

# "BETWEEN-US"

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## Three Bottles of Ale

During late August or early September of 1934, the future of AA, to be or not to be, rested in the delicate balance of Ebby Thacher's (yes, only one "t") decision to drink, or not to drink, three tempting basement-cooled bottles of Ballantine Ale which would have calmed his alcoholic shakes and impending DTs.

Ebby was living in his family summer home in Manchester, Vermont, and had been arrested for shooting at pigeons on his roof on a rainy evening. This was just not *that* sort of upscale neighborhood, i.e., Todd Lincoln, Abraham's son, once lived directly across the street. Vermont law mandated that Ebby was to be confined in Brattleboro Asylum for this—his third—drunken offence (He already had slammed his car into the side of a house and laughingly asked the owner for a cup of coffee—she called the constable instead). However, the judge allowed him to remain free if he returned to court without drinking the following Monday. Ebby picked up those three tempting ale bottles, but

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## Basket case

A former binge drinker contributes more to his group's Seventh Tradition collection, and doesn't hide it

I HAVE yet to be at a meeting that didn't pass the basket. It has come at different moments during the meetings but it has always come. In most meetings the first line of the Seventh Tradition is read as a brief explanation of the purpose of the expectation: "Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting. . . ." However, it does not say AA groups should be struggling for financial survival, as is happening currently to one of the largest and most influential groups in my area.

When I last joined AA, 21 years ago, everyone was dropping a dollar in the basket. No amount was mentioned or suggested; it just seemed that the most common rate was a buck. In the last decade or so some groups have taken to making a suggestion of \$1 and, more recently, \$2.

I recall that when one small group I regularly attended was going to adopt the suggestion of \$2, I'd argued against it. I had some idea that those who couldn't give that much would be embarrassed by such a suggestion. I now have more time,

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## June 2015 Profit and Loss

Jun 15

### Ordinary Income/Expense

#### Income

4000 · Literature Sales	11,040.95
4050 · Between us	195.00
4070 · Group Contributions	5,937.81
4100 · Memorials	60.00
4132 · Birthday Donation	63.00
4130 · Personal Contributions	7.00
4150 · Coffee/Soda/Candy	308.80
4170 · Interest Income	1.94
48900 · Shipping and Delivery Income	29.98
52500 · Purchase Discounts	230.77
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>17,875.25</b>

#### Cost of Goods Sold

5000 · Literature	6,062.00
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>6,062.00</b>

#### Expenses

51100 · Freight and Shipping Costs	269.81
59900 · POS Inventory Adjustments	-44.43
6045 · Coffee/Soda/Candy Expense	169.79
6050 · Credit card fees	171.06
6260 · Shipping and freight	22.06
6370 · License & permits	10.00
6500 · Office	2,918.54
6600 · Payroll	10,529.72
6800 · Printing	380.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>14,426.55</b>

**Net Income -2,613.30**

#### Bank Balances -

Regular Checking: \$945.60  
Savings Account: \$44,573.05  
CD, Prudaent Reserve: \$84,420.81

<b>Total Income</b>	17,875.25
Minus Total COGS	6,062.00
Minus Total Expense	14,426.55
<b>Equals Net Income</b>	<b>-2,613.30</b>

#### Meeting Space Available

- **Aurora West Allis Medical Center**, 8901 W Lincoln Ave, West Allis. Meeting space available. Contact Terese @414-328-7521 or email: [terese.beauchamp@aurora.org](mailto:terese.beauchamp@aurora.org)
- **Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church**, 5277 N. 36th St., Milwaukee, WI 53209, Contact Rev. John Patterson, Phone: 414-461-7755, Email: [mt.olivembc@wi.rr.com](mailto:mt.olivembc@wi.rr.com)
- **Galano Club-LGBT Friendly** at 7210 W Greenfield Ave. West Allis, has meeting space available for recovery groups, inexpensive room rent (\$12 -\$15 week). Plenty of free parking. Contact Deb at the club at 414-276-6936.

## Secretary Meeting, July 14, 2015

Groups represented: 7, 22, 43, 54, 56, 59, 60, 153, Big Book Friday 6pm, Big Book Study/ Hales Corners, Brown Deer Monday, Common Solution, Daily Reprieve Men's Gp., Depends On You, Friday Big Book Discussion, Grupo Five Conceptos, Honest and Able, HOW It Works B/B 12x12 Disc., Keystone 12 Promises, Mayfair Women Mon/Fri, New Berlin Big Book Tuesday, North Shore Big Book Saturday, Participation Gp, Solutions Intergroup, Sunday Morning Wake-Up, Sunday Night Men's Sussex Friday Night Action, Three Legacies, Today's Choices, Traditions Meeting Tuesday, Tuesday am Big Book and 12x12 Study, Tuesday Night Bay View Big Book, Tuesday Night Hales Corners Step/Topic, Turning Point Sunday Night, Wanderer's, Way of Life Gp., WELL Big Book, When All Else Fails, Women's Recovery Group. I'm sorry if I have missed anyone that was in attendance.

Kathy S opened the meeting at 7pm

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**New secretaries** introduced themselves.

**All meetings** listed in our meeting directories should be contributing regularly to the AA Service Entities; Milwaukee Central Office 50%, GSO in New York 30% and Area 75 Committee 10% and to your Districts 10%.

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**Central Office is having a dinner and speaker meeting.** Saturday September 26, 2015. 5 pm to 10 pm. Speaker: Jeff J. from Illinois. Italian Community Center. Limited seating for 100 people. Tickets are \$50. Menu options, Pork Tenderloin, Sicilian Chicken Breast or Italian Vegetable Sir Fry. This is a fund raising event. Call for ticket availability before sending request.

**Regional Forum** November 13-15, 2015 at Crown Plaza Airport.

**Guest Speaker:** Tara H, Area 75 Corrections Chairperson. Gave a rousing talk about the importance of the Correctional work done by AA volunteers, more are needed.

**Volunteers are needed** for the helpline, some overnight and some Saturdays. Call Kathy.

**The meeting closed** with the Lord's Prayer at 8 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday August 11, 2015 at 7 pm. Guest will be Randy R, Area 75 Grapevine Magazine Chairperson.

## ORIENTATION for GSR'S

Second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. prior to the secretary's meeting, at the Milwaukee Central Office.

## DISTRICT MEETINGS

### DISTRICT INFO ON THE WEB:

<http://www.area75.org/district.html>

1. JACKSON, LaCROSSE, MONROE, VERNON, & TREMPLEAU; 2 & 18 GREEN LAKE & MARQUETTE CNTY'S & PART OF WAUSHARA; 8 & 30 ROCK ; 9. CRAWFORD, GRANT, IOWA and LAFAYETTE; 19 & 37. RICHLAND & SAUK; 20, 21 & 26 DANE; 31. COLUMBIA CNTY; 35. GREEN; 37. JUNEAU CNTY'S

(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
4. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 2nd Thr. of month, 6:00 p., Alano Club, 1521 N. Prospect Av.
6. WALWORTH CNTY 2nd Tue. 7:30 p. Feb. Apr. June. Aug. Oct. and Dec. only, Walworth Alano Club, 611 E. Walworth St., Delavan
7. KENOSHA CNTY 3rd Sun. of month, 4:00 p., Kenosha Alano Club, 630 56th St.
10. Spanish District, at large. Contact Ernesto N. at 414 645-8591. Meets every Tue. at 5:00 p., 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., Jansen Family Park, Schuster Dr. West Bend
13. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 1st Sun. of month, 1:00 p., St. Matthias Church, 111 E. Main, Waukesha
14. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 4th Wed. of month, 7:00 p., Milwaukee Central Office 7429 W Greenfield Ave., P.O. Box 13011, Wauwatosa WI 53226

15. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) Is not an active district. No District Meeting.

16. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 1st Wed. of month, 7:00 p, Faith United Methodist Church, 400 S. 91st St.,

17. RACINE CNTY (1 of 2) 3rd Sun. of month, 1:00 p, Grove Club, 1037 Grove Ave., Racine

22. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 2nd Thr of month, 6:00 p, Alano Club, 1521 N. Prospect Ave.

23. DODGE CNTY 1st Wed of month at 7:00 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., Peltz Center for Jewish Life, 2233 W Mequon Rd. Mequon

25. FOND du LAC CNTY 2nd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St., Fond du Lac

27. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 3rd Sat. of month, 9:00 a.m. 12 Step Club, 4102 W. Townsend

28. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 3rd Mon. of month, 7:00 p, Bay View United Methodist 2772 S Kinnickinnic Ave. Bay View, WI 53207

29. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 9) 1st Mon. of month, 7:00 p, Luther Memorial Church, 2840 S 84th St., West Allis, WI 53227

32. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 4th Tuesday of month, 6:30 p, Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church, 470 Oak Crest Dr., Wales WI.

34. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 1st Tue. of month, 6:30 p, Northwest Alano Club, N88W17658 Christman Rd., Menomonee Falls

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

**SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:**  
7429 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214,  
[dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)

### AREA 75/Central Office EVENTS CALENDAR

1. Go to Area 75 website at: [area75.org](http://area75.org), 2. Look for the Area 75 Events Calendar on the right side of the page. 3. Events listed are color coded according to the area office that listed them. 4. Click on the small down arrow at the top right hand corner of the Events listing for the color "key" to the area's events. 5. Click on the small down arrow in the middle (next to the date) to view a specific date or just use the scroll button to move up and down through the days listed.

**ASL Interpreter  
Available: Meeting  
for Deaf and Hearing  
Impaired.**  
Tuesday 6:30 P.M.,  
Emmanuel Lutheran  
Deaf Church,  
2306 S 98th St.  
West Allis WI 53227

**A Buck In The Basket... Really?  
Maybe it's time for a raise!**



**"Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."**

**Tradition Seven, Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions,**  
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# CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

**TAYCHEEDAH CORRECTIONAL,**  
Meetings are held every Tuesday, 5:45 -7:30 p.m., Gloria K. (920) 921-2395

**FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION,**  
P.O. Box 1085 Oxford, No Meeting!

**FEDERAL CORRECTIONAL Satellite Camp,** New Path Group, P. O. Box 1085 Oxford, WI. Meetings Wed. at 1:30 p.m.

**OAK HILL AA GROUP, OAK HILL WCI**  
5212 Hwy M, P.O. Box 140 Oregon, WI 53575 Meetings Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Contact: Rick B. (608) 235-5154

**THOMPSON FARM, RT. 2 DEERFIELD, WI.,** Closed meeting Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. Contact: Tom Dickert, (608)764-5755

**ROBERT ELLSWORTH CORRECTIONAL,**  
21425A Spring St., Union Grove, 53182 Call for AA Meeting times: Contact Jennifer H. 262) 237-1294 or Cheryl P. (262) 914-3970.

**KETTLE MORAIN CORR.,** Box 31, W9071 Forrest Dr., Plymouth, AA Thr. at 6:00 p.m. Contact Mike L (920) 898-4782.

**WAUPUN CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION**  
AA Meeting Sat. , 8:00a.m.-9:30 a.m. Dale C. 920-387-4229 after 5 p. clearance.

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION,** 8885 S. 68th St. Franklin WI.

**AA Women's** Saturday 10:00 a.m. Kristin L. 414-731-8572 or **AA Men's** on Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Dennis D. 414-372-8324

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY JAIL** 9th & State Milwaukee WI. Clearance needed at both facilities. **AA Women's** Sat. at 5:00 p.m. Felisa C. (414) 672-6724. **AA Men's** Thr. at 7:00 p.m. John A. at (414) 915-9512

**MILWAUKEE SECURE DETENTION CENTER,** 1015 N. 10th St. Milw. Sunday Nights from 6:30 p. to 7:30 p., Men & Women, Call Dave C. 414-xxx-xxxx for information

**Milw Women's Correctional Ctr.** 615 W Keefe Ave. Milw. Contact: Karelyn P 414-975-6701. Meetings on Monday & Friday.

**FOX LAKE CORRECTIONAL,** Box #147, Fox Lake, WI 53933 Closed meetings Tue. & Fri. from 6:00 -8:00 p.m.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL** 411 S. Center St., Jefferson, WI, Mtng. held on Mon. at 7:00 p.m., Contact: Scott N. 920-397-0170

**RACINE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION for MEN** Mtngs: Sun. 8:30 AM, Dane Rx Unit; Wed. 7:00 p. and two meetings on Thursday at 7:00 p. English and Spanish. Call Paul H. (262) 537-2884

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE:** Meets at 6:30 p. on the 3rd Wednesday of every other odd month at Faith United Methodist Church, 400 S. 91st St (91st & Adler). All Milwaukee County Corrections donations should be sent to: **MCCC, PO Box 270544, Milwaukee WI 53227-0544.** Call coordinator: Kris WL at 414—731-8572, with questions. Treasurer Bill E. at 414-852-3815. 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.

## Area 75, So. WI, Calendar of Events 2015

Madison Senior Center (MSC), 330 W. Mifflin St., Madison, WI, except where otherwise noted.

### 2015:

- Oct. 18, Fall Service Assembly

- **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:** G.S.O, P O Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10163
- **Area 75 Corrections, Bridging the Gap and Treatment write to:** PMB # 170, 5464 N Port Washington Rd., Glendale WI 53217

## JOIN the BIRTHDAY CLUB!

We celebrate birthdays, and we'd like to help you celebrate yours! Send us a donation of \$1 for each year - or a gift of your choosing - and we'll send you a copy of that month's Between-Us, and we'll print your birthday. Include your Home Group, and we'll print that too!

All request must be by the 12th of the previous month. Late arrivals will appear the following month.

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

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**Memo: Birthday Club**  
**7429 W Greenfield Ave**  
**West Allis WI 53214**



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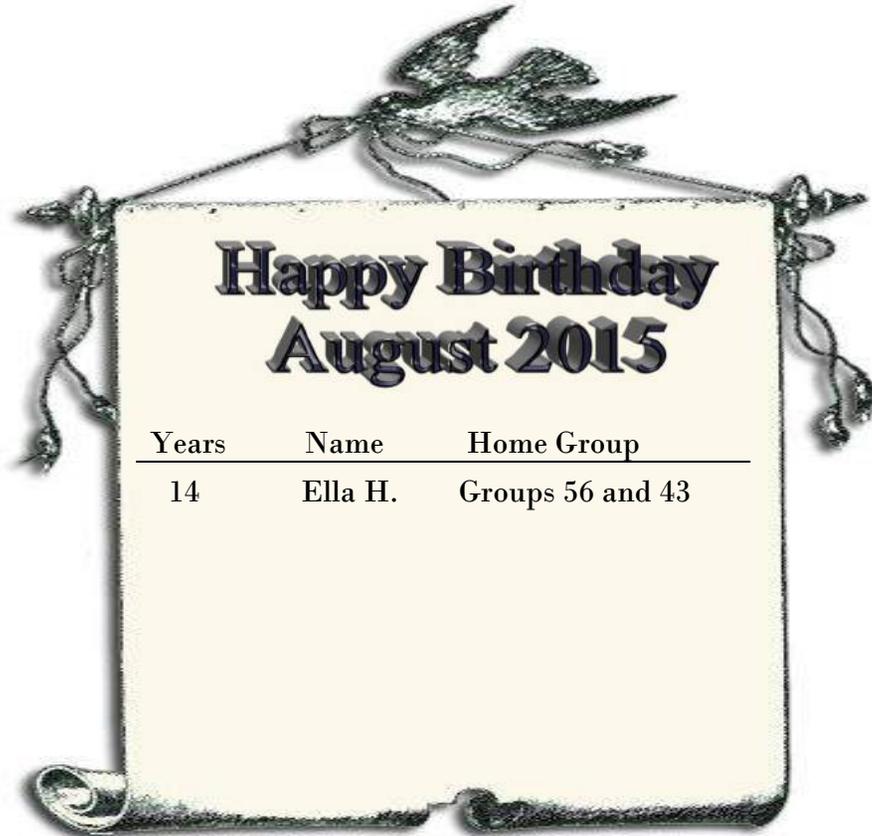
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**AA Groups Need Your Support**

- **Jim's Sun Night 1st Step**, Roger's Hospital, 11101 W Lincoln Ave West Allis Sun at 6pm
- **Women's 12 x 12 Gp**, Mondays at 6:00 p. Grace Bible Church, 2643 S 117th St West Allis WI 53227
- **Women's Recovery, Wednesday 7pm**. St Francis Hospital 8th Floor, 3237 S 16th St. Milwaukee
- **New Hope Brookfield, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.** Trinity UCC, 4435 N Calhoun Rd Brookfield 53005
- **Thursday at 12:15 pm. and Wednesday 5:30 pm.** Topic at St. John's Cathedral Complex,

831 N. Van Buren St. Milwaukee 53202

- **All Welcome Gp, Mondays & Thursday at 1:30 p.** Bethesda Community Center, 2845 W Fond du Lac Ave, Milwaukee WI 53210
- **First Things First, Friday at 7:00 pm.** St Margaret Mary, 3930 N 92nd St. Milw 53222
- **Friday Big Book Discussion, 9:30 p.m.** Martin Luther Church 9235 W Bluemound Rd. Milw. 53226
- **Friday Night Candlelight, 8:00 pm.** St Anskar Episcopal, N48W31340 Hill Rd Hartland WI (Hwy's 16 & 83)

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his honesty prevailed; he surrendered them to a neighbor. He then prayed sincerely that God help him stop drinking and amazingly, he experienced an immediate release from his mental obsession which lasted for two years and seven months . . . and as we know, this was time enough for him to carry his sober message to Bill Wilson the following November (p. 9) who then, launched the AA fellowship with Dr. Bob Smith in June of 1935.

Bob S.  
Richmond, IN

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more experience, more security, more sobriety and perhaps a bit more wisdom, and now I feel foolish for the objection.

In the last couple of years, I have reconsidered my position on the basket and the amounts. I have realized that I had been stingy. Here's my newer thinking: If I had been drinking on any given day, I would have surely spent more on alcohol than a dollar or two. Even as the binge drinker that I was, I had a daily average that was several dollars higher than the current Seventh Tradition suggestions. so, I have been thinking that if I paid more than \$2 to poison myself, soul and body, why am I being so stingy with paying for my sobriety? Hmm.

Well, then, how much should I toss into the basket? I tipped the last wait-

er who served me \$9 to do little more than carry a piece of paper to the chef and a couple of plates to my table. That was more than the \$2 suggestion and far less important to my life. I've paid more for frivolous purchases than two dollars. Why have I been so tight with money for the basket? Don't know.

One week I started to give what my last restaurant tip was, but that seemed a bit high. Then I decided to put in the current price of one bar drink. Heck, that's not so much to pay for sobriety.

I've tossed in a five or a 10 or a 20 (that's been my maximum) and I had this wonderful sensation. I told myself that perhaps I had covered for those poorer souls who couldn't give a buck. I reminded myself that the rent on the clubroom had surely risen over the two decades of my sobriety. I reminded my wife that she would surely have left me had the same amounts been poured down my throat. I felt really pleased--perhaps a bit too pleased--with myself.

I began to wrestle with a couple of small ego issues. Just how good should I feel about this giving? Just how public should I be with it? Should I tell myself that I am so wonderful and generous that I should be honored? Sure disaster, that, for an alcoholic. Should I allow others to see that I am giving more than the suggested amounts? Would that be self-serving? Even this article has risks.

Well, this past fall I attended a gratitude dinner/fundraiser in my area and the person with the most sober time was the keynote speaker. Among all of the wise and humorous remarks she made, she touched on donations and brought up the same idea of giving

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what your last drink cost. I felt relieved that I wasn't the only one to arrive at this notion. I would only have added to her remarks that with 40-plus years, her last drink was a lot cheaper than one drunk by someone recently sober.

So, here's what I have concluded. We all might reconsider how long we've been giving the same dollar (or two) and how much the costs to AA groups have risen. Perhaps we all could consider giving at least the current cost of one of the drinks we would have drunk had we not joined Alcoholics Anonymous and taken up sober living. Not only will it benefit the groups' survival, thus helping other alcoholics find our path, but it will also provide an inner warmth without the drink. I suggest trying just once to give the cost of a drink and see what that does.

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## We Pay the Piper

### Tradition 7 - Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions

A BIG WORD--emancipation. Whatever does it have to do with whether I put something in the basket at an AA meeting? Why do I have to put anything in the basket in the first place?

Groups went out of their way, so it seemed when I finally came into Alcoholics Anonymous over twenty years ago, to tell me that "there are no dues or fees for AA membership." That line from the definition of AA (our Preamble) registered on one part of my brain and struck me with awe and disbelief. In another part of my brain, I saw myself going to meetings in the same way I had gone to the Boys Club Friday nights as a child, with a nickel in my hand for the club show. How proudly I

By the way, I have decided that I would not fold the higher bills but allow whomever might notice to do so. Perhaps it will serve as a model and attract others to donate the same, and I'll keep trying not to feel too good about it.

BRAD S.  
Miami, Fla.

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used to walk into the auditorium, holding my little ticket aloft as my legitimate entree into that arena of strangeness and power.

Now, at the AA meeting, it was a quarter or half dollar for the basket. I would drop the coin in with a flourish to make sure that everybody noticed and understood that I belonged--that I was not an interloper.

It was a while before I got the message that dropping a quarter in the basket (a dollar or two would be more appropriate today!) was not a requirement for AA membership. Thank goodness for that. I didn't always have a quarter, or

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even a dime. In time, I came to see that if I wanted a comfortable meeting hall, if I wanted hot coffee and some cookies, somebody had to pay. On this subject (and this one only), my thinking suddenly became exquisitely clear: The somebody that had to pay was the group; I was part of the group; therefore, I had to put something in the basket whenever I was able.

The first conscious action that I took in the adventure of recovery was to admit my powerlessness over alcohol. My second most important action was to embrace the Seventh Tradition and its implications of personal responsibility, even though I knew nothing about the Traditions in those days.

However often I go back to the account of our growing up in that most exciting of books *AA Comes of Age*, I am impressed by the unearthly wisdom of our founding fathers and of our trustees who sat on the board in the early 1940s. As co-founder Bill W. recorded it in the book, that was when the principle of corporate poverty was securely implanted in the AA way--all as the direct result of wrestling with real and pressing money problems and then, through the group conscience, accepting the guidance of our ultimate authority.

Early members' actions laid the foundation for this Tradition. They did the worrying, and the Tradition tells me that I do not have to worry about the future of my group's treasury if I will do my part, that is, make my contribution just for today.

To avoid needless worry, many groups find it a wise policy to have a financial reserve. If possible, they like to keep on hand enough for one or two months' rent (or contribution for meeting space), coffee-and-cake money,

and regular donations to their local intergroup or central office, their area committee, and the AA General Service Office (GSO). However, some groups find it impossible to have even a minimum reserve. Groups have been forced to close their doors because they could not meet their expenses. You probably know of at least one such group in your area.

I am thinking of a group that had been viable for a number of years when, for a variety of reasons, attendance fell off, and the group appeared to be finished. An old-timer took an interest, and with his help, things were turned around. One of his actions, in order to get the group out of the red, was to insist that every meeting pay for itself. If the collection basket did not yield enough to cover that meeting's expenses, it was sent around again. I was present when the basket made the rounds three times in one meeting. Some AAs were horrified at the procedure (no dues or fees, remember?), but the old-timer stuck to his guns, and the group became self-supporting again. Eventually, it was in a position to contribute to the local intergroup and to the intergroup's institution committee literature fund. Their next venture might well have been a contribution to the support of their area committee and our GSO.

I sometimes forget that our service centers rely on my contributions of money and volunteer time. I also tend to forget the one very good reason why I should want to help in their support. By smoothing the way into a multitude of service areas, they make it that much easier for me to enjoy the benefits of AA unity and to strengthen my sobriety at the same time.

I am reminded of another old-timer whose approach was quite different

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# MEETING ROOMS

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from that of the pay-as-you-go advocate. This story was told me by a long-time AA friend whose home group was once in need of new chairs. The old-timer, who was well-to-do, offered to buy them. That attractive offer was considered by the group but turned down. They told him that they loved him but, from a practical viewpoint, it would not be a good idea for the group's sake or for his. "What if one day you were to get a resentment against the group," they said, "and decided to pick up your chairs and go home? Where would that leave the group?" He saw the wisdom of the group conscience and withdrew his offer gracefully.

"Whoever pays the piper is apt to call the tune." That's the way Bill W. put it in his discussion of the Seventh Tradition in *AA Comes of Age*. The context was money matters and power brokerage. Bill's observation is apropos on other levels as well, and in other areas.

The Seventh declares that it is possible for me, personally, to become self-reliant. It shows how impossible self-reliance was as long as I was drinking. I always wanted to be self-reliant. Oh, how I wanted to be my own person! But I had to keep abandoning my self-reliance in order to hold on to a source of gratification, whether it was money, sex, or alcohol. Why was total freedom always at the bottom of the bottle rather than, say, halfway down?

My list of "outside contributions" was long. They would more appropriately be called handouts. They came from acquaintances, companions, lovers, buddies, friends, and family, and from the most beloved and most dreaded of mortals--the bartender.

A still better word for those "contributions" is loot. Through the

emancipation of this Tradition, I learned that I could quit the petty thievery I had practiced for years and still survive.

Standing on my own two feet has been one of the oddest experiences of my life. I had always been totally convinced that the world owed me a living and owed me respect on top of it. Today, I see that it is just the other way around. And my biggest debt is to Alcoholics Anonymous.

It is all so obvious, and yet that nagging old way of mine does rear its head at the darnedest times. That habit pattern can still come uncomfortably close to convincing me that the world really does owe me a living.

Being responsible for my group, and for myself, is still a novelty with me. Is it that way with you?

W. H.  
Manhattan, New York

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## NEW DAY CLUB

11936 N. Port Washington  
Mequon, (262) 241-4673  
<http://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  
7:00 p. Topic  
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

Thr. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting  
1:00 p. Women's Gp  
5:30 p. Topic Mtng.

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

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  
Thursday 7:00 p. Al-Anon

Contact club for info on other fellowships.

## PASS IT ON CLUB

6229 W. Forest Home Ave  
Milwaukee WI (414) 541-6923  
[passitonclub.com](http://passitonclub.com)

### A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Sun. Wake Up  
9:30 a. Reliance Open Disc.  
11:00 a. Today' 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. Mon. Freedom  
7:00 p. Open Introductory AA  
7:30 a. Comin' Back Gp  
10:30 a. Keep It Simple  
4:00 p. Drop the Rock  
6:00 p. Women's Step  
7:30 p. Three Legacies  
7:30 p. Double Trouble DD/O  
7:30 a. Big Book Study  
10:30 a. Pass It On  
4:00 p. Happy Hr Promises  
7:00 p. We, Us & Ours  
7:30 a. Welcome Back Gp  
10:30 a. Made Decision  
5:15 p. As Bill Sees It  
6:00 p. How It Works Disc.  
7:00 p. Gateway Topic Gp  
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  
10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free  
3:00 p. Twelve Promises  
3:00 p. How It Works Big

Book 8:00 p. Spanish Speaking  
8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12

### AL-ANON MEETINGS

Sun. 11:00 a. (Alateen)  
Wed. 7:00 p. Fri. 7:30 p.  
Thr. 7:00 p. Sat. 10:30 a.

## LAKE AREA CLUB

N60 W 35878 Lake Dr  
Oconomowoc, WI  
(262) 567-9912  
[www.lakeareaclub.com](http://www.lakeareaclub.com)

### A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a.  
11:00 a.  
6:00 p. Big Book  
8:00 p.

Mon. 9:00 a. Positive Attitude  
6:30 p.  
8:00 p. Step/Tradition Stdy

Tue. 1:00 p.  
4:00 p.  
8:00 p. Back To Basics

Wed. 8:00 a.  
10:00 a. Back To Basics  
6:00 p.  
8:00 p.

Thr. 10:00 a.  
4:00 p.  
6:00 p. Women's Group  
8:00 p.

Fri. 12:30 p.  
4:00 p.  
6:00 p. Non-smoking  
7:00 p. Big Book  
8:00 p.

Sat. 8:30 a.  
10:00 a. Big Book

### AL-ANON MEETINGS

Mon. 8:00 p. Al-Anon  
Tue. 9:00 a. Al-Anon  
Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon

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

## WAUKESHA ALANO CLUB

318 W. Broadway  
Waukesha, WI  
(262) 549-6541

### A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 9:30 a. Sun Morn Sunlite  
11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtng  
(Open speaker 2nd Sunday & Breakfast)  
7:00 p. (Open Step Gp)

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

Tue. 12:00 Noon

Wed. 12:00 Noon  
5:30 p. Topic Gp

Thr. 12:00 Noon  
8:00 p.

Fri. 12:00 Noon T.G.I.F. Gp

Sat. 10:00 a. Gp 124  
7:00 p. Closed Meeting

**OPEN MEETINGS,  
DANCES & EVENTS**  
Call for information.

## UNITY CLUB

1715 Creek Rd  
West Bend, (262) 338-3500  
[unityclub1715@att.net](mailto:unityclub1715@att.net)

### 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  
8:15 p. Step Gp

Thr. 10:00 a. Big Book  
7:00 p. EZ Dozen 12x12

Fri. 10:00 a. Step/Topic Gp  
8:00 p. \* Step Gp.

Sat. 10:00 a. Here & Now  
7:00 p. Big Book

### AL-ANON & ALATEEN MTNGS

Saturday 9:00 a. Al-Anon  
Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon

\* Open Mtng. Last Friday of month  
\*\* Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month (a.m.)

## NORTHWEST ALANO CLUB\*

N88 W17658 Christman Rd  
Menomonee Falls WI  
53051 (No Phone)

### A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 7:30 p.

Mon. 7:00 p. Just Do It Gp  
8:00 p. Action Gp

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

Wed. 8:00 p. Step/Topic

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

Fri. 8:00 p. Step/Topic

Sat. 10:00 a. Step  
7:00 p. Simply Sober Gp

### AL-ANON MEETINGS

Wed. 8:00 p. Al-Anon  
Fri. 8:00 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.

# MEETING ROOMS

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

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

**Monday AA**  
7:30 a. Delavan Sunny Side Up  
12:00 Noon Delavan Step Meeting  
6:30 p. Former Miss Americas (Women's Step Group)  
6:30 p. Delavan Men's Meeting

**Tuesday AA**  
7:30 a. Delavan Sunrise Tue  
12:00 Noon Delavan Noon Gp.  
6:30 p. Delavan 12 Step Topic

**Wednesday AA**  
7:30 a. Delavan Sunrise Wed.  
12:00 Noon As Bill Sees It Gp.  
6:30 p. Delavan IT Meeting

**Thursday AA**  
7:30 a. Delavan Sunrise Thr.  
12:00 Noon Delavan Noon Gp.  
5:30 p. Step Sisters Women  
6:30 p. Delavan Big Book Gp.

**Friday AA**  
7:30 a. Delavan Sunrise Fri.  
12:00 Noon Big Book Study  
6:30 p. Delavan Discussion

**Saturday AA**  
12:00 Noon Delavan Noon Gp.  
6:30 p. Delavan Beginners Gp.

**ALANO CLUB** 1521 N. Prospect Ave., Milwaukee, WI, (414) 278-9102  
<http://www.alanofoundation.com>

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**  
Sun. 10:00 a. Gp 17 Step  
4:30 p. Step Gp  
7:30 p. Gp 19 Step  
10:00 p. Topic Gp

**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  
8:00 p. Gp 20 Topic  
10:30 p. Step/Topic

**Tue.** 7:00 a. As Bill Sees It,  
10:30 a. Gp 70 Step  
12:15 p. Gp 76  
7:00 p. Beginners, 1st Step  
8:00 p. Gp 57 Topic  
10:30 p. Step/Topic

**Wed.** 7:00 a. Men's Step  
10:30 a. Gp 9, Step  
12:10 p. Oasis Topic Gp  
6:00 p. Gp 91 Women's  
8:00 p. Gp 3, Step/Topic  
10:30 p. Step/Topic Gp

**Thr.** 7:00 a. Big Book Meeting  
10:30 a. Gp 97, Step  
12:15 p. Here & Now Gp  
7:00 p. Sober and Out  
7:30 p. Gp 26 12x12  
10:30 p. Step Meeting

**Fri.** 7:00 a. Daily Reflections  
10:30 a. Gp 21, Step  
12:15 p. Gp 65  
6:30 p. Here & Now  
8:30 p. Gp30 Tub Topic  
12:15 a. Second Shifters

**Sat.** 11:00 a. Gp 87 Step  
3:00 p. Spiritual Growth  
7:30 p. Open Speaker  
9:00 p. Here and Now

**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/>  
Sun. 8 a.-11 p., Mon - Thr. 9 a.-11 p. Fri - Sat. 9 a. - 1 a.

**AA MEETING SCHEDULE**  
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. AA Topic Group  
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.  
11:15 p. Nighthawk Gp.

**Tue.** 11:00 a. Willingness Group  
6:00 p. Tuesday Non-Smok  
8:00 p. 12 & 12 AA Meeting

**Wed.** 10:00 a. Foundations Meeting  
6:00 p. AA Beginners Gp.  
7:00 p. Women's Freedom  
8:00 p. Promises Group  
11:15 p. After Hours Gp.

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

**Fri.** 11:00 a. Priority Group  
6:00 p. Big Book Group  
8:00 p. R.U.S. For Us  
11:15 p. Candlelight Promises

**Sat.** 9:15 a. Men's Topic  
11:00 a. Pioneers Group  
6:00 p. 1st & 12 Topic  
\*8:00 p. HOW To Saturday  
\*(Open meeting on 3rd Saturday)  
10:30 p. Candlelight Gratitude

**24 HOUR CLUB**  
153 Green Bay Rd.  
Thiensville, WI  
(262) 242-9999

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 8:00 a. Topic  
10:00 a. Step/Topic  
5:00 p. Step

Mon. 6:30 a. Topic  
10:00 a. Topic  
12:00 p. Women's  
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  
5:15 p. Women's

Thr. 6:30 a. Topic  
10:00 a. Topic  
5:30 p. Step/Topic/Trad  
8:00 p. Men's 12 & 12

Fri. 6:30 a. Topic  
10:00 a. Step/12 & 12  
5:30 p. Principles  
8:00 p. Step

Sat. 6:30 a. Topic  
8:30 a. Eye Opener  
10:00 a. Big Book

**8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng.**  
(1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Only)

**GALANO CLUB**

- LGBT & All in Recovery -  
7210 W Greenfield Ave  
Suite 1, Lower Level  
Milwaukee, WI 53214  
(414) 276-6936

<http://www.galanoclub.org/>  
[galanoclub@gmail.com](mailto:galanoclub@gmail.com)

**MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 10:30 a. Step Topic

Mon. 7:30 p. Came To Believe

Tue. 6:00 p. 40 + Topic

Wed. 7:00 p. 12 x 12

Thur. 6:00 p. Living Sober

Fri. 7:00 p. Step/Topic

Sat. 7:30 p. Topic

**AL-ANON MEETINGS**  
Sun. 10:30 a. Al-anon

**Meeting Space Available**  
**See website for Club Events.**  
[www.galanoclub.org](http://www.galanoclub.org)

**12 STEP CLUB**

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

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Tues. 6:45 p. Gp. 79

Wed. 11:00 a. Gp. 27

Fri. 11:00 a. Gp. 61  
(12x12)

Sat. 10:00 a. Beginner's  
7:00 p. Gp 6

**CALL THE CLUB FOR INFORMATION ON OPEN A.A. MEETINGS, MEETINGS FOR OTHER FELLOWSHIPS and SPECIAL EVENTS.**

# MEETING ROOMS

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB**

2245 W. Fond du Lac  
Milwaukee, WI  
414. 931.7033

**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.**

**1907 CLUB**

2908 N 21st ST.  
Sheboygan, WI 53083  
(920) 457-9633

**AA MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Sun.** 7:00 p. As Bill Sees It

**Mon.** 6:30 p. Old Timers  
7:30 p. Women's  
8:00 p. Beginners

**Tue.** 6:00 p. Big Book

**Wed.** 9:30 a. Back To Basics  
8:00 p. WITTSS

**Thr.** 6:00 p. Topic Meeting

**Fri.** 8:00 p. Good Fight Gp

**Sat.** 9:30 a. Non-Smoking  
6:30 p. Grapevine Gp

**Open Meeting 1st & 3rd**  
Saturday of month at 7:30 p.

**Al-Anon Meetings**  
Wednesday 9:30 a. Al-Anon  
Saturday 9:30 a. Al-Anon  
Saturday 9:30 a. Ala-teen

**Greater Milwaukee Central Office**

7429 W Greenfield Ave.  
West Allis WI 53214,  
414-771-9119

([amilwaukee.com](http://amilwaukee.com))

**A.A. MEETINGS**

**Mon.** 12:15 p  
4:00 p

**Tue.** 12:15 p  
4:00 p

**Wed.** 12:15 p  
4:00 p

**Thur.** 12:15 p  
4:00 p

**Fri.** 12:15 p  
4:00 p

**Sat.** 9:45 a. Newcomer  
10:30 a  
3:00 p

**Directory Changes**

**NEW MEETINGS**

**Monday 6:30 p.** Salem Lutheran Church 2400 N Cramer St, Milwaukee 53211, 1st Things 1st, Beginners

**Tuesdays 12 Noon, Mt** Zion 12012 W North Ave Wauwatosa 53226

**Tuesdays 6:00 p.** Aurora Psych "Lighthouse", 1220 Dewey Ave Wauwatosa Ave (11th Step)

**Wed. at 1:30 p.m.** Bridges of Milw Rehab/ Care Ctr. 6800 N 76 St, Milwaukee 53223

**Wed. at 6:00 p.m.** St Riverworks, 3372 N Holton St. Milwaukee WI 53212 Ring 111 to enter.

**LIGHTHOUSE ON DEWEY**  
1220 Dewey Ave.  
Wauwatosa WI  
**MEETING SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**  
7:30 p. Gp 78

**Tuesday**  
6:00 p. 11th Step  
7:00 p. Milw. Professionals in AA  
7:30 p. Gp 77

**Wednesday**  
7:30 p. Big Book  
8:00 p. "RES-IPSA"

**Thursday**  
7:30 p. Alumni No 12

**Friday**  
7:15 p. Gp 74

**Saturday**  
10:00 a. Gp 59

**Milwaukee Group**  
933 E Center St,  
(River West)  
Milwaukee WI 53212

**A.A. MEETINGS**

Sun. 10:00 a Open (Disc.)  
8:30 p. Big Book

Mon. 5:30 p. Big Book  
7:00 p. Open (1st Step)  
8:30 p. Topic

Tue. 7:00 p. Open (Topic)  
8:30 p. Open (Big Book)

Wed. 7:00 p. Open (Big Book)  
8:30 p. Topic

Thur. 6:30 p. Open (Topic)  
8:30 p. Step

Fri. 7:00 p. Beginner's  
8:30 p. Open (Big Book)  
11:30 p. Topic

Sat. 8:30 p. Topic  
11:30 p. Topic

The "Clubs" and "Rooms" listed here are not A.A. Clubs. A.A. DOES NOT HAVE CLUBS! A.A. neither endorses nor opposes such clubs. These are social clubs established by groups or individuals who are themselves recovering alcoholics. The A.A. group meeting at the club is available to any alcoholic - club member or not. The group is separate from the club and pays a fair rent for the use of the club facilities. Even though the group meets in a club that may be composed exclusively of A.A. members, and many members of the group may be club members, too, the relationship of the A.A. group itself to the club should be the same as it would be to a church, hospital, school, etc., in which it might rent space for its meetings.

**Women's Thursdays 12 Noon**, Mt Zion 12012 W North Ave Wauwatosa 53226

#### DISBANDED GROUPS

**Introductory Gp, met at 4pm on Tuesday at the VA Hospital..disbanded.**

#### OTHER CHANGES

**New Beginnings Sunday at 7:30** formerly at 216 Main St Mukwonago. **NOW meets at St James Catholic Church 830 Cnty Rd NN E, Mukwonago WI 53149**

**Women's AA Group**, Monday's at Zion Episcopal Church in Oconomowoc, previously met at 7:30 **NOW meets at 6:30 P.**

**United We Stand**, Tuesdays at 8:00 p. formerly at Unity Church, 1717 N 73 St, **now meets at Wauwatosa Congregational 1511 Church St Wauwatosa**

**Thursday Night St Anskar's**, Hartland, met at 7:30, **NOW meets at 7:00 P.M.**

**Gp 67 Elm Grove**, meets on Thursday at 8 p. **moved to** Community United Methodist, **14700 Watertown Plank Rd Elm Grove.**

#### OPEN SPEAKER

**Weekly & monthly open speaker meetings listed in June 2015 When & Where**

[aamilwaukee.com/directory.html](http://aamilwaukee.com/directory.html)

**Sundays at 10 a.** Milwaukee Gp. 933 E Center St, Milw 53212

**Sundays at 6:30 p.** VA Hospital 5000 W National Ave 3rd Fl Unit 3A

**Every Friday 7:00 p.** Christ the King, 1600 N Genesee Rd Delafield

**1st Monday at 1:30 p.** Bethesda Seniors Community Center Open Meeting, 2845 W Fond du Lac Ave

**Wednesdays at 7:00 p.** Salem United

Methodist Church, 541 Hwy. 59, Waukesha

**March 7, Saturday 7:00 p.** Pass It On Club, 6229 W Forest Home Ave. Milw.

**1st Saturday 8:00 p.** 24 Hour Club Open Meeting, 153 Green Bay Rd, Thiensville,

**2nd Saturday at 7:00 p.** Dist 12, Living Word Lutheran Church, 2240 Living Word Ln., Jackson WI 53037

**2nd Saturday at 7:00 p.** Dist 34, St. Francis Episcopal Church, N84 W16525 Menomonee Ave, Menomonee Falls, WI

**2nd Sunday at 11:00 a.** Alano Club 318 W. Broadway, Waukesha,

**3rd Sunday at 11:00 a.** Friendship Club 2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave. Milwaukee, WI

**3rd Saturday 8:00 p.** HOW To Club 8930 W. National Ave, West Allis

**3rd Saturday 8:00 p.** New Day Club 11936 N. Port Washington Rd, Mequon,

**5th Saturday 3:00 p.** How To Club, 8930 W National Ave, West Allis

**4th Friday 8:00 p.** Pilgrim Church, 2327 N. 52nd St., Milwaukee 53210

**Last Wednesday 8:00 p.** 1st Lutheran Church, 7400 W Lapham St, West Allis

**Saturdays 7:30 p.** Alano Club 1521 N. Prospect, Milwaukee

Contact the Central Office via email: [dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com), before the 12th of the month prior to your meeting so that it can be listed here under the special Open Meetings.

Looking for a **NO Nonsense STEP Meeting**, Look no further.

Come check out our **TUESDAY NIGHT STEP MEETING**

at **St Jude Day Care Center** in Wauwatosa

**Tuesday Nights at 7:00 pm**  
**822 Glenview Ave**  
**Wauwatosa, WI 53213**

Enter in **BACK** of Daycare Building. Meeting is **Upstairs**.

#### SERVICE MANUAL STUDY

**Meets 2nd Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m.**

**Milwaukee Central Office**  
**7429 W Greenfield Ave**  
**West Allis WI**

Find out more about the AA Service Manual. Study group is open to any AA member whether currently active in AA service work, or not.

**Contact: Nancy H at 414-801-5184 with questions.**

#### Spanish Speaking Meetings: Meeting at English Speaking Clubs

- GRUPO 5 CONCEPTOS, Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Av, Milw, on Saturday at 8:00 p.
- GRUPO NUEVO AMANECER, Tri-County Unity Club, 104 N. First St, Wauwatosa, 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

**2015 Weekend Retreats**  
**Jesuit Retreat House,**  
**4800 Fahrwald Rd. Oshkosh,**  
**WI 54901, call 800-962-7330**  
[jesuitretreathouse.org](http://jesuitretreathouse.org)

Men and Women members of AA, Al-Anon

Total cost: 4 days \$360.00. Send a \$50.00 deposit with requests for specific dates to retreat house or call for information.

**Men:** December 3-6, 2015

**Women:** Aug. 20-23,  
Nov. 12-15 & Nov. 19-22, 2015

**Redemptorist Retreat Center, 1800**  
**N Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc,**  
**WI 53066, (262) 567-6900 Email:**  
**rrc@redemptoristretreat.org Please**  
**call 262-567-6900 for reservations.**  
**November. 20 - 22, 2015 \$200.00**

#### MILWAUKEE CENTRAL OFFICE

- **E-mail Director Dan F.** at: [dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)
- **Hours: M-F** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Saturday** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **G.S.R. Orientation, 2<sup>nd</sup>** Tuesday 6:30 p.
- **Secretary Meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup>** Tuesday 7:00 p.
- **Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday** following Secretaries Meeting, (odd numbered months) 6:30 p.
- **A. A. Meetings, Mon - Fri** at 12:15 p. and 4:00 p.
- **A. A. Meetings Saturday** 9:45 a., 10:30 a. and 3:00 p.
- [www.aamilwaukee.com](http://www.aamilwaukee.com)



DISTRICT 29  
ROUND ROBIN OPEN MEETING

SUNDAY  
AUGUST 9, 2015  
7:00 PM

Fellowship at 6:30 PM

EMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
10627 WEST FOREST HOME AVENUE  
HALES CORNERS, WISCONSIN 53130

HOSTED BY *A Vision for You*

AA SPEAKERS – Lori O. and Matt F.  
Join us for a great message and fellowship

### Alcoholics Anonymous

### Open Speaker Meeting

Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 7:00 pm

Pass It On Club

6229 W Forest Home Ave.

Milwaukee, WI

Join the members of the Big Book Readers Group  
Hear the message, enjoy the fellowship and refreshments

**Free Coffee & Snacks**

**Alcoholics Anonymous Speakers :**

**JEROME W. and JOE N.**

## "Saturday Night First Edition Big Book Meeting"



Originally printed in 1939, this is the text we read.

United Methodist Church of Cudahy  
5865 South Lake Shore Drive, Cudahy

**Meets Saturdays at 7:00 P.M.**

# Open Meeting

**Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

Co-Sponsored by:

**Tuesday Night Hales Corners AFG  
& Tuesday Night Step/Topic AA**

Hales Corners Lutheran Church  
12300 W. Janesville Road  
Hales Corners, WI

(Lower Level Fellowship Hall/Enter doors at east end of building at Community Center)

Sundae Bar, Snacks and Beverages will be served

**AA Speaker: Ned L, Muskego**

**Al-Anon Speaker: Geri M, Waterford**

**August 14, 15 & 16th – 2015**

Green Lake Conference Center – www.glcc.org  
W2511 State Road 23  
Green Lake, WI 54941

### Open A.A. Meetings

Friday 8PM Kerry Y. Saukville, WI

Saturday 8PM Mickey B. Long Beach, CA

Sunday 10AM Leslie F. Waukesha, WI

### Closed A.A. Meetings

ALKATHONS

(Pillsbury Robley Room: Fri 10PM – Sat 9AM, Sat 10PM – Sun 9AM)  
10AM Saturday, the famous "Meeting In The Field"  
(in the field, between tennis courts and ark play area)

### Open Al-Anon Meeting

Saturday 6:30 PM Chuck K. Waukesha, WI

### Closed Al-Anon Meeting

Saturday 10AM at the Tea House

**Bring the whole family! There's something for everyone!**  
(Camping, Biking, Swimming, Boating, Hiking, Golf, Volleyball, Fishing, Fellowship...)

### Saturday Special Activities

5K Fun Run/Walk Saturday 7:45AM Register Pillsbury Hall Race Starts 8AM	Volleyball Games Saturday - All Day At the Sand Courts Show up and ask to play!	Campfire Friday/Saturday After Open Meeting By the volleyball court
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- Event Registration: \$10.00 per person -

All proceeds (less conference expenses) are split according to the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition to carry our A.A. message.  
Accommodations are separate from the event registration.

<b>"On-site" Registration:</b>	Friday 3PM to 5PM Friday & Saturday 6PM to 8PM	Country Store Pillsbury Hall
<b>Pre-Registration:</b>	<b>Event Contacts:</b>	
Make checks payable to "Green Lake Round Up" Mail payment and registration form to: Green Lake Round Up P.O. Box 684 Menomonee Falls, WI 53051	Rich V. (262) 408-8576 Teresa O. (414) 308-3131	
	Event sponsored by <b>Monday Night Action Group</b> Good Shepard Church N88 W17658 Christman Road, Menomonee Falls, WI Meets Mondays at 8pm, Beginners' meeting at 7pm	

- *Note: We will not be sending confirmations prior to the Round-Up. Pre-Registrations can be picked up at the on-site registration locations.*

**Pre-Registration helps up-front expenditures we incur. Mail it in NOW!**

----- Detach along line and mail in bottom portion -----  
Green Lake Round-Up registration form

One Person per Form Please!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Registration is \$10.00 per person)

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Willing to be of service?  Alkathons  Set-up  Clean up  Misc.  Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Greeting  Registration

Print Name with City, State  
as you'd like it to appear on your Registration Name Tag!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contributions to Central Office**

**80 Meetings Contributed in June 2015**

Group Name	Group ID	\$ Amount
#015 TAL Gp	137297	60.00
#023 Wed	114447	20.00
#027 Gp	114301	5.00
#051 Gp	114317	50.00
#059 Gp	117184	84.61
#061 Twelve and Twelve	118495	5.00
#079 Gp	133431	5.00
#140 Shorewood	138806	100.00
#153 Gp	132869	60.00
#164 and More	707675	234.00
A New Awakening	659337	30.00
A Vision for You Big Book Study	675262	195.00
ARO Tue Night	667103	42.88
Attitude of Gratitude	141628	25.00
Butler Sun Night	114272	108.00
Came To Believe	617129	60.00
Common Solution	704515	609.26
Cross Roads Gp	119518	50.00
Early Bird Sun , Lake Area Club	132470	178.00
First Step	635840	60.00
Fri Noon 12 & 12	MIL-FB	91.91
Friendship Gp, Lake Area Club	128753	60.00
Get A Life	MIL-WM	36.89
Grapevine Topic Fri 4:00 PM	MIL-FM	30.00
Gump Group, Lake Geneva Wednesday	677493	40.00
Horicon Fri Night, Zion Lutheran	123056	100.00
Impaired Professionals In AA	126056	48.00
Into Action Sun Morning, Waukesha	616358	100.00
Jump Start, Pass It On Club	684326	66.00
Just Do It, Northwest Alano Club	174350	300.00
Keep It Simple Men's	610707	90.00
Lake Geneva Keep It Simple	WAL-M4	37.50
Lake Geneva Kitchen Table	125465	25.00
Lake Geneva Spiritual Program	WAL-W1	37.50
Love and Tolerance Big Book Study	643730	84.00
Made a Decision, Pass It On Club	613456	60.00
Mayfair Ladies Mon & Fri	114336	108.00
Mon 5:30 PM Sanity Gp	142070	103.00
Mon Independence	MIL-MH	191.50
Mon Night How It Works-Chab-Lubazitc	MIL-M0	55.50
Never Give Up Womens Gp	703134	20.00
New Beginnings Mukwonago	120519	36.77
New Berlin Fri Night	114122	60.00
Noon Risers Steps & Traditions	675593	10.00
Oak Creek Fri	114112	120.00
Oak Creek Mon 12 & 12	130190	60.00
Oak Creek Tue 10:00 AM Step	144522	60.00
Old School House Group 309	163906	72.00
Otter Group	168152	50.00
Promises Gp 2:00 PM	641518	20.00

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2015 East Central Regional Forum REGISTRATION FORM  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a Spanish Language Interpreter?   
 Have you ever attended a Regional Forum?   
 For ASL Interpretation please contact G.S.O.: regionalforums@aao.org  
 and will only be used for this Regional Forum.  
 Information collected is "Confidential"

Mail to G.S.O to Arrive by: **October 14, 2015**  
 General Service Office, P.O. Box 459,  
 Grand Central Station, NY, NY 10163  
 Att: Regional Forums

**HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION**  
 2015 East Central Regional Forum

November 13 - 15, 2015  
 CROWNE PLAZA Milwaukee Airport Hotel  
 6401 South 13th Street  
 Milwaukee, WI 53221  
 Phone: (877) 227-6963 or (414) 764-5300  
 Rate cutoff date: October 14, 2015



Hotel Reservations at the Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport Hotel can be made by one of the following methods:

- By phone: (877) 227-6963 no later than October 14, 2015
- \* ONLINE: www.aao.org (Click on "For A.A. Members")

Room rates:  
 Single/Double: \$109 (plus taxes)  
 \* Additional person: \$20.00

For special room rate use Group Code: ECR

**2015 EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL FORUM**

CROWNE PLAZA Milwaukee Airport Hotel  
 16401 South 13th Street  
 Milwaukee, WI 53221  
 (414) 764-5300  
 Group Code: ECR

November 13 - 15, 2015  
 Friday: 7pm - 10pm Saturday: 9am - 9:45pm Sunday: 9am - 12pm

**HOTEL** can be made by:  
**RESERVATIONS** PHONE (877) 227-6963 or (414) 764-5300  
 before 10:00am Eastern Standard Time  
 or ONLINE: www.aao.org (Click on: "For A.A. Members")  
 Rate cutoff date: October 14, 2015 FOR SPECIAL ROOM RATE: Use GROUP CODE ECR

**Tentative SCHEDULE of Events**

FRIDAY	SATURDAY (Continued)
2:00 - close	2:30-3:15 pm
6:45-7:00 pm	Registration
7:00-8:30 pm	First Timer Orientation
8:30-8:45 pm	Welcome Remarks
8:45-9:15 pm	Break
9:15-10:00 pm	Video
	General Sharing
	SATURDAY
9:00am - close	Registration
9:00-10:00 am	A.A. Grapevine
10:00-10:15 am	Break
10:15-11:00 am	General Sharing
11:00-12:00 pm	Delegate Presentation
12:00-1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30-2:30 pm	Presentations
	SUNDAY
	9:00-10:00 am
	General Sharing
	10:00-10:30 am
	First Timer Sharing
	10:30-10:45 am
	Break
	10:45-11:30 am
	Past Trustees Sharing
	11:30- Noon
	Closing Remarks

**REGISTRATION Information**

Registration is FREE! You can register online at www.aao.org - go to INFORMATION ABOUT A.A. CLICK ON "For A.A. Members" select Regional and Local Forums. You do not have to register to attend but please register early to help us in our planning. All registration information is "Confidential" and will only be used for this Forum. All who register will receive a Final Report. You are on your own for meals.

**Contributions to Central Office  
80 Meetings Contributed in June 2015**

<b>Group Name</b>	<b>Group ID</b>	<b>\$ Amount</b>
Sacred Heart Franklin	135002	60.00
Sat 3 p.m. Big Book Study	178043	15.00
Sat Morn Gp 10:00 AM	138045	70.00
Sat Night Live /Oconomowoc	121171	30.00
Seeds of Recovery/Steps	MIL-MM	23.68
Service Manual Study		15.00
Stepping Into Promises Women's Gp	697077	19.20
Stop For a Quick One/Step	MIL-R3	99.60
Sun Morning Wake Up	617656	68.70
Thank God It's Mon	OZK-M2	30.00
Thanksgiving Gp Hubertus	703452	75.00
Thr Success Step	MIL-RB	116.10
Today's Choices Gp	614204	100.00
Traditions 101	MIL-TM	25.28
Tue Night Hales Corners Step/Topic	690183	120.00
Tue Night Step	142690	25.00
Tue Reflections	MIL-TH	139.93
Twelve Promises Discussion Thursday	MIL-RM	35.00
Victory Group	163882	40.00
Watertown Wed Night	137708	30.00
We Us and Ours Gp	167194	60.00
Wed Afternoon Happy Hour	643772	20.00
Wed Night Men's Meeting	663905	105.00
Wed Noon Lunch Bunch	690831	127.00
West Bend Friday Night Step	615203	30.00
West Bend Thursday Night	114452	40.00
Women's AA	158304	50.00
Women's AA Spirituality Gp	650509	28.00
Women's Big Book	697839	145.00
Written For Us	MIL-A5	40.00
<b>June 2015 Total</b>		<b>\$5,937.81</b>

**80 Meetings Contributed in June 2015**

**All the groups listed in your  
When and Where should be contrib-  
uting regularly to the support of  
your Central Office. We want to be  
here when you need us. A big thank  
you to everyone for all you do.**

**DISTRICT 28 PRESENTS THE TRADITIONS AND  
HOW THEY APPLY TODAY  
OPEN PANEL DISCUSSION**

A brief history of the traditions followed by a panel of speakers  
discussing the traditions and how they apply to life today.

**Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**10am-3pm**

**\*Lunch Served\*Door Prizes\*50/50 Raffle\***

**SPEAKERS**

Jim H. Wally K. Mark G. Michele K. John S. John S. (Big John) Rick G.

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church**

**3200 S Herman St., Milwaukee, WI 53207**

**Written for Us Newcomer's Meeting**

*An Insight to 'How it Works'*

**An Orientation for Newcomers!**

when:

Saturday's from **9:45 to 10:15am**

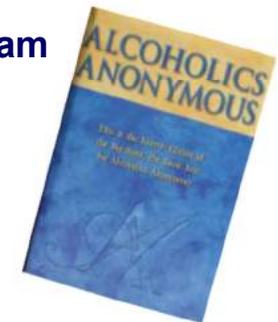
where:

Greater Milwaukee Central Office

7429 West Greenfield Avenue

West Allis, WI 53214

414.771.9119



**Come JOIN US & learn more about Alcoholics Anonymous**



## AA: Women to Women

This is a closed AA meeting

A day of sharing:

To foster the sharing of ideas, feelings & issues

To create a safe atmosphere that nurtures honesty & becoming

To explore the positive energy among AA women

9:00-9:30	Registration/Coffee
9:30-9:45	Opening/Announcements
9:45-10:30	Nothing, No How, No Way
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-11:30	Shame, Am I Really to Blame?
11:30-11:45	Break
11:45-12:30	Confusing Lust for Love
12:30-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:15	Self Love and Compassion
2:15-2:30	Closing/Countdown

Saturday October 24, 2015  
9:00am—2:30pm

The Pass It On Club  
6229 W. Forest Home Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53220  
414-541-6923

For more information contact:

Joy S. 262-215-7513  
Karelyn P. 414-975-6701

### Registration Form

No Walk-ins

Registration **REQUIRED**  
Limited Seating Available

*NOTE: If you register but are unable to attend, please let us know. Space is limited and we have to turn women away when the room reaches capacity.*

Deadline: October 16th  
Registration: \$10.00 (in advance)

Please use a separate form for each person  
Includes: Lunch buffet, Coffee, Doughnuts

Please print:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

It is okay to leave a message at this number

Make checks payable to: Women to Women  
Mail to: Women to Women c/o Joy Steinbicer  
3251 S. 54th St. Milwaukee, WI 53219

# Tri-District Round-up Celebrating 80 years of AA

## September 20, 2015

### 12:30 – 4pm

(doors open at 12:15)



### Holy Assumption School

7109 West Orchard Street, West Allis

#### Featuring:

- AA Archives
- AA Movies
- Oldtimer and Newtimer Panels
- Lunch provided free of charge

*Brought to you by districts 14, 16, and 27*