

# The BETWEEN-US

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*Welcoming Newcomers and Aiding AA Groups in Our Community.*

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## Basket Case

By: Casey K. | Castle Rock, Colorado

Not wanting to be short-changed, a member considers tossing in another dollar or two

*Tradition Seven: Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.*

I'm not going to write about how poor I was when I showed up at AA's doorstep. Neither is my purpose to preach from some moral high ground. What I do want to reveal, though, is evidence of my own flawed thinking when it comes to money and value, in the hope that some of my fellows might relate.

I've always been pretty good about putting my dollar in the basket at meetings. This is partly because I felt a sense of reasonable obligation, and partly due to a sense of shame if I didn't pitch in. Besides, what if people noticed and talked about me? Yes, I could see the obvious benefits of AA in my life. And putting a dollar in the basket was important if for no other reason than for the sheer entertainment value of the meetings. But when I saw other members put in two or even three dollars, I would think, Sure, that's fine for them, they have more to give than I have. Or, I give by putting time in at my service position. That kind of thinking works fine until you see another member with a service position contributing multiple dollars to the basket.

So I began to actually "shine a light" on this defect, as one of our members likes to say. In examining my defect, I had to ask myself why it was that I felt such an aversion to the idea of adding another dollar to my contribution. Immediately, my old friend, fear-based rationalization, chimed in (or rather, clanged in): "Not now! I can't afford it. I only just recently started working full time. It wouldn't be prudent!" But the smaller voice of reason, seeking equal time, said, "Doesn't the

program have something to do with the fact that I am employed full time and I can make it to work every day?" I couldn't argue with that. "Still," the blatant, dishonest voice of justification argued, "almost everybody else only gives one dollar, and some don't give anything." "Eewwww!" as my daughter would say. I heard myself. Then the voice of sobriety countered back, "Aren't you grateful that you're in a position to be able to contribute more?" Yes, I was, but ... oh darn it, I got tired of arguing with myself! I had to concede.

So now that I had surrendered to reasonable thinking, I began to do some research to support it. I wanted some facts to bolster the argument against my own rationalization. According to the Consumer Price Index calculator (available through the U.S. Dept. of Labor), one dollar pitched into the basket in 1950 was equivalent to \$9.67 in 2013. In 1984, I was court-ordered to attend AA (it didn't stick; or I should say, I didn't stick). Donating a dollar at that time (which most of us did) would be like putting \$0.45 in today. Forty-five measly cents! I also thought about how much money I spent in bars and liquor stores, and more important, how much money I've saved since I came into AA.

By employing honest introspection, one of the tools from my AA toolbox, I was able to see that I was once again trying to get "more bang for my buck" than I probably deserved, and most likely short-changing myself in the process. Because I believe I get out of AA what I'm willing to put into it—and vastly more.

So a couple of months ago, without telling anyone, even my sponsor, I decided to double my standard one dollar contribution at each meeting I attend. You might wonder, after all the soul-searching and research I have done, why I don't increase my donation to three dollars. It's a good question, but the answer is familiar: Not now. I can't afford it. It wouldn't be prudent!

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## Principles and Personalities

By: J.C. | Enfield, Connecticut

Keep your eye on the principle and don't let the personality bug you

My name is Joe C. I have been sober four years now, and the last three have been happy years, though the first was miserable. I never want to live through that year again, and, if I don't pick up that first drink, I won't have to.

Recently, an AA friend of mine got drunk. I was crushed! He had been sober for two years. I liked him. We were friends. I had a lot of faith in him. Too much! I took his slip personally. It really bothered me. He came back to the meetings after the drunk, but his attitude had changed. We spoke together after the meetings, but it wasn't the same.

My feelings were deeply hurt. I got mad at him for letting me down. I didn't for one minute consider his feelings--his guilt, remorse, heart-sickness. I thought not of his wife, children, or father. I dwelled only on my own hurt. What self-centeredness and ego!

Since that time and after much deliberation, I understand the meaning of "principles before personalities." My friend's misfortune has helped me gain greater insight into the AA philosophy, I hope.

I must never again allow personalities to play so large a role in my sobriety.

Sober AAs are the finest people in the world, in my opinion. The fellowship, friendships, and acquaintances are a tremendous benefit to our program--but they are not enough! There are many times when we are on our own, with no AAs to talk with, and this is the time that we must draw on AA principles and teachings. People can err; time-tested principles cannot.

I must learn that any of us can, and some probably always will, fall by the wayside, and that I must not be shaken by these slips. It will not be easy, but if I continue to realize that my sobriety is "a daily reprieve" contingent on my spiritual growth (as the Big Book says), that AA principles must continually be worked on, and that I must remember to put Joe second, then and only then can I replace my egotism with compassion and understanding.

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## Life Goes On

By: Alan S. | West Linn, Oregon

He lovingly recalls the wisdom and kindness his sponsor gave him to reach out and pass on to others

This morning I read the Prayer of St. Francis, my sponsor Jack's favorite prayer. He helped me get into that prayer throughout our sponsor and sponsee relationship. About five months ago, I separated from my first wife and today I planned to wrap up the quitclaim to the house on my lunch hour. I also planned to deposit the

Seventh Tradition collection from our previous day's Tuesday Noon Downtown AA meeting.

After getting my quitclaim deed notarized, I wanted some chocolate something fierce, but the thought came to me to rely on something from inside me (this alcoholic first looks outside himself to feel better). I stopped walking and leaned against the trunk of a tree and faced the sun. Downtown was pretty busy I noticed. The tree supported me, the sun warmed my cheeks. I thanked God for Jack helping me through my recent personal turmoil. I didn't have time to make the bank deposit, as my lunch hour had waned to a halt, so I double-timed back to the office.

At about 3:30 while working at my desk, I got a phone call. It was Jack's daughter. She called to tell me that Jack had died around 1:00 p.m. that day. She gave me the time and place for the funeral. After I hung up the phone, I realized that I had been at the notary public finishing my quitclaim to the deed when he died. I shook my head and grinned at yet another strange synchronicity I've experienced more than once in my sober life. Jack quitclaimed his body right when I was quitclaiming my deed.

Jack was just another drunk like me, but he drank for three times as many decades as I did. Jack had 11 years of sobriety, and after our last AA meeting together he told me he didn't expect to live much longer. Jack was close to 80 and his body was beaten down from diabetes and a lifetime of active alcoholism. But he sure lived the spirit of sobriety.

In our last phone conversation three days ago, Jack told me some AA pals got him to the noon speaker's meeting. One of the guys had the same physical limitations as Jack, confined to a wheelchair, and it was that man who whipped up the posse to round up Jack for the meeting. After a pause, I confessed a resentment I had to Jack, and after a short silence, he said, "They're just people. It shows you're human."

"Yes I am, Jack," I replied. "I am human, and I really am not that much different than my fellow 'earth pedalers,' except for that one teeny, tiny admission in our First Step." After another pause, I reminded him not to pick up a drink. He agreed. It's always good for me to be told that by a friend, for what's good for this alcoholic might be good for another drunk like me.

Usually at the end of our phone calls we would plan for me to pick Jack up for a meeting, but this time we made no plan, and our last talk ended with his calm, assured and thoughtful tone, guiding me. "Take care of yourself," he said. "Don't step on your own tongue." That was such a Jack thing to say.

In the office after the call from Jack's daughter, my thoughts went to our meeting's Seventh Tradition cash in my pocket. My thought went something like...Well, Jack is dead now. I lost my sponsor. Maybe I can take a break and buy chocolate and coffee with this money. I'll pay it back.

Wow, I'm treading on dangerous ground, I thought. I can go to jail for embezzlement! For sure our AA group will take away my privilege to serve. I might even drink! None of those options were acceptable. The Big Book says that "fear and tension...makes for more drinking." I'm sober today only by living by our AA principles.

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My sponsor died today. He showed me by his actions that we can live useful happy lives. We do not have to die drunk. In our last phone conversation, Jack told me that the speaker at the meeting his pals had taken him to was celebrating 40 years of sobriety. Jack then relayed a story to me about an AA member who, driving his car to a meeting to celebrate his 25th year, accidentally struck and killed a child. I sat there and wondered if he joined the meeting in God's Realm on time or late? You get there when you get there, I said to myself.

I stood up. I stuffed my hand into my pocket bulging with cash from our AA meeting, and I squeezed my fingers around the cash. I let go. I closed my eyes and in the silence I gave thanks. Then my hand left my pocket and dialed the phone number of my new temporary sponsor. I left a message and got back to work.

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By: P. P. | Sioux Falls, South Dakota

## Dollars and sense

Perhaps the AA Tradition most consistently ignored these days is the Seventh: "Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

Doubtless the founders of AA had good intentions, but sad to say this policy has become universally weak in practice.

One forgets that a certain level of income is needed to operate an AA group. Such things as coffee, literature, various supplies, utilities, and rent or building upkeep must be taken care of to remain viable and to "carry the message," so to speak. Also to be remembered are obligations to GSO, intergroup, and district and state assemblies.

Over the years, I've attended countless meetings when less than half the members contributed anything at all. To me this is most disturbing. Surely anyone who ever drank must have spent more than a dollar a night to support his or her expensive habit. There are some hardship and welfare cases to be sure, but most of the people I know have incomes well above a living wage.

We hear it suggested that those who can should increase their donations in order to offset the free riders. To me this is not a healthy situation. I once belonged to a group where two or three of the more affluent members customarily made up the deficit each month. This caused some additional problems as might be expected. It is not surprising that this group eventually folded and no longer exists.

An AA friend of mine usually drops a twenty dollar bill into the basket when it comes around. Most impressive! The trouble is, he comes to only two or three meetings a year. Most of us could do the same thing if we came only once a month or less.

Let us hope that AA continues on regardless. But if or when it dies, its demise may well be caused by lack of financial support!

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## A High Class Drunk

By: Cornelius B. | Vancouver, British Columbia

I learned not to judge others by appearances

I learned how to drink in the Royal British Navy during World War II. Aboard His Majesty's men-of-war, rum was issued daily to the sailors while officers could imbibe for around ten cents a tot. It was a creature comfort and a pastime which was to take me twenty-five years to unlearn.

Back home, after the war, everyone I knew seemed to drink. Not to drink wine with meals seemed, to my by-then snobbish mind, uncivilized. All too soon, the concept of not drinking became downright unthinkable.

As the years whizzed by, my drinking career progressed along a dreary, predictable path. At one point in the 1970s, my wife gently told me about the invisible line which, once crossed, offered no way of return--one was, for the remainder of one's life, afflicted with the disease of alcoholism. "I think you have crossed that line," she said.

"How ridiculous," I retorted.

But eventually, as one will, I came to realize that I had a problem. One day I met an old friend whom I hadn't seen for years, and it transpired that we both shared the same problem. Together we resolved to do something about it. The step we took was to make a wager: no drinking, for one year, anything that contained a measurable amount of alcohol. At stake was to be a sum that neither of us could easily afford to lose. "That'll do it," we said with satisfaction.

My friend is a lawyer and forthwith he drew up a fancy legal document which we both solemnly signed.

It so happened that at this time the local police had deprived me of my driver's license for six months. So my friend kindly stopped by in the mornings and drove me to work.

As we drove to town, it wasn't long before one of us would say something along these lines: "See here, I have some friends coming to stay, and it's going to be very difficult not to drink. I haven't seen them for a long time--sort of a reunion. What would you say if we were to annul the bet during their stay? Then of course we'll get right back to not drinking a drop."

Or one of us might say, "We're doing pretty well with this thing, what would you think if we changed the conditions just a smidgen? Let's say it would be OK if we drank a little wine. . . just at home, mind you, and only on weekends." Talk about self-delusion.

But one morning my friend said, "I went to an AA meeting last night. There's a group which meets once a week. They take turns meeting in one another's houses or apartments. Would you like to come next week?" I had only the foggiest of notions about AA but instinctively entertained strong reservations about associating with a bunch of drunks. Furthermore, I thought, "That's rather a lot to ask--to give up one evening a week."

But I went. It was a most congenial men's group. But my friend and

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I each had problems with AA, he with acceptance and willingness and me with what I considered to be some pretty deep thinking--something about, "If there are, say, 100 billion stars in our galaxy and there are about 50 billion galaxies, then it stands to reason that there cannot exist a God who has the time nor the notion to listen to my prayers. . . unselfish and worthy as they might be." In effect, neither of us fully accepted the program. We each had our reservations. We were on the fringes. As a result we both had a lot of slips--if memory serves, two to three years of slips.

In the meantime, I had remarried. And to a woman who, if she finds herself faced with a nettle to be grasped, grasps it. I soon realized that if I didn't grasp the nettle too, our marriage was going to be very difficult and probably very brief. So I went to a treatment center. British Columbia centers had long waiting lists so I went to one in Northern California.

My arrival produced minor yin-yang shock waves. There I sat in jacket and tie trying to look like a proper gent, surrounded by my luggage which included a typewriter, large camera bag, tape recorder. . . the sort of equipage with which a proper gent, ever conscious of creating a correct impression, would wish to travel.

I was interviewed by a counselor attired in a cruddy black T-shirt. His muscular forearms were decorated with tattoos. We sized up one another dubiously.

"What are the arrangements for having my laundry sent out?" I enquired. I could well have added, "my good man."

The counselor looked at me evenly. "I don't think we've had anyone like you in here before," he observed dryly. "The laundry arrangements require putting a quarter in the washing machine which is located in the garage."

He told me his name was Marty. Later he observed, apropos of something or other, "That reminds me of the time I had my last drink. It was after a bank heist. I downed it just before I got caught."

Six years later Marty and I still keep in touch. He is my friend and I look upon him with great affection and admiration. We also bet on Forty-niner and Giants games. If we ever get around to canonizing people in AA, Marty will have my strong endorsement. He has done so much good for so many people.

"I would prefer to have a single room," I told him.

"Probably that would be just as well," he replied laconically. "And now perhaps you would care to see some of your fellow lodgers." I was taken into the main room of the building which, back at the turn of the century, had been a retreat for some opulent San Francisco types. The room was huge and cluttered with beat-up furniture and dominated by an enormous stone fireplace, a relic of cushie days. The place was occupied by a bunch of people all of whom looked as scruffy as Marty.

"I've got to spend twenty-eight days with these people?" I thought. It was an appalling idea.

"Most of them come from two labor unions," Marty said, "the longshoremen and the grocery clerks."

Twenty-eight days later (after I had graduated cum laude), I was

to have emotional leave-takings with these appalling people. I was indeed privileged, for they put up with me. I made some friends, and I learned never to judge people by the way they dress or speak or behave. Find out what is underneath. I like to think that they forever removed the word "snob" from my long list of negative character traits.

Ten days into my period of residence, I sat listening to a counselor named Chuck. He was lucid, dedicated, and persuasive. Suddenly I thought, "Why don't you forget all about the fifty billion galaxies and the rest of your fatuous arguments? Why don't you stop criticizing the program? The evidence that it works is overwhelming. Have faith, boy. Come to believe!" This was very constructive thinking.

"From this moment and henceforth, Cornelius," I said to myself, "you will embrace every aspect of the program, every tenet, every Step." (Of course I haven't achieved this, but I shall not stop trying. At least I've switched my attitude from negative to positive.)

From that moment on, I've never had a real desire to drink. Oh sure, sometimes standing on the bank of a trout stream I let my mind go back and I think how good a Scotch and branch water would taste right now. But it is more of a passing thought than an all-consuming compulsion.

The program can take us down many paths, all leading to the sanctuary of sobriety. I imagine those paths are as varied as the human spirit. For instance, I have an interest in nature photography. In pursuing this hobby I have found that nature can bear the closest of inspections. And in examining the precision and aptness of the small, I can be more appreciative of the large. Observation and wonder become in turn a spiritual experience. It brings one closer to one's God and to a sense of the perfection of things.

To each his own way, or to each her own path--to AA and to contented, productive sobriety.

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## On My Own--But Not Alone

By: L. B. | San Francisco, California

I HAVE ATTENDED several conferences, roundups, conventions, what have you, in the three years I have been sober in Alcoholics Anonymous. But my first Young People's Convention, in San Diego, California, was an experience I shall always treasure especially.

A year and a half earlier, at a roundup in Reno, Nevada, I had met a young man from northern California who participated in a panel discussion. Everywhere in Reno that my husband and I went, this guy was there, and it got to be a real joke--"Who's following who around?" After we returned home, I wrote to this man to let him know how much I had enjoyed what he said at the discussion, that it had been a pleasure to meet him, and that if he ever came to San Francisco, I hoped he would get in touch with me. Since I didn't have his address, I sent this letter to the Sacramento Central Office to be forwarded to him if possible.

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Well, I never heard from him, and I assumed that my letter never reached its destination.

In November 1982, I received a telephone call from a woman in San Diego who was the marathon meeting chairperson for the All-California Young People's Convention to be held in February 1983. She asked if I would come down and chair one of the marathon meetings at the convention. I was so surprised, I didn't know what to say. Since I had gotten out of the shower to answer the phone, I said I would call her right back.

In the shower, I went through all the negative aspects of going to San Diego. How could I afford it? Where would I stay? Who would go with me? And how had they gotten my name? Then, I remembered something I had been told in AA when I was very new: Never say no if you are asked to do something for AA. I knew then that my Higher Power had to be behind this invitation in some way.

When I called the woman in San Diego, I asked her how she had gotten my name and number. She said she got it from the guy I had met in Reno more than a year earlier! He *had* received my letter. In the interim, he had moved to San Diego. When he became program chairman for this convention, he thought of me and suggested to her that I might be interested in participating. Now, I *knew* my Higher Power was telling me something: Go!

So I did. With my two and one-half years of sobriety, I felt no qualms about going alone to San Diego. Always previously, I had attended conferences with either my husband or my AA friends. This time, no one I knew was going, and my husband and I couldn't afford the trip for both of us. I was going to be on my own.

At the convention site, I panicked after I registered. "What if I don't find anybody I know? What am I doing here? Why did I agree to do this? I don't fit in here. I want to go home!"

I went directly to the marathon meeting room. There, I heard people talking in familiar AA terms, and I pulled myself together enough to be able to go to the podium and state that I was here on my own, that I was scared to death, that I didn't know anybody, and that I was terribly afraid no one would show up for the 3:00 PM marathon meeting I was to chair. Everybody laughed, me included. I knew those fears were unfounded, but I still felt them.

After that meeting, I went to the rest room, where I noticed two chairs by the vanity, and it occurred to me to sit there until 3:00 PM. But a voice inside me said, "You can't hide in the bathroom all day. You are here to participate, so go do it." I walked out and saw the woman who had chaired the meeting I had just attended. She was with a group of friends, and I asked her if I could eat breakfast with them. Do you know what courage it took for me to ask them that? And do you know what they said? They said yes. I burst into tears and got embarrassed and apologized for acting the fool. And do you know what they did? They all hugged me and said it was going to be okay. They all promised to be at the 3:00 PM marathon meeting with me. And I knew in my heart that God had put those people in San Diego for me.

As the day wore on, I grew more comfortable. I attended the banquet with two of the women in that group, and we had a fine time talking and laughing about ourselves and the AA program and how it works. After dinner, I got a chance to see and talk with the guy who was so instrumental in my being there. What a marvelous feeling to know we had both stayed sober and our paths were crossing again!

I joined the same group for the big Saturday night speaker meeting and the dance afterward. The following day, we got together again for breakfast and the farewell speaker meeting. And then it was time to go home. By now, I didn't want to leave my new friends. We hugged and cried and promised to be in Fresno for the next year's convention. Addresses and phone numbers were exchanged so we could keep in touch.

I will always love those people who helped me so much during those thirty-six hours. And I will always thank my Higher Power for bringing all of you into my life.

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### **A Drunk By Any Other Name**

By: B. M. | Saratoga, California

"IF WORDS were conscious, they would often shudder at their own misuse." Many years ago, I read that statement in a book by Stuart Chase.

In English, we can say almost anything in old, established words that anybody can understand. Unnecessary revisions of basic speech irritate me. A forthcoming visit to the dentist reminded me of this when the term "false teeth" came to my mind and I wondered how, outside of textbooks for prospective dentists, these objects got to be "dentures."

There are dozens of such examples of changing everyday, clearly descriptive phrases to more "dignified" nomenclature. Undertakers, for instance, have worked their way through "mortician" and "funeral director" to--who knows what they call their grim profession today? Call it what you will, death is not a pleasant subject. I'm sure even "undertaker" was preceded by some harsher-sounding designation.

There have even been changes to some Greek or Latin derivatives for *things*, like "acne" for "pimples," or "excrement" for a word the Grapevine wouldn't dare print for fear of alienating many subscribers, though it means exactly what the Latin word does.

Changing the names by which conditions or people or things are called does not change what they are. "A rose," we know, "by any other name would smell as sweet." And a skunk would smell as bad.

One thing that gave me confidence in Alcoholics Anonymous from the beginning was this: When people referred to their former condition, the only word I heard was "drunk." "I was drunk that night." "I was drunk for three years." (The latter is a physical impossibility, but a correct evaluation of a manner of existing.)

They didn't say "intoxicated," "inebriated," or "under the influence"--and rarely even "stoned," "bombed," or any other of the hundreds of slang expressions that attempt to whitewash the condition of drunkenness with humor. No, we just "got drunk," or were "drunks."

I liked this. It showed me that these people weren't trying to hide behind the "scientific" appellation of "alcoholic," which soothes the sensibilities, especially of those on the outside, who don't like to look straight at our loathsome disease. Being drunk *is* loathsome. I am thankful that for many years I haven't had to be drunk, and that is why I don't want to delude myself about what it used to be like by employing some euphemism that will pretty it up.

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**3 Bucks In The Basket... Make it a Reality, not just a dream!**



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All the groups listed in our meeting directory, should be contributing regularly to the support of your Central Office. We want to be here when anyone reaches out for help. A big thank you to everyone, for all you do.

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**Suggested Statement on Safety**  
Our group endeavors to provide a safe meeting place for all attendees and encourages each person here to contribute to fostering a secure and welcoming environment in which our meetings can take place. As our Traditions remind us, the formation and operation of an A.A. group resides with the group conscience. Therefore, we ask that group members and others refrain from any behavior which might compromise another person's safety.

Also, please take the precautions you feel are necessary to ensure your own personal safety, for example, walking to your car in a group after a meeting. If a situation should arise where someone feels their safety is in jeopardy, or the situation breaches the law, the individuals involved should take appropriate action. Calling the proper authorities does not go against any A.A. Traditions and is recommended when someone may have broken the law or endangered the safety of another person.

Service Material from the General Service Office

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**2024 Weekend Retreats**

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**Men and Women in AA, AI-Anon**  
Total cost: 4 days \$390.00. Send a \$75.00 deposit with requests for specific dates to retreat house or call for info.

**MEETING TIME CHANGE JANUARY 3rd 2024**

**LAKE COUNTRY GROUP Wednesdays at First Congregational Church**, 815 S Concord Rd in Oconomowoc has **NEW MEETING TIME: 6;30 P.M.** starting Wednesday January 3rd, 2024 (previously met at 7:00 P.M.)

**Southern Wisconsin AA Deaf Access Committee**

P.O. Box 1982  
Waukesha, WI 53186  
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# DISTRICT MEETINGS

# CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

COMPLETE DISTRICT INFORMATION ON THE WEB:

<https://www.area75.org/page/districtmeetings>

1. Jackson, LaCrosse, Monroe, Vernon & Trempealeau; **2 & 18** Green Lake & Marquette Counties & part of Waushara; **7** Kenosha; **17** Racine County; **8 & 30** Rock County; **9** Crawford, Grant, Iowa and LaFayette; **19 & 37** Richland & Sauk; **20, 21 & 26** Dane; **31** Columbia County; **35** Green; **37** Juneau County.

(Check the web address above for meeting info.)

**3. MANITOWOC & SHEBOYGAN CNTY'S:** 3rd Wed. of month, 6:30 p., Even numbered months at 1907 Club, 2908 N. 21st St., Sheboygan. Odd numbered months: Alano Club, 404 S 29 St Manitowoc

**6. WALWORTH CNTY:** 2nd Tue. 7:30 p. odd numbered months only, Walworth Alano Club, 611 E. Walworth St., Delavan

**10. Spanish District.** Contact: Salvador G. at 414-446-0158. Meets 1st Sunday 5 p.m. 1663 S. 6th Street, Milw.

**11. JEFFERSON CNTY:** Meets last Wed. at 5:30 p.m. Moravian Church, 301 College St., Lake Mills,

**12. WASHINGTON CNTY:** 1st Wed. of month, 6:00 p., the Jackson Community Center N165W20330 Hickory Ln., Jackson, WI. 53037

**13. WAUKESHA CNTY:** 2nd Sunday of month, 1:00 p, St. Matthias Church, 111 E. Main, Waukesha

**14. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** 4th Wed. of month, 7:00 p, Milwaukee Central Office 7429 W Greenfield Ave., West Allis WI 53214

**16. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** 1st Thursday of month, 6:00 p, Milw. Central Office, 7429 W Greenfield Ave. West Allis WI 53214

**23. DODGE CNTY:** Last Sunday of month at 6:00 p, Dodge Cnty Alano Club, 115 N. Lincoln, Beaver Dam, call to confirm 920-583-3142

**24. OZAUKEE CNTY:** 3rd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Advent Lutheran Church, W63N642 Washington Ave, Cedarburg, WI 53012.

**25. FOND du LAC CNTY:** 2nd Tue. of month, 5:30 p., Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St., Fond du Lac, WI.

**27. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** 3rd Wednesday of month at 7:00 P.M., the Zoom ID number is [824 0616 9567](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82406169567) the password is 869 916. Covenant Lutheran Church, 8121 W Hope Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53222.

**28. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** 2nd Thursday of month, 7:00 p, Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 4419 S Howell Ave, Milwaukee WI 53207.

**29. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** 1st Mon. of month, 7:00 p, Luther Memorial Church, 2840 S 84th St., West Allis, WI 53227

**32. & 33 WAUKESHA CNTY:** 4th Tuesday of month, 6:30 p, Meeting ID: [321 751 3275](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3217513275), Passcode: [323232](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3217513275)

**34. WAUKESHA CNTY:** 1st Tuesday of month, 6:30 p, Northwest Area Alano Association, N88W17658 Christman Rd., Menomonee Falls. Join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6870109941?pwd=YVI4SVQzU3FaSE1rc3dzVmtxdFM4QT09>

**36. RACINE/KENOSHA:** 2nd Tuesday of the month 6:00 p.m., 12 & 12 Club, 724 N Pine St., Burlington

**38. MILWAUKEE CNTY:** Last Sunday of month 4:00 p.m. Milwaukee Group Meeting Room, 933 E Center St. Milwaukee WI 53212

SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:

7429 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214, [dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)

In-person meetings have started back up in the Area corrections facilities. Contact Michelle, Area Corrections Chair by email; [corrections@area75.org](mailto:corrections@area75.org) for information on days and times of meetings.

For meetings at Milwaukee Area Correction facilities contact: Emily J. at 262-364-7275 or email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com)

- **TAYCHEEDAH CORRECTIONAL**, Fond du Lac, WI 54937
- **OAK HILL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION:** 5212 County Road M, Fitchburg, WI 53575
- **WAUPUN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION**, Waupun WI
- **FOX LAKE CORRECTIONAL**, Box #147, Fox Lake, WI 53933
- **JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL** 411 S. Center St., Jefferson, WI,
- **RACINE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION** for MEN 2019 Wisconsin St, Sturtevant, WI 53177
- **FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL** Satellite Camp, Oxford, WI.
- **THOMPSON FARM**, RT. 2 DEERFIELD, WI.,
- **ROBERT ELLSWORTH CORRECTIONAL**, Union Grove, 53182
- **KETTLE MORAINNE CORRECTIONAL**, Forrest Dr., Plymouth,
- **MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION**, 8885 S. 68th St. Franklin WI. Emily J. by Email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com)
- **MILWAUKEE COUNTY JAIL** 9th & State Milwaukee WI. Emily J. by Email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com)
- **MILWAUKEE SECURE DETENTION**, 1015 N. 10th St. Emily J. by Email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com).
- **MILWAUKEE WOMEN'S CORRECTIONAL CENTER**, 615 W Keefe Ave. Emily J. by Email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com)

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE: meets IN-PERSON.** Contact Emily J. at 262-364-7275 or email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com) for date and location. Donation can be sent to: MCCC, PO Box 270544, Milwaukee WI 53227-0544. Contact coordinator: Email: [mcccordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mcccordinator@gmail.com) with questions.

Corrections volunteers must go through the committee to get AA literature to take into the various facilities. Milwaukee Central Office no longer handles the funds.

## ADDRESSES FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**Milwaukee Central Office:** 7429 W Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214 [gmco@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:gmco@aamilwaukee.com)

- **Area 75 Treasurer:** PMB #167, 5464 N Port Washington Rd., Glendale WI 53217
- General Service Office, P.O. Box 2407, James A Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407
- Area 75 **Corrections**, **Bridging the Gap** or **Treatment** write to: PMB # 170, 5464 N Port Washington Rd., Glendale WI 53217
- **Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee :** Email: [milwareadeafaccess@gmail.com](mailto:milwareadeafaccess@gmail.com); Mailto: Deaf Access Committee, P.O. Box 1982, Waukesha WI 53186

## [Area 75, Southern WI, Calendar of Events 2024](#)

All meeting held virtually until further notice

- Zoom Meeting Contact Area Chair: Andrew I. [chair@area75.org](mailto:chair@area75.org)

# MEETING ROOMS

<p><b>NEW DAY CLUB</b> 11936 N. Port Washington Rd Mequon, (262) 241-4673 <a href="http://www.newdayclub.org">www.newdayclub.org</a> A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun. 8:00 a. Topic 11:00 a. Topic 5:00 p. Young People 7:30 p. Topic</p> <p>Mon. 12:30 p. Tenth Step Gp 5:30 p. More about Alcoholism 8:15 p. Men's Gp</p> <p>Tue. 10:00 a. Topic 5:30 p. Big Book 8:00 p. Big Book Gp</p> <p>Wed. 10:00 a. Topic 2:00 p. Promises Meeting 5:30 p. Step Meeting 7:00 p. Women's Lifeline</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting 1:00 p. Women's AA Gp 5:30 p. Topic Meeting</p> <p>Fri. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting 5:30 p. Step/Tradition 8:00 p.</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Step Meeting 5:00 p. Fellowship of Spirit 7:00 p. Feelings 10:00 p. Young People 8:00 p. Open Meeting (held on 3rd Saturday of month only)</p> <p>AL-ANON MEETINGS Monday 6:30 p. Al-Anon Tuesday 1:00 p. Al-Anon/ACOA Wednesday 7:00 p. ACOA Thursday 7:00 p. Al-Anon Contact club for information on other fellowships.</p>	<p><b>PASS IT ON CLUB</b> 6229 W. Forest Home Ave Milwaukee WI (414) 541-6923 <a href="http://www.passitonclub.com">www.passitonclub.com</a> A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun. 8:00 a. Sun. Wake Up 9:30 a. Reliance Meeting 11:00 a. Today's choice 3:00 p. Gratitude Plus 7:00 p. Big Book Readers</p> <p>Mon. 7:30 a. Jump Start 10:30 a. First Step 4:00 p. Happy Hour Step Gp. 7:00 p. Open IntroductoryAA</p> <p>Tue. 7:30 a. Comin' Back Gp 10:30 a. Keep It Simple 4:00 p. Drop the Rock 6:00 p. Key To Sobriety Women's 7:30 p. Three Legacies 7:30 p. Double Trouble DD/O</p> <p>Wed. 7:30 a. Big Book Study 10:30 a. Pass It On 4:00 p. Happy Hr Promises 6:15 p. Courage to Change 7:00 p. We, Us &amp; Ours</p> <p>Thr. 7:30 a. Welcome Back Gp 10:30 a. Made Decision 5:15 p. As Bill Sees It 7:00 p. Gateway Topic Gp 7:30 a. Honesty Gp.</p> <p>Fri. 10:30 a. Came To Believe 6:00 p. Women's Fri. Kickoff 6:30 p. Thoughts 4 Today 8:00 p. Broken Arrow 8:30 a. Early Bird</p> <p>Sat. 10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free 7:00 p. Vajeros Wisconsin lower level 7:00 p. 5 Conceptos upstairs 8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12</p>	<p><b>LAKE AREA CLUB</b> N60 W 35878 Lake Dr Oconomowoc, WI (262) 567-9912 <a href="http://www.lakeareaclub.com">www.lakeareaclub.com</a> A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun. 8:00 a. Early Bird 9:30 a. Literature Meeting 11:00 a. Friendship Gp 6:00 p. Big Book 8:00 p. Gopher Sunday 9:00 a. Positive Attitude 6:30 p. Otter Gp 8:00 p. Step/Tradition Study</p> <p>Mon. 1:00 p. 4:00 p. 7:00 p. Life House Beginners 8:00 a.</p> <p>Wed. 8:00 a. 10:00 a. Back To Basics 2:00 p. Women's Meeting 6:00 p. 8:00 p.</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. 4:00 p. 5:00 p. Woman's Way 12 Steps 6:00 p. Hybrid Meditation Mtng Zoom ID: 89239303536, PW: 999525</p> <p>Fri. 8:00 p. Grapevine Mtng 12:30 p. 4:00 p. 8:00 p. Old School House</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Big Book <b>OPEN AA/Al-Anon SPEAKER MEETING</b> Sat. 7:00 p. 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays (AA and/or Al-Anon Speakers)</p> <p><b>AL-ANON MEETINGS</b> Mon. 7:00 p. Al-Anon Tue. 9:00 a. Al-Anon Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon &amp; Alateen</p>	<p><b>WAUKESHA ALANO CLUB</b> 318 W. Broadway Waukesha, WI, 262-549-6541 <a href="http://www.alanoclubofwaukesha.com/">http://www.alanoclubofwaukesha.com/</a> (IP)=In-person,</p> <p>Sun. 9:30 a. Sun Morn Sunlight (IP) 11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtng (IP)</p> <p>Mon. 12:00 p. (IP) 6:00 p. Beginners AA (IP) 7:00 p. (12 &amp; 12) (IP)</p> <p>Tue. 12:00 p. Wed Nooners (IP) 5:30 p. Topic Gp (IP)</p> <p>Thr. 12:00 p. Nooners (IP) 12:00 p. T.G.I.F. Gp (IP) 6:30 p. Half Measurers (IP)</p> <p>Sat. 6:00 a. Early Morning (IP) 10:00 a. Gp 124 (IP)</p> <p>OPEN MEETINGS, DANCES &amp; EVENTS Call for information.</p>	<p><b>GALANO CLUB</b> - LGBT &amp; All in Recovery - 7210 W Greenfield Ave LL Milwaukee, WI 53214, 414-276-6936 <a href="http://www.galanoclub.org/">http://www.galanoclub.org/</a> <a href="mailto:galanoclub@gmail.com">galanoclub@gmail.com</a></p> <p>(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V &amp; IP)=Both In Person and Phone Meetings Phone/ Video AA Meetings, Call (978) 990-5195 Meeting Id: galano7210 Code: 1919178#</p> <p><b>Sunday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 10:30 a.m. - AA - Step / Topic Meeting (In-person/phone/video) 10:30 a.m. - Al-Anon - Papillon Group. (In-person)</p> <p><b>Monday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 7:30 p.m. - AA "Came to Believe" 12 Spirituality. (In-person/phone/video)</p> <p><b>Tuesday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 6:00 p.m. - AA Over and Under 40 Group (In-person/phone/video)</p> <p><b>Thursday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 7:30 p.m. - AA - Living Sober One Day at A Time In-person &amp; Phone/video</p> <p><b>Friday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 10:30 a.m. AA Step &amp; Topic</p> <p><b>Saturday: (V &amp; IP)</b> 7:30 p.m. - AA - Big Book &amp; More. (In- person/Phone/video) The Galano Club is open one half hour before the scheduled meetings.</p>
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<p><b>NORTHWEST AREA ALANO ASSOCIATION*</b> N88 W17658 Christman Rd Menomonee Falls WI 53051 (No Phone) <b>Room 202</b> A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE (V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V &amp; IP)=Both</p> <p>Sun. 10:00 a. Big Book Rm 202 7:00 p. Sun Night Gp Rm 202</p> <p>Mon. 7:00 p. Just Do It Gp Rm 202</p> <p>Tue. 10:00 a. Step 8:00 p. Topic</p> <p>Wed. 7:00 p. Step/Topic</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. Step 6:00 p. Women's</p> <p>Fri. 8:00 p. Step/Topic (V &amp; IP) 5:30 p. Code 3 Mtng Rm 202</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Sat Serenity Gp 7:00 p. Simply Sober Gp Rm 202</p> <p><b>AL-ANON MEETINGS</b> Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon Fri. 7:30 p. Al-Anon</p> <p>*This is a Smoke-Free environment. We have ample meeting space available for 12 Step groups. Contact the Northwest Alano Club by mail.</p>	<p><b>WALWORTH COUNTY ALANO CLUB</b> 611 Walworth St. (Hwy. 50 &amp; 11) Delavan, WI 53115, (262) 740-1888</p> <p><b>Sunday AA</b> 10:00 a. Primitive Group 12:00 p. Open Speakers 6:30 p. Delavan Discussion</p> <p><b>Monday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. Delavan Step Meeting 6:30 p. Delavan Meeting</p> <p><b>Tuesday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp. 6:30 p. Delavan 12 Step Topic</p> <p><b>Wednesday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. As Bill Sees It Gp. 6:30 p. Delavan IT Meeting</p> <p><b>Thursday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp. 6:30 p. Delavan Big Book Gp.</p> <p><b>Friday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. Big Book Study 6:30 p. Delavan Discussion</p> <p><b>Saturday AA</b> 7:30 a. Sunny Side Up 12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp. 6:30 p. Delavan Beginners Gp.</p>	<p><b>ALANO CLUB</b> 1521 N. Prospect Ave., Milwaukee, WI, 53202 (414) 278-9102 <a href="http://www.mkealanoclub.org/">http://www.mkealanoclub.org/</a> A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun. 7:00 a. AA Express Mtng 7:45 a. AA Big Book/Discussion 10:00 a. Gp 17 Step Mon. 7:00 a. Early Morning 10:30 a. Gp 72 Topic 12:15 p. Big Book Meeting 6:30 p. Gp 40 Big Book</p> <p>Tue. 7:00 a. As Bill Sees It, 10:30 a. Gp 70 Step 12:15 p. Gp 76 7:00 p. Beginner's Meeting</p> <p>Wed. 7:00 a. AA 10:30 a. Gp 9, Step 12:15 p. Oasis Topic Gp 6:00 p. Chicks at Six Gp, women, Child Care available</p> <p>7:30 p. We Agnostics 7:00 a. Thr Morning Express Mtng 10:30 a. Gp 97, Step 12:15 p. Here &amp; Now Gp 7:00 p. AA (LGBT) All Welcome</p> <p>Fri. 7:00 a. Daily Reflections 10:30 a. Gp 21, Step 12:15 p. Gp 65 6:30 p. Here &amp; Now 7:30 p. Men's Zoom Meeting 12:15 am. Second Shifters (Sat.)</p> <p>Sat. 7:00 a. AA Meeting 11:00 a. Gp 87 Step 7:30 p. Open AA Speaker Mtng</p> <p><b>AL-ANON MEETING</b> Sunday 10:00 a. Al-Anon</p>	<p><b>H.O.W. TO CLUB</b> 8930 W. National Ave, West Allis, (414) 543-2448 <a href="mailto:howtoclub8930@yahoo.com">mailto:howtoclub8930@yahoo.com</a> <a href="https://www.howtoclub.org">https://www.howtoclub.org</a> Hours: 9am to 9pm daily.</p> <p>Sun. 8:00 a. Eye Opener AA Gp. 10:00 a. Grass Roots (Steps) 4:30 p. Drop the Rock 6/7 Step 6:00 p. Restore Us To Sanity 7:30 p. Sun. Sober &amp; Serene</p> <p>Mon. 11:00 a. Winner's Circle 5:45 p. Gp 132, Women's Gp 7:00 p. Big Book Gp. 8:00 p. New Hope Gp. 10:30 P. What's the Point Gp.</p> <p>Tue. 11:00 p. Willingness Group 6:00 p. Tue Topic 6pm Gp 8:00 p. New Hope Meeting</p> <p>Wed. 10:00 a. Foundations Meeting 6:00 p. AA Beginners Gp. 7:00 p. Women's Freedom 8:00 p. Promises Group</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. But For Grace Of God 6:00 p. Here and Now 8:00 p. How To Get It Going</p> <p>Fri. 6:00 a. Early Risers Big Book 11:00 a. Priority Group 6:00 p. Big Book Friday 8:00 p. R.U.S. For Us 11:00 p. Candlelight Promises</p> <p>Sat. 9:15 a. Men's Topic 11:00 a. Pioneers Group 3:00 p. Spiritual Growth 6:00 p. 1st &amp; 12 Topic 8:00 p. Open Speaker 3rd Sat 8:00 p. HOW To Saturday</p>	<p><b>24 HOUR CLUB</b> 153 Green Bay Rd. Thiensville, WI <a href="http://www.howtoclub.org">Web and Facebook Info</a></p> <p><b>A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sun. 8:00 a. Topic 10:00 a. Step/Topic</p> <p>Mon. 6:30 a. Topic 10:00 a. Topic 8:00 p. Men's</p> <p>Tue. 6:30 a. Topic 10:00 a. Step/Topic 5:30 p. Big Book</p> <p>Wed. 6:30 a. Topic 10:00 a. Big Book</p> <p>Thr. 6:30 a. Topic 10:00 a. Topic 5:30 p. Step/Topic/Trad</p> <p>Fri. 6:30 a. Topic 10:00 a. Step/12 &amp; 12 8:00 p. Step</p> <p>Sat. 6:30 a. Topic 8:30 a. Big Book/Steps 10:00 a. Big Book</p> <p><b>8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng. (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Only)</b></p>
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## In Person AA Groups NEED YOUR SUPPORT

- **Sun. 3 p.m.** Gratitude Plus, Pass It On Club, 6229 W Forest Home Ave, Milwaukee WI
- **Sun. 7 p.m.** Waukesha Sunday Night Beginner's, Ascension Lutheran Church, 1415 Dopp St, Waukesha WI
- **Sun. 7 p.m.** Butler Sunday Night, St. Agnes, 12801 W Fairmount St, Butler WI.
- **Mon. 7 p.m.** Unity Gp, 4600 Pilgrim Rd, Brookfield, WI
- **Tues. 7 p.m.** Gp 43, Friendship Club, 2245 W Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee WI.
- **Wed. 8:00 p.m.** Helping Hand, Nativity Lutheran Church, 6905 W Bluemound Rd, Milwaukee WI
- **Thur. 12:15 p.m.** Jeanette Burnett Gp, St John's Cathedral Complex, 831 N Van Buren, Milwaukee WI
- **Thurs. 8:00 p.m.** Grateful Gp. Chabad House, 3030 E Kenwood Blvd, Milwaukee, WI
- **Thurs. 8:30 p.m.** Gp 22, Underwood Memorial Baptist, 1916 Wauwatosa Ave,
- **Fri. 9:30 p.m.** Big Book, Martin Luther Church 9235 W Bluemound Rd. Milw.
- **Sat. 8 p.m.** Gp 18, St Luke's, 3200 S Herman, Bay View, WI



# MEETING ROOMS

<p><b>UNITY CLUB</b> 1715 Creek Rd West Bend, (262) 338-3500 <a href="mailto:unityclub1715@att.net">unityclub1715@att.net</a> <a href="http://www.facebook.com">www.facebook.com</a></p> <p><b>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sun. 10:30 a.* Gratitude Gp. 8:00 p. Candlelight Gp.</p> <p>Mon. 10:00 a. Monday A.M. 7:00 p. Men's 7:00 p. Women's</p> <p>Tue. 10:00 a. Tuesday A.M. 7:30 p. Beginner's</p> <p>Wed. 10:00 a. Promises 1:00 p. Steps/Promises 5:00 p. Happy Hour Gp In-person &amp; Zoom: 332602852, pw: 123456</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. Big Book</p> <p>Fri. 10:00 a. Step/Topic Gp 6:00 p. Big Book</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Here &amp; Now 7:00 p. Big Book Connection</p> <p><b>AL-ANON &amp; ALATEEN MTNGS</b> Saturday 9:00 a. Al-Anon Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon</p> <p>• Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month</p>	<p><b>FRIENDSHIP CLUB</b> 2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee, WI (414) 931-7033</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net">friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</a></p> <p><b>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sunday 10:00 a. Friendship 11:00 a. Third Sunday Open Meeting</p> <p>Monday 10:30 a. Step Gp</p> <p>Tuesday 7:00 p. Gp 43 Big Book</p> <p>Saturday 10:30 a. Gp 112 Step</p> <p>Call for information on other types of meetings.</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net">friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</a></p>	<p><b>12 STEP CLUB</b> 4102 W Townsend St. Milwaukee, WI 53216 (414) 871-0610</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Saturday: 10:00 a. Beginner's,</p> <p>Call the club for information on AA meetings, meetings for other fellowships and for special events.</p> <p><b>BEAVER DAM ALANO CLUB</b> 115 N Lincoln St. Beaver Dam WI 53916</p> <p>Sun: 10:30 a.m. &amp; 7 p.m. Mon: 8 a.m., 6 p.m. &amp; 8 p.m. Tue: 9:30 a.m. &amp; 7:30 p.m. Wed: 8 a.m. &amp; 7 p.m. Thur: 9:30 a.m. &amp; 8 p.m. Fri: 12 Noon &amp; 6 p.m. Sat : 12 Noon &amp; 7 p.m. Open</p>	<p><b>MILWAUKEE GROUP</b> 933 E Center St, Milw WI 53212.</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETINGS</b></p> <p>Sun. 10:00 a In-person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Mon. 5:30 p. In-Person 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Tue. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Wed. 5:30 p. Zoom <a href="https://zoom.us/j/8974697046">https://zoom.us/j/8974697046</a> pw:0 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Thur. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Fri. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Sat. 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p><b>Milwaukee Central Office</b> 7429 W Greenfield West Allis WI 414-771-9119</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETINGS</b></p> <p>Sun. 9:00 a. Gp 10 Sunday</p> <p>Mon. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Tue. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Wed. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Thur. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Fri. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Sat. 9:15 a. 1st Step 10:30 a.</p> <p><b>We do not meet on major holidays.</b></p>	<p><b>LIGHTHOUSE ON DEWEY</b> 1220 Dewey Ave. Wauwatosa WI</p> <p><b>AA MEETINGS</b></p> <p><b>Sunday</b> 6:00 p. Jim's First Step 7:30 p. Gp 78 Great Room</p> <p><b>Monday</b> 7:30 p. Laughs/Leisure</p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> 6:00 p. 11th Step Meditation 7:30 p. Professionals</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 p. Presidents Hall 8:00 p. "RES-IPSA"</p> <p><b>Thursday</b> 7:30 p. Alumni No 12</p> <p><b>Friday</b> 7:15 p. Gp 74</p> <p><b>Saturday</b> 10:00 a. Gp 59</p> <p><b>All Saint's Cathedral</b> 818 E Juneau Ave. Milw 53202</p> <p>Sun: 7:00 p.m. Bench Meeting Mon: 7:30 p.m. #08 Sane &amp; Sober Tue: 10:30 a.m. Men's Gp. Wed: 7:30 p.m. Men's Gp. Fri: 7:30 p.m. Big Book Gp. Sat: 10:30 a.m. Men's Gp.</p>
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## JOIN the BIRTHDAY CLUB!

We celebrate birthdays, and we'd like to help you celebrate yours! Send us a contribution of **\$1 for each year of Sobriety**- or more if you choose- and we'll print your birthday in the Between-Us Newsletter. Include your Home Group, and we'll print that also!

Requests should be in by the 24th of the month prior to your sobriety date. Late arrivals will appear the following month.

Just fill in the form below and mail, with your contribution, to:

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# Come Join Our Tuesday Nite Impaired Professional AA Meeting



Tuesday nights at 7:30  
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
 11709 W. Cleveland Ave., Milwaukee [Map](#)

Not just for professionals but for anyone seeking sobriety and a better way of life by working the 12 steps and living well. Come share in the fellowship with us and start enjoying life again.

We meet in person and on Zoom. Meeting ID = 98178765495, Password = 071150.  
**Hope to see you there!!**

# HAND OF AA TUESDAYS 7 PM



*"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."*  
 -AA Responsibility Statement

The Hand of AA Group meets in person and online Tuesdays at 7 PM CT. It is a literature meeting where a topic is taken from either conference approved literature or the AA Grapevine.

1st Week: Step  
 2nd Week: Open  
 3rd Week: Tradition  
 Other weeks: Topic

To join us in person: We meet at Mount Zion Lutheran Church 12012 W North Ave, Wauwatosa WI 53226. Parking and the entrance are behind the church off 120th St.



For Zoom:  
 Meeting ID "544 131 1866"  
 Password: 414

Or use the QR code to see the web page and a direct Zoom link



LGBT AA Meeting  
 All AA members are welcome  
**Sunday afternoons at 4pm**

located in

MKE LGBT CENTER  
 315 W Court Street  
 Milwaukee, WI 53212



Accessibility Lift in building  
 and plenty of parking in lot adjacent to the building  
 Any questions, call (414)617-1152

"Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of persons who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking."



## Friday Night Couples in Recovery

**We are Back - EVERY Friday!**

We welcome couples and singles interested in applying the 12 steps to both self and relationships!

We meet each Friday of the month beginning April 1st and would like couples or singles working any 12 step program to join us

At 7:30 pm



St. Pius Church  
 2520 N. Wauwatosa Ave. (76<sup>th</sup> St.)  
 Just north of North Ave.

[Click here for Map](#)

(Enter the building on Wauwatosa Ave. Turn Left & up the Stairs)



**Fox Point Group 86:  
Reaching Out,  
Join Us on Zoom Monday  
Evenings.**

We are doing a group inventory, looking at ways in which we can be more accessible.

Current members with a wide range of sobriety, join our weekly meetings to discuss topics that impact all people in recovery thus providing a healthy balance for all.

We warmly welcome all genders, sexual preferences, ethnicities, and ages.

We meet on-line with ZOOM Monday Nights at 8:00 and will do so until we resume our "live" meetings at the North Shore Congregational Church in Fox Point.

Stop on by! We open up around 7:45 and begin at 8:00. If you are shy about "Zooming," just come on in and listen. It's Alcoholics *Anonymous*.

You will find a warm welcome to a lively and amiable group living one day at a time.

<https://zoom.us/j/8700953588>

**Support needed for the Helping Hand Gp.  
Nativity Lutheran Church  
6905 W Bluemound Rd.  
Wauwatosa, WI. [Click for map.](#)  
**Wednesday Night at 8:00 PM****




**Financial News:** Please remember our tradition of self-support. If you wish to contribute to the Central Office, you can now use Venmo from your smartphone.

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...0785 are the last four digits of the phone number associated with the Venmo account. (You may be asked for these numbers)

If you don't use Venmo or PayPal, you can always come visit us at the Central Office or mail a check.

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Thursday's  
7pm  
St. Peter's Episcopal Church  
7929 W. Lincoln Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53219

**Spiritual Jesters**  
Closed Women's Meeting of AA

(Park on street, come on in through the front)

Monday Night Action's  
**37th Annual  
Anniversary  
Dinner**

**Saturday, February 17th, 2024**

*5:30 Social Hour*

*6:30 Dinner*

*8:00 AA Speaker*

*Tom C. Germantown, WI*

**TICKETS \$15 (Limited Quantity)**  
**\*Bill W Tickets Available**

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

*W156N8131 Pilgrim Rd.  
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051*

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