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# The Beacon

Worcester Area Intergroup

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*"The circle stands for the whole world of A.A., and the triangle stands for A.A.'s Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service."*

Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, page 139

<b>Step Two</b> (Recovery)	<b>Tradition Two</b> (Unity)	<b>Concept Two</b> (Service)
<i>Came to believe a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.</i>	<i>For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as he may express Himself in our group conscience.</i>	<i>The General Service Conference of A.A. has become, for nearly every practical purpose, the active voice and the effective conscience of our whole society in its world affairs.</i>

## This Month in A.A. History

- 1938 - Rockefeller gives \$5,000 and saves A.A. from professionalism.
- 1938 - Clarence Snyder ("Home Brewmeister" in 1st, 2nd & 3rd edition) stopped drinking.
- 1939 - Dr. Harry Tiebout endorsed AA, the first psychiatrist to do so.
- 1940 - 1st AA clubhouse opened at 334-1/2 West 24th Street, NYC.
- 1940 - First World Service Office for A.A.

Have you heard?

The eBeacon  
has arrived!

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[www.aaworcester.org](http://www.aaworcester.org)  
And click on *EBeacon*

**THINK!**  
**Don't Drink!**

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## Upcoming Events

<b>February 27 - 29</b>	NERASSA 2004 - Nashua, NH - Call Nashua Area Service Office for more info [REDACTED]
<b>March 21</b>	Area 30 Pre-Conference Assembly. Hosted by Districts 15 & 16. Site TBD. All G.S.R.'s, DCM's and Area Officers are responsible to attend. Contact <a href="mailto:chair@aaemass.org">chair@aaemass.org</a>
<b>May 16</b>	Area 30 Post Conference Assembly. Hosted by District 26. Site TBD. All G.S.R.'s, DCM's and Area <u>Officers are responsible to attend</u> . All A.A. members are encouraged to attend. Contact <a href="mailto:chair@aaemass.org">chair@aaemass.org</a>
<b>June 24 - 27</b>	34th Maryland State Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous - For more info, please email... <a href="mailto:stateconvention@marylandaa.org">stateconvention@marylandaa.org</a>
<b>September 12</b>	Area 30 Workshop Assembly. Hosted by Districts 12 & 13. Site TBD. All G.S.R.'s, DCM's and Area Officers are responsible to attend. All A.A. members are encouraged to attend. Contact <a href="mailto:chair@aaemass.org">chair@aaemass.org</a>

### Attention!

#### Westboro area A.A. Meetings

Spectrum Transitional program (154 Oak Street Westboro, Ma) needs help with getting clients to meetings. These are people who will be released soon and need the hand of A.A. to help them learn about A.A. meetings. (what A.A. can and cannot do)

If you have a car and are willing to help out on any night of the week, Please call....:

Ellen McQ.

(Treatment Facility Chairperson)

**(508) 752-9000**

(Leave a Message)

### Grafton Reflections Group

New Location

Baptist Church of Grafton

1 South Street (on the Common)

Tuesday 5:15 pm

Open Discussion

### Hi-Noon Group

*New Location*

Notre Dame Church

5 Salem Square

Worcester

### Meeting Locations

If your group is looking for a new location, or know of a new startup group that needs a place to meet, contact the Intergroup office. We get contacted by organizations who are willing to have A.A. meetings use their locations.

Call the Intergroup Office:


**(508) 752-9000**

## WAI—Social Committee

### Valentines Dance

When?	February 21, 2004	8:00 pm—12:00 am	<b><u>\$5.00 Donation</u></b> Tickets available at the Intergroup Office Non-Smoking, Coffee, Refreshments, Raffle (No carry in beverages allowed)
Where?	<b>Italian American Victory Club</b> <b>26 Dewey Road</b> <b>Shrewsbury, MA</b>		

**Service Meetings**

<b><u>InterGroup/District 25 &amp; 26</u></b>		<b><u>Area 30</u></b>	
<p><b><u>Steering Committee</u></b>                      St. Joan of Arc Church                      570 Lincoln St.                      Worcester  <b>2nd Thursday</b>  <b>6:15pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Intergroup Delegates</u></b>                      St. Joan of Arc Church                      570 Lincoln St.                      Worcester  <b>2nd Thursday</b>  <b>7:00pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Eastern Mass. General Service Committee</u></b>                      St. John's                      80 Mt. Auburn                      Watertown  <b>4th Wednesday</b>  <b>8:00pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Grapevine Committee</u></b>                      Boston Central Service                      368 Congress St. Lower Level                      Boston  <b>4th Sunday</b>  <b>1:00pm-3:00pm</b></p>
<p><b><u>Public Information</u></b>                      Intergroup Office                      100 Grove St. # 309                      Worcester  <b>2nd Monday</b>  <b>7:00pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Joint Treatment</u></b>                      Intergroup Office                      100 Grove St. # 309                      Worcester  <b>3rd Saturday</b>  <b>10am</b></p> <p><i>Will not meet until further notice!</i></p>	<p><b><u>CPC Committee</u></b>                      Boston Central Service                      368 Congress St. Lower Level                      Boston  <b>2nd Thursday</b>  <b>7:00pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Joint Treatment Facilities</u></b>                      St. Paul's                      59 Court St                      Dedham  <b>3rd Friday</b>  <b>8:00pm</b></p> <p><i>New Location</i></p>
<p><b><u>Joint Corrections</u></b>                      Intergroup Office                      100 Grove St. # 309                      Worcester                      TBA</p>	<p><b><u>Social Committee</u></b>                      Intergroup Office                      100 Grove St. # 309                      Worcester                      TBA</p>	<p><b><u>Archives Committee</u></b>                      St. John's                      80 Mt. Auburn                      Watertown  <b>3rd Thursday</b>  <b>7:30pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Literature Committee</u></b>                      Carter Methodist Church                      800 Highland Ave.                      Needham  <b>1st Monday</b>  <b>7:30pm</b></p>
<p><b><u>District 25 - CPC Committee</u></b>                      Intergroup Office                      100 Grove St. # 309                      Worcester  <b>2nd Wed.</b>  <b>6:30 - 8:00 pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>District 25 (GSR's)</u></b>                      St. Joan of Arc Church                      570 Lincoln St.                      Worcester  <b>1st Tuesday</b>  <b>7:30pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Corrections Committee</u></b>                      Boston Central Service                      368 Congress St. Lower Level                      Boston  <b>4th Thursday</b></p>	<p><b><u>Joint Public Information</u></b>                      Boston Central Service                      368 Congress St. Lower Level                      Boston  <b>1st Thursday 7:00 pm</b></p>
<p><b><u>District 26 (GSR's)</u></b>                      Local 60 Union Hall                      Mechanic St.                      Leominster  <b>1st Thursday</b>  <b>7-9pm</b></p>		<p><b><u>Sobriety One-Liners</u></b></p> <p>"...if it wasn't for sadness, I would not recognize happiness..."</p> <p>"...give yourself a break..."</p> <p>"...think the drink through..."</p> <p>"...make a connection at every meeting you attend..."</p> <p>"...I need meetings even more now, than in the beginning..."</p>	

Honesty \* Unselfishness \* Love \* Purity

Intergroup Office Phone # listed.  
Please contact the office for  
Bookie Phone Number(s).

**The Bookie Board**

**\*\*\* Group Updates Needed!! \*\*\***

If your group is not listed, or your group has "TBD" (To be Determined) as part of it's bookie information, please get your updates to the Beacon staff by emailing them to [AABeacon@netscape.net](mailto:AABeacon@netscape.net), or calling the Intergroup office at (508) 752-9000 and let them know you have a Bookie Board update.

SUNDAY	Brookfield	"Sunday Morning"	10:00 am	Leon F.	(508) 752-9000
	Fitchburg	"Sunday Morning"	10:15 am	Frank G.	(508) 752-9000
	Shrewsbury	"Shrewsbury Gratitude"	7:00 pm	TBD	(508) 752-9000
	Southbridge	"Southbridge Originals"	7:00 pm	André L.	(508) 752-9000
	Stow	"Stow Sunday"	11:00 am	Tom S.	(508) 752-9000
	Webster	"Triton"	7:30 pm	Kim W.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Early Risers"	10:00 am	John O.	(508) 752-9000
"Gratitude"		7:00 pm	Christine T.	(508) 752-9000	

New Listing

Updated

MONDAY	Leominster	"Original Group"	7:45 pm	Dean R.	(508) 752-9000
	Spencer	"Spencer Fellowship"	7:30 pm	Anna R.	(508) 752-9000
	Webster	"Joy of Living"	8:00 pm	Harry H.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Crozier"	8:00 pm	Marla V.	(508) 752-9000

Updated

TUESDAY	Groton	"Easy Does it"	7:30 pm	Joe F.	(508) 752-9000
	Webster	"The Fellowship of Webster"	7:30 pm	TBD	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Young People"	7:30 pm	TBD	(508) 752-9000

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**The Bookie Board**

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Auburn	"Auburn Group"	7:30 pm	Tony B.	(508) 752-9000
	Westboro	"Westboro Forge"	8:00 pm	Sue N.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Four Corners"	8:00 pm	Terry A.	(508) 752-9000
		"Top of the Hill"	8:00 pm	Bonnie	(508) 752-9000
		"We Mean Business"	7:00 pm	TBD	(508) 752-9000

<b>THURSDAY</b>	Douglas	"Maintenance & Repair"	7:00 pm	Paul P.	(508) 752-9000
	Dudley	"Day at a Time"	8:30 pm	TBD	(508) 752-9000
	Holden	"Holden Group"	8:00 pm	Mike K.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Stay Active"	6:45 pm	Rose	(508) 752-9000
		"Serenity"	7:30 pm	Maureen B.	(508) 752-9000

New Listing →

<b>Friday</b>	Westboro	"As Bill Sees it"	7:30 pm	Pat C.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"Greendale"	8:30 pm	Ginny	(508) 752-9000

New Listing ↑

<b>SATURDAY</b>	Millbury	"Millbury Traditions"	7:30 pm	Donna H.	(508) 752-9000
	Upton	"Upton Capertown"	1:30 pm	Fred S.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	"How it Works"	6:45 pm	Happy C.	(508) 752-9000

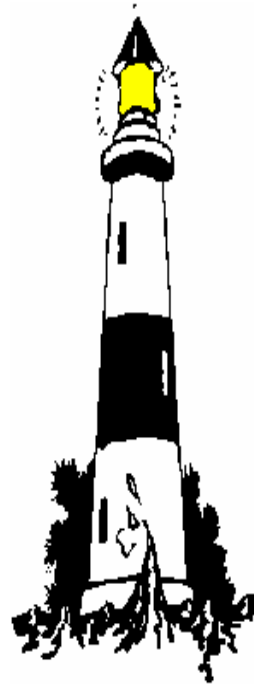
**2004 InterGroup Timeline**

<b>May 13</b>	<b>Nominations Committee appointed</b>
<b>March 11</b>	<b>Nominations made for all officers and Committee chairpersons</b>
<b>April 8</b>	<b>Elections and appointments</b>
<b>May 13</b>	<b>New signature cards for bank account signed; Budgets proposed and voted on</b>

**Steering Committee & Committee Chairpersons**

Chairperson	Bob D.
Alternate Chair	Ellen Mc.
Secretary	Sherry F.
Treasurer	Jeanne L.
Alternate Treasurer	Harry H.
Trustees	Brandy H., Janet L., Bob Mc., Tom W.
Office Manager	John H.
Treatment Facilities	Ellen Mc.
Correctional Facilities	Open
H.A.L.T. Line	Enzo H.
Social Committee	Brandy H.
Public Information	Bruce W.
Beacon Editor	Charlie W.
Liaison to District 25	Janet L.
Liaison to Area 30	Open
Alcathon Committee	Billy S.

If you need to speak to any of these people, you can leave a message at the Intergroup Office, 752-9000, and the staff will be happy to ask them to return your call.



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**Office Hours:**

Monday 10am-2pm  
 Tuesday 10am-8pm  
 Wednesday 10am-8pm  
 Thursday 10am-8pm  
 Friday 10am-2pm  
 Saturday 9am-2pm  
 Sunday CLOSED

**Deadline!**

For Information to go into the MARCH issue, submissions

Must be received by

**February 13, 2004**

Email "The Beacon" at:

**AABeacon@netscape.net**

**H.A.L.T. Line (Available Hours)**

When anyone calls the Intergroup office after business hours, WAI provides a service known as the H.A.L.T. line. This free service is to provide 24/7 access to meetings information for everyone.

Monday	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm		
Tuesday	3:00 am - 10:00 am	8:00 pm - 9:00 pm	11:00 pm - Midnight
Wednesday	8:00 am - 10:00 am		
Thursday	<i>All slots currently filled !</i>		
Friday	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	
Saturday	6:00 pm - 11:00 pm		
Sunday	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm		

To volunteer, call the Hotline Chairperson, Enzo, at (508) 752-9000 or email @ [worchaltline@aol.com](mailto:worchaltline@aol.com).

# NERAASA 2004

(13th Annual)

## Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly

February 27, 28, 29 - 2004

Nashua, New Hampshire

*“Our Singleness of Purpose - the Cornerstone of A.A.”*

(2004 General Service Conference Theme)



### Purpose:

*The purpose of the Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERASSA) is for GSR's, DCM's, Area Committee Members and Intergroup/Central Office Representatives of the Northeast Region to discuss General Service Conference related issues and concerns affecting A.A. as a whole, as well as pertinent aspects of Recovery, Unity and Service common to the areas of the Northeast Region.*

All A.A.  
Members are  
Welcome!

More Information?  
[www.nhaa.net/neraasa2004](http://www.nhaa.net/neraasa2004)

Hosted by:  
NH Area Assembly  
Area 43

Where?  
Sheraton Nashua Hotel  
11 Tara Blvd  
Nashua NH

Registration:  
Feb. 27, 2004  
1:00 pm

First Panel begins  
at 3:00 pm!

**12 Step Volunteer Application**

Name: (First Name & Last initial only) : \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Towns You will accept calls from : \_\_\_\_\_

Hours you are available : \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to help :  Males Only  Females Only  Both

Ages I am willing to work with :  Teens  20-30  30-40  
 40-50  50-60  Over 60  
 Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to :  Talk to a person on the phone  Go to a person's home to talk \*  
 Give rides to A.A. Meetings  Give rides to a Detox/Rehab \*  
 Meet someone at A.A. Meetings  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

(\* Note. It is strongly 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/Rehab) without another member of A.A. with you. If you checked either of these items above, please be sure to

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**Worcester Area Intergroup**

**100 Grove Street Suite 309**

**Worcester, MA 01605**

**ATTN: Beacon**

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**"I Am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I AM RESPONSIBLE."**

