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Worcester Area Intergroup Newsletter

In April of 2014 A.A.W.S. will be releasing a 75th anniversary edition of the Big Book. Intergroup will be able to start ordering the book in January. Be sure to tell all your friends and groups.

Marc B., Treatment Committee chair, has set up meetings at the Worcester Recovery Center & Hospital (former Worcester State Hospital.) Any groups interested in grabbing a Tuesday night 7:30—8:30 pm or Saturday afternoon 1:45—2:45 pm commitment should contact Marc @ treatment@aaworcester.org or 774-272-0618.

The new 2013—B meeting lists are in and they are green. Please be sure to visit your Intergroup office and pick up plenty for yourself and group.

There are slots open for the Halt line. Anyone interested in getting active is encouraged to contact Haltline@aaworcester.org

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.



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

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Step 9 : Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Tradition 9 : A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

TRADITIONS CHECK LIST :

- 1. Do I still try to boss things in AA?
- 2. Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
- 3. Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program -even if no one makes me do so-with a sense of personal responsibility?
- 4. Do I exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
- 5. Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
- 6. Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
- 7. Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully-and profit therebywhen the time comes?
- 8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

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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.

Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

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

October,18 2013. Area 30 Bus trip to G.S.O. Flyer located online—Calender tab @aaemass.org Or call Michelle 508-736-9675 Need to reserve by Aug. 31st. Cost is \$50

For more information on upcoming A.A. related events please check out the following websites,

aaworcester.org, aadistrict26.org, aaemass.org

Sept. 15th, 2013 Area 30 Assembly hosted by District 4

9am—4pm Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School

940 County St. Taunton , Ma. 02780

MYSCYPAA XVII

Sept. 27th-29th, 2013

Burlington , Ma. 01803

www.mscypaahost.com

Sept 24, 2013

7:30 pm 50th Mass State Convention Planning Committee

Sheraton Framingham

1657 Worcester rd. Framingham Ma.

Nov 08-10

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Sheraton Framingham Ma.

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!

The AA Grapevine is the international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous. Written, edited, illustrated and read by AA members and others interested in the AA program of recovery from alcoholism, the Grapevine is a lifeline linking one alcoholic to another. The AA Grapevine communicates the experience strength and hope of its contributors and reflects a broad geographic spectrum of current AA experience with recovery, unity and service. ©GRAPEVINE 1 year Print version (12 Issues) = \$28.97 Online version = \$34.97 Grapevine complete = \$49.97 (Please see the website: www.aagrapevine.org for an explanation of the 3 types of subscriptions.)

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Wednesday night Upton Spirit Group will be celebrating their anniversary Wednesday 10 / 9. food 7-8pm, meeting at 8pm. United Parish Hall corner of main n church st. Upton.

The Tuesday night Fellowship of Webster meeting has closed.

The Noon closed 12 step meeting which was at St. Pauls Parish has reopened at Bethsaida Christian at 23 Austin st. Corner of Austiin and Oxford. Mon—Fri 12—1 pm.

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	Subscription Form Please fill out form, enclose your payment, and mail to The Beacon 100 Grove Street Suite 314 Worcester Mass. 01605 NAME
	12 Step Volunteer Application
Name (First name and la	st initial):
Telephone Number:	
Towns you will accept ca	lls from:
Hours that you are availe	able:
I wish to	help: <u>Males Only</u> <u>Females Only</u> <u>Both</u>
Ages I am willing to worl	with: <u>Teens</u> <u>20 to 30</u> <u>30 to 40</u> <u>40 to 50</u> <u>50 to 60</u> <u>Over 60</u>
	lease specify)
I	MAIL TO:Worcester Area Intergroupam willing to: (please circle all that apply)100 Grove St., Suite 314person on the phoneGo to a persons home to talk*Worcester, MA 01605
<u>Give ride</u>	s to AA Meetings Give rides to Detox *
Meet son	neone at a meeting Other (please specify)
suffering. Also other A.A. memb	that a person NOT go on a twelfth step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still you should NOT drive a wet drunk to a treatment facility (detox) without having an- ber with you. If you circled either of these items, please be sure that you have an- 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.

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