

# NEW FRONTIERS

SEPTEMBER 2006

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER FOR ALL A.A. MEMBERS OF WESTERN NEW YORK AND THE NIAGARA FRONTIER  
We request that this newsletter be kept within the Fellowship to insure anonymity.

## SEPTEMBER TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

**STEP 9: "Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others."**

**"Good judgment, a careful sense of timing, courage, and prudence—these are the qualities we shall need when we take Step Nine." (pg. 83- 12x12)**

**"It is harder to go to an enemy than to a friend, but we find it much more beneficial to us. We go to him in a helpful and forgiving spirit, confessing our former ill feeling and expressing our regret." (pg. 77- Alcoholics Anonymous)**

- How do you know when you are using good judgment regarding amends or avoidance?
- What if intended recipient refuses to see or speak to me?
- What about all those \*&%+#'s who have wronged me?

**"Most of us begin making certain kinds of direct amends from the day we join Alcoholics Anonymous." (pg. 83- 12x12)**

- How soon after stopping drinking should we start to make amends?
- Are there guidelines to when to make amends?
  - Which ones should we deal with immediately?
  - What about partial restitution?
  - When should action be deferred?
  - What about those who have died?
  - What about my Husband/Wife and kids?
  - What is creative avoidance?

**"...we cannot buy our own peace of mind at the expense of others." (pg. 84 12x12)**

**"Under no condition do we criticize such a person or argue. Simply we tell him that we will never get over drinking until we have done our utmost to straighten out the past." (pg. 77 – Alcoholics Anonymous)**

**"His faults are not discussed. We stick to our own." (pg 78 – Alcoholics Anonymous)**

- Do I find others to blame for the decisions I have made?
- Do I lie to myself and others about how so and so misled me and took advantage of my good nature?
- Am I blind to how I have set the ball in motion in my life through magical and wishful thinking, claiming myself faultless?
- How has this affected those I have been involved with?
- Have my expectations of others been so unreasonably high that they had no choice but to disappoint me? How has that hurt them?

- Have I rationalized retaliatory behavior against those who disappoint me using gossip and constructive personality evaluation? How were they hurt?
- Am I truly ready to be free of the burdens of my unhealthy resentments?
- Am I ready to take full responsibility for my life?
- AM I TRULY READY TO MAKE DIRECT AMENDS FOR MY ACTIONS AND DISREGARD THE OTHER PERSON ENTIRELY?

“There can be only one consideration which should qualify our desire for complete disclosure of the damage we have done. That will arise in the occasional situation where to make a full disclosure would seriously harm the one to whom we are making the amends. Or—quite as important—other people.” (pg. 86 – 12x12)

“Usually, however, other people are involved. Therefore, we are not to be the hasty and foolish martyr who would needlessly sacrifice others to save himself from the alcoholic pit.”

- When drinking, or sober, we pursued an affair with a married woman/man, should we go to her husband/his wife and admit our fault even if they are unaware or there are children involved?
- We have taken shortcuts at work, do we risk the well being of our wives and children by reporting on ourselves or do we correct our behavior by becoming a good employee and repaying our employers through hard work and loyalty?
- We have fathered/mothered children from a one-time liaison and have never revealed this to our spouse or that child, do we now come clean and let the chips “fall where they may” or do we quietly repair the damage?
- Have I learned that not all situations can be righted and that I may just have to live in some unresolved discontent caused by my own aberrant behaviors?
- Am I willing to shoulder the responsibility for all my amends by not imposing hardship and hurt on my loved ones for a few fleeting moments of relief?
- What FREEDOM have I experienced by making direct amends wherever possible?

Tradition 9: “A.A., as such, ought never to be organized; but we may create service boards and committees directly responsible to those they serve.”

“Power to direct or govern is the essence of organization everywhere.

Yet Alcoholics Anonymous is an exception. It does not conform to this pattern. Neither its General Service Conference, its Foundation Board, nor the humblest group committee can issue a single directive to an A.A. member and make it stick, let alone mete out any punishment.” (pgs 172 + 173 – 12x12)

- Isn't this anarchy?
- How do we keep from falling apart?
- Who do we answer to?
- Does this mean I can just do whatever I want?

**“But long ago, trustees and staff members alike found they could do no more than make suggestions, and very mild ones at that...Of course you are at perfect liberty to handle this matter any way you please. But the majority experience in A.A. does seem to suggest...” (pgs 173+174 – 12x12)**

- **Is our cohesiveness born out of individual effort or group conformity to what is in the best interest of A.A. as a whole?**
- **How do I/we react to group conscience or the wealth of A.A.'s experience regarding our rights as a group? As an Individual?**
- **Do we, as a group, have a conscience or do personalities and rebellion dictate our activities?**

**“Unless there is approximate conformity to A.A.'s Twelve Traditions, the group, too, can deteriorate and die. So we of A.A. do obey spiritual principles, first because we must, and ultimately because we love the kind of life such obedience brings. Great suffering and great love are A.A.'s disciplinarians; we need no others.”(pg. 174 – 12x12)**

- **Has my group taken an inventory to see if we are keeping with the traditions?**
- **Are we truly an informed group?**
- **Do we discuss the traditions and the application of them in our group affairs?**
- **Do we, as a group, conform to the traditions and inter-group conscience or are we a divisive influence on A.A. as a whole?**
- **Are we interested in what is good for the whole of A.A. or our own agenda?**

**“Though Tradition Nine at first sight seems to deal with a purely practical matter, in its actual operation it discloses a society without organization, animated only by the spirit of service --- a true fellowship.” (pg 175- 12x12)**

- **Is the fellowship of A.A. safe from my group?**
- **Is the inter-group of this area interested in our common welfare and are they acting in A.A.'s best interest?**
- **Does my group participate in inter-group activities/meetings so we are an active voice in the fellowship?**
- **Do I participate in the spiritual practice of obedience to the greater good or am I more interested in being a rebellious big shot around A.A.**

**Concept 9: “Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.”**

**Lately, I've been thinking...**

**Privilege- A special advantage, immunity, permission, right, or benefit granted to or enjoyed by an individual, class or caste. (Webster's Dictionary)**

**It is a privilege to participate and serve Alcoholics Anonymous at any level. From the lowliest trustee to the most celebrated coffee maker, the honor that comes from participating in Alcoholics Anonymous is reserved for very few of the sick and suffering alcoholics. It is estimated that three percent of alcoholics find recovery in A.A., and if I am sober today I am one**

of a very small number of privileged persons in receipt of this gift. My gratitude needs to be expressed in quiet actions and not words.

I truly wish I could report that I have always responded favorably when a privilege has been offered to me. I am one of those who grouches and complains first and reaps the benefit in hindsight. One who, at times, wants all the benefits that comes from service with minimal effort and sacrifice. I want to be remembered for my lofty intentions and occasional good deeds, not my erstwhile performance.

Because I am one of a privileged group I have a responsibility to defend my gift with fervor. I need to stand up and be counted, to express concern when the gift is threatened or misused. To redirect those who are endangering that privilege. The "Old Timers" used to say, "Stand for something or you will fall for anything." The question becomes, what is it I stand for? Is Alcoholics Anonymous a clearinghouse for all of today's socially unfit or is it a place for alcoholics to recover from an insidious disease? Is part of the insidiousness of that illness an unnatural need to always be politically correct and well thought of? Isn't that one of the very same defects of character that ruled my life when drinking? If political correctness is the goal of recovery then how can sobriety be a privilege if we have no expectation of conformity to the principles by the membership? The leadership of A.A. is in the hands of the groups. If a groups' message isn't clear then the recovery is questionable. Group conscience is a reflection of the very necessary leadership of A.A. If every group participated in the inter-group process (Central Committee) then our fellowship would truly reflect the combined wisdom and concerns of our privileged membership. Let's protect our privilege lest we lose it.

Shawn C. - Editor

Just a few shorts:

You can't change the past but you can ruin the present by worrying over the future.

Anger is a condition in which the tongue works faster than the mind.

Debi C - Victory Group

From "Window of Opportunity":

"As I look back on that period, I realize how true it is that one of the primary differences between alcoholics and nonalcoholics is that nonalcoholics change their behavior to meet their goals and alcoholics change their goals to meet their behavior. Everything that had been important to me, all of my dreams, goals, and aspirations, were swept away in a wave of booze."

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Debi C - Victory Group

## When My Dad was Dying

Several years ago I began reading the stories at the back of the Big Book – one a night, before I went to sleep. Well I've made my way through the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, "Experience, Strength & Hope", & several Grapevine collections and now I keep the Grapevine next to my bed. I enjoy ending the day with sober friends from all over the world.

Last night in Box 1980 I read a story that prompted me to share a little story about my Dad's last summer.

My Dad was very sick with cancer. He was in & out of the hospital, 5 times in 4 months. He was in two hospitals, on several floors in each. I was there daily to visit or pick up my Mom. Every time a doctor, nurse or whoever walked into the room he would say; "This is my daughter Debi. She used to have a problem with drugs & alcohol but she found God and AA, now she's fine."

Well there wasn't much anonymity in that statement, just a lot of pride & for me that was just fine.

Debi C. ~ Victory Group

## Singleness of Purpose and Problems Other Than Alcohol

Some professionals refer to alcoholism and drug addiction as "substance abuse" or "chemical dependency." Non-alcoholics are, therefore, sometimes introduced to A.A. and encouraged to attend A.A. meetings. Anyone may attend open A.A. meetings, but only those with a *drinking* problem may attend closed meetings.

A renowned psychiatrist, who served as a nonalcoholic trustee of the A.A. General Service Board, made the following statement: "Singleness of purpose is essential to the effective treatment of alcoholism. The reason for such exaggerated focus is to overcome denial. The denial associated with alcoholism is cunning, baffling, and powerful and affects the patient, helper, and the community. Unless alcoholism is kept relentlessly in the foreground, other issues will usurp everybody's attention."

## What Does A.A. Do?

1. A.A. members share their experience with anyone seeking help with a drinking problem; they give person-to-person service or "sponsorship" to the alcoholic coming to A.A. from any source.
2. The A.A. program, set forth in our Twelve Steps, offers the alcoholic a way to develop a satisfying life without alcohol.
3. This program is discussed at A.A. group meetings.

## What A.A. Does Not Do

A.A. does not:

1. Furnish initial motivation for alcoholics to recover
2. Solicit members

3. Engage in or sponsor research
4. Keep attendance records or case histories
5. Join "councils" of social agencies
6. Follow up or try to control its members
7. Make medical or psychological diagnoses or prognoses
8. Provide drying-out or nursing services, hospitalization, drugs, or any medical or psychiatric treatment
9. Offer religious services
10. Engage in education about alcohol
11. Provide housing, food, clothing, jobs, money, or any other welfare or social services
12. Provide domestic or vocational counseling
13. Accept any money for its services, or any contributions from non-A.A. sources
14. Provide letters of reference to parole boards, lawyers, court officials, social agencies, employers, etc.

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IN MEMORIAM  
Things We Can Not Change

Let's remember him and all the others who passed on in our prayers.

**Share your Experience, Strength and Hope.**

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# SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

## Alexander

Jim P. 5y  
Greg D. 7y

## Amherst/Snyder

Glen W. 3m  
Ryan E. 3m  
Bill F. 6m  
Laura M. 1y  
David Z. 2y  
Kelly F. 3y  
Butch C. 8y  
Michael B. 8y  
Harry B. 18y  
Ken C. 19y  
Dennis K. 21y  
Nancy F. 21y  
Tony F. 22y  
John N. 22y  
Jack S. 29y  
Dan J. 30y  
George D. 34y  
Russell Q. 35y

## Any Lenth

Dawn 1y  
Joe R. 3y

## Coldsprings

Cecil R. 6y

## Community Center

May H. 2y  
Annette L. 12y  
Marilyn D. 18y

## Express

Gary B. 3y  
Lary D. 9y  
Adolph I. 16y  
Jim G. 18y  
Bill L. 26y

## Fireside

Mitch G. 9m  
Michelle M. 9m

## Giving

Terry H. 6m  
Nulsa R. 6m  
Karen B. 2y  
Rob C. 13y

## Holiday Village

Chuck Z. 3m  
Joe T. 9m  
Teresa C. 9m  
Bob S. 1y  
Ruth M. 2y  
Mike K. 2y  
Maggie O. 2y  
Terry B. 5y

## Holland

Marcy M. 20y  
Jim F. 43y

## Ironhorse

Bill C. 3m  
Pete K. 3m  
HJohn H. 8y  
Mike B. 8y  
Tom C. 18y  
Mike K. 24y

## Kensington

Norma F. 23y

## Lakeshore

John H. 25y

## Lighten-Up

Marilyn N. 4y  
Mary P. 7y  
Bob R. 14y  
Steve B. 15y  
Howard W. 27y

## Living Sober

Al G. 4y  
Chuck B. 4y  
Bob G. 7y  
John A. 9y  
Tom D. 18y  
Bill G. 22y  
Butch H. 26y

## Lockport #1

J.R. 5y

## LoveJoy

Dave B. 6m  
Andy R. 6m  
Chrissie C. 9m  
Harry P. 21y

## North Buffalo

Larry A. 3m  
Kristopher 3m  
Jim S. 3m  
George B. 6m  
John S. 1y  
Grant K. 1y  
Dawn H. 1y

## Rise & Shine

Marilyn F. 4y  
Towana V. 5y  
Homer L. 5y  
Kim V. 5y  
Earl G. 6y  
Robert G. 9y  
Theresa H. 9y  
Darrell M. 14y

## Thruway

David B. 3m  
Danielle 3m  
Glenn W. 3m  
Paula S. 6m  
Wayne S. 9m  
Leo M. 18y

## Southtowns

Dick 16y

## Springville

## Tuesday

Tony V. 12y  
James P. 17y  
Steve H. 18y  
Tom D. 19y  
Larry S. 25y  
Victor F. 26y

## Sun. Morning Br.

Chris S. 1y  
Craig F. 5y

## Surrender & Hope

Mike C. 2y  
Gary Z. 8y

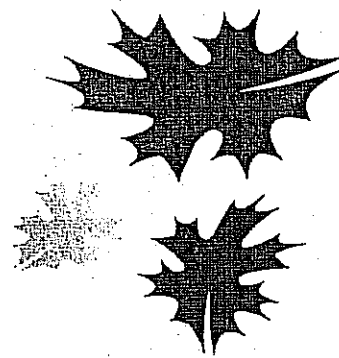
## Victory

Kenny G. 10y  
Rich W. 19y

## Women's

## Westside

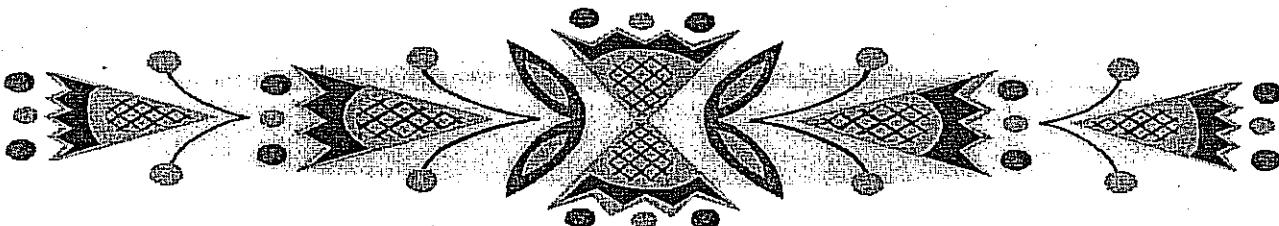
Angela K. 6y  
Terri P. 7y



## Group Anniversaries

11:45 Noon  
Acceptance  
Action  
Arcade  
Boulevard Women's  
Cathedral Park  
Cornplanters  
Crosstalk Big Book  
Easier Softer Way  
Fireside PM  
Fredonia Discussion  
Fresh Start  
H.A.N.D.  
Honesty  
Iron Horse  
Main Street  
North Buffalo  
Orchard Park Step  
Recovering Women & the Big  
Renewal  
Step Work  
Sobriety For Women  
South Town  
Today's Women

N. F. Policy:  
*Anniversaries must  
be submitted by  
the 12th  
of the  
month previous*



sunday

monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

friday

saturday

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"We avoid hysterical thinking and advice."  
—The Big Book

**1** 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tri-State Assembly Chautauqua, NY. On Sight Registration- \$25. Registration & Banquet \$45.  
\*1949: The first issue of *The AA Grapevine* in pocket format is published.

**2**  
1939: Morris Marley writes "Alcoholics and God" in *Liberty* magazine. Unfavorable, but Bill W. notes "The Liberty blast will stir things up."


**3**  
AA isn't a ticket to Heaven or Hell, but it will keep you sober long enough to decide where you want to go.

**4** LABOR DAY  
\*1946: The first AA group in Mexico City is formed.

**5**  
Steering Committee, 6 PM, Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.  
There is more to paying dues to AA than dropping a dollar in the basket.

**6**  
1939: Eddy: *The Man Who Sponsored Bill W.* by Mel B. is published.

**7**  
\*1935: Bill W. returns from his Akron trip and AA begins in New York City.

**8**  
"We have had reticent-  
tory affairs with other men." —The Big Book  


**9**  
1945: San Diego, California, holds its 1st women's meeting.

**Central Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Buffalo Central Office, Corrections Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, New Frontiers Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca St..**

**11** Special Needs Committee, 6:30 PM, The Kenilworth Church of Christ Church, 45 Dalton St., Kenmore.  
\*1938: Fitz M.'s sister Agnes lends Bill W. and Hank P. \$1,000 to help them get through the Big Book project.

**12**  
1942: U.S. Assistant Surgeon General Kohn speaks at a dinner for Bill W. and Dr. Bob in Philadelphia.

**13**  
1941: WHJP in Jacksonville, Fla. airs "Spotlight on AA," the first radio series on AA.

**14**  
Even at a snail's pace, it's progress. If it works, don't fix it.

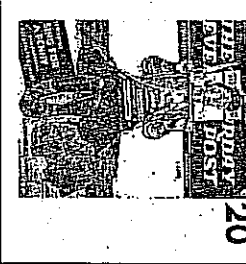
**15**  
Wehrle Group is sponsoring a Cruise Night on the *Miss Buffalo II*. Tickets \$27  
\*1941: Ernie G., AW's #4, marries Dr. Bob's daughter Sue. He was drunk at the time.

**16**  
\*1939: The 1st AA group in Chicago is founded.

**17** NATIVE AMERICAN DAY  
*Adrian Greiss Anniversary Meeting, 10:30 AM, Orchard Park Village Hall Basement, 4295 S. Buffalo St. Bring a dish if you wish!*  
1954: Bill D. "The man in the bed," dies in Akron, Ohio.

**18**  
**Treatment Facilities Committee, 6 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca St**  
1947: Dallas Central Office opens its doors.

**19**  
1975: Jack Alexander, author of the *Saturday Evening Post* articles on AA, dies.




**21**  
1938: Bill W. and Hank P. form Works Publishing Co. to raise money to write and publish our Big Book.

**22** AUTUMNAL EQUINOX  
**Archives Committee Meeting, 9 am, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street**  
\*1971: Over 500 attended the first European Convention of AA in Bristol, England.

**23** ROSH HASHANAH

**24** FIRST DAY OF RAMADAN  
**Loveloy 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day of Starting, 9 AM- 4 PM, Visitation Parish Panels before and after lunch. Please bring a dish to pass.**

**25**  
  
K.I.S.S. Keep it Simple, Stupid.

**26**  
\*1940: *The Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases* reviewed the Big Book and said "Of the inner meaning of alcoholism there is hardly a word."

**27**  
I came, I came to, I came to believe.

**28**  
\*1935: Hank P., the New York group's #2 member, takes the last drink but after 4 years of sobriety goes back to drinking again.

**29**  
\*1943: Tucson *Arizona Star* reports about an AA group with 8 men and 3 women.

**30**  
\*1940: The AA Bulletin found 9 "secure" groups in NYC, Wash. D.C., Detroit, Chicago, Philly, Houston, Akron, Los Angeles, and Cleveland.

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### MEETING CHANGES:

- \* **Unity Group**, 10:00 AM, Saint Peter & Paul Church, 5480 Main Street, **NEEDS SUPPORT.**
- \* **New AA Meeting, "POINT OF NO RETURN"**, Sunday @ 8 AM & 7 PM, Niagara Falls State Park. At the beginning of the rapids, at the "POINT OF NO RETURN". This is a seasonal meeting, it will run from around May 1<sup>st</sup> to Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Will meet rain or shine (please dress for weather)
- \* **The Treatment Facility Committee is looking for Home Groups to facilitate meetings @ treatment centers- basically the job entails chairing a meeting & bringing a speaker with you. Please contact Patti S. @ 662-9006 to get involved & be of service.**
- \* **Living Sober Group**, Wednesday's @ 8:30 PM, Kenmore Methodist Church, 32 Landers Rd., IS **UPDATING ITS MEMBERSHIP LIST.** Thanks
- \* **Rainbow Group**, Wednesday's at St. John Gualbert Church, 83 Gualbert, (off Walden, between Harlem & Bailey) Buffalo, Now has a Big Book Table.
- \* **Tuesday Women's Discussion Group** (who formerly met at OLV Hospital & most recently Woodside Methodist Church) has a **new home effective August 1.** We will be meeting at 7:30pm on Tuesdays at Seneca United Methodist Church, 2846 Seneca St., West Seneca, NY 14224 (near the Seneca St exit off the 400). This location is handicapped accessible. With all the changes taking place **we will be updating our membership list.** If you still wish to be considered a member, please join us at our meeting sometime before September 1st and let us know. Thank you.
- \* **Treatment Facility Committee is looking for Home Groups to donate Large Print Big Books to be distributed to patients in detox - please help. Donation can be dropped of @ Central Office marked as "donation from (Home Group) for TFC."**

### COMING EVENTS:

- ~ August 27, **Going to Any Lengths Group Picnic**, Noon until dusk. Glen Meadows Park in Hamburg. Speaker at 4 PM. Games for children. Bring a dish to share. For more info call Pam P. 648-8129.
- ~ Sept. 1-3, **53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tri-State Assembly** Chautauqua, NY. Advances Registration-\$20, On Sight Registration- \$25, Registration & Banquet \$45. Weekend Packages see flyer. Contact: Chris W. (585) 682-0289 or David G. (215) 289-4033,
- Sept. 5, **Steering Committee**, 6 PM, Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.
- ~ Sept. 10, **Central Committee Meeting**, SUNDAY, 7 pm, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street (Hosted by Abbott Men's).
- ~ Sept. 10, **Corrections Committee Meeting**, SUNDAY, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street (lower).

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- ~ Sept. 11, **Special Needs Committee**, 6:30 PM, The Kenilworth Church of Christ Church, 45 Dalton St., Kenmore.
- ~ Sept. 15, **Wehrle Group** is sponsoring a **Cruise Night on the Miss Buffalo II**. Speaker (Lucille K.) followed by dancing w/ "One Day At A Time". Tickets before August 1<sup>st</sup> will be \$24, after, \$27. Beverage & snacks provided. If interested contact Donna E., 873-4427 or Jim R., 491-8301.
- ~ Sept. 17, **Action Group Anniversary Meeting**, Sunday, 10:30 AM, Orchard Park Village Hall Basement, 4295 S. Buffalo St. Bring a dish if you wish!
- ~ Sept. 18, **Treatment Facilities Committee**, MONDAY, 6 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.
- ~ Sept. 22, **Archives Committee Meeting**, SATURDAY, 9 am, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street (lower).
- ~ Sept. 24, **Lovejoy 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Day of Sharing**, 9 AM- 4 PM. Visitation Parish (Corner of Greene and Moreland off Lovejoy). Panels before and after lunch. Please bring a dish to pass.
- ~ Oct. 6-8, **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Women In AA Fall Spiritual Weekend**, St. Columbian Retreat House, Derby. More Info contact: Debbie; 633-9305 or Karen: 822-4089.
- ~ Oct. 13-15, **AA Men's Spiritual Retreat**, Sponsored by University Men's Group, Stella Niagara Renewal Center. \$110. For information call Guy H. 597-4825 or John K. 694-7929.
- ~ Oct. 13, **Silver Creek Friendship Group Anniversary**, Friday @ 8:30 PM. Speaker followed by an eating meeting. Please bring a dish to share. Everyone is welcome.
- ~ OCT. 20-22, **65th.BUFFALO FALL CONVENTION**: Buffalo Convention Center (on Franklin St. between Court & Chippewa Streets) Registration: \$18, Registration & Banquet: \$48. Web site: [www.2006BuffaloFallConvention.com](http://www.2006BuffaloFallConvention.com)., Registration Chair; Zenny Z. (716) 283-6508
- ~ Oct. 28, **HISTORY LIGHTS THE WAY, W.N.Y. Area 50 Archives 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Open House**. Saturday, 11:00 AM-4:00 PM. Speaker at 1 PM. Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca St., Buffalo, NY 14210. Coffee and refreshments will be served. Donations may be sent to Archive, C/o Buffalo Central Office. Gratefully received!!

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**PLEASE SUPPORT THE ENVELOPE SYSTEM**

*... Yours in the Fellowship of the Spirit... Terry Bateman.... Executive Secretary*

Buffalo Central Committee Minutes  
AUGUST 6, 2006

Frank M., Committee Chair, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM, with a moment of silence, the Serenity Prayer and the Preamble. Mark S., Lakeshore Group, read The Purpose of the Central Committee. Jay H., North Buffalo Group, read the Traditions. Motion to dispense with the reading of last months' minutes by John H., Sunday Morning Breakfast Group, seconded by Jay H., North Buffalo Group. Motion passed.

20 Groups were represented: **Dist. 1:** Journey, Main and High; **Dist. 2:** Living Sober, North Buffalo, Spiritual Progress; **Dist. 3:** Courage, Iron Horse, No Human Power, Southgate, Sunday Morning Breakfast, The Book Meeting; **Dist. 4:** Action, Springville Tuesday Night; **Dist. 5:** Lockport #1; **Dist. 6:** Amsdell Lakeshore, Lakeshore, Serenity On The Lake; **Dist. 7:** Solidarity; **Dist. 8:** Amherst Snyder, Williamsville..

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ENVELOPE SYSTEM:** No report.

**STEERING COMMITTEE:** No report.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** No report.

**TREATMENT:** Tim, Go To Any Lengths Group reported that all meetings are covered.

**CORRECTIONS:** No report.

**SCREENERS:** Patti, Chair, corrected her date of sobriety to 11/17/83.

**CENTRAL OFFICE:** AA INFO: 284; 12-STEP: 1; ALANON: 7; VISITORS: 88; VOLUNTEERS: 1-11 DAYS, 6 OTHERS W/MAILINGS. Upcoming vacation days are: August 4 and September 1. Next Central Committee meeting will be on September 10<sup>th</sup> due to the holiday weekend. I received an e-mail from a man from London, England, that would like an e-mail pen pal from the Buffalo area. If anyone is interested, contact me for the information.

Yours in the fellowship of the Spirit,  
Terry B., Executive Secretary.

**NEW FRONTIERS:** No report.

**PIC:** No report.

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE:** Winston F., Convention Chair: 1) There was no committee meeting in July; 2) Reservation was made for the speaker that was traveling via air; all others are driving; 3) the logistic chairperson and myself will be meeting with a staff at the convention center this week to complete room assignments and discuss other things; 4) we are still seeking greeters – please leave you name and phone number and I'll forward it to the greeters chairperson; 5) remember, the convention room rate will expire on September 20<sup>th</sup>; so far 20 reservations were made and most from out of town. On behalf of the 2006 Fall Convention Committee we thank you for your support even though so far only a minute percentage (9) of home groups made donations. We ask that you support your convention with donations and sending in your registrations. Remember, it's in October and it's only \$48.00 for registration and banquet.

**AD-HOC COMMITTEES:** Will, Living Sober Group on the **Website:** The website is complete; barring corrections from members, the schedule is completed on the website. Please check the address and map for your group; I have the e-mail passwords ready for all committees. Additional newsletter material will be on the website this month and future updates will be posted faster.  
Terry B on the **Incorporation:** the next meeting is August 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### **COURTESY REPORTS:**

**ARCHIVES:** Tom B, Archivist: I have some sad news to report – our Archives Chairman has gone back out. He also spent \$1700 of our treasury. Our last displays were at Main and High groups Day of Sharing. We also represented Area 50 at the NYS Convention in Rochester. Our upcoming displays will be at the Action Group Anniversary Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> and we are looking forward to our open house right here at the Central Office on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. We would like to thank all the groups that have been coming up to the plate with their generous contributions.

**GSA:** Joanne McC., Action Group – next meeting in Jamestown on August 13<sup>th</sup> – food and fun.

**AREA 50 PIC:** Sally Ann C., Chair: went to state convention last weekend; very interesting, of course being a service convention – not many people. As for the Fair: we still have a few select spots open. Problem by insurance company and Fair people; will pick up tickets Monday 8/7 and mail out.

**RECAP: NEW FRONTIERS:** JoAnn McC., Action Group, commented on August New Frontiers article by editor Shawn C. regarding Harry D., former Executive Secretary. The tone of the article indicated that Harry D., died from a stroke caused by a barrage of negative comments. Harry D. was neither shy in the office or out of the office at any time and he attended many meetings in the local area before his death, contrary to what the article stated. On the matter of the Exec Secretary being called at her home for AA business, this practice should be discontinued and used for emergency purposes only.

**CONVENTION:** Jay H., North Buffalo Group, asked if Convention donations were for the coffee fund. Winston F., Convention Chair, stated convention donations went to a general fund that included scholarships, coffee and hospitality. So far 9 home groups contributed \$460, 2 members contributed \$35.

**OLD BUSINESS:** District 1 Steering Committee vacancy: Tim O., Journey Group, was appointed by Frank M., Central Committee Chair. His date of sobriety is August 14, 2002.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Bill, Serenity On The Lake, presented a proposed amendment to our Operating Procedures. I was submitted and tabled for consideration at the September meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Winston F., Main and High Group, seconded by Sally Ann C., Spiritual Progress Group. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with The Lord's Prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:  
Recording Secretary, John H., Sunday Morning Breakfast.

Income Statement	31-Jan-06	2/29/2006	31-Mar-06	30-Apr-06	31-May-06	30-Jun-06	31-Jul-06
beg Bal Cash on hand	17,175.07	17,017.03	11,135.16	12,055.88	10,673.55	12,773.75	9,211.00
Contributions							
Groups	3,048.73	3,750.09	4,550.05	2,768.76	4,246.86	3,034.00	6,083.21
Joint Meeting	51.00	29.05	48.86	39.00	44.00	51.00	30.89
Envelope System	1,309.00	304.00	520.00	224.00	465.00	632.00	392.00
New Frontiers Subs	20.00	33.00	30.00	43.00	170.50	63.00	30.00
Literature	4,697.45	2,744.30	3,426.10	4,040.55	2,729.10	2,172.13	3,911.35
Literature Postage	59.26	51.15	209.10	76.45	43.35	37.90	108.85
Archives Room Rent		100.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Meetings at CO	163.20	164.33	172.15	173.50	142.00	103.82	91.00
Mail/Misc.	25.00	25.00	50.00	25.00	28.95	50.00	
US Treasury			669.75			82.99	
Reconcille							
"Gratitude Month" (NOV)	58.00						
Conventions/Day of Sharing							
Monthly Income	9,431.64	7,200.92	9,726.01	7,440.26	7,919.76	6,276.84	10,697.30
Expenses							
Office Rent	768.47	768.47	772.29	772.29	772.29	772.29	772.29
Electric	90.00	90.00	-	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
Payroll							
Salaries - gross	2,240.84	2,240.84	2,801.05	2,240.84	2,240.84	2,240.84	2,352.88
Federal Withholdings	(365.04)	(365.04)	(365.04)	(363.40)	(363.40)	(85.56)	(50.84)
NYS Withholdings	(123.16)	(123.16)	(123.16)	(123.16)	(123.16)	(123.16)	(92.80)
Disability Insurance	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.40)	(2.40)
Payroll Tax Deposits							
Federal	496.64	735.75	588.60	509.24	536.00	588.60	-
State	222.51	106.42			165.95		509.24
Insurance							
State Ins Fund		314.45				8.06	
Health	304.00	304.00	304.00	304.00	304.00	304.00	354.00
Liability	1,233.75						
Postage	394.00	336.76	546.22	55.64	57.27	357.65	394.98
Phone	105.02	105.04	105.04	105.12	105.10	230.46	136.78
Accounting						1,900.00	
Advt							
PIC Lit							
Talking Phone Book				77.00			
Verizon	106.95	108.70	108.70	108.70		217.40	128.45
website							
white directory		464.40					
Yellow Pages	297.00			297.00			
Literature Expenses							
Grapevine		35.00	142.50				435.00
World Services Inc	2,770.28	1,425.10	2,321.62	612.20	1,428.10	1,934.80	2,209.84
Hazeldon			592.14	598.00			789.04
"In All Our Affairs"							
Printers				1,650.00			2,275.00
Office Supplies	307.62	156.54	422.28	359.01	204.33	420.17	179.88
Answering service	124.43	121.47	128.00	127.46	124.19	143.50	126.10
Minolta leasing (copier)	260.45	260.45	260.45	260.45	260.45	260.45	260.45
Minolta Copies/toner						582.49	25.49
CD		6,000.00					
Seminar			203.00	20.00			
Depreciation	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Monthly Expenses	9,331.36	13,182.79	8,905.29	8,922.59	5,919.56	9,939.59	10,993.58
Monthly Income (Loss)	100.28	(5,981.87)	820.72	(1,482.33)	2,000.20	(3,662.75)	(296.28)
Depreciation add back (non-cash)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
End Bal Cash on hand	17,017.03	11,135.16	12,055.88	10,673.55	12,773.75	9,211.00	9,014.72
CD PRUDENT	8,190.48	8,190.48	8,250.41	8,250.41	8,271.15	8,271.15	8,312.11
CD#2 RESERVE	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,018.09	6,018.09	6,057.68	6,057.68	6,077.90
Literature Assets:	10,292.85	9,401.00	8,731.30	7,805.65	8,240.70	8,931.25	10,450.30
Literature Receivable (outstanding)	652.00	410.60	636.95	452.75	578.20	929.00	706.75
Corrections Facilities	3,465.62	3,343.15	3,572.53	3,537.53	3,672.53	3,684.70	3,525.20
Contributions	336.53	270.33	91.00	135.00	371.17	300.00	353.00
Expenses	459.00	40.95	126.00	-	359.00	459.50	322.50
Balance	3,343.15	3,572.53	3,537.53	3,572.53	3,684.70	3,525.20	3,555.70
Treatment Facilities	2,537.42	1,271.99	1,463.32	1,461.20	1,461.95	1,908.42	1,678.92
Contributions	241.78	245.33	126.00	90.00	553.17	300.00	466.00
Expenses	625.00				16.12		
AT & T Bridging The Gap	29.21		78.62	37.25	39.08		53.85
AAA Abbott Answering Service	53.00	54.00	49.50	52.00	51.50	49.50	50.75
Literature	800.00					480.00	600.00
Balance	1,271.99	1,463.32	1,461.20	1,461.95	1,908.42	1,678.92	1,440.32

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
	JULY	YEAR	JULY	YEAR	JULY	YEAR
11:45		0.00		0.00		0.00
12 Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
4th Step Stumblers		0.00		0.00		0.00
8th Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
A Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
Abbot Men's	85.00	262.00	85.00	262.00	85.00	262.00
Acceptance/Welcome	130.00	430.00		0.00		0.00
Achievement		0.00		0.00		0.00
Action	50.00	150.00	25.00	100.00	25.00	100.00
Age Doesn't Matter		0.00		0.00		0.00
Albion Lunchbunch		0.00		0.00		0.00
Alexander		0.00		0.00		0.00
Amherst/ Snyder		416.30		0.00		30.00
Amsdel Lakeshore	20.00	60.00		0.00		0.00
Any Age		0.00		0.00		0.00
Any Length	30.00	210.00	10.00	40.00	10.00	40.00
Arcade		100.00		0.00		0.00
As Bill Sees It	25.00	125.00		0.00		0.00
Attitude Adjustment	100.00	200.00	50.00		50.00	
Attraction		200.00		0.00		0.00
Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
Balavia Friday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
Beginning In Sobriety II		0.00		0.00		0.00
Beginning's Women	100.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Bidwell Monday	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00
Big Book Lockport		50.00		0.00		0.00
BB Spiritual Awakening		10.00		0.00		0.00
Big Book Study	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
Big Book Workshop		0.00		0.00		0.00
Blasdel		0.00		0.00		0.00
Blasdel Monday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
Bodhisattva		0.00		0.00		0.00
Boulevard Helping Hand		0.00		0.00		0.00
Boulevard Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
Brass		160.00		0.00		0.00
But For the Grace of God		0.00		0.00		0.00
By The Book		0.00		0.00		0.00
Came To Believe		0.00		0.00		0.00
Carry the Message	25.00	75.00		0.00		0.00
Casting		0.00		0.00		0.00
Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
Cayuga Wake- Up Call		277.00		0.00		0.00
Caz Manor	40.00	180.00		0.00		0.00
Central Park		25.00		25.00		25.00
Chapler IX		120.00		120.00		120.00
Cheektowaga	100.00	700.00		0.00		0.00
Chevy #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
Clarence Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
Clarence Men's II		0.00		0.00		0.00
Cold Spring		0.00		0.00		0.00
Common Bond		0.00		0.00		0.00
Common Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
Commitment		200.00		0.00		0.00
Community Center		0.00		0.00		0.00
Complanters		0.00		0.00		0.00
Courage		100.00		0.00		0.00
Crossroads		60.00		0.00		0.00
Cross Talk Big Book		20.00		0.00		0.00
Daily Reflections	200.00	350.00		0.00		0.00
Daily Reprieve		0.00		0.00		0.00
Derby	200.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
Desire		0.00		0.00		0.00
Desperata		0.00		0.00		0.00
Downtown Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
Dunkirk Monday Night		100.00		0.00		0.00
Early Bird		63.00		0.00		0.00
Early Bird Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
Early Bird Step		25.00		0.00		0.00
Early Rising Obliging		0.00		0.00		0.00
Easier Softer Way		0.00		0.00		0.00
East Amherst		100.00		0.00		0.00
East Aurora	100.00	600.00		0.00		0.00
Easy Does It	25.00	125.00		0.00		0.00
Ellicott		0.00		0.00		0.00
Ellicottville		0.00		0.00		0.00
Emergency		0.00		0.00		0.00
Everybody's		0.00		0.00		0.00
Express		0.00		0.00		0.00
Eyeopener	350.00	750.00		0.00		0.00
F.U.N.		0.00		0.00		0.00
Faith		0.00		0.00		0.00
Father Baker		100.00		0.00		0.00
Feelings		25.00		0.00		0.00
Fireside	139.40	806.25	100.00	25.00	117.00	
First Things First		150.00		0.00		0.00
Forestville Sunday Serenity		30.00		0.00		0.00
Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
Freedom		300.00		0.00		0.00
Freedom Now		0.00		0.00		0.00
Fresh Start	10.00	40.00	10.00	40.00	10.00	40.00
Friendly		6.25		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
	JULY	YEAR	JULY	YEAR	JULY	YEAR
Frontier(New)		0.00		0.00		0.00
GAHA: DAGOH #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
Gahada Gorf (Good Shepard)		148.00		0.00		0.00
Gardenville		0.00		0.00		0.00
Georgetown		163.65		0.00		0.00
Getting Better		0.00		0.00		0.00
Giving		0.00		0.00		0.00
Go to Any Length		200.00		0.00		100.00
Golden Slipper		0.00		0.00		0.00
Grand		204.00		0.00		0.00
Grand II Joy of Living	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
Grateful		0.00		0.00		0.00
Guiding Light		0.00		0.00		0.00
H.O.W.		0.00		0.00		0.00
Hamburg		50.00		0.00		0.00
Hand		0.00		0.00		0.00
Handicappers		300.00		0.00		0.00
Happy Hour		0.00		0.00		0.00
Happy Hour II		0.00		0.00		0.00
Harmony	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
Helping Hand		100.00		0.00		0.00
High Noon		420.00		0.00		0.00
High View		150.00		0.00		0.00
Higher Power		0.00		0.00		0.00
Hillbilly		100.00		25.00		25.00
Holiday Village	200.00	1400.00		0.00		0.00
Holland		0.00		0.00		0.00
Honest Solutions		0.00		0.00		0.00
Honesty		60.00		0.00		0.00
Hope Big Book Study		0.00		0.00		0.00
How It Works/Men's	#####	1000.00		0.00		0.00
Inner City		0.00		0.00		0.00
Inspiration		0.00		0.00		0.00
In The Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
Intoxicated on Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
Ironhorse	70.00	592.26	7.00	58.76	7.00	59.00
IT		0.00		0.00		0.00
Jamestown Groups		0.00		0.00		0.00
Johnson Creek Big Book		60.00		0.00		0.00
Journey		0.00		0.00		0.00
Just Do It		0.00		0.00		0.00
Just For Today/ Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
Just For Today/ Cheek		100.00		0.00		0.00
Keep It Simple Sister		40.00		40.00		40.00
Keep On Coming		0.00		0.00		0.00
Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
Kensington		25.00		0.00		0.00
Ladies Nile Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lake Shore	125.00	625.00	63.00	63.00		0.00
Lakeview		150.00		0.00		0.00
Last Days Fellowship		5.00		0.00		0.00
Lawyers		0.00		0.00		0.00
LawPort		0.00		0.00		0.00
Let Go and Let God		0.00		0.00		0.00
Liberty Women	50.00	80.00		0.00		0.00
Life Today	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
Lighten UP		800.00		0.00		0.00
Live and Let Live		0.00		0.00		0.00
Living Clean		0.00		0.00		0.00
Living In the Solution		25.00		0.00		0.00
Living Sober	50.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
Lock City		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockport #1		500.00		50.00		50.00
Lockport (no name)		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockport Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockport Ladies		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockport Nooners		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockport Tuesday		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lockview	200.00	400.00		0.00		0.00
Look To This Day		0.00		0.00		0.00
Love		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lovejoy		30.00		0.00		0.00
Lower River		0.00		0.00		0.00
Lunch Bunch Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
Main and High		20.00		0.00		0.00
Main Street		0.00		0.00		0.00
Maple Meditations		0.00		0.00		0.00
Manila		40.00		0.00		0.00
Matt Talbot		300.00		0.00		0.00
McKinley Winners	75.00	175.00		0.00		0.00
Medina Big Book		0.00		0.00		0.00
Medina New Life		70.00		0.00		0.00
Mercy		150.00		0.00		0.00
Mid-day	50.00	95.05		0.00		0.00
Midnight Discussion	25.00	25.00		0.00		0.00
Miracle Happen		0.00		0.00		0.00
Morning After	200.00	600.00		0.00		0.00
New Awakening		0.00		0.00		0.00
New Frontier		0.00		0.00		0.00
New Beginnings/St. Vincent		25.00		0.00		0.00
New Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
New Outlook		0.00		0.00		0.00
Niagara Intergroup		0.00		0.00		0.00
New Westside		0.00		0.00		0.00
Niagara Frontier Men's Disc.	82.00	149.00		0.00		0.00
No Human Power		0.00		0.00		0.00
North Buffalo		200.00		50.00		50.00
North Java Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
North Java Sunday		0.00		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP	CENTRAL	CORRECTIONS	TREATMENT
Named*	0.00	0.00	0.00
Women's	0.00	0.00	0.00
One Day At A Time	200.00	0.00	0.00
Open Arms	100.00	0.00	0.00
Open Mind	0.00	0.00	0.00
Orchard Park Step	200.00	530.00	0.00
Pass It On	0.00	0.00	0.00
Patchin	5.00	5.00	0.00
Pathway to Peace	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pendleton Chapter Five	0.00	0.00	0.00
Phonenix	0.00	0.00	0.00
Positively Living/Ret.	800.00	0.00	0.00
Powerless	20.00	45.00	0.00
Pride	0.00	40.00	0.00
Primary Purpose	0.00	10.00	0.00
Principles Baf. Personalities	150.00	0.00	0.00
Progress	0.00	0.00	0.00
Purpose/Tonawanda	0.00	0.00	0.00
Questions & Answers	20.00	0.00	0.00
Rainbow	50.00	0.00	0.00
Ray of Hope	240.00	0.00	0.00
Rec.. Women in the BB.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recovery Near the Gardens	10.00	0.00	0.00
Redeemers	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reflections	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reflections on Recovery	0.00	0.00	0.00
Remember When	25.00	40.00	0.00
Renewal	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rida Sober	100.00	0.00	0.00
Ridge	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rise and Shine	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rochester	0.00	0.00	0.00
Roland	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rural is Plural	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sally	0.00	0.00	0.00
Saratoga	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sat. Night In Recovery	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sat. Nite Sober	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sat. Midnights	0.00	0.00	0.00
Searching For Serenity	100.00	0.00	0.00
Second Chance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Serenity	220.00	50.00	50.00
Serenity Circle	10.00	0.00	0.00
Semily in the Park	0.00	0.00	0.00
Serinity on the Lake	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sly Shack Nooners	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sly Trellis	0.00	0.00	0.00
Selaside	100.00	100.00	0.00
Sheridan	180.00	0.00	0.00
Silvercreek Friendship	5.00	0.00	0.00
Sober and Proud	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sober Saturday	50.00	50.00	50.00
Sober Trails	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sober Winners	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sobriety Comes First	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sobriety for Women	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sobriety Men's Disc.	34.00	107.34	33.00
Sobriety On The Canal	50.00	0.00	0.00
Sobriety on a Sat. Night	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sobriety on the Lake	0.00	0.00	0.00
Solidarity	0.00	0.00	0.00
Somersat	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Buffalo	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Town	0.00	0.00	0.00
Southgate	60.00	0.00	0.00
Southwestern	52.00	62.00	0.00
Spirit of Hope	100.00	0.00	0.00
Spiritual Progress	90.00	0.00	0.00
Springville Sat. Afternoon	60.00	0.00	0.00
Springville Tues. Night	60.00	0.00	0.00
Springville Wed. Noon	10.00	10.00	0.00
Springville New Life	40.00	0.00	0.00
St. Barnabas	0.00	0.00	0.00
St. Mark's	0.00	0.00	0.00
Starting Over	115.00	309.55	0.00
Staying Alive	0.00	0.00	0.00
Step Work	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stepping Stones/Cow.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stepping Stones/Wil.	0.00	0.00	0.00
Suburban	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunday Afternoon Ascension	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunday Morning Breakfast	100.00	900.00	0.00
Sunday @ 8:00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunday Nites	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunday Third Group	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunrise Court	400.00	30.00	30.00
SUNY Amherst Campus	40.00	0.00	0.00
Surrender and Hope	100.00	300.00	50.00
Survivors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Suz	30.00	290.00	0.00
Book Meeting	0.00	0.00	0.00
Three Legacies	146.95	146.95	146.95
Those Too	53.31	53.31	0.00
Thruway	100.00	950.00	20.00
Thurs. Nile Steppers	0.00	0.00	0.00
Thursday PM Discussion	150.00	300.00	0.00
Today	0.00	0.00	0.00

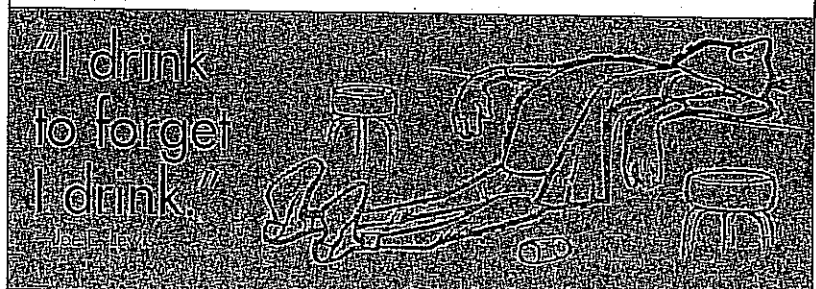
GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

GROUP	CENTRAL	CORRECTIONS	TREATMENT
1 Today's Woman	75.00	0.00	0.00
2 Trail Blazers	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Tri County	60.00	0.00	60.00
4 Tri-Step Beginners	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 Try Again	100.00	10.00	10.00
6 Tuesday Men's AM	50.00	150.00	0.00
7 Tuesday Women	0.00	0.00	0.00
8 Turning Point	0.00	52.00	0.00
9 Twin Cities	100.00	100.00	0.00
10 Unrly	0.00	0.00	0.00
11 University Men's Disc.	0.00	0.00	0.00
12 Valley	100.00	0.00	0.00
13 Vardelas of Spiritual Exper.	0.00	0.00	0.00
14 Varysburg	0.00	0.00	0.00
15 Victory	100.00	0.00	0.00
16 Victory Women's	100.00	0.00	0.00
17 Wake Up Call	0.00	0.00	0.00
18 We Are Not Saints	0.00	0.00	0.00
19 We Care	120.00	40.00	80.00
20 We Choose Life	0.00	0.00	0.00
21 We Don't Know	0.00	0.00	0.00
22 Wehrle	30.00	110.00	0.00
23 Westfield	0.00	40.00	0.00
24 Westminster	0.00	0.00	0.00
25 Why	0.00	25.00	0.00
26 Williamsville	0.00	0.00	0.00
27 Willing To Grow	510.00	510.00	0.00
28 Wilson Group	43.30	30.00	0.00
29 Wilson Smith Alumni	0.00	0.00	0.00
30 Women In Sobriety	0.00	0.00	0.00
31 Women's West Side	0.00	0.00	0.00
32 Working	0.00	0.00	0.00
33 You'll Never Walk Alone	0.00	0.00	0.00
34 Young at Heart	0.00	0.00	0.00
35 Youngstown	0.00	0.00	0.00
36 Africa	0.00	0.00	0.00
37 Anonymous	7.50	207.50	0.00
38 Frank & Margie P.	0.00	46.00	0.00
39 John H.	0.00	25.00	0.00
40 Della R.	0.00	19.95	0.00
41 Don K.	0.00	2.05	0.00
42 Dick G.	0.00	10.00	0.00
43 Robert K.	0.00	10.00	0.00
44 Tim F.	0.00	25.00	0.00
45 Melvin R.	260.00	260.00	0.00
46	0.00	0.00	0.00
47	0.00	0.00	0.00
48	0.00	0.00	0.00
49	0.00	0.00	0.00
50	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	27496.70	353.00	340.00
ATTENDED CENTRAL COMMITTEE			1896.28



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Dr. Bob, Pass It On, Page 339

## 65th Buffalo Fall Convention

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

October 20, 21 and 22, 2006

### Buffalo Convention Center

Convention Center Plaza, Buffalo, New York  
(on Franklin Street between Court and Huron Streets)

Accommodations available at the rate of  
\$89.00 per night at the adjoining  
**Hyatt Regency Buffalo**  
Two Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, New York

**Registration opens**  
1:00 p.m. Friday  
8:00 a.m. Saturday

**Friday Workshop**  
Moderator:  
Pat. S., Henrietta, NY  
6:00-7:30 p.m.

**Alkathons**  
Friday and Saturday

### Speakers

- Walter C. - Buffalo, NY
- Mike S. - Rochester, NY
- Larry C. - Marietta, OH
- Angie P. - Cincinnati, OH
- Fr. Pete - Oakville, ONT
- Paula C. - Marietta, OH (Al-Anon)

**Old Timers' Panel**  
8:30 a.m. Sunday

**Early Bird Speaker - 4:30 p.m. Friday**

### Registration & Banquet Prices

- AA and Al-Anon**  
\$18 Registration  
\$48 Registration & Banquet
- Al-Ateen**  
\$8 Registration  
\$38 Registration & Banquet

**Dances**  
Friday and Saturday Nights  
(\$5.00 per night)

**Archives Display**

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**Registration Badges**  
are required to attend all functions (panels, speakers, banquet, alkathons and dances).  
**NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Donations**  
Any individual or group wishing to donate to the convention fund toward expenses, please contact the Registration Chair,  
Zenny C. (716) 888-8588

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## The convention will be held at the Buffalo Convention Center

Special convention room rates of \$89.00 per night (based on double occupancy) have been provided by the **Hyatt Regency Buffalo** (adjoining the convention center), Two Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY, 14202, or call (716) 856-1234 or (800) 233-1234.

Please contact the hotel directly for your room reservations. Convention rates **must** be requested no later than September 20, 2006. After that, prices are at the regular **Hyatt Regency Buffalo** rates.

A special parking rate has been obtained from the hotel of \$15.00 for the weekend at the Ausberger Ramp across the street from the hotel with privileges to go in and out without paying further charges.  
Make sure you renew your receipt with the attendant upon every exit.

**If you are not staying at the Hyatt**, parking arrangements have been made as follows: Friday - parking will be available for only \$4.00 at the Ausberger Ramp at Pearl and Huron Sts. Saturday - parking will be free at the Fernbach Ramp (behind the Main Place Mall between Pearl and Franklin Sts.) with the parking voucher you may pick up at the convention Registration Desk. Sunday - city parking is free.

### We Pay Our Own Way

There are many AA conventions held around the world, with Al-Anon and Al-Ateen participation by invitation. One of the most common misconceptions is that conventions are AA meetings. Conventions are special events, not meetings, which require a lot of money. This convention is self-supporting. No group money is used to pay for this event. The cost of this convention is paid through registration fees. No baskets are passed. Attendance is voluntary and as responsible AA, Al-Anon and Al-Ateen members, we "pay our own way."

**Should you have any questions, concerns, or special needs, please contact one of the following:**

Winston F., Chairperson  
(716) 834-9913

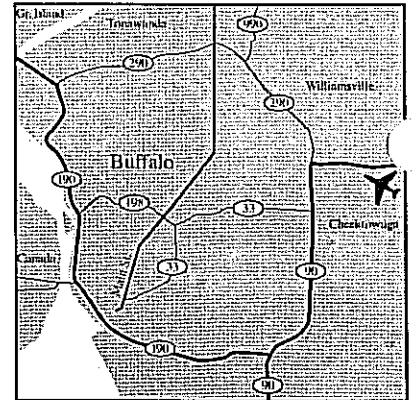
or

Zenny C., Registration Chair  
(716) 283-6508

### Directions to the Convention & Parking:

**From Niagara Falls:** Take the 190 across Grand Island and along the river to the Niagara Street exit, right onto Niagara to the traffic circle, around circle to Court St, left on Franklin St. to Huron, right on Huron St. for the Ausberger Ramp or for the Fernbach Ramp, from Huron, turn right onto Pearl St. and continue past Court St. to the ramp.

**From Interstate 90, Buffalo Int'l. Airport & Southtowns:** Take the 33 Expressway West to Goddell St. exit. Follow to Pearl St., make a left on Pearl to Huron St. for the Ausberger Ramp or continue up Pearl St., past Court St. for the Fernbach Ramp.



If you wish to be seated at the Banquet with friends, you **MUST** mail all registration forms and payment together in **one envelope** along with a letter stating that you wish to be seated together. Tables seat 10 people each. **No separate requests will be allowed either by mail or by phone.** Cut off date for registration by mail is October 6, 2006.

### Registration Form

<b>Registration Only</b>	AA - \$18.00	Al-Anon - \$18.00	Al-Ateen - \$8.00	\$
<b>Banquet - \$30.00</b>				\$
<b>Sweatshirt - \$20.00 each - available in M, L, XL, XXL (circle one size)</b>				\$
<b>Commemorative Mug - \$5.00 each</b>				\$
<b>Banquet Choices:</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>

Please check one meal choice.

Prime Rib  Chicken  Portabella Mushrooms

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Needs:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please be sure your check (or checks) are for the total at the bottom of the registration form.  
Checks should be made payable to Buffalo Fall Convention, P.O. Box 237, Tonawanda, NY 14151  
All checks must be in U.S. funds.