

# NEW FRONTIERS

A.A. of the Niagara Frontier

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



**“ Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on A.A. unity.”**

"Each member of Alcoholics Anonymous is but a small part of a great whole. A.A. must continue to live or most of us will surely die. Hence our common welfare comes first. But individual welfare follows close afterward." Our whole A.A. program is securely founded on the principle of humility—that is to say, perspective. Which implies, among other things, that we relate ourselves rightly to God and to our fellows; that we each see ourselves as we really are—"a small part of a great whole." Seeing our fellows thus, we shall enjoy group harmony. That is why A.A. Tradition can confidently state, "Our common welfare comes first."

"Does this mean," some will ask, "that in A.A. the individual doesn't count too much? Is he to be swallowed up, dominated by the group?" No, it doesn't seem to work out that way. Perhaps there is no society on earth more solicitous of personal welfare, more careful to grant the individual the greatest possible liberty of belief and action. Alcoholics Anonymous has no "musts." Few A.A. groups impose penalties on anyone for non-conformity. We do suggest, but we don't discipline. Instead, compliance or non-compliance with any principle of A.A. is a matter for the conscience of the individual; he is the judge of his own conduct. Those words of old time, "Judge not," we observe most literally. "But," some will argue, "if A.A. has no authority to govern its individual members or groups, how shall it ever be sure that the common welfare does come first? How is it possible to be governed without a government? If everyone can do as he pleases, how can you have aught but anarchy?" The answer seems to be that we A.A.s cannot really do as we please, though there is no constituted human authority to restrain us. Actually, our common welfare is protected by powerful safeguards. The moment any action seriously threatens the common welfare, group opinion mobilizes to remind us; our conscience begins to complain. If one persists, he may become so disturbed as to get drunk; alcohol gives him a beating. Group opinion shows him that he is off the beam, his own conscience tells him that he is dead wrong, and, if he goes too far, Barleycorn brings him real conviction. So it is we learn that in matters deeply affecting the group as a whole, "our common welfare comes first." Rebellion ceases and cooperation begins because it must; we have disciplined ourselves. Eventually, of course, we cooperate because we really wish to; we see that without substantial unity there can be no A.A., and that without A.A. there can be little lasting recovery for anyone. We gladly set aside personal ambitions whenever these might harm A.A. We humbly confess that we are but "a small part of a great whole."

Bill W. - The A.A. Grapevine, December, 1947

**“Serenity is not freedom from the storm but peace within the storm” - Pg. 3**



## Top Tips for Newcomers

### • Work the step you're on

Spending too much time thinking about the steps in general or staring at the 12-Step Banners in meetings wasn't good for me. Whenever I am working the steps, I get squirrely if

I get ahead of myself. When I'm on the 2nd Step, thinking about whether I am ready to give up my defects of character will only make my head spin. Ultimately, I want to have an experience in every step. Staying focused on the present, and the present step, helps me do that.

### • You can't go far in AA if all you do is attend meetings

I needed a lot of time to figure out AA. People seemed to go to AA meetings, and many said the same things over and over and very little of it made sense to me. When I first showed up, I didn't know that AA wasn't like any church, group, or organization I had ever heard of. I thought they would want my money. And I thought they would try to control me. Neither of these happened.

Ever. But I needed to talk to other alcoholics, take commitments, and ask someone to be my sponsor in order to start recovery.

### • Fellowship when you can

I didn't even know what "fellowship" meant when I was new, but I know now that when an AA talks about fellowship they are referring to socializing before or after the meeting.

Doing things like going to coffee helped me make a start in recovery, even though I'm an introvert and don't like groups. Even just talking on the phone to other alcoholics every day helped.

### • Get a home group and a commitment

When I started going to the same meeting week after week, I found the same people were there week after week. They cared whether I was there, too. When I took commitment, it helped me show up on days when I really didn't want to go to the meeting. Those days were often the most valuable ones to me.

### • Listen to your sponsor

When I was new, my sponsor started me on the steps and gave me some direction in AA. He didn't want to push me too hard, even if it seemed like that sometimes to me. My life got better when I listened to him. I learned to do what my sponsor did if I wanted to get what he had. The steps were hard, but they turned out to be the answer to all my problems.

### • Get the higher power you want

When I was new, I was afraid I would have to believe in a very specific God as dictated by AA. Nothing was further from the truth. I needed to get rid of the higher power I didn't want and find a higher power I could trust. At first, I had my own name for what it was that I believed in. Later, I decided it was easier to call it God than use a name I had to explain to AA people all the time. So now I have a God of my own understanding that I do not understand at all. That works for me.

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#### Our Common Welfare Should Come First

One of the first lessons I learned in AA was that the good of the many was more important than any one individual. That in AA my rights were diminished by the responsibilities I had to those who went before me and to AA as a whole. That I was required to become other centered rather than self-centered or I would drink again. I was to think constantly of others and how I might help them meet their needs. Not arrogantly insist on my right to be ME. What has happened to those basic building blocks of AA unity and respect?

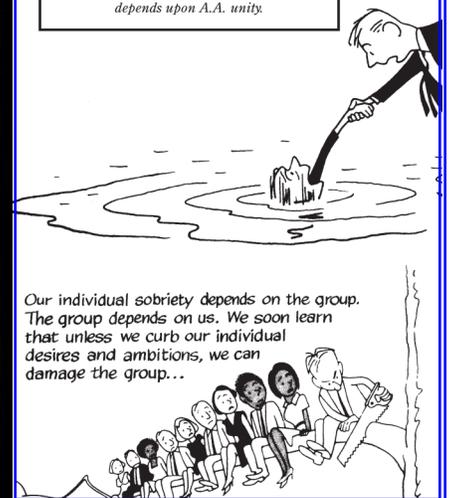
Most recently people have shown disrespect for other members by texting during meetings instead of paying attention to what is going on at the meeting. People feel free bringing their dogs to AA meetings with "arrogant disregard for the well-being of others". No concern for those who may fear dogs. No concern for those who are highly allergic to dog hair. No concern for the distractions created by the animals. No concern for anyone but themselves, one of the primary traits of active alcoholics. Worse yet, allegedly good members of AA don't speak up because they don't want to be disliked. They have no problem chastising a young mother for bringing her baby to meetings, but dogs are ok. This kind of spiritual cowardice is nauseating. Stand for something or you will fall for anything.

There are definitely exceptions of need for service animals, but there are some necessary guidelines that MUST be observed. They need to have papers stating their designation as service animals. They need to wear a service animal vest. They need to be leashed and completely under the control of the owner at all times. They need to be trained to be quiet. Time for people in AA to wake up and realize that unity does not mean anything goes for the sake of peace. There is an old saying in AA that "It is not the SOB's who are the threat to AA, it's the do-gooders."



#### The First Tradition

*Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.*





From the Archives: When Bill R. started his journey in Chicago —into more than a half century of sobriety

Winter 1956-57 in Chicago may have been a rougher one for the alcoholics there who were drinking, and homeless because of it. Nearly four feet of snow fell that season, on a downtown that may have been crowded with more who were homeless than usual—veterans from the second World War, plus veterans from the Korean War. Added to that, police may have been cracking down more on street drunks or anyone out on the city streets at night—a series of murders of children had gone unsolved, a couple of them in December of 1956. (internet sources) There's never an easy time or place for active alcoholism; that might have been an especially tough one.

Bad as that seems, though, on January 3 of 1957, Bill R. came to in circumstances that must have looked worse. Instead of being on a street in Chicago, he was in one of its homes—another woman's, not his wife, Janet. This woman did have a husband, though, who can't have been happy that Bill was there, drunk on their floor. Maybe the best Bill hoped for then was that they'd call the police, who might protect him from the husband, or the woman, for that matter—or might have locked him safely away from Janet, also an active alcoholic then.

There may not have seemed like any good way for that day to go—which maybe made it like every day since he'd started drinking in 1944. Trouble with military police overseas, trouble in bars when he had returned to this city, trouble in the marriage, trouble in college—all because of the alcohol that Bill could not stop drinking. Death had come to look good, and it may have on this day. He had never heard of AA. But somehow, this couple had, and that's who they called for him.

Since Chicago had gotten a Service Office about 15 years before that, there's a good chance that's where the call went. Two sober members of AA came to call on Bill, and it's also possible that those two had spent some time with founders of AA in Chicago, like Earl T and Sylvia K, whose stories are in the Big Book. They could have walked on water and not had a fan in Bill that day—hung over or still drunk like another Bill, Bill Wilson, had been on another winter day, 23 years before, a few states away in New York city when Ebby had come to see him. But both, when their sober alcoholic visitors came, had the gift of desperation. So they sat and listened. Bill R. went to an open meeting that night, and got told with “perfect Yankee profanity” by another AA member that he needed to come to a closed meeting the following night.

That was a meeting of the Homewood 17 group—17<sup>th</sup> meeting started in the Chicagoland area. There he started to find fellowship—maybe the fellowship he craved. The meeting didn't have a set start or ending time, could run for hours, and the fellowship after the meeting included food, hanging out, and cards. It would move, about 16 years later in the 1970's, into an Alano club, would continue to move as the club moved, and somewhere along the way got the nickname “Animal House”—which might describe the atmosphere when Bill came in. He threatened an old timer who wouldn't get out of his way, and got introduced to the spiritual program of AA by what the old timer answered: “pray.”

He could not have known, at this rocky start, that he would find a wonderful way of life with more than 50 years of sobriety, that Janet would find sobriety and both of them would face and recover from their troubled family histories, or that he would find a relationship with the God of his understanding that sustained his sobriety even when Janet passed. He simply needed to stay sober that day. And maybe that's all he would ever truly need, from then on. (*1000 Years of Sobriety* and internet sources)

*Written by Chad P. and submitted by Lila M. for the General Service Area 50 Archives Committee*

**1st STEP: “We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.”**

## 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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or mail to:  
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**17 Gierlach Street**  
**Sloan, New York 14212**

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## **Heard @ a Meeting**

**I don't think about things too much.  
There is no supervision up there.**

## **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*

**JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**



**Acceptance/Welcome**

Karen W.	1y
Mike D.	2y
Pam C.	4y
Ellen H.	17y
Alice B.	39y
<b>Alexander</b>	
Dave S.	15y
Tim B.	15y
Brian H.	19y
Dean S.	32y
<b>All Is Well</b>	
Marie G.	37y
<b>Amherst Snyder</b>	
Kevin C.	6m
John R.	1y
Tom S.	4y
Paul S.	11y
<b>Any Lengths</b>	
Jeremy O.	3m
Kimberly M.	3m
Peter V.	6m
David L.	9m
Sandy O.	2y
David W.	4y
Becky B.	14y
<b>Central City Café'</b>	
Pete M.	2y
Carol B.	26y
<b>Cold Springs</b>	
Sekou P.	4y
Bob P.	42y
<b>Courage</b>	
Tom W.	2y
Louise F.	6y
Andy S.	24y
Pat M.	30y
<b>Derby</b>	
Andrea G.	1y
Jeff S.	13y
<b>Dunkirk Monday</b>	
Mandy K.	9m
Jim P.	18y
<b>Easy Does It</b>	
Megan T.	2y
Cathy R.	2y
Sierra J.	4y
Mary Jo C.	5y
Megan C.	5y
Matt C.	6y
Kara H.	8y
Chris K.	9y
Caryl B.	10y
Kristen M.	12y
Lud D.	13y
Emerson B.	16y
Elvi Jo D.	23y
Joey G.	26y
<b>Eyeopener</b>	
Jeff H.	3y
Tim G.	3y
Dan R.	3y
Ken T.	3y
Lynn	4y
Stephen W.	4y
Jessie S.	4y
Pete H.	18y
Joan C.	23y
Dave G.	31y
John S.	32y
Mary C.	47y

**Eyeopener South**

Heidi B.	6m
Sean C.	1y
Brian B.	1y
Brian N.	1y
Mitch W.	2y
John S.	3y
Fran G.	8y
<b>Fireside</b>	
Russ B.	6m
Marcy D.	3y
Nina Marie	3y
Bob S.	22y
<b>First Step</b>	
Bob H.	13y
Audrey M.	17y
<b>Fresh Start</b>	
Ralph W.	24y
<b>Golden Slipper</b>	
Tom T.	1y
Melissa G.	20y
<b>H.A.N.D.</b>	
Martin W.	6y
Chris R.	12y
Mary C.	47y
<b>Helping Hand</b>	
Rose P.	8y
Ruth C.	27y
Doug S.	33y
<b>Holland</b>	
Jeff L.	11y
<b>How It Works</b>	
Trevor S.	1y
Neil K.	2y
Dennis L.	3y
Scott K.	16y
J.D.	18y
Jeff R.	20y
Mike B.	25y
Dan G.	28y
Roger R.	30y
<b>Lakeshore</b>	
Mitchell A.	9y
Joli M.	23y
Scott T.	38y
<b>Lockport#1</b>	
Bill T.	2y
Steve B.	3y
Christina P.	3y
Steve C.	15y
<b>Lockport Ladies</b>	
Bernie F.	8y
<b>Main &amp; High</b>	
Willie J.	22y
<b>Marching Forth</b>	
Becky B.	14y
<b>Marilla</b>	
Marc D.	32y
<b>North Evans Men's</b>	
Joshua A.	1y
<b>Questions &amp;</b>	
Mark H.	5y
Amy H.	21y

**Renaissance**

Gabby	9m
Tatiana S.	9m
Corrine	9m
Nikki R.	2y
Gabrielle W.	3y
Pat S.	3y
John K.	3y
Mary Jo. C.	5y
Stephanie	8y
Rick C.	25y
John I.	28y
Jimmy W.	33y
<b>Remember When</b>	
Tina J.	5y
Eric J.	7y
Andre G.	8y
Walter	8y
Derek N.	11y
<b>Rise &amp; Shine</b>	
Keith H.	3y
Caitlin L.	3y
Carlton B.	4y
Carlos A.	4y
Kimberly W.	4y
David T.	6y
Andre G.	8y
Jackie D.	13y
Brian N.	15y
Eddie T.	16y
Gary C.	17y
Jeff R.	20y
Joe R.	23y
<b>Sheridan</b>	
Mary D.	2y
Jim M.	3y
Darcy L.	4y
Pam C.	4y
Nicole B.	5y
Lori H.	13y
Garry S.	30y
Patricia Mc	31y
Larry Z.	34y
<b>Springville New</b>	
Mark F.	4y
George S.	35y
<b>Spiritual Progress</b>	
Caitlin L.	1y
Bette S.	3y
Beth V.	4y
Kristen M.	10y
Beth S.	30y
<b>Thruway</b>	
Eric M.	3y
Bernadette	21y
Pat M.	30y
<b>We Care</b>	
Jim L.	37y
<b>Williamsville</b>	
Jessica F.	1y
Mel R.	1y
Kevin M.	1y
Sydney D.	8y
Dave S.	15y
Krystyna C.	16y
Kenny H.	28y

**GROUPS CELEBRATING**

- Central City Café': 12y
- Coldsprings: 57y
- Daily Reprieve: 19y
- Early Rising Obliging: 17y
- It: 28y
- Life Today: 28y
- Main and High: 21y
- New West Side : 20y
- Second Chance: 18y
- Somerset: 32y
- Starting Over : 25y
- Tuesday Men's Disc.: 31y
- Try Again: 26y
- Williamsville: 66y

Please remember to have the anniversaries submitted by the **12th** END OF BUSINESS DAY 4:00 PM of the month previous



*Off Supporting A.S.A.*

**Yes! Please enroll me in the "Envelope System" !**

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## January 2019

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

### MEETING CHANGES

- Starting January 6th: **Fireside PM group** will meet at **7 PM**, no longer 7:30 PM
- **NEW GROUP: LOW BOTTOM GROUP**, Tuesday's 8 PM, Open Meeting. Never Alone (Emergency Pizza) 1866 Seneca St., Buffalo South, 14210.
- **PAGE 33; NO LONGER MEETS.** Was Thursday's 8pm, Kenilworth Church Of Christ, 45 Dalton Dr. Buffalo 14223
- **ODAT has changed start time to 7PM.** TUESDAY'S, Community Center, 286 Lafayette, Buffalo, 14213
- **The Herd has added a second meeting, Wed. @ 10:00 AM.** Horizon's, 2563 Union @ Losson, Cheektowaga 14223
- **New Group; The Gatehouse;** Tuesday's, 6:00 PM. St. George Orthodox Church, 2 Nottingham Terr., Buffalo 14216. Clsed Big Book Study.

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Jan. 6, Committee Meeting that meet prior to Central Committee 5:30 PM**

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

Steering Committee (5:30 PM)

Public Information Committee meeting

Treatment Facilities Committee

Corrections Committee

Education & Participation

Nightwatch Committee

Envelope System (6:30 PM)

**Followed By Central Committee 7:00 PM:**

**(Hosted by Amherst Snyder Group)**

~ Dec.27,& Jan. 29 Internet Presence Committee Meeting. Central Office, 7:00 PM, 17 Gierlach St., Sloan 14212.

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

## COMING EVENTS

- ~ Jan. 8, **Contemporary Women's Group New Years Social.** Pizza at 5:30, Meeting at 6:30 PM. Bring a dish if you wish. All women are welcome. Central Park Methodist Church, 216 Beard Ave. Buffalo.
- ~ Jan. 19, **2 year Anniversary meeting** for **North Evans Men's** discussion; speaker at 9:30, lunch after. All members of AA welcome. 2063 Shadagee Rd., Eden. South creek campus of the Wesleyan church of Hamburg.
- ~ Feb 8-14, **Men of AA Spiritual Retreat**, Fun, Fellowship & the 12 Steps. Christ The King Church, 711 Knox Rd., East Aurora, 14052.. Registration;\$160.00. Contact: Tom C.:479-9847 or Tim B.; 622-3745.
- ~ Feb 16, **Any Age Blizzard Ball**, \$14 in advance, \$17 at the door (door tix may not include the catered dinner). No one under 16 years of age. Doors will open at 5:30 PM, **dinner at 6 PM, Speaker at 7 PM, followed by dancing until midnight.** For further tickets info, please call 359-2370 or 692-7858.
- ~ Mar. 22-24, **11th Annual Cataract City Convention.** Sheraton at the Falls, 300 Third St., NF 14303. Registration only; \$20, Registration w/Banquet \$55. Flyer on website.
- ~ Oct. 25-27, **78th Buffalo Fall Convention.** Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga 14225. Flyers & info will be posted when they become available.

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

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

**1st STEP: "We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable."**

**1st TRADITION: " Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on A.A. unity."**

**1st CONCEPT: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.**

## General Service Assembly

- ~ Jan. 26, **GSA Area 50**, 12 Noon, Niagara Falls Intergroup, Niagara Falls Memorial Hospital
- ~ Jan. 14 & 29, **2nd & 4th MONDAY** 6:30PM. Buffalo Central Office, **Archives Work night's.**
- ~ Jan. 19, **Archives Committee Meeting**:(3rd Saturday)10 Am @ Buffalo Central Office, 17 Gierlach St, Sloan 14212.  
WORKNIGHTS; 2nd & 4th Monday's, 7pm.
- ~ Jan. 23, **GSA District 16 (Southtown's) Meeting.** 7:00 PM( 4th Wednesday), at 2063 Southcreek Rd., Eden 14057.
- ~ Jan. 27; **GSA District 8 Meeting**, 5:00 PM, Brothers of Mercy 4240 Ransom Rd., Clarence.. Use Rear entrance.

ARE YOU A NEW REP FOR  
CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
THERE IS A NEW  
PRESENTATION ORIENTATION  
FOR YOUR FIRST MEETING  
PLEASE COME AT 6:15 PM  
BEFORE  
CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH



**Come get involved in the NEW  
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Every last Tuesday of the  
month at the  
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**Envelope  
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**"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 per-  
manence and well-being of A.A. itself."**

Bill W., *Language of the Heart*, p. 166  
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## Central Committee Minutes December 2nd, 2018

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

The meeting was opened at 7 PM by our committee chair Tina D. Everybody then joined in with the responsibility statement and after a moment of silence the meeting started the serenity prayer. The AA preamble, the purpose of central committee and the 12 traditions were all read. A motion to accept last month's minutes was made and seconded. After the readings, Jason spoke on Tradition 12. Come on out to join us next month to hear Laurie H speak on Tradition 1.

### 40 groups were represented

Groups in attendance break down by zones as follows. **Zone 1**- Buffalo, Main and High, The Journey Group, Gay & Bi men living sober, The Gatehouse, Room to Grow **Zone 2** – Acceptance, Brass, Daily Reflections, Depth & Weight, Easy Does It, North Buffalo, Step Action Group, Welcome Group **Zone 3** – Abbott Men's Discussion, All Is Well, Any Lengths, By the Way-side, Matt Talbot, Ridge, South Buffalo, Southgate, Thruway, Tuesday Women's Discussion, Valley **Zone 4** – Action Group, Orchard Park Step, Tuesday Men's Discussion **Zone 5**- Lockport #1 Group, Lockport Ladies, **Zone 6** – Derby Group, Lakeshore, North Evans Men's, Sobriety Men's Discussion **Zone 7** – Fresh Start, Lovejoy **Zone 8** – Fireside, Lighten Up, We Care, Williamsville.

### Committee Reports

**Envelope System**- Verbal report given

**Steering committee** - Met on 12-2-2018 at 5:30 pm. Ten People in attendance. Tina D (the Chairperson of the Central Committee), Raeanne F (the Co-Chairperson of the Central Committee), Alan D (the Financial Chairperson of the Central Committee), Terry B (the Executive Secretary of the Central Office), Gerald W (Zone 1), Dan D (Zone 2), Steve S (Zone 4), Bob G (Zone 5 rotating out), Felix P (Zone 6 rotating out), and Dennis K (Zone 8 rotating out). Zone 7 position remains vacant. We discussed various groups and meetings that we visited and the voting procedures for the main meeting which followed. New rotation starts next month. Yours in Service – Dan D

**Financial** – See detailed report within this publication

**Treatment** – Room to Grow took on 5th Tuesday rehab. Sober Train took on 3rd Tuesday at Stutzman. Daily Reflections dropped 5th Tuesday rehab. 291: Jessica replaced by Sean from Sober Train. Tom- \$1500 books with stickers soft cover with stories. 291 has in house books we want to give them books they can take home.

**Corrections** – Any member or group who has or had a commitment at the holding center men's AA meeting on Thursdays or the Alden meeting on Wednesday please call David N 585-455-4712

**Central office** - TOTAL CALLS INCLUDING AFTER-HOURS; AA Calls: 397, 12-STEP:13, ALANON: 0, VISITORS: 261, VOLUNTEERS: 5, Email:246, Website Hit: 97,189 / of them 8,661 Unique Visitors, Total number of visits: 19,015. All Numbers are Down!!! from last month.

Number of forms received to add to our 12th Step List: None.

1) GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: None

2) Reminder if your group NO LONGER MEETS... Please let us know so newcomers aren't going to a locked up facility!!!!

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

**Night watch** – verbal report given

**PIC/CPC** – verbal report given

**Education/Participation** – The Education and Participation Committee met today at 5:30 pm. We discussed the creation of an E&P flyer/pamphlet to take when we go to visit groups. We also discussed the creation of informational presentations to be made into anonymity-protected PowerPoint videos that will hopefully be posted on the central office website. Topics will include Treasurer, Intergroup Representative, and General Service Representative.

Our committee also offers a new Intergroup Representative (IR) Orientation beginning at 6:15 right before Central Committee each month. If you are a new IR or would like more information about what we do at Intergroup, please join us! Our next committee meeting will be held January 6th at 5:30 pm and all are welcome.

**Internet Presence Committee**- Meeting was held on 11/29/2018, with 5 attendees

We discussed hosting plans and have chosen 1&1 Ionos, with a Wordpress hosted plan \$60 (\$5/month for first year) billed for 12 months then \$132/yr plus domain registrations

1 Free domain, [buffaooany.com](http://buffaooany.com) is available and will be registered when we set up the account

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**Provides:**

- Managed sites (1 can be used for development/testing)
- 100 GB SSD storage
- 10 1 GB MySQL databases (might not need them but nice to have)
- 100 Email accounts
- 24x7 support and personal consulting as needed including design issues

They maintain the Wordpress software and plugin updates as needed

All plugins are available and there are no restrictions compared to other Wordpress installations

Current plan is to have a new site up in January and we discussed priorities for going live, with other improvements to follow. Priorities are to have current content, forms, events and newsletter archive available. We would also have the schedule set up in the new format along with access via the mobile app. Second phase would be to convert current forms to online forms, an alert method for weather or other closures of meetings. We also discussed providing a version of the site in Spanish either via an automatic plugin or manually. There was much discussion, these are just the items on the current to do list which will always be dynamic.

We welcome more members and look forward to growing the committee. We especially would like Spanish speaking members to help with making that version of the page available. No technology knowledge is needed, there will be a lot of ways to be of service on the committee. Committee meetings will normally be the last Tuesday of the month at the Central Office at 7 PM. December 2018 will be on Thursday 12/27 due to Christmas.

Any questions Tom C can be reached at 716-479-9847

Yours in service, Tom C

**Buffalo AA Fall Convention 2018** – verbal report given

**Archives** - Thank you for my recovery and the opportunity to be of service in this small way. The Archives Committee reported in November to 3 of the 4 intergroups in Area 50 in Western New York. Attended the general service assembly, had monthly meeting and the two archives work nights. November displays were at the Buffalo fall convention and the Niagara Falls Beginners Group. Up-coming displays are at the Main and High Christmas vigil in December and in March the Niagara Falls Cataract City Convention. Most notable experience for this past month was seeing for the first time a medallion given at a person's anniversary along with two anniversary contribution envelopes (one for Buffalo Central Committee and one for General Service). Much thanks to North Buffalo for that experience.

Almost afraid to remark about it but I've been seeing some participation changes and we'll have more news on that hopefully soon. And the committee is exploring new data gathering technology ideas, I'm grateful to say.

A beautiful donation of slogans on wooden slats came this month from Abbott Men's with a full history attached. Contributions came in November from NY-Penn Intergroup's Day of Learning, the Action Group, and Main & High.

Please save the date of May 4th for the 9th Annual Archives Breakfast and thanks to the archivist's insistence, the Early Bird Flyers are out. Thanks in advance for that assistance regarding the early bird flyers.

Would love to display at your anniversary or your group special event and would appreciate a 30-day advanced notice so that transportation can be set up. And the usual reminder to all the groups here in Western New York - please throw nothing Group Related away without considering the unborn alcoholics yet to come and your archives committee since that's the reason we exist - to accurately save the historical information for our future generations. Submitted by Lila M. your grateful Area 50 Archives committee chair

**General Service Liaison** – Area assembly schedule and area budget passed. Area assembly will be held quarterly. Next assembly January 26th 10 a.m. Next area committee will be December 8.

Yours in service, Brian B

**Old Business:**

Steering committee positions:

- Zone 1; Gerald
- Zone 3; Sue B
- Zone 5; Randy
- Zone 6; Tom C and Bob M stand- goes to hat;; Bob M
- Zone 7; No one stands
- Zone 8; No one stands
- Co-Chair : Bob G Stands
- Secretary : Brandi T stands
- GSA Liaison : Jeff B stands



**New Business**

Envelope system chair: Dianne D stands

MOTION TO CLOSE

New Frontiers ~ January 2019

Cash Flow Statement	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18	Nov-18
Beq Bal Cash on hand	23,962.34	26,293.04	28,413.89	30,885.72
<b>Contributions</b>				
Groups	5,820.31	4,464.72	6,398.12	3,394.83
Central Committee 7th tradition	98.00	75.00	78.95	106.00
Envelope System	745.66	817.66	874.66	1,222.66
New Frontiers Subs	10.00		20.00	
Literature/Medallions/Pins	3,144.40	3,576.04	4,059.25	2,730.90
Literature Sales Tax	211.19	283.93	238.86	183.56
Literature Postage	9.43	29.00	27.28	57.52
Sales +/-		22.06		(97.40)
Archives Room Rent:			200.00	
Committee Meetings	12.00	24.00	22.00	6.00
Misc				0.50
Transfer from PR				-
"Gratitude Month" (NOV)				-
Conventions/Day of Sharing				-
<b>Monthly Income</b>	<b>10,050.99</b>	<b>9,292.41</b>	<b>11,919.12</b>	<b>7,804.07</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Building Rent/Utilities	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Central Com. Rent	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
Payroll Gross	3,054.82	3,054.82	3,054.82	4,582.23
Employment Taxes	233.70	233.70	233.70	350.55
Unemployment Surchar	(6.24)	(6.24)	(6.24)	(14.76)
NYS Sales Tax				45.45
Insurance				991.57
State Ins Fund(Travelers)				309.00
Health	612.63	612.63	612.63	1,299.58
D&O Insurance				7,425.88
Liability				1,080.00
Postage		742.00	2.00	841.98
Phone/internet	137.90	137.92	137.92	2,393.82
Accounting				1,517.24
Paychex	166.18	166.18	177.18	1,200.00
Advt				1,973.92
Dex YP website	568.15		147.65	183.15
Local Edge				2,396.25
Literature Expenses				-
Grapevine				313.20
World Services Inc	1,363.40	500.30	3,200.70	874.20
Hazekion				2,657.10
Printers				17,629.40
Medallions	29.95		264.92	63.21
Office Supplies	136.82	311.26	30.29	2,930.00
				1,198.83
Copies/ service contract	161.00	161.00	161.00	2,783.36
Copier Lease	122.44	129.00	129.00	1,771.00
Bank Fee's including credit ca	94.54	93.99	66.72	1,412.44
				1,148.52
GSA Host				649.99
Prudent Reserve				30.00
Workshop			200.00	5,000.00
				149.00
<b>Monthly Expenses</b>	<b>7,710.29</b>	<b>7,171.56</b>	<b>9,447.29</b>	<b>8,857.06</b>
<b>Monthly Income (Loss)</b>	<b>2,340.70</b>	<b>2,120.85</b>	<b>2,471.83</b>	<b>(1,252.99)</b>
<b>End Balance</b>	<b>26,293.04</b>	<b>28,413.89</b>	<b>30,885.72</b>	<b>29,632.73</b>
Petty Cash	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
<b>Total Balance</b>	<b>29,293.04</b>	<b>31,413.89</b>	<b>33,885.72</b>	<b>32,632.73</b>
<b>PRUDENT RESERVE</b>	<b>28,150.91</b>	<b>28,151.37</b>	<b>28,151.85</b>	<b>28,152.31</b>
Assets: Literature& Medallions	14,790.45	13,175.42	13,726.51	11,927.19
Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	1,201.71	585.65	673.80	951.59
Removed from Stock				
<b>Corrections Facilities</b>	<b>1,186.62</b>	<b>1,748.72</b>	<b>2,080.72</b>	<b>2,328.95</b>
Contributions	565.10	335.00	531.23	25.00
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Expenses			280.00	
<b>Balance</b>	<b>1,748.72</b>	<b>2,080.72</b>	<b>2,328.95</b>	<b>2,350.95</b>
<b>Treatment Facilities</b>	<b>2,124.45</b>	<b>2,357.45</b>	<b>2,569.45</b>	<b>2,488.45</b>
Contributions	516.00	215.00	482.00	58.50
Expenses	280.00		560.00	
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
<b>Balance</b>	<b>2,367.45</b>	<b>2,569.45</b>	<b>2,488.45</b>	<b>2,543.95</b>

YTD: 2018

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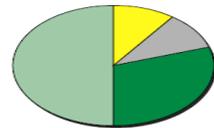
Intergroup wants to express our appreciation for those groups and individuals who have made generous financial contributions, and give a special thank you to all the members who have volunteered their time this year to help the sick and suffering alcoholic.

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

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

Examples of Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities

Distribution of funds from groups that support four service entities



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

50% to Intergroup or Central Office

Concept I: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship. • Does our group have a general service representative (G.S.R.)?

- Do we feel that our home group is part of A.A. as a whole and do our group's decisions and actions reflect that? •
- Do we hold regular group conscience meetings encouraging everyone to participate? Do we pass that conscience on to the district, area, or the local intergroup meetings? •
- Is the "collective conscience" of Alcoholics Anonymous at work in my home group? In my area? •
- Where do we fit in the upside-down triangle of A.A.? •
- Are we willing to do what it takes to insure that our democracy of world service will work under all conditions?

A.A. was founded on the premise that it would be self-supported through member contributions.

For over 50 years, contributing a single dollar has almost become a tradition. But will just one dollar per person per meeting sustain us today?



1960...26c  
2016...\$8.00



1960...10c  
2016...\$1.00



1960...28c  
2016...\$2.16

Today's dollar has only 19 cents of the purchasing power of a 1960 dollar!



Please help keep A.A. self-supporting. Do what you can—and if you can, DOIT.

New Frontiers ~ January 2019

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

Zone	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR
5	7 Clans		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	12 Steps/12 Traditions		465.00		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)		17.40		0.00		0.00
4	A Day At A Time		70.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Corners		50.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Men's		0.00	252.00		185.00	
2	Acceptance/Welcoming		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Achievement		75.00	75.00		75.00	
4	Action		515.00	35.00		15.00	
2	Age Doesn't Matter		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	AKRON AWARENESS		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Albion Sunday Grapevine		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Alexander		100.00		0.00		0.00
	All Is Well		1000.00		0.00		0.00
8	Amherst Snyder		318.47		0.00		0.00
6	Amsdell Step		150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age		100.00		0.00		0.00
3	Any Length	30.00	430.00	20.00		20.00	
4	Arcade		200.00	50.00		0.00	
6	As Bill Sees It		530.00		0.00		0.00
8	Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville)		200.00	100.00		100.00	
6	Attraction	50.00	450.00		0.00		0.00
	Awareness		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		400.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Lockport		125.00		0.00		0.00
6	Big Book Study		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel Saturday		110.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Bodhisattva		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Boulevard Helping Hand		205.00		0.00		0.00
2	Boulevard Women		20.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Buffalo Group	1.00	1.00		0.00		0.00
3	Buffalo Creek		75.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Wayside		200.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Book		329.00		0.00		0.00
6	Carry the Message		100.00		0.00		0.00
7	Casting		50.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		11.52		0.00		0.00
8	Cayuga Wake- Up Call		670.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor		100.00	100.00		100.00	
3	Caz Manor Sunday		25.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central City Café		222.00		0.00		0.00
6	Changing Our Way's	167.50	392.50	0.00	33.50	78.50	
2	Chapter IX		100.00	25.00		25.00	
3	Cheektowaga	95.00	550.00		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		305.00		0.00		0.00
	Contemporary Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Complanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage		50.00		0.00		0.00
	Daily Reflections		427.00	25.00		25.00	
2	Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Depth & Weight		90.00		0.00	90.00	
6	Derby		620.00		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	50.00	175.00	125.00		125.00	
8	East Amherst Traditions		145.00	25.00		25.00	
4	East Aurora		450.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It		720.00	240.00		230.00	
6	Eden	35.00	110.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		75.00		0.00		0.00
6	Everybody's		202.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Eyepener	493.13	4419.72		0.00		0.00
4	Eyepener South		2332.31	932.93		0.00	
8	Fireside		661.61		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		15.00		0.00		0.00
6	Forestville Sunday Serenity		131.67		0.00		0.00
6	Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Freedom		200.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start		250.00		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	
		NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR
3	Gardenville		440.00		0.00		0.00
8	Georgetown	50.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
	Getting Better	34.00	34.00		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		1100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Golden Slipper		325.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living		225.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grateful		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Hamburg		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	H.A.N.D.		20.00		10.00		20.00
1	HAPPY HOUR		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Harmony	10.00	113.47		0.00		0.00
4	Helping Hand	25.00	200.00	25.00	125.00	25.00	150.00
8	High Noon		550.00		0.00		0.00
8	High View	100.00	450.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly		100.00		0.00		100.00
1	H.I.P.		20.00		0.00		0.00
6	Holiday Village	250.00	750.00		0.00		0.00
4	Holland		200.00		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		0.00		0.00
2	How It Works/Men's		850.00		0.00		0.00
	I Am Responsible	30.50	274.51		0.00		0.00
3	IF HE WERE SOUGHT		75.00		0.00		0.00
	Independence (NF)		50.00		0.00		0.00
3	Inspiration		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Intoxicated on Life		80.00		0.00		0.00
3	Ironhorse		628.05		4.00		48.00
8	IT	100.00	150.00		0.00		0.00
3	Just For Today/ Cheektowaga		170.00		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 IT Comin'		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Kensington		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	KEYS OF THE KINGDOM		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	Lakeshore	200.00	1775.00		0.00		0.00
6	Lakeview		225.00		0.00		0.00
3	Lancaster Dailey Reprieve		160.00		32.00		32.00
	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		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Lighten UP		232.00		23.00		23.00
2	LIGHTHOUSE		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Living Clean		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Living in the Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lock City		75.00		0.00		75.00
5	Lockport #1		300.00		150.00		150.00
5	Lockport Discussion		500.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		125.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Tuesday		80.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockview		200.00		0.00		0.00
7	Love		10.00		0.00		0.00
7	Lovejoy		25.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lower River		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	LUNCH BUNCH ALBION		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Main and High		120.00		0.00		0.00
4	Main Street		150.00		0.00		0.00
8	Maple		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Marching Forth	32.00	326.00		0.00		0.00
4	Marilla	35.00	450.00		0.00		0.00
3	Matt Talbot		430.00		0.00		160.00
6	McKinley Winners	30.00	90.00		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		230.00		0.00		0.00
8	Midnight Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Morning After		1000.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Beginnings/St. Vincent		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Newfane Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Life		423.50		0.00		0.00
1	New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.		210.50		0.00		0.00

New Frontiers ~ January 2019

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

Zerr	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR
2	North Buffalo	98.00	1078.00		0.00		0.00
6	North Evans Men's	50.00	150.00		0.00		0.00
4	North Java Monday		300.00		0.00		0.00
4	North Java Sunday		300.00		0.00		0.00
1	One Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	ODAT		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Open Arms		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Orchard Park Step		1923.40		0.00		150.00
8	Our Meeting @ the VA		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Page 33		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	PERSEVERANCE		305.00		0.00		0.00
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	Serendipity		10.00		0.00		0.00
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5	Sobriety on the Lake		0.00		0.00		0.00
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3	South Town		0.00		0.00		0.00
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4	Southwestern		0.00	100.00	100.00		
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4	Springville Sat. Afternoon		306.00		0.00		0.00
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6	Sunday @ 8:00		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Sunday Grapevine		11.42		0.00		0.00
1	Sunday's Best		20.00		0.00		0.00
6	Sunday in Cattaraugus		215.10		0.00		0.00
3	Sunday Morning Breakfast	100.00	800.00		0.00		0.00
1	Sunrise Court		390.00		0.00		0.00
8	SUNY Amherst Campus		204.73		0.00		0.00
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1	The Beginnings Of Recovery		140.00		60.00		
6	The Best Is Yet To Come		0.00	50.00	0.00		
6	The Derby Lunch		0.00		0.00		0.00
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3	The Herd		290.00		0.00		0.00
1	The Journey		199.30		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		24.00		0.00		0.00
4	THE YORKSHIRE		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Three Legacies		162.39		0.00		0.00
3	Thruway		0.00		0.00		0.00

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Zerr	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR	NOV	YEAR
8	T'nT		540.00		0.00		0.00
5	Today		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	T O W		50.00		0.00		0.00
6	Tri County		20.00		0.00		0.00
3	Try Again	200.00	550.00		30.00		30.00
4	Tuesday Men's AM		1000.00		0.00		0.00
3	Tuesday Women's		114.66		0.00		0.00
2	Turning Point		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Twin Cities		400.00		0.00		0.00
5	TWO GOOD GUY'S BOOK STUDY		0.00		0.00		0.00
6	TWO PONDS		105.00		0.00		0.00
8	Unity		100.00		0.00		0.00
	Unity New Hope		100.00		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		438.00		0.00		0.00
	VIP		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Wake Up Call		453.00		0.00		0.00
6	WE( Women's Experience)	100.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
2	WE BELIEVE		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	We Care		1150.00		100.00		100.00
1	Westminster		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Westfield	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
2	Why		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Williamsville		125.00		0.00		0.00
6	Willing To Grow		200.00		0.00		0.00
5	Wilson Group	31.25	31.25		0.00		0.00
6	Wilson Smith Alumni		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Women Making the Effort		450.00		60.00		60.00
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
	Michael S.	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
	Justin L.		100.00		0.00		0.00
	Mark L.		5.00		0.00		0.00
	Anonymous		350.00		0.00		0.00
	Steven W.	2.45	2.45		0.00		0.00
	Lee M.	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
	Mary M.		10.00		0.00		0.00
	Terry B.		2.00		0.00		0.00
	Karen S.		1.00		0.00		0.00
	Donna F.	25.00	110.00		0.00		0.00
	Women's Fall Retreat		186.53		0.00		0.00
	Suzanne E.		15.00		0.00		0.00
	Sally Ann S.		19.00		0.00		0.00
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**Tradition One: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity.**

- Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other member's inventories?
- Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
- Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
- Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
- Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?
- Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
- Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
- Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
- Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
- Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of the fellowship?

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