

The BETWEEN-US

Monthly Newsletter of the Greater Milwaukee Central Office, Inc.

Welcoming Newcomers and Aiding AA Groups in Our Community.



Language of the Heart
Lenguaje del corazón
Le langage du cœur

Happy 90th Anniversary A.A.!

**2025 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

July 3-6, 2025 | Vancouver, British Columbia

DISCOVER VANCOUVER

Vancouver is located on the unceded traditional territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətaʔi (Tsleil-Waututh) peoples, who have lived on this land for thousands of years. In 2014, Vancouver was designated a City of Reconciliation, embarking on a sustained relationship of mutual respect with local First Nations.

A cosmopolitan city right on the edge of nature, Vancouver makes it easy to combine an urban getaway with outdoor adventure. From family-friendly fun to thrill-seeking exploits; from marine exploring to mountaintop luxury, you'll find plenty of things to do in Vancouver. Vancouverites know their city's culinary scene. They know where to find the best tower of fresh seafood, the finest house-made charcuterie, and the most delicious taco truck!

Now, close your eyes and breathe in deep. As the earthy, cedar-scented air fills your lungs, listen to the birds twittering, wind rustling through leaves, and evergreen needles crunching underfoot as you wander the forest's carpeted path. As you round the corner, Stanley Park's Lost Lagoon comes into view. Just a few minutes past are the towers and skyscrapers of downtown Vancouver. This is what inspires Vancouverites every day.

MEETINGS, MEETINGS AND MORE MEETINGS

Beginning Thursday at midnight through early Sunday, marathon A.A. meetings will be held in English, French and Spanish. A.A. topic meetings, workshops, panels, special interest meetings, and regional meetings will be held Friday and Saturday at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Sharing with members from around the world will energize you to carry the message back home!

NEW FOR 2025 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

WE ARE OFFERING A VIRTUAL SESSION

PROGRAM TRACK: Attendees who are unable to attend the 2025 International Convention in person can register for a two-day 8 session virtual program track. The sessions will be live streamed as they are taking place and not available for purchase after the Convention.

A.A. EVENTS IN VANCOUVER!

Vancouver Convention Centre is located at the downtown waterfront and where on Thursday evening we will hold a Block Party at venues around the Convention Campus. Friday night we all come together in the BC Place Stadium for the Flag Ceremony and Opening A.A. Meeting; Saturday night for an Oldtimers A.A. Meeting; and Sunday morning for the Closing A.A. Meeting. There will be more fellowship opportunities outside the BC Place Stadium after the Friday and Saturday night A.A. Meetings.

AL-ANON AND ALATEEN ACTIVITIES

A variety of daytime activities, including meetings and workshops for Al-Anon and Alateen, are scheduled at the Hyatt Regency Vancouver. There will be meetings offered in French and Spanish, along with the English program. And, of course, Al-Anons and Alateens will join the festivities at the Thursday night Block Party near the waterfront and at venues around the Convention Campus, the Big Meetings and more.

2025 INTERNATIONAL A.A. CONVENTION SOUVENIR BOOK

The 2025 International Convention souvenir book, "A BOOK OF FELLOWSHIP: 90 Years of Love & Service" is a lavishly illustrated celebration of our Fellowship, its vibrant history, and A.A. around the world today. In these full-color pages, you'll read the inspiring stories of Bill W., Dr. Bob, and the early A.A. s who spread the word of Alcoholics Anonymous, one alcoholic to another, in ever-widening circles. A treasure trove of archival and new material, this autograph book-size volume brings to vivid life the message of Recovery, Service and Unity that lies at the very heart of our program. Including blank pages for notes and autographs, "A BOOK OF FELLOWSHIP: 90 Years of Love & Service" will make a one-of-a-kind keepsake of the 2025 Vancouver Convention.

If you preorder the International Convention souvenir book when you register prior to May 9, 2025, you will receive the book in the mail. If registering after May 9, 2025, the book will be available for pick-up at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

GRAPEVINE'S "LANGUAGE OF THE HEART" SOUVENIR JOURNAL

To help celebrate the 2025 International Convention, collect your memories, thoughts, ideas, prayers, jokes, stories, and the signatures of friends and people you meet in this beautiful journal from AA Grapevine. Keep track of a wonderful weekend of sober celebration in Vancouver with fellows from around the world, and then use it for years to come. The journal features wonderful quotes from our cofounder Bill W.'s collected writings from Grapevine's most popular book, *The Language of the Heart*, the theme of the 2025 Convention.

If you preorder the Grapevine's "Language of the Heart" souvenir journal when you register prior to May 9, 2025, you will receive the journal in the mail. If registering after May 9, 2025, the journal will be available for pick-up at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

CONVENTION APP

A 2025 International Convention app will be available for download for mobile devices. This will give attendees instant access to the convention program, schedule changes, maps of the Convention Center and Vancouver area, updates and alerts, and more. Print programs will still be available for attendees.

Convention Dates: July 3-6, 2025 | Advanced Registration Deadline: April 15, 2025 | Registration Opens: September 10, 2024

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September 2009

AA celebrates 20 years in Ukraine

Participants from 17 countries attend June convention

An International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous was held in L'viv June 18-21, 2009, celebrating 20 years of AA in Ukraine. The forum's slogan was: "Being happy, joyful and free."

L'viv, often referred to as the capital of Western Ukraine, is steeped in 800 years of history and is home to the famous "Ploshcha Rynok" (Market Square), a UNESCO world heritage site. Our convention took place in the rather more modest surroundings of a local sports stadium and hosted a wide variety of guests, including doctors, priests, social workers and representatives from mass media, who were involved in discussions of alcoholism as a disease.

There were 1,000 participants from 17 countries all over the world. The vast majority came from Ukraine itself, although a number of people also attended from Russia, Belarus, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Sweden, the Czech Republic, Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, Spain, Italy and Australia. All were treated to a warm welcome and plenty of Ukraine's famous hospitality.

The event commenced on Friday with marathon meetings on the Steps and Traditions, held consecutively in two separate halls. At the same time, a large open AA meeting was held in the main hall.

The official opening, which took place on Saturday, could be described as nothing short of spectacular, with much laughter and tears of joy, and included a number of inspiring shares by "dinosaurs" (as we refer to old-timers).

Guests from NA and Al-Anon conducted their own meetings.

In a nearby hotel, night owls took advantage of night meetings in one of the conference halls. An English-speaking group also held meetings, to give some of our international guests the chance to share their experience, strength and hope with one another and with English-speaking Ukrainians.

We had a guest (who is Ukrainian by origin) from Canada, Roman C., who visited Ukraine in the days when there was no AA. He was active in working the Twelfth Step and trying to carry the message here. We are also very grateful to Leo K. from the United States, one of the pioneers of AA in Ukraine in the late 1980s, at a time when Ukraine was still a republic of the Soviet Union. His work was followed by that of a number of members of the Fellowship from Poland at the beginning of the 1990s, following the establishment of Ukrainian independence.

AA first started in the Ukrainian cities of Kyiv, Zhytomyr, Luts'k, Odessa and L'viv. By the time of our 10-year anniversary, there were around 40 groups meeting regularly across the country.

In a country where alcoholism is widespread, the spiritual principles of our Twelve Step program have not always been welcomed by everyone.

While we are not allied with any religious organization, members of the church here cooperate with us; most meetings are held on church premises. Nowadays, we have approximately 60 meetings all over Ukraine. We are not alone. Our Fellowship is steadily growing stronger.

October 1995

. . . As Others See Us

By: Anonymous

Mother of All AA Meetings" - "AA Success Is a Cause for Celebration

These are but two of the high-note headlines in San Diego's *Union Tribune*, from a series of articles about Alcoholics Anonymous and the Convention that ran for four days starting June 19, 1995. They sparked my interest in how the media were reporting our event, and their attitude toward AA. So I studied the newspaper and TV reports for that period, not to learn what AAs said when interviewed, but what the media were saying about us.

Here are a few examples from several writers who contributed to the series in the *Union Tribune*.

1. "AA is a unique made-in-USA creation that has been able to take root and thrive in other countries and cultures. The San Diego Convention comes at a time when the AA Fellowship is seeing a burst of international growth of its power to change the course of human lives."
2. "Earlier the parking lot of the Stadium (where three big meetings were held) looked a lot like most other gathering except there wasn't a beer can or a bottle of wine in sight."
3. "AA has held together and flourished for sixty years with an organization that looks from the outside like a recipe for anarchy. . . One researcher concluded that the lack of a conventional power structure in AA gives it the tone of the 'classical anarchy' that social philosophers only dream about."
4. On page one of the Los Angeles *Times*, there were these observations in a story headline: "AA Quietly Marks 60 Years of Deep Impact on Society." The article says: "AA members and guests are in the midst of celebrating a movement that has changed the attitude of Americans toward alcoholism and radically altered the way the culture approaches myriad ills and afflictions. . . It is hard to exaggerate the impact of AA and its founders. . . AA is also unique in its structure and its relentlessly modest public persona. In a modern culture obsessed with celebrity, AA is hopelessly retrograde."
5. An Associate Press story said: "Downtown bars are serving up fruit drinks. Airport traffic is as heavy as a Christmas weekend. Coffee flows at the rate of 200 gallons a minute."

And from Time magazine: "Though many who feel they have been saved by AA cannot explain exactly how or why it works, they do believe they stay sober by helping others to stay sober too. . . ." The media generally were in some awe of our "organizational" structure, or lack of one. "Alcoholics Anonymous is a kind of talking pyramid scheme in which drunks who've sobered up help the next one to stare down the liquid demon. Then he helps the next one and so on. . . A cornerstone of AA is that no one is responsible for the destruction in an alcoholic's life except the alcoholic himself," wrote the *Union Tribune*.

In a major editorial, the San Diego paper named AA as "a program that successfully treats the root causes of many of our nation's worst social problems." It goes on: "And how much does this pro-

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gram cost the taxpayers? Not one dime. . . . The underpinnings of the organization are people helping each other, thereby helping themselves. There are no contributions from outside AA. What's more, it is free to all who need and want it. And it has no leaders--most AA members don't even know each other's last names--so there are no power plays or major personality conflicts."

Likewise, the television reports I saw were circumspect and respected our anonymity. The AAs who were interviewed were off-camera with the lens pointed at their feet or their badges, and in the case of longer shots, the lenses were slightly out of focus so anonymity prevailed.

Oh, there were minor errors or misplaced emphasis, such as referring to our "taking a pledge" or "signing up for AA"--nothing of lasting significance to outsiders, as I see it. The series of articles did include discussions of other treatment modes, the limitations of AA, and a little outright criticism. Most of the criticism came from the world of academe, one savant reported as saying, "There's little scientific proof that AA's program leads to sobriety." I read no further, turned to look into a mirror, saw an AA miracle and smiled.

All in all, I would say that for a Fellowship with no organization and a public relations policy based only on attraction, Alcoholics Anonymous "attracted" unbelievable amounts of publicity and respect. The media don't have to like us, true, but it's kind of nice that they do, and that they recognize, as we've always known, that it works. It really does.

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April 1990

A Roomful of Miracles

By: Fran D. | New Orleans, Louisiana

In 1982 I had been a member of AA for a year and a half, but I had never been in the right place at the right time to attend a convention. One was being held at a major hotel in the city where I lived and I decided to see what it was all about. I hadn't yet gotten over my aversion to crowds, so just showing up was a big step for me.

During one of the speaker meetings--as has happened at every convention I've attended since--I heard what I needed to hear. This time it was a woman speaker who carried my message to me. Throughout her talk I kept listening for something to identify with, but there was precious little. She was married; I was single. She drank at home; I spent a lot of time in bars. We had different backgrounds, ages, and certainly lengths of sobriety.

Finally, as she ended her talk, I heard it: "If you dress like a lady, talk like a lady, and act like a lady, you are a lady."

I began to cry. I hadn't known until that moment how completely I had given up any hope of ever being a respectable person again. Although I had worked the Steps to the best of my ability, I was still carrying the guilt, remorse, and god-awful shame my alcoholic behavior had generated. I hadn't understood that it was all right--or even that it was possible--to live a new life without that burden. The tears that streamed down my cheeks washed away a ton

of regrets, and I think I surely must have grown an inch or two as I shed that tremendous load of self-loathing and accepted the new person I had become.

One of the many gifts sobriety has given me is emotion. I cry easily today--sometimes sad tears, sometimes glad. I laugh a lot, frequently out loud. I anger a little too easily, too, but that's an emotion I never allowed myself to express and I'm grateful for it today. I'm learning to allow myself enthusiasm. I was always so afraid of disappointment that I never admitted I cared one way or the other.

I cried a second time at that convention. You might think it strange to cry at a dance, but I did. A member of our Fellowship was the bandleader. She was wearing a stunning dress and she moved across the bandstand floor with confidence as she sang a spirited song. Her long, shiny hair glistened in the spotlight as she swayed to the rhythm of the music.

I saw her standing there, a woman with a past like mine, revelling in the knowledge that it *was* past and she was a new person.

Then I looked around the room. In the candlelight I saw pretty women and handsome men smiling and laughing. Some twirled around the dance floor. Others moved from table to table, chatting with their friends. They radiated health and happiness.

I saw friends with great personal troubles setting their problems aside and enjoying themselves for an evening. Some of their stories ran through my head as I watched them, and I realized that I was watching a roomful of miracles.

Of course I cried.

My love affair with conventions began that weekend and it has continued to intensify.

The fellowship at conventions is great fun. The entertainment is lively. Seeing old friends and making new ones is gratifying. Getting tapes to give to shut-ins, babies, and newcomers is a nice way of sharing. But the speakers are still the high point for me. The one thing that they have in common is a love for AA and a firm grasp of its Steps and Traditions.

As I've listened to these men and women through the years, I've learned a lot of things that have helped me to continue to grow. At one convention I heard, "I live in an AA home, with an Al-Anon wife, Alateen kids, an Ala-dog, and an Ala-cat."

I knew what he meant and I went home to put my own house in order. Today I live in an AA home, thanks to that man.

A woman I have heard speak several times says, "I look down from the window of the law firm where I work and see the place where I was a dime-a-dance girl, and I say, 'Honey, you just can't get here from there.'"

Frequently, because of her, I stop and look around me and tell myself the same thing. Only through AA and with a Higher Power could I have come from where I was to where I am. That's true for most of us.

An Alateen speaker I once heard told of her alcoholic mother's suicide and said that she now has seven years of continuous sobriety. From her I learned a mighty lesson in letting go of the pain

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when one of us drinks again and takes her own life.

An Al-Anon member I heard told of buying her teenager white silk pajamas to help her overcome the trauma of being assaulted. I learned compassion and how to help my sponsees believe they can be pretty and clean again in spite of their degrading pasts.

I take those sponsees who want to go with me to conventions. One sponsee, who was battling her own rage--knocking holes in walls and hitting fellow employees--heard a woman speaker say that when she couldn't control her anger she put her hands in her pockets. That's so simple! Why didn't I think of it? But my sponsee heard it, and it's working for her.

So far, I've only been to one International Convention. Through a series of coincidences I still can't quite figure out, I ended up in Montreal in 1985. What an incredible experience that was. So incredible that I've been planning on Seattle in 1990 ever since. God willing, I'll be there. If necessary I'll hitchhike.

One of my favorite speakers said one time, "We are chosen." When I cornered him later and asked him "For what?" he laughed and replied, "Read the Twelfth Step. That's what we're chosen for. And if we can do that, everything else in our lives will work out."

"Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs."

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December 1982

Ashamed, Afraid, Nervous--And Sober

By: C. B. | Winter Park, Florida

It's never too late to get back to the program

WHEN I FOUND out about AA in 1970, I wasn't looking for it. What I was looking for that particular day was sympathy for a hangover, but I didn't know that I was seeking that mostly useless commodity from a member of Al-Anon.

I was a twenty-nine-year-old college student in Birmingham, Alabama, and was registering for the winter quarter. I saw a friendly classmate from the last term and, having spent all my money the night before, asked her if she would buy me a cup of coffee. She agreed. After the coffee was poured, she looked me straight in the eye and said, "I think you have a drinking problem."

Much to my surprise, I replied, "You may be right." She told me that she couldn't help me but might be able to help my wife. Willingly, I took her name and telephone number and promised to deliver them.

I did. And I went to an AA meeting with my classmate's husband not long after, but couldn't wait to leave.

I went to meetings sporadically during the next year and a half, while my wife went faithfully to Al-Anon and put into practice the valuable lessons that she learned.

During the time that I continued to drink, my classmate's husband died. He and another man had made the first Twelfth Step call on me one ragged morning and had done what countless AA members have now been doing for over forty-seven years--they had carried the message. But one of them just couldn't let go of alcohol himself. His death didn't cause me to let go, either.

The other man is still sober and continues to carry the message. After I had thoroughly used him and others, he told me not to call him back until I was ready to get sober. That was one of the nicest things anyone has ever done for me. Shortly afterward, I gave up.

I returned to my first group, ashamed, afraid, and very nervous. But just as I sat down, my future sponsor came over to me and told me that I had been missed and he was glad to see me. Another member suggested that I just "want to want to" quit drinking if I still wasn't sure. I certainly didn't know it that night, but my last drink was behind me (at least through today).

The years that followed were probably the five happiest of my life up to that time. I started out unemployed but was hired for a very responsible job less than three months later. I was emotionally estranged from my family when I sobered up, but our relationship improved almost daily. A dear AA friend told me early in my recovery that the only thing my family would understand was consistency. He was right. And what a wonderful time we had!

Oh, how pleasant it would be to relate that we all lived happily ever after. But we didn't. In late 1975, an opportunity came to transfer to the east coast of Florida, very near the beach. We agreed on the move, quickly left, and purchased our first house. I was earning more money than I'd ever dreamed of, and it seemed that we'd surely live to a storybook ending. There was a problem, however, that I hadn't counted on--me!

I attended meetings occasionally for some months, then resumed graduate work. I decided that I really didn't have time to work, drive to school, study, be the wonderful husband/father/provider I thought I was, and go to AA meetings. So I gave up AA meetings.

An amazing thing about AA is that one can do a number of things wrong and still survive, maybe even not drink. In my case, I didn't attend a meeting for almost four years, and I didn't drink. I don't recommend that plan, however, for I became a classic example of self-will run riot.

Oh, I accomplished much: I progressed in my work; I completed my graduate course; and I assumed the management of the life of every member of my family. The Big Book tells us that no matter how good our intentions, we're doomed to failure when we assume control. And fail I did! The more I did for my family, the less appreciated I felt (and it was all for their own good, too). The result was predictable (it's in the book).

My life began to fall apart. I hated my job, and I was at odds with one or more of my family almost all the time. My marriage crumbled. I moved away from my family in February 1980, angry, confused, and as scared as I've ever been in my life. Yet I wasn't looking for AA.

Not long after I left, a friend invited me to lunch. He wanted me

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to meet a young woman he thought I'd like. I did like her and asked her out to dine.

When she declined cocktails, I hardly needed to ask why. She'd been sober in AA for almost two years. We shared parts of our stories, although it was mostly from her to me.

When she asked why I didn't go to meetings, I mumbled something about not wanting to be identified with that bunch of drunks anymore. I still thought that I could handle it all myself. *My life unmanageable? How dare you!*

When we met for a second time, she handed me a pamphlet, "A Member's-Eye View of Alcoholics Anonymous." I said I probably wouldn't read it. She said she didn't care what I did with it; she was giving it to me anyway. She was a spirited young woman, to say the least. And she knew a still-suffering alcoholic when she saw one.

Although my wife and I visited back and forth in our best attempts to reconcile, she eventually filed for divorce. As it became obvious to me that I had truly lost control and that the divorce was imminent, I got angrier, more frustrated, and more emotionally unbalanced than ever. I decided to run, to escape.

When I told my new friend that I was going to New York, Atlanta, New Orleans, or somewhere, she suggested New Orleans. She didn't try to talk me out of running, for I was truly the "wild man" that she later called me. Fortunately, I had an old AA friend in New Orleans, who had come into the program four days before I did, and he put his empty trailer at my disposal. So I quit my job and ran.

When my friend met me at the airport, the first news he gave me was that the AA International Convention would begin in his city in about ten days. I was so far away from AA that I knew nothing of the event. Though I hadn't had a drink since July 1971, I certainly needed a meeting. And what a meeting I got!

My new friend came from Florida and shared the Convention with me. The tears we shed on the final Sunday morning were tears of quiet joy. Unsought by me, this Fellowship had once again been freely given, and I had a new chance.

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July 1981

Do You Always Laugh This Much?

By: E. E. | Tulsa, Oklahoma

IT WAS ONE of those meetings our little group finds itself having every six months or so. The meeting sparkled. It glittered. Laughter rolled around the floor and bounced off the walls. Love and friendship and understanding washed over us in waves. A lot of good AA was talked that night, but always with a slant that stimulated new gusts of laughter. There we sat, fifteen sober alcoholics, convulsed with mirth, having the time of our lives. It was a wonderful meeting!

A sixteenth person was there that night--Walt, a new man, coming to AA on a court referral. We had just got him seated, supplied with coffee, and introduced to the members on each side of him, when the meeting suddenly and joyously took off. We couldn't have pro-

vided a better introduction to AA if we'd planned it for a month. He was seeing, hearing, feeling--even, as the hour rushed by, sharing in, to a very small degree--the shining happiness to be found in AA when we open our hearts to it.

After the meeting, Walt seemed dazed, almost in shock. "I never dreamed it would be like this. I thought an AA meeting would be grim and deadly serious, like a prayer meeting. But you're *happy*! How can people who don't drink be happy? Do you always laugh this much?"

Margie, our twenty-years-sober member who had chaired the meeting, smiled at him. "We laugh a lot in AA, but not always this much. You mustn't think we don't take our illness seriously. We have alcoholism, a progressive, incurable sickness that will kill us, or destroy our brains, and will certainly wreck our lives, unless we recover from it. Most of us were pretty miserable when we got here. Tell me, Walt, is your life happy?"

"Happy? Me! You've got to be kidding! I've been arrested, my wife's talking about a divorce, I may lose my job. God, no, I'm not happy!"

"Walt, we know what it's like. We've all been there. Every one of us has felt as confused and scared and hopeless as you do now. Tonight, you heard us laughing and enjoying life because we're getting over our fatal illness. When we stopped drinking and learned to laugh at ourselves, we began to get better. And the more we can laugh, the healthier we are. Laughing heals us."

I believe Margie had put into words a beautiful truth about AA that most of us accept and use instinctively without thinking about it. Laughter heals us. Isn't that, at least in part, what we were saying in the theme of our 1980 International Convention, "The Joy of Living"?

I have learned to look for and treasure the glimmers of humor that flash forth in AA, suddenly and delightfully, when we aren't expecting them. All of us enjoy the talented AA speaker with a gift for recounting his drinking past in a way that leaves his audiences roaring. That is healing laughter on a grand scale. I watch for the happy little surprises that are all around us, but easy to overlook. They add a new dimension to sobriety, turning something good into something great.

One group I know of has a member who doubtless feels highly complimented at the total attention given to every word he says. Gar is a good member, with worthwhile contributions to make, but he has no idea of the real reason his group listens to him so intently. If the group can help it, he never will.

Gar must know every cliché and worn-out phrase in the English language. He has a remarkable gift for combining two of them into something new and hilarious. Gar doesn't know he is doing it. To him, these mangled metaphors sound right. Since there is no predicting when Gar will come out with his gems, the group members hang on his words to avoid missing one.

"I got to where I couldn't drink and couldn't stop," Gar told the group one night. "I was out on a limbo."

When he came to AA, it was because he had nowhere else to go: "I

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had painted myself into my last ditch."

Gar believes in working the program exactly as the Big Book says. A new member of the group, convinced it was his duty to rewrite the Twelve Steps and improve them, was firmly told by Gar to leave a good thing alone. "Just remember that a Moses on hand is worth two in the bulrushes."

A chap Gar was sponsoring, who had been saying for weeks that he ought to start on Step Four, was jolted into action by this advice: "You must grab the bull by the horns and run with it."

Much of the best humor in AA is not contributed by our members. Some years ago, an intergroup office in the Southwest carried in its monthly newsletter a paragraph called "Stunner of the Month." It quoted the most startling of the incredible remarks made by still-practicing alcoholics, or their relatives, who telephoned the office.

The words are humorous, in a Chaplinesque way. Charlie Chaplin's comedy was the more appealing because his little tramp was a figure of pathos. Drinking alcoholics are sometimes funny, always sad. The agitated relative, uninformed about AA, says something that to us is amusing, but overtones of tragedy are there.

Many callers from bars are persistent. Not the one who telephoned from an oasis on Circle Street. "I'm at thish bar on Shircle Street. Have man come get me. If he mishes me here, try bar nex' door. If he don't find me there--aw, t'ell with 'im. Whasha matter that dope, can't find anybody?"

Later, another caller achieved the same nonresult with a different approach. "Give you my address? You some kina nut? Coursh I won't tell you where I live. Think I wanna bunsh alc'holicsh comin' round?"

The next chap was willing to cooperate, but he had another problem. "Look. I gotta shober up. Thish time I mean it. I'll wait right here by Shentral Park. Have man take shubway to . . . Where am I?"

Agitated relatives are often equally confused, although not about what they want. "Send a man around to take my son to AA," the decisive voice ordered. "In fact, you'd better send two men. He doesn't want to go."

A second mother also knew what she wanted: an explanation. "My son started going to AA three months ago and stopped drinking, but yesterday he got drunk. Now I want to know why you people let him do it."

My all-time favorite is the wife who exclaimed: "Never you mind whether my husband wants to stop drinking. If you don't have someone out here in thirty minutes to make him stop, I'll report you to the Better Business Bureau!"

I hope her husband, and all the others, reached the point of wanting what AA members have, as I did a good many years ago. When I was ready, they shared their experience, strength, and hope with me, and gave me my life. Then they shared with me their healing laughter, and gave me the joy of living.

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Come Join Our Tuesday Nite Impaired Professional AA Meeting

Tuesday nights at 7:00
Holy Trinity Lutheran
Church
11709 W. Cleveland Ave.,
Milwaukee

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

We meet in person and on Zoom. Meeting ID = [9817 8765 495](#) Password = 071150.

Hope to see you there!!

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

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Mon.- Fri. at 12:15 p.,
Sat. 9:15 a., & 10:30 a.
- Dist. 14 monthly meeting,
4th Wed. at 7 p.m.
- Dist. 16, monthly meeting
1st Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Speaking Meetings:

Meeting at English Speaking Clubs

- Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Av, Milw. GRUPO 5 CONCEPTOS, 7:00 P.M. Saturdays, Upstairs. And Viajeros Wisconsin, 7:00 P.M. Saturdays, in lower level.
- GRUPO NUEVO AMANECER, Tri-County Unity Club, 104 N. First St, Watertown, on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7:00 PM and on Sunday at 11:00 AM
- GRUPO FE Y ESPRONZA, Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St. Fond du Lac WI on Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Sundays at 4:00 PM

SAFETY CARD FOR A.A. GROUPS

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

Suggested Statement on Safety

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

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

Service Material from the General Service Office

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

Need to make a group or personal contribution? Use our **CONTRIBUTE** button on our website: aamilwaukee.com or use our your **VENMO app** from your smartphone.

Meeting Space Currently Available

- **DryHootch, 4801 W National Ave.** Space available various time of day and evening. Call Otis W. [414-336-6576](tel:414-336-6576)
- **West Allis Senior Center.** 7001 W National Ave, West Allis WI. Call Shanon at [414-302-8717](tel:414-302-8717).
- **Luther Memorial Church,** 2840 S 84th St. West Allis WI. Contact by email: prviviane28@outlook.com
- **St Peter's Episcopal Church,** 7929 W Lincoln Ave, West Allis, Contact: Steve 414-543-6040 or email: christumc1@sbcglobal.net
- **Anchor Covenant Church** 1229 Park Row, Lake Geneva WI 53147, contact Laura, office@anchorcovenant.org

Redemptorist Retreat Cen-

ter, 1800 N Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc, WI 53066, (262) 567-6900 Email: rrc@redemptoristretreat.org
Please call for information and schedule of retreats for recovering people. AA and AI-Anon, \$260 three nights. We discuss the 12 steps and related topics.

2025 Weekend Retreats

Jesuit Retreat House,

4800 Fahrnwald Rd.

Oshkosh, WI.

WI 54901,

call 800-962-7330

jesuitretreathouse.org

Men and Women

in AA, AI-Anon

Total cost: 4 days \$440.00.

Send a \$75.00 deposit with requests for specific dates to retreat house or call for info.

ZOOM MEETING NEEDS SUPPORT!

ZOOM At Noon Women's Meeting

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:00 PM (Noon)

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5877359740?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5877359740?pwd=Rytda2hwNWczeExqL1l2SjZFR2dYUT09)

[pwd=Rytda2hwNWczeExqL1l2SjZFR2dYUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5877359740?pwd=Rytda2hwNWczeExqL1l2SjZFR2dYUT09)

By phone, dial 312-626-6799 and enter Meeting ID #

Meeting ID: 587 735 9740 Password: 123456

DISTRICT MEETINGS

COMPLETE DISTRICT INFORMATION ON THE WEB:

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

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

(Check the web address above for meeting info.)

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

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

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

11. JEFFERSON CNTY: Meets last Wed. at 5:30 p.m. Moravian Church, 301 College St., Lake Mills, or Zoom: 817 4085 9820, Password: 665473

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

27. MILWAUKEE CNTY: 3rd Wednesday of month at 7:00 P.M., the Zoom ID number is [824 0616 9567](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6870109941?pwd=YVl4SVQzU3FaSE1rc3dzVmtxdFM4QT09) the password is 869 916. Covenant Lutheran Church, 8121 W Hope Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53222.

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

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

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

34. WAUKESHA CNTY: 1st Tues. of month, 6:30 p, Northwest Area Alano Association, N88W17658 Christman Rd., Menomonee Falls. Join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6870109941?pwd=YVl4SVQzU3FaSE1rc3dzVmtxdFM4QT09>

36. RACINE/KENOSHA: 2nd Tuesday of the month 6:00 p.m., 12 & 12 Club, 482 S Pine St., Burlington

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

SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:

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

[Area 75, Southern WI, Calendar of Events 2025](#)

[Madison Senior Center,](#)

[330 W Mifflin St, Madison WI.](#)

[9 A.M. to Noon except where noted.](#)

[Summer Service Assembly](#) – June 22, at the [Madison Senior Center](#)

[International Conference](#) – July 3-6, in [Vancouver, B.C., Canada](#)

[Fall Service Assembly](#) – September 14, at the [Madison Senior Center](#)

[Area 75 Fall Conference](#) – November 7-9, at [Ingleside Hotel,](#)
[Pewaukee, WI](#)

CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

In-person meetings have started back up in the Area corrections facilities. Contact Fred K. , Area Corrections Chair by email; corrections@area75.org for information on days and times of meetings.

For meetings at Milwaukee Area Correction facilities contact:

Andrew K. at 262-239-6528 or email: mcccoordinator@gmail.com

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

MILWAUKEE COUNTY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE: meets IN-PERSON. Contact Andrew K. at 262-239-6528 or email: mcccoordinator@gmail.com for date and location. Donation can be sent to: MCCC, PO Box 270544, Milwaukee WI 53227-0544. Contact coordinator: Email: mcccoordinator@gmail.com with questions.

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

ADDRESSES YOU MAY SOMEDAY WANT TO KNOW!

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

- [Area 75 Treasurer:](#) 6580 Monona Drive #1040, Monona, WI 53716
- General Service Office, P.O. Box 2407, James A Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407
- Area 75 Corrections@area75.org, Bridging the Gap/Treatment@area75.org or mail: 6580 Monona Drive #1062, Monona, WI 53716
- Area 75 Accessibilities Chairperson: accessibilities@area75.org
- [Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee](#) : Email: milwareadeafaccess@gmail.com;

MEETING ROOMS

NEW DAY CLUB

11936 N. Port Washington Rd
Mequon, (262) 241-4673

www.newdayclub.org

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Topic
11:00 a. Topic
5:00 p. Young People
7:30 p. Topic
Mon. 12:30 p. Tenth Step Gp
5:30 p. More about Alcoholism
8:15 p. Men's Gp
Tue. 10:00 a. Topic
5:30 p. Big Book
8:00 p. Big Book Gp
Wed. 10:00 a. Topic
2:00 p. Promises Meeting
5:30 p. Step Meeting
7:00 p. Women's Lifeline
Thur. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting
1:00 p. Women's AA Gp
5:30 p. Topic Meeting
Fri. 10:00 a. Topic Meeting
5:30 p. Step/Tradition
8:00 p.
Sat. 10:00 a. Step Meeting
5:00 p. Fellowship of Spirit
7:00 p. Feelings
10:00 p. Young People
8:00 p. Open Meeting (held on
3rd Saturday of month only)

AL-ANON MEETINGS
Monday 6:30 p. Al-Anon
Tuesday 1:00 p. Al-Anon/ACOA
Wednesday 7:00 p. ACOA
Thursday 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Contact club for information on other fellowships.

PASS IT ON CLUB

6229 W. Forest Home Ave
Milwaukee WI (414) 541-6923

www.passitonclub.com

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Sun. Wake Up
9:30 a. Reliance Meeting
11:00 a. Today's choice
3:00 p. Gratitude Plus
7:00 p. Big Book Readers
Mon. 7:30 a. Jump Start
10:30 a. First Step
4:00 p. Happy Hour Step Gp.
7:00 p. Open Introductory AA
Tue. 7:30 a. Comin' Back Gp
10:30 a. Keep It Simple
4:00 p. Drop the Rock
6:00 p. Key To Sobriety Women's
7:30 p. Three Legacies
7:30 p. Double Trouble DD/O
Wed. 7:30 a. Big Book Study
10:30 a. Pass It On
4:00 p. Happy Hr Promises
6:00 p. Courage to Change
7:00 p. We, Us & Ours
Thur. 7:30 a. Welcome Back Gp
10:30 a. Made Decision
5:15 p. As Bill Sees It
7:00 p. Gateway Topic Gp
Fri. 7:30 a. Honest Gp
10:30 a. Came To Believe
6:00 p. Women's Fri. Kickoff
6:30 p. Thoughts 4 Today
8:00 p. Broken Arrow
8:30 a. Early Bird
Sat. 10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free
7:00 p. Vajeros Wisconsin lower level
7:00 p. 5 Concepts upstairs
8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12

LAKE AREA CLUB

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

www.lakeareaclub.com

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:00 a. Early Bird
9:30 a. Literature Meeting
11:00 a. Friendship Gp
6:00 p. Big Book
8:00 p. Gopher Sunday
9:00 a. Positive Attitude
6:30 p. Otter Gp
8:00 p. Step/Tradition Study
Tue. 1:00 p.
4:00 p.
7:00 p. Life House Beginners
8:00 a.
Wed. 10:00 a. Back To Basics
2:00 p. Women's Meeting
6:00 p.
8:00 p.
Thur. 10:00 a.
4:00 p.
5:00 p. Woman's Way 12 Steps
6:00 p. Hybrid Meditation Mtng
Zoom ID: 89239303536, PW: 999525
8:00 p. Grapevine Mtng
Fri. 12:30 p.
4:00 p.
8:00 p. Old School House
Sat. 10:00 a. Big Book
OPEN AA/Al-Anon
SPEAKER MEETING
Sat. 7:00 p. 2nd & 4th Saturdays
(AA and/or Al-Anon Speakers)
AL-ANON MEETINGS
Mon. 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Tue. 9:00 a. Al-Anon
Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon & Alateen

WAUKESHA ALANO CLUB

318 W. Broadway

Waukesha, WI, 262-549-6541

<http://http://alanoclubofwaukesha.com/>

(IP)=In-person,

Sun. 9:30 a. Sun Morn Sunlight (IP)
11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtng (IP)

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

Tue. 12:00 p. Wed Nooners (IP)
5:30 p. Topic Gp (IP)
Thur. 12:00 p. Nooners (IP)
Fri. 12:00 p. T.G.I.F. Gp (IP)
6:30 p. Half Measurers (IP)
Sat. 6:00 a. Early Morning (IP)
10:00 a. Gp 124 (IP)

OPEN MEETINGS,
DANCES & EVENTS
Call for information.

GALANO CLUB

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

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

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

Sunday: (V & IP)
4:00 p.m. - AA - Personal lead & Daily
Reflections. Meeting (In-person/
phone/video) 4th Sunday is Open Mtng.

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

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

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

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

NORTHWEST AREA

ALANO ASSOCIATION*

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

Room 202

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V & IP)=Both

Sun. 10:00 a. Big Book Rm 202
7:00 p. Sun Night Gp Rm 202
Mon. 7:00 p. Just Do It Gp Rm 202
Tue. 10:00 a. Step
8:00 p. Topic
Wed. 7:00 p. Step/Topic
Thur. 10:00 a. Step
6:00 p. Women's
Fri. 8:00 p. Step/Topic (V & IP)
Sat. 10:00 a. Sat Serenity Gp
7:00 p. Simply Sober Gp Rm 202

AL-ANON MEETINGS

Wed. 7:00 p. Al-Anon
Fri. 7:30 p. Al-Anon

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

WALWORTH

COUNTY ALANO CLUB

611 Walworth St.
(Hwy. 50 & 11)
Delavan, WI 53115,
(262) 740-1888

Sunday AA

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

Monday AA

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

Tuesday AA

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

Wednesday AA

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

Thursday AA

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

Friday AA

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

Saturday AA

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

ALANO CLUB

1521 N. Prospect Ave.,
Milwaukee, WI, 53202
(414) 278-9102

<http://http://www.mkealanoclub.org/>

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

Sun. 7:00 a. AA Express Mtng
7:45 a. AA Big Book/Discussion
10:00 a. Gp 17 Step
Mon. 7:00 a. Early Morning
10:30 a. Gp 72 Topic
12:15 p. Gp 76 Lunch Bunch
6:30 p. Gp 40 Big Book
Tue. 7:00 a. As Bill Sees It,
10:30 a. Gp 70 Step
12:15 p. Gp 76 Lunch Bunch
7:00 p. Beginner's Meeting
Wed. 7:00 a. AA
10:30 a. Gp 9, Step
12:15 p. Gp 76 Lunch Bunch
6:00 p. Chicks at Six Gp, women,
Child Care available
7:30 p. We Agnostics
Thur. 7:00 a. Thr Express Mtng
10:30 a. Gp 97, Step
12:15 p. Gp 76 Lunch Bunch
7:00 p. AA (LGBT)
Fri. 7:00 a. Daily Reflections
10:30 a. Gp 21, Step
12:15 p. Gp 76 Lunch Bunch
6:30 p. Here & Now
7:30 p. Men's Zoom Mtng.
12:15 am. Second Shifters (Sat.)
Sat. 7:00 a. AA Meeting
11:00 a. Gp 87 Step
7:30 p. Open AA Speaker
AL-ANON MEETING
Sunday 10:00 a. Al-Anon

H.O.W. TO CLUB

8930 W. National Ave,
West Allis, (414) 543-2448
mailto:howtoclub8930@yahoo.com
<http://http://www.howtoclub.org>
Hours: 9am to 9pm daily.

Sun. 8:00 a. Eye Opener AA Gp.
10:00 a. Grass Roots (Steps)
4:30 p. Drop the Rock 6/7 Step
6:00 p. Restore Us To Sanity
7:30 p. Sun. Sober & 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.
10:30 P. What's the Point Gp.
Tue. 11:00 a. Willingness Group
6:00 p. Tue Topic 6pm Gp
8:00 p. New Hope Meeting
Wed. 10:00 a. Foundations Meeting
6:00 p. AA Beginners Gp.
7:00 p. Women's Freedom
8:00 p. Promises Group
Thur. 10:00 a. But For Grace Of God
6:00 p. Here and Now
8:00 p. How To Get It Going
Fri. 6:00 a. Early Risers Big Book
11:00 a. Priority Group
6:00 p. Big Book Friday
8:00 p. R.U.S. For Us
11:00 p. Candlelight Promises
Sat. 9:15 a. Men's Topic
11:00 a. Pioneers Group
3:00 p. Spiritual Growth
6:00 p. 1st & 12 Topic
8:00 p. Open Speaker 3rd Sat
8:00 p. HOW To Saturday

24 HOUR CLUB

153 Green Bay Rd.
Thiensville, WI

<http://http://www.24hourclub.org>

A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE

(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V & IP)=Both
Sun. 8:00 a. Topic
10:00 a. Step/Topic (V & IP)
Meeting ID: 816 604 624 PW:
485594

Mon. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
10:00 a. Topic
8:00 p. Men's

Tue. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
10:00 a. Step/Topic
5:30 p. Big Book

Wed. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
10:00 a. Big Book

Thur. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
10:00 a. Topic
5:30 p. Step/Topic/Trad

Fri. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
10:00 a. Step/12 & 12
8:00 p. Step

Sat. 6:30 a. Topic (V & IP) Meeting ID:
816 604 624 PW: 485594
8:30 a. Big Book/Steps
10:00 a. Big Book

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

In Person AA Groups NEED YOUR SUPPORT

- **Sun. 7 p.m.** Waukesha Sunday Night Beginner's, Ascension Lutheran Church, 1415 Dopp St, Waukesha WI
- **Sun. 7 p.m.** Butler Sunday Night, St. Agnes, 12801 W Fairmount St, Butler WI.
- **Mon. 7 p.m.** Unity Gp, 4600 Pilgrim Rd, Brookfield, WI
- **Mon. 7 p.m.** Group 232, Mother of Good Counsel, 6924 W. Lisbon Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53226
- **Wed. 8:00 p.m.** Helping Hand, Nativity Lutheran Church, 6905 W Bluemound Rd, Milwaukee WI
- **Thurs. 8:00 p.m.** Grateful Gp. Chabad House, 3030 E Kenwood Blvd, Milwaukee, WI
- **Thurs. 8:30 p.m.** Gp 22, Underwood Memorial Baptist, 1916 Wauwatosa Ave,
- **Fri. 9:30 p.m.** Big Book, Martin Luther Church 9235 W Bluemound Rd. Milw.
- **Sat. 8 p.m.** Gp 18, St Luke's, 3200 S Herman, Bay View, WI

MEETING ROOMS

<p>UNITY CLUB 1715 Creek Rd West Bend, (262) 338-3500 unityclub1715@att.net www.facebook.com</p> <p>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun. 10:30 a.* Gratitude Gp. 7:00 p. Candlelight Gp.</p> <p>Mon. 10:00 a. Monday A.M. 7:00 p. Men's 7:00 p. Women's</p> <p>Tue. 10:00 a. Tuesday A.M. 6:00 p. More About 12&12 7:30 p. Beginner's</p> <p>Wed. 10:00 a. Promises 1:00 p. Steps/Promises 5:00 p. Happy Hour Gp In-person & Zoom: 332602852, pw: 123456</p> <p>Thur. 10:00 a. Big Book</p> <p>Fri. 10:00 a. Step/Topic Gp 6:00 p. Big Book</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Here & Now 7:00 p. 12 Step Meeting</p> <p>AL-ANON & ALATEEN MTNGS Saturday 9:00 a. Al-Anon Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon</p> <p>• Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month</p>	<p>FRIENDSHIP CLUB 2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee, WI (414) 931-7033</p> <p>Email: friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</p> <p>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sunday 10:00 a. Friendship 11:00 a. Third Sunday Open Meeting</p> <p>Monday 10:30 a. Step Gp</p> <p>Tuesday 7:00 p. Gp 43 Big Book</p> <p>Saturday 10:30 a. Gp 112 Step</p> <p>Call for information on other types of meetings.</p> <p>Email: friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>TRI-COUNTY UNITY CLUB 110 S 2nd St. Watertown WI www.tricountyunityclub.com</p> <p>Sunday 11:00 a. Big Book Study 6:30 p. New Beginners 7:00 p. Spanish Nuevo Amanecer</p> <p>Monday 10:00 a. Eye Opener Grp. 7:00 p. As Bill Sees It</p> <p>Tuesday 7:00 p. Keep It Simple 7:00 p. Spanish Nuevo Amanecer</p> <p>Wednesday 10:00 a. New Freedom 7:00 p. Lost In Woods (Women)</p> <p>Thursday 10:00 a. Thur. Morning 7:00 p. Spanish Nuevo Amanecer 8:00 p. Big Book Group</p> <p>Friday 4:30 p. Friday Happy Hour 7:00 p. Reality Check</p> <p>Saturday 10:00 a. Morning Group 8:00 p. Saturday Night Open Mtng</p> <p>BEAVER DAM ALANO CLUB 115 N Lincoln St. Beaver Dam WI 53916</p> <p>Sun: 10:30 a.m. & 7 p.m. Mon: 8 a.m., 6 p.m. & 8 p.m. Tue: 9:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Wed: 8 a.m. & 7 p.m. Thur: 9:30 a.m. & 8 p.m. Fri: 12 Noon & 6 p.m. Sat : 12 Noon & 7 p.m. Open</p>	<p>MILWAUKEE GROUP 933 E Center St, Milw WI 53212.</p> <p>A.A. MEETINGS</p> <p>Sun. 10:00 a In-person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Mon. 5:30 p. In-Person 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Tue. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Wed. 5:30 p. Zoom https://zoom.us/j/8974697046 pw:0 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Thur. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Fri. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Sat. 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Milwaukee Central Office 7429 W Greenfield West Allis WI 414-771-9119</p> <p>A.A. MEETINGS</p> <p>Sun. 9:00 a. Gp 10 Sunday</p> <p>Mon. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Tue. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Wed. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Thur. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Fri. 12:15 p.</p> <p>Sat. 9:15 a. 1st Step 10:30 a.</p> <p>We do not meet on major holidays.</p>	<p>LIGHTHOUSE ON DEWEY 1220 Dewey Ave. Wauwatosa WI</p> <p>AA MEETINGS</p> <p>Sunday 6:00 p. Jim's First Step 7:30 p. Gp 78 Great Room</p> <p>Monday 7:30 p. Laughs/Leisure</p> <p>Tuesday 6:00 p. 11th Step Meditation 7:30 p. Professionals</p> <p>Wednesday 7:30 p. Presidents Hall 8:00 p. "RES-IPSA"</p> <p>Thursday 7:30 p. Alumni No 12 Friday 7:15 p. Gp 74 Saturday 10:00 a. Gp 59</p> <p>All Saint's Cathedral 818 E Juneau Ave. Milw 53202</p> <p>Sun: 7:00 p.m. Bench Meeting Mon: 7:30 p.m. #08 Sane & Sober Tue: 10:30 a.m. Men's Gp. Wed: 7:30 p.m. Men's Gp. Fri: 7:30 p.m. Big Book Gp. Sat: 10:30 a.m. Men's Gp.</p>
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JOIN the BIRTHDAY CLUB!

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

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

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

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

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

\$ _____ enclosed.

I will have _____ years on _____ / _____ / _____

Name _____


Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: () _____ - _____

Email: _____

Home Group: _____



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<u>Years</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Home Group</u>
52 (6/4/73)	Bill G.	Wednesday Night Wisdom
33 (6/22/92)	Brad G.	Brown Deer Monday Night
38 (6/5/87)	Richard R.	Tue 10 A.M. 24 Hour Club
49 (6/23/76)	Ron K.	Group 23, Wednesday Night
41 (6/26/84)	Dan F.	Milwaukee Central Office



Congratulations!

Support needed for the Helping Hand Gp.

Nativity Lutheran Church

6905 W Bluemound Rd.

Wauwatosa, WI. [Click for map.](#)

Wednesday Night at 8:00 PM



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

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

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

**Use QR Code
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NEW WOMEN'S AA MEETING

GIRLS JUST WANNA HAVE FUN

Starts **Wednesday** December 4th

6:30 PM

Mt Olive Lutheran Church

211 Main St. Mukwonago

Enter through the South door from the parking lot



NEW MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Next Frontier: Emotional Sobriety

After we quit drinking, we face various challenges inherent in living sober. Bill Wilson identified that "dependency" was an impediment to our emotional sobriety and maturity. He realized that emotional dependency on people, places and things was the source of his emotional and mental distress, in fact he identified this as his basic flaw. This new meeting focuses on discussing issues relating to our emotional sobriety. We come together to explore ways we can overcome our emotional dependency and the unreasonable expectations and unenforceable rules that our dependency generates. *Are you ready for the next frontier?*

**Join us Thursday nights for a closed
discussion meeting on emotional sobriety.**

When: Thursdays @ 7pm

Where: St. John's Lutheran Church, 20275 Davidson Rd, Brookfield WI



District 16 Picnic



Saturday - June 14, 2025

Noon – 5:00

Greenfield Park - Area 5

2028 S. 124 St. West Allis, 53227

12:30 Tim M. - Chairman of the AA at the VA

1:00 Peter G. - A Vision For You

2:00 Dean K - Group 100

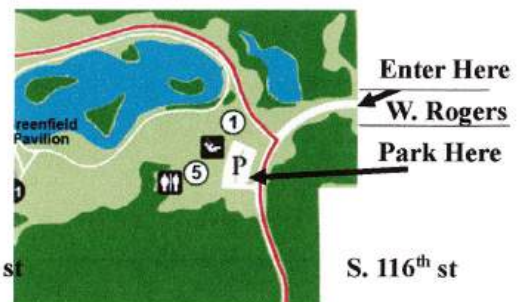
3:00 Nancy S. - Group 60

Brats and Hamburgers
Coffee, Soda, and Water
Will be provided

If Possible,
Please bring a dish to pass

W. Greenfield Ave.

Golf Course



Enter Here
W. Rogers
Park Here

S. 124th st

S. 116th st

W. Lincoln Ave.



Bring your Guitars

We would love to hear you play

