

# THE BEACON

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## TRADITION TWO

*For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.*



From The Traditions Checklist:

1. Do I criticize or do I trust and support my group officers, AA committees, and office workers? Newcomers? Old-timers?
2. Am I absolutely trustworthy, even in secret, with AA Twelfth Step jobs or other AA responsibility?
3. Do I look for credit in my AA jobs? Praise for my AA ideas?

4. Do I have to save face in group discussion, or can I yield in good spirit to the group conscience and work cheerfully along with it?

5. Although I have been sober a few years, am I still willing to serve my turn at AA chores?

6. In group discussions, do I sound off about matters on which I have no experience and little knowledge?

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### Deadline....

.....for information to go into the March issue of The Beacon is February 26th, 2000. Information can be sent to :

Worcester Area Intergroup  
100 Grove St., Suite 309  
Worcester, MA 01605  
or e-mailed to:

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## 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.

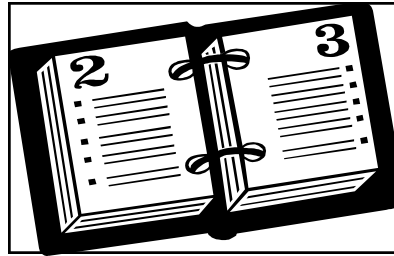
Step 2: Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

\*The Second Annual Eastern Mass. Women's Round-up of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held at Thayer Academy in Braintree on March 18, 2000. This one day event begins with registration at 8:30 am and features workshops, meetings and fellowship. Mail-in registration deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>. For more information, please call Cheryl [REDACTED] Brenda [REDACTED]. Please note: This is a closed Round-up. There are no accommodations for children.

Area Officers and their Alternates and Committee Chairs are encouraged to attend. All interested AA's are welcome.



\*The Area 30 Pre-Conference Assembly will be held on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2000 at the Franciscan Center in Andover and will be hosted by District 20. Registration begins at 9am. All GSR's, DCM's,

\*The Puget Sound Jamboree in Tacoma, WA will be held on March 24-26, 2000. For more information please call the Intergroup Office.

\* The International Convention of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota on June 29-July 2, 2000. The theme this year will be "Pass It On - Into the 21st Century". Registration forms are available at the Intergroup Office.

\* 14th Annual Massachusetts State Conference of Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous will be held in Andover this year. Planning Committee information and directions to the planning meeting are available at the Intergroup office.



## HELP WANTED: WAYS TO GET INVOLVED....

**H.A.L.T.line** is looking for volunteers to answer the phone from their homes when the office is closed. Currently, there are 18 hours in the week left to fill. If you can give, even an hour a week, please call Rich M. at [REDACTED] or leave a message for him at the Intergroup Office if you can fill any of these slots.

groups to fill the many new commitments that are coming up soon. If you can help, please call Robbie at [REDACTED]

**District 25** is currently seeking people interested in helping with our Archives and Grapevine Committees. If you are interested, please let your group's GSR know, or contact The Beacon for more details.

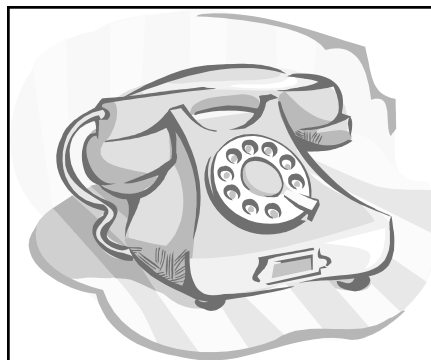
Several of our Intergroup and District Committees are in need of help. If you have one day a month you could devote to helping out on a Committee, please ask your Intergroup Delegate, GSR or call the Intergroup Office for more in-

**Treatment / Corrections** is looking for



## STEERING COMMITTEE

**Chairperson** - Will C.  
**Vice Chair** - Brandy H.  
**Secretary** - Joanne O.  
**Treasurer** - Maura Z.  
**Assistant Treasurer** - Roseanne C.  
**Trustees** - Joe H., Peg B., Kimball M., Ron C.



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.



# SERVICE MEETINGS:

## INTERGROUP / DISTRICT 25

### Steering Committee

St. Matthews Church  
695 Southbridge St.  
Worcester

4th Thursday  
6:15pm

### Intergroup Delegates

St. Matthews Church  
695 Southbridge St.  
Worcester

4th Thursday  
7:00pm

### Public Information

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester

2nd Monday  
7:00pm

### Joint Treatment / Corrections

Intergroup Office  
100 Grove St. # 309  
Worcester

2nd Tuesday  
7:00pm

### District 25 (GSR's)

St. Joan of Arc Church

570 Lincoln St.

Worcester  
1st Tuesday

7:30pm  
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



# SPECIAL NEEDS

Do you know of a deaf person in need of a signed meeting? Network with others in the area with the same needs! Call Cathy C. at [redacted]

[redacted] information about the work District 25 is doing for deaf AA

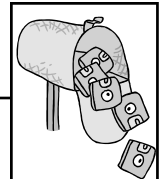
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members.

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 someone you know!!

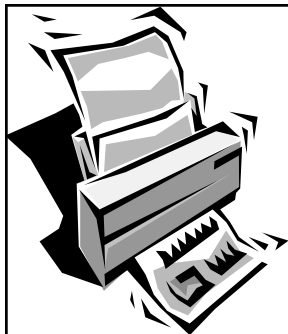
Charlton Courage To Change meeting is signed for the deaf and hearing impaired. They meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm at St. Joseph's Church, Rt. 31&20 in Charlton.



# INSIDE INFORMATION

## 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 and would also have any donation receipts sent to them. To find out if we have your group contact, please call Brandy [redacted]



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## 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.

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# THIS AND THAT

## 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!!

Warren Big Book Meeting has changed it's time from Tuesdays at 10am to Tuesdays at 4pm.

## Worcester Area Intergroup

### Office Hours:

Monday 10am-2pm  
 Tuesday 10am-8pm  
 Wednesday 10am-8pm  
 Thursday 10am-8pm  
 Friday 10am-2pm  
 Saturday 9am-2pm  
 Sunday CLOSED

### ONLINE....

Worcester Area Intergroup  
<http://www.ultranet.com/~steps>

A A General Service Office  
<http://www.alcoholics-anonymous.org>

## Hello.

My name is Ken W. I am the new chair of the CPC Committee for district 25. CPC stands for **Co-operation with Professional Community**. My job is to contact professionals (doctors, lawyers, courts, police, etc) who may want or need information on what AA is, is not, and how it may be useful to them and/or their clients or people they may have contact with.

If you know of a professional person who could use this information, please contact me at;  
 days [REDACTED]

## Group Anniversaries

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

Freedom At Last Women's Step Meeting will be having their group's 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2000 . Coffee will be from 6:30pm-7:30pm, buffet to follow. Speakers are from 7:30pm-9:00pm. All are welcome!! This will be held at the Central Baptist Church, Main St, Southbridge, MA. The church is next door to the Southbridge Public Library. Please use the side entrance on Foster St.

## Commitment Exchange

The next Commitment Exchange will be held at the Intergroup Office on Wednesday, March 8, 2000 from 6:30pm-7:45pm. Come and meet with other area Bookies and get your calendar filled!! Coffee and munchies will be available.

# GROUP BOOKIES



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!!

Upton Capertown:( Sat. 1:30pm)  
 Neil [REDACTED]

How It Works (Worcester):(Sat. 6:45pm)  
 Rich O. [REDACTED] (beeper)

How It Works (Northboro): (Wed 8:00pm)  
 David C. [REDACTED]

Hopedale Ray Of Hope: (Sun 10:30am)  
 Tim [REDACTED]

4 Corners (Worcester): (Wed. 8:00pm)  
 Jay B. [REDACTED]

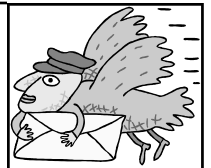
Way Of Sobriety (Worcester) (Sun 10:00am)  
 Debbie P. [REDACTED]

Stow Sunday: (Sun. 11:00am)  
 Tom S. [REDACTED]

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ATTN: Beacon

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