



Also of interest, the Old Timers and Cleveland Panels, (the later also included my sponsor), touched on the Four Absolutes, (which people in the program are rediscovering), and working our program of recovery as contained in the first 164 pages of the Big Book. At our first convention in 1950, anyone with 15 years qualified as an Old Timer. Now it takes 25-30 years to be recognized as such.



A Precious Gem

AA is a jewel, a precious gem which needs to be polished regularly. If not cared for, it tarnishes, loses its lustre. After experiencing our convention, I'm aware of the priceless quality the sober pathway of life affords me. All in all, a nice convention, excellent main speakers. With about a thousand in attendance, five to six hundred for the banquet speaker, the hotel proved big enough for that size gathering. Red Roof Motel accommodated any overflow, close to the main hotel. All this reflected careful planning from a good committee. Highest compliments go to the designers of the program whose theme reflected the steps. "Keystone of the Arch," "Obstacles in Our Pathway," "Out of Darkness," "The Shared Gift," are motifs that support the message of the Big Book, our program of AA.

Program and fellowship make our shiny stone sparkle. I can't think of two more charismatic characters than Rene P. and Mildred F. of Toronto. I've attended a lot of meetings with both, the Don Mills Group comes to mind right away. These are first rate speakers, their message allowed me to feel comfortable at the convention, with their subtle blend of humor and pathos.

There's a down side to the convention too. A few panelist from the Buffalo area didn't show, replacements aptly participated. But a woman on the final spiritual panel declared her drugging of a few weeks ago didn't interfere with her sobriety. A few people did walk out on her. Some out-of-town conventioners asked me if this is representative of local AA. Sobriety is a jewel, it must be preserved. If not cared for it becomes tarnished, worthless, losing its glow. As stated in the pamphlet "Problems Other Than Alcohol," drug addicts are welcomed to attend AA meetings, but they cannot become AA members unless they have a history of alcoholism. Otherwise, the message of AA will get diluted, we will no longer follow our primary purpose, to spread the message of recovery to the alcoholic who still suffers. Our program cannot save the world of all its problems. We take care of this precious gem in order for AA to be in existence for future generations, our children, and our children's children.

Make no mistake, the convention showed off the brilliant lustre of WNY AA, regardless of a few nicks and scratches. But for the future of AA, let's be the guardians of our priceless gem, never to be tarnished again.

Paul R.
Freedom Grp.

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NOVEMBER 20 - SATURDAY - SATURDAY NIGHT DISCUSSION is sponsoring a FALL DANCE at 340 Military Rd. Doors open at 7PM. \$3 donation at the door.

DECEMBER 24 - FRIDAY - VISION OF HOPE is sponsoring a CHRISTMAS VISION... greater look on life and what we used to be like, and what we are like today !

PLACE: 440 Leroy St (Kensington Memorial)

DATE: December 24th - 25th

TIME: 6:00PM Christmas Eve to 12 NOON on Christmas Day.

Donations can be sent to P O Box 1181, c/o Vision of Hope, Buffalo, NY 14215

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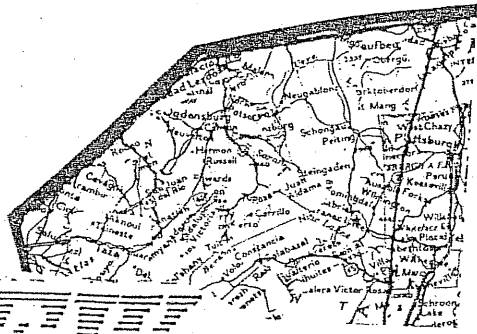
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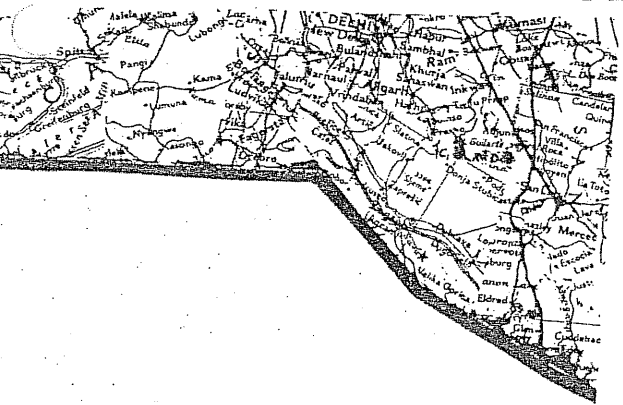
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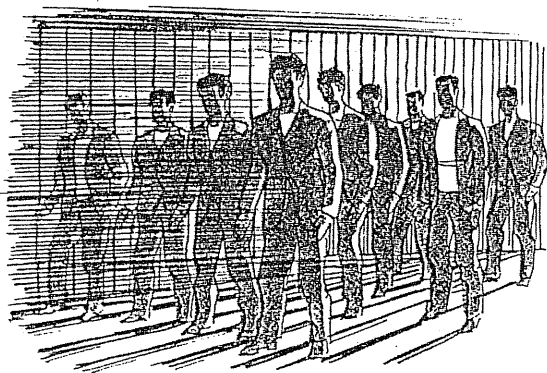
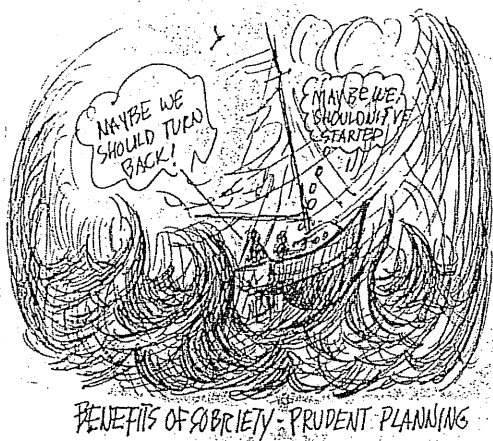
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Dear AA Group Conscience

Write On

Readers Sound Off About Service



There's a Meeting of the Corrections Committee scheduled before the November 7th Central Committee Meeting at 80 Goodrich. Starting time is 5:30 PM.



Being poor is not usually a choice, or a crime punishable by eviction. In the last few years some very upsetting changes have beset AA functions. I hear people being asked to leave dances and conventions because they don't have the money for admission or registration. That's the real crime!

Announced before the dances last year that anyone without the \$3 registration name tag would be asked to leave. This is going on all over, spreading like a nasty disease. What happened to the days when you would stick out your hand and heart, (and your money), to help another because you are lucky enough to have what they don't have? At New Year's Eve dances people are turned away because they don't have a ticket. In my opinion, this is becoming our own destruction.

What's next? If you don't have a dollar for the basket then you can't come to an AA meeting, or be listed in the AA directory? You can get sober when you can afford it?

I remember getting sober, being poor, and having AA members slip me a \$10 or \$20, because of my three kids at home, and no job. It is the first unconditional love I have ever come to know. What would have happened to me if I didn't have \$3? I hope I never forget where I've come from.

Yours in the Free
Spirit of AA,
Lucille K.,
Acceptance



Disorders, What Do They Mean?



Working in Rehabs Eliminates Fear

When three months away from what appears to be my last drink, my sponsor instructed me to work with someone sicker than myself. I could find these people in rehab centers. Being introduced to life in a treatment center helped me remain sober.

Because I'm sure I have nothing to offer these people in the ways of becoming sober, I did find myself frightened about taking on the responsibility of opening a meeting. However, I am capable of performing simple tasks, arranging for the speaker, putting out the literature, wheeling the coffee pot down from the Detox ward, and leading the group in AA's prayers to open and close the meeting.

My responsibilities are pretty much the same after three years. Generally speaking, people are very much the same too, although the faces change from month to month. But something has happened to that frightened man scared at the prospect of volunteering at a rehab. This is because I practice the AA way of life in one of the best classrooms, the 9th floor at ECMC, Room 981, where we hold regular AA meetings.

I thank God, and AA for the opportunity to work with others in treatment centers. If not for that opportunity I could be occupying bed space in one of these fine institutions.

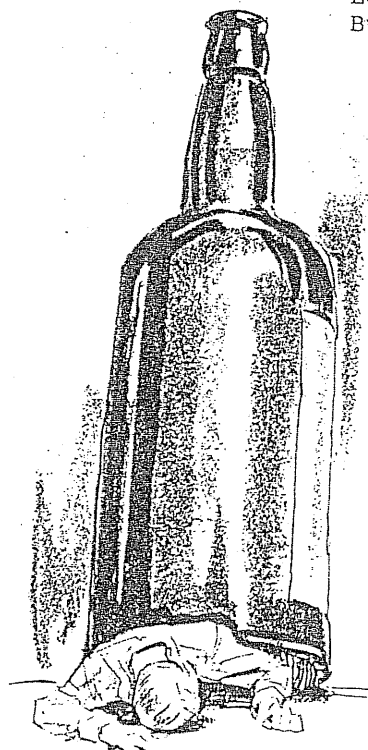
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"...There are those, too, who suffer from grave emotional and mental disorders..." For me, continued sobriety and trust in a Higher Power spurs soundness of health and mind. Whether my insanity comes as a result of mental disorders, I still have to admit that I have crossed the line into destructive drinking before I can recover.

Looking for fulfillment, my drinking becomes a lifestyle, rather than any mere habit. Grave emotional and mental disorders have me so locked in denying my negative attitudes, feelings and behaviors, that I can not see the reality of my condition. I blame them on something or someone else. I'm blind to my alcoholism.

The sponsor in Step Two of the 12 & 12 tells me, "to get sober and stay sober, (I) don't have to swallow all of Step Two right now." But I get the notion that I must admit that I'm not thinking with soundness of mind. It's hard at first to admit that I have become mentally ill. This is what I must readily accept. That's what brings me to realize that I need outside help. If not God, then something. I must keep it simple. An intellectualized, rationalistic secular understanding of the love and justice of a power greater than myself is not the urgent need. But an open mind is. In any case, willingness, honesty, and open-mindedness are the essentials of recovery.

Eddie C.
Buffalo, N.Y..



Anniversaries

November, 1993

Amherst-Shnyder

Paul B. 6 mo.
 Kathleen W. 2 yrs.
 Rick G. 3 yrs.
 David W. 4 yrs.
 Mike P. 4 yrs.
 Rob B. 5 yrs.
 Pat V. 5 yrs.
 Tish R. 10 yrs.
 St. Mark 11 yrs.
 Jane A. 12 yrs.
 Bus R. 13 yrs.
 37 yrs.

Willie B. 3 yrs.
 Blaine H. 3 yrs.
 Phyllis W. 7 yrs.
 Major A. 8 yrs.
 Yvonne S. 9 yrs.
 Ralph P. 14 yrs.

Dennis H. 4 yrs.
 Penny K. 5 yrs.
 Dave B. 6 yrs.
 Curtis B. 6 yrs.
 Leslie W. 6 yrs.
 John M. 16 yrs.

Ellicott
 Don M. 6 mo.
 Doris J. 1 yr.
 Linda S. 1 yr.

HAPPY HOUR
 Pamela A. 3 mo.
 Paul W. 3 mo.
 Harry G. 3 mo.
 Antoinette A. 3 mo.

Bob H. 2 yrs.
 Ron H. 2 yrs.
 Lee C. 2 yrs.
 Lois C. 3 yrs.
 Don J. 3 yrs.
 Colleen 3 yrs.
 Elizabeth M. 3 yrs.
 Kay S. 39 yrs.

North Buffalo
 Jerome H. 6 mo.
 Chris C. 2 yrs.
 Tom W. 3 yrs.
 Tom H. 4 yrs.
 Leslie C. 4 yrs.
 Sharon V. 4 yrs.
 Jay B. 4 yrs.
 Sean G. 5 yrs.
 Kathy S. 5 yrs.
 Shirley J. 9 mo.
 Miriam G. 9 mo.
 William T. 9 mo.
 Marlene C. 9 mo.
 Maria L. 1 yr.
 Fred M. 1 yr.
 Brenda H. 1 yr.
 Jackie T. 1 yr.
 John B. 1 yr.
 Donald S. 1 yr.
 Roger D. 2 yrs.
 Dar M. 2 yrs.
 Art S. 2 yrs.
 Dave V. 2 yrs.
 Trina H. 2 yrs.
 Betty W. 3 yrs.
 James R. 3 yrs.
 Ray S. 3 yrs.
 Ezequiel M. 3 yrs.
 Sue M. 3 yrs.
 Robert G. 3 yrs.
 Maria T. 15 yrs.

Jerome H. 6 mo.
 Tom W. 3 yrs.
 Tom H. 4 yrs.
 Leslie C. 4 yrs.
 Sharon V. 4 yrs.
 Jay B. 4 yrs.
 Sean G. 5 yrs.
 Kathy S. 5 yrs.
 Shawn Mck. 7 yrs.
 Bill G. 14 yrs.

Second Chance
 Priscilla C. 3 mo.
 Mosco H. 6 mo.
 Veronica J. 1 yr.

Thruway
 October:
 Joel S. 3 mo.
 John D. 6 mo.
 Gerry D. 9 mo.
 Kelly O. 1 yr.
 Yogi Joshi 1 yr.
 Shelly S. 3 yrs.
 Bruce B. 2 yrs.
 Dorothy T. 4 yrs.
 Elma B. 5 yrs.
 Dave T. 5 yrs.
 Paul M. 5 yrs.
 Mary Ellen C. 6 yrs.
 Al R. 6 yrs.
 Bill M. 6 yrs.
 Bert A. 7 yrs.
 Peter R. 7 yrs.
 Bob T. 7 yrs.
 Nicholas Z. 8 yrs.
 Mona N. 9 yrs.
 Gary W. 9 yrs.
 Marilyn J. 11 yrs.
 Barry S. 12 yrs.
 Chuck L. 12 yrs.
 Helen S. 12 yrs.
 Nelson N. 13 yrs.
 Bud G. 13 yrs.
 Bill P. 13 yrs.
 November:
 John C. 23 yrs.
 Margaret H. 6 mo.
 Paul D. 9 mo.
 Nancy M. 1 yr.
 Rich M. 1 yr.
 Dick D. 3 yrs.
 Maggie M. 3 yrs.
 Kathy H. 4 yrs.
 Penny K. 4 yrs.
 Jim M. 4 yrs.
 Jane B. 5 yrs.
 Susan K. 5 yrs.
 Jim B. 7 yrs.
 Norm F. 8 yrs.
 Dick F. 12 yrs.
 Bob F. 12 yrs.
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Women's Westside Discussion
 Donna G. 6 mo.
 Michelle B. 1 yr.
 Pam L. 1 yr.
 Michele B. 2 yrs.
 Shelley M. 3 yrs.
 Pat M. 8 yrs.

Ridwell Thurs. Night

Randy D. 3 mo.
 Larry C. 2 yrs.
 Elaine C. 5 yrs.
 Cindy D. 7 yrs.

October:
 Robyn G. 3 mo.
 Dunbar S. 3 mo.
 Ethel D. 3 mo.
 Jim F. 9 mo.
 Kregg K. 9 mo.
 Sheila M. 9 mo.
 Tom O. 9 mo.
 Ron T. 9 mo.
 Bob B. 9 mo.
 Joe C. 1 yr.
 Allen H. 1 yr.
 Gail L. 1 yr.
 Dave M. 1 yr.
 Elaine H. 1 yr.
 Peter A. 2 yrs.
 Mike E. 3 yrs.
 Don J. 3 yrs.
 Alma B. 3 yrs.
 Joe K. 5 yrs.
 Burt A. 6 yrs.
 Helen S. 7 yrs.
 Mary M. 12 yrs.
 November:
 Gary W. 14 yrs.
 Kevin B. 3 mo.
 Tom B. 6 mo.
 Suzanne O. 9 mo.
 John G. 9 mo.
 Eric B. 9 mo.
 Patricia L. 1 yr.
 Brian S. 1 yr.
 Toml R.G. 1 yr.
 Stephen P. 2 yrs.
 Jerry S. 3 yrs.
 Norman W. 3 yrs.
 Edward W. 3 yrs.
 Norm L. 3 yrs.
 David D. 3 yrs.
 Maggie M. 3 yrs.
 Katherine H. 4 yrs.

John C. 3 mo.
 Melvin D. 6 mo.
 Arnaldo T. 6 mo.
 Willene F. 6 mo.
 Myron P. 6 mo.
 Willie H. 6 mo.
 John S. 9 mo.
 Nach P. 9 mo.
 Shirley J. 9 mo.
 Miriam G. 9 mo.
 William T. 9 mo.
 Marlene C. 9 mo.
 Maria L. 1 yr.
 Fred M. 1 yr.
 Brenda H. 1 yr.
 Jackie T. 1 yr.
 John B. 1 yr.
 Donald S. 1 yr.
 Roger D. 2 yrs.
 Dar M. 2 yrs.
 Art S. 2 yrs.
 Dave V. 2 yrs.
 Trina H. 2 yrs.
 Betty W. 3 yrs.
 James R. 3 yrs.
 Ray S. 3 yrs.
 Ezequiel M. 3 yrs.
 Sue M. 3 yrs.
 Robert G. 3 yrs.
 Maria T. 15 yrs.

Jerome H. 6 mo.
 Tom W. 3 yrs.
 Tom H. 4 yrs.
 Leslie C. 4 yrs.
 Sharon V. 4 yrs.
 Jay B. 4 yrs.
 Sean G. 5 yrs.
 Kathy S. 5 yrs.
 Shawn Mck. 7 yrs.
 Bill G. 14 yrs.

Why
 Paul B. 6 mo.
 Barbara A. 6 mo.

Ridwell Monday Night

Kathleen L. 3 mo.
 Don R. 1 yr.
 Sondra J. 2 yrs.
 Larry W. 2 yrs.
 Ed Z. 3 yrs.
 Marie T. 15 yrs.

Tom O. 9 mo.
 Ron T. 9 mo.
 Bob B. 9 mo.
 Joe C. 1 yr.
 Allen H. 1 yr.
 Gail L. 1 yr.
 Dave M. 1 yr.
 Elaine H. 1 yr.
 Peter A. 2 yrs.
 Mike E. 3 yrs.
 Don J. 3 yrs.
 Alma B. 3 yrs.
 Joe K. 5 yrs.
 Burt A. 6 yrs.
 Helen S. 7 yrs.
 Mary M. 12 yrs.
 November:
 Gary W. 14 yrs.
 Kevin B. 3 mo.
 Tom B. 6 mo.
 Suzanne O. 9 mo.
 John G. 9 mo.
 Eric B. 9 mo.
 Patricia L. 1 yr.
 Brian S. 1 yr.
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 Arnaldo T. 6 mo.
 Willene F. 6 mo.
 Myron P. 6 mo.
 Willie H. 6 mo.
 John S. 9 mo.
 Nach P. 9 mo.
 Shirley J. 9 mo.
 Miriam G. 9 mo.
 William T. 9 mo.
 Marlene C. 9 mo.
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 Fred M. 1 yr.
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Why
 Paul B. 6 mo.
 Barbara A. 6 mo.

Cazanovia

Suzette C. 3 mo.
 Mary B. 3 mo.
 Tom H. 6 mo.
 Sondra M. 6 mo.
 Cheryl H. 9 mo.
 Marijo 9 mo.
 Mike D. 1 yr.
 Marty B. 6 yrs.

Flaine H. 1 yr.
 Peter A. 2 yrs.
 Mike E. 3 yrs.
 Don J. 3 yrs.
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 Mosco H. 6 mo.
 Veronica J. 1 yr.

Why
 Paul B. 6 mo.
 Barbara A. 6 mo.

Chapter 9

Jeff B. 1 yr.
 Martin 15 yrs.

Gary W. 3 mo.
 Kevin B. 6 mo.
 Tom B. 9 mo.
 Suzanne O. 9 mo.
 John G. 9 mo.
 Eric B. 9 mo.
 Patricia L. 1 yr.
 Brian S. 1 yr.
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 Mosco H. 6 mo.
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Why
 Paul B. 6 mo.
 Barbara A. 6 mo.

Cold Springs

Nov. 15th:
 Pat J. 6 mo.
 Loretta P. 1 yr.
 Reddy R. 2 yrs.
 OV. 29th:
 Ortonza B. 18 yrs.
 Ortonza B. 3 mo.
 Altabara H. 3 mo.
 Orenza F. 3 mo.
 d H. 9 mo.
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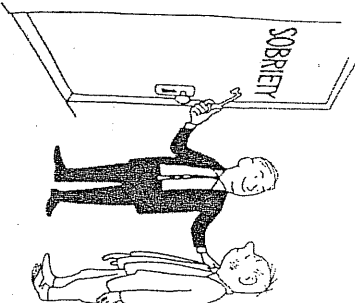
Morning After

October:
 Glen S. 2 yrs.
 Brian H. 2 yrs.

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 Glen S. 2 yrs.
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NOVEMBER 13 - SATURDAY - SPRINGVILLE Group will be holding its' 2nd Annual Fall Dance at St Al's Church Hall, Franklin & Academy streets in Springville. Buffet - Speaker at 7PM, Dance from 8:30PM to 12:30AM. Donation is \$5.00. See members for tickets. Bring a Dish if you wish.

NOVEMBER 19 - FRIDAY - AMHERST SNYDER - will be celebrating its' 35th Anniversary with a special eating meeting at 8:30PM, 261 Cleveland Dr, Chtg.

NOVEMBER 20 - SATURDAY - CAZENOVIA GROUP is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Dance. Buffet - \$4.00 7-9PM Dancing from 9 to 1AM. Bring a dish to help us celebrate and have a good night out.

NOVEMBER 20 - SATURDAY - SATURDAY NIGHT DISCUSSION is sponsoring a FALL DANCE at 340 Military Rd. Doors open at 7PM. \$3 donation at the door.

DECEMBER 24 - FRIDAY - VISION OF HOPE is sponsoring a CHRISTMAS VISION: A greater look on life and what we used to be like, and what we are like today !

PLACE: 440 Leroy St (Kensington Memorial)

DATE: December 24th - 25th

TIME: 6:00PM Christmas Eve to 12 NOON on Christmas Day.

Donations can be sent to P O Box 1181, c/o Vision of Hope, Buffalo, NY 14215

DECEMBER 5 - SUNDAY - CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING - 80 GOODRICH - 7PM
DECEMBER 31 - FRIDAY - EVERYBODY'S GOWANDA AREA GROUPS is sponsoring the
4th ANNUAL NEW YEARS EVE DANCE at the LK Painter Community Center, Collins,
NY. Speaker at 8:00PM, food, music and fun from 9 to 1. Come and enjoy!
Donation \$5.00 if you've got it

FEBRUARY 25, 26, 27, 1994 - NERAASA '94 (Northeast Regional Alcoholics
Anonymous Service Assembly) Radisson Hotel in Niagara Falls, NY.

11th MONTH - 11th STEP "Sought through pray and meditation to improve our
conscious with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of his
will for us and the power to carry that out."

11th MONTH - 11th TRADITION "Our public relation policy is based on
attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity
at the level of press, radio, and films."

YOURS IN THE SPIRIT OF A.A.

Delphine



NERAASA '94

(NORTHEAST REGIONAL ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS SERVICE ASSEMBLY)

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA) is for GSR's, DCM's, and Area Committee members of the Northeast Region to discuss General Service Conference related issues and concerns affecting A.A. as a whole, as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity, and service common to the Areas of the Northeast Region.

FEBRUARY 25, 26, 27, 1994

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK



NERAASA '94
ALL A.A. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION WRITE TO:

P.O. Box 33
Amherst, New York 14226 - 0033



The meeting was opened at 7:00PM with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Preamble, Purpose of the Central Committee and the Twelve Traditions were read. The reading of the minutes were dispensed by a motion made by Ron and seconded by Bob.

40 GROUPS & ALL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES WERE REPRESENTED:

District#1 - Bidwell, Happy Hour, Live & Let Live, Sunday Niters.

District#2 - Big Book Study, Early Bird, Renaissance I, Saturday Earlybird, Searching for Serenity, WHY.

District#3 - Abbott Mens, Cazenovia, Father Baker, Iron Horse, Higher Powered, Lovejoy, Powerless, Rainbow, Ridge, Seneca 12 & 12, Southgate, Urban, Vision of Hope

District#4 - Action, LakeShore.

District#5 We Admitted

District#6 - North Java

District#7 - Amh Snyder, Cold Springs, Harmony, Honesty, Kensington, No Bflo, VIP

District#8 - Common Problem, Eye Opener, Matt Talbot, Morning Bkft, T"N"T, Williamsv

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENVELOPE SYSTEM: Burr E

	1992	1993	change	% change
Sept Receipts	\$471.00	\$580.00	\$109.00	23.14
Year to Date	\$5515.58	\$5937.06	\$401.48	7.28

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING - NOVEMBER 2, 1993 - SONNY J

The meeting was opened at 6PM with the Serenity Prayer. District representatives present were Mike B, Al C, Sandy H, and Tom McM. Also present were Ralph Bill M, Jerome D and Delphine H.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION INCLUDED

A. Better use of Central Office space.

b. Possibility of using some of office space to house archives.

No resolution for topics A and B - further discussion needed.

c. A person from District 4 is needed as a Co-chairman for the 1994 Fall Convention.

d. Both District 2 and 4 have a vacancy, there is a need to appoint two individuals to fulfill and finish the terms of these vacancies.

Meeting adjourned in the usual manner with the Lord's Prayer.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Jerome D - as attached

TREATMENT FACILITIES: Brian B - We are looking for Grapevines to give out with other literature at Treatment Facilities. These are not for the facilities. They are for the clients. Please contact Brian B at 894-9447.

the next meeting will be November 11, 1993 at the Woodside Methodist Church 675 Abbott Rd at 10 AM.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES: Frank M.

1. Books were given to:

A. Barb C - Wende Max - 1 case mixed books

B. Larry S - Lakeview - pamphlets

C. Lucy L - Niagara Cor for Women - big books

D. Dick S - Wende Erie County - 1 case mixed

2. We now have applications for volunteer passes to prisons. If interested see me, Larry S or Sonny J.

3. Women Volunteers needed for new meeting at Wende Erie County. Women only. Meeting will meet same night as the mens' but in separate rooms. Contact myself or Dick S 675-5571.

4. New meeting starting at Lakeview Shock for more information contact Larry S through the Central Office.

5. Volunteers and sponsors still need at Collins I & II, Wende Erie County Buffalo Prison and Lakeview Shock.

6. Attica Correctional is in need of a sponsor if interested see me, Larry S or

meaning certain number each week from a group go to a prison as a unit could cover a whole month or more bringing a larger variety to the inmates and greater group unity.

8. If your group is making a donation to correctional facilities please send separate check to the Central office or mark how much of the check should be given to the Correctional Fund We are giving away more books now & could use the help.

Every First Sunday of the month at 5:30PM before the Central Committee we will meet here at 80 Goodrich. Anyone and everyone interested in Corrections is invited. We're here to stay, Folks! Come on down.

SCREENERS:

CENTRAL OFFICE: Delphine H

AA information	653	12 Step	4
PIC		literature requests	52
CPC		Refer to other agencies	42
Alanon	57	Refer from other agencies	80
Alateen	3	Central office	
ACOA	19	Outgoing calls	205
Answering Service		Mail costs	\$199.60
Incoming calls 440 - Out going 49		Visitors	220

NEW FRONTIER

FALL CONVENTION '93

COURTESY REPORTS: GENERAL SERVICE ASSEMBLY

CPC - Mike B - Last meeting held October 20 '93, Six members attended. Next meeting November 16 at 7:15PM in the Ellicott Sq Bldg.

Action taken this month: Request for Eastern Directory by an AA member who is a healthcare professional. Okeyed. Also suggested he use the Central Office Directory for referral for his patients & clients.

Cancelled CPC Panel for NY PENN Intergroup Workshop. Workshop will be held at a later date.

Three upcoming presentations have been scheduled for '93-'94 so far.

RE-CAP: Financial - Chuck D suggested that the Central Office Acct only report the MONTHLY activities. The way it reads send the wrong message to the groups who do not see the monthly debits.

Mike B suggested we go to the groups and remind them of the 7th Tradition.

OLD BUSINESS: NERASSA - JoAnne McC gave informational comments regarding the conference in February.

Nadia P wants to meet with the 1993 Convention Committee.

NEW BUSINESS: Chuck D suggested to send a survey questionnaire to all groups from the Central Office with names of representatives for General Service and Central Committee, secretary, treasurer, contact person, etc. Motion made and carried.

Nominations for Central Committee officers - Larry S agreed to take the position of co-chairman for Central Committee 1994. Blaine was nominated for secretary by Lue J. Nominations closed. No nominations for District #1 representative, referred by to the Steering Committee for appointment

It was moved and seconded to close the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lue J - Recording Secretary

REVENUE	10/25/93	11/25/93	REPORT
39 Groups contributed			2170.35
Joint meeting (expenses \$10.00)			21.31
New Frontiers Subscriptions			28.00
Envelope System			289.00
Literature (792.65-convention sales)			3763.59
Miscellaneous: Anonymous			10.00
		Total Receipts	6282.25
DISBURSEMENTS			
#10 Ellcott Square Court Corp - rent		578.00	
Comm Mental Health Ctr-C.C. meeting		35.00	
Happy Spring Water		23.50	
Personal Computers, Inc. - maintenance contract		432.00	
Daivd F Williamson, Co Inc - UPS charges		91.06	
AA World Service Inc - literature order		1806.60	
M & T Bank - fed withhold tax		615.20	
AT&T - long distance calls		4.85	
Delphine H - re-embursement for health ins		1062.41	
New York Telephone		183.28	
The Message Connection - ans serv		151.20	
AA World Services Inc - books		1776.60	
Petty Cash		50.00	
Salaries		1422.04	
Bank service charges		64.61	
		Total disbursements	8296.35
Re-cap			
Balance per checkbook 10/25/93		3075.80	
Add receipts 10/25/93-11/25/93		6282.25	
Deduct expenses 10/25/93-11/25/93		-8296.35	
Balance per checkbook 11/25/93		1061.67	
Operating debit for November '93	(-2014.10)		

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES Account #484-185-4			
Expenses	Check #	Amount	
Frank M - re-emburse expenses	1074	20.39	
Balance per checkbook 10/25/93			203.83
Add receipts 10/25/93-11/25/93			185.00
Deduct expenses 10/25/92-11/25/93			-20.39
Balance per checkbook 11/25/93			368.44
Operating credit for November '93	164.61		
TREATMENT CENTER Account #602-089-5			
EXPENSES	Check #	Amount	
AA Central Office - Schedules - ECMC	253	20.00	
AA Central Office - Pham - Research Ir	254	54.00	
		74.00	
Balance per checkbook 10/25/93			27.61
Add receipts 10/25/93-11/25/93			180.00
Deduct expenses 10/25/93-11/25/93			-74.00
Balance per checkbook 11/25/93			133.61
Operating credit for November '93	106.00		

1st Step						
3rd Step						
6th Step			25.00			
11th Step						
A Day At A Time			100.00			
A Helping Hand	20.00		80.00			
A New Beginning						
Abbott Mens Discussion			70.00			
Acceptance			100.00			
Achievement			180.00			
Action			258.82			
Age Doesn't Matter			100.00			
Albion			15.00			
Alexander			100.00			
All Women						
Amherst Snyder			50.00			
Amherst Tree of Life						
Armsdell Lakeshore						
Any Age			80.00			
Arcade						
As Bill Sees It			10.00			
Attitude Adjustment			135.00			25.00
Attraction			500.00			
Awakening						
Beginner's Table						
Beginning in Sobriety I						
Beginning in Sobriety II						
Beginnings-Women's			99.00	102.00		99.00
Better Days (Bilingual)						
Bidwell			120.00			
Bidwell Monday Disc						
Big Book - Lockport						
Big Book Group						
Big Book Study (Thursday Night)			25.00			
Blasdell						
Blasdell Monday Nite						
Boulevard Women's			25.00			
Brass			80.00			
Broadway-Bailey						
Brocton Discussion	20.00		20.00			
But for the Grace of God	20.00		175.00			
By The Book-Buffalo						
Came To Believe			107.45			20.00
Campus (Bflo State Col)						
Casting			50.00			
Cathedral Park	32.00		532.60			
Caz Manor			200.00	25.00		25.00
Cazenovia						
Central Park			50.00			

Chapter IX	10.00	90.00	10.00	90.00		
Cheeklowaga				50.00		
Chevy #1						
Clarence Men's Discsion		400.00				
Clarence Men's Disc II						
Cold Springs		125.00				
Common Problem		100.00				
Community Center		50.00				
Cornplanters Again		240.00				
Courage		120.00				
Delaware Discussion		240.00				
Derby		150.00				
Desire		190.00				
DeVeaux Discussion						
Downtown Discussion						
Downtown Men's Disc						
Dunkirk						
Early Bird-Wed		25.00		25.00		
Early Start						
East Amherst						
East Aurora	45.00	410.00		10.00	10.00	100.00
Easy Does It		50.00				
Eden-North Collins		140.00				
Ellicott		90.00				
Ellicottville						
Emergency						
Eternal Vigilance		525.00		50.00		50.00
Everybody's		120.00				
Everyone's A.A. Group						
Eye Opener	100.00	100.00				
Faith						
Father Baker		300.00		60.00		
Feelings						
Fireside	280.00	2120.85		75.00	25.00	250.00
Fireside P.M.		50.00				
First Things First	25.00	75.00				
Fredonia Discussion		105.00				
Freedom	25.00	275.00	75.00	150.00	75.00	225.00
Fresh Start						
Friday Nite Discussion						
Friday Noon Meeting						
Friendly		100.00				
Friendship Fireside						
Frontier						
Gah Nee Goin Geh(Of the Mind)						
Gardenville						
Gay, Lesbian, Sober & Pr	10.00	40.00				
Giving	20.00	20.00				
Golden Slipper	250.00	550.00				
Good Life						

Grand		181.45			
Grand II Joy Of Living		60.00			
Grateful.					
H.A.N.D.		370.00			
H.O.W.		5.00			5.00
Half & Half					
Hamburg	25.00	25.00			
Hamburg Big Book					
Handicappers Sat. Nite		100.00			
Happy Hour		125.00		50.00	50.00
Harmony	10.00	87.00			
High Noon (Gay)					
High View					
Hill Billy		50.00		10.00	10.00
Holiday Village	100.00	100.00			
Honest Desire					
Honesty	30.00	330.00	10.00	110.00	
Hora deRefleccion(Spanish)					
Humbly Willing					
Ignatia	10.00	20.00			
Inner City					
Inspiration					
Iron Horse		80.00		80.00	
IT					
It's About Time		20.00			
Just for Today		120.00		10.00	
Keep It Simple, Sister		70.00			
Keep on Comin'					
Kenmore		100.00		100.00	100.00
Kensington Disc		100.00			
Ladies Night					
Lakeshore		60.00		40.00	60.00
Lakeview				70.00	50.00
Last Chance					
Let Go & Let God		20.00			
Lew-port					
Liberty Women's		204.75		50.00	
Life Today				40.00	40.00
Lighten Up					
Live and Let Live (Gay)		70.00		10.00	10.00
Living Sober	35.00	425.00		25.00	
Lock City	100.00	100.00			
Lockport #1					
Lockport Discussion		175.00			
Lockport Ladies					
Lockview		500.00			
Lovejoy					
Lower River					
Marilla		60.00			
Matt Talbot	25.00	250.00			
McKinley Winners					

	NOV 98	Account	NOV 98	Account	NOV 98	Account
Medina New Life						
Mercy						
Mid-day	16.00		16.00			
Midnight						
Miracle						
MOD (Serenity Room)						
Morning After	5.00		40.00	5.00	50.00	
Never Too Late						
New Awakening						
New Beginnings			25.00		5.00	5.00
New Freedom			20.00			
New Frontier						
New Frontier Womens						
New Life	10.00		90.00	5.00	45.00	
New Life New Beginning	50.00		50.00			
New Westside						
Niagara Frontier Men's	50.00		50.00			
Nite People						
North Buffalo	100.00		1100.00	25.00	275.00	25.00 275.00
North Buffalo Men's						
North Java			55.00			
One Day at a Time(ODAT)						
Open Arms						
Open Mind (Gay)			95.00		45.00	35.00
Opportunity						
Orchard Park Step			136.00			
Pass It On			10.00		5.00	
Patchin						
Pendleton-Chapter V			60.00			
Perry						
Positively Living II						
Positively Living III						
Powerless			25.00			
Primary Purpose						
Progress			200.00			
Purpose			312.00			
Rainbow			87.00		25.00	45.00
Ray of Hope			150.00			
Remember When						
Renaissance I			150.00			
Renaissance II						
Renewal			100.00			
Restored to Sanity			75.00			
Ridge			50.00		50.00	50.00
Rise & Shine			10.00			
Rush Hour						
S.S. Sobriety	25.00		25.00			
Sally						
Salvation Army						
Saratoga						
Saturday Earlybird			60.00		20.00	

	NOV 93	Accum.	NOV 93	Accum.	NOV 93	Accum.
Saturday Night Alive						
Saturday Night Disc						
Searching for Serenity	25.00	90.00				
Second Chance						
Security						
Seneca 12 & 12						
Serenity	60.00	330.00				
Serenity Circle		40.00				
Sheridan	10.00	170.00		20.00		
Silver Creek Friendship						
Sober Trail		50.00				
Sober Winners						
Sobriety (Men's Disc)						
Somerset						
South Buffalo		80.00		40.00		40.00
South Town		35.00				
Southgate		92.90				
Southtowns Women's	4.05	74.05		65.00		65.00
Southwestern		40.00				
Spirit of H.O.P.E.						
Spiritual Progress						
Springville		660.00				
Springville-no smoking		20.00				
St. Barnabas		170.00		50.00		
St. Mark's		180.00				
Step						
Stepping Stones						
Suburban		55.00				
Sunday Morning Bkft.		450.00		275.00		200.00
Sunday Niters	20.00	220.00	20.00	130.00		40.00
Sunday Third	25.00	80.00				
Sunrise Court		20.00				
SUNY-Amherst Campus		224.50				
Surrender & Hope						
Survivors						
Swinging Door						
T'n'T		450.00				
TGIF		100.00		25.00		25.00
Thankful		240.00				
The Journey						
The Way		50.00				
Thruway	230.00	3088.00	20.00	220.00		
Thursday Afternoon Disc	75.00	150.00				
Today						
Town Hall		150.00				200.00
Tri-County		125.00				

	Nov '93	Accum.	Nov'93	Accum.	Nov'93	Accum.
Tuesday Men's Disc		110.00				
Tuesday Women's Disc.		70.00		10.00		10.00
Turning Point						
Twin Cities		190.00				
United Brotherhood						
Unity		115.00				
University	160.00	1660.00		25.00	25.00	250.00
Urban		30.00		20.00		
V.I.P.						
Valley						
Varysburg		35.00				
Veterans						
Victory						
Villa						
Wake Up Call	78.50	78.50				
We Admitted	5.00	45.00	5.00	50.00		
We Are Not Saints						
We Care	30.00	330.00	10.00	110.00	20.00	220.00
We Choose Life		73.40				
We Need You						
Wehrle		10.00				
Welcome		100.00				
Welcome Home						
West Seneca Sat. Nite						
Westfield		75.00				
Westminster						50.00
WHY		150.00				
Williamsville		250.00				
Willing To Grow		130.00				
Wilson						
Women's Westside Disc.		25.00		100.00		100.00
Working						
You'll Never Walk Alone						
Youngstown						
Youth Gone Wild					WkSp col & ref	65.79
39 Groups - Nov '93	2170.35		185.00		180.00	
Last month accum.totals	25703.52		2682.00		2639.79	
Year-to-date totals	27873.87		2867.00		2819.79	