

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

The Beacon

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Deadline....

.....for information to go into the June issue of The Beacon is May 9th, 2002.

Information can be sent to:

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

or e-mailed to:

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(please use the word
"beacon" in the subject line)

Tradition Five

Each group has but one primary purpose -- to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

From The Traditions Checklist:

1. Do I ever cop out by saying, "I'm not a group, so this or that Tradition doesn't apply to me"?
2. Am I willing to explain firmly to a newcomer the *limitations* of AA help, even if he gets mad at me for not giving him a loan?
3. Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?



5. Do I help my group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?
6. Do I remember that AA old-timers, too, can be alcoholics who still suffer? Do I try both to help them and to learn from them?

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4. Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?

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!!

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 of Webster 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.

CLOSED!! Sunday ODG Sober Pride meeting in Webster is no longer meeting.

NEW!! Southbridge Park St. Women's Group meets on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30pm at Elm Street Congregational Church (Park St. entrance). This is a closed womens discussion meeting.

NEW!! The following 3 meetings all meet at Serenity Hall in Webster, 275 Main St.: Mondays 7-8am – Early Risers – Step meeting
Wednesdays 7-8am – Early

Risers – Big Book meeting
Fridays 7-8am – Early Risers – As Bill Sees It meeting

CHANGE!!! Berlin Center Candle Light Step group will change their meeting time to Thursdays from 7:30pm to 9:00pm.

CHANGE!!! Crozier Group in Worcester has moved. They now meet at Sacred Heart Church on Cambridge St. on Mondays from 8-9:30pm

CHANGE!!! May-Day group of Webster will be moving. As of March 6th they will be meeting at Serenity Hall – 275 Main St in Webster

CHANGE!!! Made A Decision group of Worcester will be changing times beginning on March 7th. They will now meet from 8:00pm-9:30pm

CHANGE!! Stow Sunday Morning now meets at Stow Town Hall, 380 Great Road, Stow

NEW!! Shrewsbury now has a Closed Discussion meeting at Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church on Prospect Street. They meet on Tuesday nights from 5-6pm.

CHANGE!! The Monday night Happy Destiny step meeting has moved to the Congregational Church at 1070 Pleasant St. in Worcester effective May 6th. They meet from 7-8:30pm

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.

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, June 5th, 2002 at the Intergroup Office, 100 Grove St., Suite 309, Worcester. The exchange will begin at 6:30pm and will be available until 7:45pm. Coffee will be served. Come and fill up those blank spots!!!

June 2001 to May 2002

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

Step 5:

Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Help Wanted

H.A.L.T.line is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from their homes when the office is closed. We currently have about 12 hours open that need to be filled!! If you can help, 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. Mike can be reached at (508) 752-9000

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

Public Information is looking for more people to get active with their committee. Please call John H. at (508) 752-9000.

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.

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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

Upcoming Events

May 3-5, 2002 – South Jersey Young Peoples Conference. Camp Matollionequay, Medford, NJ. Call Gerry @ (508) 752-9000. Open to AA Members only!!

May 17-19, 2002 – 42nd Annual Delaware Convention. Rehoboth Beach, DE. Contact: Convention 02, P.O.Box 1, Harbeson, DE 19951.

May 19, 2002 – Area 30 Post-Conference Assembly. Winthrop High School, 372 Main St. Winthrop, MA. See your DCM for more info.

May 23-26, 2002 – 45th ICYPAA. Louisville, KY. Call (508) 752-9000 for more info.

May 24-27, 2002 – 26th Annual Boston Gay and Lesbian Round Up. Mass College of Art, Boston MA. Call (508) 752-9000 for more info.

May 31-June 1, 2002 – Western Mass Area 31 Round Up. Call Lisa @ (508) 752-9000.

June 1, 2002 – Boston Central

Service 61st Annual Dinner Dance. Call BCS @ (508) 752-9000 for more info.

June 2, 2002 – Worcester Area Intergroup Annual Breakfast and Installation of Officers. Call (508) 752-9000 for more info.

June 14-16, 2002 – 36th Annual New Hampshire AA Convention. North Conway, NH. Call Lin @ (508) 752-9000 for more info.

June 28-30 – Soberfest 2002. Moodus, CT. Call (508) 752-9000

July 4-7, 2002 – SERCYPAA 2002. Columbia, SC. www.SCWEBSTER.com

July 12-14, 2002 – 35th Annual New York State AA Convention. Albany, NY. Write to: NYS AA Convention, P O Box 550, Rensselaer, NY 12144

July 12-14, 2002 – 25th Annual Maine Round Up. Sugarloaf Mountain, Carrabassett Valley, ME Call Julia @ (508) 752-9000

July 26-28, 2002 – PENNSCY-PAA XIV Pittsburgh, PA Call Rich @ (508) 752-9000

August 2-4, 2002 – 9th Annual Pennsylvania State Convention. Carlisle, PA Call Lou @ (508) 752-9000

September 13-15, 2002 – 49th Area 64 Tennessee State Convention. Kingsport, TN. Call Ann or Mike @ (508) 752-9000

September 29, 2002 – Area 30 Workshop Assembly. See your DCM for more info.

October 4-6, 2002 - Regional Convention will be held at the Sheraton South Portland Hotel in Portland Maine. Call Ted @ (508) 752-9000

November 3, 2002 – Area 30 Elections Assembly. See your DCM for info.

November 8-10, 2002 – 39th Annual Massachusetts State AA Convention. Fitchburg, MA. Call Marilyn @ (508) 752-9000.

Webster Triton Group
37th A.A. Anniversary
Sunday, May 5, 2002

United Church Of Christ Federated
Parish Hall
Corner of Main & Church Streets
Webster, Massachusetts

Setup & Kitchen Committee 6:00 pm
Coffee Hour & Social 6:30 pm
Buffet 6:45 pm
Meeting 7:30 - 9:00 pm

2 A.A. Guest Speakers

ONLINE....

Worcester Area Intergroup

NEW!!!

www.aaworcester.org

**Alcoholics Anonymous
General Service Office**

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

Grapevine

<http://www.aagrapevine.org>

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

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.

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

Group Anniversaries

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

Worcester Big Book Step Study Group will hold its second anniversary on May 18 at 10 AM, St. Bernard's Church on Lincoln & Harlow Streets. It will be a regular meeting but there will be food.

Dudley Day at a Time group will be celebrating its 28th anniversary on May 16th. Coffee from 6:30-7:00 Buffet 7:00-8:00 and speakers from 8:30-10:00. The meeting is located @ the First Congregational Church on Dudley Hill Rd...near Nichols College Campus.

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

AREA 30 TREATMENT FACILITIES COMMITMENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Facility & Location</u>
Sunday	7:30-8:30pm	Spaulding Rehab, 125 Nashua St., Boston
Sunday	8:00-9:00pm	Women's Hope, 10 Chamblet St., Bldg. 10, Dorchester
Monday	7:30-8:30pm	Somerville Hospital, 230 Highland Av., Unit 5-C, Somerville
Tuesday	8:00-9:00pm	Women's Hope, 10 Chamblet St., Bldg. 10, Dorchester
Wednesday	7:00-8:00pm	Medfield State Hospital., 45 Hospital Rd., Medfield
Wednesday	7:30-8:30pm	Arbour Hospital, 49 Robinwood Av., Jamaica Plain
Saturday	1:00-2:00pm	Somerville Hospital, 230 Highland Av., Unit 5-C, Somerville
Saturday	7:30-8:30pm	Somerville Hospital, 230 Highland Av., Unit 5-C, Somerville

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!!

Auburn Group (<i>Wednesdays 7:30-9pm</i>) Tony B. (508) 752-9000	Holden Thursday Night (<i>Thurs. 8:30pm</i>) Gill B. (508) 752-9000	Starting Anew (Holliston) (<i>Wed. 8:00pm</i>) Elaine K. (508) 752-9000
Aurora Group (<i>6:45pm-8pm</i>) Joanne K. (508) 752-9000 leave message	How It Works (Northboro): (<i>Wed 8:00pm</i>) David C. (508) 752-9000	Stay Active (<i>Thurs. 6:45pm</i>) Chuck B. (508) 752-9000
Bellingham – Workshop (<i>Mondays 7pm-8pm</i>) outgoing only Sean K. (508) 752-9000	How It Works (Worcester) (<i>Sat. 6:45pm</i>) Laura R. (508) 752-9000	Stow Sunday: (<i>Sun. 11:00 am</i>) Tom S. (508) 752-9000
Brookfield Sunday Morning (<i>Sun. 10am</i>) Leon F. (508) 752-9000	Hudson Straight Shooters (<i>Thurs. 8:00pm</i>) Brian B. (508) 752-9000	Top of The Hill (<i>Wed. 8pm</i>) Jeanne M. (508) 752-9000
Clinton Shamrocks (<i>Tues. 8:00mp-9:15pm</i>) Sean N. (508) 752-9000	Hudson Sunday Best (<i>Sunday 7:30pm</i>) David B. (508) 752-9000	Upton Capertown:(<i>Sat. 1:30pm</i>) John H. (508) 752-9000
Crozier (<i>Mondays 8-9:30pm</i>) Paul G. (508) 752-9000	Hudson Townline (<i>Sat. 8:00pm</i>) Bob G. (508) 752-9000	Upton Spirit (<i>Wednesday 8pm</i>) Amy L. (508) 752-9000
Douglas Maintenance and Repair (<i>Thurs. 7-8pm</i>) Paul P. (508) 752-9000	Leominster Original (<i>Mon 7:45-9:00pm</i>) James S. (508) 752-9000	Way Of Sobriety (Worcester) (<i>Sun 10:00 am</i>) Gina G(508) 752-9000
Dudley Day At A Time (<i>Thursdays 8:30-10pm</i>) Geri (508) 752-9000	Millbury Traditions (<i>Saturdays 7:30pm-8:30pm</i>) Donna (508) 752-9000	Webster Joy of Living (<i>Mon. 8:00pm</i>) Krista (508) 752-9000
Early Risers (<i>Worcester Sun 10am</i>) Dayle O. (508) 752-9000	New Way Of Life (<i>Mon. 7pm-8pm</i>) Audrey M. (508) 752-9000	Webster Triton (<i>Sundays 7:30-9:00pm</i>) Ellen McQ (508) 752-9000
Four Corners (Worcester): (<i>Wed. 8:00pm</i>) John Y. (508) 752-9000	Northboro Saturday Morning (<i>Sat. 10am</i>) Chris C. (508) 752-9000	Worcester Young People (<i>Tues. 7:30pm</i>) Joanne O. (508) 752-9000
Greendale Group (<i>Worcester Fri. 8:30pm</i>) Paul H. (508) 752-9000	Putnam Young People's (<i>Putnam, CT Fri. 8:00pm</i>) Glenn R. (508) 752-9000	Area 30 Joint Treatment Facilities Committee Calendar Coordinator Tracey M. (508) 752-9000
Groton Easy Duz It (<i>Tuesday 7:30pm</i>) Joe F. (508) 752-9000	Sherborn Wednesday Night (<i>Wed 8pm-9:15pm</i>) Debbie C. (508) 752-9000	
	Southbridge Sunday Night (<i>Sun 6pm</i>) John B. (508) 752-9000	

Service Meetings

INTERGROUP / DISTRICT 25

Steering Committee
St. Joan of Arc Church
570 Lincoln St.
Worcester
2nd Thursday
6:15pm

Intergroup Delegates
St. Joan of Arc Church
570 Lincoln 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
2nd Wednesday

Joint Corrections

Intergroup Office
100 Grove St. # 309
Worcester
2nd Wednesday

Social Committee

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

Beacon Committee

Intergroup Office
100 Grove St. # 309

Worcester
TBA

District 25 (GSR's)
St. Joan of Arc Church
570 Lincoln St.
Worcester
1st Tuesday
7:30pm

District 26 (GSR's)
Local 60 Union Hall
Mechanic St.
Leominster
1st Thursday
7-9pm

AREA 30
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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Please bring this form, along with \$5.00 for a one year subscription to the Intergroup Office, or mail to:

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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.