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Sunday CLOSED

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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 3pm-4pm, 10pm - 12am

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

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

Wednesday 12am - 4am, 7am-8am, 2pm-5pm, 10pm-12am

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

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

Saturday 12am-4am

If you would like information please email [haltline@aaworcester.org](mailto: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. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester - 2nd Thursday of each month—6:00pm

**Intergroup Delegates** - St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester - 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



## STEP FIVE:

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

## TRADITION FIVE:

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

On-Line 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Articles, and Tradition Checklists

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

### 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.

## 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.
3. 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?
- 4.
5. Have I today imposed on any AA member for a special favor or consideration simply because I am a fellow alcoholic?
- 6.
7. Am I willing to twelfth-step the next newcomer without regard to who or what is in it for me?
- 8.
9. Do I help my group in every way I can to fulfill our primary purpose?
- 10.
11. 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?

## W.A.I. Needs your help!

There are service positions that remain unfilled. Join us the 2nd Thursday of each month 7:00pm St. Joan of Arc Church Lincoln Street....come see where you can help!  
Please Join us !!

## STEP SIX:

Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

## TRADITION SIX:

An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.



## TRADITIONS CHECKLIST:

1. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital?
- 2.
3. Is it good for a group to lease a small building?
- 4.
5. Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)?
- 6.
7. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism?
- 8.
9. Some alcoholics will stay around AA only if we have a TV and card room. If this is what is required to carry the message to them, should we have these facilities?

## ANNIVERSARY

People Helping  
People Group

July 25th  
Food at 2pm  
Meeting from 3-  
4:30pm

16 Greenwood St.  
Worcester, MA

## Upcoming Events

**August 21-23, 2009** - Living Our Tradition Group in Raynham is once again hosting their annual event "THE INCREDIBLE TAPESTRY" . Contact [www.theincredibletapestry.org](http://www.theincredibletapestry.org) or [incredible.tapestry@comcast.net](mailto:incredible.tapestry@comcast.net) for full information.



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## FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

You may have already that book prices from A.A. World Services will be increasing on July 1, 2009. As a service to all the groups that purchase literature from us we are trying to get the word out. This way groups can decide if they would like to purchase extra books before the increase. We will make every attempt to keep well stocked on these books but please bear with us if we should run out. We have to be frugal with our ordering to avoid having to use our prudent reserve.

### New Book Prices Effective July 1, 2009

Code	Title	New Price	Increase
B1	Alcoholics Anonymous	\$9.00	\$2.00
B30	Alcoholics Anonymous (soft-cover)	\$8.50	\$2.00
B16	Alcoholics Anonymous (large-print)	\$10.00	\$2.00
B35	Alcoholics Anonymous (pocket-sized)	\$4.90	\$0.50
B20	Experience, Strength and Hope	\$7.00	\$0.00
B2	Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions	\$8.75	\$1.00
B4	Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (gift)	\$8.60	\$1.00
B15	Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (soft-cover)	\$8.25	\$1.00
B14	Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (large-print)	\$10.00	\$1.00
B17	Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions (pocket-sized)	\$6.50	\$1.00
B3	A.A. Comes of Age	\$10.00	\$1.00
B34	A.A. Comes of Age (soft-cover)	\$9.50	\$1.00
B5	As Bill Sees It	\$9.50	\$1.00
B18	As Bill Sees It (soft-cover)	\$9.00	\$1.00
B27	As Bill Sees It (large-print)	\$10.00	\$1.00
B8	Dr. Bob and the Good Old Timers	\$11.00	\$1.00
B9	Pass it On	\$11.50	\$1.00
B12	Daily Reflections	\$9.80	\$1.00
B19	Daily Reflections (large-print)	\$10.25	\$1.00
B13	A.A. in Prison	\$2.75	\$0.25
B6	Came to Believe	\$5.50	\$0.50
B26	Came to Believe (large-print)	\$5.50	\$0.50
B7	Living Sober	\$5.50	\$0.50
B25	Living Sober (large-print)	\$6.00	\$0.50
BM31	A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts	\$3.55	\$1.00
BM33	A.A. Service Manual/Twelve Concepts (large-print)	\$9.00	\$1.00

The corresponding French, Spanish and foreign language editions will carry  
The same prices

**PLEASE NOTE:**

We are only passing on the increase which we will pay!

In Service,  
John H.  
Office Manager

## The Beacon



Check the bulletin board for meeting changes and new meetings in our area on Intergroup's very own web page:  
[www.aaworcester.org](http://www.aaworcester.org)

To find out about social events in **District 26** (North & west of Worcester) check out their unofficial web site:  
[www.26ac.org](http://www.26ac.org)

Does YOUR Group have a Bookie? Have them send their info to [Beacon@aaworcester.org](mailto:Beacon@aaworcester.org) ! !

Do YOU have a story based on the Step or Tradition of the month? Email it to [beacon@aaworcester.org](mailto:beacon@aaworcester.org). If it is accepted we will review it, edit it and print it in the appropriate issue!