



The Beacon

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

<p>Step Nine (Recovery)</p>	<p>Tradition Nine (Unity)</p>	<p>Concept Nine (Service)</p>
<p><i>Made direct amends to such people except when to do so would injure others.</i></p>	<p><i>AA, as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.</i></p>	<p><i>Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary World Service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.</i></p>

Calling all Groups !

We're starting to see some old familiar groups contributing again (Thank you!), but we still need your help. Please review the suggested group contribution breakdown listed below. Stop in and see your Intergroup office at 100 Grove Street in Worcester, suite 309. We have all the books, stickers, medallions and coins available to satisfy all your group needs.

We also have available (at no charge) at the Intergroup Office two pieces of literature, **“Memo to an A.A. Group Treasurer”** AND **“Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix”**. Both are **free** and should be in the hands of each group Treasurer.

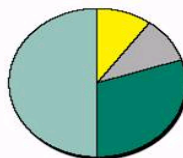
The following is an excerpt from the Self Support pamphlet with recommendations for distributing funds. *This is only suggested and each group has the right to it's own group conscience for distribution.*

Please share this information with your home group's at your earliest convenience!

Thank you!

The Office Staff

Distribution of funds from groups that support four service entities



- 10%** to district
- 10%** to area committee
- 30%** to G.S.O.
- 50%** to intergroup or central office

Upcoming Events

2004

September 12	Area 30 Workshop Assembly. Hosted by Districts 12 & 13. 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
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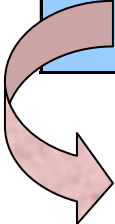
Nov. 13-14	41st Annual Mass. State Convention! Sheraton Tara, Framingham, Mass.	Note. Sept 28th @ 7:30pm at the Sheraton Tara, there will be a mtg regarding the Convention.
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2005

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

It's Dance Time Again!!

Sacred Heart Church * 596 Cambridge Street * Worcester, MA * 7:00pm - 11:00 pm
 Easy to remember—The **Second Saturday** of each month from September thru May!!

<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
September 11th	January 8th
October 9th	February 12th (Valentine's)
November 13th	March 12th
December 11th	April 9th
	May 15th (Mother's Day)

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>		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><u>October Deadline!</u> Submissions Must be received by September 15, 2004 Email "The Beacon" at: Beacon@AAworchester.org</p> </div>	

Updated

"Joy at our release from a lifetime of frustration knew no bounds" (Page 128-129)

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	

The Bookie Board

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	Maureen B.	
	“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	Donna H.	(508) 752-9000
	Upton	“Upton Capertown”	1:30 pm	John H.	
	Worcester	“How it Works”	6:45 pm	Mike S.	

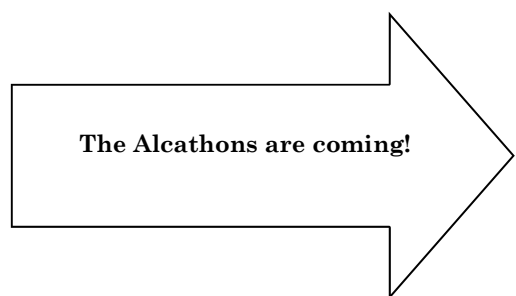
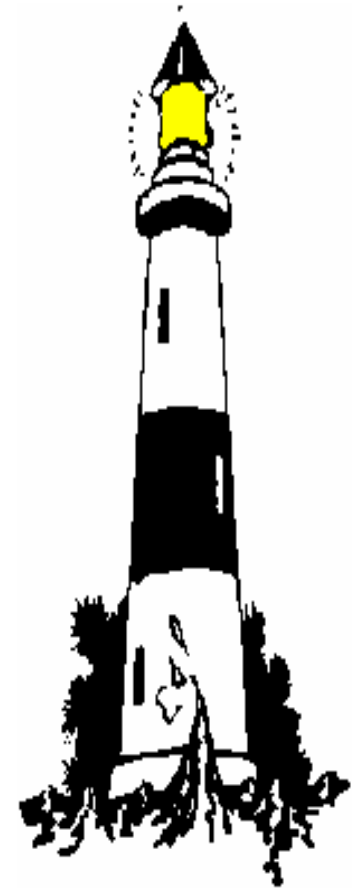
Group Anniversaries

<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	Ellen McQ.	Intergroupchair@aaworcester.org
Alternate Chair	Bob Mc.	
Secretary	DonnaMae B.	Intergroupsecretary@aaworcester.org
Treasurer	Harry H.	Intergrouptreasurer@aaworcester.org
Alternate Treasurer	Sandy A.	
Trustees	Bob D.	
	Kristi C.	
	Jeanne L.	
	Bruce W.	
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Correctional Facilities	Enzo H.	Corrections@aaworcester.org
H.A.L.T. Line Chairperson	Janet L.	haltline@aaworcester.org
Co-Chairperson	Scott L.	
Social Committee	Mark J.	Social@aaworcester.org
Public Information	Bruce W.	PIChair@aaworcester.org
Webmaster	Bruce W.	webmaster@aaworcester.org
Beacon Editor	Charlie W.	beacon@aaworcester.org
Liaison to District 25	Open	
Liaison to Area 30	Open	
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.



Preparations are under way, and if you're interested in being part of the solution, contact the Alcathon Chairperson through the Intergroup office at:

(508) 752-9000
Thank you!

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Worcester, MA 01605
(508) 752-9000
(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

Meeting Locations

If your group is looking for a new location, or know of a new startup group that needs a place to meet, contact the Intergroup office. We get contacted by organizations who are willing to have A.A. meetings use their locations.

Call the Intergroup Office:

(508) 752-9000

Group Anniversary's

If your Group is celebrating an anniversary, send along the following info..:

- Name of Group
- When the Group Started
- Details of any Anniversary Celebration.

The Beacon will list your information in a new section for Group Anniversaries

(for an example, see Page 5)

If you want you Anniversary listed on the WAI website, contact the Web Guru @

webmaster@aaworcester.org

(Note. Information needs to be received by the 15th of the month to make the following month's edition of *The Beacon*).

Joint Treatment Facilities

Needs your help!

<u>Location</u>	<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Time</u>
Umass Medical - 8th Floor	Sat	Nights
Spectrum Woman's (childrens Unit)	Wed/Sun	Nights
Westboro State Hospital	Tue	Nights
DYS—adolescent girls (Westboro)	Any Day	Nights
Deveroux Program (Rutland)	Wed	Nights
Grafton Job Corps	Tue	Nights

For more information, contact the JTF Committee Chairperson at:
 eMail: treatment@aaworcester.org
 Phone: Sue N. @ (508) 752-9000

Save your Grapevines!!

Please set up a box at YOUR meetings. Worcester Area Intergroup will take your donations of old Grapevine issues to send out to Treatment and Correctional Facilities.

Are you the future Editor of *The Beacon*?

Get involved now! My term ends in 2005, and I would gladly turn the reins over to someone who wants to get more active, and have a chance to be a little creative....

email: aabeacon@aaworcester.org

2004 InterGroup Timeline

Intergroup Meeting dates for the new year:	
2004-2005	2004 - September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9. 2005 - January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12.
October 14	Slots for Thanksgiving Alcathon drawn.
November 11	Slots for Christmas & New Year's Alcathon's drawn.

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! Also you should NOT drive a wet drunk to a treatment facility (Detox/Rehab) without another member of A.A. with you. If you checked either of these items above, please be sure to have someone ready to go with you in case you're called.)

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(Please print neatly!)

Name _____

Address _____

City/Town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Please bring this form, along with \$5.00 for a one year subscrip-
tion to

the Intergroup Office, or mail to:

Worcester Area Intergroup

100 Grove Street Suite 309

Worcester, MA 01605

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

