



The Beacon

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Sunday CLOSED

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Worcester Area Intergroup Social Event *Breezy Picnic Ground & Water Slides Fun Day!*

Clean Restrooms
& Changing
Facilities

Refreshment
Stand
on Premises



Picnic Tables &
Volleyball Area
Available
Free Parking

Three, 300-foot waterslides - Unlimited Rides

- Where: **Breezy Picnic Grounds Water Slides**
520 NW Main Street, Douglas, MA
- Date: **July 19, 2014** (Rain Date: July 20, 2014)
- Time: Park Slides Open **10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**
- Cost: \$15 ages 5 and up (must be able to swim)
\$5 ages 2-4 (must be accompanied by adult)

Grilled Hamburgers and Hotdogs Included in price!

- Final headcount needed by **July 12**
- No buying tickets at the door
- Questions: Call 508/752-9000 ask to have Jean or Kathleen to phone you back.



What to Bring:

- Blankets, Lawn Chairs, Towels, Sunscreen, Drinks, Snacks, Volleyball
- **Swimwear is required.**
(Jean shorts, cutoffs, watershoes, hair accessories and jewelry, including any piercings, are **not allowed** on the waterslides.)

Lake Swimming
with Sandy
Area for Kids

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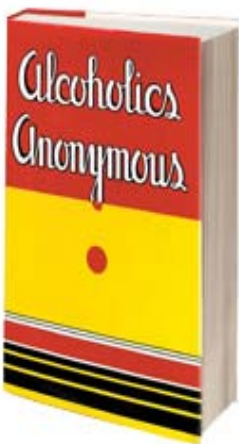


On-Line 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Articles, and Tradition Check-lists

www.aagrapevine.org

\$13.00 at Worcester Area Intergroup

Announcing the 75th Anniversary Commemorative Edition of *Alcoholics Anonymous*



Step 7 : “Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.”

Tradition 7 : “Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.”

The Seventh Step Prayer

from page 76 of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous

My Creator,

I am now willing that You should have all of me,
good and bad.

I pray that You now remove from me
every single defect of character which stands in the
way

of my usefulness to You and my fellows.
Grant me strength, as I go out from here,
to do Your bidding.

Amen

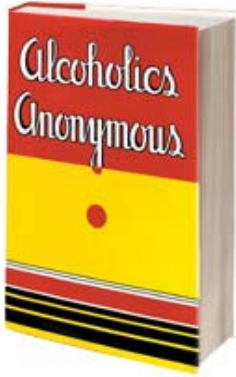
"Faith without works is dead."

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"The true value of a human being is determined primarily by the measure and the sense in which he has attained liberation from the self." Albert Einstein

Concept 7: “The Conference recognizes that the Charter and the Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments: That the Trustees are thereby fully empowered to manage and conduct all of the world service affairs of Alcoholics Anonymous. It is further understood that the Conference Charter itself is not a legal document: that it relies instead upon the force of tradition and the power of the A.A. purse for its final effectiveness.”

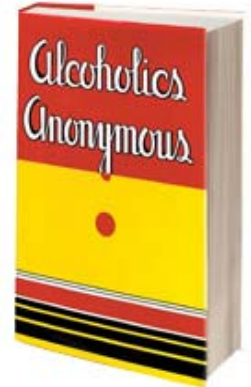
Sunday night Southbridge Big Book Step Study Group which was meeting at St. Michael's Church on Romanian Ave. 6:30 - 8:00 PM had to close due to lack of participation.



District 26 Weekend Camp Out

July 17,18,19

Lake Dennison,Winchendon
Info call Larry B. 978-660-1815



The Beacon is your Newsletter

The 2015 International Convention is rapidly approaching. GSR's and Intergroups be on the lookout for registration forms to be mailed in August 2014. Registration online will be available and the registration cost is expected to be \$100.00

Why does your group need an Intergroup Representative?

The Worcester area Intergroup has no authority of it's own but derives it from the participating groups. The representative that each group elects is the groups voice to intergroup—your link to those who maintain and operate the Intergroup Office.

Local Service Meetings

Intergroup Steering Committee* - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA —6:00pm

Intergroup Delegates* - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA —7:00pm

**The Intergroup meetings occur the second THURSDAY of each month.*

District 25 General Service Committee—Joan of Arc Church, Lincoln Street Worcester, Ma
meets first Tuesday of the month 7:30 pm

District 26 General Service Committee—Local 60 Union Hall, Mechanic Street, Leominster, Ma
meets first Thursday of the month 7:00pm

AA members welcome—please come join us!

Any Group Anniversaries or A.A. functions please notify webmaster@aaworcester.org and we will put it on the website "calendar of events" as soon as possible. If you have a flyer in electronic format please send that along and we will include it.

Group and District News Wanted Field Editors Needed

Beacon is looking for volunteers who would be willing to be writers, roving reporters and field editors. Must be sober, fun loving and have a zest for life. Interest in journalism is helpful but not required. A computer with desktop publishing software or Microsoft Word or Microsoft Publisher will be the only prerequisite to getting started. Please contact the Beacon editor at beacon@aaworcester.org

Group Spotlight

Tell us why your group is the best group in AA and we'll do a spotlight on your group in the Beacon.

AA Activities

If anyone has any information about upcoming AA related activities please contact the editor at Beacon@aaworcester.org. Be sure to check out the following websites in the meantime for information as well, aaworcester.org, aadistrict26.org, aamass.org .

"Don't drink , go to meetings and ask for help. Get a home group

THE GRAPEVINE: AA's meeting in print IS IN TROUBLE! PLEASE HELP BY PURCHASING A SUBSCRIPTION!

The AA Grapevine is the international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous. Written, edited, illustrated and read by AA members and others interested in the AA program of recovery from alcoholism, the Grapevine is a lifeline linking one alcoholic to another. The AA Grapevine communicates the experience strength and hope of its contributors and reflects a broad geographic spectrum of current AA experience with recovery, unity and service. ©GRAPEVINE

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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 BothAges I am willing to work with: Teens 20 to 30 30 to 40 40 to 50 50 to 60 Over 60

Other (Please specify) _____

MAIL TO: Worcester Area Intergroup

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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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FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Worcester Area Intergroup (WAI) accepts information regarding AA related events to be included in the website calendar. Let us know if you have an event you would like publicized. Please email information to the Office Manager at:

webmaster@aaworcester.org

Worcester Area Intergroup could use support from the local A.A. Groups. If your group has an excess amount in your treasury please consider making the pie chart split to help not only Worcester Intergroup but the other local A.A. entities and also A.A. World Services. If you are a group treasurer and need more information, feel free to call the office at 508-752-9000.