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Critics Say Washington AA Chapter Is Cult-like

Recovering alcoholics say a Washington, D.C., group has hijacked the 12-step program's name.

By Nick Summers

Newsweek (excerpted from May 7, 2007 edition)

...But something about Midtown was not right. After a few months, the group's embrace of May began to feel like a chokehold. She says the sponsor assigned to give her moral support and help keep her sober pressured her to cut off ties to anyone outside the group. Another member snatched her cell phone and deleted names in the directory. She says she was pressured to stop taking the medication a doctor had prescribed to manage her bipolar disorder: group members told her she couldn't be sober if she was taking any kind of drug. There was a hierarchy to the group. Younger members were sometimes expected to wash cars, clean houses and do other menial chores for more senior members.

May says she was especially uncomfortable with the emphasis on dating within the group and sex between members. She would listen as girls her age compared notes on the men in the group they had been encouraged to sleep with, some of whom were decades older.

Her suspicions were confirmed when she left Midtown and began attending a different AA meeting. She was surprised—and relieved—to find that many of Midtown's common practices were exactly the opposite of what Alcoholics Anonymous literature teaches. By design, there are no "leaders" in AA groups who exert control over other members. AA doesn't expect members to ignore doctors' prescriptions. It doesn't tell them to turn their backs on friends and family. And far from encouraging sex, AA groups overwhelmingly frown on intimate relationships for the first year of sobriety, when a recovering alcoholic is thought to be most vulnerable.

May's story isn't unique. Now 16, she is one of hundreds of recovering alcoholics who are taking sides in a bitter, unprecedented dispute among Alcoholics Anonymous adherents that pits members of Midtown, who insist the organization has saved their lives and kept them sober, against angry former members, who charge it is a coercive, cult-like group that uses the trusted AA name to induce young alcoholics into a radical fringe movement that has little resemblance to traditional AA.

... Lauren Dougherty says that doesn't describe her at all. Now 29, she loved all the attention she got when she decided to sober up and join Midtown 11 years ago. A member of her family was an alcoholic, and Dougherty had sat in the back during AA meetings before. But Midtown was different from the meetings she remembered. Her first night, she was introduced to another member of the group and told, "She's your sponsor." Dougherty thought that was odd. AA sponsors are chosen, not assigned. But everyone was so friendly she let it pass. They gave her specific instructions about which Midtown meeting she should attend each day, and

told her to cut off friends from her old life, even the ones who didn't drink. Soon her new circle of friends insisted she get an "AA boyfriend." Like May, Dougherty says there was pressure to sleep with older group members, which she refused to do. ("They live off of sex," says Meredith, a 19-year-old former member who, like several others, did not want her full name used to avoid being outed as an alcoholic. "I feel like their way of dealing with alcohol addiction is just by having sex with each other. Being in that group made me want to drink more.")

Disgusted, Dougherty tried to quit the group. She says her sponsor was furious. "You can't trust any of your own thoughts," she said. "You can't go into your own head unsupervised." At first, Dougherty didn't know what to believe, until a rehab counselor told her in no uncertain terms to get out.

Some former members say they too were made to believe that leaving Midtown would doom their recovery. Twenty-six-year-old Kristen spent eight years with the group, shunning family and outside friends. When she applied to go to art school in Richmond, Va., her sponsor, an older man, cursed her out. "You will drink," he told her. "You will fail. You will die." The reaction of her sponsor persuaded her to leave the group once and for all. She began secretly attending other AA meetings in the area. "I was so tired of being afraid all the time," she says. "I'd rather die than be in Midtown again."

Former members claim that Midtown makes it difficult to leave in other ways. About half the group's approximately 300 members rent houses with each other across the D.C. area. Many find work through contacts in the group. For them, exiting Midtown is not just a matter of walking out the door—it means getting evicted, breaking up with a boyfriend or girlfriend, and starting a social life from scratch.

The Responsibility of Personal Freedoms

AA, since the beginning, has heaped unbelievable personal freedoms on its' membership. Each group is autonomous and answers to no one. This was and is a good thing. The missing ingredient seems to be a concern for how the behaviors of individual groups affect AA as a whole. Much of our membership are me first individuals who are incapable of thinking beyond the immediate recognition of their viewpoints and demands. Their way is the only way. This has manifested itself in a division within Alcoholics Anonymous as a whole.

In the leading story of this edition an AA group out of control is the primary focus of a national article highlighting cult-like activities within that group. How could this happen? How could an organization, totally committed to helping their membership, fall so far from its' own guiding principles? What has happened to AA?

In our earlier times it was understood that we weren't interested in being politically correct. We had a conservative, no-nonsense approach to our spiritual program of recovery and it was not negotiable. As alcoholism lost its' stigma and more liberal thinking found its' way into AA, many older members rightfully railed against ideas that do not fit in with our program of recovery. As more and more secular ideas and practices found their way into AA, those older members' concerns led them to meet in private or to try and control the membership at the group level. Instead of

being seen as guardians of our way of life they became ostracized by newer members who saw them as out of touch with the new and more tolerant AA. Pretty soon the newer members outnumbered the Old Masters and our primary focus was lost. The older members, who still suffer from this illness, either met in private or tried to exert more pressure to conform to our age-old principles. With battle lines drawn our spiritual compass was lost and groups became more conservative or more liberal.

At this point newer members began exerting their freedoms and formed their own groups with little experience and limited knowledge of AA's principles and traditions. Groups started popping up with frightening frequency and with each group that was started a little piece of our unity and stability was sacrificed. Members on each side forgot one of our primary tenets, that we have a common problem and a common solution. If we stick to the principles outlined in our steps and traditions we really have no basis for disagreement. Furthermore, when we become fearful and attempt to regulate the behaviors of our membership we run the risk of becoming like the Midtown group in the Newsweek article. Each group IS AUTONOMOUS, but that freedom is linked to a greater responsibility to act in a way that sacrifices individual rights for the good of the whole. Groups, as well as individuals, can become sick when cut off from the body of AA as a whole. When cut off from the sunlight of the Spirit, we sicken and die, but not one minute before we destroy everything worthwhile around us. A group is not a healthy group unless it participates in and protects the collective conscience of AA as a whole.

(Shawn C. - editor)

**We recover by the Steps we take,
not the meetings we make!**

Alcoholics Anonymous is for alcoholics who want to stop drinking, start living and enjoy being alive. But, AA has two elements; (1) the Fellowship and (2) the Program. The Fellowship of AA is comprised of the individuals who make up the groups. Some have recovered from alcoholism and some have not. Recovery occurs as the result of following a precise Program of action. This Program of Alcoholics Anonymous is stated in the book "Alcoholics Anonymous". Page 17 of this book, the "basic text" for members of Alcoholics Anonymous and lovingly called the "Big Book", states that almost all who have followed the Program have recovered. It further states that the Fellowship (making meetings and hanging out in AA) is good and important, but that will not produce recovery. Recovery is the product of taking the "Program of Action" or the Steps as they are outlined in the "Big Book" and is absolutely necessary if you are to survive alcoholism.

Today, a person with a drinking problem will have little trouble finding the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous wherever they may be in this world of ours. Unfortunately though, they will probably have a difficult time finding the Program, and therefore will have little chance of finding lasting sobriety. The reason is quite simple; many AA groups today are made up of folks who are confused as to why the group exists and have little if any knowledge of the Program, i.e. the problem (alcoholism), the Solution (God as we *understand Him*) nor the practical Program of action (the 12 Steps) which assures recovery. Search for a group that is focused on the Solution. They will have "Big Book Study Meetings", "Speaker Meetings" and "Tradition Study Meetings". The members of such a group will be alcoholics who are "recovering" (taking the Steps) or have "recovered" (have taken and continue to live by our Steps). Gerard L. - AA Member-Albany NY

THE FABLE OF THE TABLE

(OR THE HAPPY LIE)

When newly sober I had a running pal we referred to as “Les’ Miserables” (the miserable one). Bill had a view of things that was not exactly front and center PC. He skeptically dissected every word uttered. I learned from Bill that alkiees are prone to embellishment and painting delusional word pictures in order to appear to be the King/Queen of the Hill. We would be listening to someone in the running to become president of AA, embellishing how the promises were coming true in his life and Bill would add the dialogue. (eg.) My wife loves me and has welcomed me back into the house. Interpretation: Sleeps in the basement with the dog. (eg.) Since I stopped drinking I now have money in the bank. Interpretation: Wife picks up check from his supervisor before Don Juan gets off of work on payday. (eg.) I have a new car in the driveway. Interpretation: Mother-in-law lets him drive her car to and from work. Bill was the king of one-liners and was faster on his feet than Derek Jeter. One evening a particularly perplexed young member announced that he had a resentment for his father and Bill offered, “Hang on to it, it won’t be the last one.” Remember, the promises are realized in the middle of Step Nine, not at the doorstep of your first meeting. (Shawn C – editor)

IT’S OUR DAMN MONEY!!!

Each group is autonomous and has the right to decide what bills get paid, what donations are made in the name of the group to our service functions, and what is a prudent reserve. No one can tell a group what to do with its’ collection. However, we were supposed to have stopped being errant spendthrift children when we committed to become “Self-Supporting through our own contributions.” We pay our own way.

How often is a child given an allowance that is spent foolishly within minutes on candy and later they are unable to go to the beach because their money is gone? How many children are sent to the store for the family and mysteriously return with chocolate on their face and no bread? How much self-imposed punishment must a child endure before he becomes a fully functioning responsible adult?

When a responsible member of AA donates to the basket, they have a reasonable expectation that those monies are being used to support the organization that saved their life. They should have confidence that the group is handling those funds in a responsible manner. That they are funding recovery and not “dance fever.” That they are supporting our primary purpose, not the treasurer’s smoking habit. That the group is pulling their weight when it comes to supporting our service structure, not sitting back and letting other groups carry their burden.

Monies in the basket are monies primarily intended for the functioning of the group. Paying the rent, getting needed insurances, literature, coffee and occasionally donuts. They are for real expenses not group parties and picnics. Many groups fund their anniversary through private donations from grateful members, while others run a 50-50 for those purposes. Many grateful individual members provide

their own cake for their anniversary celebration. Those activities should not be funded by our regular collections. In the scheme of things that is much like the child who shows up at home covered in chocolate without the bread. If our expenses are covered and there is a prudent reserve, any extra monies should go to our service structure. AA does not operate through public grants or endowments, it operates through the donations of a grateful membership. We are SELF-SUPPORTING. If we cannot support our service structure, AA will collapse and many will die not knowing we had a solution. Members need to stop rationalizing that it is OK not to pay for the services and literature supplied by our central office and New York because they don't agree with something or someone. Those groups that don't contribute usually demand the most services like greedy children at an ice cream stand. They would be up in arms if they weren't included in the schedules that contributing groups pay for. They would whine endlessly if they couldn't have their say at the central committee. Yet they don't want to pay the freight for those expenses. It is time for AA groups and individual members to become responsible. For members who are blessed with long-term sobriety, a donation equal to the number of years you have enjoyed freedom from alcohol would not be out of line. For newer members who cannot afford any donation, how about the sober guy or gal next to you slipping in an extra buck until you get on your feet. Our membership needs to stop making childish excuses for not contributing. *Exactly how grateful are you for the gift you have been given?* (Shawn C. - editor)

Reintroduced to Myself

I am one of AA's younger members and am actually grateful to be an alcoholic. At first I thought of AA as a brainwashing program as I watched my mother get sober and change over a four-year period. I guess back then I was proud to be an active alcoholic, thought I was lucky to have the freedom to drink, and often felt sorry for people in AA who took themselves so seriously. I attended AA with my mother on occasion, but I couldn't believe the things people said and the feelings they had. When I saw people from AA in the mall or the post office, they wanted to reach out to me, but I'd get away from them as fast as I could.

In my late teens, the law began sending me to AA, then my Mom started making me go. I hated it and fought to be different, always against the grain. All my friends partied and a lot of them were older than I was. My drinking became daily. I lived with different friends and relatives, hopped from school to school, and was depressed, felt alone, never got close to anyone, not even a boyfriend. I was self-destructive and lived on the edge and didn't care if I lived or died. I always wanted to fight and liked it when people were scared of me.

The seed of AA was there, and on mornings when I hurt physically and didn't remember the night before, I'd wonder: should I give AA a fair shot? For six months I'd pull a few days together, then celebrate with a drink. I really felt as though I was going crazy. I was afraid to believe in a higher power and I continued downhill, never remembering the night before, still going to AA while comparing my way out. I was constitutionally incapable of being honest. The law brought me to my bottom and I decided to give AA an honest try. At twenty-three months sober, I had changed people, places, and things, gotten a sponsor, and worked Steps One through Five. I was doing the things suggested but I still felt alone and didn't know myself.

My higher power wasn't a priority and I'd never lived one day at a time. I didn't feel worthy of sobriety and I drank again. Yes, I picked up where I let off. I went out for one night, was out of control, remember nothing, and came back to AA the following morning. I reintroduced myself and got real with myself and God too. I'm proud to say that this November I'll have three years sober. I am twenty-three years old. Sure I have bad days and have made mistakes, but I don't drink and I go to meetings, and no matter how much pain I'm in, when I read the Twelve Promises in the Big Book, I get grateful.

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Alcoholics Anonymous is a program for alcoholics who seek freedom from alcohol. It is not a program against drugs. However, *some* A.A. members have *misused* drugs, often as a substitute for alcohol, in such a manner as to become a threat to the achievement and maintenance of sobriety. These incidents have caused all A.A. members to be concerned with what is popularly known as the "pill" problem." (excerpted from "The AA Member-Medications and Other Drugs)

FREE ADVICE IS WORTH WHAT YOU PAY FOR IT

Alcoholics Anonymous is filled with well intentioned persons who have a wealth of personal experience concerning any number of problems an individual may encounter. There is however, a grave difference between sharing your experience and telling other members how to handle their personal situations.

Marital advice can be quite damaging for the AA who is fresh off the sauce. Their spouse and children are angry at best and your prospects delusional reports on their mistreatment may be inaccurate. To tell them to leave their spouse is trying to play God and condemning their family to financial hardship and emotional challenges.

The worst advice that can be given is concerning medical problems. Telling a person to forgo their medicine or needed treatments can have a life threatening result. When we encounter a prospect who we cannot understand or relate to we should share our experience or lack of same and stop there. Each prospect needs to make their own decisions with the help of paid professionals – not AA zealots. I am personally opposed to medications for "Me" based on my personal experiences. I am personally opposed to AA members prescribing for themselves and using medications haphazardly but that is my opinion, not my experience. It was suggested that we avoid any medications that were not prescribed by a competent physician with whom we had confided in completely about our alcoholism, and even then we were ultimately responsible for making sure we were not becoming dependent or intoxicated. I don't make good decisions surrounding medications, mine or yours, and I leave that in more competent hands. (Shawn C – editor)

IN MEMORIAM

Things We Can Not Change


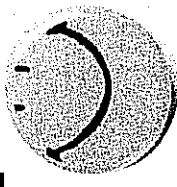
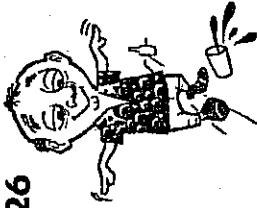

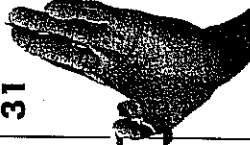
Oney D.: Sunday Morning Breakfast Group, 20y.

Motorcycle Dan: Gahada Gon Group

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

Share your Experience, Strength and Hope.

sunday monday tuesday wednesday thursday friday saturday

<p>1</p> <p>Central Committee Meeting, 7 pm, Correctional Committee Meeting, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca St.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>66th Buffalo Fall Convention Meeting, 6:00 PM @ Kenmore Methodist Church, 32 Landers Rd., Kenmore. Special Needs Committee, 6:30 PM, The Kenilworth Church of Christ Church, 45 Dalton St., Kenmore.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2005: 25 millionth Big Book given to San Quentin, home of the first and longest-running correctional facilities meeting.</p>	<p>4 INDEPENDENCE DAY</p> <p>1935: Akron, Ohio: Bill D., a lawyer, leaves the hospital and becomes AA #3.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>*1965: Frank Amos, one of the Rockefeller people and one of AA's first trustees, dies.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>*1955: AA's Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service are turned over to the Fellowship of AA-at-large by its old-timers at 20th Anniversary International Convention in St. Louis.</p>
<p>8</p>  <p>POOR ME... POOR ME... POUR ME ANOTHER DRINK.</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>*1949: Dr. Silkworth writes the first medical journal article about AA in the <i>Lancet</i>.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>**1979: Ernest Kurtz's <i>NOT-GOD: A History of Alcoholics Anonymous</i> is published.</p>	<p>12</p>  <p>A.A. = attitude adjustment</p>	<p>13</p> <p>*1949: The comic strip <i>Wash Tubbs</i> starts to run the AA story.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10th Anniversary, Main & High Group Day Of Sharing, 9:30 AM- 3:15 PM. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 1080 Main Street, Buffalo</p>
<p>15</p> <p>*1941: <i>Fort Worth Press</i> publishes an anonymous letter from a founding member of the Texas AA group.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Treatment Facilities Committee, 6 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca St</p> <p>**1966: President Johnson appoints Marty M. to the first National Advisory Commission on Alcoholism.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>The most common topics at AA meetings are Anger and Graftitude. One gets you drunk; the other keeps you sober.</p>	<p>18 Public Information Committee meeting, Buffalo Central Office, 7 PM.</p> <p>1940: <i>Richmond Times Dispatch</i> reports AA weekly meetings will begin in September.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>"I had a soul-sickness." —Richmond Walker, For Drunks Only</p>	<p>20</p> <p>"...nothing will so much ensure immunity from drinking as extensive work with other alcoholics." —The Big Book</p>	<p>21</p> <p>*1940: The first AA groups are founded in Dayton, Ohio, and Richmond, Va.</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Tri County Annual Picnic- 11:00 am until dark. Located at the Firemen's Park, Sandhill Rd. (Rt. 62), Speakers @ 2 and 6pm, Ride For Sobriety, leaving Hamburg Square Plaza approximately 10:30 AM, arrive at Lehighworth State Park (Middle Falls Shelter) approx. 12 Noon, followed by a Picnic and Speaker.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1940: Philadelphia AA group sends 10% of its money to Alcoholics Foundation and sets a precedent for the Seventh Tradition basket.</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>*1955: A.I.S. writes the Responsibility Pledge and 10,000 at the AA Int'l. Convention in Toronto, take it for the first time.</p>	<p>26</p> 	<p>27</p> <p>"Carry the Vision" AA Men's Spiritual Weekend, Speakers, Meetings, Fellowship, Great Food, Campfire, Columbian Center, Derby</p> <p>1950: First AA Convention begins in Cleveland, with Twelve Traditions being adopted and Dr. Bob's farewell talk.</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will."</p>	<p>31</p> 	<p>32</p> <p>The 12 Steps keep us from committing suicide.</p> <p>The 12 Traditions keep us from committing murder.</p>	<p>33</p>	<p>BUFFALO CENTRAL OFFICE 681 Seneca Street- Lower Buffalo, NY 14210 Phone: (716) 853-0388 Fax: (716) 853-0389 E-Mail: buffalaaa@hotmail.com</p>	<p>34</p>

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Alexander

Michelle F. 4y
 Don O. 14y
 Sue A. 16y
 Carl T. 21y

Amherst/Snyder

Mary S. 6m
 Janet M. 4y
 Sheila C. 4y
 Rick S. 13y
 Dave P. 13y
 Dave Y. 13y
 Kevin M. 13y
 Tina D. 18y
 Holly M. 18y
 Guy M. 20y
 Bob L. 22y
 Charmaine D. 24y
 Rich H. 26y
 Don H. 35y

Community Center

Marilyn D. 19y

Courage Group

Cheryl K. 6y
 Barbara J. 12y
 Jerry F. 16y
 Mary M. 16y
 Donna P. 28y

Fireside

Megan H. 6y
 Elaine C. 14y
 Roseann P. 21y

Freedom

Steve H. 3m
 Carl C. 6m
 Kevin K. 6m
 Mike P. 6m
 Mike S. 6m
 Todd S. 17y
 Dennis Z. 19y

Fresh Start

Ron D. 20y

Gaha:Dagon

Sue M. 14y

Gardenville

Bob J. 4y
 Linda H. 21y

Ironhorse

Molly B. 2y
 Colleen M. 4y
 John F. 5y
 Mark M. 7y
 Dorothy K. 10y
 Sue C. 17y
 Steve K. 21y
 Jim S. 33y

Holiday Village

Paula R. 3m
 Maureen H. 3m
 Shawn L. 6m
 Benet 9m
 Keven B. 6y
 David H. 9y
 Sue M. 14y
 Kevin B. 19y

Kensington

Jeffrey L. 19y

Lakeshore

Shawn C. 28y
 Charles H. 39y

Lighten Up

Colleen H. 6m
 Dave S. 2y
 George K. 4y
 Rick B. 5y
 Sue H. 5y
 Leslie s. 10y

Lockport #1

Dan S. 1y

LoveJoy

Cathy S. 1y
 Brian Z. 1y

North Buffalo

Greta E. 2y
 Diane D. 2y
 Mary Jo K. 2y
 David W. 2y
 Reggie R. 3y
 Karen R. 23y
 Buzz R. 51y

Rise & Shine

Kimberly P. 6m
 Tracy G. 1y
 Denise H. 1y
 Megann B. 1y
 Edith S. 2y
 Sandy F. 2y
 Sheila C. 2y
 Polly B. 3y
 Mike V. 3y
 Mike M. 4y
 Matt G. 4y
 Shawn Y 5y
 Peggy M. 6y
 Jerry T. 6y
 Vicky 11y
 Jack G. 14y
 Kim C. 20y
 Michael R. 28y

Thruway

Donald D. 9m
 Margarette A 1y

Springville Tues.

Lori H. 7y
 John M. 18y

Sober Winners

John M. 5y

Southtown

Margarette A 1y
 Mike S. 1y

Sunday AM

Breakfast

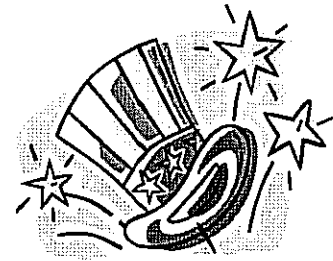
Peggy M. 6y
 Norm B. 7y
 Carl B. 8y
 Sue M. 11y

Surrender & Hope

Cliff F. 6m

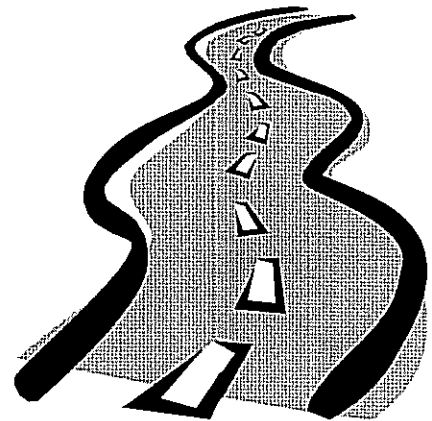
Valley

Tim R. 3m
 Michael K. 6m
 Jack T. 6m
 Mike S. 1y
 Jess K. 3y
 Q2 Tom G. 26y
 Shelley M. 26y



Group Anniversaries

Alexander; 25y
 Blasdell Monday Nite; 17y
 Brass; 45y
 Courage; 30y
 Ellicottville; 26y
 Feelings; 21y
 Freedom; 22y
 Giving; 23y
 Hillbilly; 60y
 How it Works/Men's; 14y
 Inspiration; 39y
 Positively Living II; 26y
 Willing to Grow; 17y
 Women Making an Effort; 2y



"TRUDGE THE ROAD
 TO
 HAPPY DESTINY"



PLEASE READ AT YOUR MEETING...HELP KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED:-)

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MEETING CHANGES:

- **Early Rising Obliging** has **moved** to, 8210 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, Friday's, 10 am.
- Tuesday's 10 am, **New Freedom Group**, First Step Center, 2470 Allen Ave, Niagara Falls, Open Discussion.
- **Bidwell Group**, Mondays at 8 pm, St. John's Grace, 51 Colonial Circle, Buffalo, **NO LONGER MEETS.**
- **You'll Never Walk Alone Group**, Wed, at 8pm, 1 symphony Circle, **NO LONGER MEETS.**
- **Freedom Group**; St. Amelia's, Sat. @ 8 PM, Open Speaker followed at 9 PM with a Family After & Open Discussion.
- **New Group; T'NT**, Tues. & Thurs., 6 PM, Ascension Lutheran Church, Snyder, 4640 Main St. Open Discussion.
- **Hillbilly Group** is changing its **starting time to 8 PM** starting June 1st. Village Hall Basement, 4295 S. Buffalo St., Orchard Park.
- **New Group**, Saturday's 8 PM, Dee Wright Center, corner of John & Church St.s, Akron. Closed 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 1st to Oct. 1st. Will meet rain or shine (please dress for weather)
- **Big Book Workshop, Sunday's, 8:00 PM, Gahada Gon Trailer, 12698 Southwestern, Irving.**

COMING EVENTS:

- ~June 26, **Steering Committee**, 6 PM, Central Office, 681 Seneca Street.
- ~ July 1, **Central Committee Meeting**, SUNDAY, 7 pm, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street (Hosted by Fresh Start).
- ~ July 1, **Corrections Committee Meeting**, SUNDAY, 6:00 PM, Buffalo Central Office, 681 Seneca Street (lower).
- ~ July 2, **66th Buffalo Fall Convention Meeting**, Monday, 6:00 PM @. Kenmore Methodist Church, 32 Landers Rd., Kenmore. All are welcome.

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- ~ July 15, **10th Anniversary, Main & High Group Day Of Sharing**, Saturday, 9:30 AM- 3:15 PM. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1080 Main Street, Buffalo. Panels & Speaker - 50/50 - Hot Meal – Refreshments - Registration \$6.00.
- ~ July 18, **Public Information Committee meeting**, Wednesday, Anyone interested in helping the community understand who we are, what we do, and what we are not do, PLEASE come out and get involved. Help keep A.A. around for your children. Buffalo Central Office, 7 PM.
- ~ July 22, **Tri County Annual Picnic**- Sunday from 11:00 Am until dark. Fun, food and fellowship. Located at the Firemen's Park on Sandhill Rd. (Rt. 62), across from the VFW in Gowanda. Games for kids. Speakers @ 2 and 6pm, live music, games. Family Day, bring the kids!!! Hot Dogs, hamburgers, coffee, pop, ect. Provided, please bring a dish to share. This is an open event, so please bring the family. More info call Mark 532-2670 or 532-5076.
- ~ July 22, **Ride For Sobriety**, leaving Hamburg Square Plaza approximately 10:30 AM, Registration from 8-10), arrive at Letchworth State Park (Middle Falls Shelter) approx. 12 Noon, followed by a Picnic and Speaker. \$10 per Bike/ \$4 Passenger, Park fee \$6/car/\$4 per person picnic. Food & 50/50 for more info call: Tim G. 480-5241 or Martin C. 947-4186.
- ~ July 27-29, **"Carry the Vision" AA Men's Spiritual Weekend**. Speakers, Meetings, Fellowship, Great Food, Campfire. Registration Fee \$125, \$25 Deposit, flyers @ Central Office.
- ~ Aug 4, **7th District A.A. Picnic**, LaSalle Park, Shelter #5, (am-9pm, Speaker @ 2 pm. Bring a dish.
- ~ Aug. 12, **General Service Assembly**, 1 PM, in Morganville (Hosted by Morganville)
- ~ Aug 17-19, **Fellowship Weekend, sponsored by Principles Before Personalities Group**. 4895 Gunbarrel Rd., Springville. Speakers (Tom & Juanita, from Albuquerque, NM), Bonfires. Hot Dogs & Hamburgers provided, please bring a dish to share. Registration \$40. Only 100 registrants allowed. Must register by 7/15/07. Flyer enclosed. For more info call, Keir A. 200-3906 or Wally B. 648-0191.
- ~ August 31- Sept. 2, **54th 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.
- ~ OCT. 5-7, **66th.BUFFALO FALL CONVENTION**: Buffalo Convention Center (on Franklin St. between Court & Chippewa Streets) Registration: \$20, Registration & Banquet: \$45. Web site: www.BuffaloFallConvention2007.com. Registration Chair; Dave S. (716) 906-2202

7th STEP: "Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings."

7th TRADITION: "Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

7th CONCEPT; The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.

Buffalo Central Committee Minutes
June 1, 2007

Mark S. Committee Chair opened the meeting at 7:03 pm with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. Jason from the Three Legacies Group read the Preamble, Jay H. the North Buffalo Group read the Purpose of the Central Committee. Gilbert from the Try Again Group read the Twelve Traditions. Motion to dispense with the reading of last months minutes made by Jay H. seconded by Milt from the Lakeshore Group.

23 Groups were represented: Dist.1: Main and High, Pride. Dist.2: Living Sober, North Buffalo, Ride Sober, Sheridan, Three Legacies, Turning Point; Dist.3: Abbott Men's Disc. Courage, Iron Horse, Try Again, Valley; Dist.4: A Day At A Time, Eye Opener South; Dist.5: Lockport #1, Sober Winners; Dist.6: Amsdell Lakeshore, Carrying the Message, Lakeshore, Serenity On The Lake. Dist.7: Fresh Start, Spirit of Hope;

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ENVELOPE SYSTEM: No Report

STEERING COMMITTEE: Report given by Dist. 8 Rep, Steering Committee Chair Robert N. The Committee met on 5/29/07 at 6 pm. All representatives from each Group were present with the exception of Dist. 6. Also present, Exec. Secretary, Central Committee Chair, Co-Chair and Treasurer. The Exec. Secretary submitted a list of her scheduled vacation days. May 24th, June 8th 23rd, July 2nd, 3rd, 27th. August 13th, 31st. September 7th, 21st. October 3rd, 8th. November 3rd.

Upon completion of our routine business meeting, the exec. Secretary was excused, and the remainder of the Committee considered her performance for 2006 – 2007. The Committee is convinced that Terry is a devoted, dedicated, and excellent employee well deserving of a significant increase in compensation. The Steering Committee does recognize that the finances of the Central Committee have been a little bit problematic, and therefore decided not to recommend what we feel she is worth, but we do recommend Terry get an increase of 3% in her current salary.

FINANCIAL REPORT: No Report

TREATMENT: No Report

CORRECTIONS: No Report

SCREENERS: Written report given by Co-Chair Jeanmarie C., Not many meetings were covered this month and we are still planning to branch out into the Community through out the summer. Verbal report given by Chair Don B. Went to Canandaigua and talked to someone in charge of the Rochester Office. 12 Step calls are recorded there. And what they do there is pick people from each Group in there area to take calls and talk to the person one on one, then they'll get a hold of Jeanmarie and myself and we'll call the individual, and then go out and see them, and if they are serious about going to a meeting, we will see that they get to a meeting, and after that their Group will take care of them. I (Don) thought it would be good to obtain more information so that maybe we could implement it here. So what is going to happen is the Group Reps. will be working with us. I will be talking it over with Terry, and if we implement this, and get it okayed by the Committee, our Screeners 12 Step work would be concrete, and we'll get it back in the hands of AA where it belongs.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE: A.A. Info. 216, 12-Step: 5, Alanon: 5, Visitors: 166, Volunteers: 14. Terry made mention again of her vacation days. Also informed the Committee that the Treatment Chair, Patty S. had been seriously ill, and is now recuperating well.

Yours in the fellowship of the Spirit, Terry Bateman

CONVENTION: Report given by Convention Chair Gary. The last meeting was held on May 7th 2007 at 6 pm. Gifts for speakers have come in. Total cost is \$105. The program is coming along well. We're looking at putting program on the website when it's all done. The Alkathon will be held at the Hyatt instead of the Convention Center. We've rented a room that will be going on for 24 hrs. Flyers have been distributed to all the Groups. We're also looking at putting the seating diagram on the web. so that people can pull it up and know exactly where their sitting. Financial part- seed money was \$1,350. We paid \$500 to the Convention Center. Total cost for the Convention Center is \$3, 024. the cost for the flyers was around \$450 which has not been paid. Today, total Banquet Registration is 15, 1 registration, 1 order for a sweat shirt, for a total of \$715, with the balance being \$850, for a total to date of \$1565.

AD-HOC COMMITTEE:

INCORPORATION – Terry mentioned that she spoke with Roger and he said he's made substantial progress, but he's still not finished

WEBSITE: No Report

COURTESY REPORTS:

GSA: Report given by John C. the next meeting is June 10, 2007 1:00 at the Hamburg Town Hall. The following one will be held in August at Morganville, maps will be provided.

PIC. (AREA 50): No Report

ARCHIVES: Report given by JoAnn from the Action Group. Our Archivist Tom is receiving treatment right now, and our Archives Chairperson, Marty L. is going to be out of town working in Pennsylvania for several months. So I will serve as the interim liaison for a few months. We will fulfill our commitments Janet from Niagara Falls will attend the National Archives Workshop in Phoenix. She will bring back exact information that is needed to plan for next year. We will have this Workshop in Niagara Falls in September 2008. Janet donated a copy of the first edition of the Big Book, which we are raffling to help replenish the Archives Treasury. We will meet our commitments to the Groups who have requested us to display the Archives. In May we had a display at the 30th anniversary of the Niagara Falls Intergroup.

RECAP: CORRECTIONS – Terry stated how important it is for someone to be present for the Corrections meeting before 6:00, because there was a guy that showed up, and there was no one here to meet with him, so he chose not to wait. **INC.** – Convention Chair, Gary asked if Roger had any idea of when he would make available the finished project, or at least give us an update on the information, so we'll know what he is working on. **ARCHIVES:** Terry asked that we continue to keep Tom in our prayers. Mark S. wanted to know if Joann had enough help with transporting the Archives. **PIC:** John reminded everyone that the Fair is coming up in August, and we will be looking for people to man the booths for four our shifts.

OLD BUSINESS: The vote for TFC Guidelines tabled until July. Committee voted for Frank M. from the Patchin Group, Dist.4 to be Convention Co-Chair in 2008, and he graciously accepted.

NEW BUSINESS: Steering Committee recommended that Terry receive the 3% raise.(about \$10/wk) Bill S. from Sober Members Group made a motion to table the vote for Terry's raise, so that it could be taken back to the Groups. Motion was seconded by Gary B. Sheridan Group. Mark S. stressed the fact that once the Steering Committee votes, it is taken back to the Central Committee and then the vote is finalized, and this has always been the procedure. Terry pointed out that when putting her hiring salary in an inflation calculator, she makes almost \$2000 less than she started at. Jay H. stated that there was no information given to his Group about the raise. There was an extreme amount of discussion on, Central Office financial status, whether we could afford to issue this raise, and on having to take the vote back to the Groups. Vote tabled until July. Mark S. mentioned that there is an Ad-Hoc Committee that is going to write a letter to the Groups outlining what the Central Committee does. Jay H. asked for ideas on how to get more Groups to participate in supporting the Central Office. Wally G. form the Main and High Group asked that we be attentive to the miss print in the New Frontier on the date of the 10th annual Day of Sharing, the correct date is July 14, 2007. Milt from the Lakeshore Group asked, what topics should be taken back to the Groups to be voted on? Motion to adjourn, Reggie, Fresh Start Group. Seconded by Willie Serenity Group. Minutes respectfully submitted, by Recording Secretary Tina C. Fresh Start Group

Income Statement		January-07	2/29/2007	March-07	April-07	May-07
Beg Bal Cash on hand		13,826.83	19,377.93	18,718.60	15,168.99	14,165.21
Contributions						
	Groups	5,243.31	4,187.96	4,101.39	4,189.53	3,861.45
	Joint Meeting	50.91	62.75	55.50	67.61	51.00
	Envelope System	1,032.00	222.00	730.00	564.00	449.00
	New Frontiers Subs	23.00	57.00	78.00	33.00	83.00
	Literature/Medallions/Pins	4,137.05	3,066.10	2,514.20	3,132.20	2,171.25
	Literature Postage	99.35	38.85	14.72	65.07	62.15
	Archives Room Rent	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
	Meetings at CO	22.00	19.00	19.00	26.00	24.00
	Mail/Misc. Copier Buyout	4,977.55	25.00			
	US Treasury					
	Reconcille					
	"Gratitude Month" (NOV)					
	Conventions/Day of Sharing				577.00	
Monthly Income		15,635.17	7,728.66	7,562.81	8,704.41	6,751.85
Expenses						
	Office Rent	797.29	797.29	797.29	776.77	787.03
	Electric	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
	Payroll					
	Salaries - gross	2,352.88	2,352.88	2,941.10	2,352.88	2,352.88
	Federal Withholdings	(342.32)	(342.32)	(427.90)	(342.32)	(342.32)
	NYS Withholdings	(92.80)	(92.80)	(116.00)	(92.80)	(92.80)
	Disability Insurance	(2.40)	(2.40)	(3.00)	(2.40)	(2.40)
	Payroll Tax Deposits					
	Federal	632.26	505.84	632.30	505.80	505.80
	State	416.31			416.31	
	Insurance					
	State Ins Fund		321.52			
	Health	354.00	354.00	354.00	354.00	354.00
	Liability	1,245.79				
	Postage	718.99	58.10	558.74	219.29	78.12
	Phone	135.57	135.55	135.55	136.18	133.90
	Accounting					1,950.00
	Advt					
	PIC Lit.					
	Talking Phone Book					
	Verizon	134.45	134.45	133.95	133.95	133.95
	website				100.00	
	white directory		475.20			
	Yellow Pages			399.95		
	Literature Expenses					
	Grapevine	35.00		599.84		
	World Services Inc	1,900.80	1,521.50	1,731.00	1,866.02	1,942.06
	Hazeldon		712.31		411.11	
	"In All Our Affairs"					
	Printers				2,021.50	
	Medallions			1,693.00		
	PINS					1,052.25
	Office Supplies	250.81	587.32	409.78	14.42	225.68
	Answering service	161.44	156.55	137.24	149.48	153.28
	Minolta leasing (copier)	766.00	468.00	468.00	468.00	468.00
	Minolta Copies/ service contract	130.00	130.00	130.00	130.00	130.00
	CD					
	Day of Sharing Seed Money	200.00				
	Seminar		25.00	447.58		
	Depreciation	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Monthly Expenses		9,984.07	8,487.99	11,212.42	9,808.19	10,019.43
Monthly Income (Loss)		5,651.10	(759.33)	(3,649.61)	(1,103.78)	(3,267.58)
	Depreciation add back(non-cash)	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
End Bal Cash on hand		19,377.93	18,718.60	15,168.99	14,165.21	10,997.63
	CD	PRUDENT				
	CD#2	RESERVE				
	Assets: Literature & Medallions	13,415.15	10,195.85	14,253.20	15,788.85	17,047.00
	Literature Receivable:(outstanding)	548.15	134.45	287.60	698.13	267.05
Corrections Facilites		2,665.76	2,802.51	1,998.71	2,420.28	2,375.28
	Contributions	288.25	95.95	421.57	105.00	232.28
	Expenses	151.50	899.75		150.00	997.50
	Balance	2,802.51	1,998.71	2,420.28	2,375.28	1,610.06
Treatment Facilites		1,289.52	844.26	851.71	1,179.68	1,140.52
	Contributions	247.25	72.95	432.00	125.00	202.28
	Expenses					
	AT & T Bridging The Gap	26.01		38.43	97.16	37.55
	AAA Abott Answering Service	66.50	65.50	65.60	67.00	62.50
	Literature	600.00				
	Balance	844.26	851.71	1,179.68	1,140.52	1,242.75

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

District	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		MAY	YEAR	MAY	YEAR	MAY	YEAR
8	11:45	180.00	180.00		0.00		0.00
8	12 Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
	12 Steps/12 Traditions	30.00	30.00		0.00		0.00
1	4th Step Stumblers		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	6th Step	15.00	15.00		0.00		0.00
4	A Day At A Time		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Abhalt Men's	75.00	235.00	75.00	235.00	75.00	235.00
2	Acceptance/Welcome		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Achievement		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Action	100.00	100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Age Doesn't Matter		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Alexander		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Amherst Snyder		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Amsdell Lakeshore		40.00		0.00		0.00
2	Any Age		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Any Length	30.00	150.00	10.00	50.00	10.00	40.00
4	Arcade		20.00		0.00		0.00
8	As Bill Sees It	25.00	75.00		0.00		0.00
8	Attitude Adjustment		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Attraction		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Backdoor		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Beginning In Sobriety II		225.25		0.00		0.00
8	Beginning's Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Bidwell Monday		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Big Book Lockport		50.00		0.00		0.00
5	BB Spiritual Awakening		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Big Book Study	30.00	30.00		0.00		0.00
8	Big Book Workshop		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Blasdel Monday Night		20.00		0.00		0.00
1	Bodhisattva		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Boulevard Helping Hand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Boulevard Women		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Brass		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	By The Book		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Came To Believe		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Carry the Message	30.00	155.00	22.50	47.50	22.50	47.50
7	Casting		150.00		0.00		0.00
1	Cathedral Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Cayuga Wake-Up Call		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Caz Manor	30.00	115.00		0.00		0.00
7	Central Park		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Chapter IX		120.00		100.00		100.00
3	Cheektowaga	100.00	300.00		0.00		0.00
2	Chevy #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Clarence Men's		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	Clarence Men's II		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Cold Spring		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Common Bond		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Common Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Compliment		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Community Center		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Constant Vigilance(Varysburg)		5.00		0.00		0.00
1	Complainers		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Courage		75.00		8.00		0.00
3	Crossroads		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Cross Talk Big Book		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reflections		105.00		0.00		0.00
2	Daily Reprieves		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Derby		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Desire		272.00		0.00		0.00
2	Desperate		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Downtown Men's		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Dunkirk Monday Night		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Early Bird		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Eye opener South		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Early Bird Step		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Early Rising Obliging		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	East Amherst		100.00		0.00		0.00
4	East Aurora	125.00	250.00		0.00		0.00
2	Easy Does It	50.00	125.00		0.00		0.00
7	Ellicott		50.00		0.00		0.00
4	Ellicottville		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Emergency		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Everybody's		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Express		310.00		0.00		0.00
8	Eyepener		463.93		0.00		0.00
4	Eyepener South	120.00	705.00		31.25		31.25
1	F.U.N.		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Faith		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Father Baker		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Feelings	25.00	50.00		0.00		0.00
8	Firside	118.40	468.23	25.00	50.00		50.00
8	First Things First		200.00		0.00		0.00
8	Forestville Sunday Serenity		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Fredonia Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Freedom	100.00	200.00		0.00		0.00
7	Fresh Start	30.00	60.00		0.00		0.00
8	Friendly		25.35		0.00		0.00

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

District	GROUP	CENTRAL		CORRECTIONS		TREATMENT	
		MAY	YEAR	MAY	YEAR	MAY	YEAR
1	Frontier(New)		400.00		0.00		0.00
8	GAHA: DAGOH #1		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Gahada Gon(Good Shepard)		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Gardenville		0.00		10.00		10.00
8	Georgetown		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Getting Better		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Giving	1.90	1.90		0.00		0.00
8	Go To Any Length	375.00	737.00	25.00	48.00	25.00	25.00
8	Golden Slipper		100.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand		50.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grand II Joy of Living		60.00		0.00		0.00
2	Grateful		50.00		0.00		0.00
3	H.O.W.		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Hamburg	50.00	160.00		0.00		0.00
8	Hand		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Handicappers		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Happy Hour		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Happy Hour II		0.00		0.00		0.00
7	Harmony	300.00	300.00		0.00		0.00
3	Helping Hand		50.00		0.00		0.00
8	High Noon	70.00	350.00		0.00		0.00
8	High View		150.00		0.00		0.00
7	Higher Power		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Hillbilly		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Holiday Village	200.00	1200.00		25.00		0.00
4	Holland		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Honest Solutions		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Honesty		60.00		0.00		0.00
2	Hopa Big Book Study		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	How It Works/Men's	75.00	300.00		0.00		0.00
7	Inner City		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Inspiration		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Intoxicated on Life		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Ironhorse	41.50	765.10	3.95	77.40	3.95	77.40
8	IT		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Johnson Creek Big Book	50.00	60.00		0.00		0.00
1	Journey		40.00		40.00		40.00
2	Just Do It		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Just For Today/ Albion		0.00		0.00		0.00
3	Just For Today/Cheek		0.00		0.00		0.00
4	Keep It Simple Sister		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Keep On Coming		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Kenmore		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Kensington		25.00		0.00		0.00
8	Ladies Nite Sober		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lake Shore		100.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lakeview		100.00		0.00		0.00
7	Last Days Fellowship		0.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lawyers		750.00		0.00		0.00
5	LawPort		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Liberty Women		85.00		0.00		0.00
4	Life Today		25.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lighten UP		350.00		0.00		0.00
8	Live and Let Live		0.00		0.00		0.00
1	Living Clean		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Living in the Solution		0.00		0.00		0.00
2	Living Sober		70.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lock City	20.00	20.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport #1	120.00	420.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport (no name)		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Discussion		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Ladies		75.00		0.00		0.00
8	Lockport Nooners		0.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockport Tuesday		200.00		0.00		0.00
5	Lockview	300.00	500.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
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