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H.A.L.T.LINE NEWS

Thank you to all the new H.A.L.T.line Volunteers! We still have hours available that need to be covered on the H.A.L.T.line. If you have a phone (cell or land-line) and an hour or more of time...WE NEED YOU!!

Hours currently available are:

Sunday 10pm-12mn

Monday 12am-3qm, 7am-8am, 2pm-6pm

Tuesday 12am-4am, 6am-8am

Wednesday 12am-4am, 7am-8am,

Thursday 12am-5am, 6am-10am, 8pm-9pm

Friday 6am-8am, 7pm-9pm

Saturday 12am-4am, 6am-7am

If you would like information please email haltline@aaworcester.org or call the Intergroup office at (508) 752-9000. Will train the right candidate - great pay - huge rewards!

Local Service Meetings

Intergroup Steering Committee - St. Mary of the Hills 630 Cross St Boylston - 2nd Thursday of each month—6:00pm

Intergroup Delegates - St. Mary of the Hills 630 Cross St Boylston - 2nd Thursday of each month—7:00pm

Joint Public Information Committee— Worcester Area Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. Suite 314—4th Monday of each month—7:00pm

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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.

STEP ELEVEN:

Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

TRADITION ELEVEN:

Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.

TRADITIONS CHECKLIST:

1. Do I sometimes promote AA so fanatically that I make it seem unattractive?
2. Am I always careful to keep the confidences reposed in me as an AA member?
3. Am I careful about throwing AA names around—even within the Fellowship?
4. Am I ashamed of being a recovered, or recovering, alcoholic?
5. What would AA be like if we were not guided by the ideas in Tradition Eleven? Where would I be?
6. Is my AA sobriety attractive enough that a sick drunk would want such a quality for himself?

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W.A.I. Needs your help!

There are service positions that remain unfilled. Join us the 2nd Thursday of each month 7:00pm St. Mary of the Hills Church, 630 Cross St., Boylston (Exit 23B from I290) ...come see where you can help! Please Join us !!

2009 Alcaathons

Drawing Dates for Group Time Slots

District 25/GSR Meeting

Location: St. Joan of Arc Church
Lincoln St., Worcester, MA 01605
October 6, 2009 @ 7:00pm
November 3, 2009 @ 7:00pm

WAI Meeting

Location: St. Mary's of the Hill
630 Cross St., Boylston, MA 01505
October 8, 2009 @ 7:00pm
November 12, 2009 @ 7:00pm

Thanksgiving

Starting: Wednesday, November 25th
31st
at 12:00 NOON
Ending: Thursday, November 26th
at 12:00 MIDNIGHT

Christmas

Starting: Thursday, December 24th
at 12:00 NOON
Ending: Friday, December 25th
at 12:00 MIDNIGHT

New Years

Starting: Thursday, December
at 12:00 NOON
Ending: Friday, January 1st
at 12:00 MIDNIGHT

St. John's Church

44 Temple Street, Worcester, MA 01604

Parking on 44 Temple Street across from the church. Parking for **HANDICAPPED ONLY** in church lot.
Handicap accessible at rear of church (see signs). Watch for SIGNS on site for entrance to Alcaathon.

Food Donations Appreciated by Groups and Individuals

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Thanksgiving Alcahthon Slots

SLOT#	DATE	TIME	GROUP
1	Wed. 11/25	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Worcester 7am Group
2	Wed. 11/25	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Worcester Young People
3	Wed. 11/25	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	
4	Wed. 11/25	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Worcester We Mean Business
5	Wed. 11/25	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
6	Wed. 11/25	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Monday Steps To Recovery
7	Wed. 11/25	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
8	Wed. 11/25	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	It's About Time
9	Wed. 11/25	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
10	Wed. 11/25	9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Northborough How It Works
11	Wed. 11/25	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Saturday Worcester Big Book Step Study
12	Wed. 11/25	11:00 pm - 12:00 am	Wednesday Worcester Big Book Step Study
13	Thurs. 11/26	12:00 am - 1:00 am	
14	Thurs. 11/26	1:00 am - 2:00 am	Millbury Traditions
15	Thurs. 11/26	2:00 am - 3:00 am	
16	Thurs. 11/26	3:00 am - 4:00 am	Auburn Sunday Night Big Book
17	Thurs. 11/26	4:00 am - 5:00 am	
18	Thurs. 11/26	5:00 am - 6:00 am	Worcester Gratitude
19	Thurs. 11/26	6:00 am - 7:00 am	
20	Thurs. 11/26	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Westborough Forge
21	Thurs. 11/26	8:00 am - 9:00 am	
22	Thurs. 11/26	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Worcester The Way Out Group
23	Thurs. 11/26	10:00 am - 11:00 am	
24	Thurs. 11/26	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Webster Triton
25	Thurs. 11/26	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Crossroads
26	Thurs. 11/26	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Quinsigamond Group
27	Thurs. 11/26	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Way Of Sobriety
28	Thurs. 11/26	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	There Is Hope
29	Thurs. 11/26	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
30	Thurs. 11/26	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Grafton Daily Reflections
31	Thurs. 11/26	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Charlton Courage To Change
32	Thurs. 11/26	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	As Bill Sees It
33	Thurs. 11/26	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
34	Thurs. 11/26	9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Fellowship Group
35	Thurs. 11/26	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	
36	Thurs. 11/26	11:00 pm - 12:00 pm	Greendale Group

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Christmas Alcathon Slots

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1	Thurs. 12/24	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Worcester 7am Group
2	Thurs. 12/24	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Worcester The Way Out Group
3	Thurs. 12/24	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Charlton Courage To Change
4	Thurs. 12/24	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	As Bill Sees It
5	Thurs. 12/24	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
6	Thurs. 12/24	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Fellowship Group
7	Thurs. 12/24	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
8	Thurs. 12/24	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	It's About Time
9	Thurs. 12/24	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
10	Thurs. 12/24	9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Millbury Traditions
11	Thurs. 12/24	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	
12	Thurs. 12/24	11:00 pm - 12:00 am	Auburn Sunday Night Big Book
13	Fri. 12/25	12:00 am - 1:00 am	
14	Fri. 12/25	1:00 am - 2:00 am	Webster Triton
15	Fri. 12/25	2:00 am - 3:00 am	Worcester Gratitude
16	Fri. 12/25	3:00 am - 4:00 am	Northborough How It Works
17	Fri. 12/25	4:00 am - 5:00 am	
18	Fri. 12/25	5:00 am - 6:00 am	Westborough Forge
19	Fri. 12/25	6:00 am - 7:00 am	
20	Fri. 12/25	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Worcester We Mean Business
21	Fri. 12/25	8:00 am - 9:00 am	
22	Fri. 12/25	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Greendale Group
23	Fri. 12/25	10:00 am - 11:00 am	Crossroads
24	Fri. 12/25	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Worcester Wednesday Big Book Step Study
25	Fri. 12/25	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Way Of Sobriety
26	Fri. 12/25	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Grafton Daily Reflections
27	Fri. 12/25	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	
28	Fri. 12/25	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Monday Steps To Recovery
29	Fri. 12/25	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
30	Fri. 12/25	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Quinsigamond Group
31	Fri. 12/25	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
32	Fri. 12/25	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Charlton Daybreakers
33	Fri. 12/25	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
34	Fri. 12/25	9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	There Is Hope
35	Fri. 12/25	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	
36	Fri. 12/25	11:00 pm - 12:00 pm	Worcester Young People

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New Years Alcathon Slots

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1	Thurs. 12/31	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Worcester 7am Group
2	Thurs. 12/31	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Wendesday Worcester Big Book Step Study
3	Thurs. 12/31	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Saturday Worcester Big Book Step Study
4	Thurs. 12/31	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Grafton Daily Reflections
5	Thurs. 12/31	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
6	Thurs. 12/31	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Greendale Group
7	Thurs. 12/31	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
8	Thurs. 12/31	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Quinsigamond Group
9	Thurs. 12/31	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Worcester Gratitude
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11	Thurs. 12/31	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Crossroads
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14	Fri. 1/1/10	1:00 am - 2:00 am	It's About Time
15	Fri. 1/1/10	2:00 am - 3:00 am	
16	Fri. 1/1/10	3:00 am - 4:00 am	Steps To Recovery
17	Fri. 1/1/10	4:00 am - 5:00 am	
18	Fri. 1/1/10	5:00 am - 6:00 am	We Mean Business
19	Fri. 1/1/10	6:00 am - 7:00 am	
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27	Fri. 1/1/10	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	
28	Fri. 1/1/10	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Auburn Sunday Night Big Book
29	Fri. 1/1/10	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Courage To Change
30	Fri. 1/1/10	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Webster Triton
31	Fri. 1/1/10	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	
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33	Fri. 1/1/10	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	
34	Fri. 1/1/10	9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Charlton Daybreakers
35	Fri. 1/1/10	10:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Way Of Sobriety
36	Fri. 1/1/10	11:00 pm - 12:00 am	Fellowship Group

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Liaison to Area 30	Richard M.	

-----Meeting Changes-----

Tuesday night Westboro Fourth Dimension Group has moved to the Methodist Church 120 W. Main 6:00 to 7:15 PM (effective Sept. 1)

Wednesday Westboro Forge Group moved to New Hope Chapel 30 Milk St. 8:00 to 9:00 PM (effective Sept. 2)

Wednesday Sturbridge Lighthouse 12 & 12 Now meets from 7:30 to 8:30 PM

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From the Office Manager

Due to the addition of a number of new meetings we have opted to try changing our meeting list format from 11" X 14" paper to 11" X 17" paper. The next printing will be a trial edition on the new size paper. We hope that everyone will comment good and bad so that we may go on from here and either permanently make the change or find a more suitable solution. The next edition should be back from the printer by the time this edition of The Beacon is published



The 2010 International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held July 1-4 in San Antonio, Texas with the theme "A Vision for You." Convention registration and housing reservations will open in fall 2009. All necessary information will be included in the registration packet which will be available in September 2009. Information is available at <http://www.aa.org>