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# The Beacon

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#### Deadline....

.....for information to go into the October issue of The Beacon is September 13th, 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)

### Tradition Nine

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

From The Traditions Checklist:

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 pro-



gram - even if no one make 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 thereby -

when the time comes? 8. What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

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### ΕΑϹΥΡΑΑ

The Eastern Area Convention of Young People in AA are pleased to note the following events: September 8, 2002 – Boat Cruise from the World Trade Center Wharf. Call Debbie for more info (508) 752-9000 April 10-13, 2003 – EACYPAA 1 – Hyatt Regency Cambridge. Contact Joe M. for more info (508) 752-9000.

Please visit the calendar at:

http://calendar.yahoo.co m/eacypaacalendar/

June 2002 to May 2003 September 12, 2002 - Vote on Guideline changes October 10, 2002 November 14, 2002 December 12, 2002 January 9, 2003 – Guidelines reviewed to determine if revisions are needed February 13, 2003 – Nominations Committee appointed March 13, 2003 – Nominations made for all officers and Committee chairpersons April 10, 2003 – Elections and appointments

#### **Steering Committee & Committee Chairpersons**

#### Step 9:

Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others. **Chairperson** – Brandy H. Vice Chair – Bob D. Secretary –Tom B. **Treasurer** – Kimball M. Assistant Treasurer – Glen S. Trustees – Enzo H., Darlene V., Billy S., Ellen Mc. Office Manager - John H. **Treatment Facilities** – open **Correctional Facilities** – open H.A.L.T.line – Paul P. Social Committee – Natasha H. Public Information – John H. Beacon Editor – Brandy H. Liaison to District 25 – Kate F. Liaison to Area 30 – Brandy H. 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.

## 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 several 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.

*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.

Alcathon Committee needs people to help in many areas for the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Alcathons. Please see the article elsewhere in this issue for more information and signup form.

Several of our Intergroup and District Committees are in need of help. Worcester Area Intergroup is trying to eliminate the need to have 'committees of one'. 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.

### **Upcoming** Events

September 8, 2002 – EACYPAA Boat Cruise from the World Trade Center Wharf. Call Debbie for more info (508) 752-9000.

**September 13-15, 2002** – 49<sup>th</sup> 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** – North East 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 – 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Massachusetts State AA Convention. Fitchburg, MA. Call Marilyn @ (508) 752-9000.

April 10-13, 2003 – EACYPAA 1 – Hyatt Regency Cambridge. Contact Joe M. for more info (508) 752-9000 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.

Worcester Area Intergroup 100 Grove St., Suite 309 Worcester, MA 01605 (508) 752-9000 (508) 752-0755 (fax)

http://www.ultranet.com/~ste ps

#### Office Hours:

Monday	10am-2pm
Tuesday	10am-8pm
Wednesday	10am-8pm
Thursday10am-8p	m
Friday	10am-2pm
Saturday	9am-2pm
Sunday	CLOSED

	Addresses needed!!	
	We still have several groups in this area that we do not have contact informa- tion 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.	
	Is your meeting changing time or location? Closing? New Meeting starting? Let u know!! Send the information to the Intergroup Office and it will go into The Bea- con, the next update of the Meeting List and updated on our web site!!	
ONLINE	Special Needs	
Worcester Area Intergroup NEW!!! http://www.aaworcester.org	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	
Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Office http://www.alcoholics- anonymous.org	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.	
Grapevine http://www.aagrapevine.org	Large print Meeting Lists are now available for those with vision problems. Call the Intergroup Office to find out how to get a copy for yourself or some- one you know!!	
	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.	

#### 2002 Alcathons Volunteers are needed to help at the 3 Alcathons Thanksgiving-Christmas-New Year Alcathon Committee responsibilities consist of: Determine site location, contact landlord and review policies regarding rent., initial set-up and final clean-up, purchasing of all supplies, sign making, coordinating & scheduling of groups, scheduling of host/hostesses, reviewing lottery (group time slots), review formats, review and maintain allocated budg-First meeting will be: Thursday ets. August 22. 2002 7:00 PM Worcester Area Intergroup – Suite 309 100 Grove St., Worcester Host/Hostess responsibilities consist of: Responsible for alcathon kitchen area, overseeing coffee preparation and refreshments, general housekeeping of meeting facilities. Service may be from 1 hour to as many hours as you wish. More than 1 AA member can serve during the same time frame. Suggested sobriety of 1 year, but less time if other host/hostess have 1 year. If you wish to serve please provide the following information: Name: Address: Community: Tel. No. Alcathon Committee: Host/Hostess: (times you wish & which Alcathon) (Service) Christmas New Year Thanksgiving Alcathon Committee Host/Hostess

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.

### Bookie Board

Auburn Group (Wednesdays 7:30-9pm) Tony B. (508) 752-9000

Aurora Group (6:45pm-8pm) Joanne K. (508) 752-9000 leave message

Bellingham – Workshop (Mondays 7pm-8pm) outgoing only Sean K. (508) 752-9000

Brookfield Sunday Morning (Sun. 10am) Leon F. (508) 752-9000

Clinton Shamrocks (Tues. 8:00mp-9:15pm) Sean N. (508) 752-9000

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!!

Crozier (Mondays 8-9:30pm) Paul G. (508) 752-9000

Douglas Maintenance and Repair (Thurs. 7-8pm) Paul P. (508) 752-9000

Dudley Day At A Time *(Thursdays* 8:30-10pm) Geri (508) 752-9000

Early Risers (Worcester Sun 10am) Dayle 0. (508) 752-9000

Four Corners (Worcester): (Wed. 8:00pm)

John Y. (508) 752-9000

Greendale Group (Worcester Fri. 8:30pm) Paul H. (508) 752-9000

Groton Easy Duz It (*Tuesday* 7:30pm) Joe F. (508) 752-9000

Holden Thursday Night (Thurs. 8:30pm) Gill B. (508) 752-9000 How It Works (Northboro): (Wed

8:00pm) David C. (508) 752-9000 How It Works (Worcester) (Sat. 6:45pm) Laura R. (508) 752-9000

Hudson Straight Shooters (Thurs. 8:00pm) Brian B. (508) 752-9000

Hudson Sunday Best (Sunday 7:30pm) David B. (508) 752-9000

Hudson Townline (Sat. 8:00pm) Bob G. (508) 752-9000

Leominster Original (Mon 7:45-9:00pm) James S. (508) 752-9000

Millbury Traditions (Saturdays 7:30pm-8:30pm) Donna (508) 752-9000

New Way Of Life ( *Mon. 7pm-8pm*) Audrey M. (508) 752-9000

Northboro Saturday Morning (Sat. 10am) Chris C. (508) 752-9000

Putnam Young People's (*Putnam, CT Fri. 8:00pm*) Glenn R. (508) 752-9000

Sherborn Wednesday Night (Wed 8pm-9:15pm) Debbie C. (508) 752-9000

Southbridge Original (Sun 6pm) Leo M. (508) 752-9000

Starting Anew (Holliston) *(Wed.* 8:*00pm)* Elaine K. (508) 752-9000

Stay Active (*Thurs.* 6:45pm) Chuck B. (508) 752-9000

Stow Sunday: (Sun. 11:00 am) Tom S. (508) 752-9000

Top of The Hill (*Wed. 8pm*) Jeanne M. (508) 752-9000

Upton Capertown:(Sat. 1:30pm)

John H. (508) 752-9000

Upton Spirit (Wednesday 8pm) Amy L. (508) 752-9000

Way Of Sobriety (Worcester) (Sun 10:00 am) Gina G. (508) 752-9000

Webster Joy of Living (*Mon.* 8:00pm) Krista (508) 752-9000

Webster Triton (Sundays 7:30-9:00pm) Ellen McQ (508) 752-9000

Worcester Young People (*Tues.* 7:30pm) Joanne O. (508) 752-9000

Area 30 Joint Treatment Facilities Committee Calendar Coordinator Tracey M. (508) 752-9000

### Service Meetings

INTERGROUP / DIS-TRICT 25 TBA

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 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

#### **Joint Corrections**

Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester TBA

#### Social Committee

Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester TBA

Beacon Committee Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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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Name	
Address	
City/Town	State Zip Code
Please bring this form, along w	ith \$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
ame (First name and last initial):	
elephone Number:	
owns you will accept calls from:	
lours that you are available:	
I wish to help: <u>Males Only</u>	
ges I am willing to work with: <u>Teens</u> 20 to 30	<u>30 to 40 40 to 50 50 to 60 Over 60</u>
Other (Please specify)	
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	<u>Give rides to Detox *</u>
Meet someone at a meeting	Other (please specify)
	welfth step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still suffering. Also you should NOT drive a wet drunk to a treatment fac r 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 a