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From The Editor

I'm BAAAACCKKK!!! I'm thrilled to once again serve as Editor for The Beacon! As I write this, I am already past the deadline (my sincere apologies!) and this is the last article to go in before being published. As you can see, we have changed the format and streamlined it again. If you would like to write an article and submit it, please feel free! This newsletter is by local AAs FOR local AAs! Need a topic to write about?? How about the Step, Tradition or Concept of the month? Not sure what a Concept is? Ask your Sponsor or Service Sponsor!! Articles or local AA events can be submitted to beacon@aaworcester.org or mailed to the Intergroup office. If emailing, you can attach it to the email in an editable format (such as Word) but please try to avoid sending articles as .PDF files. Sometimes a spelling or grammatical error needs to be fixed! Again, my apologies for being late!

Brandy H.
Beacon Editor 2009

Have you ever wondered what you can do to give back to AA????

The H.A.L.T. line (answering service) has many available hours.

All you need is a phone and an hour or more of your time.

You can do this from the comfort of your own home (call forwarding) - or a cell phone (if you pay for minutes the air time applies). Talk to a newcomer, help someone find a meeting, give hope and listen. Contact the Intergroup office 1-508-752-9000 or email Halpline@aaworcester.org for more information.

Hours currently available are:

Sunday	9:00 am - 3:00 pm 5:00 pm - 12: am	Thursday	12:00 am - 5:00 am 6:00 am - 10:00 am
Monday	12:00 am - 4:00 am 5:00 am - 6:00 am 7:00 am - 8:00 am	Friday	8:00 pm - 12:00 am 12:00 am - 4:00 am
Tuesday	12:00 am - 4:00 am 6:00 am - 8:00 am	Saturday	6:00 am - 10:00 am 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 11:00 pm - 12:00 am
Wednesday	12:00 am - 4:00 am 6:00 am - 8:00 am 2:00 pm - 12:00 am		12:00 am - 9:00 am



STEP ONE:

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol — that our lives had become unmanageable.

TRADITION ONE:

Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity .

On-Line 12 Steps & 12 Traditions, Articles, and Tradition Checklists

www.aagrapevine.org

Traditions Checklist

These questions were originally published in the AA Grapevine in conjunction with a series on the Twelve Traditions that began in November 1969 and ran through October 1971. While they were originally intended primarily for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

TRADITIONS CHECKLIST:

1. Am I in my group a healing, mending, integrating person, or am I divisive? What about gossip and taking other members' inventories?
2. Am I a peacemaker? Or do I, with pious preludes such as "just for the sake of discussion," plunge into argument?
3. Am I gentle with those who rub me the wrong way, or am I abrasive?
4. Do I make competitive AA remarks, such as comparing one group with another or contrasting AA in one place with AA in another?
5. Do I put down some AA activities as if I were superior for not participating in this or that aspect of AA?
6. Am I informed about AA as a whole? Do I support, in every way I can, AA as a whole, or just the parts I understand and approve of?
7. Am I as considerate of AA members as I want them to be of me?
8. Do I spout platitudes about love while indulging in and secretly justifying behavior that bristles with hostility?
9. Do I go to enough AA meetings or read enough AA literature to really keep in touch?
10. Do I share with AA all of me, the bad and the good, accepting as well as giving the help of fellowship?

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W. A. I. Needs your help!

There are service positions that remain unfilled. Join us the 2nd Thursday of each month 7:00pm St. Joan of Arc Church Lincoln Street....come see where you can help! Please Join us !!

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H.A.L.T. line is looking for information.

Do you or does someone you know currently man the H.A.L.T. line?
Please contact the Intergroup office 1-508-752-9000 or email halt-line@aaworcester.org so we may be sure our information is current.

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Check the bulletin board for meeting changes and new meetings in our area on Intergroup's very own web page: www.aaworcester.org

To find out about social events in **District 26** (North & west of Worcester) check out their unofficial web site: www.26ac.org

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Meeting Changes & Anniversaries

If you know of a Group Meeting that has just started, closed, changed format or meeting place, please contact The Beacon. Group Anniversary information can also be submitted!!

Local Service Meetings

Intergroup Steering Committee - St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester - 2nd Thursday of each month—6:00pm

Intergroup Delegates - St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester - 2nd Thursday of each month—7:00pm

District 25 (GSR's) - St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester - 1st Tuesday of each month—7:30pm

District 26 (GSR's) - Local 60 Union Hall Mechanic St. Leominster - 1st Thursday of each month—7:00pm

District 25 CPC Committee - Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 314 Worcester - 3rd Tuesday of each month—6:00pm