

All Phone numbers have been changed to the Intergroup Office Phone number...

# The Beacon

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## Tradition One

*Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on AA unity.*

From the Traditions Checklist

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
4. Do I make competitive AA



- remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that

aspect of AA?

6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
7. Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

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## Deadline....

.....for information to go into the February issue of The Beacon is January 19th, 2002.

Information can be sent to :

Worcester Area Intergroup  
100 Grove St., Suite 309  
Worcester, MA 01605

or e-mailed to:

BRANDYLH1@yahoo.com (please use the word "beacon" in the subject line)

## Plea For Help

The Intergroup Office reports that there is a huge need for 12-Step volunteers.

There just aren't enough to cover the whole area and we need for the hand of AA to be there to welcome newcomers and talk to people who just

aren't sure AA is for them.

There is a form in this issue to fill out if you are interested. It could involve anything from visiting a wet drunk, to meeting someone at a meeting.

Your level of involvement is completely up to you. Please help us help those who are still sick and suffering.

## Meeting Changes

*Is your meeting changing time or location? Closing?*

*New Meeting starting? Let us know!! Send the information to the Intergroup Office and it will go into The Beacon, the next update of the Meeting List and updated on our web site!!*

**CHANGE!!** Friday night meeting at Assumption College is now in La Maison, Main Building, 2nd floor.

**CHANGE!!** The Holden Group Thursday night meeting will be changing their meeting time from 8:30-9:30pm to 8:00-9:00pm beginning in September.

**NEW!!** Milford Nooner (Big Book) Wednesday noon to 1pm at Trinity

Episcopal Church Milford.

**CHANGE!!** Southbridge Original (Sundays) is changing times to: Beginners Meeting 6-7pm and Speaker meeting 7-8pm.

**CHANGE!!** Primary Purpose (Spencer) has moved to the South Spencer Community House, South Spencer Road.

**NEW!!** 449 Group 7:00pm-8:30pm Tuesdays at Bethany Church, 1189 Main St. Worcester. This is a closed discussion meeting.

**CHANGE!!** The Auburn 12 Step Meeting that meets on Thursdays will be moving to St. Thomas Episcopal Church on School St.

effective as of December 7th.

**NEW!!** The Fellowship will meet from 7:30pm-9:00pm on Tuesdays at Serenity Hall, 275 Main Street in Webster. This is a non-smoking Open Speaker meeting.

**Step 1:** We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.

## Group Split

The Gratitude Group has split into two different groups.

Shrewsbury Gratitude will remain at Lakeview Congregational Church, 115 Coburn Ave., Worcester and Worces-

ter Gratitude has moved to 1070 Pleasant St., Worcester.

Both still meet on Sunday nights at 7pm.

### June 2001 to May 2002

**January 10, 2002** – Guidelines reviewed to determine if revisions are needed. Outreach from Area 30 Public Information Committee

**February 14, 2002** – Nominations Committee appointed

**March 14, 2002** – Nominations made for all officers and Committee chairpersons

**April 11, 2002** – Elections and appointments

**May 9, 2002** – New signature cards for bank account signed; Budgets proposed and voted on

## Help Wanted

**H.A.L.T.line** is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from their homes when the office is closed. If you can give, even an hour a week, please call Paul P. at (508) 752-9000

**Treatment Facilities** needs groups to fill the new commitments that are coming up. If you can help, please call at the Intergroup Office.

**Corrections Facilities** is looking for people to get involved. Please contact the Intergroup Office for more details.

Several of our Intergroup and District Committees are in need of help. If you have one day a month you could devote to helping out on a Committee, please ask your Intergroup Delegate, GSR or call the Intergroup Office for

more information. We are currently looking for active Chairpersons for CPC and Archives committees.

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[www.aaworcester.org](http://www.aaworcester.org)

Office Hours:

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

## Group Anniversaries

If your Group would like to announce their Anniversary in The Beacon, please call the Intergroup Office during their normal business hours.

**Fitchburg Sunday**

**Morning** will celebrate their 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2002 at Notre Dame High School 151 South St. Buffet from 9am to 10:15am followed by speakers. Food and book donations welcomed!!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 22-24, 2002** – NERASA 2002 will be held at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott in Pittsburgh, PA. For more info call: Arlene H. (508) 752-9000, Dave B. (508) 752-9000, Lois C. (508) 752-9000

**October 4-6, 2002** – Northeast Regional Convention will be held at the Sheraton South Portland Hotel in Portland Maine. More details to come.

## Special Needs

Deaf AA members requiring interpreters for AA meetings can call Paul Hostovsky at (508) 752-9000 or e-mail at [Paul.Hostovsky@state.ma.us](mailto:Paul.Hostovsky@state.ma.us)

There is also a number to call for an update of

meeting in the Boston Area that are interpreted, the number is (508) 752-9000 and this list of meetings is updated every Friday.

Large print Meeting Lists are now available for those with vision problems. Call the Inter-

group Office to find out how to get a copy for yourself or someone you know!!

## Steering Committee

**Chairperson** – Enzo H.  
**Vice Chair** – Jack H.  
**Secretary** – Kate G.  
**Treasurer** – Joanne O.  
**Assistant Treasurer** –  
 Kimball M.  
**Trustees** - Brandy H.,  
 Bob D., Eric R., Tom  
 W.  
**Office Manager** - John  
 H.

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.

### ONLINE....

Worcester Area Intergroup

**NEW!!!**

[www.aaworcester.org](http://www.aaworcester.org)

**Alcoholics Anonymous  
 General Service Office**

<http://www.alcoholics-anonymous.org>

**Grapevine**

<http://www.aagrapevine.org>

## Announcements

### Addresses needed!!

We still have several groups in this area that we do not have contact information for. The contact person would receive The Beacon to bring to their groups. To find out if we have your group contact, please call Brandy at (508) 752-9000

to rely on your group to have extras in stock!! See back page for subscription form or pick up forms at the Intergroup Office.

### Save your Grapevines!!

Please set up a box at YOUR meetings. Worcester Area Intergroup will take you donations of old Grapevine issues to send out to Treatment and Correctional Facilities.

### Bookie Meeting

There will be a Bookie Exchange Meeting on Wednesday, March 6th, 2002 at the Intergroup Office, 100 Grove St., Suite 309, Worcester.

Need more copies of The Beacon? Visit Worcester Area Intergroup or come to the Intergroup Delegates Meeting and pick up more. You can have the convenience of having The Beacon delivered to you!! Just \$5 will give you a one year subscription mailed to your home. Don't wait

The exchange will begin at 6:30pm and will be available until 7:45pm. Coffee and Munchies will be served. Come and fill up those blank spots!!!

Worcester Area Intergroup Social Committee  
Invites You to Celebrate the 29th Anniversary of  
Intergroup at a Dance  
Saturday the 19th of January, 2002

At  
The Tuttle Post  
88 Bancroft Street  
Auburn  
8:00 p.m. to Midnight

Cake and Coffee will be provided

Tickets are \$5.00 at Intergroup or at the door

Bring a friend, save a dollar, the more the merrier

## Bookie Board

*If you are the bookie for your home group and wish to have your number posted here, please call or write to the Intergroup Office. This is a great way to learn who the Bookies are for other groups and to get your number out to others!!*

Upton Capertown:( Sat. 1:30pm) Cindy S. (508) 752-9000	(Thurs. 8:00pm) Brian B. (508) 752-9000	10am) Dayle (508) 752-9000
How It Works (Worcester):(Sat 6:45pm) Tom B. (508) 752-9000	Hudson Sunday Best (Sunday 7:30pm) David B. (508) 752-9000	Leominster Original (Mon 7:45-9:00pm) James S. (508) 752-9000
How It Works (Northboro):(Wed 8:00pm) David C. (508) 752-9000	Millis Fellowship (Thurs. 8:00pm) Bill G. (508) 752-9000	Clinton Shamrocks (Tues. 7:15p-8:30pm) Cheryl D. (508) 752-9000
Hopedale Ray Of Hope: (Sun 10:30am) Carol Y. or Ricky B. (508) 752-9000	Douglas Maintenance and Repair (Thurs. 7-8pm) Paul P. (508) 752-9000	Aurora Group (6:45pm-8pm) Joanne K. (508) 752-9000leave message
4 Corners (Worcester):(Wed. 8:00pm) John Y. (508) 752-9000	Top Of The Hill (Wed. 8:00pm) Jeanne M. (508) 752-9000	New Way Of Life ( Mon. 7pm-8pm) Audrey M. (508) 752-9000
Way Of Sobriety (Worcester) (Sun 10:00 am) Debbie P. (508) 752-9000	Webster Joy of Living (Mon. 8:00pm) Harry (508) 752-9000	Sherborn Wednesday Night (Wed 8pm-9:15pm) Debbie C. (508) 752-9000
Stow Sunday: (Sun. 11:00 am) Tom S. (508) 752-9000	Hudson Townline (Sat. 8:00pm) Bob G. (508) 752-9000	7AM Group (daily) Alan S. (508) 752-9000
Holden Thursday Night (Thurs. 8:30pm) Gill B. (508) 752-9000	Greendale Group (Worcester Fri. 8:30pm) Paul H. (508) 752-9000	Southbridge Sunday Night John B. (508) 752-9000
Starting Anew (Holliston) (Wed. 8:00pm) Elaine K. (508) 752-9000	Putnam Young People's (Putnam, CT Fri. 8:00pm) Glenn R. (508) 752-9000	Millbury Traditions (Saturdays 7:30pm-8:30pm) Donna (508) 752-9000
GOYA (Whitinsville) (Thurs. 8:00pm) Mike P. (508) 752-9000	Westboro Sunday Morning (Sunday 11-noon) Janet (508) 752-9000	Webster Triton (Sundays 7:30-9:00pm) Ellen McQ (508) 752-9000
Worcester Young People (Tues. 7:30pm) Jamie F. (508) 752-9000	Upton Spirit (Wednesday) Amy L. (508) 752-9000	<b>Area 30 Joint Treatment Facilities Committee Calendar Coordinator Tracey M.</b> (508) 752-9000
Hudson Straight Shooters	Groton Easy Duz It (Tuesday 7:30pm) Joe F. (508) 752-9000	
	Early Risers (Worcester Sun	

## Service Meetings

### INTERGROUP / DISTRICT 25

#### Steering Committee

St. Matthews Church  
695 Southbridge St.  
Worcester  
2nd Thursday  
6:15pm

#### Intergroup Delegates

St. Matthews Church  
695 Southbridge St.  
Worcester  
2nd Thursday  
7:00pm

#### Public Information

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester  
2nd Monday  
7:00pm

#### Joint Treatment

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester  
TBA

#### Corrections

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester  
TBA

#### Social Committee

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester  
2nd Wednesday  
7:00pm

#### Beacon Committee

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester  
Monday after Intergroup Meeting  
7:00pm

#### District 25 (GSR's)

St. Joan of Arc Church  
570 Lincoln St.  
Worcester  
1st Tuesday  
7:30pm

#### Eastern Mass. General Service Committee

St. John's  
80 Mt. Auburn  
Watertown  
4th Wednesday  
8:00pm

#### Grapevine Committee

Boston Central Service  
368 Congress St. Lower Level  
Boston  
4th Sunday  
1:00pm-3:00pm

#### CPC Committee

Boston Central Service  
368 Congress St. Lower Level  
Boston  
2nd Thursday  
7:00pm

#### Joint Treatment Facilities

St. Luke's  
950 East St.  
Dedham  
3rd Friday  
8:00pm

#### Archives Committee

St. John's  
80 Mt. Auburn  
Watertown  
3rd Thursday  
7:30pm

#### Literature Committee

Carter Methodist Church  
800 Highland Ave.  
Needham  
1st Monday  
7:30pm

#### Corrections Committee

Boston Central Service  
368 Congress St. Lower Level  
Boston  
4th Thursday  
7:00pm

#### Public Information

Boston Central Service  
368 Congress St. Lower Level  
Boston  
1st Thursday  
7:00pm

#### Responsibility Declaration

I am responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Please bring this form, along with \$5.00 for a one year subscription to the Intergroup Office, or mail to:  
Worcester Area Intergroup  
100 Grove Street Suite 309  
Worcester, MA 01605  
ATTN: Beacon

**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: Males Only Females Only Both

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) \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to: (please circle all that apply)

Talk to a person on the phone

Go to a persons home to talk \*

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.