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Worcester Area Intergroup

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"The circle stands for the whole world of A.A., and the triangle stands for A.A.'s Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service."

Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, page 139

<u>Step Ten</u> (Recovery)	<u>Tradition Ten</u> (Unity)	<u>Concept Ten</u> (Service)
<i>Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.</i>	<i>Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinions on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.</i>	<i>Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.</i>

"Wherever you go, there you are"

Some A.A. websites of interest

www.aa.org	Alcoholics Anonymous World Services
www.aaworchester.org	Worcester Area InterGroup
www.aamass.org	The Area 30 Website
www.capecodaa.com	Cape Code InterGroup website
www.rhodeisland-aa.org	Rhode Island Official AA website
www.ct-aa.org	Connecticut Official AA website
www.mv.com/ipusers/nhaa	New Hampshire Official AA website
www.aavt.org	Vermont Official AA website
www.aamaine.org	Maine Official AA website

Newcomer Questions

Some questions you may hear with suggested answers to give.

Q. How much does A. A. membership cost?

A. *There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership.*

Q. If I go to an A. A. meeting, does that commit me to anything?

A. No. You do not have to sign anything. You do not have to promise anything. A. A. does not keep membership files, or attendance records.

“...be patient, tolerant & understanding...”

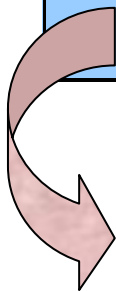
Upcoming Events

2004

Nov. 13-14	41st Annual Mass. State Convention! Sheraton Tara, Framingham, Mass. Contact altdelegate@aaemass.org for more information!
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2005

Feb 25-27	N.E.R.A.A.S.A. 2005 - Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA). Hosted by Eastern Massachusetts Area 30. Boston Newton Marriott, Newton, MA. For more info contact delegate@aaemass.org
Apr 10	Area 30 Pre Conference Assembly. Hosted by District 8. Site TBD. All G.S.R.'s, DCM's and Area Officers are responsible to attend. All A.A. members are encouraged to attend. Contact chair@aaemass.org
Jun 30 - July 3	The 70th anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated at the 2005 International Convention in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, June 30-July 3, 2005. For more info click on the link http://www.aa.org/default/en_services_aa.cfm?pageid=39 or contact delegate@aaemass.org



“...become humble, then keep it to yourself...”

70th Anniversary
Alcoholics Anonymous
June 30 - July 3, 2005
Registration begins September 2004
http://www.aa.org/default/en_services_aa.cfm?pageid=39

“...Gratitude = Grateful Attitude...”

“...if nothing changes, nothing changes...”

2004 InterGroup Timeline

2004-2005	Intergroup Meeting dates for the new year: 2004 - September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9. 2005 - January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12.
October 5	Thanksgiving Alcathon slots drawn - District 25 Monthly Meeting (Even Hours)
October 14	Thanksgiving Alcathon slots drawn - Intergroup Monthly Meeting (Odd Hours)
November 2	Christmas/New Years Alcathon slots drawn - District 25 Monthly Meeting (Even Hours)
November 11	Christmas/New Years Alcathon slots drawn - Intergroup Monthly Meeting (Odd Hours)

“...if you think you’re right all the time, check with your Higher Power—There may be another opinion...”

Service Meetings

<u>InterGroup/District 25 & 26</u>		<u>Area 30</u>	
<p><u>Steering Committee</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 2nd Thursday 6:15pm</p>	<p><u>Intergroup Delegates</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 2nd Thursday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Eastern Mass. General Service Committee</u> St. John's 80 Mt. Auburn Watertown 4th Wednesday 8:00pm</p>	<p><u>Grapevine Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 4th Sunday 1:00pm-3:00pm</p>
<p><u>Public Information</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 4th Monday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Joint Treatment</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 4th Saturday 10am</p>	<p><u>CPC Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 2nd Thursday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Joint Treatment Facilities</u> St. Paul's 59 Court Street Dedham 3rd Friday 8:00pm</p>
<p><u>Joint Corrections</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm</p>	<p><u>Social Committee</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester TBA</p>	<p><u>Archives Committee</u> St. John's 80 Mt. Auburn Watertown 3rd Thursday 7:30pm</p>	<p><u>Literature Committee</u> Carter Methodist Church 800 Highland Ave. Needham 1st Monday 7:30pm</p>
<p><u>District 25 - CPC Committee</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 2nd Wed. 6:30 - 8:00 pm</p>	<p><u>District 25 (GSR's)</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 1st Tuesday 7:30pm</p>	<p><u>Corrections Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 4th Thursday</p>	<p><u>Joint Public Information</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 1st Thursday 7:00 pm</p>
<p><u>District 26 (GSR's)</u> Local 60 Union Hall Mechanic St. Leominster 1st Thursday 7-9pm</p>		<p><u>November Deadline!</u> Submissions Must be received by October 15, 2004 Email "The Beacon" at: Beacon@AAworchester.org</p>	

“Assuming we are spiritually fit, we can do all sorts of things alcoholics are not supposed to do” (Page 100)

The Bookie Board

*** Group Updates Needed!! ***

If your group is not listed, please get your updates to the Beacon staff by emailing them to:

Beacon@AAworchester.org

SUNDAY	Ashburnham	“Naukeag Group”	6:15 pm	John B.	(508) 752-9000
	Brookfield	“Sunday Morning”	10:00 am	Leon F.	
	Fitchburg	“Sunday Morning”	10:15 am	Frank G.	
	Shrewsbury	“Shrewsbury Gratitude”	7:00 pm	TBD	
	Southbridge	“Southbridge Originals”	7:00 pm	André L.	
	Stow	“Stow Sunday”	11:00 am	Tom S.	
	Webster	“Triton”	7:30 pm	Kim W.	
	Worcester	“Early Risers”	10:00 am	John O.	
“Gratitude”		7:00 pm	Kathy L.		

MONDAY	Leominster	“Original Group”	7:45 pm	Dean R.	(508) 752-9000
	Spencer	“Spencer Fellowship”	7:30 pm	Anna R.	
	Sutton	“Sutton Center”	7:00 pm	John C.	
	Webster	“Joy of Living”	8:00 pm	Harry H.	
	Worcester	“Crozier”	8:00 pm	Marla V.	

TUESDAY	Charlton	“Courage to Change”	7:30 pm	Mike M.	(508) 752-9000
	Groton	“Easy Does it”	7:30 pm	Joe F.	
	Webster	“The Fellowship of Webster”	7:30 pm	Jack	
	Worcester	“Young People”	7:30 pm	TBD	

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WEDNESDAY	Auburn	“Auburn Group”	7:30 pm	Tony B.	(508) 752-9000
	Westboro	“Westboro Forge”	8:00 pm	Kathy A.	
	Worcester	“Four Corners”	8:00 pm	Sarah N.	
		“Top of the Hill”	8:00 pm	Bonnie	
		“We Mean Business”	7:00 pm	Happy C.	

THURSDAY	Douglas	“Maintenance & Repair”	7:00 pm	Paul P.	(508) 752-9000
	Dudley	“Day at a Time”	8:30 pm	Jim B.	
	Holden	“Holden Group”	8:00 pm	Mike K.	
	Worcester	“Stay Active”	6:45 pm	Rose	
		“Serenity”	7:30 pm	Cynthia C.	
“As Bill Sees it”		7:30 pm	Pat C.		

Friday	Marlboro	“New Life”	8:00 pm	Dick C.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	“Greendale”	8:30 pm	Ginny	

SATURDAY	Millbury	“Millbury Traditions”	7:30 pm	Mary C.	(508) 752-9000
	Upton	“Upton Capertown”	1:30 pm	John H.	
	Worcester	“How it Works”	6:45 pm	Mike S.	

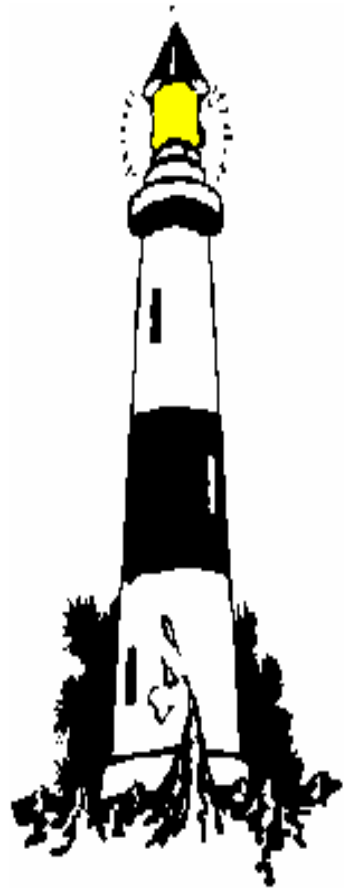
Group Anniversaries

<u>Group</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Group Start Date</u>	<u>Comments/Details</u>
Douglas Maintenance & Repair	Douglas	October 7, 1999	Anniversary celebration on October 7, 2004, more info to follow...

Steering Committee & Committee
Chairpersons

<u>Position Held</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
Chairperson	<i>Ellen McQ.</i>	Intergroupchair@aaworcester.org
Alternate Chair	<i>Bob Mc.</i>	
Secretary	<i>DonnaMae B.</i>	Intergroupsecretary@aaworcester.org
Treasurer	<i>Harry H.</i>	Intergrouptreasurer@aaworcester.org
Alternate Treasurer	<i>Sandy A.</i>	
Trustees	<i>Bob D.</i>	
	<i>Kristi C.</i>	
	<i>Jeanne L.</i>	
	<i>Bruce W.</i>	
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Treatment Facilities	<i>Sue N.</i>	treatment@aaworcester.org
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H.A.L.T. Line Chairperson	<i>Janet L.</i>	haltline@aaworcester.org
Co-Chairperson	<i>Scott L.</i>	
Social Committee	<i>Mark J.</i>	Social@aaworcester.org
Public Information	<i>Bruce W.</i>	PIChair@aaworcester.org
Webmaster	<i>Bruce W.</i>	webmaster@aaworcester.org
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Liaison to District 25	<i>Open</i>	
Liaison to Area 30	<i>Open</i>	
Alcathon Committee	<i>Billy S.</i>	

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.



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

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

“...Have an attitude of gratitude, not just an attitude...”

“...do the next right thing...”

“...keep it green...”

Alcathon Timeslots

- Schedule for Alcathon Lotteries will be held as follows:
 - **Thanksgiving:**
 - District 25 Monthly Meeting (Even Hours) Oct 5, 2004
 - Intergroup Monthly Meeting (Odd Hours) Oct 14, 2004
 - Remaining time slots call WAI office 508-752-9000: Oct 15, 2004
 - **Christmas & New Years:**
 - District 25 Monthly Meeting (Even Hours) Nov 2, 2004
 - Intergroup Monthly Meeting (Odd Hours) Nov 11, 2004
 - Remaining time slots call WAI office 508-752-9000: Nov 12, 2004

Groups that have been in regular attendance at WAI and Dist 25 meetings will have first pick.

- **Looking for Hosts and Hostesses for the Alcathons.**

Group Anniversary

Douglas Maintenance & Repair Group

Come join us in the celebration of our Group's 5th Anniversary!

Thursday October 7, 2004

6:00 - 9:00 pm

First Congregational Church of Douglas

Route 16 (Near the Gazebo)



6:00 - 7:00 * Pot Luck Dinner & Fellowship

7:00 - 8:00 * Speakers

8:00 - 9:00 * Coffee, Cake, Raffles & Fellowship

12 Step Volunteer Application

Name: (First Name & Last initial only) : _____

Telephone Number : _____

Towns You will accept calls from : _____

Hours you are available : _____

I wish to help : Males Only Females Only Both

Ages I am willing to work with : Teens 20-30 30-40

40-50 50-60 Over 60

Other (Please specify): _____

I am willing to : Talk to a person on the phone Go to a person's home to talk *

Give rides to A.A. Meetings Give rides to a Detox/Rehab*

Meet someone at A.A. Meetings Other: _____

(* Note. It is strongly suggested that a person NOT go on a Twelfth Step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still suffering!)

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Worcester Area Intergroup

100 Grove Street Suite 309

Worcester, MA 01605

"... serenity is fleeting, enjoy it while it lasts..."

**"I Am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere,
reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A.
always to be there. And for that:**



"... To keep it, we must give it away..."