

# "BETWEEN-US"

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## DR. Bob's Story In the beginning there were Bill and Bob. . .

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DR. Bob was born August 8, 1879, in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, a typical New England village of some 7000 souls. As the only son of parents prominent in civic and church activities, his early childhood was spent under strict parental guidance. Signs of inner revolt came at an early age. In later years the doctor liked to tell his children, Sue and Robert, of how he was put to bed every evening at five o'clock. He would go quietly enough, a fact which might have led the modern child-psychology-wise parent to suspect the worst, but which seemingly went unnoticed by the young man's parents. As soon as he was reasonably sure that he was considered safely asleep he would arise, dress and slip quietly down-stairs and out the back door to join his village gang.

In the summers the family often spent some weeks in a cottage by the sea. Here Bob became an expert swimmer. He and his foster sister, Nancy, spent many hours building

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## Heard at Open Meetings

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- An alcoholic never wants a drink--he wants a drunk.
- The safest response to any request made of you in AA is "Yes." Maybe you will have to back out later if an important business or domestic demand make it impossible for you to keep a speaking date, but cultivate the habit of saying "Yes." Because you are really saying "Yes" to life.
- There's no such thing as a hopeless alcoholic--he's just helpless, for the time being.
- No real alky is likely to stop until the pains of drinking get worse than the pains of reality.
- As long as you try you are not a failure.
- Never hesitate to give your phone number to another alco-

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### Between-Us Subscribers!

Due to some strange and unique postal bulk mail pricing, it is cheaper for us to mail the group subscription in two separate envelopes of three each. This means that the group will receive six copies instead of five for the same low price of \$18.00.

Also, individual subscribers will receive three copies in their envelope. The price will remain the same, \$9.00. Share the extras with your friends. Thank you.



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## Greater Milwaukee Central Office AA Profit & Loss May 2011

	May 11
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
Income	
4000 · Literature Sales	12,653.29
4050 · Between us	56.00
4070 · Contributions	4,451.19
4100 · Memorials	135.00
4130 · Personal Contri.	2,477.50
4150 · Other Income	181.25
4170 · Interest Income	4.16
4830 · Sales Discounts	9.99
48900 · Shipping/Handling Income	167.48
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>20,135.86</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
5000 · Literature	8,031.14
52900 · Purchases - Resale Items	21.89
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>8,053.03</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>12,082.83</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
51100 · Freight and Shipping Costs	11.56
59900 · POS Inventory Adjustments	-33.53
6045 · Coffee/Soda Expense	161.69
6050 · Credit card fees	182.97
6260 · Shipping and freight	208.66
6262 · Postage	9.90
6500 · Office	2,859.32
6600 · Payroll	10,873.77
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	50.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>14,324.34</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>-2,241.51</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>	
Other Expense	
Balancing Adjustments	0.00
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-2,241.51</b>

### Account Balances

CD Prudent reserve	84,350.36
Money Market	31,056.96
Checking	1,921.59

### AREA 75 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.

## Secretary Meeting, June 14, 2011

Groups represented: 6, 7, 15 TAL, 23, 48, 60, 83, 118, 200, 201, 232, A New Day, As Bill Sees It-Wauk, Badger Group, Big Book Readers, Brown Deer Monday, Butler Sunday Night, Couples Open Disc/Al-Anon, Daily Reprieve Men's, Early Bird, Early Bird Roger's Memorial, Good Hope Sun, Hales Corners Tue, Happy Destiny, Hartford Big Book, Hartford Wed Night Step, Helping Hand, Honest and Able, Honest and Able, How It Works, How To Get It Going, Monday Night Menomonee Falls Action, Muskego Sat Night, New Beginnings Oconomowoc, Palmyra Monday Night, Participation Open Meeting, Saturday Morning Big Book, Saturday Night Big Book, Sun Morning Sunlight, Sunday Night Surrender, There is a Solution/Waukesha, There is a Solution/Pewaukee, T-N-T, Traditions Meeting Open Disc, Trust Through Fellowship, Wanderers, Wednesday Night Wisdom, and Women's Friday Night Kick Off. I'm sorry if I have missed anyone that was at the meeting.

Meeting opened by Dan F. at 7:00 p.m. Dan introduced himself as the new Director of the Milwaukee Central Office. He is both humbled and very grateful to have been entrusted with this task by a vote of the Board members of the office. Dan asked the fellowships help and understanding as he is sure to stumble a few times while trying to fill the void left since Jim B's retirement on May 31, 2011. Dan expressed gratitude at having been able to work with four very knowledgeable and understanding prior Directors.

Dan turned the remainder of the meeting over to Kathy S.

Bank balances on May 31, 2011  
Business Checking: \$1,921.59

### 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](mailto:johnreske9@yahoo.com)

Contact George B. through Video Relay Service 866-483-1938 / 414-903-8905 TTY/VP

Money Market Savings:\$31,056.96  
Prudent Reserve CD's: \$84,350.36

Between-Us subscriptions: if your group hasn't paid yet for year 2011, now is the time. \$18.00 for 6 copies per month. Individual subscriptions are available at \$9.00 (3 copies). New Subscriptions will be "pro-rated" according to the date.

41st Annual City Wide Jamboree for the Central Office will be held on Saturday September 17, 2011. at the Milwaukee County Zoo. \$25.00, AA Speaker: Mildred F. from Toronto. Tickets available now at Central Office or by mail.

Nancy S. Area Archivist talked about the wonderful Archives Room set up at Holy Assumption School, 72nd and Orchard. She mentioned the hours of operation and some special movie days she has several times a year. There is also a need for volunteer s to assist in the Archives room. Please call Nancy S at the Central Office on Saturdays from 9 to 5 or weekdays from 9 to 11am. 414-771-9119 or call her cell phone at 414-339-3934.

Meeting closed at 7:45 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting is Tuesday July 12, 2011. at 7p.m. The next Board of Director's meeting will be Wednesday July 13, 2011 at 6:30 pm

### AA Groups Need Your Support

- **Gp 24, Sun. 10 a.m.** 12 Step Club, 4102 W Townsend St. Milwaukee, 53216
- **Monday at 1:30 pm.** Bethesda Community Center, 2845 W. Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, WI 5310
- **Thursday at 12:15 pm. and Wednesday 5:30 pm.** Topic both meet at: St. John's Cathedral Complex, 831 N. Van Buren St. Milwaukee, WI 53202
- **Broken Arrow Gp., Friday at 6:30 pm.,** Serenity Club, 3677 E Pulaski, Cudahy WI 53110

# 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](mailto: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 Shepard Lutheran Ch, 2447 Park St., Beloit

9. CRAWFORD, GRANT, IOWA and LAFAYETTE CNTY'S Last Mon. of month, 6:30 p., West View Methodist, Madison & Hathaway, Platteville,

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 4) 1st Sun. of month, 4:00 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 Cnty Alano Club, 115 N. Lincoln, Beaver Dam, call to confirm 920-583-3142

24. OZAUKEE CNTY 3rd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Advent Lutheran, 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, 119 N. Main St. Pardeeville, South entrance, lower level.

32/33. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 4) 3rd Sun. of month, 1:00 p, Galilee Lutheran Church, N24 W26430 Crestview Dr., Pewaukee.

34. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 4) 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](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)

# CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

**ETHAN ALLEN SCHOOL, Wales, WI 53183**  
Open speaker meetings every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. (no meeting on the 5th Tuesday of a month). Need facilitators and speakers for 2010, contact Mark G at 262-896-9526 [mgukich@wi.rr.com](mailto:mgukich@wi.rr.com) or Perry C. at 414-588-1638 [pgcristan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pgcristan@sbcglobal.net)

**TAYCHEEDAH CORRECTIONAL**, Meetings are held every other Tuesday, 5:30 -7:30 p.m. Contact: 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

**SOUTHERN OAKS GIRLS SCHOOL, Union Grove WI**, AA Wednesday 5:55 p.m. and Alateen Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Contact: Marty S. (414) 975-8903 for clearance

**ROBERT ELLSWORTH CORRECTIONAL**, 21425A Spring St., Union Grove, 53182 AA Wed. 7:30 PM, AA Mon. night 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. and Wed., at 7:00 p.m. Contact Jo

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

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

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION**, 8885 S. 68th St. Franklin WI. **AA Women's** Saturday 10:00 a.m. Contact: Kristin L. 414-731-8572 or **AA Men's** on Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Contact: 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. Contact Felisa C. (414) 672-6724. **AA Men's** Thr. at 7:00 p.m. Contact: 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 Marty S. at 414-975-8903 for information

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

**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, Mng. 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. Contact: Bill H. (262) 633-1851

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE:** Meets 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](mailto: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 facilities. Milwaukee Central Office no longer handles the funds.

## Area 75, Southern Wisconsin, Calendar of Events 2011

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

- Oct 16, Fall Service Assembly
- Nov 11-13, East Central Regional, Miamisburg OH

- 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

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and sailing their own sailboats. It was here that he saved a young girl from drowning. While the boy, Rob, was high-spirited, considered rebellious and wayward, he was also industrious and labored long and hard at anything he really wanted to do. He wanted, above all else, to become a medical doctor like his maternal grandfather. When he was about nine years old he began to show signs of liking to work, especially out of doors. That summer he was at a neighbor's farm helping the men load hay. Perhaps he was resting, perhaps he was prowling around poking under bushes to see what he could see. .he saw a jug. .he pulled the cork and sniffed. It was a new odor to this son of strict New England parents. If the stuff in the jug smelled so good, it should taste good too. He liked the taste. He liked the way it made him feel. A little boy; a jug of hooch; the first securely welded link in the chain. By the time he reached his teens, Rob was spending parts of his summers working on a Vermont farm or juggling trays and lugging baggage as a bellhop in an Adirondack summer hotel. His winters were passed trying to avoid the necessity of having to attend high school in order to receive a diploma. During his high school days young Rob learned much of what there is to know about a billiard table. He was a good student in spite of himself and graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in 1898. It was at a party given at the Academy that Dr. Bob first met Anne. A student at Wellesley, she was

spending a holiday with a college chum. It was a small, reserved girl whom the tall, rangy Rob met that night. With an agile mind to match his own, Anne had a cheerfulness, sweetness and calm that was to remain with her through the years. After high school at St. Johnsbury Academy came four years of college at Dartmouth. At long last the rebellious young colt was free of his parents' restraining supervision. New experiences were to be explored and enjoyed without having to give an accounting. His first discovery in his search for the facts of life on the campus was that joining the boys for a brew seemed to make up the greater part of after-class recreation. From Dr. Bob's point of view it was the major extra-curricular activity. It had long been evident that whatever Rob did, he did well. He became a leader in the sport. He drank for the sheer fun of it and suffered little or no ill-effects. His years at Dartmouth were spent doing exactly what he wanted to do with little thought of the wishes or feelings of others--a state of mind which became more and more predominant as the years passed. Rob graduated in 1902. . "summa cum laude" in the eyes of the drinking fraternity. The dean had a somewhat lower estimate. Now he held a Dartmouth diploma, but the desire to become a medical doctor was still with him. His mother, who had never approved of this career for her son, hadn't altered her views. For the next two years he worked for a large scale company; then he went to Montreal where he labored at selling railway supplies, and heavy hardware. He left Montreal and went to Filene's

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store in Boston.

All through this period he was drinking as much as purse allowed, still without getting into any serious trouble. But he wasn't making any headway either. He still wanted to be a doctor. It was time he was about it. He quit his job at the store and that Fall entered the University of Michigan as a pre-medical student.

Again he was free of all restraint. Earnestly, he got down to the serious business of drinking as much as he could and still make it to class in the morning. His famous capacity for beer followed him to the Michigan campus. He was elected to membership in the drinking fraternity. Once again he displayed the wonders of his "patent throat" before his gaping brothers. He, who had boasted to his friends, "Never had a hangover in my life," began to have the morning-after shakes. Many a morning Dr. Bob went to classes and, even though fully prepared, turned away at the door and went back to the fraternity house. So bad were his jitters that he feared he would cause a scene if he should be called on.

He went from bad to worse. No longer drinking for the fun of it, his life at Michigan became one long binge after another. In the Spring of his sophomore year, Dr. Bob made up his mind that he could not complete his course. He packed his grip and headed South. After a month spent on a large farm owned by a friend, the fog began to clear from his brain. As he began to think more clearly he realized that it was very foolish to quit school. He de-

ecided to return and continue his work.

The faculty had other ideas. After a long argument they allowed him to return to take his exams. He passed them creditably. After many more painful discussions, the faculty also gave him his credits. That Fall he entered Brush University as a junior. Here his drinking became so much worse that his fraternity brothers felt forced to send for his father. The Judge made the long journey in a vain effort to get him straightened out.

After those long disastrous binges, when Dr. Bob was forced to face his father he had a deep feeling of guilt. His father always met the situation quietly, "Well, what did this one cost you?" he would ask. Oddly enough this feeling of guilt would come, not because he felt that he had hurt him in any way, but because his father seemed, somehow, to understand. It was this quiet, hopeless understanding that pained him.

He was drinking more and more hard liquor now, and coming up to his final exams he went on a particularly rough binge. When he went in to the examinations his hand trembled so badly he could not hold a pencil. He was, of course, called before the faculty. Their decision was that if he wished to graduate he must come back for two more quarters, remaining absolutely dry. This he was able to do. The faculty considered his work so creditable, he was able to secure a much coveted internship in City Hospital in Akron, Ohio.

The first two years in Akron, as a young intern, were free of trouble.

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Hard work took the place of hard drinking simply because there wasn't time for both. At one time during his internship he ran the hospital pharmacy by himself. This, added to other duties, took him all over the hospital, running up and down the stairs because the elevators were too slow, running here, rushing there as if the devil were after him. All this frenzied activity never failed to bring about an explosive, "Now where is that cadaverous young Yankee!" from one of the older doctors who became particularly fond of him.

Though the two years as intern at City were hectic, Dr. Bob had time to learn much from the older men who were glad to share their knowledge with him. He began to perfect his own skills so that he might become a specialist, a surgeon. When his two years of internship were over he opened an office in The Second National Bank Building, in Akron. This was in 1912. His offices were in the same building until he retired from practice in 1948.

He was completely out on his own now, and again free to do as he chose--some money in his pocket and all the time in the world. It may have been that reaction set in from all the work, the irregular hours, the hectic life of an intern. Whatever caused it, Dr. Bob developed considerable stomach trouble. The remedy for that was, of course, a couple of drinks. It didn't take him long to return to the old drinking habits.

Now he began to know the real horror, the suffering that goes with alcoholism. In hope of relief, he

signed in at least a dozen times in one of the local sanitariums. After three years of this torture he ended up in a local hospital where they tried to help him. But he got his friends to smuggle him in a quart. He got rapidly worse. Finally his father had to send a doctor out from St. Johnsbury to attempt to get him home. Somehow the doctor managed to get him back to the house he was born in, where he stayed in bed for two months before he could venture out. He stayed around town for about two months more, then returned to Akron to resume his practice. Dr. Bob was thoroughly scared, either by what had happened, by what the doctor had told him, or both. He went into one of his long dry periods.

In 1915 he went back to Chicago to marry Anne. He brought her back to Akron as his bride. The first three years of their married life were free of the unhappiness that was to come later. He became established in his practice. Their son Robert was born and life began to make a sensible pattern. Then the 18th Amendment was passed.

Dr. Bob's reasoning was quite typical at this time, if not quite logical. It would make very little difference if he did take a few drinks now. The liquor that he and his friends had bought in amounts according to the size of their bank accounts, would soon be gone. He could come to no harm. He was soon to learn the facts of the Great American Experiment.

The government obligingly made it possible for doctors to obtain unlimited supplies of liquor. Often during those black years, Dr. Bob, who

## Written for Us Newcomer's Meeting

An Insight to 'How it Works'

A meeting for newcomers and/or old-timers

when:

Saturday's from 9:15 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**

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held his profession sacred, would go to the phone book, pick out a name at random and fill out the prescription which would get him a pint of whiskey. When all else failed there was the newly accredited member of American society, the bootlegger. A moderate beginning led to Dr. Bob's usual ending. During the next few years, he developed two distinct phobias. One was the fear of not sleeping and the other was the fear of running out of liquor. So began the squirrel-cage existence. Staying sober to earn enough money to get drunk, getting drunk to go to sleep, using sedatives to quiet the jitters, staying sober, earning money, getting drunk, smuggling home a bottle, hiding the bottle from Anne who became an expert at detecting hiding places.

This nightmare went on for seventeen years. Somehow he had the good sense to stay away from the hospital and not to receive patients if he were drinking. He stayed sober every day until four o'clock, then came home. In this way he was able to keep his drinking problem from becoming hospital gossip. Through these years Dr. Bob was an active member of the City Hospital Staff and often he had occasion to go to St. Thomas Hospital, where in 1934 he became a member of the Courtesy Staff and in 1943 a member of the Active Staff. It was during one of these visits to St. Thomas, in 1928, that in the course of his duties, he met Sister Mary Ignatia, whose work with alcoholics was to become a legend.

Anne and the children now lived in a shambles of broken promises,

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# CLUB INFORMATION

## NEW DAY CLUB

11936 N. Port Washington  
Mequon, (262) 241-4673  
<http://www.newdayclub.org>

### A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

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

Mon. 12:30 p. Tenth Step Gp  
5:30 p.  
7:00 p.  
8:15 p. Men's Gp

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

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

Thur. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting  
1:00 p. Women's Gp  
5:30 p. Topic Mtg.  
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. Steps/Principles  
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 p Start  
10:30 a. First Step  
4:00 p. Happy Hour Step Gp.  
7:00 p. Mon. Freedom  
7:00 p. Open Introductory AA

Tue. 7:30 a. Comin' Back Gp  
10:30 a. Keep It Simple  
4:00 p. Drop the Rock  
6:00 p. Women's Step  
7:30 p. Three Legacies  
7:30 p. Double Trouble DD/O

Wed. 7:30 a. Big Book Study  
10:30 a. Pass It On  
4:00 p. Happy Hr Promises  
7:00 p. We, Us & Ours

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

Fri. 7:30 a. Honesty Gp.  
10:30 a. Came To Believe  
6:00 p. Women's Fri. Kickoff  
6:30 p. Thoughts 4 Today  
8:00 p. 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. Thr. 7:00 p.  
Tue. open Fri. 7:30 p.  
Wed. 7:00 p. Sat. 10:30 a.

## LAKE AREA CLUB

N60 W 35878 Lake Dr  
Oconomowoc, WI  
(262) 567-9912

Visit our website at:  
[www.lakeareclub.com](http://www.lakeareclub.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 Study

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

Wed. 8:00 a.  
10:00 a.  
6:00 p.  
8:00 p.

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

Fri. 12:30 p.  
6:00 p. Non-smoking  
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. 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. 11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtg  
(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.

Thur. 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 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

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

Wed. 10:00 a. Promises  
8:15 p. Step Gp

Thur. 10:00 a. Big Book  
8:00 p. Young People

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 6:30 p. Alateen  
Wednesday 8:15 p. Al-Anon

\* Open Mtng. 1st Sunday Quarterly  
\*\* Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month  
(a.m.)

## SERENITY CLUB

3677 E. Pulaski Ave,  
Cudahy, WI 53110,  
(414)483-8308  
[serenityclub.info](http://serenityclub.info)

### AA Meetings

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

Mon. 10:00 a. Honesty Gp.  
6:30 p. Ladies Big Book  
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

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

Fri. 10:00 a. Gp. 41  
6:30 p. Broken Arrow  
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.  
ALATEEN MTNG: Tuesday 6:30 p.  
AL-ANON MTNG: Friday 7:30 p.**

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

# CLUB INFORMATION

## 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. Gp 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  
8:00 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. As Bill Sees It  
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. Gp 30 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 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

# CLUB INFORMATION

The "Clubs" 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.

**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  
Tuesday 6:45 p. Gp. 79  
Wed. 11:00 a. Gp. 27  
Fri. 11:00 a. Gp. 61 (12x12)  
6:00 p. Women's Gp.  
Sat. 10:00 a. Beginners Gp.  
7:00 p. Gp 6

**CALL THE CLUB FOR  
INFORMATION ON OPEN  
A.A. MEETINGS,  
MEETINGS FOR OTHER FEL-  
LOWSHIPS 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.  
8:00 p. WITSS  
Thr: 6:00 p. Topic Meeting  
7:00 p. Closed Speaker  
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 8:00 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

# When and Where

## NEW MEETINGS

**Gp 79, Twelve Step Club**, 4102 W  
Townsend St, Milwaukee 53216,  
meets Tuesday at 6:45 p.

**W.E.L.L. Beginner's Group**, Beth-  
lahem Lutheran Church 470 N Oak  
Crest Dr, Wales, WI 53188 on  
Tuesday's at 7:00 p.m.

**Women's Big Book**, Christ Church  
13460 N Port Washington Rd, Me-  
quon 53092, meets Mon. at 6:00 p.

**Polish Sober Eagles (Polish  
Speaking)** Prince of Peace, 4419 S  
Howell Ave Milwaukee 53207 (rear  
parking & entrance) Meets on Tues-  
day at 6:00 p. (Polish/Russian Inter-  
preter available)

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

**Bright Spot of Our Lives Young  
People**, St James Congregation  
W222 N6570 Town Line Rd, Meno-  
monee Falls Wednesdays at 7:00 p.

**UW-Whitewater**, Ambrose Health  
Center, 800 W Main St, Whitewater,  
Wednesdays at 4:00 p.

**By The Book**, Tippecanoe Presby-  
terian, 125 W Saveland Ave Mil-  
waukee 53207 Wednesday, 7:00 p.

## DISBANDED GROUPS

**Weekly Open AA Forum**, West  
Allis Memorial Hosp. 8901 W Lin-  
coln Ave, met Sunday at 4:30 p.  
**Living Sober**, met at A Safe Haven  
740 N 29th St, Milwaukee WI 53208  
on Tuesday's at 7:00 p.m.

**Fight the Good Fight Open, Ace  
Boxing Club**, 2160 S 10th, Milw.  
met on Mondays at 7:00 p.

## 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. 8:30 a. Living Sober  
10:00 a. Big Book

**8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng.**  
(1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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.



**Muskego Wednesday Night**, met at Heritage Presbyterian, 13761 College Ave, Muskego, at 7:30 p.

**Brown Deer Friday**, Abiding Savior, 5214 W Luebbe Ln, met on Fridays at 8:00 p.

### OTHER CHANGES

**Gp 91 Women**, Alano Club 1521 N Prospect Wed at 6 p. now has **Child Care Available**.

**Time To Start Living**, Brookfield Presbyterian, 1485 Brookfield Rd, Noon on Mondays, now has an **open meeting on the last Monday** of the month.

**Cedarburg Tue Gp**, Advent Lutheran W63 N642 Washington Ave, Cedarburg, formerly met at 8:00 p. on Tuesday, now meets at 7:00 p.

**Hartford Wednesday Night**, time change, old time 8:00 p. **NEW time is 7:00 p.**

**Here and Now**, formerly at the 12 Step Club, now meets on Thursdays 7 p. at St Francis of Assisi Church, 1927 N 4th St Milw. 53212

**Friday Night Second Shifter's** formerly met at Serenity Club, now meets at the Alano Club, 1521 N Prospect Ave Friday night/Saturday morning at 12:15am

**Fri North Shore**, Bay Shore Lutheran, 1200 E Hampton, formerly at 8 p. now meets at 7:30 p.

## OPEN MEETINGS

**Weekly & monthly open meetings listed in June 2011, When & Where**

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

Grapevine Open Meeting, Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Ave. meets on **Sundays at 5:00 p.**

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

Salem United Methodist Church, 541 Hwy. 59, Waukesha, ea. **Wed. 7:00 p.**

St. Lukes Church, 300 Carroll St., Waukesha **1<sup>st</sup> Friday only 8:00 p.**

24 Hour Club Open Meeting, 153 Green Bay Rd, Thiensville, **First Saturday of month at 8:00 p.**

New Hope United Church, 4360 N. Jackson Dr., Jackson WI, meets on **Second Saturday only at 7:00 p.m.**

Dist 34, St. Francis Episcopal Church, N84 W16525 Menomonee Ave., **Second Saturday at 7:00p.**

Waukesha Alano Open Meeting, 318 W. Broadway, Waukesha, **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, at 11:00 a.**

Open Meeting 2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave. Milwaukee, WI. Meets on **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 11:00 a.**

HOW To Club Open Meeting, 8930 W. National Ave., **3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 8:00 p.**

New Day Club Open Meeting, 11936 N. Port Washington Rd, Mequon, **Third Saturday at 8:00 pm**

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

Holy Assumption School, 72<sup>nd</sup> & Orchard, **Last Wednesday 8:00 p.**

Hartford on the Hill Open Meeting, Hartford Savings, 1400 Schauer Dr Hartford WI, **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of May and September at 7:00 p.**

New Day Club Open Meeting, 11936 N. Port Washington Rd., Mequon, **Third Saturday at 8:00 p.**

Alano Club Open Meeting, 1521 N. Prospect Ave **Each Saturday 7:30 p.**

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

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## "Faithful Fivers"

**Greater Milwaukee Central Office**  
**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.*

Every single AA service is designed to make 12th Step work possible. As a **Faithful Fiver** your personal contributions can and will make our vital services possible. You can start with a minimum monthly contribution of \$5.00 or more. This can be paid by check or billed to your credit card.

**Yes! I want to participate in the Faithful Fivers Club.**

**Contribution Information: Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Amount \$:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Monthly** \_\_\_\_\_ **Quarterly** \_\_\_\_\_ **Annually** \_\_\_\_\_

(Note no AA member can contribute more than \$3000 per year)

I am a new member \_\_\_\_\_ a current member \_\_\_\_\_ a returning member \_\_\_\_\_.

Payment Plan:

Check enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ or Bill my credit card: Visa \_\_\_\_\_ M/C \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_

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**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

### 2011 Weekend Retreats Jesuit Retreat House, Oshkosh, WI [jesuitretreathouse.org](http://jesuitretreathouse.org)

Men and Women members of AA, Al-Anon  
Total cost: 4 days \$290.00. Send a \$40.00 deposit with requests for specific dates to:  
Jesuit Retreat House, 4800 Fahrwald Road, Oshkosh, WI 54901 or call for information, 1 (800) 962-7330

Aug 18-21 Women, Mildred Frank  
Nov 10-13 Women, Sr Kerry Larkin OSM  
Nov 17-20 Women, Sr Elise Cholewinski OSF  
Dec 01-04 Men, Fr Kevin Ballard, S.J.

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

- GRUPO 5 CONCEPTOS, Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Av, Milw, on Friday at 8:00 p.
- GRUPO NUEVO AMANECER, Tri-County Unity Club, 104 N. First St, Watertown, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:00 PM and on Sunday at 11:00 AM
- GRUPO FE Y ESPRONZA, Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St. Fond du Lac WI on Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Sundays at 4:00 PM

### MILWAUKEE CENTRAL OFFICE

- **E-mail the Board President at:** [board@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:board@aamilwaukee.com)
- **E-mail Director Jim B. at:** [jim@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:jim@aamilwaukee.com)
- **Hours:** 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday
- **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. Meeting Saturday** 9:15 a., 10:30 a. and 3:00 p.
- [www.aamilwaukee.com](http://www.aamilwaukee.com)

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given in all sincerity. Unable to see her friends, Anne existed on the bare necessities. About all she had left was her faith that her prayers for her husband would somehow be answered.

It then happened that Dr. Bob and Anne were thrown in with a crowd of people who attracted Dr. Bob because of their poise, health and happiness. These people spoke of their problems without embarrassment, a thing he could never do. They all seemed very much at ease. Above all, they seemed happy. They were members of the Oxford Group. Self-conscious, ill at ease most of the time, his health nearing the breaking point, Dr. Bob was thoroughly miserable. He sensed that these new-found friends had something that he did not have. He felt that he could profit from them.

When he learned that what they had was something of a spiritual nature, his enthusiasm was somewhat dampened. Unfortunately his childhood background of church twice during the week and three times on Sunday had caused him to resolve that he would never appear in a church so long as he lived. He kept that resolve for forty years except when his presence there was absolutely necessary. It helped some to find out that these people did not gather in a church but at each other's homes.

That they might have the answer to his drinking problem never entered his head, but he thought it could do him no harm to study their philosophy. For the next two and one half years he attended their meetings.

And got drunk regularly!

Then one Saturday afternoon, Henrietta called Anne. Could they come over to meet a friend of hers who might help Bob.

At five o'clock Sunday evening they were at Henrietta's door. Dr. Bob faced Bill W. who said, "You must be awfully thirsty--this won't take us long."

From the moment Bill spoke to him, Dr. Bob knew that here was a man who knew what he was talking about. As the hours passed, Bill, newly sober himself, stranded in town on a business trip and panicked by his moment-to-moment danger of drinking, told of his experiences with alcohol. He told him of the simple message that a friend had brought, "Show me your faith and by my works I will show you mine."

Slowly at first, then with sudden clarity, Dr. Bob began to understand. Bill had been able to control his drinking problem by the very means that Dr. Bob himself had been trying to use--but there was a difference. The spiritual approach was as useless as any other if you soaked it up like a sponge and kept it all to yourself. True, Bill had been preaching his message at any drunk who would listen; he had been unsuccessful until now, but the important thing was that by giving his knowledge away, he, himself, was sober!

There was one more short binge for Dr. Bob after that talk. On June 10, 1935, he took his last drink, remaining sober until his death on November 15, 1950.

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## Volunteers Needed To Staff the Archives Room

### GOAL

**Keep the Archives Room Open  
From Noon until 4:00 Sunday's  
throughout the year of 2011**

**Volunteers can sign up for one day  
or as many days that  
they are able to commit to.**

**Please contact Nancy Seelen  
Area 75 Archivist  
414 339-3934  
aanancy@att.net**

### **AA at the VA Mini-Conference Needs Your Help!**

**We are looking for trusted servants to help fill  
Committee Chair Positions for this year's  
Conference on Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Committee Chair Openings.**

**Greeter Co-Chair**

**Publicity Chair and Co-chair**

**Program Co-Chair**

**Registration Chair and Co-Chair**

**Secretary**

**Treasurer Co-Chair**

**Contact Tom M. at (414) 807-0829 or email  
[bojol361@yahoo.com](mailto:bojol361@yahoo.com) for more details.**



**Pass It On Festival**  
**Saturday, July 16, 2011**

<p>Food Served 2pm to 8pm</p> <p>Dunk Tank</p> <p>Bounce House</p> <p>50/50 Raffles</p>	<p>Live Band • Wisconsin Plowboys www.wisconsinplowboys.com 7:00 - 10:00pm</p> <p>DJ Greg in the afternoon</p> <p>Open Speaker Meeting - 6pm Tim M. from Pittsburgh, PA</p> <p>Workshop 2pm to 4:30pm Three Panels "We Are Not A Glum Lot" Hosted by Thoughts 4 Today</p>	<p>Craft Sale</p> <p>Bake Sale</p> <p>Silent Auction</p>
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**PASS IT ON CLUB**  
**6229 W. FOREST HOME AVENUE**  
**MILWAUKEE, WI**  
**414-541-6923**



**Butler Sunday Night**  
**is celebrating their 47<sup>th</sup> Birthday!**

**When: Sunday, July 24**

**Where: St Agnes Church**  
**12601 W. Fairmount St., Butler, WI**

**Opening Meeting Time: 8:00pm**

**Speaker: Chris R.**

**Come Help Us Blow Out the Candles**  
**and Enjoy the Fun, Food and AA Fellowship**

*("Heard" Continued from page 1)*

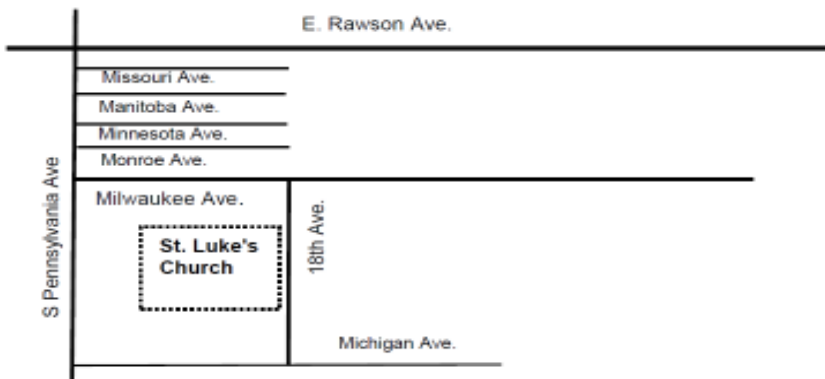
- holic--you never know when it may do you some good.
- On a Twelfth Step call the best question to ask first is simply, "Are you having trouble?" He can hardly say "No" to this one and it establishes the fact that you are there to help him if you can.
- When I was drinking I would wake up at night in a cold sweat with my fist aching from being tightly clenched in my sleep. Just recently I realized that a clenched fist is the absolute opposite of a trust in God.
- A woman writer: "In my drinking years friends would warn me that, if I kept on the way I was going, I would wind up 'cutting out paper dolls.' Well, looking back on my years in AA, I can see a parable in this expression. For when you cut the folded paper it looks like an individual figure. But then, when you unfold it, you can see that all the figures are joined together; they are all holding hands. That's AA to me--a long chain of alcoholics, invisibly holding hands to help each other. So you see that, in a sense, I did wind up 'cutting out paper dolls.'"

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**Wednesday Night Airport Group  
ANNUAL OPEN SPEAKER MEETING**

**Wednesday August 10, 2011**

AA Speaker: **Kaye K.** Al-Anon Speaker: **Linda D.**  
Food and refreshments at 6:00 P.M. Speakers begin at 6:30 P.M.  
St. Luke's United Church of Christ  
2200 18th Avenue, South Milwaukee



COFFEE AND GOODIES



**GROUP 7**

**PILGRIM CHURCH**

**2327 N. 52<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
Milwaukee, WI 53210**

Open Meeting Every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday  
of Each Month



**MARCH 25**

AA Speaker **THERESA W.**  
ALANON Speaker **KATHY R.**  
Time 8:00 PM

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THIS GREAT MEETING

58th Annual Indiana State Convention / East Central Regional Conference

**Help, Hope, Happiness...**  
Stay for the *Miracle!*

**July 22-23-24, 2011**

Holiday Inn Conference Center  
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Columbus, Indiana 47201

- Ice Cream Social Friday & Saturday Night
- Saturday Night Banquet • Saturday Night Dinner
- Activities • Workshops • Sobriety Countdown



- Speakers**
- Phyllis K. New York
  - Mike S. Indiana
  - Faye S. Indiana (Al-Anon)
  - Gary K. Colorado
  - Julie S. Utah

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Reservations must be made by  
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**REGISTRATION:**  
Registration \$29.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Banquet \$38.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Lodging \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Total required \$137.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Reserve by July 4, 2011 to include banquet

**JAMBOREE 2011**

Milwaukee County Zoo, Peck Welcome Center  
10001 W. BLUEMOUND RD.

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2011**  
**HOSPITALITY: 5:00 P.M., DINNER: 6:00 P.M.**  
**SPEAKER: Mildred F. / Toronto, 7:00 P.M.**  
**Dance to follow**

**\$25.00**      **Soda and Water Only \$1.50**      **\$25.00**

Tickets by mail, \$25.00 each. Include a self addressed stamped envelope.  
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