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May 1993

## The Long Haul

By: Don P. | Aurora, Colorado

Step Five - Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Before I completed my first Fifth Step, I was a sprinter in the game of life, not a long distance runner. It seemed that I never really finished anything. Off the line, I was good. I learned quickly and worked hard. Everyone would be impressed as I started out, and expect great things from me. I believe today that some of the greatest harm I did to those who loved me most was this ability I had to get up after a failure and start again. Each time I would get up, do well at the beginning, and everyone would take hope. "He is going to make it this time," they would say, and we would all believe it. Then I would lose interest, get distracted, drink, and once more let everyone down, including myself.

When AA found me, I was blessed to be brought into a group that was strong on the Steps as they are shared in the book *Alcoholics Anonymous*. Sponsorship to them was defined in the same way as was the purpose of the Big Book itself: "to show other alcoholics precisely how we have recovered. . ." They used the book and their own experiences to hand-carry a small group of us through the Steps.

("Haul" Continued on page 11)

## STEP FIVE: A CONFIRMED AWARENESS

*When I asked God to relieve me of the "bondage of self" in Step Three, I had only a vague concept of what that might be, but when my sponsor helped me go through the Step Four directions from the Big Book, I developed a much clearer insight—I began to realize that this bondage was what had been blocking me from the truth in drink. Someone said: "An alcoholic cannot drink on the truth, only on a lie."*

The Big Book suggests that we begin Step Five at "first opportunity" (p. 74) which tuned out to be approximately ten minutes after completing Step Four. My sponsor, Carl, helped me realize, from my Step Four list, where I had been selfish; dishonest; resentful; and fearful to an extent that I had never realized. As a matter of fact, he pointed out that most all my character defects, etc., would fall under one or more of these four "grosser handicaps" (p. 71). They were like an **umbrella!** If I improve on these four major items, then the minor ones would become less destructive, or hopefully disappear.



Step Five not only simplified the step process but brought about a **confirmed awareness** of my defects for God to remove in Step Seven. I also learned the necessity of facing up to selfishness, dishonesty, resentment, and fear if I were to live in the spirit of Step Ten. It was pointed out that these four defects are mentioned in Step Ten (p. 84) and Step Eleven (p. 86). These four demons were indeed enemies of my sobriety.

This new **awareness** has brought me to realize why going on the wagon or *quitting drinking forever*, year after year, never lasted. My personality problems (bondage of self) remained active throughout those periods of abstinence. Although Step Five has not completely removed these dangerous barriers, I have been able to maintain a "personality change sufficient to bring about recovery from alcoholism" (p. 567) for many years. Thank God for progress, not perfection.

Bob S, Richmond, IN

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**YTD Comparison Report**

October 2020 through March 2021

Ordinary Income/Expense	Oct '20 - Mar 21	Oct '19 - Mar 20	\$ Change
<b>Income</b>			
4000 · Literature Sales	33,819.09	61,450.75	-27,631.66
4050 · Between us	16.00	540.00	-524.00
4070 · Contributions	34,828.20	38,220.24	-3,392.04
4080 · Gratitude boxes	27,629.83	25,594.18	2,035.65
4100 · Memorials	0.00	370.00	-370.00
4130 · Personal Contr.	11,163.79	6,325.75	4,838.04
4150 · Other Income	1,973.29	750.61	1,222.68
4170 · Interest Income	1,995.32	1,663.02	332.30
4190 · Discrepancies	0.00	-162.80	162.80
4200 · Bounced Checks Income	0.00	11.00	-11.00
4600 · Merchandise Sales	409.00	0.00	409.00
4830 · Sales Discounts	59.99	39.27	20.72
48900 · Shipping and Delivery Income	86.94	736.76	-649.82
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>111,981.45</b>	<b>135,538.78</b>	<b>-23,557.33</b>
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>			
5000 · Literature	20,126.53	36,491.55	-16,365.02
50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	0.00	443.46	-443.46
5050 · Between us COGS	0.00	18.00	-18.00
<b>Total COGS</b>	<b>20,126.53</b>	<b>36,953.01</b>	<b>-16,826.48</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>91,854.92</b>	<b>98,585.77</b>	<b>-6,730.85</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
51100 · Freight and Shipping Costs	274.66	359.66	-85.00
59900 · POS Inventory Adjustments	102.28	-41.73	144.01
6000 · Advertising and Promotion	0.00	1,561.63	-1,561.63
6040 · Bank Service Charges	0.00	11.00	-11.00
6045 · Coffee/Soda/Candy Expense	95.84	398.34	-302.50
6050 · Credit card fees	690.54	1,014.10	-323.56
61200 · Cash Payouts from Drawer	0.00	1.55	-1.55
6170 · Computer and Internet Expenses	193.30	281.00	-87.70
6200 · Conferences & conventions	0.00	50.00	-50.00
6330 · Insurance Expense	-22.00	0.00	-22.00
6500 · Office	20,117.07	21,025.31	-908.24
6600 · Payroll	54,662.34	51,680.78	2,981.56
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	-0.10	-21.05	20.95
6700 · Professional Fees	1,984.50	1,290.00	694.50
6800 · Printing	0.00	6,275.16	-6,275.16
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>78,098.43</b>	<b>83,885.75</b>	<b>-5,787.32</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>13,756.49</b>	<b>14,700.02</b>	<b>-943.53</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>			
Other Income	568.64	5.01	563.63
Other Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>568.64</b>	<b>5.01</b>	<b>563.63</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>14,325.13</b>	<b>14,705.03</b>	<b>-379.90</b>

Account Balances

Checking: 5,167.89  
Savings Account: 80,026.37  
Prudent Reserve: 179,621.09

What is the Prudent Reserve?

The A.A. guideline document produced by A.A. World Services, Inc., suggests a prudent reserve for a Central Office or Intergroup be fixed somewhere between one and twelve months operating expenses. The prudent reserve is not available for everyday use. It is only meant for startup and twelve months of operating expenses, in an emergency situation.

The [Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee](#) needs to rotate its members. We are searching for two AA members to act as Co-Chairs, a treasure, and a liaison person to work with Members of AA Deaf community. They can email SWDAC at: [milwareadeafaccess@gmail.com](mailto:milwareadeafaccess@gmail.com)

Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee

(SWDAC) March 2021  
Beginning Balance: \$8,881.67  
Contributions: \$ 407.61  
Interpreter: \$ 630.00  
Misc. Expenses \$ 00.00  
Ending Balance: \$8,659.28  
The cost for an interpreter is \$50 for a zoom meeting and \$80 for an in-person meeting. Contact Kath W. with questions: [brylerandme@gmail.com](mailto:brylerandme@gmail.com)  
VENMO Contributions: [www.venmo.com/SWDAC](http://www.venmo.com/SWDAC)

**•Meeting Space Currently Available**

**•St Peter's Episcopal Church**, 7929 W Lincoln Ave, West Allis, Contact: Steve 414-543-6040 or email: [christumc1@sbcglobal.net](mailto:christumc1@sbcglobal.net)

**Anchor Covenant Church** 1229 Park Row Lake Geneva WI 53147, contact Laura, 262-903-6888 [office@anchorcovenant.org](mailto:office@anchorcovenant.org)

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



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

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[Seventh Tradition Checklist](#)

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# DISTRICT MEETINGS

## DISTRICT INFORMATION ON THE WEB:

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

1. JACKSON, LaCROSSE, MONROE, VERNON, & TREMPPEALEAU; 2 & 18 GREEN LAKE & MARQUETTE CNTY'S & PART OF WAUSHARA;  
8 & 30 ROCK; 9. CRAWFORD, GRANT, IOWA and LAFAYETTE; 19 & 37. RICHLAND & SAUK;

20, 21 & 26 DANE; 31. COLUMBIA CNTY; 35. GREEN; 37. JUNEAU CNTY'S

(Check the web address above for meeting info.)

3. MANITOWOC & SHEBOYGAN CNTY'S 3rd Wed. of month, 6:30 p., Even numbered months at 1907 Club, 2908 N. 21st St., Sheboygan. Odd numbered months: Alano Club, 404 S 29 St Manitowoc
6. WALWORTH CNTY 2nd Tue. 7:30 p. Feb. Apr. June. Aug. Oct. and Dec. only, Walworth Alano Club, 611 E. Walworth St., Delavan
7. KENOSHA CNTY 3rd Sun. of month, 4:00 p., Kenosha Alano Club, 630 56th St.
10. Spanish District. Contact: Salvador G. at 414-446-0158. Meets every 2nd & 4th Sunday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. 1663 S. 6th Street, Milw.
11. JEFFERSON CNTY Meets last Wed. at 5:30 p.m. Moravian Church, 301 College St., Lake Mills,
12. WASHINGTON CNTY 1st Wed. of month, 6:00 p., the Jackson Community Center N165W20330 Hickory Ln., Jackson, WI. 53037
13. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 1st Sun. of month, 1:00 p, St. Matthias Church, 111 E. Main, Waukesha
14. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) 4th Wed. of month, 7:00 p, Milwaukee Central Office 7429 W Greenfield Ave., P.O. Box 13011, Wauwatosa WI 53226
16. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) 1st Wed. of month, 6:00 p, Milw. Central Office, 7429 W Greenfield Ave.
17. RACINE CNTY (1 of 2) 3rd Sun. of month, 1:00 p, Grove Club, 1037 Grove Ave., Racine
23. DODGE CNTY 1st Wed of month at 7:00 p, Dodge Cnty Alano Club, 115 N. Lincoln, Beaver Dam, call to confirm 920-583-3142
24. OZAUKEE CNTY 3rd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Peltz Center for Jewish Life, 2233 W Mequon Rd. Mequon
25. FOND du LAC CNTY 2nd Tue. of month, 6:30 p., Gratitude Club, 295 Ruggles St., Fond du Lac
27. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) 3rd Wednesday of month, 7:00 p.m. Covenant Lutheran Church, 8121 W Hope Ave, Milwaukee WI 53222
28. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) 1st Mon. of month, 7:00 p., Bay View United Methodist 2772 S Kinnickinnic Ave. Bay View, WI 53207. Meets On ZOOM.
29. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) 1st Mon. of month, 7:00 p, Luther Memorial Church, 2840 S 84th St., West Allis, WI 53227
32. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 4th Tuesday of month, 6:30 p, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88183312739?pwd=eVJwVQ02UENydlUjHcEhsUmmM4RlJRz09>  
Meeting ID: 881 8331 2739, Passcode: 071956
34. WAUKESHA CNTY (1 of 3) 1st Tue. of month, 6:30 p, Northwest Alano Club, N88W17658 Christman Rd., Menomonee Falls. Join online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6870109941?pwd=YVI4SVQzU3FaSE1rc3dzVmtxdFM4QT09>
36. RACINE/KENOSHA (1 of 2) 2nd Tues. month 6:00 p.m., 12 & 12 Club, 724 N Pine St., Burlington
38. MILWAUKEE CNTY (1 of 6) Last Sunday of month 4:30 p.m. All Saint Cathedral, 818 E Juneau Ave.

### SEND ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO:

7429 W. Greenfield Ave, West Allis, WI 53214, [dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)

### ADDRESSES FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- 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, or Bridging the Gap or Treatment** write to: PMB # 170, 5464 N Port Washington Rd., Glendale WI 53217
  - **Southern Wisconsin Deaf Access Committee** : Email: [milwaredaefac-cess@gmail.com](mailto:milwaredaefac-cess@gmail.com); Mailto: Deaf Access Committee, P.O. Box 1982, Waukesha WI 53186

# CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

**TAYCHEEDAH CORRECTIONAL**, Meetings are held 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 5:45 - 7:30 p.m., Gloria K. (920) 921-2395

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY JAIL** 9th & State Milwaukee WI.

**MILWAUKEE SECURE DETENTION CENTER**, 1015 N. 10th St. Milwaukee

**Milwaukee Women's Correctional Ctr.** 615 W Keefe Ave. Milwaukee

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

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

**RACINE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION for MEN** Mtngs: Sun. 8:30 AM, Dane Rx Unit; Wed. 7:00 p. and two meetings on Thursday at 7:00 p. English and Spanish. Call Paul H. (262) 637-2884

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE**: meets at 5:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday on odd numbered months at Greater Milwaukee Central Office, 7429 W Greenfield Ave, West Allis WI 53214. Donation should be sent to: MCCC, PO Box 270544, Milwaukee WI 53227-0544. Contact coordinator: Kota at email: [mcccoordinator@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Area 75, Southern WI, Calendar of Events 2021

Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin St., Madison, Held at Senior Center except where otherwise noted.

Join Zoom By phone: 312-626-6799, enter meeting ID and Password.

- **Zoom Meeting** Contact Area Chair: Veronica O. [vodonnell52@gmail.com](mailto:vodonnell52@gmail.com)
- June 27, 2021 Summer Service Assembly
- Sept. 12 2021 Preconference Assembly
- Nov. 12-14, 2021 Area 75 Conference, La-Crosse WI.

## 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 donation, to:

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



\$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.

I will have \_\_\_\_\_ years on \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_.

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

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

Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_

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Years                      Name                      Home Group



### MILW. CENTRAL OFFICE

- **E-mail us at:**  
[dan@aamilwaukee.com](mailto:dan@aamilwaukee.com)
- Temporary Hours until further notice: M - F 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**
- **Secretary Meeting Bi-monthly on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each odd numbered month at 6:30 p. Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. and Nov.**
- **Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday following Secretaries Meeting, (odd months) 6:30 p.**
- **A. A. Meetings, Mon - Fri at 12:15 p., ~~Wed. & Thur at 4 p.~~, Sat. 9:15 a., & 10:30 a.**
- **Service Manual Study: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. of month at 6 p.m.**
- **~~Dist. 14, 4th Wed. at 7 p.m.~~**
- **~~Dist. 16, 1st Wed. at 6 p.m.~~**

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

- Pass It On Club, 6229 W. Forest Home Av, Milw. GRUPO 5 CONCEPTOS, 8:00 pm Saturdays. DIMENSION 4, Bilingual, 7:00 pm, Sunday, Monday & Saturday
- 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

### SERVICE MANUAL STUDY,

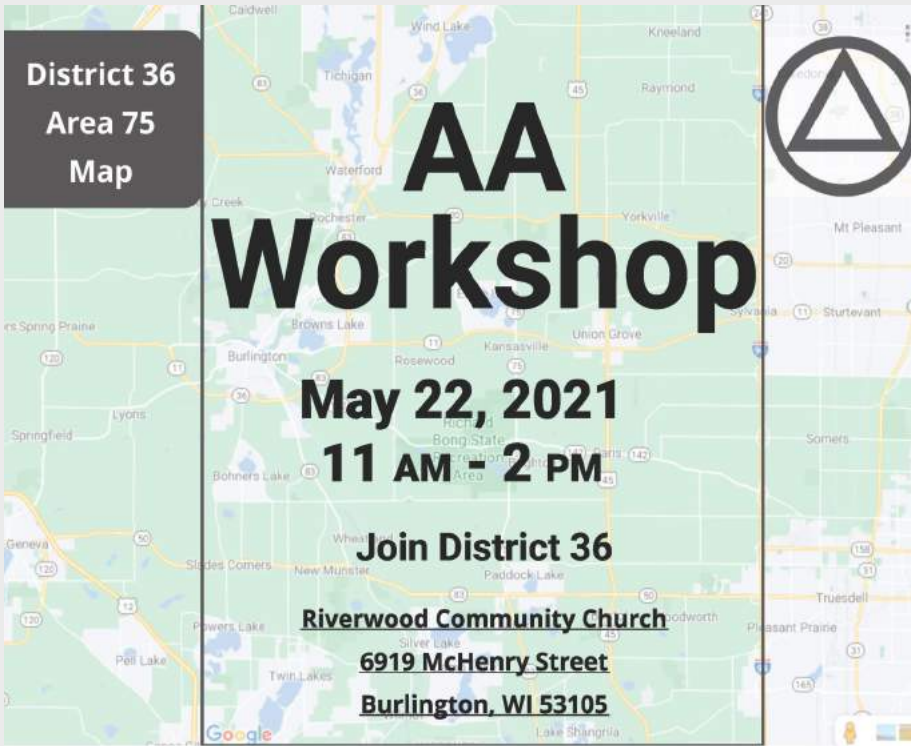
Our regular monthly "Not So Secret Service Manual Study" will resume in March on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00. I'll send out the zoom codes for the meeting prior to that time.

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

**Contact: [Nancy H at 414-801-5184 with questions.](#)**



District 36  
Area 75  
Map



# AA Workshop

May 22, 2021  
11 AM - 2 PM

Join District 36

**Riverwood Community Church**  
6919 McHenry Street  
Burlington, WI 53105



## \*Women's 164 Big Book Meeting

has moved online!



Tuesdays at 7:00pm CT  
on Zoom

Meeting ID: [106 116](#)

Meeting Password: 694049

- Door Prizes: 1 Year subscription to the Grapevine, AA Comes to Age, and Individual Grapevine
  - Panel Discussion - AA Group
  - Skit - We are not a glum lot
- GSR Information Work Session
  - Lunch will be provided

Join us via Zoom:

**Zoom ID: 473-495-369**

**Password: 994797**

??Questions??

Email: [publicinformation36@gmail.com](mailto:publicinformation36@gmail.com)

Phone: 262-672-0219



\*Trans And NonBinary Friends are more than welcome!

### IT HAPPENED TO ALICE



This is Al-Anon  
Conference Approved Literature.



# Founders' Day 2021, June 12 & 13, 2021

Founders' Day 2021 will be a **VIRTUAL** event. Registration is required and opens on March 15th. There is **no fee to register**, although donations are greatly appreciated. An exciting lineup will be released soon. The Founders' Day Committee encourages you to check back for schedules and details.

<https://foundersday.org>

September 2007

## Founders' Day 2007

By: Jay M.

An anniversary celebration in Akron, Ohio

Since the early days of AA's history, members have gathered in Akron, Ohio, on the weekend nearest June 10--Dr. Bob's sobriety date. This year, that weekend fell on Friday, June 8, and it dawned warm, bright, and clear--an auspicious beginning to Founders' Day and AA's 72nd anniversary weekend in Akron, Ohio.

A horde of early-rising volunteers opened registration at the University of Akron's Student Union Building at 8 A.M. Annually, about 13,000 AAs and Al-Anons from around the world gather in Akron. Although the official registration was just above 10,700, an additional few thousand folks showed up at the sprawling campus just to enjoy the weekend. They didn't attend the meetings or go to hear the speakers, they just came to meet and interact with AAs. Besides the formal meetings and other events, part of the magic and joy of Founders' Day is simply hanging out with the many alcoholics who come from all over the world.

Bill W. best described the significance of Akron in 1945: "It was here that the miracle really happened. This is the hill where the AA beacon was lit ten years ago. From here, the light spread outward to guide others" (Grapevine, July 1945). Akron, a Greek word meaning "summit," sits on a ridge overlooking the surrounding Ohio countryside.

The first event of the weekend was a one-step-an-hour meeting that stretched from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. The weekend was also filled with a variety of meetings: Old-timers; Young People; Al-Anon/Alateen; Spanish-Speaking; Traditions; Alkathons; and Speaker meetings. In addition, plays, skits, historic presentations, and dances, dances, dances provided attendees with plenty to do.

Akron's attraction as the birthplace of AA puts historic tours high on the priority list of many attendees. Founders' Day offers bus tours of the historic sites in Akron, such as the Mayflower Hotel, the Gate Lodge of the Seiberling Estate, St. Thomas Hospital, and other sites. The Gate Lodge of the Seiberling Estate (Stan Hywet), where Bill W. and Dr. Bob first met, is now a museum. Visitors are sometimes startled when they see the library where AA's co-founders first talked. In some minds, a grand room is envisioned--one with fine wood bookshelves, expensive carpets, and other expected furnishings found in a gate lodge belonging to the very wealthy (the Seiberlings founded Goodyear Tire). In reality, the library is a small room where the hungover doctor gave "this bird fifteen minutes" and ended up talking for hours. Somehow, the humility of this simple room makes the story all the better.

When Bill first came to Akron, he stayed at the Mayflower Hotel. Here, he made the phone calls that resulted in his meeting with Dr. Bob. A replica pay phone and church directory hang in its lobby. Today, the Mayflower Hotel is a private residence providing low-income housing.

No tour is complete without a stop at Dr. Bob's house. The volunteers greet you with "Welcome home!" At times, the small size of the house and the large crowd waiting to see the inside makes for long lines.

Tours end at the Akron Intergroup Office. Here, volunteer guides share in the awe of several thousand visitors to the office during the weekend. Dr. Carl Jung, who figures in our history, penned the term "synchronicity" to define happenings where many unrelated events come together and make something wonderful. Old-timers and newcomers alike visit the Akron Intergroup Office. A young woman visiting the archives curiously asked, "Were Bill and Bob brothers or something?" An archives volunteer asked how long she had been sober, and she proudly replied, "Two weeks!" She had a little time, so the volunteer told her about the story of the founding of AA and what the early

*("Founders Day" Continued on page 11)*

Need to make a group or personal contribution?

Use our [CONTRIBUTE](#) button on our website: [aamilwaukee.com](http://aamilwaukee.com) or use our your [VENMO app](#) from your smartphone.

All the groups listed in your [When and Where](#) 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.

### ASL Interpreter

**Available: Meeting for Deaf and Hard of Hearing,**

Tuesdays 7:00 P.M.,  
H.O.W To Club, 8930 W National Ave. West Allis

[Redemptorist Retreat Center](#), 1800 N Timber Trail Lane, Oconomowoc, WI 53066, (262) 567-6900 Email: [rrc@redemptoristretreat.org](mailto:rrc@redemptoristretreat.org) Please call for information and schedule of retreats for recovering people. AA and Al-Anon, \$250 three nights. We discuss the 12 steps and related topics.

### [2021 Weekend Retreats Jesuit Retreat House](#)

4800 Fahrwald Rd. Oshkosh, WI 54901, call 800-962-7330 [jesuitretreathouse.org](http://jesuitretreathouse.org)

**Men and Women in AA, Al-Anon**

Total cost: 4 days \$390.00. Send a \$75.00 deposit with requests for specific dates to retreat house or call for info.

**Men:** ,

# MEETING ROOMS

**NEW DAY CLUB**  
11936 N. Port Washington Rd  
Mequon, (262) 241-4673  
<http://www.newdayclub.net>

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sat. 10:00 a. Step Meeting  
5:00 p. Fellowship of Spirit  
7:00 p. Feelings  
10:00 p. Young People  
8:00 p. Open Meeting (held on 3rd Saturday of month only)

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

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

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 8:00 a. Sun. Wake Up  
9:30 a. Reliance Meeting  
11:00 a. Today's choice  
3:00 p. Gratitude Plus  
7:00 p. Big Book Readers  
7:00 p. Dimension 4, Bilingual

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

Tue. 7:30 a. Comin' Back Gp  
10:30 a. Keep It Simple  
4:00 p. Drop the Rock  
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  
5:30 p. Courage to Change  
7:00 p. We, Us & Ours

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

Fri. 10:30 a. Came To Believe  
6:00 p. Women's Fri. Kickoff  
6:30 p. Thoughts 4 Today  
8:00 p. Broken Arrow  
8:30 a. Early Bird  
10:30 a. Happy Joyous Free  
3:00 p. Twelve Promises  
7:00 p. Dimension 4, Bilingual  
8:00 p. Spanish Speaking  
8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12

Sat. 8:00 p. Back to Basics 12x12

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

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 8:00 a. Early Bird  
9:30 a. Literature Meeting  
11:00 a. Friendship Gp  
6:00 p. Big Book  
8:00 p. Gopher Sunday  
9:00 a. Positive Attitude  
6:30 p. Otter Gp  
8:00 p. Step/Tradition Study

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

Wed. 8:00 a.  
10:00 a. Back To Basics  
2:00 p. Women's Meeting  
6:00 p.  
8:00 p.

Thr. 10:00 a.  
4:00 p.  
8:00 p. Grapevine Mtng

Fri. 12:30 p.  
4:00 p.  
6:00 p.  
8:00 p. Old School House  
8:30 a. 11th Step  
10:00 a. Big Book

Sat. 7:00 p. Al-Anon

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

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

**WAUKESHA ALANO CLUB**  
318 W. Broadway  
Waukesha, WI  
(262) 549-6541

**A.A. MEETINGS,**  
(V)=Virtual, (IP)=In-person, (V & IP)=Both

Sun. 9:30 a. Sun Morn Sunlight (V&IP)  
Zoom: 849 187 3880, PW: 3333  
11:00 a. Sun Go-To-Mtng (V & IP)  
Zoom: 868 6375 8565, PW: 135314  
7:00 p. (Open Step Gp)  
~~12:00 p.~~  
6:00 p. Beginners AA (V & IP)  
Zoom: 818 7287 8662, PW: 740572  
7:00 p. (12 & 12) (V & IP)  
Tue. ~~12:00 p.~~  
Wed. ~~2:00 p.~~  
5:30 p. Topic Gp (V & IP)  
Zoom: 818 9650 5286, PW: 677391  
Thr. ~~12:00 p.~~  
Fri. 12:00 p. T.G.I.F. Gp (V & IP)  
Zoom: 839 0454 9230, PW: 830354  
~~7:00 p. Topic Discussion~~  
Sat. 10:00 a. Gp 124 (V & IP)  
Zoom: Contact Sher at 630-432-3585 for access.  
~~7:00 p. Closed Meeting~~

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

**GALANO CLUB**  
- LGBT & All in Recovery - 7210 W Greenfield Ave, Suite 1, Lower Level Milwaukee, WI 53214, 414-276-6936  
<http://www.galanoclub.org/>  
[galanoclub@gmail.com](mailto:galanoclub@gmail.com)

In Person and Phone Meetings Phone/Video AA Meetings, Sun. 10:30 am, M,T,W,Th,Sat 7:30pm, (978) 990-5195  
Meeting Id: galano7210 Code: 1919178#

**Sunday:**  
10:30 a.m. - AA - Step / Topic Meeting (In-person/phone/video)  
10:30 a.m. - Al-Anon - Papillion Group. (In-person)  
~~6:00 p.m. - AA - Multi-Media Meeting (Postpone)~~  
**Monday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA "Came to Believe" 12 Spirituality. (In-person/phone/video)  
**Tuesday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA Over and Under 40 Group (In-person/phone/video)  
~~6:00 p.m. - Pages of Healing - Recovery Book Club (Postpone)~~  
**Wednesday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA - 12 Steps and 12 Traditions (Phone/video)  
**Thursday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA - Living Sober One Day at A Time (Phone/video)  
**Friday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA - Topic "Grapevine" (In-person)  
**Saturday:**  
7:30 p.m. - AA - Big Book & More. (Phone/video)  
The Galano Club is open one half hour before the scheduled meetings.

**NORTHWEST ALANO CLUB\***  
N88 W17658 Christman Rd  
Menomonee Falls WI  
53051 (No Phone)

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 10:00 a. Big Book  
7:00 p.

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

Tue. 10:00 a. Step  
7:00 p. Terrific Tue  
8:00 p. Topic

Wed. 7:00 p. Step/Topic

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

Fri. 8:00 p. Step/Topic

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

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

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

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

**Sunday AA**  
10:00 a. Primitive Group  
12:00 p. Open Speakers  
4:00 p. Spanish Speaking  
6:30 p. Delavan Discussion

**Monday AA**  
7:30 a. Sunny Side Up  
12:00 p. Delavan Step Meeting  
6:30 p. Former Miss Americas  
6:30 p. Delavan Men's 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.  
5:30 p. Step Sisters Women  
6:30 p. Delavan Big Book Gp.

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

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

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

**A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE**

Sun. 7:00 a. AA Meeting  
10:00 a. Gp 17 Step

Mon. 7:00 a. Early Morning  
10:30 a. Gp 72 Topic  
12:15 p. Big Book Meeting  
6:30 p. Gp 40 Big Book

Tue. 7:00 a. As Bill Sees It,  
10:30 a. Gp 70 Step  
12:15 p. Gp 76

Wed. 7:00 a. AA Women's meeting  
10:30 a. Gp 9, Step  
12:15 p. Oasis Topic Gp  
6:00 p. Chicks at Six Gp

Thr. 7:00 a. Big Book Meeting  
10:30 a. Gp 97, Step  
12:15 p. Here & Now Gp

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

Sat. 7:00 a. AA Meeting  
11:00 a. Gp 87 Step  
3:00 p. Spiritual Growth

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

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

Sun. 8:00 a. Eye Opener AA Gp.  
10:00 a. Grass Roots (Steps)  
4:30 p. Drop the Rock 6/7 Step  
6:00 p. Restore Us To Sanity  
8:00 p. Sun. Sober & Serene

Mon. 11:00 a. Winner's Circle  
5:45 p. Gp 132, Women's Gp  
7:00 p. Big Book Gp.  
8:00 p. New Hope Gp.  
~~11:00 p. What's the Point~~

Tue. 11:00 a. Willingness Group  
6:00 p. Tue Topic 6pm Gp  
7:00 p. Sign for Sobriety AA  
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  
~~11:00 p. After Hours Group~~

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

Fri. 11:00 a. Priority Group  
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  
6:00 p. 1st & 12 Topic  
~~7:30 p. Open Speaker 3rd Sat~~  
8:00 p. HOW To Saturday

**24 HOUR CLUB**  
153 Green Bay Rd.  
Thiensville, WI  
<http://www.24hourclub.org/>

**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~~  
8:00 p. Men's

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

Wed. 6:30 a. Topic  
~~10:00 a. Big Book~~  
~~5:15 p. Women's~~

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

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

Sat. 6:30 a. Topic  
~~8:20 a. Big Book/Steps~~  
10:00 a. Big Book  
8:00 p. Open Speaker Mtng.  
(1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Only)

**In Person AA Groups Need Your Support**

- **Sunday 4 p.m.** AA New Beginnings, Unity Lutheran Church, 20700 W North Ave. Brookfield WI 53045
- **Sunday 7 p.m.** Butler Sunday Night, St. Agnes, 12801 W Fairmount St, Butler WI.
- **Monday 7 p.m.** Brookfield Unity, 4600 Pilgrim Rd, Brookfield
- **Tuesday 7 p.m.** Gp 43, Friendship Club, 2245 W Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee WI.
- **Wednesday 11am. Gp 10-17,** St Veronica's 353 E Norwich, Milw. 53207
- **Thursday 8:30 p.m.** Gp 22, Underwood Memorial Baptist, 1916 Wauwatosa Ave, 53213
- **Friday at 7 p.m. First Things First,** St Margaret Mary, 3930 N 92nd St. Milw 53222
- **Friday 9:30 p.m. Big Book,** Martin Luther Church 9235 W Bluemound Rd. Milw. 53226
- **Saturday 8 p.m.** Gp 18, St Luke's, 3200 S Herman, Bay View
- **Saturday 7 p.m.** 12 Step Club 4102 W Townsend St. Milw. WI 53216

# MEETING ROOMS

<p><b>UNITY CLUB</b> 1715 Creek Rd West Bend, (262) 338-3500 <a href="mailto:unityclub1715@att.net">unityclub1715@att.net</a> <a href="http://www.facebook.com">www.facebook.com</a></p> <p><b>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sun. 10:30 a. ** Gratitude Gp. 8:00 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. 7:30 p. Beginner's 8:00 p. Step Gp</p> <p>Wed. 10:00 a. Promises 1:00 p. Steps/Promises 5:00 p. Happy Hour Gp In-person &amp; Zoom: 332602852, pw: 123456 8:15 p. Step Gp</p> <p>Thr. 10:00 a. Big Book 7:00 p. EZ Dozen12x12</p> <p>Fri. 10:00 a. Step/Topic Gp 6:00 p. 8:00 p. * Step Gp.</p> <p>Sat. 10:00 a. Here &amp; Now 7:00 p. Big Book</p> <p><b>AL-ANON &amp; ALATEEN MTNGS</b> Saturday 9:00 a. Al-Anon Thursday 7:15 p. Al-Anon</p> <p>* Open Mtng. Last Friday of month ** Open Mtng. 3rd Sunday of month</p>	<p><b>FRIENDSHIP CLUB</b> 2245 W. Fond du Lac Ave Milwaukee, WI (414) 931-7033</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net">friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</a></p> <p><b>AA MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Sunday 10:00 a. Friendship <del>11:00 a. Third Sunday Open Meeting</del></p> <p>Monday <del>10:30 a. Step Gp</del></p> <p>Tuesday <del>7:00 p. Gp 43 Big Book</del></p> <p>Saturday 10:30 a. Gp 112 Step</p> <p>Call for information on other types of meetings.</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net">friendshipinc@sbcglobal.net</a></p>	<p><b>12 STEP CLUB</b> 4102 W Townsend St. Milwaukee, WI 53216 (414) 871-0610</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETING SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>Wednesday: <del>11:00 a. Gp. 27</del></p> <p>Friday: <del>11:00 a. Gp. 61(12x12)</del></p> <p>Saturday: 10:00 a. Beginner's 7:00 p. 12 Steps Gp</p> <p>Call the club for information on Open Speaker AA meetings, meetings for other fellowships and for special events.</p>	<p><b>MILWAUKEE GROUP</b> 933 E Center St, Milw WI 53212. Zoom Information: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/8974697046">Zoom: 897 469 7046</a> Pw: 0</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETINGS</b></p> <p>Sun. 10:00 a. Zoom. 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p>Mon. 5:30 p. Zoom 7:00 p. In-Person</p> <p><b>Temporarily Suspended</b> 8:30 p.</p> <p>Tue. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. Zoom</p> <p>Wed. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. Zoom</p> <p>Thur. 6:30 p. In-Person 8:30 p. Zoom</p> <p>Fri. 7:00 p. In-Person 8:30 p. Zoom</p> <p>Sat. 8:30 p. In-Person</p> <p><b>Milwaukee Central Office</b> 7429 W Greenfield West Allis WI 414-771-9119</p> <p><b>A.A. MEETINGS</b></p> <p>Mon. 12:15 p Tue. 12:15 p Wed. 12:15 p, <del>4:00 p</del> Thur. 12:15 p, <del>4:00 p</del> Fri. 12:15 p Sat. 9:15 a, 1st Step 10:30 a</p> <p><b>We do not meet on major holidays.</b></p>	<p><b>LIGHTHOUSE ON DEWEY</b> 1220 Dewey Ave. Wauwatosa WI <b>AA MEETINGS</b></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 7:30 p. Women Mellows Lounge 8:00 p. "RES-IPSA"</p> <p>Thursday 7:00 p. Women's AA 7:30 p. Alumni No 12 Friday 7:15 p. Gp 74 Saturday 10:00 a. Gp 59 7:00 p. Great Room</p> <p><b>All Saint's Cathedral</b> 818 E Juneau Av Milw 53202</p> <p>Tuesday: Zoom &amp; In-person 10:30 a.m. Men's meeting Wednesday: In-person 7:30 p.m. Men's meeting Thursday: Zoom &amp; In-person 7:00 p.m. Men's meeting Friday: Zoom 7:30 p.m. Big Book Saturday: In-person 10:30 a.m. Men's meeting</p>
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## DISTRICT 34 OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

### Location: CURRENTLY ZOOM ONLY

(St. Francis Episcopal Church  
NB4W16525 Menomonee Ave.  
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051)

**Zoom Room/Doors open at 6:30  
Meeting at 7:00pm**

#### **'IMPORTANT COVID 19 NOTICE'**

*Until further notice, the Open Meeting will take place via Zoom. The open meeting chairs will continue to communicate with St. Francis and monitor local and state guidelines to determine when the meeting can take place in person again. Please check [aamilwaukee.com](http://aamilwaukee.com) → Meeting Directory for updated meeting information.*

Zoom ID: 687 010 9941

Password: 343434

**Consider supporting the "District 34" Open Meeting" in one of the following ways:**

- Share your group message by sponsoring the Open Speaker Meeting
- Contact your group GSR to volunteer
- Attend the District 34 meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm, NW Alano Club)
- Get in touch with the Open Meeting Co-Chairs, Ashley M. (715-685-4141) or Tim R. (262-719-4389)

*\*District 34 is the Northeast corner of Waukesha County*

**...our primary purpose is to carry the message..."**

### Hosting Group / Speakers

April 10th, 2021  
The Meeting Place Group  
Dan H. (AA)  
Joanne K (Alanon)

May 8th, 2021  
TBD  
? (AA)

June 12th, 2021  
Butler Sunday Night  
Jim C. (AA)



## Fox Point Group 86: Reaching Out, Join Us on Zoom Monday Evenings.

We are doing a group inventory, looking at ways in which we can be more accessible.

Current members with a wide range of sobriety, join our weekly meetings to discuss topics that impact all people in recovery thus providing a healthy balance for all.

We warmly welcome all genders, sexual preferences, ethnicities, and ages.

We meet on-line with ZOOM Monday Nights at 8:00 and will do so until we resume our "live" meetings at the North Shore Congregational Church in Fox Point.

Stop on by! We open up around 7:45 and begin at 8:00. If you are shy about "Zooming," just come on in and listen. It's Alcoholics *Anonymous*.

You will find a warm welcome to a lively and amiable group living one day at a time.

<https://zoom.us/j/8700953588>

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



### March 2021 Milwaukee Central Office AA

#### 73 Groups Contributed - Thank You

Group Name	Group #	Amount	Group Name	Group #	Amount
#008 Sane & Sober	114288	80.40	Mon Night How It Works	716315	5.00
#015 TAL Gp	137297	120.00	Mon Twelve and Twelve	687894	60.00
#023 Wed	114447	20.00	Oconomowoc Fri Night	120632	70.00
#048 Gp	114315	60.00	Oconomowoc Wed Get Over It	174427	180.00
#059 Gp	117184	368.00	Out From Under	665771	100.00
#061 Twelve and Twelve	118495	18.00	Pewaukee Mon Night	114365	69.60
#087 Early Risers	119029	13.00	Random Lake Step Topic	718300	50.00
#10 17	166036	20.00	Reliance Open Discussion Mtng	653954	60.00
#100 Gp	114445	72.00	Sat a.m. Here & Now	640450	45.00
11th Step Candlelight	MIL-M6	120.00	Sat Morning Women's Freedom	695465	97.50
11th Step Open AA Meeting	275288	240.00	Simple Morning Meeting	715785	100.00
12 Step Study, Grace Episcopal	SBG-R3	25.00	Simply Sober, NW Alano Club	WAK-A7	50.00
24 Hrs A Day Daily - Online		2.00	Stop For a Quick One	MIL-R3	100.00
Airport Group	159599	100.00	Sun Morning Wake Up	617656	60.00
Alpha Tue	114430	90.00	Sun Night Big Book	151180	20.00
ARO Tue Night	667103	120.00	Sun Night Surrender Gp	145851	1.00
Attitude of Gratitude	141628	25.00	Sun Serenity Beaver Dam	157358	21.00
Big Book Readers	617805	120.00	Sussex Fri Night Action	147499	250.00
Common Solution	704515	500.00	Terrific Tue Big Book,	166339	96.00
Conscious Contact Discussion	718580	30.00	Thank God It's Mon (TGIM)	720790	50.00
Cross Roads Gp	119518	10.00	Thanksgiving Gp	703452	81.00
Delafield Tue pm Positive	163884	180.00	There Is A Solution/Waukesha	173128	25.00
First Step	635840	60.00	Thr Success Step	MIL-RB	80.00
Fri Noon 12 & 12	MIL-FB	54.00	Three Legacies	169269	45.00
Friday Night Men's Speaker Mtng	MIL-F6	100.00	Thurs Night AA St. Anskar's	117644	59.78
Happy Hour Step	653359	60.00	Today's Choices	614204	120.00
Honesty Gp	145607	46.20	Tue Reflections	MIL-TH	99.75
It Works If You Work It	723327	48.00	Tue Topic 6pm West Allis	676017	30.00
Just Do It, Northwest Alano Club	174350	60.00	Wanderer's Gp	140790	20.00
Keep It Simple	611725	60.00	We Agnostics	722212	100.00
Lake Area Wed 6 p.m.	114356	100.00	Wed 5:30 p.m. Step Gp	632773	115.00
Lake Geneva Kitchen Table	125465	25.00	Wed Night Men's Meeting	663905	25.00
Matt Talbot Bell Ringers	675208	60.00	Wed Noon Lunch Bunch	690831	86.78
Mayfair Ladies Mon & Fri	114336	3.00	West Bend Thr a.m. Big Book	114448	25.25
Menomonee Falls Sun	128237	59.00	Women's Wed Night Big Book	614485	180.00
Mon Independence	MIL-MH	69.00	Written For Us	717556	88.00
Mon Night Big Book Study	M, Bob	60.25		<b>ToTal</b>	<b>5,863.51</b>

### Personal Contributions - March 2021

#### Thank You!

Name	Amount	Name	Amount	Name	Amount
Anonymous	39.46	Jeffrey P.	50.00	Michael Hei..	97.50
Beth M.	50.00	Jim R.	5.00	Michael Hir..	97.50
Bill E.	15.00	Joe R.	20.00	Mike O.	24.00
Brian D.	4.00	John B.	115.00	Richard P.	1,000.00
Brian Q.	20.00	John G.	2.65	Richard R	33.00
Britta E.	10.00	John S.	20.00	Rob McC.	15.00
Chase G.	15.00	Jonathan S.	20.00	Sarayu M.	20.00
Daniel B.	60.00	Katie S.	5.00	Scott L.	80.00
David P.	100.00	Keith L.	32.00	That Beekeeper	
Don R	24.15	Kim S.	100.00	Dude	27.11
Elizabeth N.	250.00	Kristin H.	35.00	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,446.37</b>
Irene L.	50.00	Kyle B.	10.00		



# REAL NEEDS REAL HELP 8TH ANNIVERSARY

When: May 10th

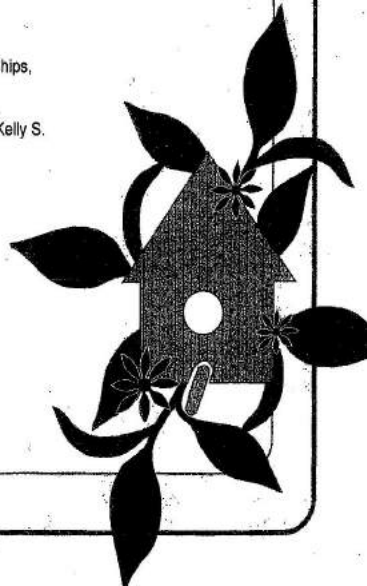
Where: St. John's Lutheran Church  
55th & Greenfield

Time: 6:30 Food & Refreshments

Brats, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Salads, Chips,  
Soda, Water, Coffee & Dessert

7:30 Speaker Meeting - Guest Speaker Kelly S.

Honoring our founder, John P.



## OPEN SPEAKER MEETING

sunday, may 2

10:30am

galano club

7210 w greenfield ave

lower level

- Special guest AA and Al-anon speakers to be announced.
- Breakfast at 10:00 am
- Bring a baked good item if you would like to do so.
- Masks and social distancing required.

WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS GROUP  
CLOSED AA MEETING  
SATURDAY NIGHT  
BIG BOOK STUDY



BEGINS AT 7:00 PM

**[ZOOM MEETING ID - 892 9232 8326](#)**

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BRING YOUR BIG BOOK

JOIN US AS WE READ THROUGH THE FIRST 164 PAGES IN THE BIG BOOK  
OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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After explaining my illness in terms I could relate to, then demonstrating by their daily walk that the promise of a new mind and a new life were real, they carefully led me to the choice that either God was everything or he was nothing. Through skillful, loving, and very direct confrontation my sponsor helped me face my greatest fears about turning my life entirely over to God's care and direction. I became convinced that anything God has in mind for me is better than anything I would have in mind for myself.

So I asked my sponsor, "How do I make this real?" He told me that God would reveal himself to me as I revealed myself to myself and sent me off to do a searching and fearless moral inventory.

As often happens with me, I set about this task with the wrong motive and did not read any instructions about the method. Two hours later, when I had finished my first inventory, I took it back to my sponsor to take the Fifth Step. He looked at it and said, "This is garbage. You wrote this to impress me. Get away." I was stunned.

But I had spent two hours writing down some of the most dramatic things I had done in my life, and by God, someone was going to hear this. So I picked another man who was much more liberal in his approach, and set about telling him about my high drama. I would tell him something I had done, and he would gently say, "Oh, that was not that bad." As this continued, I began having a series of spiritual awakenings. I began to see the truth, and the truth was, I had once again picked someone who would tell me what I wanted to hear, so I would not have to do anything about changing. I saw that if I did not stop this now, I would soon die a very ugly death. I am not, and was not, afraid of death, but to die an ugly death meant that for some period of time just before, I would have to again live a very ugly life, and this thought was more than I could handle.

I returned to my first sponsor, who showed me precisely how he and our founders wrote inventory. I came to understand that if I resent you, then you own me and how resentment is the grand-daddy of all spiritual diseases because it separates me from God.

So, I wrote my second self-examination without knowing who would hear my Fifth Step. My sponsor said it might be him, but I was not to write it with him or anyone else in mind, because I could color it. When I was finished, I was to pray, then I would know. My memory was still damaged, and my understanding was small, but the time came when I knew I had done all I could. It was as thorough as I could make it.

As I prayed about who I would ask to listen to this Fifth Step, using the guidance in the Big Book, my friend Jim came to mind. I had a strange new feeling for Jim. I wanted things to be better for him, and for him to feel better. Jim had a problem I did not have. He did not know why he was in this prison. I did. I had done what they said I had done, and could remember the act full well. Jim could not. He had done what so many of us had been afraid we might have done. In a drunken blackout, Jim had killed someone with his car. They could tell Jim about this, but he had no memory.

I was told that I should pick someone to hear my Fifth Step who would be unaffected by my story, and Jim was too pre-occupied with his own woes to be affected by anything I might tell him. Also, I wanted to help Jim in some way, and I had somehow grasped the truth that the best way for me to help another alcoholic is to share the garbage of my life with him.

It made for quite an afternoon! I took my shabby little inventory, and Jim and I went up to the school and while I told him about the selfishness and shabbiness that was me, my friend just listened. When I ran dry, he would prompt me a little, and we made a few more discoveries about each other.

I went into that room a man who had always felt alone and different. I had always been so focused on myself that I made other people into whoever I needed them to be and never granted anyone the dignity of just being whoever they were. However, before the afternoon was over, there were two men in that room: me and a man named Jim. I have not felt alone and isolated since that day, and I know that it helped him as well.

I returned to my cell to review what I had just done, and experienced another spiritual awakening: I had finally finished something! I knew that in many respects I had just skimmed the surface, but for now I had done the best I could with what I had. I had finished something!

That was twenty-five years ago, and since that time I have listened to literally hundreds of Fifth Steps myself. And there is nothing new in any one of them, though there is always something new as a result of each one.

There will always be attitudes that get between me and God and between me and other people, but I have not improved or changed the method I learned in the Fifth Step of uncovering, discovering, and discarding such things.

I am now a long distance runner. I am in for the game.

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members did so that she and others would have the opportunity to recover. Before the story was finished, both were crying. That is one of the miracles of Founders' Day: a spiritual experience that occurs when one member with twenty-five years of sobriety cries with a young lady with two weeks. For, despite the vast difference in sobriety and age, both are exactly the same. Both are recovering alcoholics.

The James A. Rhodes (JAR) Arena at the university can seat nearly 5,000 and was big enough for the Friday night crowd to hear the AA/Al-Anon stories of Chuck and Sandy L. from Wisconsin.

On Saturday, however, the JAR was not nearly large enough to contain all who wanted to attend the "Big Meeting," so the event was simulcast to five other university venues. Total seating at all the venues was close to 10,000. Jack C., from Maryland, told the crowd his story. One of the highlights of the big meeting was the sobriety count up and countdown. First, the Akron Intergroup chairperson asked anyone with twenty-four hours or less to stand. A large number stood, and the crowd went wild. The count up continued until one year was reached, and then everyone else was asked to stand. Kent K. continued to count up the years, and everyone sat as their year was called. Eventually, "old-timer"

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territory was reached. Many in the arena had over thirty years of sobriety. Saturday night ended with two dances, one for teens and one for everyone else.

For many visitors to Founders' Day, Sunday mornings are special. Beginning at around 7A.M., motorcycles start to line up for the procession to Dr. Bob's gravesite. This practice, started in the 1970s, consists of hundreds of bikes and vehicles gathering in a line so long that when the first vehicle arrives at Mt. Peace Cemetery, the last vehicle has yet to leave the university. Afterwards, the weekend was closed with a spiritual talk given by Mildred F. from Ontario.

Our tribe, the children of the bottle, share a commonality--many of us have witnessed events that few people really know about. We have seen human behavior about which we rarely speak. However, when we come together in these kind of numbers at Founders' Day, we can feel magic. The notebook we carry in our minds never fades, for remembering the insanity is important, and celebrating the recovery is vital. Just as we once found those who drank the way we did, today we find others who are recovering--they carry the same notebooks in their minds. And that is what Founders' Day is all about: alcoholics and their friends coming together from all over the world to celebrate recovery.

## Origins of Founders' Day

In October 1941, both Bill W. and Dr. Bob spoke in Akron. Dr. Bob traced the early history of the AA movement. On November 8, 1942, Bill W. spoke at the "annual AA meeting" in Hotel Carter in Cleveland to an audience of 1,000. Dr. Bob and a Cleveland AA also spoke.

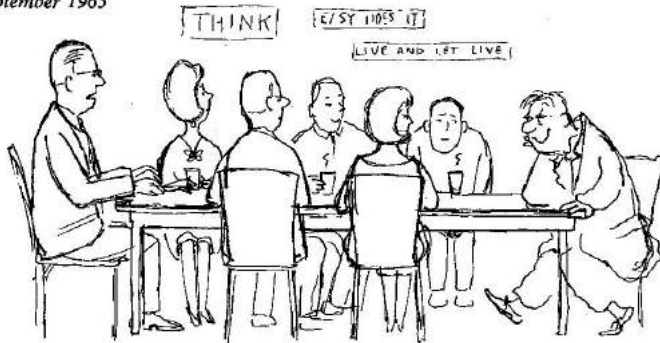
Bill's 10th anniversary talk on June 10, 1945, at the Mayflower Hotel was a precursor of Founders' Days to come. It finished with a weekend gathering that hosted Dr. Bob and Bill in Cleveland's Music Hall. 2,500 AAs from 36 states, Canada, and Mexico attended.

These anniversary meetings continued in Cleveland in 1946 and 1947, moving to Akron in 1948, where 5,000 AAs attended. In 1949 neither Dr. Bob (his wife Anne had just died) nor Bill W. came. Meetings continued through the 1950s, taking place mainly at Goodyear Hall until 1957, when a meeting was held at the University of Akron and events covered two days for the first time.

The first Saturday night speaker meeting and first memorial service for Dr. Bob was held in 1961. The first dance was in 1962. "Modern" Founders' Day began in 1965, when the event was held Friday through Sunday for the first time.

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September 1965



"There are no 'musts' in the program, Charley, but it tends to work better if you stop drinking."

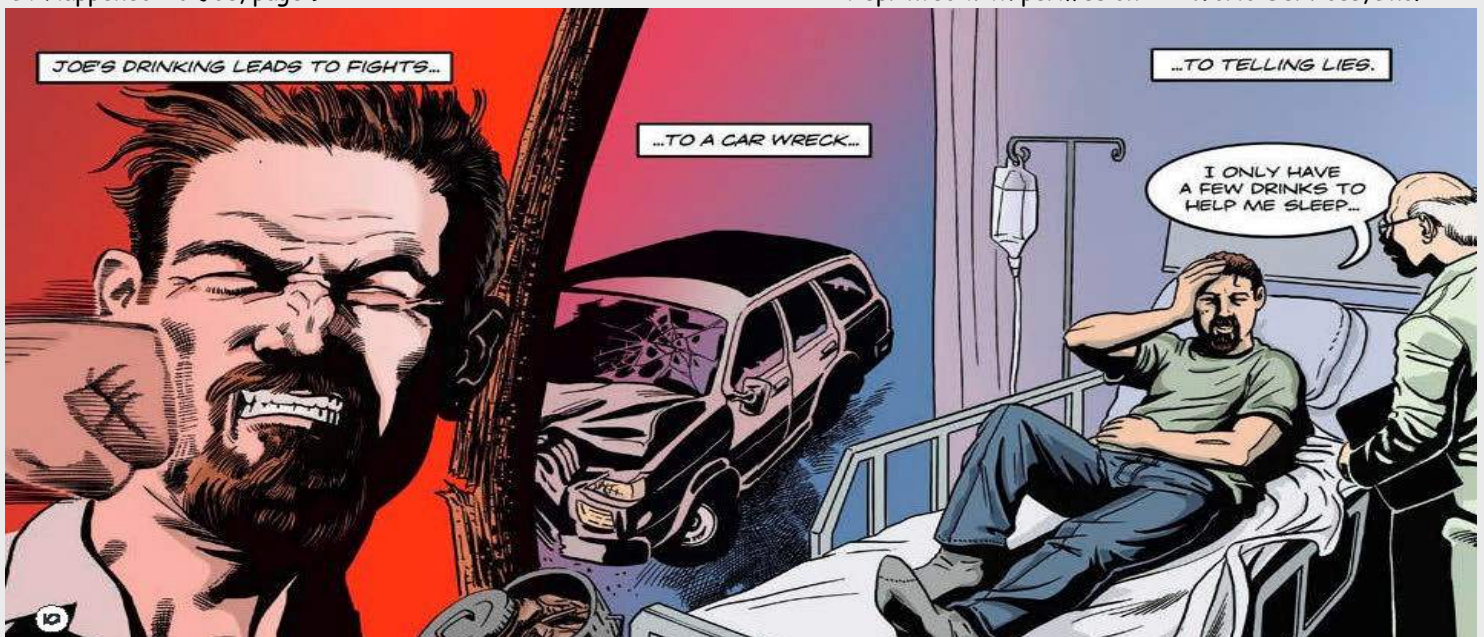
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"He was giving a lecture on Temperance ... in the middle of Main Street."

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## AA New Beginnings

Starting Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>  
Sundays at 4:00 p.m.



Unity Lutheran Church – Cross of Life Campus  
20700 W. North Avenue  
Brookfield, WI 53045

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\*Jenny S, Greendale

May 16<sup>th</sup> Open Speaker Meeting  
\*Chris G, Oconomowoc

Contact Claire K. at 262-297-2645 Or Tami R. At 414-202-7087

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Mother of Good Counsel Parish  
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Milwaukee, WI 53210

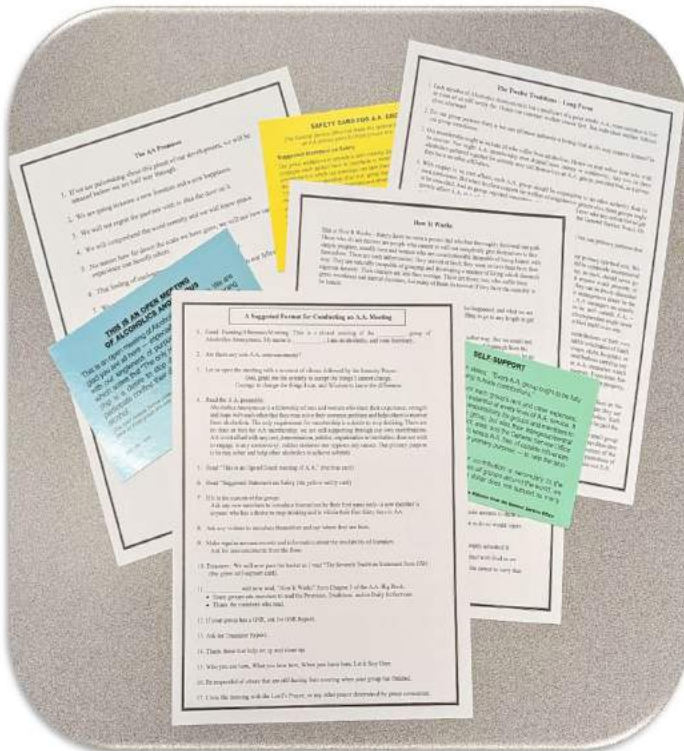
East Entrance (can be accessed from either Lisbon Avenue or Burleigh Street)  
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We alternate from a study of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous reading from the Preface through Dr. Bob's Nightmare, and a study of the 12 Steps & 12 Traditions reading the 12 Step essays plus long form Traditions.

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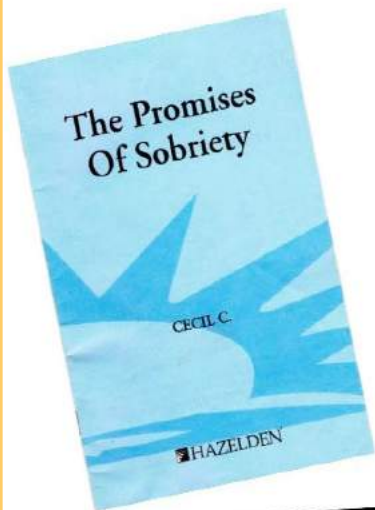
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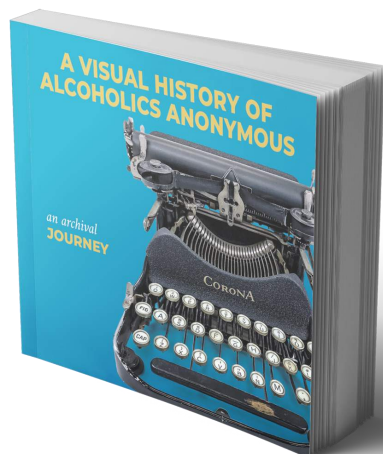
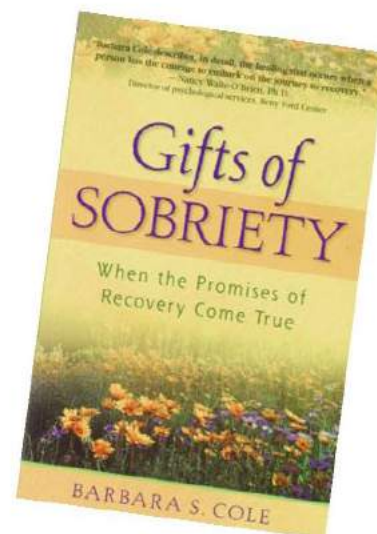
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