

RECOVERY IS THE SEED WE SOW, SOBRIETY WILL REDEEM US.
LET IT GROW, SHARE OUR LIVES...

"BETWEEN-US"

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Christmas Lights Are Signals Along A.A. Road

The Red Lights of Christmas are glowing at us from friendly windows and outdoor Christmas trees. They're symbols of cheer--but they're signal lights of warning to us.

This is a season of "Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men." But, along with the Christmas rejoicing, this is also a season of emotional upset for many of us. For some years, Christmas thrilled me, yet upset me. Some of my most unexpected difficulties seem to have come on me at the Christmas season. Perhaps it was because I was off my guard. Perhaps I drifted along with the color and pageantry, and confused the Christian rejoicing with "just another opportunity for celebration"--alcoholic celebration.

So, as I reflect on the cheery Red Lights of Christmas, I find myself taking heed of their clear warning. And I say to myself: "My Christmas present to me this year can be sobriety for the day."

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A Christmas Message from Bill

OUR gratitude mounts to a new high as the eighteenth AA Christmas dawns. In this year of 1953, uncounted ones of our kind have been delivered from a dark bondage into light. They are now finding all those joys we know so well.

Never before have we been so privileged to give, and to receive. Good will has been showered upon us by the world outside without stint and beyond measure. Fallible individuals we shall always confess ourselves to be. Yet we see that God has wondrously welded us together in a fellowship of vast strength and high purpose. We know that AA's unity runs deep and true; we are certain that our destiny for service will be boundless so long as we faithfully hold to the clear course that God in His wise providence has so lovingly marked out for us.

With full hearts we make our Yuletide offering: Thanks be unto Thee, O King of Kings. What children of Thine can more joyfully shout "Merry Christmas, peace on earth, good will to men!"

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10:23 AM
11/07/12
Accrual Basis

Greater Milwaukee Central Office AA Profit & Loss October 2012

	Oct 12
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4000 · Literature Sales	14,361.82
4050 · Between us	689.25
4070 · Contributions	5,694.17
4130 · Personal Contri.	12.75
4150 · Other Income	314.90
4170 · Interest Income	4.40
4600 · Merchandise Sales	64.29
4830 · Sales Discounts	10.00
48900 · Shipping and Delivery Income	178.42
Total Income	21,528.10
Cost of Goods Sold	
5000 · Literature	8,640.03
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	71.36
5050 · Between us COGS	1.14
52900 · Purchases - Resale Items	16.63
Total COGS	8,728.16
Gross Profit	12,799.94
Expense	
59900 · POS Inventory Adjustments	-75.97
6045 · Coffee/Soda Expense	136.62
6050 · Credit card fees	199.87
6170 · Computer and Internet Expenses	112.00
6260 · Shipping and freight	160.43
6262 · Postage	204.75
6500 · Office	3,363.59
6600 · Payroll	9,342.46
69800 · Uncategorized Expenses	6.00
Total Expense	13,469.75
Net Ordinary Income	-669.81
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income: Purchase Discounts	6.00
Net Other Income	6.00
Net Income	-663.81
CD Prudent Reserve	84,350.00
Savings	31,558.04
Checking	2,152.21

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AREA 75 EVENTS CALENDAR

1. Go to Area 75 website at: 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.

AA Groups Need Your Support

- **Jim's Sun Night 1st Step**, Roger's Hospital, 11101 W Lincoln Ave WestAllis Sun at 6pm
- **Women's AA Gp**, Mondays at 7:32 p. Zion Episcopal Church, 135 Rockwell St, Oconomowoc WI
- **All Welcome Gp, Mondays at 1:30 p.** Bethesda Community Center, 2845 W Fond du Lac Ave, Milwaukee WI 53210
- **Monday Night 7p.m. Topic Discussion**, Living Hope Church, 1991 Hwy 33, Saukville 53080

Secretary Meeting, November 13, 2012

Groups represented: 6, 10, 15, 22, 23, 67, 82, 83, 88, 200, 201, 232, 11th Step Hummingbird, A New Day, Alone No More, Another Chance Tuesday Night, Badger Gp, By The Book, Common Solution, Early Bird Roger's Memorial, First 164 Big Book, Hardcore Gp 80, Hartford Wednesday Night Step/Topic, Higher Power, Honest and Able, Milwaukee Group, New Berlin Big Book Tue., New Day Club Sunday 11am., One Day at a Time, Participation Open, Rule 62 Men's, Sunday Morning Big Book, Sunday Night Surrender, Sussex Friday Night Action, Trust Through Fellowship, Tuesday Night Bay View Big Book, Tue Night Grapevine, Turning Point, Wanderer's Gp, Women's Friday Night Kickoff. I'm sorry if I have missed anyone that was in attendance.

Kathy S opened the meeting at 7p.
Bank balances on Oct. 1, 2012
Business Checking: \$2152.21
Money Market Savings: \$31,558.04
Prudent Reserve CD's: \$84,350.00
New secretaries introduced themselves.

Gratitude Boxes should be passed at all AA meetings in November. Many smaller groups choose to pass the boxes for a few extra weeks. This is a very important part of the Central Office budget. The money collect comes directly to

the office to help support our mission.

Please renew Between-Us subscriptions now. \$9 yr. for 3 copies/mo. or \$18 yr. for 6 copies/mo. **NEW subscriptions welcome.**

Volunteers are needed for the Central Office Fri and Sat morning helpline, call Kathy at 414-771-9119.

All Groups should have received Gratitude Boxes to be passed at all meetings in November. Money collected is a very important part of the income for Central Office. Please give generously.

The next meeting is Tuesday November 13, 2012. at 7 pm.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone. The office will be closed on Tuesday Dec. 25 and January 1st and will close at 3 p.m. on Monday Dec 24 and Dec 31. Have a safe holiday.

AA Groups Need Your Support

- **New Day Women's, Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.** St Mark's Church, 2614 E Belleview Pl. Milwaukee 53211
- **New Hope Brookfield, Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m.** Trinity UCC, 4435 N Calhoun Rd Brookfield 53005
- **Gp 10-17, Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.,** St Veronica's School, 353 E Norwich, Milwaukee 53207
- **Chix at Six, Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.,** Alano Club 1521 N Prospect Ave Milwaukee, WI 53202 **CHILD CARE available.**
- **Thursday at 12:15 pm. and Wednesday 5:30 pm. Topic at** St. John's Cathedral Complex, 831 N. Van Buren St. Milwaukee 53202
- **When All Else Fails, Saturday at 7:00 pm.** St Matthias Church, 111 E. Main St. Waukesha 53186

Deaf, Deaf/Blind and Hard of Hearing AA Meeting List, ASL

Interpreter available

- Thursdays at 8:00 p. St John Vianney Parish 1755 N. Calhoun Rd, Brookfield WI. **Open AA Meeting for everyone—Third Thursday of month.** Wheelchair entrance available.

Meetings are weekly closed AA meetings, except where otherwise noted. All meetings are Non-Smoking. **ASL Interpreter available.**

Contact John R. through Voice Relay Service 800-973-8024 / 414-546-3246 TTY/Voice.

E-mail at: johnreske9@yahoo.com
Contact George B. through Video Relay Service 866-483-1938 / 414-903-8905 TTY/VP

Orientation for GSR's

Second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. prior to the secretary's meeting, at the Milwaukee Central Office. Or, call Ken G. 608-221-2891, sherwood1@charter.net, to arrange for G.S.R. orientation at your district or workshop.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT

1. JACKSON, LaCROSSE, MONROE, TREMPLEAU & VERNON CNTY'S 2nd Sat. of month, 1:00 p.: Faith Evangelical Free Church, 6644 Hwy 16, Sparta WI 54656 (One mile west of Sparta)
2. GREEN LAKE & MARQUETTE CNTY'S & PART OF WAUSHARA CNTY 4th Sun. of month, 4:30 p., St. John's Church 1211 W. Main St., Princeton
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 Wed. of month, 7:30 p., Walworth Alano Club, 611 E. Walworth St., Delavan
7. KENOSHA CNTY 3rd Sun. of month, 4:00 p., Kenosha Alano Club, 630 56th St.
8. ROCK CNTY (1 of 2) 1st Fri of month, 6:30 p., Good Shepherd Lutheran Ch, 2447 Park St, Beloit
9. CRAWFORD, GRANT, IOWA and LAFAYETTE CNTY'S Last Mon. of month, 6:30 p., Southeast Health Center, 1400 East Side Rd, Platteville, WI 53818
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. WAUKESHACNTY (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) Last Sunday of month, 5:30 p, Milwaukee Room 933 E. Center St. Milwaukee
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
18. Combined with District 2. See "District #2"
- 19/37. RICHLAND & SAUK CNTY'S Last Wed. of month, 6:15 p, in Rm 14, at Baraboo Civic Cntr.
- 20/21 DANE CNTY (1 of 2) Last Tue. of month, 6:30 p, Monona Community Center, 1011 Nichols Rd., 53716
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 Cnly Alano Club, 115N. Lincoln, Beaver Dam, call to confirm 920-583-3142
24. OZAUKEE CNTY 3rd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Advent Lutheran, W63N642 Washington, Cedarburg
25. FOND du LAC CNTY 2nd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St, Fond du Lac
26. DANE CNTY Combined with District 20
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, St. Alphonsus School, 6000 W. Loomis Rd., Greendale (enter west side/rear of school)
30. ROCK CNTY (1 of 2) 1st Fri. of month, 6:30 p. 734 Railroad St., Janesville. (Unity Group)
31. COLUMBIA CNTY 3rd Sun. of month, 6:30 p., Pardeeville Village Library, 119N. Main St. Pardeeville, South entrance, lower level
32. WAUKESHACNTY (1 of 3) 3rd Sun. of month, 1:00 p, Galilee Lutheran Church, N24 W26430 Crestview Dr., Pewaukee.
34. WAUKESHACNTY (1 of 3) 1st Tue. of month, 6:30 p, Northwest Alano Club, N88W17658 Christman Rd., Menomonee Falls
35. GREEN CNTY Quarterly, when called.
36. RACINE/KENOSHA (1 of 2) 2nd Tues. month 6:00 p.m., 12 & 12 Club, 724 N Pine St, Burlington
37. JUNEAU CNTY No information available.

SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:
Greater Milwaukee Central Office
7429 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214,
dan@aamilwaukee.com

CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

TAYCHEedah CORRECTIONAL,
Meetings are held every other Tuesday,
5:30 -7:30 p.m. Deb L-H. (920)238-7414

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 Jo (262)
551-7371 or Karelyn P. 414-327-7915.

KETTLE MORaine 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 COR-
RECTION, 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
Milw aukee 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 CEN-
TER, 1015 N. 10th St. Milw . Sunday Nights
from 6:30 p. to 7:30 p., Men & Women, Call
Marty S. at 414-975-8903 for information

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 Thurs-
day 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 each 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: Steve G at 414-339-7691, email:
stevegravatt@yahoo.com with questions. Treasurer Bill E. at 414-433-3507. Corrections
volunteers must go through the committee to get AA literature to take into the various facili-
ties. Milwaukee Central Office no longer handles the funds.

Area 75, So. WI, Calendar of Events 2013

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

- Dec. 9, 2012 "Hand-off" meeting for new committee
chairs on Sunday 1 pm at the Milwaukee Central
Office, 7429W Greenfield Ave, West Allis 53214.
- Jan 20. Winter Service Assembly
- Feb 15-17. Conference of Delegates Past and
Present -in La Porte, IN
- Mar 17. Delegates Workshop
- Apr 7. Pre-Conference Assembly
- Apr 21-27. General Service Conference - in Ry e, NY
- May 17-19. Annual Area 75 Conference -in Janes-
ville, WI
- Jun 23. Summer Service Assembly
- Jul 19-21. East Central Regional Conference -in
Appleton, WI
- Oct 20. Fall Service Assembly
- Nov 15-17. East Central Regional Forum -in Fort
Wayne, IN

- **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: G.S.O.,**
P O Box 459, Grand Central Sta-
tion, 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

Taking Inventory

(Of Other People that is!)

It is oft-heard and seemingly common
AA knowledge that we are *not* to take
each other's inventory. Seemingly,
the Big Book source of this
'knowledge' is derived from Step Four
directions; indeed, the second full
paragraph of page 67 states: "*The in-*
ventory was ours, not the other
man's." But hold the phone! Care-
ful reading indicates that the context
of this saw may not
be applicable in
such a general and
all inclusive manner
as stated above.
This sentence actu-
ally concerns itself
only with the resent-
ment-solving tool of
discovering where
WE were at fault,
thereby letting the
object (person) of
our anger off the
hook, thus logically
ending the resentment. After all, how
foolish to blame a dire-deed on an
innocent bystander when we, our-
selves, set the ball rolling.

Of course it may be of benefit, or
even necessary, to take another AAs
inventory when choosing a sponsor or
electing a secretary, treasurer, GSR,
DCM or Area Delegate. We do this
every time we vote. Concerning new-
comers, Bill tells us on page 92, "*If*
you are satisfied he is a real alcoholic,
begin to dwell on the hopeless feature
of the malady." Also, on page 95, ". .
. *if he expects you to act as his*
banker . . . you may have to drop

him." And when greeting a new-
comer it may be important to judge his
or her religious or other strongly held
convictions so as not to nip the con-
versation in the bud.

It is important for a sponsor to
rightly judge a sponsee to best know
how to take them through the initial 12
-Step process. Some may be capable
of simply following the clear-cut di-

rections from our
program of action,
while others, perhaps
illiterate, may require
use of a tape recorder.
Others may be men-
tally ill, and need yet
another approach.

As for speaking at
meetings, one must
be careful not unduly
insult attendees, so
one might need judge
- take inventory of -

the audience to avoid saying some-
thing inappropriate, where at another
meeting ones speech might be more
open and relaxed.

The Big Book also tells of certain
things of which we are *not* to be the
judge, e.g., "*We do not want to be the*
arbiter of anyone's sex conduct" (p
69). I must be ever aware of continu-
ally fault-finding with my AA friends,
inwardly or outwardly, because in so
doing, I forget to take my own inven-
tory, and I don't do that, I am likely to
wind up back on a bar stool.

Bob S., Richmond, IN



(“Signals” Continued from page 1)

The Christ Child came into a world of poverty and struggle, but came into it to bring relief, salvation. His birth brought re-birth to the transgressors of the ages. It brought promise of life, of death, and of resurrection.

I feel that A.A. is truly in the spirit of Christmas--and follows the Christ Child. It comes to us as a cause for rejoicing that a means for salvation from our special chaos, our special poverty and struggle is at hand. It comes to many of us in our own "stables"--with the wise men of A.A. guided to us by a mysterious bright star. It brings to us a new life. One with firmness of purpose needed, but one with a program to make that firmness possible.

We have a great gift, direct from the hand of our maker, I fervently believe. The gift of *ourselves*--restored. The gift

of life. . . under control and worth something to ourselves and others. The gift of being able to help ourselves through helping others. The gift of self-knowledge, through frank appraisal. The gift of tolerance for others.

Yes, as I see them, the Red Lights of Christmas are signal lights, warning me to be on guard against complacency, reminding me that each day needs attention, that the gifts which have been so freely given can be as freely thrown away through complacency or thoughtlessness.

And, as I read their warning, I also read their message of good cheer, of blessing, of rejoicing. And I give thanks that this day has been a true gift, and pray that tomorrow, and all to morrows, I may again receive the gift, and receive it well.

M. F., Chicago IL.

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TWO Entirely new AA meetings at the Greater Milwaukee Central Office, need support of some “oldtimers”.
Wednesday Mornings at 10:30 a.m. & Friday Mornings at 10:30 a.m.



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follow the directions, closely.

In December 1960, I made a decision to change the way I lived, but I refused to follow the guidelines as they were suggested to me, and so, of course, I lost the way. Since June 1961, I have earnestly tried to adhere to the path cleared by those wise ones who have gone before us. The going has not always been to my liking. But I have learned, through our blessed Fellowship, that I can have Power going for me for the

duration of one day; by enlisting the aid of that Power in my daily life and through attempting to guide others onto the way, I can *live* Christmas, one day at a time, for as long as I choose.

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share. Thank you for letting me share with you this joyous Yuletide, sober and grateful.

N. G., Alvin Texas
December 1969, Vol. 26, No. 7

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Every Day Can Be Christmas Morning The Higher Power helps her live Christmas, one day at a time

THERE is no word to describe that distinctive misery when consciousness comes crawling in and one is sickly aware of another dawn, another hang-over, another day without purpose or direction. December 14, 1960, seemed wretchedly like all the preceding days. Sighing blasphemously, "Gawd! Isn't there some other way," I directed the body toward the kitchen and a badly needed eye-opener. At that moment, all similarity to other mornings ended. Two words exploded in my mind: Alcoholics Anonymous. I consulted the telephone directory. Laboriously focusing my eyes, I scanned the A's. Sure enough, there it was, big as life! Tremulously, I dialed the number.

An answering-service voice informed me that someone would return my call within an hour. I felt strangely relieved of any need for a drink.

Eight or ten meetings later, Christmas morning dawned clear and crisp and holy. There was not one "store bag" hurriedly thrust beneath a sloppily trimmed tree. All was in order. The dinner was excellent; the fowl was done to a turn, neither half-baked nor charred to a crisp. The tree was lovely; the gifts, in good taste. Christmas was a joy rather than a nightmare.

I relished the new life. I liked my new acquaintances. I enjoyed the stories I heard, particularly the ones where *those alcoholics* had experienced arrests, jails, psychiatric wards, and other horrors which I had escaped. For two and one-half months, I listened to tales of their antics and convinced

myself that (just as I had suspected) I was not an alcoholic--not really. I had simply let liquor get the upper hand, temporarily. Thus, none of the suggestions aimed at recovery applied to my case.

With such head-in-the-sand thinking, it was inevitable that I would return to drinking. I had nothing going for me to protect me against a relapse. And relapse I did! Back in the squirrel cage, I vowed nightly, "To morrow I will get back with AA." But each tomorrow found the chains of active alcoholism binding me more tightly than before.

Three months passed, three months of hellish remorse and deeper self-loathing. Someone has said, "It takes what it takes." And for me it took reducing myself, through my own distasteful behavior, to one big fat zero! Gone was any self-esteem, even the false self-esteem I had felt. Gone was the sick ego. Gone were the excuses and alibis. Although I did not reach the depth of physical illness I had known in December, a new sickness assailed me: I was sick of *me*. Now, God willing, I was teachable. On June 8, 1961, I crept into the meeting just ten minutes before it closed. Home free!

Today, I can make a decision to go anywhere in this big state I call home; but if I deviate from the outlined route, in all likelihood I shall never reach my planned destination. I must first decide where I am going and then

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Meeting Rooms

THE 2012/13 HOLIDAY ALKATHON NEEDS HELP!

Encourage your group to volunteer supporting an AA meeting during a 2-hour time slot.

Around-the-Clock Holiday AA Meetings

At Bay View United Methodist Church

Christmas Eve noon thru Christmas Day midnight
New Year's Eve noon thru New Year's Day midnight

Groups wishing to participate should submit their group name, contact person, phone number & email to alkathon@wi.rr.com. You may also call Candy R at (414) 331-1047 or Mike T at (414) 232-0016

Time slots will be drawn during the District 29 GSR Meeting on Monday, Dec. 3rd at 7PM St. Alphonsus Church, 6000 W Loomis Rd, Greendale, WI

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. Moreabout Alcoholism
7:00 p.
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
7:30 p. Women's Lifeline

Thr. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting
1:00 p. Women's Gp
5:30 p. Topic Mtng.
8:00 p. Step 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
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

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. HappyHour Step Gp.
7:00 p. Mon. Freedom
7:00 p. Open IntroductoryAA
7:30 a. Comin'Back Gp

Tue. 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. DoubleTroubleDDIO

Wed. 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

Thr. 10:30 a. Made Decision
5:15 p. As Bill Sees It
7:00 p. Gateway Topic Gp
7:30 a. Honesty Gp.

Fri. 10:30 a. Came To Believe
6:00 p. Womers Fri. Kickoff
6:30 p. Thoughts 4 Today
8:00 p. Broken Arrow
8:00 p. Spanish Speaking

Sat. 8:30 a. Early Bird
10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free
3:00 p. Twelve Promises
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

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.
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.
8:00 p.

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

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. 2nd & 4th 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
8:00 p.

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

AL-ANON MTNG: Sunday 9:30 a.

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

UNITY CLUB
1715 Creek Drive
West Bend, (262) 338-3500
<http://www.unityofwb.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
8:15 p.* Step Gp

Thr. 10:00 a. Big Book
7:00 p. EasyDozen12x12

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
Monday 7:00 p. Alateen
Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon

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

SERENITY CLUB
3677 E. Pulaski Ave,
Cudahy, WI 53110,
(414)483-8308
serenityclub.info

AA Meetings

Sun. 10:00 a. Welcome Gp.
7:00 p. Gp. 83

Mon. 10:00 a. Honesty Gp.
8:00 p. Sharing Strength

Tue. 10:00 a. Gp. 118
8:00 p. Gratitude Gp.

Wed. 10:00 a. Rap Discussion
5:30 P. Courage/Change
8:00 p. 1 Day At A Time

Thr. 10:00 a. Gp. 89
8:00 p. Gp. 88

Fri. 10:00 a. Gp. 41
8:00 p. Gp. 449

Sat. 10:00 a. Reliance Gp.
7:00 p. Big Book Gp.

AL-ANON MTNG: Sunday 5:30 p.
AL-ANON MTNG: Tuesday 6:30 p.

**Call Club for Open Meeting
& Dance Information**

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



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Meeting Rooms

Meeting Rooms

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 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
8:00 p. Delavan Candle-less Gp.

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
5:30 p. 12 x 12, Monday Blues
6:30 p. Gp 40 Big Book
8:00 p. Gp 20 Topic
10:30 p. Living Sober Step/Topic

Tue. 7:00 a. As Bill Sees It,
10:30 a. Gp 70 Step
12:15 p. Gp 76
5:30 p. Men's AA & Al-Anon
7:00 p. Beginners, 1st Step (3rd fl)
8:00 p. Gp 57 Topic
10:30 p. 4th Dimension 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
5:30 p. Acceptance Topic
7:00 p. LGBT Big Book
7:30 p. Gp 26 12x12
10:30 p. Peanut Gallery Step Mtng

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
11:30 p. Step/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
11:30 p. Tub-Topic

AL-ANON MEETING Sunday 10:00 a.
Club is smoke free. Many meetings break outdoors for smoking.

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/67 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

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

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 10:00 a. Gp. 24 Upstairs

Mon. 11:00 a. Gp. 92

Tues. 6:45 p, Gp. 79

Wed. 11:00 a. Gp. 27

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

Sat. 10:00 a. Beginners Gp.
7:00 p. Gp 6

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

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. WITTS
Thr: 6:00 p. Topic Meeting
Fri: 8:00 p. Good Fight Gp
Sat: 9:30 a. Non-Smoking
6:30 p. Grapevine
MtnG
Open Meeting 1st & 3rd
Saturday of month at 7:30 p.

Al-Anon Meetings
Monday: 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Wednesday: 9:30 a. Al-Anon
Saturday: 9:30 a. Ala-teen
9:30 a. Ala-Tot
9:30 a. Al-Anon

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

A.A. MEETINGS

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

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

Wed. 10:30 a.
12:15 p.
4:00 p.

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

Fri. 10:30 a.
12:15 p.
4:00 p.

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

CALL FOR INFORMATION

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

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. Living Sober
10:00 a. Big Book

8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng.
(1st Saturday Only)

GALANO CLUB
- LGBT Recovery -
315 W. Court St. Suite 201
Milwaukee, WI 53212-3825
(414) 276-6936
<http://www.galanoclub.org/>
mail@galanoclub.org

MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 10:30 a. Step Topic

Mon. 7:30 p. Came To Believe

Tue. 5:30 p. 40+ Topic

Wed. 7:00 p. 12 x 12

Fri. 7:00 p. Step/Topic

Sat. 7:30 p. Topic

AL-ANON MEETINGS

Sun. 10:30 a.m. (Co-ed.)

CALL THE CLUB FOR INFO ON SPECIAL EVENTS AND OPEN MEETINGS!

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.
8:00 p. Action Gp

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

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

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.

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

A.A. MEETINGS

Sun. 8:30 p. Big Book

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

Tue. 7:00 p. Topic
8:30 p. Big Book

Wed. 7:00 p. Big Book
8:30 p. Topic

Thur. 8:30 p. Step
10:30 p. Topic

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

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

Directory Changes

NEW MEETINGS

11th Step Candlelight, Hummingbird Center for Meditation, 3205 S Howell Ave, Milw 53207 meets **Mondays at 6:30 p.**

LGBT 12& 12 Candlelight, Quaker House, 3224 N Gordon Pl, Milwaukee 53212, meets **Tuesday at 7 p.**

Polish Sober Eagles (Polish Speaking) Prince of Peace, 4419 S Howell Ave Milw. 53207 (rear parking & entrance)
Meets on Tuesday at 6:00 p. (Polish/Russian Interpreter available)

Tues Night Bay View Big Book, United Methodist 2772 S K.K. Ave, meets on **Tuesdays at 5:30 p.**

The Lodge, 48W18474 Lisbon Rd, Menomonee Falls, **Wed. at 5:30 p.**

On Wisconsin! Friday, 7:00 p. Veteran's Manor 3430 W Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee
Couple's In Recovery

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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.

Open Disc. Living Word Church,
2240 Living Word Ln Jackson
53037 **Fri 7:30 p.**

11th Step Open AA Meeting, Bethel
Lutheran Church, S77W18426
Janesville Rd, Muskego. **Meets
Saturdays at 7:30 a.m.**

DISBANDED GROUPS

Biker's in Recovery, Tuesdays at
7:30 p., Faith United, 2895 Slinger
Rd, Slinger WI 53086,

Bright Spot of Our Lives, Wed. at 7
p. St James, W220N6588 Town
Line Rd Menomonee Falls

Acceptance & Honesty, Thursdays
at 6:30 p., Milw Metro Community
Church, 1239 W Mineral St. Milw.

Big Book Thursday 5:30 p, New
Life Church, 6093 Portland Rd Ce-
darsburg, WI.

OTHER CHANGES

The First 164, formerly at Roundy's
Church NOW meets at Christ
Church 5655 N Lake Dr, Whitefish
Bay, at 6:00 p. Tuesdays

Lake Country Gp, on Wednesday,
formerly at United Methodist 209
W Wisconsin Oconomowoc, NOW
meets at 1st Congregational
Church 815 S Concord Rd, Ocono-
mowoc

Gp #51, Fridays at 8pm, formerly at
St Timothy's on N 90th St. NOW
meets at Gloria Dei-Bethesda Lu-
theran Church, 9420 W Capitol Dr
Milw 53222

OPEN SPEAKER

**Weekly & monthly open speaker
meetings listed in Aug. 2012,
When & Where**

aamilwaukee.com/directory.html

Sundays at 5:00 p. Pass It On
Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Ave.

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,

1st Friday only 8:00 p. St. Lukes
Church, 300 Carroll St., Waukesha

1st Saturday 7:00 p. Dist. 15 Open
Meeting at Milwaukee Group 933 E
Center St. Milwaukee 53212

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

2nd Saturday at 7:00 p. 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

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, Me-
quon, WI

Last Wednesday 8:00 p. Trinity
United Church of Christ, 4435 N.
Calhoun Rd, Brookfield

Last Wednesday 8:00 p. Holy
Assumption School, 72nd & Orchard,

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

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

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"Faithful Fivers"

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7429 W. Greenfield Ave. West Allis WI 53214**

Faithful Fivers "When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are only being prudent. But when we are generous with the hat, we give a token that we are grateful for our blessings and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with those who still suffer." - *Bill W.*

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Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: ____/____/____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone Number () _____ - _____

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Men and Women members of AA, Al-Anon
Total cost: 4 days \$325.00. Send a \$50.00
deposit with requests for specific dates to:
Jesuit Retreat House, 4800 Fahrwald Road,
Oshkosh, WI 54901 or call for information,
(800) 962-7330
Nov 8-11 Women, Sr Elise Cholewinski, OSF
Nov 15-18 Women, Sr Linda Fischer, ASC
Nov 29-Dec 2 Men, Fr Richard Dunphy SJ

**Redemptorist Retreat Center, 1800 North
Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc, WI 53066,
(262) 567-6900 Email:
rrc@redemptoristretreat.org November 16 –
18 2012 Retreat for Members of AA and Al-
Anon. Presenter: Mr. Donald Szmanda. This is
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Please call 262-567-6900 for reservations.**

MILWAUKEE CENTRAL OFFICE

- **E-mail Director Dan F.** at: 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, 2nd**
Tuesday 6:30 p.
- **Secretary Meeting, 2nd**
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., Wed
and Fri also at 10:30 a.
- **A. A. Meetings Saturday**
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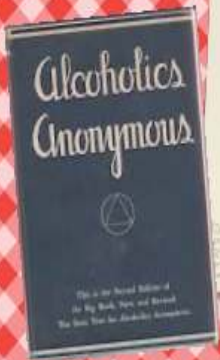
RECIPE FOR FUN

Food, Fellowship, Fun

DATE: Friday December 14, 2012

WHERE: 2840 South 84th Street West Allis
(Luther Memorial Church)

TIME: 6:30 PM
Speaker: John T.



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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.”

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Seventh Tradition Checklist

Helpful Hints for Holiday Parties

First, if you think the party might bother you too much, don't go. If you're not too sure of yourself, but would like to try it anyhow, go late and leave early. (Or go early and leave early.)

Just say, "I'll have a ginger ale, please." It helps always to hold a half-full glass in your hand. Then you can say, "No thanks, I still have one."

Don't go into a lengthy discussion of why you're not drinking. A simple "I prefer ginger ale tonight" usually works.

While you're at the party, think of where you came from and how awful it would be to go back.

Don't fool yourself into thinking that maybe "just one" won't hurt. Remember all the stories you've heard about

people who thought that way and where they ended up.

Have a good time. You'll be surprised at how easy it is and how much more fun it is to *know* what you're doing, instead of having to wait till the next day to hear the facts (probably unpleasant) from somebody else.

Take a look around the room once in a while and thank God you feel the way *you* do instead of the way some others do.

Think, too, of how hard it was to reach the point you've reached in AA and how much harder it will be to reach it again--*if* you can. Think of all the alcoholics who still suffer. Some probably don't even know what season it is. Maybe *you* have been picked to help one of them find his (or her) life again.

J.B., Rochester New York
December 1968, Vol. 25, No. 7

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Christmas Party

Hosted by Group 10 & Group 23

When: December 7th
Food & Fellowship: 6:30-7:30pm

Open Meeting to follow

Where: Holy Assumption Church
(School Basement)

7109 W. Orchard St.
West Allis

Who:
AA Speaker: Jerry L.
Alanon Speaker: Kathy H.

Questions?
Kenny C. 414-739-2800

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St. Mark's Church
2614 East Bellevue Pl
Milwaukee, WI 53211

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SPEAKERS

HOUSTON S. and RUTH R.

AA's Messages of Experience,
Strength and Hope

WHEN!
Wednesday December 5th, 2012 From 7-8:30PM

WHERE!
Our Saviors Lutheran Church
3022 W. Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53208
(Enter rear parking-lot on Wells Street)

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**Butler Sunday Night
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Sunday, December 16th
8:00pm

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SATURDAY DECEMBER 8, 2012
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SPEAKER: THERESA W.



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Serenity Club

Pork & Beef Roast

Dinner. Open Meeting & Dance

January 19, 2013

A.A. speaker: **Bob M.**

Past Delegate, & Past E.C.R.
Trustee

Al-anon speaker: **Mary Z.**

Dinner at 5:00 PM

Speaker at 7:00PM

Adults Tickets \$10.00.

Kids Tickets \$5.00.

See Board or counter person

DEAD LINE DATE January 16, 2013

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