



# The *NEW* Beacon

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### **BUSINESS HOURS (remote):**

Monday 10am-2pm  
Tuesday 10am - 8pm  
Wednesday 10am -3pm  
Thursday 10am - 2pm  
Saturday 10am-2pm

**Closed Sunday and Friday**

### **Contact us at:**

[beacon@aaworcester.org](mailto:beacon@aaworcester.org)

## What's going on with the Office??

The office at 100 Grove St will remain closed until at least the end of 2020. The WAI Steering Committee will be discussing reopening plans again at their December meeting. A lot will depend on how the pandemic is affecting Worcester and surrounding communities. We want to keep everyone safe!

The phones will still be answered 24/7 and the Office Manager will be working remotely.

Books, cards, coins, etc. can be ordered by using the online Bookstore at [aaworcester.org](http://aaworcester.org), sending an email to [officemanager@aaworcester.org](mailto:officemanager@aaworcester.org), or sending a text to (508) 868-7702. If you wish to pick up your order, please text or call during business hours for instructions.

# 2020 THANKSGIVING ALCATHON

This year's Alcathons will be held virtually on Zoom. The Alcathon will be open from Wednesday, November 25th at 12 pm (noon) and will remain open through Thursday, November 26th at 12 am (midnight) - a full 36 hours. There will be groups speaking from noon to midnight on Wednesday and 10 am to midnight Thursday.



## Zoom info:

<https://nyintergroup.zoom.us/j/94880254449>

ID# 948 8025 4449

Passcode: ALCATHON (all capital letters)

## NOTE:

We are still looking for people to Host 2-hour shifts. Training specific to the Alcathons will be held the second week of November. Brandy H. will call you to set it up. Email [alcathon@aaworcester.org](mailto:alcathon@aaworcester.org).

### Wed, 11/25

12:00 PM Leominster High Noon  
1:00 PM Groton Easy Does It  
2:00 PM Worcester It All Starts Here  
3:00 PM N. Brookfield Sunset  
4:00 PM Worcester Wed. BBSS  
5:00 PM Leominster Lake Whalom Group  
6:00 PM Westboro Sunday Morning  
7:00 PM Westboro Forge  
8:00 PM Green Hill Noon  
9:00 PM Living Sober Zoom Group  
10:00 PM Shrewsbury Eternal Vigilance  
11:00 PM Worcester Saturday BBSS

### Thu. 11/26

10:00 AM Worcester Daily Choice  
11:00 AM Worcester Way of Sobriety  
12:00 PM Worcester The Way Out  
1:00 PM Grafton Common Bond  
2:00 PM Montachusett Young People  
3:00 PM Stow Sunday Morning  
4:00 PM Grafton Happy, Joyous & Free  
5:00 PM Holden Thursday Night  
6:00 PM Gardner Original  
7:00 PM Northboro Saturday Morning  
8:00 PM Shrewsbury Big Book Workshop  
9:00 PM Central MA MSCYPAA Bid Committee  
10:00 PM GOYA  
11:00 PM Hopedale Ray of Hope

## NEW MEETING LIST!!

So, obviously, those nice lavender meeting lists we had printed at the beginning of the year are pretty useless. Same for the old list we had on the website.

Our Webmaster, Fred F., has put up a newer, version that is interactive! You can search by day (or all days), On-line only, In-person only (or both) OR by Keyword (click on the 3 dots next to ALL)! So, you can still find the meeting even if you only know the name of it and not when it meets!! The wonderful thing about it is that it feed right to the Meeting Guide App!!

We are still working out a few bugs (meetings that didn't transfer correctly, etc.) so please have patience with us!! AND PLEASE - if you see an error notify [officemanager@aaworcester.org](mailto:officemanager@aaworcester.org)!

## WAI Elections!!

At the November 12th Delegates Meeting, we will be voting in our new Officers and appointing our new Committee Chairpeople.

We have had a lot of positive response this year, but still need people who would be interested in the following positions:

- Alternate Secretary - takes notes when Secretary cannot be present
- Alternate Treasurer (rotates to Treasurer the following year) - Assists the Treasurer with financial reporting and reconciliation
- Trustee - Steering Committee member, helps make decisions about day-to-day operations of the office
- Public Information - Attends functions to represent AA (what it is and is not)
- Liaison to Area 30 - relays information between the WAI meeting and the Area 30 meeting once a month

If you are interested in any of these, or have questions about them, please email [officemanager@aaworcester.org](mailto:officemanager@aaworcester.org)

## **Contributions!**

We are very grateful for all of you who have contributed to WAI during this difficult time!!

It is very easy to set up recurring contributions if you are prone to forgetting (like me!). You can do it through PayPal or through your bank's bill pay system!

Not sure how to contribute? Go to [http://aaworcester.org/contribution\\_page](http://aaworcester.org/contribution_page)

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## **HALTline help needed!**

HALTline is in need of volunteers to help answer the phones outside of business hours. Calls are forwarded to you and are mostly people looking for meeting information. If you have a year or more of sobriety and looking for service work you can do from home - this is for you!! Send an email to [haltline@aaworcester.org](mailto:haltline@aaworcester.org) for more information!

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## **12-Step Volunteers needed!**

We are in need of people who are willing to talk to people on the phone, meet them at a meeting, take them to a meeting, or drive them to a detox. There is a new form on [aaworcester.org](http://aaworcester.org) if you are available to help. We NEVER give people your info. We get their information and then we call you with it. The only people with access to your info will be office staff and our HALTline Volunteers.





Calling all AA history buffs! Calling all AA trivia buffs!  
And Everyone in between!

District 25 presents  
A VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2020 AT 7:00 PM  
MORE DETAILS TO COME!

JOIN US TO PLAN FOR A FUN TIME  
ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 at 9:00 AM

Zoom Meeting ID: 842 1275 9554

Password: Sober2020

