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From Alcoholics Group, a Case of Murder

Colleagues Say Man Told Them He Killed

By JOSEPH BERGER
Special to The New York Times

WHITE PLAINS, June 6 — Five and a half years ago, the authorities say, Paul C walked into the Larchmont house where lived as a child and, for seemingly no reason, brutally stabbed to death the couple — both doctors — who had bought the house from his parents.

The case remained unsolved for four years until the police were told that Mr. Cox, by then a member of Alcoholics Anonymous, had, as part of his recovery efforts, been telling fellow members that he thought he killed the couple during a drunken blackout.

Mr. C, a slightly built 26-year-old Larchmont carpenter and the grandson of a former supervisor of the Town of Mamaronck, is now on trial in State Supreme Court here for the murder of Shanta Chervu, 54, and her husband Lakshman Rao Chervu, 58, both Indian immigrants, and has pleaded not guilty. His lawyer, Andrew A. Rubin, argued that if Mr. C committed the murders, he was temporarily insane.

For lawyers working on the case, the episode has raised questions about the limits of confidentiality within therapeutic organizations.

Indeed, almost a year ago, Mr. Rubin moved to block any testimony by members of Alcoholics Anonymous on the grounds that Mr. C's comments were privileged communications that are as protected as those between a lawyer and a client, a priest and a penitent and a psychologist and a patient. But the motion was denied.

As a member of Alcoholics Anonymous, Mr. C was obligated to participate in a 12-step program that, among other things, requires recovering alcoholics to take a moral inventory of themselves and to confess their alcohol-induced sins to God and another human being. A spokeswoman for Alcoholics Anonymous, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said that the organization, while it had a code of confidentiality, did not bar members from telling the police about serious crimes they learned about.

"A.A. is not above the law," she said. Today, six members of Alcoholics Anonymous testified under subpoena that Mr. C confessed to the crimes in private conversations after group meetings. All used aliases to conceal their identity from the jury and spectators.

One member, identified as Ms. S. and portraying herself as a former girlfriend, said that Mr. C told her he believed he murdered the couple because they were sleeping in a bedroom once used by his parents and he had been diagnosed in elementary school as having matricidal and patricidal tendencies. She said Mr. C told her one night, "I think there might be something I've been keeping from you." "He got very upset," she said. "He asked me if I remembered the murders in Larch-

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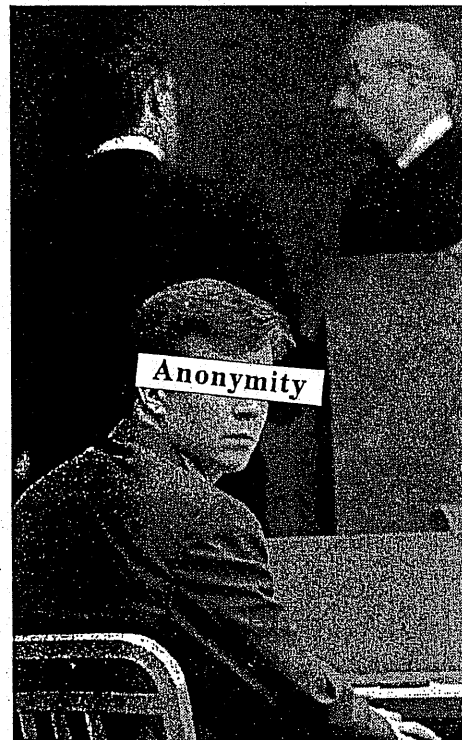
"AA is not above the law," says a "spokeswoman for AA." Anyone who is honestly practicing the twelve steps of AA will declare: "I am responsible." That refers to our actions drunk or sober. There are no excuses for our behavior today.

The actions of one individual in AA need not mar our reputation as a recovery program. In fact, this incident proves our traditions are still at work. AA survives, and continues to save lives, even when the media has a distorted impression of our spiritual work, as contained in the steps and traditions.

The Times refers to Mr. C's communications as "privileged," and "as protected as those between a lawyer and client, a priest and penitent and a psychologist and a patient." Paul C's lawyer, Mr. Rubin, in an effort to block any testimony by members of AA, is obviously unaware that in its discussion of Step Nine the Big Book states on page 79:

"Although these reparations take innumerable forms, there are some general principles which we find guiding. Reminding ourselves that we have decided to go to any lengths to find a spiritual experience, we ask that we be given strength and direction to do the right thing, no matter what the personal consequences may be. We may lose our position or reputation or face jail, but we are willing. We have to be. We must not shrink at anything."

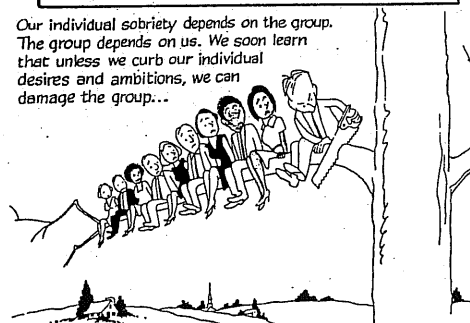
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The First Tradition

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

Our individual sobriety depends on the group. The group depends on us. We soon learn that unless we curb our individual desires and ambitions, we can damage the group...



He said, 'I don't remember this night. I don't know what happened. I don't know what went on. But I might have done it.'

"I said, 'Paul, I think I know you better than anybody. There is no way you could have done that.' But he was crying. He said he was afraid he might have done it."

that sometime after the murders he had found a knife with blood on it that he threw in the waters of Long Island Sound off Larchmont's Manor Park.

A second member of Alcoholics Anony-

Say a Man Told Them He Murdered

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mous, identified as Mr. S, was more direct. "He told me he had gone to a house and that he killed two people while they slept," the witness said.

None of the Alcoholics Anonymous members who testified today came forward until they were subpoenaed. One said the police told him he could

face 30 days in jail if he refused to testify. It was not clear how the police were led to Mr. C, though testimony so far indicates it resulted from conversations with members of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Drinks, a Crash, a Rage

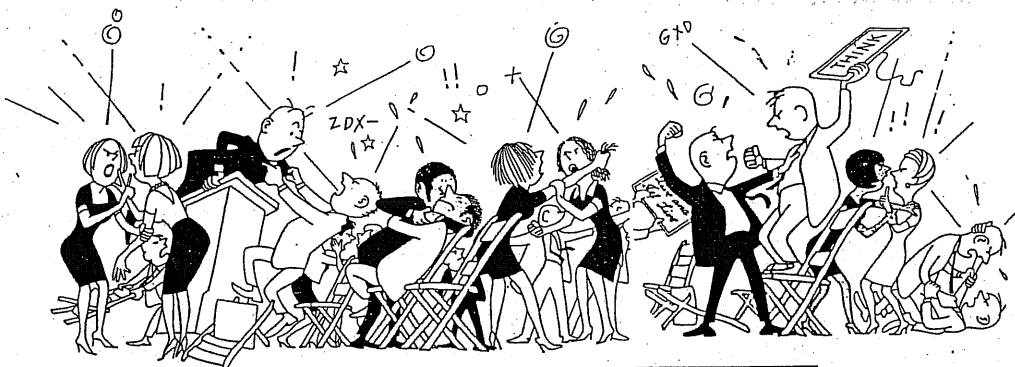
The murder occurred early New Year's morning of 1989. The prosecu-

tor, George L. Bolen, said in his opening argument that Mr. C had been drinking with friends at a bar in New Rochelle and then went for a drive that ended in a car crash. While his friends returned to the bar, prosecutors said, Mr. C about headed for the home at 36 Lincoln Street in Larchmont where he had lived until he was 7.

The Chervus — he was head of the

nuclear medicine program at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, she was an emergency room physician at New Rochelle Hospital Medical Center — had been living in the home since 1974.

Prosecutors said that Mr. C, in a drunken rage, entered the Chervus' bedroom and stabbed each several times with one of their own kitchen



The Tenth Tradition

Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

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"As by some deep instinct, we AAs have known from the very beginning that we must never, no matter what the provocation, publicly take sides in any fight, even a worthy one." (12 & 12, p.176.)

The NY Times refers to AA as a "self-help" program, bringing in such issues as "legal cone of silence," or confusing AA with therapy, referring to matters of "confidentiality."

AA is none of these things. Those issues are best left with the professionals of counseling, psychology and medicine. An AA member is not qualified to act in any of those capacities, and our traditions clearly indicate that would greatly harm our effectiveness in helping others.

Murder Case Damages Faith In Confidentiality of Therapy

By JAN HOFFMAN

Moral Obligation

Leon VandeCreek, a psychology professor at Indiana University of Pennsylvania said that rather than alerting authorities, therapists have "a moral obligation to try to get your client to be forthright and volunteer information to the police."

Professional ethics codes about disclosure draw a line between past acts and future ones. Therapists are not obligated to report information about past criminal behavior, and indeed may be sued by a patient for doing so. Most state laws carve out an exception for reporting child abuse and sometimes for violent acts against spouses or the elderly. On the other hand, if a patient makes dangerous threats about a specific person, therapists have a professional duty to warn the intended victim.

After an emotionally intense Alcoholics Anonymous meeting in Manhattan last week, one young woman looked shocked when asked if she thought a court could get access to what had been said that evening. "Oh no, it all stays here," she said. "They can't make me testify about what someone shared at a meeting."

But that bedrock assurance of trust and privacy, based on a common misunderstanding about legal protections, was badly shaken last week. At a Westchester murder trial, seven members of Alcoholics Anonymous testified under subpoena that another member, Paul C, had told them about his emerging memories of one terrible, drunken New Year's Eve in 1988, when he thought he had killed a Larchmont couple as they slept in

We share experience, strength and hope to those who still suffer from alcoholism. It is of utmost importance that our activities remain on a spiritual plane.

It is our responsibility that when authorities outside our fellowship, law enforcement agencies, courts, and other municipal organizations, call on us to do our civic duty, that we do the right thing. But as far as those agencies are concerned, it is the case of "giving to Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

Let's not get embroiled in a controversy that will divide AA unity. In order to be fully responsible let's "give to God the things that are God's." But first, it's important that we have our own houses in order. Then we can do God's will.

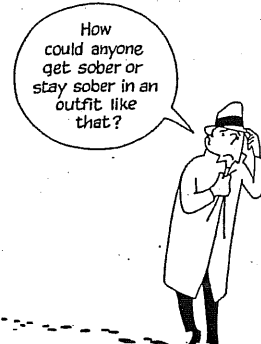
knives and slashed their throats. Their bodies were discovered after relatives saw a broken pane of glass at the house and called the police.

Although the police found many fingerprints in the bedroom, none matched any in their files, prosecutors said, because Mr. C had no criminal record. So the case remained unsolved until May 1993, when the police learned of Mr. C's confession and, according to prosecutors, were able to match the fingerprints with those they took from Mr. C.

Mr. C has been charged with four counts of second-degree murder, covering both intentional murder and murder through reckless conduct, and if convicted could face a prison sentence of 50 years to life. Free on a \$250,000 bond, he has been living under electronically monitored house arrest in his parents' house, also in Larchmont.

The legal cone of silence doesn't cover self-help.

By contrast, a member of a self-help group like Alcoholics Anonymous does not have a duty to disclose even those incidents which a professional is required to report, said Paul N. Samuels, president of the Legal Action Center.



Dear A.A. Friends,

We are in need of A.A. members on the "outside" to correspond with A.A. members in correctional facilities. It is suggested that men correspond with men and women write to women. Most of the inmates who want outside correspondents are men so we are especially appealing to men on the outside.

If you would like to share your experience, strength and hope with A.A.s who are confined, please mail this form to the Correctional Facilities staff member at the mail address indicated above. The name of an inmate will be sent to you from your General Service Office and you will make the initial contact through the mail.

Those who have participated in this service have found sharing with inmates a gratifying form of 12th Step work. We are happy to know there are A.A. members like you willing to help make it possible for the A.A. message to be carried to those on the "inside."

Warm regards,

Richard

Richard
General Service Staff

Guidelines for Corrections Correspondence Service

Welcome to one of the most rewarding forms of Twelfth Step work.

In addition to observing the rules in Correctional Facilities regarding mail and correspondence, the following are suggested guidelines drawn from shared experience to help you when writing to A.A. members on the "inside:"

1. We introduce ourselves by qualifying briefly in our opening letter.
2. We try to let the inmate know that writing, like all forms of sharing, helps us as much as it helps him or her.
3. We let the inmate know that he or she is not alone.
4. Some correspondents prefer to use their group P. O. Box for receiving mail rather than their home address. (We usually match up correspondents from different states).
5. We share sobriety and sobriety only.
6. We have found it best for all concerned if no emotional or romantic involvements develop.
7. If there is a desire to send a gift for a special occasion, we make it an A.A. book, A.A. literature, or Grapevine material. (Before sending literature, see if the facility will allow it. Many Correctional Facilities will permit inmates to receive only literature sent directly from the publishers). Also, some facilities do not allow inmates to receive stamps or pre-addressed, stamped envelopes.
8. In the spirit of the Twelfth Tradition, we respect the anonymity of our correspondents.
9. We encourage "inside" A.A. group activity and stress that first meeting THE DAY the inmate leaves confinement.
10. We encourage "inside" correspondents to notify G.S.O. prior to their release so that G.S.O. can set up a prerelease contact from their home community.

Thank you for your willingness to share in this most important work.

Correctional Facilities Committee

Yes, I would like to participate as an "outside contact" in the Corrections Correspondence Service

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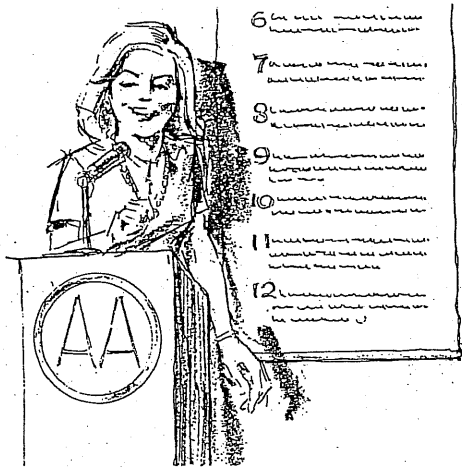
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(First and Last)

My Address _____

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The Spirit in AA

What I've observed in my travels across the border to Canada is visitors don't have to worry when dropping in on our Northern neighbors. Members of the group are responsible for putting on the meetings. And even though the traditions are displayed in their short form, our friends across the bridge have such a deeper understanding of the traditions. Each member of the group takes an active part in financially supporting their meeting, each person making sure it can continue.

Now Ontario was once part of WNY AA when they first started. How can their meetings differ so much from us in Buffalo? I think the answer lies in the fact that using only the short form of AA's traditions can leave a member of AA with only a passing familiarity of what gives unity to our groups. The long form of the traditions more clearly states explicit instructions for groups to observe.

Looking at the short form of tradition seven, for example, the chairperson in a Buffalo meeting declares: "AA has no dues or fees, but it does have expenses," whereupon visitors, as well as group members contribute equally in the basket. But the first line of the long form of the seventh tradition indicates that group members have an obligation to support their group, and not to rely on visitors' contributions. Each group should be mindful of "prudent reserves," so not to keep too much money on hand. Nor should groups accept "large gifts." The seventh tradition in long form indicates all group members are responsible for finances, not all members who attend the meeting.

If I put in money for five groups, I have a right to know what the money is being used for. Group members have the responsibility to let everyone know what is being done with the money at regular business meetings, which should be scheduled at a separate time from the regular meeting. Nothing like money can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage.

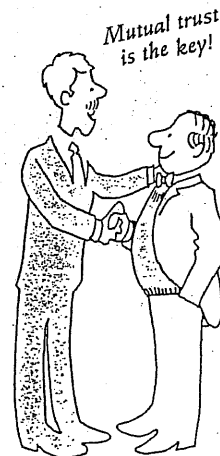
Group members contribute money mainly to pay for renting whatever hall they occupy. This is for AA use only. We don't affiliate, or accept gifts. The Church that provides the basement cannot tell us what to do with our money. The maintenance of the building is not our problem.

My present sponsor is a trustee for Dr. Bob's home in Akron. He has helped me to appreciate the history of AA traditions. Many personal anecdotes make our traditions rich. Larry B., Borden Group, talks about how he brought two people to the bootlegger and got them drunk. Going back to Clarence S. and Dr. Bob, his sponsor and co-sponsor, he complained the program didn't work. Larry was told he couldn't attend any more meetings, (at that time they were sessions in members' living rooms.) Because Larry didn't conform, they kept him out of AA for five years. Now he has forty-nine years of sobriety.

When talking to Larry B. and Ed A., (he recently died with fifty-five years of sobriety,) the first hundred alcoholics got together with Bill W. and hammered out the traditions. He came to the Buffalo Convention in '46 to sell them here.

Traditions are put down to keep AA as a whole. People anywhere, anytime can find meetings stay the same. Prior to the traditions, every group created their own rules. Bill W. and Dr. Bob couldn't qualify as alcoholics in these groups. Stan C., originally from Hamilton who then moved to Fort Erie, used to say when he started in AA in '45, don't ever become president of AA. Then you go out and pick up. Back then, AA was run like a Masonic Lodge. Joe C., of Toronto, remembers being a part of a non-God group under this Masonic influence.

Church is a charitable organization. AA is not for profit. Those are two different tax structures. I don't mix the two. We have been saved by AA. We have an obligation to keep AA away from outside interests. That's one of the reasons traditions are put into



practice. Tommy D., Jordan Group, who spoke in Cleveland before he died, declared that when there's no more need for AA, AA better give a good account of itself. It's up to us to sustain the program of recovery.

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Paul R.
Freedom

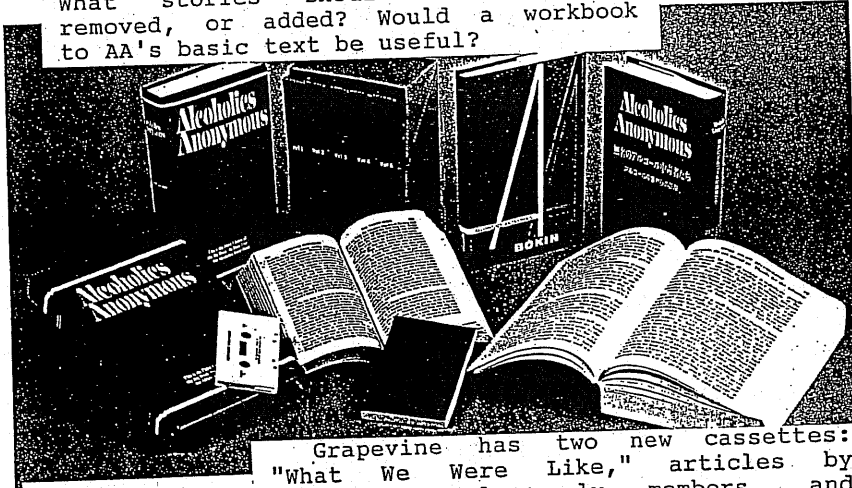
The Twelve Traditions: The Long Form

Our A.A. experience has taught us that:

1. 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.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience.
3. Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gather together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.
4. With respect to its own affairs, each A.A. group should be responsible to no other authority than its own conscience. But when its plans concern the welfare of neighboring groups also, those group ought to be consulted. And no group, regional committee, or individual should ever take any action that might greatly affect A.A. as a whole without conferring with the trustees of the General Service Board. On such issues our common welfare is paramount.
5. Each Alcoholics Anonymous group ought to be a spiritual entity having but one primary purpose - that of carrying its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
6. Problems of money, property, and authority may easily divert us from our primary spiritual aim. We think, therefore, that any considerable property of genuine use to A.A. should be separately incorporated and managed, thus dividing the material from the spiritual. An A.A. group, as such, should never go into business. Secondary aids to A.A., such as clubs or hospitals which require much property or administration, ought to be incorporated and so set apart that, if necessary, they can be freely discarded by the groups. Hence such facilities ought not to use the A.A. name. Their management should be the sole responsibility of those people who financially support them. For clubs, A.A. managers are usually preferred. But hospitals, as well as other places of recuperation, ought to be well outside A.A. - and medically supervised. While an A.A. group may cooperate with anyone, such cooperation ought never to go so far as affiliation or endorsement, actual or implied. An A.A. group can bind itself to no one.
7. The A.A. groups themselves ought to be fully supported by the voluntary contributions of their own members. We think that each group should soon achieve this ideal; that any public solicitation of funds using the name of Alcoholics Anonymous is highly dangerous, whether by groups, clubs, hospitals, or other outside agencies; that acceptance of large gifts from any source, or of contributions carrying any obligations whatever, is unwise. Then, too, we view with much concern those A.A. treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated A.A. purpose. Experience has often warned us that nothing can so surely destroy our spiritual heritage as futile disputes over property, money, and authority.
8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional. We define professionalism as the occupation of counseling alcoholics for fees or hire. But we may employ alcoholics where they are going to perform those services for which we might otherwise have to engage nonalcoholics. Such special services may be well recompensed. But our usual A.A. Twelfth Step work is never to be paid for.
9. Each A.A. group needs the least possible organization. Rotating leadership is best. The small group may elect its secretary, the large group its rotating committee, and the groups of a large metropolitan area their central or intergroup committee, which often employs a full-time secretary. The trustees of the General Service Boards are, in effect, our A.A. General Service Committee. They are the custodians of our A.A. Tradition and the receivers of voluntary contributions by which we maintain our A.A. General Service Office at New York. They are authorized by the groups to handle our overall public relations and they guarantee the integrity of our principal newspaper, the A.A. Grapevine. All such representatives are to be guided in the spirit of service, for true leaders in A.A. are but trusted and experienced servants of the whole. They derive no real authority from their titles; they do not govern. Universal respect is the key to their usefulness.
10. No A.A. group or member should ever, in such a way as to implicate A.A., express any opinion on outside controversial issues -- particularly those of politics, alcohol reform, or sectarian religion. The Alcoholics Anonymous groups oppose no one. Concerning such matters they can express no views whatever.
11. Our relations with the general public should be characterized by personal anonymity. We think A.A. ought to avoid sensational advertising. Our names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed, or publicly printed. Our public relations should be guided by the principle of attraction rather than promotion. There is never need to praise ourselves. We feel it better to let our friends recommend us.
12. And finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities; that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may never spoil us; that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of Him who presides over us all.

Effective June 15, 1994, VISA and MasterCard credit card orders for literature will be accepted at GSO for a six month trial basis. No orders accepted for less than \$25.00. Please allow three weeks for delivery. New order forms have been sent to your Intergroup/Central Office, or contact Shawn D'L., at (716) 297-6907. You must sign the order form if you would like to pay with a credit card. When placing an order with a touch tone phone please call, 1-212-870-3312. Rotary phones call, 1-212-870-3400 and ask for order entry. There are no handling charges for credit card orders.

Should GSO publish a fourth edition of the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous? What stories should be included, removed, or added? Would a workbook to AA's basic text be useful?

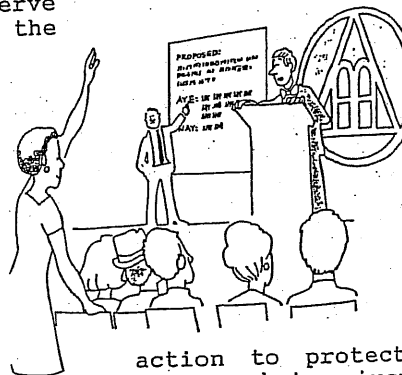
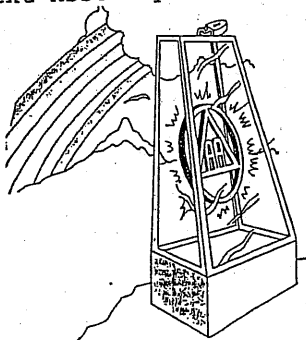


New Literature

Grapevine has two new cassettes: "What We Were Like," articles by oldtimers and early members, and "History Lights the Way," stories formatted along with narration of AA historical origins.

Upcoming elections at 1995 General Service Conference:
Class B (Alcoholic), Northeast Region and (2) Class A (Nonalcoholic) Trustees. Qualifications for these positions found in Service Manual. If you know of anyone who is qualified to serve in this capacity, please come to the next Assembly.

1995 GSO Conference

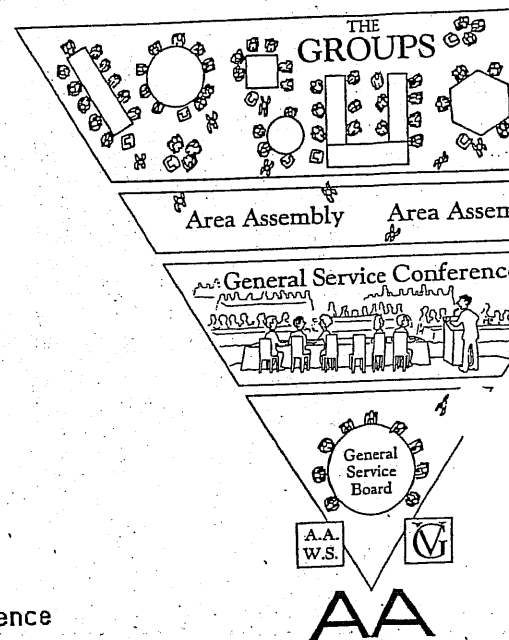


AAWS has withdrawn from a lawsuit in California regarding the circle and triangle logo. They are currently reviewing how to handle its use on Conference-approved literature. In an effort to review policy concerning the protection of AA trademarks and copyrights, an ad hoc committee was created. Shawn would like WNY GSA to consider sending recommendations which would define who would

How the GSA message can be more effectively carried to WNY's groups:

- 1.) Conduct a Traditions Day
- 2.) Service Sponsorship
- 3.) Increase number of workshops
- 4.) GSA officers should attend as many groups as possible carrying the message of the importance of General Service.
- 5.) Full Assemblies four times a year, four Area District Committee meetings per year, two workshops every year.

Carrying the GSA Message



Shawn

action to protect our copyrights, and under what circumstances. Perhaps a committee can prepare other topics for the '95 Conference as well. In the words of W.J. (Jim) Estelle, Jr., nonalcoholic chairperson for GSO, "issues of controversy seem to have been overriding concerns this year...I pledge a renewed emphasis and attention to communication, leading to a trust which will allow us all to more effectively and constantly engage in that which AA does best- helping save lives." Many topics from the '94

GSA Reports

Future GSA Meetings

August 28, 1994. Jamestown 5/11 Club,
East 2nd Avenue, Jamestown, NY. 1 PM.

Archives

Brad B., the present archivist, is moving to Charlotte, N.C. after the first of the year. Anyone interested in the position doesn't have to possess any special abilities aside from a love of AA history. The archives can be viewed at the upcoming NY State Convention, July 15th through 17th, at the Castle Inn, Olean, NY.

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Corrections, Sonny J., (716) 856-2943

Please Note: This list is not complete.

Cooperation With the Professional Community

The purpose of the CPC assignment is to provide AA information to individuals and groups who may be in contact with the still-suffering alcoholic in their professional capacities. Next commitment is at the Erie County Fair in Hamburg, August 12-21, 1994, in Health Building #46, Booth #2. To volunteer, contact Art B., (716) 632-5384.

Public Information

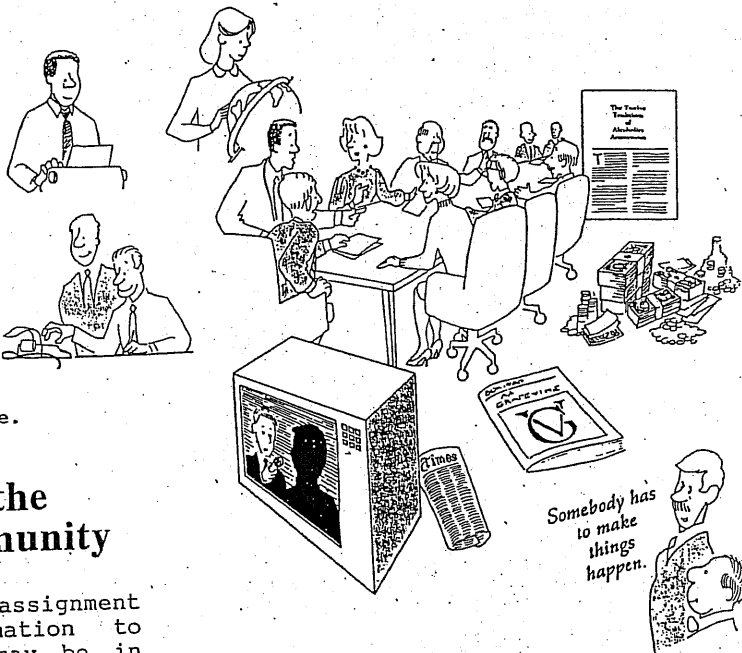
The goal of the P.I.C. assignment is to help to carry the AA message to the alcoholic, potential alcoholic and the general public through the media, health fairs and schools.

There were several presentations given in the last month: UB Campus, (Wellness Fair), Holland Central School Book Fair, three presentations at the "Big Brother" programs and Sweet Home Central School. Volunteers are needed. Contact Marge M., (716) 731-5047.

The following is condensed from the Western New York GSA Minutes, and Box 459, and does not represent official reports. This report's only purpose is to encourage people to check out General Service firsthand.

Treatment Facilities

The primary purpose of the Treatment Facilities assignment is to help AA members carry the message to alcoholics in treatment. TFC keeps an up-to-date list of the chairs of treatment facilities in WNY and provides them with considerable information and literature. For more information contact Ralph P., (716) 892-0037.

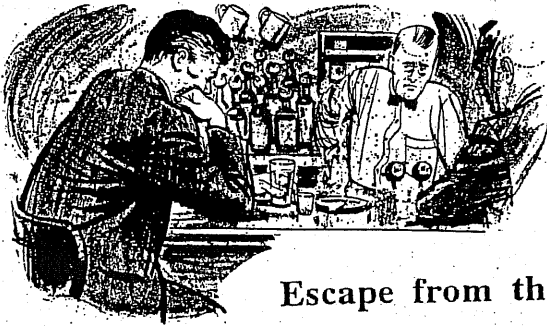


Correctional Facilities

Two new meetings, one at Attica, and one at Wende Maximum Security at 1 PM on Saturday afternoons. Committee members are needed to chair and share at meetings. Contact Sonny J. at (716) 856-2943 if interested.

There is a continuing need for outside AA members to correspond with inmates, particularly male inmates. GSO Central Office in NYC currently has a waiting list of more than 150 inmates requesting correspondence. They receive an average of 250 letters a month from inmates, some asking for free literature, some for outside AA sponsors for correspondence, or for a contact upon release. The correspondence form is reprinted in this issue of the "New Frontier."

Next committee meeting is at 80 Goodrich, July 3rd, at 5:30 PM.



Escape from the Truth

Full of self-pity, remorse, and loneliness, the answer to all my problems was to drink. I drank to escape, went to bed to escape, but only to wake up in the morning with the horror of cold sweats and trembling hands wondering what I had done the night before.

Alcoholism is a progressive incurable disease. The preferred escape from the truth of alcoholism is denial.

To define escape, it simply means break from confinement, get free. Of course it's the same old story. Truth usually is the same old story.

I was born an alcoholic. I live as a recovering alcoholic, and I will die an alcoholic. However, I have embraced the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous and its teachings that give me a daily reprieve from my disease. I don't take the first drink. AA not only provides a welcome change in my lifestyle, but often a new perspective as well.

The founders of AA identified various characteristics of the alcoholic: total dependence on alcohol to do even the most trivial tasks. They shattered the idea that I can handle this. I can do it alone.

I have accepted my disease and pray to my Higher Power each day. I cannot do it alone, it doesn't matter how you get to AA, whether it be mandated or voluntary. Just get there. Regular attendance at AA meetings and prayer is indeed a small price to pay for my life. The rate of alcohol involvement in fatal auto crashes alone is now 44%.

"The memories of my drinking do not include sipping expensive rum punch on the best beaches in Barbados. Gulping down cheap vodka in some sleazy bar, driving home on the wrong side of the road, fighting with my loved ones, praying to mercifully pass out, only to wake up to another day of insanity, these are the memories of my drinking."

There are no "magic bullet" cures for this problem. At best, we may be able to identify a high probability cause for these particular symptoms.

Statistics tell us there are one and a half million alcoholics in AA, and probably 18 million more waiting in the wings. They wait for that right moment to quit while persisting in that miserable, life-threatening, meaningless way of life for the drinking alcoholic.

What I have learned in AA is threefold- surrender, acceptance and gratitude for the gift of sobriety. An ancient Chinese proverb states: "a voyage of a thousand miles must begin with the first step." So, instead of trying to escape from the truth, I surrendered to the truth.

From Alcoholics Anonymous, Chapter Five, p.58: "Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our path." Alcoholism is a deadly, fatal, progressive disaster that is probably responsible for more horror than any other problem in the world today.

"I am overjoyed that if God, as I understand Him, sees fit to keep me sober for one more day, my day will be rich and full in ways that I could not have imagined during the dark despair of my drinking days."

"Out of defeat [comes] strength...If we are planning to stop drinking, there must be no reservation of any kind, nor any lurking notion that someday we will be immune to alcohol." (AA, p.33)

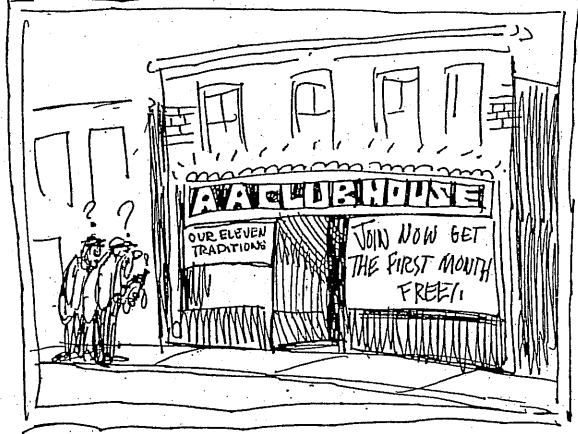
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God Bless,
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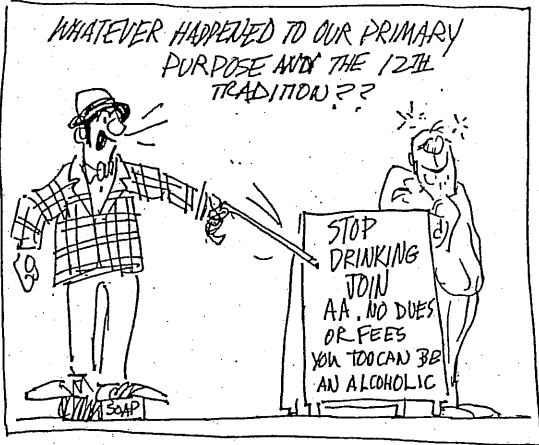
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*Dionysus,
You must learn to use
moderation with your drinking!
willpower, my boy, willpower!*

*Aristotle! Aristotle!
Don't you know?
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and
a thasand is never
enough!!*



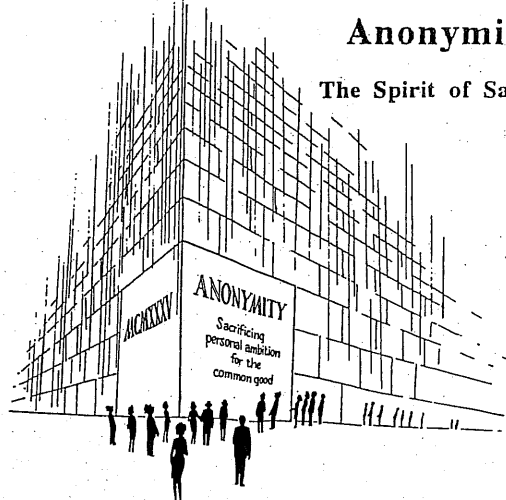
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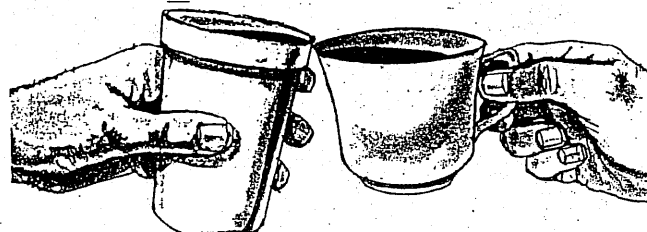
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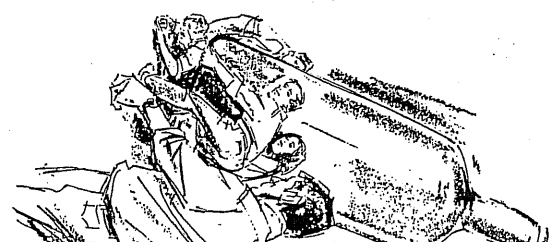
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Anniversaries July, 1994

Amherst-Snyder Colleen P.	3 mo.	Larry S. Pat S.	10 yrs. 18 yrs.	Mark P. Diane W.	4 yrs. 4 yrs.	Michael M. Anne F.	6 mo. 6 mo.	Martin H. Doug H.	9 mo. 1 yr.	Loretta D. Paula H.	3 yrs. 3 yrs.	Ed P. Kathy M.	9 yrs. 9 yrs.
Nave P.	3 mo.	Dan E.	18 yrs.	Karen M.	8 yrs.	Mary Ann S.	6 mo.	Willie M.	2 yrs.	Debra B.	4 yrs.	Dennis F.	10 yrs.
Ron W.	6 mo.	Elliecolt	2 yrs.	Rose Ann P.	8 yrs.	Ray K.	1 yr.	Tony C.	3 yrs.	Doris B.	5 yrs.	Izzy B.	11 yrs.
Joe V.	9 mo.	Jimmy J.	3 yrs.	Laicille	10 yrs.	Mike H.	1 yr.	Robert M.	3 yrs.	Deanne C.	5 yrs.	Kevin P.	12 yrs.
Gare	9 mo.	Donald M.	3 yrs.	Dorothy F.	15 yrs.	Ben H.	2 yrs.	Yame N.	4 yrs.	Tina F.	6 yrs.	Dorothy F.	15 yrs.
Tom G.	9 mo.	Bobby C.	6 yrs.	Happy Hour		Linda S.	2 yrs.	Kim C.	7 yrs.	Christine W.	6 yrs.	Richard S.	21 yrs.
Darlene	9 mo.	Ron D.	7 yrs.	May:		Gerry L.	4 yrs.	Willie H.	8 yrs.	Karen M.	7 yrs.		
Carl C.	5 yrs.	Eye Opener		Alice H.	4 yrs.	Paul V.	5 yrs.	Seneca 12 & 12		Linda C.	8 yrs.		
Holly M.	5 yrs.	Rob R.	3 mo.	July:		Tom K.	5 yrs.	Don B.	6 mo.	Sandy O.	8 yrs.		
Deby H.	6 yrs.	Trudy D.	3 mo.	Eric S.	3 mo.	Rick S.	6 yrs.	Rich M.	6 mo.	Cookle L.	9 yrs.		
Bill F.	7 yrs.	Judy A.	6 mo.	Fred G.	3 mo.	Diane K.	7 yrs.	Art K.	6 mo.	Ruth C.	10 yrs.		
Guy M.	8 yrs.	Pat S.	6 mo.	Lawrence B.	3 mo.	Skip W.	8 yrs.	Cecil B.	9 mo.	Jully:			
Gary W.	9 yrs.	Pat S.	6 mo.	Pat K.	6 mo.	Pat K.	8 yrs.	Cindy R.	1 yr.	Nancy H.	6 mo.		
Rob L.	9 yrs.	Rick A.	6 mo.	Lisa C.	6 mo.	Ed ?	9 yrs.	Nancy K.	2 yrs.	Betty F.	6 mo.		
Dave F.	11 yrs.	Bill B.	9 mo.	Sidney C.	6 mo.	Gary B.	11 yrs.	Kathy M.	3 yrs.	Erica A.	6 mo.		
Shella C.	11 yrs.	Katie O.	9 mo.	John H.	6 mo.	Ralph D.	11 yrs.	Rick E.	4 yrs.	Carleen H.	9 mo.		
Tom C.	11 yrs.	Karen S.	9 mo.	John G.	6 mo.	North Buffalo		Sunday Morning Breakfast		Dalene S.	9 mo.		
Bob D.	11 yrs.	Dan	1 yr.	Alicia M.	1 yr.	Patrick G.	3 mo.	Jonathan S.	6 mo.	Namoi	9 mo.		
Jim H.	12 yrs.	Bill K.	1 yr.	Harold W.	1 yr.	Nicholas R.	3 mo.	Bobbie L.	9 mo.	Dawn S.	1 yr.		
Don H.	22 yrs.	Bruce M.	2 yrs.	Chris L.H.	1 yr.	Charlie B.	3 mo.	Mark M.	1 yr.	Sonja T.	2 yrs.		
		Clare H.	2 yrs.	Carol A.	2 yrs.	Susan W.	6 mo.	Al K.	2 yrs.	Phyllis J.	3 yrs.		
		Randy S.	2 yrs.	Arthur T.	2 yrs.	Dan C.	1 yr.	Tom K.	2 yrs.	Theresa	3 yrs.		
		George W.	2 yrs.	Jacqueline B.	2 yrs.	Dan C.	1 yr.	Donna E.	7 yrs.	Johne C.	3 yrs.		
		Thomas W.	2 yrs.	Spencer E.	3 yrs.	Fay W.	4 yrs.	Hilda H.	12 yrs.	Daria P.	4 yrs.		
		Joseph L.	3 yrs.	Timothy I.	4 yrs.	Holly Mcl.	5 yrs.	We Care		Mary Alice H.	4 yrs.		
		Kirsten W.	3 yrs.	Notman S.	5 yrs.	Sarah P.	7 yrs.	Darryl H.	3 mo.	Karen K.	5 yrs.		
		Thomas L.	3 yrs.	Patricia A.	5 yrs.	Karen R.	10 yrs.	Beth C.	9 mo.	Yvette T.	5 yrs.		
		Nancy B.	3 yrs.	Theressa W.	6 yrs.	Joanne W.	13 yrs.	Bob S.	9 mo.	Kelly O. H.	5 yrs.		
		Diane Z.	3 yrs.	Gary L.	7 yrs.	Bob D.	14 yrs.	Mary K.	4 yrs.	Shirley H.	6 yrs.		
		Jim C.	4 yrs.	Mae B.	7 yrs.	Powerless		John Mcl.	5 yrs.	Kim C.	7 yrs.		
		Julie M.	4 yrs.	Sandy H.	12 yrs.	Sonny J.	18 yrs.	Why		Jodo G.	9 yrs.		
		Linda B.	6 yrs.	Harmony		Virgil D.	3 mo.	Dave H.	4 yrs.	(Unnamed Group)			
		William W.	6 yrs.	Honestly		Linda Mck.	7 yrs.	George F.	7 yrs.	Bob H.	3 mo.		
		Sarah P.	7 yrs.	Linda Mck.	22 yrs.	Mordine H.	3 mo.	Tony G.	8 yrs.	John R.	6 mo.		
		Priscilla	2 yrs.	Don H.	22 yrs.	Linnell	3 mo.	Joann V.	9 yrs.	Joel S.	1 yr.		
		Walter P.	4 yrs.	Liberty Women's		Jeanette	3 mo.	Donna G.	12 yrs.	Maureen G.	2 yrs.		
		Flieside		Ellen S.	9 mo.	Judy A.	3 mo.	Women's Westside Disc.		Tom K.	2 yrs.		
		Anne F.	6 mo.	Bobbi L.	1 yr.	Barbara S.	3 mo.	June:	3 mo.	Fred Z.	4 yrs.		
		Joanne M.	6 mo.	Joanne S.	3 yrs.	Pat	3 mo.	Karen H.	6 mo.	John W.	7 yrs.		
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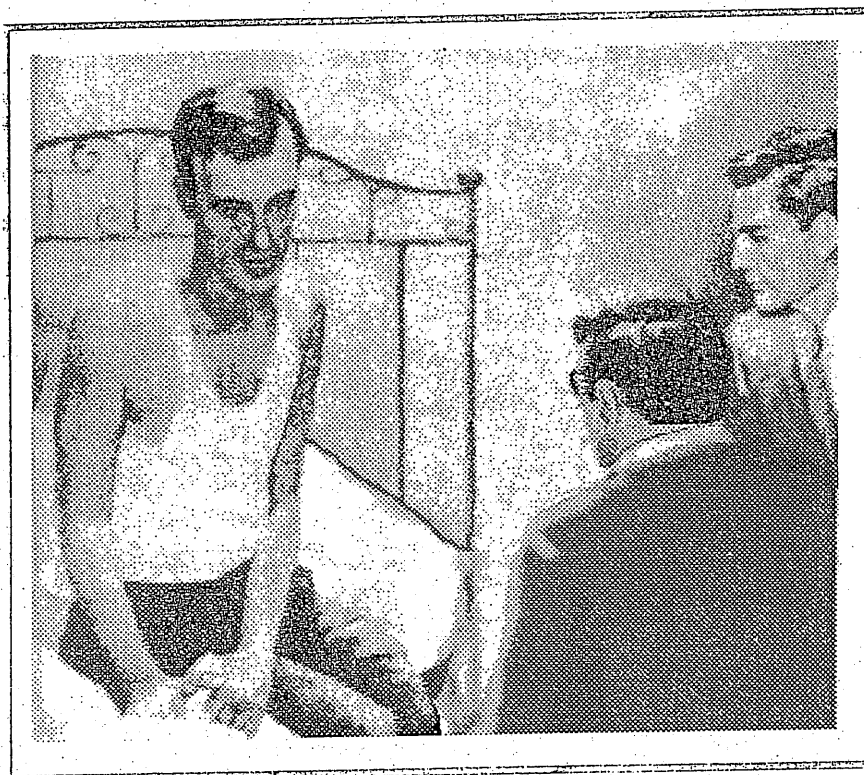
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Annmarie M.
Rayham, MA

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Closing Speaker

Martina S.
Cleveland, Ohio

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Keynote Speaker

Al H.
Saskatoon, Sask

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENVELOPE SYSTEM - Mel L - Being new at the job, he will made a full report at the next meeting.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING - June 28, 1994

The meeting was opened by Bill M at 6:10PM with the Serenity Prayer. Present were Tina F-Dist#1, Sonny J-Dist#3, Bill D-Dist#4, Margaret H-Dist#7, Tom McM-Dist#5, Central Committee Co-chairman, Larry S, Treasurer, Jerome D and Delphine H.

Business:

Subjects:

1. Intergroup seminar in Vancouver, Canada. Bill D made a motion to approve sending our Executive Secretary second by Tom McM. Approx cost \$800
2. Bill M motioned that we send a letter to groups in District #5 to inform them that the 1995 Fall Co-chairman ('96 Chairman) will be chosen from there District. Anyone from that area may ask to be considered.
3. Motion was made to send information to all the groups on the suggested distribution of monies to GSO, GSA, Central Office, etc., mailing adresses and other pertinent facts or ideas. Motion was made by Tina F and second by Sonny J. Motion carried.
4. New computer printer.- motion tabled by Bill D for more information on prices, etc. Second by Bill M - carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25PM in the usual manner with the Lord's Prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Read by Delphine for Jerome D - see attached.

TREATMENT FACILITIES - Brian B - Chairman

The Treatment Facility Committee asks that groups send a representative to the TFC business meetings that take place on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00AM, 675 Abbott Rd, Woodside Methodist Church.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES - Larry S - Chairman

There will be a new Facility opening up in Gowanda on August 15th.

SCREENERS - Ralph K - Chairman

Will be checking with all present screeners if there still want to be considered for their positions. There may possibly be a meeting of the Committee. If anyone has a question on Screening you may call Ralph at 876-4536.

CENTRAL OFFICE: Delphine H

AA information	580	12 Step	3
PIC	1	literature requests	120
CPC		Refer to other agencies	65
Alanon	12	Refer from other agencies	102
Alateen	2	<i>Central office</i>	
ACOA	6	Outgoing calls	194
<i>Answering Service</i>		Mail costs	\$235.05
Incoming calls 370 - Out going 73		Visitors	122

NEW FRONTIER: no report

FALL CONVENTION '94 - Jack B (Southgate) - Chairman

The convention Committee through a consensus of many groups have voted to have a DJ for the Friday night dance and live music for Saturday night.

Stamped envelopes are going to be mailed to groups for coffee/hospitality donation. In addition, members of the Committee will be visiting groups to answer any question regarding the Convention. Be free to ask "objectively" any questions you have. At future Central Committee meetings you will be meeting other members of the 1994 Convention Committees.

Hilda H - Hospitality Chairperson stated there will be 2 smoking rooms. If you wish to call her for information about Hospitality at the Convention or to volunteer.

COURTESY REPORTS:

GENERAL SERVICE - no formal report

Noted that PIC needed volunteers to man the table at the Erie County Fair. Call office to get in touch with PIC Chairperson.

RECAP - NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Rick (from Kansas) wants to put together a Committee to help the young people in the area. Can't do it by himself. The Chairman said it would be taken up at Steering Committee.

Motion to adjourn was made by Sonny J and seconded by Ralph K. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew for Blane H (Cold Springs)
Central Committee Secretary

GROUP			Correctional Facil		Treatment Ctrs	
	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
1st Step						
3rd Step						
6th Step						
A Day At A Time						
Abbott Mens Discussion		10.00				10.00
Abbott Women's		6.00				
Acceptance/Welcome	100.00	100.00				
Achievement						
Action		50.00				
Age Doesn't Matter						
Albion						
Alexander						
All Women						
Amherst Tree of Life		218.00				
Amherst Snyder	125.00	175.00	50.00	65.00	50.00	50.00
Amsdell Lakeshore						
Any Age						
Arcade						
As Bill Sees It						
Attitude Adjustment						
Attraction	100.00	300.00				
Awakening						
Beginner's Table						
Beginning in Sobriety I						
Beginning in Sobriety II						
Beginnings-Women's		66.00		68.00		66.00
Better Days (Bilingual)						
Bidwell						
Bidwell Monday Disc						
Big Book		25.00				
Big Book Study (Thursday Night)						
Big Book Workshop						
Blasdell						
Blasdell Monday Night		120.00		25.00		25.00
Blissfully Sober						
Boulevard Women's						
Brass		40.00				
Broadway-Bailey		25.00				
Brocton Discussion		25.00				
But for the Grace of God	9.00	90.50	9.00	42.00	9.00	42.00
By The Book-Buffalo						

GROUP			Correctional Facil		Treatment Ctrs	
	pg. 2	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY'94	Accum.	JULY '94
Came To Believe	26.25	97.46				50.00
Campus (Buffalo State College)						
Casting		90.00				
Cathedral Park	11.00	128.85				
Caz Manor						
Cazenovia	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Central Park		20.00				
Chapter IX		40.00		40.00		
Cheektowaga		50.00				
Chevy #1						
Clarence Men's Disc II						
Clarence Men's Discsion		400.00				
Cold Springs				25.00		
Common Problem	100.00	150.00				
Community Center		25.00		25.00		
Cornplanters Again						
Courage						
Delaware Discussion						
Derby		50.00				
Desire	75.00	75.00				
DeVeaux Discussion						
Downtown Discussion						
Downtown Men's Discussion						
Dunkirk						
Early Bird						
Earlybird - Saturday						
East Amherst				10.00		10.00
East Aurora	40.00	280.00			10.00	70.00
Easy Does It						
Eden-North Collins		149.50				
Ellicott	15.00	70.00				
Ellicottville						
Emergency						
Eternal Vigilance	200.00	200.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Everybody's		40.00				
Eye Opener	50.00	370.00				
Face to Face (women's)						
Faith						
Faith in Action						
Father Baker						

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	pg.3	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
Feelings							
Fireside			842.00		50.00		150.00
Fireside P.M.			200.00				
First Things First	50.00		50.00				
First Ward							
Fredonia Discussion							
Freedom	25.00		175.00		150.00		150.00
Fresh Start							
Friday Nite Discussion							
Friday Noon Meeting							
Friday Step Beginners							
Friendly							
Friendship							
Friendship Fireside							
Frontier							
Gah Nee Goin Geh (Of the Mind)							
Gardenville							
Gay, Lesbian, Sober & Proud							
Giving			50.00				
Golden Slipper							
Good Life							
Grand			30.00				
Grand II Joy Of Living							
Grateful							
Guiding Light			50.00				
H.A.N.D.			325.00				
H.O.W.							
Half & Half			25.00				
Hamburg							
Hamburg Big Book			20.00				
Handicappers Sat. Nite							
Happy Hour			60.00		50.00		50.00
Harmony	20.00		70.00				
Helping Hand	20.00		60.00				
High Noon							
High View							
Higher Powered							
Hilly Billy			60.00		20.00		20.00
Holiday Village			283.95				
Honest Desire	7.00		82.00				

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	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
pg. 4						
Honesty	30.00	210.00	10.00	70.00		
Hora de Reflección (Spanish)						
How It Works		30.00				
Humbly Willing						
Ignatia		10.00				
Inner City						
Inspiration		30.00				
Iron Horse		45.00		45.00		
1st Step						
IT						
It's About Time						
Just for Today						
Keep It Simple, Sister		30.00				
Keep on Comin'						
Kenmore	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	75.00	75.00
Kensington		50.00		50.00		
Ladies Night						
Lakeshore						
Lakeview						
Let Go & Let God		40.00				
Lew-port						
Liberty Women's		110.40		50.00		
Life Today	70.00	70.00				
Lighten Up	60.00	120.00				
Live and Let Live		160.00				
Living Sober	35.00	245.00				
Lock City						
Lockport #1						
Lockport Discussion		175.00				
Lockport Ladies						
Lockview		418.00				
Lovejoy						
Lower River						
Lunch Bunch						
Main Street						
Marilla		60.00				
Matt Talbot	25.00	150.00				
Medina New Life						
Mercy						
Mid-day						

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	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
pg. 5						
Midnight						
Miracle						
MOD (Serenity Room)						
Nevey Too Late						
New Awakening						
New Beginnings		25.00		10.00		10.00
New Freedom						
New Frontier						
New Frontier Womens						
New Life	10.00	60.00	5.00	30.00		
New Life - New Beginning		100.00				
New Westside						
Niagara Frontier Men's		25.00				
Nite People						
North Buffalo	100.00	700.00	25.00	175.00	25.00	175.00
North Java-Monday						
North Java-Sunday						
One Day at a Time(ODAT)	114.00	139.00	57.00	57.00	57.00	82.00
Open Arms						
Open Mind						
Opportunity						
Orchard Park Step						
Pass It On		75.00				
Patchin	100.00	100.00				
Pathway to Peace						
Pendleton-Chapter V						
Perry	15.00	15.00				
Positively Living II		50.00				
Positively Living III						
Powerless						
Primary Purpose						
Progress		44.00				
Purpose	40.00	240.00				
Rainbow						
Ray of Hope		100.00				
Remember When						
Renaissance I		100.00				
Renaissance II						
Renewal	50.00	125.00		25.00		

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	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
og. 6						
Ridge		50.00		50.00		50.00
Ripley's "Believe It Or Not"						
Rise & Shine	25.00	70.00				
Rochester Meeting						
Rur-al is Plural		20.00				
Rush Hour						
S.S. Sobriety						
Sally						
Salvation Army						
Saratoga						
Saturday Night Alive						
Saturday Night Disc						
Searching for Serenity	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	100.00	100.00
Second Chance	30.00	60.00		10.00		10.00
Security						
Seneca 12 & 12		5.00				
Serenity		180.00				
Serenity Circle	10.00	50.00				
Serenity Trail						
Sheridan	10.00	70.00				
Silver Creek Friendship						
Sober Trail						
Sober Winners						
Sobriety Men's Disc						
Somerset						
South Buffalo		70.00				
South Town		35.00				
South Town Women's	10.00	50.00	20.00	70.00	20.00	60.00
Southgate		35.40				
Southwestern		36.00				
Spirit of H.O.P.E.		10.00				
Spiritual Progress						
Spiritual Progress(women's)						
Springville						
Springville Saturday Afternoon						
St. Barnabas						
St. Mark's						
Starting Over						
Step						
Stepping Stones						

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	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
pg. 7						
Suburban	7.00	21.00				
Sunday Morning Bkft.	125.00	250.00	50.00	150.00	75.00	150.00
Sunday Niters		60.00		20.00		10.00
Sunday Third		15.00				
Sunrise Court		50.00				
SUNY-Amherst Campus						
Surrender & Hope						
Survivors						
Swinging Door						
ThT		256.00				
T.P.H.						
TGIF		50.00		25.00		25.00
Thankful		70.00				
The Journey		80.00				
The Way						
Thruway	300.00	1500.00	20.00	110.00		
Thursday Afternoon Disc		150.00				
Today						
Town Hall(Going to Any Length)		60.00				190.00
Tri-County						
Try Again						
Tuesday Men's Disc		100.00				
Tuesday Women's Disc.	25.00	40.00				10.00
Turning Point		32.50				10.00
Twin Cities		45.00				
United Brotherhood						
Unity		60.00				
University	150.00	900.00			20.00	140.00
Urban						
V.I.P.		21.50				
Valley						
Varysburg		15.00				
Veterans						
Victory						
Villa		45.00				
Wake Up Call	22.80	149.65				
We Amitted/Morning aft	50.00	110.00	50.00	100.00	50.00	50.00
We Are Not Saints						
We Care		180.00		60.00		120.00

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	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.	JULY '94	Accum.
pg. 8						
We Choose Life		60.50				
We Need You						
Wehrle						
Welcome Home						
West Seneca Sat. Nite						
Westfield						
Westminster						
WHY	50.00	125.00	25.00	25.00		
Williamsville		50.00				
Willing To Grow		150.00				
Wilson						
Women's Westside Disc.		50.00		25.00		25.00
Working		20.00				
You'll Never Walk Alone						
Youngstown						
Youth Gone Wild						
45 Groups - July '94	2500.05		451.00		561.00	
Last month accum totals	12728.76		1396.00		1559.00	
Year to date totals	15228.81		1847.00		2120.00	

RECAP		6/25/94 - 7/25/94				
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES ACCOUNT #484-185-4						
Expenses		Check#	Amount			
AA Central Office	Sonny J	1089	78.25			
Balance per checkbook	6/25/94			778.18		
Add Receipts	6/25/94 - 7/25/94			451.00		
Deduct expenses	6/25/94 - 7/25/94			-78.25		
Balance per checkbook	7/25/94			1150.93		
Operating credit for	7/25/94	451.00				
TREATMENT FACILITIES ACCOUNT #602-089-5						
Expenses		Check#	Amount			
AA Central Office	Columbus	271	121.00			
AA Central Office		272	132.00			
AA Central Office	Brian	273	132.00			
AA Central Office	Research Inst	274	110.00			
AA Central Office	MICA	275	110.00			
			605.00			
Balance per checkbook	6/25/94			48.28		
Add Receipts	6/25/94 - 7/25/94			561.00		
Deduct expenses	6/25/94 - 7/25/94			-605.00		
Balance per checkbook	7/25/94			4.28		
Operating debit for	7/25/94	(-44.00)				

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CENTRAL COMMITTEE #604-771-7		MONTHLY REPORT	
RECEIPTS	6/25/94 - 7/25/94		
Groups contributed		2500.05	
Joint meeting (expenses 6.53)		22.04	
New Frontier Subscriptions		14.00	
Envelope System		292.00	
Literature		2372.99	
	Total Receipts	5201.08	
DISBURSEMENTS			
#10 Ellicott Sq Ct Corp		608.00	
Community Mental Health Ctr		35.00	
Pitney Bowes mt rfl		87.00	
Breitweiser Printing Co Inc	open schedules	829.50	
David F Williamson Inc	UPS charges	155.36	
Happy Spring Water		33.30	
The Message Connection	ans service	128.25	
M & T Bank -	Federal Withholding Tax Monthly Deposit	612.24	
Unemployment Insurance -	2nd qtr	42.12	
NYS Income Tax		299.00	
AA World Services Inc -	Big Bks	820.00	
NYNEX		158.78	
US Postmaster -	mt rfl	500.00	
Edw A Habermehl -	Printing '93 - Convention programs	487.00	
The State Insurance Fund	Disability Ins	60.54	
Salaries		1852.12	
Petty Cash		50.00	
Bank Charge		62.74	
	Disbursements	6820.95	
Balance per checkbook	6/25/94	2036.51	
Add receipts	6/25/94-7/25/94	5201.08	
Deduct expenses	6/25/94-7/25/94	-6820.95	
Balance per check book	7/25/94	416.64	
Operating debit for JULY 1994	(-1619.87)		