

NEW FRONTIERS

A.A. of the Niagara Frontier

May 2019

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



**Early in the “Mushrooming” Period
Formed officially in 1942;
Buffalo Central Office Of The Niagara Frontier
Is Now...
77 years old**

1935: (May) Bill & Dr. Bob first met

1938: (May) Alcoholic Foundation (To become AA GSO) was formed

1939: (April) Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous was released and we took our name.

1941: (March) Saturday Evening Post article came out

1941: (April 8) AA started in the Buffalo area

1942: (May) Buffalo Central Office was OPENED.

1944: (June) AA Grapevine was established

1946: The Twelve Traditions Of A.A. first formulated and published.

1950: (July) First International Convention was held. 100,000 recovered alcoholics worldwide.

1950: (November) Dr. Bob dies.

1951: (April) First General Service Conference meets.





Q. What services does Central Office provide?



Buffalo Central Committee has an office which was established and is maintained by A.A. groups in the area. The office provides services to over 300 groups/ week in our area. The Executive Secretary is paid to keep the office open—all—Supports 12th step work.

Some of the services provided by the office are:

- Answers telephone calls from alcoholics, family members and members of A.A. fellowship as well as those in the helping professions.
- Publishes an accurate, up-to-date list of A.A. meetings
- Sells, packages and ships GSO and A.A. Grapevine literature as well as anniversary medallions.
- Supports 12-step Committees in their efforts and is the contact for many prisons/institutions/schools/health fairs, etc.
- Supports Intergroup's Special Events such as the Annual Convention in the fall .
- Prepares flyers, reports, calendars for the A.A. fellowship and at the Reps meetings
- Keeps accurate records of contributions and thanks each group individually.
- Creates, publishes our monthly newsletter 'New Frontiers'.
- Provides housing, and displays for our Area 50, WNY, GSA Archives.
- Maintains group histories and information
- Maintains an active volunteer staff for answering the telephone or helping the office staff.
- Updates Website and on-line schedule
- Greets visitors daily.

HOW DID YOU FIND A.A.?

How did you first hear about Alcoholics Anonymous? If you lived in the Buffalo / Niagara Frontier Area, most likely the Area Central Committee/Office was involved.

Did you call on the phone?



If you called during the day, the office staff or one of our phone volunteers answered the phone. If you called after office hours, the answering attendant service contacts the Nightwatch Volunteer. They have people set up to answer your call. All of these people in service are intergroup volunteers.

Buffalo Central Office phone number was in the telephone book...or on a website.

Also, the Public Information Committee they also are responsible for running Public Service Announcements and their members attend Health Fairs where our brochures are available. They also go to area schools and talk to students about AA.

Did your doctor or your minister/priest or a judge suggest A.A.?

If so, the C.P.C. (Cooperation with the Professional Community) Committee probably helped you. This committee operates with volunteers. Their mission is to inform the professionals in our area about A.A.

Did you attend A.A. meetings while you were in detox, rehab or a mental institution in the five counties?

If so, more than likely Buffalo Central Committee was involved. The Treatment Facilities Committee organizes A.A. meetings in the area institutions every week.

Did you hear the A.A. message while you were incarcerated in one of our local prisons?

If so, Buffalo Central Committee Corrections Committee was responsible for taking meetings behind the walls. We have commitments at area prisons every week. It is by taking a meeting into these facilities that many who cannot otherwise get to a meeting will be granted that same privilege as you have.



archives



Searcy W. didn't start out May 1947 doing well. He didn't have a plan to get sober, stay sober for over 50 years, and be a part of great events. He was speeding toward bottom, dying of this illness, and had no solid grasp of what was even wrong with him. He couldn't quit, no matter what, but . . . alcoholic? Come on. He had enormous problems, but what did they have to do with drinking? Surely there was some unique explanation.

Like Ebby with Bill W, he ran into a former drinking associate.

This associate, Bob (no initial available), had been sober 10 months -- after killing three women, driving drunk. What a nightmare -- for Bob. Ten months . . . and suddenly, he was opening up to this man, who'd never even really been a friend, about his drinking, and what it was doing to him. Bob had a place for him to go.

Searcy never left; he had come home.

He would go on to sponsor Ebby during Ebby's longest period of continuous sobriety, about 8 years, there in Texas. He had asked Bill W if Bill had any hopes for AA, and that was what Bill told him -- he hoped his former sponsor would get sober again. And it happened, with Ebby sober for a number of years.

Searcy would also join the discussions about the 12 Traditions, and be part of them getting approved. Like many, he had believed they weren't needed, but Bill and Bob convinced him, and at the 1950 convention in Cleveland, he joined the effort. He would later say that he was grateful he wasn't one of the cofounders!

The talk where he shared that observation, at the 2000 International Convention in Minneapolis, he gave at over 52 years of sobriety, and Searcy mentioned that, he said, only because he was "damn proud of it." He had come from the brutal darkness of active alcoholism to a life that positively touched who knows how many other lives, and he kept on that wonderful path, of service in our program, until he passed on to the meeting in the sky. Submitted by grateful member

Chad P.

5th STEP:

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

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

e-mail address:
buffalooa@hotmail.com

or mail to:
Buffalo Central Office
17 Gierlach Street

OCTOBER 25TH - 27TH, 2019

The 78th Annual
BUFFALO FALL CONVENTION
"SPIRITUAL PROGRESS"

The Millennium Hotel
2040 Walden Avenue
Cheektowaga, NY 14225
(716) 681-2400

For more information please contact Dean C. (716) 870-6771



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Acceptance/Welcome

Dan C. 4y
 Mike F. 6y
 Erika F. 32y
 Betty C. 38y

Alexander

Matt S. 13y

All Is Well

Jim L. 16y
 Jill N. 22y

Any Lengths

Brandon K. 3y

Amherst Snyder

Mike W. 2y
 Falena C. 13y

Blvd Helping Hand

Ben C. 9y
 Mark P. 33y

Easy Does It

Kedra W. 2y
 Aidan C. 4y
 Angela M. 7y
 Sean B. 15y
 Liz S. 26y
 Catherine P. 35y

Eyeopener

Mindy S. 1y
 Bill M. 1y
 Michael M. 2y
 Steve W. 2y
 Adair A. 3y
 Gina P. 3y
 Phil G. 4y
 Jeff C. 4y
 Tom L. 5y
 Ken R. 6y
 Tom S. 9y
 Lou T. 10y
 Laurel D. 11y
 Judi S. 14y
 Larry J. 16y
 Karen M. 18y
 Kathy M. 21y
 Bob M. 32y

Eyeopener South

Matthew C. 6m
 Kevin M. 6m
 Erica H. 1y
 Stan K. 1y
 Todd K. 3y
 Scott R. 3y
 Brooke 3y
 MaryAnn K. 4y
 Chuck K. 14y

Fireside

Aly M. 9m
 Meredith M. 9m
 Christine G. 2y
 Sarah S. 29y
 Mark P. 34y

Golden Slipper

Loretta G. 3y

Harmony

Robert G. 6y
 Alicia W. 17y
 Jim L. 33y

How It Works

Jason L. 3y
 Bill Q. 4y
 Jim S. 5y
 Steve W. 7y
 Nort L. 7y
 Nadav W. 9y
 Brian D. 20y
 Douglas K. 21y
 Dave P. 40y

Ironhorse

Jessica L. 2y
 Matt M. 4y
 Peter K. 13y
 Bill R. 26y

Just For Today

Mary E. 39y

Lockport #1

Gerry J. 50y

Main & High

Gerold W. 5y
 Winston F. 27y

Marching Forth

Dave O. 1Y
 Dave D. 36y

New Life

Jiggs 30y
 Roger 31y

North Buffalo

Amanda D. 2y
 Don M. 2y
 Justin B. 3y
 Chris M. 5y
 Fran B. 5y
 Andrew D. 5y
 Bob B. 8y
 Crystal R. 8y
 Maureen M. 15y
 Peter L. 19y
 Marie W. 22y
 Jane C. 30y
 Dave P. 40y

Orchard Park Step

Sarah B. 2y
 Aleks M. 7y
 Mike G. 30y

Remember

When

Myrle P. 3y
 Arthur E. 29y

Renaissance

Michelle D. 3m
 Todd S. 6m
 Monique A. 6m
 Chris D. 3y
 Patrick m. 3y
 Eric C. 4y
 Gary H. 4y
 Mike K. 37y



Rise & Shine

Zach 3m
 Afton 6m
 Norm F. 6m
 Johanna M. 9m
 Jack M. 20y
 Bill P. 21y
 Ivan O. 37y

Serenity

Mike F. 6y
 Patti S. 12y

Sheridan

Annette 1y
 Michelle V. 2y
 Falena C. 13y

Sunday Morning

Bri B. 3y
 Kitty C. 42y
 Mary R. 43y

Swormsville

Barb F. 25y

The Grove

Chelsea B. 3m
 Steven P. 3m
 Cheri K. 9m
 Bob D. 9m
 Sue C. 9m
 Nathan K. 9m
 Nathan S. 9m
 Linsey G. 9m
 Kevin M. 9m
 Mark D. 9m
 Micki V. 9m
 Susan W. 9m
 Crissy K. 2y
 Benjamin T. 2y
 Lucile L. 2y
 Laurie R. 2y
 Viktor S. 2y
 Shon S. 2y
 Allison S. 3y
 Elaine K. 3y
 Gino M. 4y
 Tyrone S. 4y
 Jim S. 5y
 Antoinette I. 20y
 Jack M. 20y

Thruway

Mary Ellen S. 39y

Tri-County

Ron C. 8y
 Don S. 29y

Tues. Women's

Tricia 13y

Unity

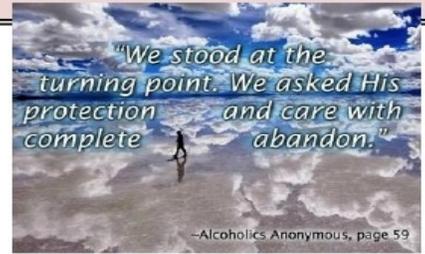
Michael C. 3y
 Dave D. 36y

Victory Women's

Jenny O. 5y

Williamsville

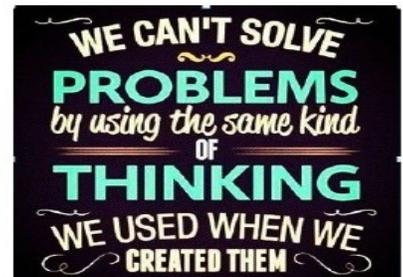
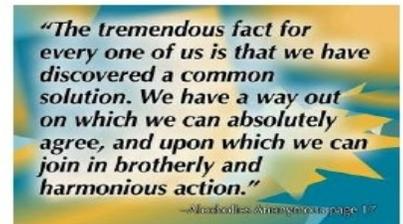
Wayne P. 6m
 Holly H. 1y
 Julie S. 6y



Group Anniversaries

Buffalo Central Office; 77y
7 Clan; 43y
BEACON OF HOPE; 3y
BOULEVARD HELPING HAND; 22y
CARRYING THE MESSAGE; 14y
CENTRAL PARK; 1y
FIRESIDE; 39y
FIRST STEP (NF); 48y
HIGH VIEW; 33y
HOLIDAY VILLAGE; 26y
JUST FOR TODAY; 20y
LIBERTY WOMEN; 32y
LIVING SOBER; 51y
MIDNIGHT DISCUSSION; 18y
MORNING AFTER; 40y
OUR MEETING @ THE V.A.; 10y
REMEMBER WHEN; 56y
SEARCHING FOR SERENITY; 30y
SOBRIETY MEN'S DISC.; 43y
SOUTH BUFFALO; 74y
SPRINGVILLE WED. NOON; 23y
T.G.I.F.; 30y
T'nT; 12y
UNIVERSITY MEN'S DISC.; 50y
WE; 12y
WHY; 45y

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



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

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9:00 AM- 12:30PM, 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM

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Real-Time schedule? Check your website: www.buffaloany.org

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

MEETING CHANGES

- CENTRAL CITY CAFE (Monday's) time in the **printed schedule is Incorrect**. They meet at 1:00 PM NOT 6:00PM.
- HOPE'S HORIZON will **No Longer Meet until a New Location is found**. They met on Saturday's, 10 AM, Horizon Health Facility, 1370 Niagara Falls Blvd., Tonawanda 14150.
- **NEW GROUP: GRACE & DIGNITY**, Saturday's, 6 PM. WOMEN's. Nickel City Clubhouse, 371 Delaware Ave, Buffalo 14210.
- VIP Group is changing its **meeting day from Thursday to TUESDAY**. Also is **changing format** from OD to OS. 7 PM. Veterans Hospital, 3495 Bailey Ave, 10th floor, RM 1002B, Buffalo 14215.
- University Men's Group has changed its **start time to 7:30 PM**. University Presbyterian Church, MONDAY & FRIDAY, 3334 Main Street at Niagara Falls Boulevard, Buffalo 14214
- Age Doesn't Matter on Friday's No Longer Meets. Tonawanda
- Sunday Caz MTG has moved to 1864 Seneca St. Next to Emergency Pizza @7pm Sober Sunday on Seneca. **Sober Sunday on Seneca** is their new name :)
- First Step Group NE, Friday's 8PM, **Has moved** to Holy Trinity Church Hall, **1419 Falls St**, Niagara Falls.
- Caz Manor has moved to South Park United Methodist, 2291 South Park Ave., Bflo South 14220. **Now meets M-F**. Also is **changing their name** to "A Vision For You".
- Awareness group has **changed its start time to 10:00 AM**, Sat. @ Genesis Center, 2161 Seneca St., Bflo South, 14220
- Alexander Group has changed their **start time to 7:30PM**
- Fireside PM group will meet at **7 PM**, no longer 7:30 PM

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES: COMMITTEE MEETINGS

~ May 5 **Committee Meeting that meet prior to Central Committee 5:30 PM**
St. Andrew's Church Parish School: 111 Crocker & Reiman, Sloan, 14212,
Steering Committee (5:30 PM) in CO
Public Information Committee meeting
Treatment Facilities Committee
Corrections Committee
Education & Participation
Nightwatch Committee
Envelope System (6:30 PM)
Followed By **Central Committee 7:00 PM:**
(Hosted by Sobriety Men's)

~ May 6 **Convention Committee Planning Meeting**, St. Andrew's Church Parish, 111 Crocker & Reiman, Sloan, 14212

~ May 28 **Internet Presence Committee Meeting**. Central Office, 7:00 PM, 17 Gierlach St., Sloan 14212.

COMING EVENTS

- ~ May 4, **Area 50 Archives Breakfast**, New Location; Leonard VFW Post 6251, 2450 Walden Ave., Buffalo, 14225. Limited quantity of tickets available soon, more information www.buffaloaa.org under events.
- ~ May 11, **GSO District 15 Day Of Sharing**, Orchard Park Presbyterian Church, 4369 S. Buffalo St., Orchard Park 14127 Noon– 3PM. Why is Singleness Of Purpose CRUCIAL to the future of AA? Fellowship & Food provided.
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- ~ May 14 – **Boulevard Helping Hands Anniversary Brunch**
Oven Baked Omelet's, Eggs, Home fries, Sausage, French toast casserole....
Coffee, Tea, Juice... Basket Auction (donations welcome) & 50/50 !!
Come help us celebrate! Wheatfield Community Center: 2800 Church Rd (off Ward Rd) Cost: Requesting \$3 donation.
- ~ Jul 13, **Main & High Day of Sharing**, "Love & Service". 9:30- 3:30PM. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1080 Main Street, Buffalo (across from Anchor Bar) Registration; \$7.00, 50/50, Hot Meal & Refreshments. CD's available.
- ~ July 26-28, **NEW AA WOMENS RETREAT** \$145 at Christ the King Seminary –East Aurora
Only accepting 37 women for this intimate and special experience! ALL single rooms, beautiful setting including conference center, lake-side trail, our own chapel & lounge. Speakers, groups and sober fun. Saturday afternoon car pool adventures planned to Vidlers and a nearby farm for berry picking. Full refund available for cancelations up to July 10. \$145. Meals included: dinner Friday, 3 meals Sat, and Sunday brunch. For info please email: retreatnewsaa@gmail.com or call 716-799-4094. Registration forms also available on Buffalo AA website.
- ~ Aug. 3, **AA Zone 7 Picnic, Set Up 9-10:30 am (Need Help...also for breakdown)** Planning Meetings are the last Sat., 11:30 am each month at 200 E. Eagle St. near Michigan Ave., Buffalo. We need all Groups in Zone 7 to help with expenses. For More info call Central Office for contacts.
- ~ Sep 27-29, **Tri-State Assembly**, Bellinger Hall Retreat & Conference Center, Chautauqua, NY 14722. Flyer is available on the website
- ~ Oct. 25-27, **78th Buffalo Fall Convention**, Millennium Hotel, 2040 Walden Ave, Cheektowaga 14225. Flyers & info will be posted when available.

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

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.

General Service Assembly

- ~ May 11, **GSA Area 50**, 10am- 12pm, (immediately before District 15's Day of Sharing; same location as event). Orchard Park Presbyterian Church. 4369 S. Buffalo St. Orchard Park, NY 14127
- ~ May 11, **GSA District 15 meets** (2nd Sunday) at Orchard Park Village Hall (basement) 4295 South Buffalo Street. After the Action Group.
- ~ May 13 & 27; **2nd & 4th MONDAY** , 6:30PM. Buffalo Central Office, **Archives Work night's**.
- ~ May 18, **Archives Committee Meeting**; (3rd Saturday) 10 Am @ Buffalo Central Office, 17 Gierlach St, Sloan 14212. WORKNIGHTS; 2nd & 4th Monday's, 7pm.
- ~ May 22, **GSA District 16 (Southtown's) Meeting**. 7:00 PM(4th Wednesday), at 2063 Southcreek Rd., Eden 14057.
- ~ May 26, **GSA District 8 Meeting**, 5:00 PM, Brothers of Mercy 4240 Ransom Rd., Clarence.. Use Rear entrance.

A Message For You!!!

At a time when groups are struggling just to pay their own expenses of rent, coffee, liability insurance, ect; it is getting harder & harder to support all of AA and the services beyond a group meeting.

If each member would consider a monthly contribution through the Envelope System of just \$10+/- month, it could make a big impact.

The dollar of 70 years ago just don't do it anymore. We want a Cadillac and pay for a bicycle

What could change? We could see our literature costs decrease. Our ability to serve the intergroup area more affectively. Our ability to carry the Message to others would increase. At one time besides our Executive Secretary, we also had a paid part time staff employee. Being in a place of financial inability in 1998, we have tried to fill that gap with volunteers. This has not been very affective. A few years back, a billboard was proposed to help carry our message, but was not financially possible at the time.

Imagine with God's Grace and all of the fellowship pitching in the possibilities!!!

Imagine if we all pulled together in unity; we could get back to a free schedule!!!

Will You do your part??? Will you join in supporting our local Central Office???

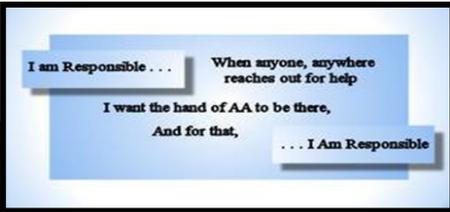
Would you miss just \$10 a month??? It's EASY as ever with Credit/Debit card options. Just fill out the form (Purple Brochure) and send it on into the Buffalo Central Office.

Envelope System

***“personally
helping to ensure
AA for the future”***

“Every A.A. wants to make sure of his survival from alcoholism, and his spiritual well-being afterward. This is just as it should be. He also wants to do what he can for the survival and well-being of his fellow alcoholics. Therefore he is bound to have a vital interest in the permanence and well-being of A.A. itself.”

Central Committee Minutes April 8th, 2018



The meeting was opened at 7 PM by our committee chair Raeanne. Everybody then joined in with the responsibility statement and after a moment of silence the meeting started the serenity prayer. The AA preamble, the purpose of central committee and the 12 traditions were all read.. A motion to accept last month's minutes was made and seconded. After the readings, Joe D. spoke on Tradition 4. Chuck B. our delegate spoke on Pre-Conference items and was looking for group input on our area voice to bring to the Conference May 18th. A lot of talk about LinkedIn page...a lot of concerns!!!

Groups in attendance break down by zones as follows. **Zone 1**- Buffalo, Main and High, Room to Grow, Set A Side, The Journey **Zone 2** – Acceptance, Central Park, Chapter IX, Easy Does It, How It Works, North Buffalo, Questions & Answers, Sober Train, Step Action, Three Legacies, Welcome Group **Zone 3** – Abbott Men's Discussion, Cheektowaga, Iron Horse, Matt Talbot, Ridge, Thruway, Tuesday Women's Discussion, Valley **Zone 4** – Orchard Park Step, Tuesday Men's Discussion, **Zone 5**- Big Book- Lockport, Kitchen Table, Lock City, Lockport #1, Lockport Ladies **Zone 6** – Derby, Lakeshore, Sobriety Men's Discussion, **Zone 7** – Remember When **Zone 8**–Amherst Snyder, Fire-side, High View, Lighten-Up, Renewal, Step It Up, We Care, Williamsville.

Committee reports

Envelope System-

Mar-2019 income- \$722.66. with 1 new member and one declined member. Thus, there is still 44 members. -Dianne D

Steering committee - verbal report given

Financial – See detailed report within this publication

Treatment – 9 members in attendance, 4 sent text reports, 2 new members. A motion passed to order 500 "Problems Other Than Alcohol". This fulfilled a motion 2 months ago to spend \$300.00 on pamphlets. ECMC Detox needs a new "How It Works", old one lost. Motion for Setup for Reflections- Passed. Ordering a box of Pocket Big Books for ECMC & Salvation Army.

We folded Open Schedules and handed out for distribution to ECMC and Terrace House and Salvation Army. To our knowledge there was No missed commitments. We are starting a binder to keep records on financials.

Corrections –Matthew; Three Legacies: Met at 5:30 PM.

- Working on getting a more defined list of people that go into the county facilities

-AA correspondence- letters to inmates we need more volunteers

-need more volunteers for bridging the gap

-setting up Calendar for county facilities (doodle)

- discussed bringing back the parole meeting once a month at the county facility

- **They are setting up an interactive database of Volunteers already cleared to go into the prisons to please make sure the committee has your email address!!!**

- any groups looking to get involved with corrections please send a rep to the Central committee meeting

Central office - April 7th, 2019,

TOTAL CALL'S INCLUDING AFTER-HOUR'S; AA Call's: 296, 12-STEP: 4, ALANON: 1

VISITORS: 246, VOLUNTEERS: 6, Email's:274, Website Hit's; 115,708 / of them 9,237 Unique Visitors, Total number of visits: 20,345.. Number of forms received to add to our 12th Step List: None. GROUPS WE ARE IN NEED OF CONTACTS FROM ARE: Lighthouse-2 , PPG-BUFFALO-8

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

Night watch – no report

PIC/CPC – 7 people in attendance. We addressed & Stuffed envelopes to Healthcare Professionals and Lawyers and gave to Terry to mail as the Central Office covers the cost of PIC. PIC/CPC Day of Sharing hosted by District 4 will be held on April 20th at St. Andrews Church on Elmwood in Tonawanda from Noon - 3:00 PM. Next meeting will be held May 5 at 5:30 PM if you have any questions or concerns please email Buffalopicpc@gmail.com respectfully submitted by Lori H Lockport ladies group.

Education/Participation – The Education and Participation met today at 5:30 pm. This past month, we visited ten groups to inform them of the services available to them and encourage them to send a representative to Intergroup. We are also discussing other ways to encourage involvement in service.

We also offer a new Intergroup Representative (IR) Orientation beginning at 6:15 right before Central Committee each month. If you are a new IR or would like more information about what we do at Intergroup, please join us next month!

If you are interested in carrying the message of service to AAs throughout the Buffalo region, come to our next committee meeting on Sunday, May 5th at 5:30 pm or e-mail us at buffalopcpc@gmail.com.

Yours in service, Hannah W.

Internet presence committee- 4/7/2019

Test Site is live



- The test site is up and available for editors to work on
- We have put up some content and started building a framework for the rest
- Committee members will be added to the site as editors in order to make changes
- May need more editors to add content, Tom is working on simplifying some editing and documenting how to use the editor
- This site will then be moved over as the live site
- Our current database that holds the meeting schedule does not export well into a format that can be imported into the meeting plugin for the website/mobile app.
 - Terry has done a clean export and made some changes to records to facilitate that import

(Minutes Continued)

- Tom will be setting up a new database for the meeting schedule to simplify the process going forward and also to get it out of MS Access
- Plan to be able to test meetings on the site in early April, the mobile app soon after once that is deemed a success (the mobile app is not dependent on the website going live)

- The other major piece needed to be finished before we go live is the contribution page/buttons. This is in process

Our second domain buffaloaany.com has been forwarded to buffaloaany.org to avoid any confusion. That forwarding will continue when the new website goes live

Other Activities

- Email accounts - on hold until new website is live, it is dependent on switching the buffaloaany.org domain to our new hosting service
- All other presence platforms are on hold until website is live as that is taking the most time.

Buffalo AA Fall Convention 2019 – Convention Committee met March 4, and was well attended by an enthusiastic team of willing servants.

We have a Save the date flyer available for distribution- please make numerous copies for your Home Group and meetings you attend during the next few weeks.

Great progress is underway to develop the Registration form for distribution. Convention will be announced monthly henceforth in New Frontiers. Pete E.- Evenhouse Printing has been unbelievable helpful and responsive to our needs- he contacted the printing office at AA World Services to obtain the exact colors of the first edition big book for our Theme colors we wanted, he is working with our Graphics Chair to prepare the Registration form on an expedited basis.

All major speakers have agreed to speak at the convention: Francine M- Cleveland; Theresa F.-Van Nuys CA; Scott H. British Columbia; Anthony M. Buffalo. Panel selection and topics are underway.

We will be looking for home Groups to step up to help man the Hospitality Room in shifts- please discuss this with your home Group at your next meeting. We will have shifts throughout the convention of 2-3 hours each.

We will be having the ice cream social hour Friday night followed by the Musical Production "I Think I'll Let Him."

Flyers will be coming out this month announcing search for casting members for the production. Please announce this to your home Groups that we want to "discover" your members who are willing to give of their talents in this great new venture at our Convention 2019.

The notice for our convention has been placed into "Box 459" at World Services.

Registration Fee for the convention will remain at \$20/attendee.

Banquet and Registration to the entire event will be \$55- early bird and \$65 regular.

We welcome your support and discussion of our convention plans and enthusiasm at your Home Groups

Sincerely, Dean c. Chairman 2019

Archives - For Buffalo Central Committee for April 7, 2019 from Area 50 Archives Committee:

Thank you for my recovery. The Archives Committee reported to 4 of 4 Intergroups in March, had our monthly meeting, 2worknights, and 1 General Service Committee mtg and got one more Oral History completed.

One donation from the wonderful Thursday Night Men's Sobriety bunch.

Displayed in March at Orchard Parks All Is Well and Buffalo's Rise & Shine and at our Spring's Cataract City Convention witnessing 7 AA history explanations in my 6hours there. Displayed at District 16 with Treatment/PIC/Corrections panels yesterday.

Breakfast tickets are out with none available at the door - pass my number or email ARCHIVES@AREA50WNY.ORG out if you know someone interested so I can hook them up. Please take flyers and read at ANY group - there's 27 days left until the event.

And much thanks to the incredible members who step up to help our tiny committee with efforts! My job hours have doubled so there's no words for how grateful I am for any assistance you can provide. Timing.

Thank you so much for your kindness & support of our board responsibilities. In love and service, Lila M.

General Service Liaison –

There will be a preconference GSA meeting on April 13, 2019. 10:00 am Assembly @ TBD.

Yours in service, Jeff B.

RECAP:

Steve spoke about needing doctors verification about medal in his body to be let into the prison. Hanna will be speaking on Tradition 5 next month.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion One by Tom C.; Abbott Men's to **have a sign in sheet for Committee Chair's that also have a vote** to have a max head count on voting. **Seconded and Passed.**

Second Motion: When a new AA group wishes to be placed on the Buffalo Intergroup meeting list the procedure is as follows:

1. They are asked to fill out the current new group form.
2. Their corresponding Zone Representative is informed of their application.
3. The group is immediately added to the online schedule with some kind of indication that they are a new group linked to their name.
4. After 6 months the new group designation is removed from their name online and they are added to the next printed paper schedule. Provided that at that time they respond when contacted and say they are still meeting. Motion was seconded, voted and passed 26 to 5 opposed.

Motion to close

2019

Cash Flow Statement	Jan-19	Feb-19	Mar-19
Begin Bal Cash on hand	28,013.06	36,024.06	31,558.97
Contributions			
Groups	5,396.72	4,160.97	3,206.58
Central Committee 7th tradition	90.00	45.05	77.00
Envelope System	1,962.66	642.66	722.66
New Frontiers Subs		110.00	60.00
Literature/Medallions/Pins	4,792.50	3,481.75	3,389.35
Literature Sales Tax	330.79	221.03	244.02
Literature Postage	40.38	16.01	13.14
Sales+/-		64.80	
Archives Room Rent	300.00		
Committee Meetings	5.00	10.00	21.00
Misc			
Transfer from PR			
Conventions/Day of Sharing	6,275.00		
Monthly Income	19,193.05	8,752.27	7,733.75
Expenses			
Building Rent/Utilities	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Central Com. Rent	35.00	35.00	35.00
Payroll Gross	3,054.82	3,054.82	3,054.82
Employment Taxes	261.20	261.20	261.20
Unemployment Surchar	(7.08)	(7.08)	(7.08)
NYS Sales Tax			2,750.77
Insurance			
State Ins Fund(Travelers)			
Health	945.43	711.43	711.43
D&O Insurance	1,080.00	863.86	
Liability			
Postage	169.95	201.71	240.00
Phone/Internet	141.00	140.95	143.19
Accounting			
Paychex	164.21	51.46	51.46
Advt			
Dex YP	137.15	137.15	137.15
Local Edge			
Literature Expenses			
Grapevine			
World Services Inc	2,948.40	6,205.75	1,792.00
Hazelton			
Printers	500.66		
Medallions	184.00		595.79
Office Supplies	198.66	237.00	383.15
Copies/ service contract	161.00	161.00	161.00
Copier Lease	129.00	129.00	129.00
Bank Fee's including credit c	78.65	34.11	64.52
GSA Host			
Prudent Reserve			
Workshop			
Monthly Expenses	11,182.05	13,217.36	11,503.40
Monthly Income (Loss)	8,011.00	(4,465.09)	(3,769.65)
End Balance	36,024.06	31,558.97	27,789.32
Petty Cash	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Total Balance	39,024.06	34,558.97	30,789.32
PRUDENT RESERVE	28,153.27	28,153.70	28,154.18
Assets: Literature & Medallions	15,890.77	19,693.77	20,199.05
Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	664.27	1,006.75	389.73
Removed from Stock			
Corrections Facilities	2,577.95	2,809.95	3,050.24
Contributions	235.00	243.29	170.00
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00
Expenses			
Balance	2,809.95	3,050.24	3,217.24
Treatment Facilities	1,745.95	2,054.65	1,679.65
Contributions	318.00	88.00	227.00
Expenses	6.30	460.00	318.92
Bank Fee's	3.00	3.00	3.00
Balance	2,054.65	1,679.65	1,584.73

YTD: 2019

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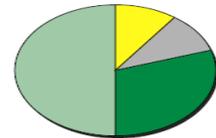
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Intergroup wants to express our appreciation for those groups and individuals who have made generous financial contributions, and give a **special thank you** to all the members who have volunteered their time this year to help the

Examples of Group Contributions to A.A. Service Entities

Distribution of funds from groups that support four service entities



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

50% to Intergroup or Central Office
30% to General Service Office
10% to WNY General Service Area 50 committee
10% to district

Fr: AA Service Manual > Chapter Four > Area Activities Working with Local Intergroups and Central Offices

Traditionally, general service committees and intergroups/central offices have performed different functions. Central offices provide local services; general service committees maintain the link between the A.A. groups and the A.A. General Service Board by means of the Conference. So these two separate but vital service structures coexist in many areas in mutual cooperation and harmony.

At the time the Conference was started, there were already well-established central offices in several large cities, providing services for local A.A. groups and members. Today, there are many more central offices throughout the U.S. and Canada, supported by the A.A. groups in the communities they serve. Each group elects a representative to attend central office meetings.

These offices provide such services as:

1. Receiving, arranging, and following up Twelfth Step calls.
2. Answering inquiries about A.A.
3. Establishing local public information committees
4. Maintaining information about local hospitals and recovery facilities for alcoholics.
5. Publishing local A.A. meeting lists.
6. Providing a newsletter.
7. Ordering, selling, and distributing A.A. Conference-approved literature.

In contrast, the Conference structure is the method through which all A.A. groups in an area can provide the most effective communication within the area and between the groups and the General Service Board and G.S.O. on matters of policy that affect A.A. as a whole. These include policy on: Conference-approved literature, A.A. public information, A.A. cooperation with the professional community, A.A. activity in treatment and correctional facilities, A.A. finances, the A.A. Grapevine, and the election of trustees to the General Service Board.

Many areas find that a liaison between the central office/intergroup and the area committee is very helpful in maintaining good relations and communication. In some areas the liaison has a vote at the assembly; in others, a voice but no vote.

More information on working together is available through G.S.O. and in the pamphlets "The A.A. Group" and "Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix," as well as in the Guidelines on Intergroups/Central Offices.

Concept V: Throughout our structure, a traditional "Right of Appeal" ought to prevail, so that minority opinion will be heard and personal grievances receive careful consideration.

- Do we encourage the minority opinion, the "Right of Appeal," to be heard at our home group, district committee meetings, area assemblies and the Conference?
- What does our group accept as "substantial unanimity"?
- Has our group experienced the "tyranny of the majority" or the "tyranny of the minority"?
- Does our group understand the importance of all points

"We commenced to make many fast friends and a fellowship has grown up among us of which it is a wonderful thing to feel a part of."

-Bill W.

New Frontiers ~ May 2019

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2019

ZMW	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		MAR	YEAR	MAR	YEAR	MAR	YEAR
5	7 Clan		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	12 Steps/12 Traditions	135.00	135.00		0.00		0.00
1	4th Step Stumblers/F.U.N.		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	6th Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	5th Tradition (Youngstown)		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	A Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Corners		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Abbott Men's		0.00		0.00	55.00	
2	Acceptance/Welcome		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	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
5	AKRON AWARENESS		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	ALBION NEW BEGINNINGS		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	Albion Sunday Grapevine		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Alexander		0.00		0.00		0.00
	All Is Well	250.00	250.00		0.00		0.00
5	Amherst Snyder		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Amsdell Step		150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Any Length	30.00	90.00		0.00		0.00
4	Arcade/ Yorkshire		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	As Bill Sees It		160.00		0.00		0.00
5	Attitude Adjustment(Williamsville)		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Attraction	200.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
3	A VISION FOR YOU		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Awareness		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	BEACON OF HOPE		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Beginning In Sobriety II		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Beginning's Women		100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Lockport		65.00		0.00		0.00
5	Big Book Study		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell Saturday		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdell Monday		0.00		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		10.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Buffalo Group		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Buffalo Creek		84.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Wayside		220.00		0.00		0.00
3	By the Book		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Carry the Message	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
7	Casting		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Cayuga Wake- Up Call		140.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor Sunday		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central City Cafe'		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Central Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Changing Our Way's		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Chapter IX		150.00	25.00	25.00		25.00
3	Cheektowaga		55.00		0.00		0.00
5	Clarence Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Clarence Men's II		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Cold Spring		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Commitment		60.00		0.00		0.00
	Contemporary Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cornplanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Daily Reflections		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Depth & Weight		90.00		0.00	90.00	
5	Derby		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Desire	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
1	Downtown Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Dunkirk Monday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Early Bird Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Early Rising Obliging		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	East Amherst	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
5	East Amherst Traditions		120.00		0.00		0.00
4	East Aurora		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It	60.00	60.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
5	Eden		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		25.00		0.00		0.00
5	Everybody's		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Eyeopener	182.04	1066.64		0.00		0.00
4	Eyeopener South		392.67	168.29	0.00		0.00
5	Fireside		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Fireside PM		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	First Step (NF)		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Forestville In The Solution	20.00	20.00		0.00		0.00
5	Forestville Sunday Serenity		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Friday Night Lights		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Friendly		0.00		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2019

ZMW	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		MAR	YEAR	MAR	YEAR	MAR	YEAR
3	Gardenville		350.00		0.00		0.00
1	GAY & BI MEN LIVING SOBER		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Georgetown	50.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
	Getting Better		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Gettin With It		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Giving		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Go to Any Length		300.00		0.00		0.00
5	Golden Slipper	244.00	244.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand	150.00	150.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grateful		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Hamburg		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	H.A.N.D.		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	HAPPY HOUR		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Harmony		16.00		0.00		0.00
4	Helping Hand		25.00		25.00		25.00
5	High Noon		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	High View		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	H.I.P.	20.00	20.00		0.00		0.00
5	Holiday Village		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Holland		100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Honesty		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Hope's Horizon		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	How it Works/Men's	75.00	225.00		0.00		0.00
	I Am Responsible		61.09		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	102.00	320.00		0.00	7.00	23.00
5	IT		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Just For Today/ Cheektowaga		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	Just For Today/ Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Keep It Simple Sister		75.00		0.00		0.00
2	Keep IT Comin'		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Kensington		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	KEYS OF THE KINGDOM		35.00		0.00		0.00
5	KITCHEN TABLE AA		48.02		0.00		0.00
5	Lakeshore	300.00	300.00		0.00	100.00	100.00
5	Lakeview		75.00		0.00		0.00
3	Lancaster Dailey Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lasalle		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Lawyer's		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	LewPort	50.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Liberty Women		50.00		0.00		0.00
4	Life Today		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lighten UP		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	LIGHTHOUSE		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Living Clean		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Living in the Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
	Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lock City		25.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Discussion		100.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		125.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Tuesday		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockview		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Love		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Lovejoy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	LOW BOTTOM		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lower River		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	LUNCH BUNCH ALBION		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Main and High		20.00		0.00		0.00
4	Main Street		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Maple		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Marching Forth	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
4	Marilla		77.80		0.00		0.00
3	Matt Talbot		180.00		0.00		60.00
5	McKinley Winners		36.00		0.00		0.00
5	Medina New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	MEDINA STEP WORK/BIG BOOK		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	Mercy		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Mid-day		60.00		0.00		0.00
5	Midnight Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Morning After		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Beginnings/St. Vincent		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Newfane Living Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	New Freedom		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	New Life		77.00		0.00		0.00
1	New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.		0.00		0.00		0.00

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