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

We request that this newsletter be kept within the Fellowship to ensure anonymity



Powerlessness

By Jon C.

One of the first things I realized in the early days of recovery was that my notions about what I could and could not control were seriously flawed. I believed that if I wanted something I should be able to figure out how to get it. If I failed to get what I wanted it was because I hadn't been skillful enough in my efforts. I believed that I should be able to make others appreciate that my way was the best way, either through reason or sheer persistence. If I failed it indicated I had made a tactical error. The idea that there were aspects of my life that I simply couldn't control did not occur to me.

Until everything fell apart, until I faced catastrophic failure on all fronts (career, finances, and relationships) and felt as though I no longer had control over anything. I knew at that moment that my ideas no longer worked, and I was willing to listen to anyone who could offer an alternative.

I started, as we all do, with the admission that I was powerless over alcohol. For me that was easy – from my first beer at 14, alcohol and drugs had been my solution. Even when I stopped for a time, I always knew I would start again. At some point I gave up trying to stop because I knew I couldn't.

When I was urged to examine powerlessness in other aspects of my life and to draw on God's power instead of my own, I had more than a few misgivings. What about free will? What about self determination? Slowly I came to see that I can control my actions and my reactions, but that's about it. I can work toward an objective, but I can't control the result. When it comes to other people, I can suggest a course of action but I can't require it.

My present understanding of powerlessness and control is the result of several years of trial and error. What I have found is that if I do my part to the best of my ability and keep my side of the street reasonably clean, I get what I need. I've discovered that my way isn't the only way and it's not necessarily the best way. I still see —room for improvement in the people around me, but I try to keep those opinions to myself. And I no longer live with the constant anxiety that comes from trying to control everything and everyone.

Do I still stumble over my desire to take control? I wouldn't be human if I didn't. On a good day I recognize what I'm doing and step back. On other days I have to get pretty wound up before I realize I need to relax and take my hands off the steering wheel.



Me and My Traditions

Sometimes passed over all too lightly, our Twelve Traditions are designed to protect YOU, the individual member of AA - From the October 1969 Grapevine w/permission

MOST OF US tend to slide over the Twelve Traditions, because we feel they have to do with "organization." Since our primary concern is our own sobriety, most of us couldn't care less about "organization." If we take a really good look at the Traditions, however, it will be revealed to us that the structure they set up has but one ultimate objective--the welfare of the individual AA member. In the past few years, I've had the feeling that for me the Traditions are really an extension of the Steps. They affect, not only my activities as a member of an AA group, not only my daily work in an AA service job, but also my efforts as an individual to relate satisfactorily with other people. In other words, I feel the Traditions are additional tools to help me fulfill the last part of the Twelfth Step: trying to practice these principles in all my affairs.

Together with the Steps, they have helped me learn what little I know about staying out of the way--my own and other people's. They have taught me:

- 1. To try to put the common welfare first, rather than just my own--by being willing to yield, even when I may heartily disagree.**
- 2. To put faith in the group conscience, and to try to believe that it represents God's will for us today--if not forever.**
- 3. To remember that the most significant experience of my life was becoming a member of AA, that AAs had room for me even before I wanted to join, and that they gave me the time to develop the desire to stop drinking, though at first I didn't have one.**
- 4. To remind myself that nothing is really good for me unless other people are considered, too.**
- 5. To take whatever extra time is needed to keep the primary purpose primary--to put first things first.**
- 6. Not to be beguiled into activities and involvements, no matter how worthy or how attractive, that might undermine the primary purpose.**
- 7. To carry my own weight in economic matters, and to support those things in which I believe.**
- 8. To remind myself that I am simply one of many trusted servants, with no special training or talent beyond my desire to serve, responsibly and to the best of my ability, those people who have trusted me.**
- 9. To be aware of the fact that, as an individual, I am entitled to hold any opinions which seem right to me and to defend them in the appropriate places.**
- 10. To try to be prudent and not promote or oversell even my most cherished beliefs and ideas. If they are all I think they are, they will have made sufficient difference in my own life and performance to carry their weight in that way. I am reminded not to seek personal credit for anything that I may do, and not to feel that I deserve it.**
- 11. To remember that the principle expressed is the important thing--not the person who is expressing it. The wonderful thing about our Fellowship is that we are a society of equals; the famous, the handsome, the wealthy, the articulate, the glamorous are no more representative of us than is the most obscure member. Alcoholism is no respecter of persons; it strikes the famous and the obscure, the rich and the poor, the educated and the ignorant, male and female, black and white, young and old alike. No matter what our position in life may be, in our Fellowship we participate as equals in sharing our experience, strength, and hope with one another in an atmosphere of love and caring. In my book, that is a spiritual idea, and the Traditions that keep us united therefore must be spiritual, rather than merely organizational.**

C.B.L.

Broward County Intergroup: September, 2012



From the Archives: The First Group to Be Named "A.A."

On May 11, 1939, a group of alcoholics gathered with their families in the home of Al, or "Abby" G., in Cleveland (*How It Worked*, Mitchell K.). He had less than a month of sobriety, and there's a good chance he felt like he'd gotten in over his head (*Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers*). His house, a two story brick building in the nice area of Cleveland Heights, where John D. Rockefeller had owned property, had probably not held the kinds of guests who, that night, came up his front walk, or over the grass of the wide yard, and gathered for a meeting organized by Clarence S (clevelandheights.com).

Clarence probably had a plan for that night, but, before it could get going, Abby found his home taken over by another bunch of energetic men, this group from Akron, apparently bent on stopping the meeting. He might have felt completely at wits' end, unable to keep the peace let alone play the host, but he had to let things happen how they were meant to. He had to stay sober, no matter what, and these people knew how to do that, even if it looked, that first night, like they didn't know how to talk without shouting (*How It Worked*).

He certainly knew the men in this second crowd; they came from the Oxford Group, where he, Clarence, and the other alcoholics had been just the night before. But it was their last ride down to Akron for those meetings, which were turning out not to be the best fit for alcoholics needing sobriety more than anything else. They had learned a spiritual way of life there in Akron, and it was helping them stay sober, but they needed to buckle down and devote their time to other drunks. After some bitter words, the Oxford Group members left (*Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers*).

After that, the group was free to hold its first meeting, and Abby must have breathed easier. They may have opened with prayer, or a reading from the Bible, or even something from the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*, which had just come out the month before. After that, the meeting leader spoke for 30 to 45 minutes (*How It Worked*). The meeting officially ended then, but some of the real work took place after that, as anyone who needed to could ask questions about the program, inspired by the lead they'd just heard. Whenever his guests finally left, they left with him knowing they'd return. He probably had some ashtrays to clean out, and plenty of coffee cups to wash, for the next meeting they'd be having there, the next week ("He Thought He Could Drink Like a Gentleman," *Alcoholics Anonymous*).

Those weekly meetings helped keep Abby sober, and they also helped his family, who got to not only see their father sober, but hear why each week, as well as see the people who were part of that reason. The name "Alcoholics Anonymous" got shortened to AA, maybe even by one of them—the AA meetings at Abby's. They were not the first to use the name of the book, according to Nell Wing--the fellowship in New York had already started going by "Alcoholics Anonymous," after breaking with the Oxford Group in 1937.

But the program in Cleveland took on its own life and character, and took off tremendously from those first meetings in Cleveland Heights, so much so that, according to Bill W., a lot of Cleveland alcoholics probably thought AA had started there (*A.A. Comes of Age*). Maybe what really started there was a strong commitment to "principles before personality," what is now the last part of the 12th Tradition. As Mel B. and others have said, Clarence had a difficult personality to deal with, and so did many of the people he and the other AA members there helped—low bottom drunks who were as close to death as anyone. The program worked for all of them, like it continues to work anywhere in the world, with one drunk talking to another one, sharing truths as simple and unforgettable as the name "AA."

What's the biggest problem with a group business meeting?

Answer: It's run by a bunch of drunks!

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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As Bill Sees It

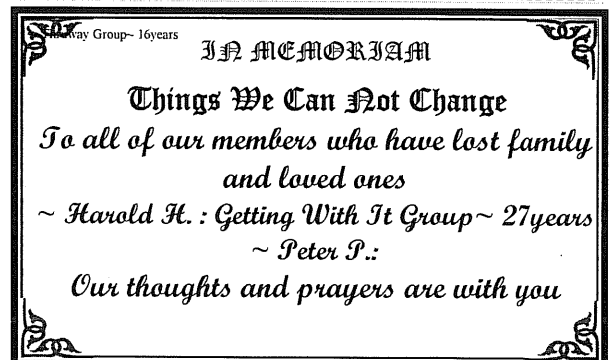


A New Life

Is sobriety all that we are to expect of a spiritual awakening? No, sobriety is only a bare beginning; it is only the first gift of the first awakening. If more gifts are to be received, our awakening has to go on. As it does go on, we find that bit by bit we can discard the old life -- the one that did not work -- for a new life that can and does work under any conditions whatever.

Regardless of worldly success or failure, regardless of pain or joy, regardless of sickness or health or even of death itself, a new life of endless possibilities can be lived if we are willing to continue our awakening, through the practice of A.A.'s Twelve Steps.

GRAPEVINE, DECEMBER 1957



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Alexander

Matt S. 8y

Amherst Snyder

Ashlee S. 2y

Falena C. 8y

Ted M. 8y

Don L. 9y

Terry B. 12y

Betty C. 32y

Any Lengths

John S. 4y

Al S. 13y

Dave 18y

Blvd Helping Hand

Tom W. 2y

Ben C. 15y

Mark P. 29y

Blvd Woman's

Lynn C. 2y

Anne O. 27y

Gloria G. 27y

Cold Springs

Lernez B. 16y

Courage

Jeff C. 5y

John C. 17y

Eyeopener

Steve G. 5y

Louis T. 5y

Christine G. 5y

Judy 8y

Mark H. 11y

Peter S. 12y

Frank C. 13y

Karen M. 13y

Christine S. 16y

Barry R. 18y

Amy O. 21y

Ivan 31y

Nick M. 31y

Eyeopener South

Nancy M. 6m

Aleks M. 2y

Chuck K. 9y

MaryAnn H. 15y

Fireside

Kelly 3y

Jack M. 15y

Jill J. 17y

Mark P. 29y

Fresh Start

Sandra B. 9y

Holiday Village

Shane 6m

Mary Z. 2y

Rob S. 9y

Barbara C. 35y

How It Works

Chuck K. 9y

David Z. 9y

Dudley G. 9y

Mike H. 9y

Dan S. 10y

Mike H. 13y

Don McH. 32y

Dave Pf. 34y

Dan G. 35y

Ironhorse

Cheryl Z. 7y

Peter K. 7y

Mike M. 8y

Bill R. 20y

Dave C. 21y

Iron Horse

Mark G. 6m

Mark D. 1y

Paul G. 6y

Mark S. 6y

Pete K. 8y

Billy R. 21y

Dave C. 22y

Helen B. 32y

Just For Today(Cheek)

Greg 9m

Kensington

Jack M. 2y

Ron W. 37y

Lakeshore

Caleb B. 1y

Sydney B. 2y

Cheryl H. 5y

Lockport #1

Steve C. 3y

Lovejoy

Paul G. 1y

Mark G. 1y

Main & High

Winston F. 22y

North Buffalo

Steve W. 2y

Timothy W. 2y

Greg k. 2y

Ryan P. 2y

Aubryn M. 2y

Crystal 3y

Mary W. 3y

Liz S. 22y

David P. 35y

Orchard Park Step

Ben G. 5y

Jim L. 11y

Bob M. 27y

Rise & Shine

Margaro M. 9m

Tiffany H. 2y

Karen R. 2y

James K. 5y

Cathy W. 8y

Lily M. 8y

Jack M. 15y

Bill P. 16y

Ivan O. 32y

Remember

When

Alicia W. 13y

Sonia C. 19y

Jerry C. 21y

Arthur E. 24y

Ivan O. 32y

Renaissance

Nancy O. 3m

Meg G. 6m

Josh O. 3y

Kevin O. 3y

Mike K. 32y

Barbara C. 35y

Serenity

Russo W. 1y

Patti S. 17y

Russ W. 26y

Simplicity

Jerry J. 45y

Spiritual Progress

Mary V. 4y

Mary Z. 12y

Thruway

Mary Ellen S. 34y

WE-Women's

Susan F. 9m

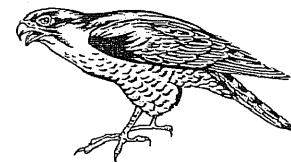
Karen B. 3y

Williamsville

Julie 1y

Inger 2y

Bill G. 3y



Group Anniversaries

BOULEVARD HELPING HAND: 17y

CARRYING THE MESSAGE: 9y

COMMON BOND: 14y

FIRESIDE: 34y

HIGH VIEW: 28y

HOLIDAY VILLAGE: 21y

JUST FOR TODAY: 15y

LIBERTY WOMEN: 27y

LIVING SOBER: 46y

MIDNIGHT DISCUSSION: 14y

MORNING AFTER: 35y

REMEMBER WHEN: 51y

SEARCHING FOR SERENITY: 25y

SOBRIETY MEN'S DISC.: 38y

SOUTH BUFFALO: 69y

SPRINGVILLE WED. NOON: 18y

T.G.I.F.: 25y

THURSDAY NIGHT STEPPERS: 21y

T'nT: 7y

UNIVERSITY MEN'S DISC.: 45y

WE: 7y

WHY: 40y

Please remember to have the anniversaries submitted by the 12th

END OF BUSINESS DAY 4:30 of the month previous

Third Step Prayer

God,
I offer myself to thee
to build with me and do with me as thou wilt.
Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may
better do thy will.
Take away my difficulties, that victory over
them may bear witness to those I would help
of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of Life.
May I do Thy will always!
pg 68 Big Book

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

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MEETING CHANGES

- **We Care Group Has Resumed Meeting.** St. Andrew's RC Church. Corner of Crocker & Reiman St's in Sloan. Thursday's 7:30 PM. Starts May 1st.
- Living in to Solution has a time change on Saturdays. We now meet at 7:00pm. Wed. And Thursdays still meet at 8:00pm 340 Military Rd.
- **Higher Powered Group;** Thursday, 5:30 PM, William Emslie YMCA, 585 William Street, Bflo East; **NO LONGER MEETS**
- **Purpose Group; Sat. 10am, will be an Open meeting, the last week of the month.** St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 576 Delaware Road, T Tonawanda, 14223.
- **Beginnings Women's Group is changing start time to Monday's, 6 PM.** St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Cheektowaga.
- **First Things First Group,** Monday's 10 am, Trinity Episcopal Church, 261 East Main Street; **No Longer Meets.**
- **Point Of No Return;** Seasonal Meeting at Niagara Falls; **No Longer Meets.**
- **Backdoor Group;** Miss Information; They Do Meet!!! Thursday's Presbyterian Church, Corner of 4th and Eagle St's, Dunkirk 14048. 8:30 PM.
- **Sense of Duty Group has changed their name to: The Absolute.** They now meet **Sunday through Saturday, 8 PM & 10 PM. Saturday & Sunday also have a 12 Noon Meeting.** 1463 E. Delevan Ave, Buffalo East, 14215. Closed Meeting except Sunday 8PM will be an open speaker. Smoking.
- **Serenity Sisters; NO LONGER MEETS.** Thursday 6:30 PM @ Horizons Health Services, 6495 Transit Rd, E. Amherst.
- **Akron Awareness; NO LONGER MEETS;** Saturday's 8PM.
- **Springville New Life is now an Open Meeting;** Friday's 8PM.
- **NEW GROUP: Renaissance Women;** Thursday's 8 PM, Renaissance Campus, Women's Bldg, Stepping Stones (Bldg to the left). 920 Harlem Rd., West Seneca, NY 14224.
- **Gahada Goh;** No Longer Meets
- **Sobriety Men's Discussion** has moved to: Trinity Episcopal Church, 261 East Main Street, Hamburg, 14075. Thursday's 8:30 PM.
- **NEW GROUP; If He Were Sought;** Tuesday's & Saturday's, 10 PM. Never Alone, 1864 Seneca St. in South Buffalo, 14210.
- **NEW GROUP; A Anonymous#3;** Sunday's, St. Paul Episcopal church, 7:30 PM, 930 Lake Street, Angola, 14006.

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

COMING EVENTS

~ May 3, **4th Annual Archives Breakfast**; Infant of Prague's Hennessy House, Cheektowaga. \$12, Advance sale tickets available. :)

~ May 4, **Central Committee Meeting**, SUNDAY, 7 pm, Buffalo Central Office (Hosted by Carry The Message Group)

~ May 5, **2014 Convention Committee Meeting**, 1st-MONDAY, 6 PM, Buffalo Central Office,681 Seneca Street.

~ May 10, **Archives Committee Meeting**, Saturday, 10 Am, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street

~ May 12, **Public Information Committee meeting**, Monday, Anyone interested in helping the community understand who we are, what we do, and what we are not to do, PLEASE come out and get involved. Help keep A.A. around for your children. Buffalo Central Office, 6 PM.

~ May 18, **Corrections Committee Meeting**, 3rd-SUNDAY, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.

~ May 18, **Special Needs Committee Meeting**, 3rd-SUNDAY, **3:30PM**, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.

~ May 19, **Treatment Facilities Committee**, MONDAY, 6 PM, Buffalo Central Office,681 Seneca Street. Please if you or your group are taking a meeting into a treatment facility , could you please send a rep to this meeting

~ May 24, **Ironhorse Annual Family Picnic**, Chestnut Ridge Park, McKinnon Shelter. 12 Noon-Dusk. Speaker, Games & Music. Bring a dish to Share. Hot dogs, Hamburger & Pop will be supplied. Rain or Shine.

~ Jun 8, **General Service Assembly**, SUNDAY ,12 Noon., Hamburg Town Hall, 5999 South Park Ave., Hamburg. (Hosted by North Buffalo Group).

~ June 21, **Women of AA Spiritual Day of Sharing (Mini Retreat)**: 9 am- 11 pm @ St Columban Center, Derby. For those unable to commit an entire weekend but would like the retreat experience. Speakers, activities, spiritual advisors, meditation, a late night bon fire... Something for everyone: newcomer, old timer, just coming back. Do it all or just be a sponge & soak in the serenity of the surroundings. You MUST pre-register for this event. Cost \$49 includes registration & dinner. Potluck lunch. Registration flyer included with April New Frontiers (also available on website). Contact: Marilyn S. 799-4094/ retreatnewsaa@gmail.com.

~ Jul 12, **Carrying The Message- "Love & Service"**, 16th Anniversary Day of Sharing, sponsored by **Main & High** group.9:30 am-3:45 pm, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1080 Main Street (across from Wendy's). Panels & Speakers,50/50, Hot Lunch, Refreshments. Registration:\$6, Alateen: \$5.

5th STEP: "Admitted to God, to ourselves, and another human being the exact nature of our wrongs."

5th TRADITION: " Each group has but one primary purpose—to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

5th CONCEPT; throughout our structure, a traditional Right of Appeal" ought to prevail, so that the minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ENVELOPE SYSTEM...

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

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The General Service Assembly Inventory

At the March meeting, the Chair asked a past Delegate to suggest inventory questions for GSA. The questions she provided are listed below; we thought that you might like to consider them as a basis for your group's inventory:

1. What does the assembly do best and what are we poorest at?
2. Are we as welcoming to those who are new to GSA as we are to newcomers at a meeting?
3. What are we doing to carry the message of AA to those who need it?
4. Are we serving others or have we become self-serving?
5. Do we adhere to the "Right of Decision, Right of Participation, and Right of Appeal" in our Assemblies?
6. Could we make better use of the time we spend at the assembly? If so, how?
7. Are we attracting others to service? If so, why? If not, why?

Our next GSA meeting will be devoted to the Delegate's report on the April-May General Service Conference. It will be very interesting and I hope you will all consider coming down to Hamburg Town Hall on South Park at noon on June 8.

## BUFFALO CENTRAL COMMITTEE MINUTES February 9th, 2014

Sean R. Chair opened the meeting at 7:03 PM with a moment of silence and the Serenity Prayer. Zach F (Three Legacies) read the Preamble, Justin (Absolutes) read the Purpose of Central Committee, Bill (Noon Meeting) read the Twelve Traditions. Refreshments were provided by the Three Legacies (next month they will be provided by the Carry the Message). A motion was made to adopt the March minutes by Pat (Thruway) and seconded by Alan (Brass). New groups were greeted and 27 groups were represented: Zone #1: Main and High, Zone #2: Brass, How It Works – Men's Discussion Group, North Buffalo, Renaissance, Three Legacies. Zone #3: Abbott Men's Discussion group, Buffalo, Cheektowaga, Ridge, South Buffalo, Sunday Morning Breakfast, Thruway. Zone #4: Orchard Park Step, Zone #5: Lockport #1, Simplicity. Zone #6: Carry the Message, Derby Group, Zone #7: Fresh Start. Zone #8: Amherst Snyder, Beginnings-Women's, Eye Opener, Midnight Discussion, Saturday Night Alive, The Noon Meeting, Unity, Woman Making the Effort

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

•**ENVELOPE SYSTEM:** We received \$287.00 in contributions. I've found that some long time donors have not donated to date. My intentions are to re-mail them a packet and to start promoting the envelope system at other groups and at the Fall Convention.

•**STEERING COMMITTEE:** - There was a quorum. Zones 2, 3, 6, 7 & 8 were in attendance. It has been recommended by the steering co. that the meeting "A Anonymous" in zone 6 & "If He Were Sought" in zone 3 be voted into the scheduled.

Raeanne F.

### \*Financial Correction Report; April 6, 2014

- Jan. & Feb.'s Sales +/- Columns changed in reconciling
- Removed the rent added to Jan. in the last Newsletter (wasn't presented that way at Central committee last month) What was thought to be a correction, was incorrect.
- Subtracted disability Insurance(State Ins.) to make it (3.60) in January to reflect 3 pay periods.
- This of course changed end balances in Jan. & Feb.. March balances reconcile to the bank statements for March.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Totals are rounded except for Bank Balances

Income: We received \$9,280 in total income. \$4,683 in contributions and \$3,862 in inventory sales.

Expense: Our total expense for the month were \$10,776, which included on \$53 credit for a payroll fee recognized in January but never deducted.

A/R: Our current accounts receivable total is %527, with 5 current, 1 over 30 days and 1 over 90 days.

Bank Balances: The balance for operating is \$19,490.65. The prudent reserve is \$23,123.21. Petty cash is always at \$3,000.

Corrections: Donations of \$115, expense of \$3.00, leaving a balance of \$1,868.01

Treatment: Donations of \$165, expenses of \$243, leaving a balance of \$738.33

•**TREATMENT:** 4/6/14; The treatment facility committee (TFC) meeting met on 3/17, there were 15 people in attendance and 9 home-groups represented. We meet the third Monday of the month at 6pm at Central Office. The next three meetings are 4/21, 5/19 and 6/16.

Last month was the new rotation of the treatment meetings at ECMC and the Salvation Army. We currently have four groups show up at ECMC every week and an additional group at the Salvation Army. A few groups have not been able to make their commitment, which is frankly, unacceptable. However, we are making an effort to stay in contact with groups and keep up in organization so that no commitments are broken.

In fact, AA's increased efforts to serve are not going unnoticed and ECMC administrators approached us for two additional meetings a week (Rehab and Detox), on Tuesday night at 6pm. We are therefore in need of new groups that would be able to participate and join us. We would like to welcome the Noon Group who volunteered to take the third Sunday of the month at ECMC Detox.

Do not feel discouraged to participate if your group is new to AA service or treatment meetings. We welcome all groups, and are glad to come to your home-group to explain what we do and how you can help! Please call me at (716) 867-0560 and leave a message if you are interested. You can also email me at [buffAAalotreatment@gmail.com](mailto:buffAAalotreatment@gmail.com) to reach me or the TFC.

At the last TFC meeting we discussed many topics including literature at the Salvation Army, bridging the gap and interactions with Area and other Intergroup treatment committees and handing out welcome business cards to members of the treatment facilities. We also discussed the treatment meeting formats, in depth, and will vote on a final format in the April meeting. Please join us! Fresh coffee is served nice and hot!

Finally, we must mention that our records show that in February (April New Frontiers) we received donations from only 4 groups. If your group does not donate to treatment directly, we do not receive funding. If we have no money, we cannot buy literature for attendees of treatment facilities that want help to stop drinking. Please consider bringing this issue to your group, and participating in treatment.

Sincerely, Nadav W., Treatment Chair

### **CORRECTIONS:**

- 1) March 16 last mtg, 3 in attendance
- 2) This month corr. Will not be at cent. Off. Please call Alan at 7164380328 instead. Was supposed to be on april 20<sup>th</sup>. 6pm
- 3) Thank all grps. For contributions.

Respectfully, Alan D.

### **CENTRAL OFFICE: TOTAL CALL'S INCLUDING AFTER-HOURS:**

AA Calls:309,12STEP:25,ALANON:1,VISITORS:62,VOLUNTEERS:4

- GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE; Hamburg-6

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

•**NEW FRONTIERS:** Verbal Report.

•**PI/CPC:** We gave another presentation at UB for the third year medical students. We have upcoming presentation for the staff of treatment centers in the area. We are also working with the treatment committee to set up a CPC presentation with nursing staff that their committee is in contact with. We continue to look for groups to take a library in their zone to stock with literature.

Yours in service,

Zach F.

•**NIGHTWATCH:** no report

• **CURRENT CONVENTION:** No report

•**GSA LIAISON:** February 9, 2014

There was no meeting last month. The meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup> will be pre-conference report. A few of the agenda items is one in Finance: review suggested area contribution for the delegate expense for the Conference. Another one is consider revisions to the Anonymity card. The third example item is consider a request to add "nonalcoholics are welcome to attend open meetings as observers" to the end of the Primary Purpose (blue) card. There are many more agenda items that I didn't give that are very important to send a group representative to this meeting to ask your group conscious questions. Than at the June meeting which is the post conference hear what happen with the agenda items. The next two meetings are April 13<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup> at 12pm at the Hamburg Town Hall. There is a possible change in the location and date of their August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting to Jamestown to be held at 511 Club at 1pm. This will be finalized at the next meeting. It is important that all groups send their GSR's to that meeting, so your group has a say to what's happening in our General Assembly Area 50.

Yours in Service, Pat M., GSA Liaison.

•**ARCHIVES:**

**AREA 50 WNY ARCHIVES COMMITTEE**

c/o Buffalo Central Office

681 Seneca Street

Buffalo, N.Y. 14210

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April 1, 2014

**March 2014 Intergroup Report**

We thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you this past month. We have attended and reported to the four intergroup areas in Area 50 during March. We have attended planning meetings of the Buffalo Fall Convention and the Niagara Falls Cataract Convention. We attended a review of the "guidelines for intergroup sponsored events" in NY-Penn.

We had displays in March at the 37th Group Anniversary of the Southgate Group; the 18th Anniversary of the Daily Reflections Group; and at the 6th Cataract Convention March 21st – 23rd. It was the first time we were able to use our digital projector at the Cataract Convention.

We have displays in April at the 67th Group Anniversary of Lockport # 1 Group on April 11th; and at the anniversary of the Holiday Village Group in Hamburg on April 18th.

May 3rd is the fourth annual Area 50 Archives Breakfast at Henesey Hall at the Infant of Prague in Cheektowaga. The doors will open at 9 am for fellowship, with breakfast at 10 am. Mike B., Area 50 – Panel 50 Past Delegate will be leading at 11 am. Please secure your tickets early for this event. May also brings an Archives Display to the Boulevard Helping Hands Group Anniversary Breakfast on May 10th.

July 12th is the annual Main-High Group Day of Sharing. We are going to participate with a display as well as an Archives Panel. The New York State Informational Workshop is August 1st – 3rd in Albany.

We continue to have work nights at Buffalo Central Office on Tuesdays. It may be necessary to change the day when the concert season starts at the First Niagara Center. Parking became an issue last year and it could be worse this year.

We had donations in March from the Brass Group, the Iron Horse Group, the Williamsville Group, The Lakeshore Group and the Southgate Group. We are a financially autonomous committee and depend upon group donations and special events to continue the archival work and preservation that we do. Please send contributions to Area 50 Archives Committee, c/o Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street, Buffalo, NY 14210. We thank you for your continued support.

Yours in service,

Wally E., Area 50 Archives Chair

•**AD HOC - Inventory:** no report

•**RECAP:**

•**OLD BUSINESS:** none

•**NEW BUSINESS:**

A Anonymous: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Angola, NY, 730pm Sunday: voted in

If He Were Sought: 1864 Seneca St, South Buffalo, NY 10pm Tuesday/Saturday: voted In

**NEXT MEETING: May 4th, 2014 at 7pm.**

Motion to close the meeting was made by Debi C. from Iron Horse. Seconded by Holly from OP Step. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted Tim C, Recording Secretary, Three Legacies.




**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.


| Cash Flow Statement                        | Jan-14            | Feb-14           | Mar-14            | YTD               |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Beg Bal Cash on hand                       | 23,120.08         | 18,712.15        | 20,986.57         |                   |
| <b>Contributions</b>                       |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| Groups                                     | 4,612.39          | 4,561.92         | 4,683.01          | 13,857.32         |
| Joint Meeting                              | 49.00             | 29.00            | 45.00             | 123.00            |
| Envelope System                            | 1,831.00          | 247.00           | 287.00            | 2,365.00          |
| New Frontiers Subs                         | 33.00             | 67.00            | 20.00             | 120.00            |
| Literature/Medallions/Pins                 | 3,205.53          | 3,464.50         | 3,862.17          | 10,532.20         |
| Literature Sales Tax                       | 221.95            | 214.25           | 328.18            | 764.38            |
| Literature Postage                         | 29.95             | 16.70            | 25.75             | 72.40             |
| Sales +/-                                  | (0.08)            | 199.44           |                   | 199.36            |
| Archives Room Rent:                        | 240.00            |                  |                   | 240.00            |
| Com. Meetings at CO                        | 25.18             | 31.00            | 29.27             | 85.45             |
| Mail/Misc.                                 |                   | 70.00            |                   | 70.00             |
| Tax Returns                                |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Transfer from PR                           |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Income Transfer to Corrections/Treatment   |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| "Gratitude Month" (NOV)                    |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Conventions/Day of Sharing                 |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| <b>Monthly Income</b>                      | <b>10,247.92</b>  | <b>8,900.81</b>  | <b>9,280.38</b>   | <b>28,429.11</b>  |
| <b>Expenses</b>                            |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| Building Rent/Utilities                    | 1,099.54          | 1,129.54         | 1,129.54          | 3,358.62          |
| Payroll Gross                              | 3,934.23          | 2,622.82         | 2,622.82          | 9,179.87          |
| Employment Taxes                           | 495.45            | 240.00           | 247.87            | 983.32            |
| Unemployment Surcharge                     |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| NYS Sales Tax                              |                   |                  | 722.10            | 722.10            |
| Insurance                                  |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| State Ins Fund(Travelers)                  | (3.80)            | (2.40)           | 305.60            | 299.60            |
| Health                                     | 602.67            | 602.67           | 602.67            | 1,808.01          |
| Liability                                  | 1,107.94          |                  |                   | 1,107.94          |
| Postage                                    | 365.00            | 5.40             | 284.12            | 654.52            |
| Phone/Internet                             | 120.87            | 119.88           | 119.68            | 360.43            |
| Accounting                                 |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| Paychex                                    | 157.50            | 105.16           | 68.94             | 331.60            |
| Advt                                       |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| Talking Phone Book                         |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Super Media                                | 168.45            |                  | 338.90            | 507.35            |
| website                                    |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Local Edge                                 |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Yellow Pages                               |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Literature Expenses                        |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| Grapevine                                  |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| World Services Inc                         | 3,828.60          | 1,370.60         | 3,129.20          | 8,328.40          |
| Hazeldon                                   |                   |                  | 628.43            | 628.43            |
| Printers                                   | 1,849.50          |                  |                   | 1,849.50          |
| Medallions                                 |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| PINS                                       |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Petty Cash                                 |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Office Supplies                            | 407.90            | 10.00            | 154.99            | 572.89            |
| Answering service                          |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Copier leasing                             | 209.00            | 209.00           | 209.00            | 627.00            |
| Copies/ service contract                   | 161.00            | 161.00           | 161.00            | 483.00            |
| PIC                                        |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Bank Fee's including credit cards fee's    | 151.80            | 52.72            | 51.44             | 255.96            |
| Literature returns reimbursement           |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Seed \$\$                                  |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Seminar                                    |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| Transfer to Corrections/Treatment          |                   |                  |                   | -                 |
| <b>Monthly Expenses</b>                    | <b>14,655.85</b>  | <b>6,626.39</b>  | <b>10,776.30</b>  | <b>32,058.54</b>  |
| <b>Monthly Income (Loss)</b>               | <b>(4,407.93)</b> | <b>2,274.42</b>  | <b>(1,495.92)</b> | <b>(3,629.43)</b> |
| <b>End Balance</b>                         | <b>18,712.15</b>  | <b>20,986.57</b> | <b>19,490.65</b>  |                   |
| Petty Cash                                 | 3,000.00          | 3,000.00         | 3,000.00          |                   |
| <b>Total Balance</b>                       | <b>23,121.34</b>  | <b>23,986.57</b> | <b>22,490.65</b>  |                   |
| <b>PRUDENT RESERVE</b>                     | <b>23,120.36</b>  | <b>23,122.23</b> | <b>23,123.21</b>  |                   |
| <b>Assets: Literature &amp; Medallions</b> | <b>15,140.06</b>  | <b>14,327.53</b> | <b>15,825.94</b>  |                   |
| Literature Receivable:(outstanding)        | 1,157.69          | 963.10           | 527.47            |                   |
| Removed from Stock                         |                   |                  |                   |                   |
| <b>Corrections Facilities</b>              | <b>1,498.00</b>   | <b>1,666.73</b>  | <b>1,756.01</b>   |                   |
| Contributions                              | 593.88            | 152.28           | 115.00            |                   |
| Bank Fee's                                 | 3.00              | 3.00             | 3.00              |                   |
| Expenses                                   | 422.15            | 60.00            |                   |                   |
| <b>Balance</b>                             | <b>1,656.73</b>   | <b>1,756.01</b>  | <b>1,868.01</b>   |                   |
| <b>Treatment Facilities</b>                | <b>810.96</b>     | <b>974.01</b>    | <b>816.33</b>     |                   |
| Contributions                              | 166.05            | 85.32            | 165.00            |                   |
| Expenses                                   |                   | 240.00           | 240.00            |                   |
| Bank Fee's                                 | 3.00              | 3.00             | 3.00              |                   |
| <b>Balance</b>                             | <b>974.01</b>     | <b>816.33</b>    | <b>738.33</b>     |                   |

**PLEASE POST**

This is Twelfth Step Work...



So is This...



**CONTRIBUTIONS EQUAL SERVICE**  
Money in the basket is Twelfth Step Work

### Total Members On 12th Step List

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Amherst          | 2-F, 4-M   |
| Angola           | 1-F        |
| Buffalo          | 17-F, 28-M |
| Cheektowaga      | 2-F, 1-M   |
| Clarence         | 1-F        |
| East Aurora      | 1-F        |
| Darien Center    | 1-F        |
| Dunkirk/Fredonia | 2-M        |
| Depew            | 1-M        |
| East Amherst     | 1-F        |
| Eden             | 1-M        |
| Elma             | 1-M        |
| Gasport          | 1-M        |
| Grand Island     | 1-M        |
| Hamburg          | 6-M, 3-F   |
| Kenmore          | 2-M        |
| Lakeview         | 1-F        |
| Lancaster        | 1-M        |
| Lockport         | 1-F, 1-M   |
| Niagara Falls    | 3-M        |
| Orchard Park     | 1-F, 1-M   |
| N. Tonawanda     | 1-F, 1-M   |
| Tonawanda        | 1-F, 2-M   |
| West Seneca      | 3-F        |
| West Falls       | 1-F        |

**M=Male**  
**F=Female**

Please consider adding your Number to the current list. Forms are located on our website under "Forms" We may not get many calls/ each area; but when we do, it's nice to have someone to call!

*"I am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."*

New Frontiers ~ May 2014

| GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS |                                    |         |         |             |        |           |       |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|---------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| DISTRICT            | GROUP                              | CENTRAL |         | CORRECTIONS |        | TREATMENT |       |
|                     |                                    | MARCH   | YEAR    | MARCH       | YEAR   | MARCH     | YEAR  |
| 5                   | 12 Steps/12 Traditions             | 100.00  | 100.00  |             | 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  |
| 2                   | AA BREAKFAST                       |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | A ANONYMOUS                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 4                   | A Day At A Time                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | A VISION FOR YOU                   |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Abbott Corners                     |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Abbott Men's                       |         | 95.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Acceptance/Welcome                 |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Achievement                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 4                   | Action                             |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Age Doesn't Matter                 |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Akron Awareness                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Albion Grapevine                   |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Albion New Beginnings              |         | 15.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Alexander                          |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Amherst/ Snyder                    | 36.00   | 196.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Amsdell Lakeshore                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | Angola Early Bird                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Any Age                            |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Any Length                         | 80.00   | 150.00  | 15.00       | 35.00  | 15.00     | 35.00 |
| 4                   | Arcade                             |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | As Bill Sees It                    |         | 110.00  |             | 110.00 |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville) |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Attitude Adjustment(NF)            |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Attraction                         | 34.00   | 34.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Backdoor                           |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | Back to Basics                     |         | 56.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Beginning In Sobriety II           |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Beginning's Women                  |         | 50.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Big Book Lockport                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Big Book Study                     |         | 50.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Blasdell                           |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Blasdell Monday Night              |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | Blasdell Saturday                  | 65.00   | 65.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Bodhisattva                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Boulevard Helping Hand             |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Boulevard Women                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Brass                              | 15.00   | 15.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | Building Hope                      |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Buffalo Group                      | 14.00   | 14.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | By The Book                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | By the Wayside                     | 50.00   | 50.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Carry the Message                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Casting                            |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Cathedral Park                     |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Cayuga Wake- Up Call               |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Caz Manor                          | 100.00  | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Central City Café'                 |         | 50.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Chapter IX                         |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Cheektowaga                        |         | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Changing Our Way's                 |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Clarence Men's                     |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Clarence Men's II                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Cold Spring                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Common Bond                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | Common Solution                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Commitment                         |         | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Complanters                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 3                   | Courage                            | 50.00   | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Daily Reflections                  |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Daily Reprieve                     |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Dawn of Hope                       |         | 25.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Derby                              |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Desire                             |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Desperate                          |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Downtown Men's                     |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Dunkirk Monday Night               |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Early Bird Step                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Early Rising Obliging              |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | East Amherst                       |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
|                     | East Amherst Traditions            | 40.00   | 60.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 4                   | East Aurora                        |         | 350.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Easy Does It                       |         | 400.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 4                   | Ellicottville                      |         | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Elmwood                            |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Everybody's                        |         | 120.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 1                   | Express                            |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Eyeopener                          | 481.97  | 1170.38 |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 4                   | Eyeopener South                    |         | 370.50  |             | 148.20 |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Feelings                           |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Fireside PM                        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 8                   | Fireside                           | 294.00  | 294.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | First Things First                 | 100.00  | 100.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | First Step (NF)                    |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Forestville Sunday Serenity        |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 6                   | Fredonia Discussion                |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 2                   | Freedom                            | 200.00  | 200.00  |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 7                   | Fresh Start                        |         | 45.00   |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |
| 5                   | Friendly                           |         | 0.00    |             | 0.00   |           | 0.00  |

| GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS |                              |        |             |        |           |        |
|---------------------|------------------------------|--------|-------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| GROUP               | CENTRAL                      |        | CORRECTIONS |        | TREATMENT |        |
|                     | MARCH                        | YEAR   | MARCH       | YEAR   | MARCH     | YEAR   |
| 2                   | Friends of Bill W.           |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 1                   | Frontier(New)                |        | 38.97       |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | Gardenville                  |        | 110.00      |        | 110.00    | 110.00 |
| 8                   | Georgetown                   |        | 100.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | Getting Better               |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 6                   | Gettin With It               |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 1                   | Giving                       |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 5                   | Go to Any Length             |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 5                   | Golden Slipper               |        | 150.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | Grand                        |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | Grand II Joy of Living       |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | Grateful                     |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | H.O.W.                       |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 5                   | Hamburg                      |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 8                   | H.A.N.D.                     |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 7                   | Harmony                      |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | Helping Hand                 |        | 25.00       |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 8                   | High Noon                    | 200.00 | 200.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 8                   | High View                    |        | 107.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 7                   | Higher Power                 |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 4                   | Hillbilly                    |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 1                   | H.I.P.                       |        | 20.00       |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 6                   | Holiday Village              | 200.00 | 200.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 4                   | Holland                      |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 6                   | Honest Solutions             |        | 75.00       |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | Honesty                      |        | 15.00       |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
|                     | Hope's Horizon               |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 2                   | How It Works/Men's           |        | 200.00      |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 1                   | HUDSON & WADSWORTH           |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | IF HE WERE SOUGHT            |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
|                     | Independence (NF)            |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | Inspiration                  |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 5                   | Intoxicated on Life          |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
| 3                   | Ironhorse                    |        | 379.51      |        | 37.96     | 37.96  |
| 8                   | IT                           |        | 0.00        |        | 0.00      | 0.00   |
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| GROUP                           | CENTRAL | CORRECTIONS | TREATMENT |      |
| 1 One Day At A Time             | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
| 5 Open Arms                     | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
| 1 Open Mind                     | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
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| 5 Point of No Return            | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
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| 6 Sat. Nite Sober               | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
| 2 Searching For Serenity        | 0.00    | 0.00        | 0.00      | 0.00 |
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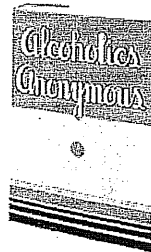
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