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Group Problems and Growing Pains

A Grapevine Milestone Report

WITH publication of the 1953 AA World Group Directory it is announced that there are, in this eighteenth year of Alcoholics Anonymous, at least 5,243 separate groups of members of AA holding meetings on some regular basis and regarding themselves as local, autonomous gatherings of persons who want to stay sober. And regarding themselves as units of an international AA.

A total of 5,243 groups--and all from the first group of three who sat over coffee cups in an Akron, Ohio kitchen and wondered if they could pass the immediate wondrousness of their own sobriety on to perhaps a fourth human being.

That was the first group problem: the simple necessity of finding one more person who would listen, and believe, and try.

Within a year, by 1936, there was a second group. . .the Akron few and some folks from Cleveland. Groups, two; world membership, fifteen persons. In the slow, early growth of AA, there was no count kept of the number of groups. But the number of group problems defied counting, old-timers say.

Problems? No numerical record is kept of the letters that come into the AA General Service Headquarters in New York that begin. . . "In our group we have a problem"; or simply, "Would you please give us a ruling for our group on an important matter?"

To each letter, though, there is an immediate answer--and no ruling! The answers are prompt, friendly, and offer the specific or composite experience other groups have had in solving similar problems. But no rulings, for the General Service Headquarters is in no sense a governing office; it is a service office operating primarily as an information center. It is neither policeman nor judge.

Let's take a "for instance". Group Problem. . .as sent in by a woman alcoholic from a western state, "I am writing you for some advice. . .we are having a little trouble with a nonalcoholic woman, the wife of our secretary. She does not believe in keeping anything to herself, and if she sees a member on the street she will talk loud all about AA. Could we have closed meetings so that she would not know everything that went on?"

Or, from another western state (Editor's note: the forty-eight states are completely represented on a nice, even, problem basis): "We feel (fifteen of us) that our group has gotten too big and too impersonal. Can we start another group in this small city?"

Or, "A member is giving us some trouble. When he gets up to speak, he preaches. . .he does not talk AA, he talks sermons. What can we do?"

The answers. . .by return mail, suggestions based on the Twelve Traditions and used by other groups where each problem has been known and met. To the group with the talking non-alcoholic. . .yes, any two persons can have a meeting, closed or open. Closed meetings are a regular part of AA in many communities. "Can we start another group?". . .if someone hadn't started another group, we would all be in the same Akron kitchen. . .or would we all *be*? To the "preacher's group," "This sort of situation is not unusual. In such matters, the group conscience is the best guide. That is, why not discuss the affair with the group as a whole. . .remembering that each of us works the program in a different way."

The group problems are mostly old. . .mostly natural. . .mostly inevitable growing pains. Many are simply the familiar stage known to old-timers as "viewing with alarm for the good of the movement." They are generally symptoms of local AA weather. . .attendance has fallen off at meetings, personality difficulties come up to the surface, or financial problems arise.

Most common problems are of the *Who* class, the *What* class or the *Can* specie.

"*Who* is a legal and acceptable member of our group?" A Texas group has had some election trouble, and the letter comes in with a claim that "those who met were not members in good standing, and the meeting was attended by picked members only." In this case, an answer said: "We have an organization that really isn't an organization in the slightest legal sense. . . . About the membership business. There is no rule about it whatsoever. Generally, and *Traditionally* speaking, an alcoholic is a member of AA if he says so. He doesn't sign anything or pledge anything. Nor is he inducted, or given credentials. He is merely regarded as a member if that's what he says he is, and he acts that way. Our guess is that he has no 'legal' status at all."

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What size should a group be?" "What really constitutes a group, and when are a few people actually a group?" The size problem seems to depend not upon numerical size or count, but on the size of sincerity. Two members have kept sober and have rebuilt their lives into usefulness through eight years of precisely the two of themselves as a group; twenty, 200 have sometimes failed. The query as to when a few people are actually a group is somewhat like Gertrude Stein's "a rose is a rose is a rose." A group is a group is a group when it is more than one "loner." It becomes listed and counted in the annual World Directory (confidential handbook for secretaries) when it has voluntarily registered itself with AA's International General Service Headquarters in New York.

Can a group rent rooms from an Alano club for its meetings?" And the answer goes back: "From this distance we can't see that there is anything in what you are doing that is contrary to our Traditions. . .you people know what is best for your local situation, ever bearing in mind our sole purpose is that of helping the sick alcoholic to recover through the twelve suggested steps of our program." Another *can* question in the same mail relates to an Al-anon Club that has a neon sign at street level reading "Al-anon." "Can you walk in under that sign and retain your anonymity?" An answer pointed out that in the New York area alone, nearly every meeting place has a sign "AA" to direct members properly.

Can non-alcoholics attend closed meetings? Particularly, could the husband of an alcoholic woman accompany her to closed sessions. . .some members said ministers or doctors were permissible, but not a mere husband. The lady's case was that she needed his presence for her reassurance.

A member had beaten up a slippee. . .physical force would make the errant remember his slip better, he claimed. The group wondered if New York could stop the well-meaning but bruising member. New York could not stop him, but to the group it could suggest that some Twelfth Step work on the violent one might be in order.

Can a group accept a contribution of money collected by a community drive? The money was collected in canisters passed around in barrooms.

. . .Can our group run a raffle to raise funds for an intergroup office?

Can a group insist on a new member having some church affiliation? What punitive action can a group take against a person who spoke in public as a self-styled member of AA, when he had been drinking the same day?

Less spectacular, far more common are the group organizational problems. . . How many do we need for a quorum to elect a group secretary? Can our group contribute to a local fund drive for a hospital and sign the contribution, "From AA, this city"? How long does a member have to be in the group before he can vote?

Problems? In a minor way, yes. In the major and broader way they are a natural part of evolution. There are no growing pains except that there has been growth. . .and there are no problems except where there has been the stirring of progress.

For their answers there was first trial and error. . .survival by test, and often failure by evasion of the test. As AA reached across the land there was the precedent of experience. . . "This is what happened in Detroit; Texas found this out." With the widening of the life-giving pool of experience there came the Traditions. . .twelve suggested steps for group survival and group recovery.

Basic among the Traditions is the right of each group to be wrong. . .if it insists! "Each group shall be autonomous, except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole" and "for our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority--a loving God as he may express himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants--they do not govern."

This has proven safe enough. . .to the number of 5,243 groups, who in perfect harmony. . .or in squabble and strife. . .in a morass of rules. . .or in an utter simplicity of patience, helpfulness, tolerance and humility. . .are carrying the message.

In the widely scattered and now immense family of AA, quarrels come and go, problems emerge and vanish. In our groups, 128,361 of us are strong, so long as within our groups we remember that "our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon AA unity."

A note from Helen B., General Secretary for Groups

Please tell us your group problems and how they have been met. . .failures and successes. Help carry the group message by sharing your experience with your General Service Headquarters.

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May 1954

Were You There, Charlie?

By: Bill Mc. | Monterey, California

THAT the AA program is basically spiritual one cannot doubt. After at least sufficient sobriety and study of the philosophy, even by those who have had little or no antagonism to the spiritual side of life as they have come through their alcoholism, the depth of thought back of the Twelve Steps is frequently dug out only with great difficulty.

It has been frequently said that those who fail to achieve and

maintain sobriety through AA are those who cannot or will not accept the spiritual side of the program, either because they are skeptics or have become agnostics or even, in some cases, atheists. If sobriety can be maintained for at least six months (and so the difficulties of the first three and the second three months' periods solved) then there can be basic hope that with body cleansed and mind cleared there will be recognition as well as acceptance of a Power greater than ourselves, from whence strength flows to alcoholics.

Perhaps those among us who profess unbelief, or refuse to ac-

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cept, never have gained until contact with AA any understanding whatsoever of spiritual thought or the ability to pursue it. Most have had some religious education or training during their youth, but either busy lives or those full of vicissitudes (usually of our own making) have resulted in all such being discarded. Church or clergy we either have not turned to in our problem, or if we have, to little or no avail, due primarily to our lack of recognition of the values to be gained through spiritual study, or the lack of understanding of our problem by clergyman or priest.

So with rebuffs of our own towards the church and religion, together with a feeling that we are not understood, that we are looked down upon and not wanted, the bottle serves as the means for many of us of silencing the voice of conscience, and so drowning the questions, the doubts and the misgivings that assail us.

Most alcoholics are materialists. . .not only because of those things that in our opinion make for necessity or pleasure of life, but in order to believe we must be able to see, to hear or to feel. Is there a God or a spiritual Power greater than ourselves? Who can prove it? Who has seen Him? Did Christ live? Did He perform the miracles that are accredited to Him? And die on the Cross with the primary objective of having that sacrifice of His so emblazoned on the minds of men in the centuries to come that His philosophy of life might be studied for the benefit of humanity? If man would but study, try to understand and accept!

Most of those who have difficulty with, or refuse to accept the spiritual, need proof. . .the tangible type of proof that one human being can give another. But that is not forthcoming and so the doubt still exists, or the complete disbelief that a Power greater than ourselves does exist, or that Christ did live, or that if He lived, His miracles were performed. . .because we have never seen God, were not present when Christ lived, nor witnessed and so experienced those powers that He possessed.

Were you there when Bill and Doctor Bob met for the first time in the kitchen of Doctor Bob's home in Akron?

Were you there to hear their discussion from which flowed the original thought upon which AA was founded?

Were you there when they sought out and subsequently aided to sobriety that chap in the hospital in Akron?

Were you there in *any* of the various communities as the AA fellowship developed through that initial thought of Bill's and Doctor Bob's?

Were you there to hear the stories of those first one hundred on what they were like and what they are now?

Were you there when the first one hundred formulated and developed the thoughts which resulted in the book, "Alcoholics Anonymous"?

Were you there when Doctor Bob and Bill stood before the first AA convention in Cleveland, Ohio, and related personally to that through their actual alcoholic experiences, and what led up to the philosophy and formation and development of Alcoholics Anonymous?

Were you there when Bill stood before the AA gathering in San

Francisco two-and-a-half years ago, on the occasion of the Lasker Award to Alcoholics Anonymous, and heard him outline the philosophy of AA and the miracles that have been performed through it?

Very few among the 150,000 or more active members of Alcoholics Anonymous have ever had opportunity for sight, hearing, or feeling in the formation and early development of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Yet we believe in the "Big Book" and in what is written there as having actually happened in the past.

If we had not been willing to accept the "Big Book" *as prima facie* evidence of all that it is stated did occur, if we had been unable to accept without doubt and with complete belief the philosophy contained within those pages, there would have been no AA fellowship, and most of us would have spent the rest of our lives on Skid Row, or gone insane or died horrible alcoholic deaths. Isn't all that a miracle?

Those who have come through the throes of alcoholism and have so accepted, do so primarily and basically and only through faith. And our faith has made us free. How many times did Christ, during His extremely short adult life, employ words to that effect? "Your faith has set you free."

Christ did not preach nor advocate a religion as we understand religion today. Christ preached a spiritual philosophy. All that anyone has to do is to read with open mind the Sermon on the Mount, to understand the earnestness and the sincerity with which, centuries ago, He endeavored to convey to man the logic and necessity of our achieving charity, humility, decency, justice, hope, brotherly love and faith in order that a life of fullness and happiness be both experienced and enjoyed.

Christ never taught that there was value in things material. Christ labored and died to prove to humanity that man's basic hope for well-being was to be found through a clear conscience, engendered and maintained through right living. So as we accept the "Big Book" there should likewise be acceptance on our part of what has been set down of the teachings of this Man as a guide to us for better living and for the right kind of human relationship.

Many of us--for the first time in our lives--have found better living and humility through AA. We have experienced sacrifice on the part of many that has enabled us to achieve and maintain sobriety and gradually gain an understanding of a happy and true life that we have not experienced before. We have come to recognize that material things mean nothing if not accompanied by physical well-being, mental clarity, friendship, understanding and love.

We see the down-trodden, the unfortunate, the sick, the outcast and the materialistic bigot--all change into an individual and personality completely foreign to what he was before.

We actually experience, ourselves and through others, visualization of what we were like and what we are now.

We see and experience that Power greater than ourselves flowing through every single AA group meeting that we attend.

We need not have been there, Charlie.

We have belief, we have faith, and that belief and that faith has made us free. . .and will keep us free.

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A Spiritual Awakening in Prison

By: Anon. | New York

RECENTLY I was asked the question, "What do you get, or expect to get, out of the AA group or from attending its meetings?" At the time I gave the answer, "Sobriety"; but later reflection on this question proved that I had actually realized a great deal more from AA than this very vital need, especially through the group therapy at the closed meetings where experiences, effects and results were shown in the discussion. These closed sessions gave me a desire to:

1. Admit to myself that I was powerless over alcohol and that it made my life unmanageable to the extent that I landed here in prison. I am now ready to admit that this was in all probability a real break for me because it gave me the chance to find myself again through AA. Next came the desire to find someone or something to lean upon, and my past experience had taught me that this would have to be greater than an ordinary mortal. This thinking led to the feeling that:
2. A power greater than myself or any one person would be necessary to restore my sanity and aid me in my desire to work out a new and better pattern for future living. I found I had to disregard all of my more recent thoughts of divine power and had to turn my thoughts back to childhood days in order to find the One who could and would supply that need. This brought about a decision to:
3. Turn my will and my life over to the God of my earlier life. I knew from those bygone days that this God of mine would accept this burden and care only if I would:
4. Make a searching and fearlessly honest moral inventory of myself and:
5. Admit to Him, myself and at least one other human being the extent and exact nature of my wrongs. Having made this admission, I then felt ready to ask Him to:
6. Remove all of these defects of character from me and to:

7. Remove all of my other shortcomings by answering my prayers in which I asked that He grant me the serenity to accept the things which I could not change; that He give to me the courage to change the things I could; and the wisdom to know the difference. I soon realized that in my prayer I asked a great deal and this made me very willing to:
8. List and make amends to all that I had harmed or to whom I was in any way indebted. I knew, too, that these amends could only be rightly made:
9. Directly to the persons involved wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others. The thought of a possible recurrence made me resolve that my best salvation lay in making a:
10. Daily inventory of myself, my actions, and my thoughts, and upon finding anything of a wrong nature, to admit and correct it promptly. This I carry out at the end of each day. I find then that I am ready to seek:
11. Through daily prayer and earnest meditation to improve my conscious and living contact with my God. I ask that in me, only His will be done, praying also that He make His will known to me and that He bestow in me the power to carry out His will fully and without reservation. A great gift such as that I have asked of Him, who alone is great enough to overcome my obstacles, faults and burdens, brought about in me:

A spiritual awakening, so great, that I now want to carry this message to all alcoholics who are desirous of trying to travel with me along this highway, which leads to a life of fullness, peace and contentment.

To stay on this road, and merit its rewards (for they are many), I must throughout each day not only preach, but must also practice fully all of these principles in each and every one of my daily contacts. Keeping to this set of personal requirements will gain for me sobriety, honesty and a new code of ethics, that will bring to me as final gifts, the blessings of friendship through respect; a sense of charity through the desire to help others to share in the finding of a better way of life; and above all, a new set of values to guide me along higher planes.

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May 1956

Is Sobriety Progressive?

By: R. S. | Pelham, New York

WHO cares about inventing tunes on the piano?

Or that I wrote this article first in French?

Or that I have a clearer picture of the roundness of the world and the people who walk upside down on it?

I care.

For not so very long ago I was the one who wouldn't have cared. I was too busy playing dead.

Now such things are, for me, small evidences of a quickening which means much to me and, I feel sure, to those around me. They are dancing lights on the surface of deep and tranquil waters. They reflect profound and satisfying experiences which have been the gift of AA sobriety.

To discuss that sobriety is to search into the deep abyss of the human soul.

While "sobriety" implies that I am not drunk, it also suggests that my senses are alive, my mind and spirit alert to my surroundings.

Yet this alone is not enough.

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A tree thrusts its roots down into the earth in order to grow upward toward the sun. Human personality is rooted deep in the subconscious and takes its nourishment there. It is no more possible for a human being to achieve spiritual growth out of a murky soul than for a tree to grow tall in poisoned soil.

In the beginning I found it imperative to give my inner self a major cleansing. Honest self-examination and a willingness to change seemed to stir something which I can only describe as a quickening. I seemed to feel a new zest for life. I felt new impulses stirring.

Without conscious effort I felt a desire for growth in understanding.

But whatever growth took place seemed to depend upon a willingness to let it take place freely. I could not enlarge my mental horizons unless I discarded prejudices and re-examined convictions. Mere prejudice stops thought; convictions have a way of going stale unless their original premises are periodically re-viewed.

This applies to my attitudes toward myself as well as toward people and things.

I need to be continuously receptive and tolerant. Sometimes it requires some effort--a re-inventory of self. Always it is rewarding when achieved.

Increasing sincerity and good will make it easier to perceive the importance of looking upward as well as outward and inward.

All of us must reach out to touch the realities around us. We have responsibilities to family, friends, the human race, and to ourselves.

Most of us come to the point, sooner or later, where we see the necessity of searching our innermost selves for self-knowledge, and then applying that knowledge in all good will to others.

But I am convinced that it is above all essential to arrive at some acceptance of and identification with that Higher Power which gives us life.

Mere cow-like acceptance seems not enough. It wasn't enough for me. For some mysterious reason I need to search for signs of God.

And it has occurred to me that it is the very seeking itself that I require.

Somehow, I believe, the shape of the God we conceive will be fashioned in the mould of our seeking. For God is in a sense a fulfillment and we aspire to fill our needs. As our needs change so will our concepts, and God may appear differently at different times.

I am prepared to think God may love us all. Perhaps we prosper in accordance with how we love him.

The drunkard bows to the bottle.

The primitive savage mutters incantations before his personal

devil-god.

The Hindu lives in a society which Nehru calls irrational, yet practices a religion founded upon the most rational, intellectual principles.

The traditional Chinese leads a logical, well-ordered existence in which family ties are strong. Nevertheless vast numbers turn to Buddhism, an intuitive religion, which is not logical and which aims at ultimate withdrawal, the very negation of human relationships.

So each seems to find that concept of a Higher Power which fills an unconscious need.

We can see these tendencies in others. Our difficulty is with ourselves: to see ourselves in the midst of the society which envelops us.

I have found it stimulating to review my surroundings in this civilization and to re-appraise the elements within it. If the search for God is in truth a definition of the needs of the individual, then for me self-knowledge and spiritual satisfaction demand an understanding of the society which profoundly affects what I am. Otherwise, I run the risk of confusing mental habit with comprehension, of pursuing false values, of mistaking the temporary for the eternal.

But since I am looking for more lasting truth, I am relaxed and can absorb a vast amount of information in the process--effortlessly. So this indicates to me that if sobriety is not necessarily progressive, it can be. For true satisfaction, I believe it actually must be.

None of my particular investigations are necessary to stay sober. Nor is my personal little hoard of knowledge essential to spirituality, for there is a witness of God in every blade of grass and a rebirth of soul in every generous act.

The important thing is the search.

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Hope to see you there!!

The advertisement features a graphic of three hands in green, blue, and purple, with small decorative stars around them.

May 1957

For Grown-ups Only

Taking a moral inventory is usually a vital part of our AA lives. How to do it--what to look for--varies from person to person. Dr. William C. Menninger in an article in "This Week" magazine, answered the question, "How does one go about becoming mature?"

PERSONALITY TRAITS, of course, can't be weighed or measured exactly. Nevertheless we know there are certain important and desirable qualities present in all normal, mature, and well-adjusted people.

These qualities are real. They can be recognized in other people. Knowing what they are, you can also in some degree look for them in your own personality. Here is the list:

1. *Sincerity*: Some people we know--very few--always have their cards face up. We know where they stand and we know where we stand with them. There is no sham, pretense, hypocrisy, apple-polishing, uncertainty, show, arrogance or equivocation. They are real all the way through. This is an essential ingredient in getting along with people.
2. *Personal Integrity*: Perhaps this character trait of an individual is not greatly different from sincerity, because unless one is sincere, he can't have integrity. On the other hand, it does refer to very special qualities of decency, honesty, loyalty, fair play and honor. An individual with real personal integrity has a deep sense of responsibility and dependability. He is sound. He keeps his promises. He lives up to his commitments.
3. *Humility*: If one picks out the great leaders of the present or

our past, one invariably finds the character trait of humility. Maturity is usually combined with modesty. It is never present in the smart-alecks, the know-it-balls, the self-appointed saviors, nor the persons who know the answers before they hear the questions.

4. *Courtesy*: This means much more than just being thoughtful or polite to other people. It means tolerance. I want to worship God in any way and give my full approval to you to worship your God in your way; I have my eccentricities and peculiarities and I approve of your having yours. You are just as good as I am, and I'll respect your right to speak your piece even if I don't agree. This is courtesy in its largest sense. Can you, under pressure, remain gracious, considerate, courteous?

5. *Wisdom*: There isn't any escape from the fact that, even though an individual might be sincere and humble and courteous, unless he has the wisdom to make the right decisions and actions, to do the right things at the right time, to give the correct guidance and counsel when it is indicated, he does not get along with people.

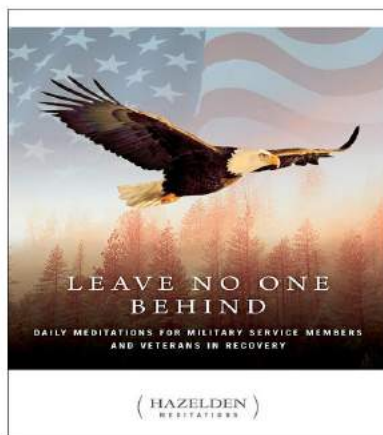
Charity: Maybe this is the most important attribute for any personality. In its broadest interpretation it means the capacity to love. It implies the acceptance of the fact that we all have weaknesses; we all make mistakes. To be able to get along with people requires the charity of forgiveness. Are you big enough to love your neighbor as yourself?

Take a good look at yourself for the presence or absence of these qualities. That will help determine how mature you are. And, speaking as a doctor, I can say that maturity is essential if you are to get along with other people and be truly happy and successful.

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Behind Me

Weed. Booze. Beer. All of that. I used all of it. Then I came home and they gave me legal drugs. I don't feel at all. Or I feel high. Anything to not think. I don't want to think. Anything to stop my ears from ringing. To relax. To not have to talk to my family. To not have to talk to my buddy's wife. My buddy's gone. I can't look at her.

I don't think I've got PTSD, I think I was just having a tough time. A rough patch. A *really* rough patch.

I was there. Behind. I had been left. I left myself.

I have to want to not be back there. Every day, I have to not want to leave myself behind. I have to suit up and show up. I have to catch up and stay caught up. I have to ask for help. I have to help others. I have to show them how it's done. Because, if I don't, I'll leave myself behind again. It's on me. It's all up to me.

And I'll do it. Because I'm a warrior.

Today, I'll suit up and show up for everything in front of me. I'm not going to leave myself behind again.

Josh O., U.S. Army, 2012-2018

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



“Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.” Tradition Seven, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions,

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Sat. 9:15 a., & 10:30 a.

• Dist. 14 monthly meeting, 4th Wed. at 7 p.m.

• Dist. 16, 1st Wed. at 6 p.m.

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• Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Av, Milw. GRUPO 5 CONCEPTOS, 7:00 P.M. Saturdays, Upstairs. And Viajeros Wisconsin, 7:00 P.M. Saturdays, in lower level.

• GRUPO NUEVO AMANECER, Tri-County Unity Club, 104 N. First St, Watertown, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:00 PM and on Sunday at 11:00 AM

• GRUPO FE Y ESPRONZA, Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St. Fond du Lac WI on Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Sundays at 4:00 PM

SAFETY CARD FOR A.A. GROUPS

(The General Service Office has made this optional statement available as an A.A. service piece for those groups who wish to use it.)

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

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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- [West Allis Senior Center](#), 7001 W National Ave, West Allis WI. Call Shanon at [414-302-8717](tel:414-302-8717).
- [Luther Memorial Church](#), 2840 S 84th St. West Allis WI. Contact by email: prviviane28@outlook.com
- [St Peter's Episcopal Church](#), 7929 W Lincoln Ave, West Allis, Contact: Steve 414-543-6040 or email: christumc1@sbcglobal.net
- [Anchor Covenant Church](#) 1229 Park Row, Lake Geneva WI 53147, contact Laura, office@anchorcovenant.org

Redemptorist Retreat Center,

1800 N Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc, WI 53066,

(262) 567-6900 Email:

rrc@redemptoristretreat.org

Please call for information and schedule of retreats for recovering people. AA and AI-Anon, \$250 three nights. We discuss the 12 steps and related topics.

2023 Weekend Retreats

Jesuit Retreat House,

4800 Fahrwald Rd.

Oshkosh, WI.

WI 54901, call 800-962-7330

jesuitretreathouse.org

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.

The [Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee](#) needs to

rotate it's members. We are searching for two AA members to act as Co-Chairs, a treasure, and a liaison person to work with Members of AA Deaf community. They can email SWDAC at: Southern-WIDeafAccess@gmail.com

[Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee \(SWDAC\) 2023](#)

JANUARY thru DECEMBER 2022

Beginning Balance \$ 6,210.62

Contributions: \$ 8,013.17

Interpreters: \$ 4,120.00

****ENDING BALANCE: \$ 10,103.79**

The cost for an interpreter is \$50 for a zoom meeting and \$80 for an in-person meeting. Contact Anthony S. with questions: Anthony.Scott.0615@gmail.com

VENMO Contributions: www.venmo.com/SWDAC

[Southern Wisconsin AA Deaf Access Committee](#)

P.O. Box 1982

Waukesha, WI 53186

District Number: _____

Group Name: _____

Donation: _____

Individuals may contribute as well.

VENMO Contributions: www.venmo.com/SWDAC

DISTRICT MEETINGS

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:** 1st Sun. 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 Wed. of month, 6:00 p, Milw. Central Office, 7429 W Greenfield Ave. West Allis WI

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/6870109941?pwd=YVI4SVQzU3FaSE1rc3dzVmtxdFM4QT09) 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: [881 8331 2739](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88183312739), Passcode: 071956

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

36. **RACINE/KENOSHA:** (1 of 2) 2nd Tues. month 6:00 p.m., 12 & 12 Club, 724 N Pine St., Burlington

38. **MILWAUKEE CNTY:** Last Sunday of month 4:00 p.m. All Saint Cathedral, 818 E Juneau Ave.

SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:

7429 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214, dan@aamilwaukee.com

[Area 75, Southern WI, Calendar of Events 2023](#)

All meeting held virtually until further notice

- Zoom Meeting Contact Area Chair: Andrew I. chair@area75.org
- **Spring Assembly** 4/16/23, **Summer Assembly** 6/11/23, **Pre Conference Assembly** 9/10/23, and the **Conference Assembly** 10/21/23

CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

In-person meetings have started back up in the Area corrections facilities. Contact Michelle, Area Corrections Chair by email; 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: mccccoordinator@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 MORAIN CORRECTIONAL**, Forrest Dr., Plymouth,
- **MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION**, 8885 S. 68th St. Franklin WI. Emily J. by Email: mccccoordinator@gmail.com
- **MILWAUKEE COUNTY JAIL** 9th & State Milwaukee WI. Emily J. by Email: mccccoordinator@gmail.com
- **MILWAUKEE SECURE DETENTION**, 1015 N. 10th St. Emily J. by Email: mccccoordinator@gmail.com.
- **MILWAUKEE WOMEN'S CORRECTIONAL CENTER**, 615 W Keefe Ave. Emily J. by Email: mccccoordinator@gmail.com

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

- **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: Deaf Access Committee, P.O. Box 1982, Waukesha WI 53186

MEETING ROOMS

NEW DAY CLUB
11936 N. Port Washington Rd
Mequon, (262) 241-4673
www.newdayclub.org
A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Topic
11:00 a. Topic
5:00 p. Young People
7:30 p. Topic

Mon. 12:30 p. Tenth Step Gp
5:30 p. More about Alcoholism
8:15 p. Men's Gp

Tue. 10:00 a. Topic
5:30 p. Big Book
7:00 p. Beginners Gp
8:00 p. Big Book Gp

Wed. 10:00 a. Topic
2:00 p. Promises Meeting
5:30 p. Step Meeting
7:00 p. Women's Lifeline

Thur. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting
1:00 p. Women's AA Gp
5:30 p. Topic Meeting

Fri. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting
5:30 p. Step/Tradition
8:00 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)

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.

PASS IT ON CLUB
6229 W. Forest Home Ave
Milwaukee WI (414) 541-6923

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

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

Mon. 7:30 a. Jump Start
10:30 a. First Step
4:00 p. Happy Hour Step Gp.
7:00 p. Open Introductory AA

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

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 & Ours

Thur. 7:30 a. Welcome Back Gp
10:30 a. Made Decision
5:15 p. As Bill Sees It
7:00 p. Gateway Topic Gp

Fri. 7:30 a. Honesty Gp.
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

Sat. 10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free
3:00 p. 12 Promises Group
7:00 p. Viagers Wisconsin lower level
8:00 p. 5 Concepts upstairs
8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12

LAKE AREA CLUB
N60 W 35878 Lake Dr
Oconomowoc, WI
(262) 567-9912
www.lakeareaclub.com

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

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

Mon. 1:00 p.
4:00 p.
7:00 p. Life House Beginners
8:00 a.

Wed. 10:00 a. Back To Basics
2:00 p. Women's Meeting
6:00 p.
8:00 p.
4:00 p.
5:00 p. Woman's Way 12 Steps
8:00 p. Grapevine Mtng

Thur. 12:30 p.
4:00 p.
8:00 p. Old School House
10:00 a. Big Book

OPEN AA/Al-Anon
SPEAKER MEETING
Sat. 7:00 p. 2nd & 4th Saturdays
(AA and/or Al-Anon Speakers)

AL-ANON MEETINGS
Mon. 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Tue. 9:00 a. Al-Anon
Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon & Alateen

WAUKESHA ALANO CLUB
318 W. Broadway
Waukesha, WI, 262-549-6541
A.A. MEETINGS,

(IP)=In-person,

Sun. 9:30 a. Sun Morn Sunlight (IP)
11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtng (IP)
07:00 p. Big Book Study (IP)

Mon. 12:00 p. (IP)
6:00 p. Beginners AA (IP)
7:00 p. (12 & 12) (IP)

Tue. 12:00 p. Wed Nooners (IP)
5:30 p. Topic Gp (IP)

Thur. 12:00 p. Nooners (IP)
12:00 p. T.G.I.F. Gp (IP)

Fri. 07:00 p. Last Stand at Alano (IP)

Sat. 06:00 a. Early Morning (IP)
10:00 a. Gp 124 (IP)

OPEN MEETINGS,
DANCES & EVENTS
Call for information.

GALANO CLUB
- LGBT & All in Recovery -
7210 W Greenfield Ave LL
Milwaukee, WI 53214, 414-276-6936
<http://www.galanoclub.org/>
galanoclub@gmail.com

(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V & IP)=Both
In Person and Phone Meetings Phone/
Video AA Meetings, Call (978) 990-5195
Meeting Id: galano7210
Code: 1919178#

Sunday: (V & IP)
10:30 a.m. - AA - Step / Topic
Meeting (In-person/phone/video)
10:30 a.m. - Al-Anon - Papillon Group.
(In-person)

Monday: (V & IP)
7:30 p.m. - AA "Came to Believe" 12
Spirituality. (In-person/phone/video)

Tuesday: (V & IP)
6:00 p.m. - AA Over and Under 40
Group (In-person/phone/video)

Thursday: (V & IP)
7:30 p.m. - AA - Living Sober One Day at
A Time In-person & Phone/video

Friday: (V & IP)
10:30 a.m. AA Step & Topic

Saturday: (V & IP)
7:30 p.m. - AA - Big Book & More. (In-
person/Phone/video)
The Galano Club is open one half hour
before the scheduled meetings.

NORTHWEST ALANO CLUB*
N88 W17658 Christman Rd
Menomonee Falls WI
53051 (No Phone)
Room 202
A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE
(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V & IP)=Both

Sun. 10:00 a. Big Book Rm 202
7:00 p. Sun Night Gp Rm 202

Mon. 7:00 p. Just Do It Gp Rm 202

Tue. 10:00 a. Step
8:00 p. Topic

Wed. 7:00 p. Step/Topic

Thur. 10:00 a. Step
6:00 p. Women's

Fri. 8:00 p. Step/Topic (V & IP)
5:30 p. Code 3 Mtng Rm 202

Sat. 10:00 a. Sat Serenity Gp
7:00 p. Simply Sober Gp Rm 202

AL-ANON MEETINGS
Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Fri. 7:30 p. Al-Anon

*This Club is a Smoke-Free environment.
We have ample meeting space available
for 12 Step groups. Contact the
Northwest Alano Club by mail.

**WALWORTH
COUNTY ALANO CLUB**
611 Walworth St.
(Hwy. 50 & 11)
Delavan, WI 53115,
(262) 740-1888

Sunday AA
10:00 a. Primitive Group
12:00 p. Open Speakers
6:30 p. Delavan Discussion

Monday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. Delavan Step Meeting
6:30 p. Delavan Meeting

Tuesday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp.
6:30 p. Delavan 12 Step Topic

Wednesday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. As Bill Sees It Gp.
6:30 p. Delavan IT Meeting

Thursday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp.
6:30 p. Delavan Big Book Gp.

Friday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. Big Book Study
6:30 p. Delavan Discussion

Saturday AA
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up
12:00 p. Delavan Noon Gp.
6:30 p. Delavan Beginners Gp.

ALANO CLUB
1521 N. Prospect Ave.,
Milwaukee, WI, 53202
(414) 278-9102
<http://www.mkealanoclub.org/>

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 7:00 a. AA Meeting
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
7:30 p. We Agnostics

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

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
7:30 p. We Agnostics

Thur. 7:00 a. Big Book Meeting
10:30 a. Gp 97, Step
12:15 p. Here & Now Gp
7:00 p. AA (LGBT) All Welcome

Fri. 7:00 a. Daily Reflections
10:30 a. Gp 21, Step
12:15 p. Gp 65
6:30 p. Here & Now
7:30 p. Fri Night Men's AA Gp.
12:15 am. Second Shifters (Sat.)

Sat. 7:00 a. AA Meeting
11:00 a. Gp 87 Step
7:30 p. Open AA Speaker Mtng

AL-ANON MEETING
Sunday 10:00 a. Al-Anon

H.O.W. TO CLUB
8930 W. National Ave,
West Allis, (414) 543-2448
<http://howtoclub.info/>
M, W, F, Sat. 9 a. -11 p.,
Tue Thr 9a. - 9p., Sun 8a to 9p.

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
8:00 p. Sun. Sober & Serene

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.

Tue. 11:00 a. Willingness Group
6:00 p. Tue Topic 6pm Gp
8:00 p. New Hope Meeting

Wed. 10:00 a. Foundations Meeting
6:00 p. AA Beginners Gp.
7:00 p. Women's Freedom
8:00 p. Promises Group

Thur. 10:00 a. But For Grace Of God
6:00 p. Here and Now
8:00 p. How To Get It Going

Fri. 11:00 a. Priority Group
6:00 p. Big Book Friday
8:00 p. R.U.S. For Us
11:00 p. Candlelight Promises
9:15 a. Men's Topic
11:00 a. Pioneers Group
3:00 p. Spiritual Growth
6:00 p. 1st & 12 Topic
8:00 p. Open Speaker 3rd Sat
8:00 p. HOW To Saturday

24 HOUR CLUB
153 Green Bay Rd.
Thiensville, WI
[Web and Facebook Info](http://www.webandfacebookinfo)

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Topic
10:00 a. Step/Topic

Mon. 6:30 a. Topic
10:00 a. Topic
8:00 p. Men's

Tue. 6:30 a. Topic
10:00 a. Step/Topic
5:30 p. Big Book

Wed. 6:30 a. Topic
10:00 a. Big Book

Thur. 6:30 a. Topic
10:00 a. Topic
5:30 p. Step/Topic/Trad
8:00 p. Men's Big Book

Fri. 6:30 a. Topic
10:00 a. Step/12 & 12
8:00 p. Step

Sat. 6:30 a. Topic
8:30 a. Big Book/Steps
10:00 a. Big Book
8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng.
(1st Saturday Only)

In Person AA Groups NEED YOUR SUPPORT

- **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
- **Sat. 7 p.m.** 12 Step Club 4102 W Townsend St. Milw., WI

MEETING ROOMS

UNITY CLUB
1715 Creek Rd
West Bend, (262) 338-3500
unityclub1715@att.net
www.facebook.com

AA MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 10:30 a.* Gratitude Gp.
8:00 p. Candlelight Gp.

Mon. 10:00 a. Monday A.M.
7:00 p. Men's
7:00 p. Women's

Tue. 10:00 a. Tuesday A.M.
7:30 p. Beginner's
8:00 p. Step Gp

Wed. 10:00 a. Promises
1:00 p. Steps/Promises
5:00 p. Happy Hour Gp In-person & Zoom: 332602852, pw: 123456
8:15 p. Step Gp

Thur. 10:00 a. Big Book
7:00 p. EZ Dozen12x12

Fri. 10:00 a. Step/Topic Gp
6:00 p. Big Book

Sat. 10:00 a. Here & Now
6:00 p. Big Book Connection

AL-ANON & ALATEEN MTNGS
Saturday 9:00 a. Al-Anon
Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon

• Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month

FRIENDSHIP CLUB
2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave
Milwaukee, WI
(414) 931-7033

Email: friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net

AA MEETING SCHEDULE

Sunday
10:00 a. Friendship
11:00 a. Third Sunday
Open Meeting

Monday
10:30 a. Step Gp

Tuesday
7:00 p. Gp 43 Big Book

Saturday
10:30 a. Gp 112 Step

Call for information on other types of meetings.

Email: friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net

12 STEP CLUB
4102 W Townsend St.
Milwaukee, WI 53216
(414) 871-0610

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Friday: 11:00 a. Gp. 61

Saturday: 10:00 a. Beginner's,
7:00 p. 12 Steps Gp

Call the club for information on Open Speaker AA meetings, meetings for other fellowships and for special events.

BEAVER DAM ALANO CLUB
115 N Lincoln St.
Beaver Dam WI 53916

Sun: 10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Mon: 8 a.m., 6 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Tue: 9:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Wed: 8 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Thur: 9:30 a.m. & 8 p.m.
Fri: 12 Noon & 6 p.m.
Sat : 12 Noon & 7 p.m. Open

MILWAUKEE GROUP
933 E Center St, Milw WI 53212.

A.A. MEETINGS

Sun. 10:00 a In-person
8:30 p. In-Person

Mon. 5:30 p. In-Person
7:00 p. In-Person
8:30 p. In-Person

Tue. 7:00 p. In-Person
8:30 p. In-Person

Wed. 5:30 p. Zoom
<https://zoom.us/j/8974697046> pw:0
7:00 p. In-Person
8:30 p. In-Person

Thur. 7:00 p. In-Person
8:30 p. In-Person

Fri. 7:00 p. In-Person
8:30 p. In-Person

Sat. 8:30 p. In-Person

Milwaukee Central Office
7429 W Greenfield
West Allis WI 414-771-9119

A.A. MEETINGS

Sun. 9:00 a. Gp 10 Sunday

Mon. 12:15 p.

Tue. 12:15 p.

Wed. 12:15 p.

Thur. 12:15 p.

Fri. 12:15 p.

Sat. 9:15 a. 1st Step
10:30 a.

We do not meet on major holidays.

LIGHTHOUSE ON DEWEY
1220 Dewey Ave.
Wauwatosa WI

AA MEETINGS

Sunday
6:00 p. Jim's First Step
7:30 p. Gp 78 Great Room

Monday
7:30 p. Laughs/Leisure

Tuesday
6:00 p. 11th Step Meditation
7:30 p. Professionals

Wednesday
7:30 p. Presidents Hall
8:00 p. "RES-IPSA"

Thursday
7:30 p. Alumni No 12

Friday 7:15 p. Gp 74

Saturday 10:00 a. Gp 59
7:00 p. Great Room

All Saint's Cathedral
818 E Juneau Ave. Milw 53202

Sun: 7:00 p.m. Bench Meeting
Mon: 7:30 p.m. #08 Sane & 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.


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:

Payable to: "Greater Milwaukee Central Office"
Memo: Birthday Club
7429 W Greenfield Ave
West Allis WI 53214



 Payment/Contribution: using [VENMO](#) or from our website, using [Credit Card](#) or [PayPal](#).

\$ _____ enclosed.

I will have _____ years on _____ / _____ / _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Home Group</u>
4 (4/20/23)	David S.	Came To Believe
53 (May 23)	Duke X	
25 (5/23/23)	Kent L.	Group 23, Wednesday



Congratulations!



"New Meeting"

A **Women's Sunday Morning AA** meeting **starting Sunday, January 8, 2023, in Jackson, WI.** (District 12) at 10:30 am held at the Town Hall in Jackson **3146 Division Road** (Hwy G) Enter at the south doors We hope you join us - and please share!



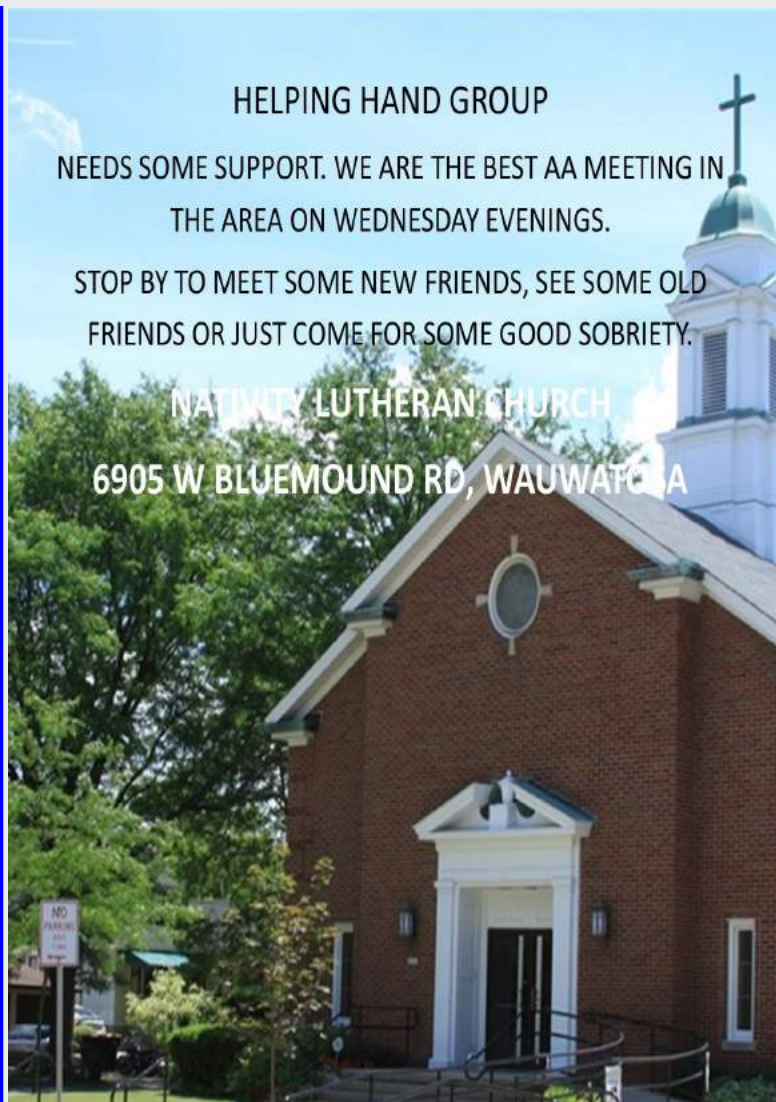
HELPING HAND GROUP

NEEDS SOME SUPPORT. WE ARE THE BEST AA MEETING IN THE AREA ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS.

STOP BY TO MEET SOME NEW FRIENDS, SEE SOME OLD FRIENDS OR JUST COME FOR SOME GOOD SOBRIETY.

NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

6905 W BLUEMOUND RD, WAUWATOSA



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WE HAVE A NEW HOME!!

GROUP #63

MONDAY NIGHTS 7:00PM

**Martin Luther Church
9235 W Bluemound Rd**

Big Book topics, 12 steps discussions, and AA general topics

COME ON OVER AND MEET NEW FRIENDS!

No mask required. This is a closed AA meeting.

A Closed AA meeting is open to those who have a desire to quit drinking. If you think you may have a drinking problem, please



Looking for a great women's AA meeting?



Look no further! We'd love to meet you!

Stepping Into The Promises

First United Methodist Church
121 Wisconsin Ave, Waukesha, WI 53186

Wednesdays at 6:00pm
Meeting on lower level, Room 101

Steps! Promises! Topics!



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>

Meeting ID [8700 953 588](https://zoom.us/j/8700953588) no password but waiting room. **By phone dial 312-626-6799**

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

Brown Deer Monday Night Group Time change:

New start time 7:30 P.M.

(Old time was 8:00 P.M.)

Starting Monday, May 1st, 2023

Location: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
8080 North 47th Street, Brown Deer, WI
(Come to Northwest door)

The meeting time for our AA Group is changing. For many years we have had our time from 8PM to 9PM. We will be changing this time to 7:30PM to 8:30PM starting Monday May 1st, 2023.



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. (76th St.)
Just north of North Ave.

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

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.

[@MilwaukeeCentralOffice-AA](#)

...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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To Contribute
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MEN'S BIG BOOK MEETING

WHEN: Thursdays
8:00 – 9:00 P.M.

WHERE: 24 Hour Club
153 Green Bay Ave.
Thiensville, WI 53092



Open to men in recovery. Beginners most welcome!



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Spring Fest

Saturday, May 20th, 2023

Social Hour: 5 pm

Italian Dinner: 6 pm

Open Meeting: 7:30 pm

AA Speaker: Dan B. ~ Alanon Speaker: Annette C.

Dance ~ DJ George : 8:30 pm

Tickets - \$15

Advance Tickets available up to May 13th at
The Club, on our website at MKEAlanoClub.org
or Scan the QR Code

*A limited number of tickets will be
available at the door for \$18*

Basket Raffle | 50/50 Raffle

HOSTED AT

The Pass It On Club
6229 W. Forest Home Ave.



For more information please call the Alano Club at 414-278-9102 or Jodie P. at 414-403-5634