

## The Beacon

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Welcome! Keep Coming, Get a home group, Get active.

To Beacon Subscribers,

On Behalf of the entire Beacon staff, I would like to sincerely apologize for the mistake that was made when the January Beacons were mailed. Some of you may have noticed that the insert (pages 3 & 4) was missing. And for that We are truly sorry.

Fortunately, every month the Beacon is also posted on the Intergroup web site at aaworcester.org. So in the highly unlikely event that such an unfortunate error is made again you can still be informed and up to date on what's going on. Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours in service

John G.

#### Halt Line News!!!

Anyone wishing to volunteer for service with the halt line can do so by contacting Scott M. at Haltline@aaworcester.org. There may be some time slots open or you may be put on the alternate list. Good luck and Thank you for your service.

### Local Service Meetings

Intergroup Steering Committee\* - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA —6:00pm

Intergroup Delegates\* - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA -7:00pm

\*The Intergroup meetings occur the second THURSDAY of each month.



TRADITIONS CHECK LIST:

could restore us to sanity.

On-Line 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Articles, and Tradition Checklists

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#### Traditions Checklist

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through October 1971. While they were originally intended primarily for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

# Tradition 2: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority— a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.

Step 2: Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves

### 1. Do I criticize or do I trust and support my group officers, AA committees, and office workers? Newcomers? Old-timers?

- 2. Am I absolutely trustworthy, even in secret, with AA Twelfth Step jobs or other AA responsibility?
- 3. Do I look for credit in my AA jobs? Praise for my AA ideas?
- 4. Do I have to save face in group discussion, or can I yield in good spirit to the group conscience and work cheerfully along with it?
- 5. Although I have been sober a few years, am I still willing to serve my turn at AA chores?
- 6. In group discussions, do I sound off about matters on which I have no experience and little knowledge?

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Are you willing to carry the message to an alcoholic in need?

Are you willing to help an alcoholic in need? The intergroup delegates are working to devise an updated list of people willing to volunteer for "12 Step calls". This information will be kept CONFIDENTIAL and only be used by the HALT line chair and other appropriate individuals. Please complete the "12 Step Volunteer Application" on page 5 and return to your groups Intergroup representative or drop of at the Intergroup office. You may also mail the completed application to: Worcester Area Intergroup 100 Grove St, Suite 314 Worcester, MA 01605

### The Beacon

### Up coming AA related events

Tuesday, January 29th, 2013

7:30pm

50th Mass State Convention Planning Committee

Sheraton Framingham

1657 Worcester Rd.

All are welcome.

February 22nd—24th 2013

N.E.R.A.A.S.A 2013

Lancaster Pa.

The General Service Conference Takes it's inventory

Our Solution in Action

More info at agemass.org

February 24th 2013

Brookfield Sunday Morning will be having their 13th Anniversary

9—10 am coffee and fellowship

10 am speaker with food to follow

April 5th-7th, 2013

NH area 43's 47th Annual Convention

Courtyard Marriott, Nashua NH

"Trudge the Road of Happy Destiny"

For more info go to nhaa.net

Any Group Anniversaries or A.A. functions please notify webmaster@aaworcester.org and we will put it on the website "calendar of events" as soon as possible. If you have a flyer in electronic format please send that along and we will include it.

Corrections Committee Report. Lt. Peter Bove has been named the new volunteer services co-coordinator @ the W.C.H.C.As a result of the change all AA volunteers, who were on the approved volunteer list, are unable to visit the WCHC for commitments until re-applying for approval. Filling out a new CORI form. Once approved an orientation for volunteer service must be completed. Approved volunteers must also schedule an appt. for obtaining a picture ID for admittance. A yearly review will be done. New applications will be available shortly.

### THE GRAPEVINE: AA's meeting in print IS IN TROUBLE! PLEASE HELP BY PURCHASING A SUBSCRIPTION!

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Meeting change... Meeting change... Meeting change...

Shrewsbury Gratitude has changed their meeting time to 7—8 pm . The break has been removed. They meet Sunday nights at the Lakeview Congregational church on Coburn ave in Worcester.



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12 Step Volunteer Application	
Name (First name and last initial):	_
Telephone Number:	_
Towns you will accept calls from:	-
Hours that you are available:	-
I wish to help: <u>Males Only</u> <u>Females Only</u> <u>Both</u>	
Ages I am willing to work with: Teens 20 to 30 30 to 40 40 to 50 50 to 60 Over 60	
Other (Please specify)	
	Area Intergroup St., Suite 314 r, MA 01605
Give rides to AA Meetings Give rides to Detox *	
Meet someone at a meeting Other (please specify)	

\*It is suggested that a person NOT go on a twelfth step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still suffering. Also you should NOT drive a wet drunk to a treatment facility (detox) without having another A.A. member with you. If you circled either of these items, please be sure that you have another member of A.A. that is willing to go along with you.

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### FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Worcester Area Intergroup (WAI) accepts information regarding AA related events to be included in the website calendar. Let us know if you have an event you would like publicized. Please email information to the Office Manager at:

webmaster@aaworcester.org

Worcester Area Intergroup could use support from the local A.A. Groups. If your group has an excess amount in your treasury please consider making the pie chart split to help not only Worcester Intergroup but the other local A.A. entities and also A.A. World Services. If you are a group treasurer and need more information, feel free to call the office at 508-752-9000.