 630 of each month, Contact Lila if you would like to get involved

Old Business- 53 dollars collected

Motion to Move the intergroup committee/committee meetings to St Aloysius church – was reopened for discussion.

Harvey S moves to amend the original motion to St Andrews (34 Francis Ave Sloan NY, 14212) next month meeting is there.

Motion passes unanimously

New Business –

2018 Buffalo Fall Convention Co Chair/2019 Chair – Dean C. is requesting to stand for this position

Passes unanimously – Congrats Dean

“Jessie S proposes a Motion that was seconded and details outlined on Cover & Page 2 of Newsletter” – Committee chairs to have vote in central committee meeting.

We need reps from zones 1, 4, 7

Motion to close proposed by Harvey and seconded by all

New Frontiers ~ August 2017

Cash Flow Statement	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17
Beg Bal Cash on hand	23,428.38	18,055.57	19,005.17
Contributions			
Groups	4,147.39	4,626.77	5,531.48
Joint Meeting	70.00	58.00	68.52
Envelope System	750.66	663.66	928.66
New Frontiers Subs	77.00	30.00	40.00
Literature/Medallions/Pins	4,001.25	3,259.59	4,001.95
Literature Sales Tax	225.60	247.81	255.45
Literature Postage	9.85	40.97	31.71
Sales+/-	1.59	35.00	
Archives Room Rent:		280.00	10.00
Committee Meetings	15.00	18.00	24.00
Mail/Misc.			
Transfer from PR			
GSA Hosting 3/2017			
"Gratitude Month" (NOV)			
Conventions/Day of Sharing			
Monthly Income	9,298.34	9,259.80	10,891.77
Expenses			
Building Rent/Utilities	1,503.59	1,496.50	1,496.50
St.Michaels Rent	35.00	35.00	35.00
Payroll Gross	2,824.62	2,824.62	4,236.93
Employment Taxes	247.62	216.08	324.12
Unemployment Surchar	(2.40)	(2.40)	56.40
NYS Sales Tax			773.73
Insurance			
State Ins Fund(Travelers)			
Health	621.21	623.30	623.30
D&O Insurance			
Liability			
Postage	0.49	1.96	921.47
Phone/internet	138.21	138.21	138.21
Accounting			
Paychex	139.85	145.12	217.98
Advt			
Dex Media	184.10	184.60	184.60
website			
Local Edge		561.00	
Literature Expenses			
Grapevine	631.16		
World Services Inc	5,536.84	871.04	
Hazeldon			
Printers	2,325.00	500.00	
Medallions		133.80	
Office Supplies	242.89	265.35	879.19
Copier leasing			
Copies/ service contract	161.00	161.00	161.00
Bank Fee's including credit ca	81.97	74.02	73.17
GSA Host			
Convention			
CO Seminar		81.00	
Monthly Expenses	14,671.15	8,310.20	10,121.60
Monthly Income (Loss)	(5,372.81)	949.60	770.17
End Balance	18,055.57	19,005.17	19,775.34
Petty Cash	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Balance	21,055.57	22,005.17	22,775.34
PRUDENT RESERVE	23,144.17	23,144.56	23,144.94
Assets: Literature& Medallions	16,562.31	15,166.31	12,402.60
Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	714.75	338.28	457.84
Removed from Stock	135.71	363.99	
Corrections Facilities	1,990.15	1,708.85	1,770.60
Contributions	241.20	105.00	265.00
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00
Expenses	519.50	40.25	120.00
Balance	1,708.85	1,770.60	1,912.60
Treatment Facilities	504.88	380.88	532.88
Contributions	159.00	155.00	653.00
Expenses	280.00		560.00
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00
Balance	380.88	532.88	622.88

YTD: 2017

33,090.82
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18,360.03
1,568.82
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1,652.53
312.00
3,741.89
1,080.00
856.00
1,743.96
829.20
1,175.00
966.59
1,104.30
-
852.60
671.16
10,460.08
618.24
2,825.00
796.73
1,735.84
(209.00)
966.00
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62,064.40
7,808.34

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

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

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

7TH TRADITION CHALLENGE

"Now that we are sober in A.A., the word 'support' has to do with sharing, people, self-respect, gratitude, and what we are privileged to give - not take - in material terms."



We are self-supporting through our own contributions - Many of our branches are suffering from lack of support (GSO, Area, H&I, Central Office). How much does one drink cost? If it were not for Alcoholics Anonymous, we'd be drinking plenty!

Drop the cost of one drink into your home groups basket when it comes by . . . you can't afford not to!



Concept VIII: The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

- Do we understand the relationship between the two corporate service entities (A.A. World Services, Inc., the A.A. Grapevine) and the General Service Board?
- How can the business term "custodial oversight" apply to the trustees' relationship to the two corporate service entities?
- Does my home group subscribe to G.S.O.'s bimonthly

New Frontiers ~ August 2017

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2017

Zone	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		JUNE	YEAR	JUNE	YEAR	JUNE	YEAR
			0.00				0.00
5	7 Clans		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	12 Steps/12 Traditions		220.00		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
2	AA BREAKFAST		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	A Day At A Time		200.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Corners		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Men's		145.00		0.00	45.00	120.00
2	Acceptance/Welcome		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Achievement	125.00	125.00		0.00	125.00	125.00
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		100.00		0.00		0.00
	All Is Well		300.00		0.00		0.00
8	Amherst Snyder		279.98		0.00		0.00
6	Amsdell Step		200.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Any Length	130.00	280.00		20.00		20.00
4	Arcade		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	As Bill Sees It	200.00	350.00		0.00		0.00
8	Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville)	50.00	100.00	25.00	50.00	25.00	50.00
5	Attitude Adjustment(NF)		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Attraction	50.00	250.00		0.00		0.00
6	Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Beginning In Sobriety II		75.00		0.00		25.00
8	Beginning's Women		100.00		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	30.00	110.00		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		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		10.00		0.00		0.00
7	Buffalo Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Buffalo Creek		140.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Wayside		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Carry the Message		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Castling		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Castile		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Cayuga Wake- Up Call		325.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor Sunday		125.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central City Café'		125.00		0.00		0.00
6	Changing Our Way's		100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Chapter IX		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Cheektowaga		425.00		0.00		0.00
6	Changing Our Way's		0.00		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	40.00	105.00		0.00		0.00
1	Commitment	50.00	290.00		0.00		0.00
	Contemporary Women		2.00		0.00		0.00
1	Complanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reflections	375.00	375.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Dawn of Hope		260.00		0.00		0.00
2	Depth & Weight		45.00		0.00		0.00
6	Derby		366.00		0.00		0.00
6	Derby Lunch		50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Desire		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Desperate		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		500.00		0.00		0.00
8	East Amherst Traditions		84.00		0.00		0.00
4	East Aurora		200.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It	30.00	320.00	30.00	220.00	30.00	290.00
6	Eden		25.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Everybody's	103.00	103.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		1326.00		0.00		0.00
8	Eyeopener	549.92	2337.29		0.00		0.00
4	Eyeopener South	525.00	1801.50	210.00	720.60		0.00
8	Fireside PM		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Fireside	391.22	846.22		0.00		0.00
5	First Step (NF)		50.00		0.00		0.00
	Forestville In The Solution	25.00	25.00		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	100.00	300.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start	75.00	225.00		0.00		0.00
1	Friday Night Lights		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Friendly		0.00		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2017

Zone	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		JUNE	YEAR	JUNE	YEAR	JUNE	YEAR
3	Gardenville		275.00		0.00		0.00
8	Georgetown		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Getting Better		185.00		0.00		0.00
6	Gettin With It	60.00	60.00		0.00		0.00
1	Giving		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Go to Any Length		450.00		0.00		0.00
5	Golden Slipper		150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grace Point		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living	100.00	100.00		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		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Helping Hand		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	High Noon		400.00		0.00		100.00
8	High View		200.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly	200.00	200.00		0.00	200.00	200.00
1	H.I.P.		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Holiday Village		500.00		0.00		0.00
4	Holland		250.00		0.00		0.00
6	Honest Solutions		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Honesty		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Hope's Horizon		196.00		0.00		0.00
2	How It Works/Men's	225.00	525.00		0.00		0.00
1	HUDSON & WADSWORTH		0.00		0.00		0.00
	I Am Responsible	33.00	141.00		0.00		0.00
3	IF HE WERE SOUGHT		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Independence (NF)		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Inspiration		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Intoxicated on Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Ironhorse	111.00	639.05		7.00	8.00	27.00
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		50.00		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	200.00	1100.00		0.00	100.00	150.00
6	Lakeview		75.00		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		150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Liberty Women		25.00		0.00		0.00
4	Life Today		17.00		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		100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport #1	200.00	200.00		0.00	100.00	100.00
5	Lockport Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		200.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Tuesday		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockview		200.00		0.00		0.00
7	Love	10.00	90.00		10.00		0.00
7	Lovejoy		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lower River		100.00		0.00		0.00
1	Main and High	20.00	40.00		0.00		0.00
4	Main Street		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Maple		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Marching Forth		100.00		0.00		0.00
4	Marilla	45.00	235.00		0.00		0.00
3	Matt Talbot		266.00		0.00		0.00
6	McKinley Winners		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	MEDINA STEP WORK/BIG BOOK		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Medina New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Mercy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Mid-day		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Midnight Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Morning After		400.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Beginnings/St. Vincent	20.00	20.00		0.00		0.00
5	Newfane Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New International		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Life		224.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Outlook		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Niagara Falls Convention		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Niagara Intergroup		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.		74.00		0.00		0.00
2	North Buffalo	98.00	588.00		0.00		0.00

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