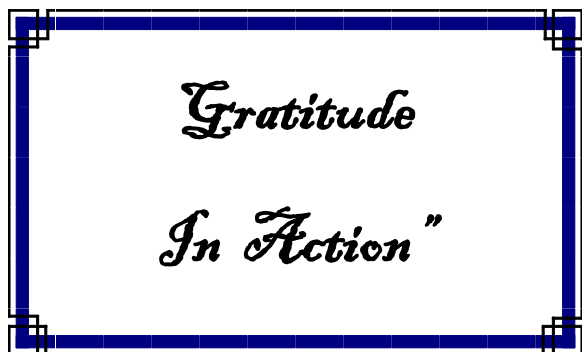


Bill W. wrote of Intergroup Offices, "Though not costly, these agencies are absolutely essential to our continued expansion—to our survival as a Fellowship. Their costs are a collective obligation that rests squarely upon all of us. Our support of services actually amounts to a recognition on our part that A.A. must everywhere function in full strength—and that, under our Tradition of self-support, we are all going to foot the bill."

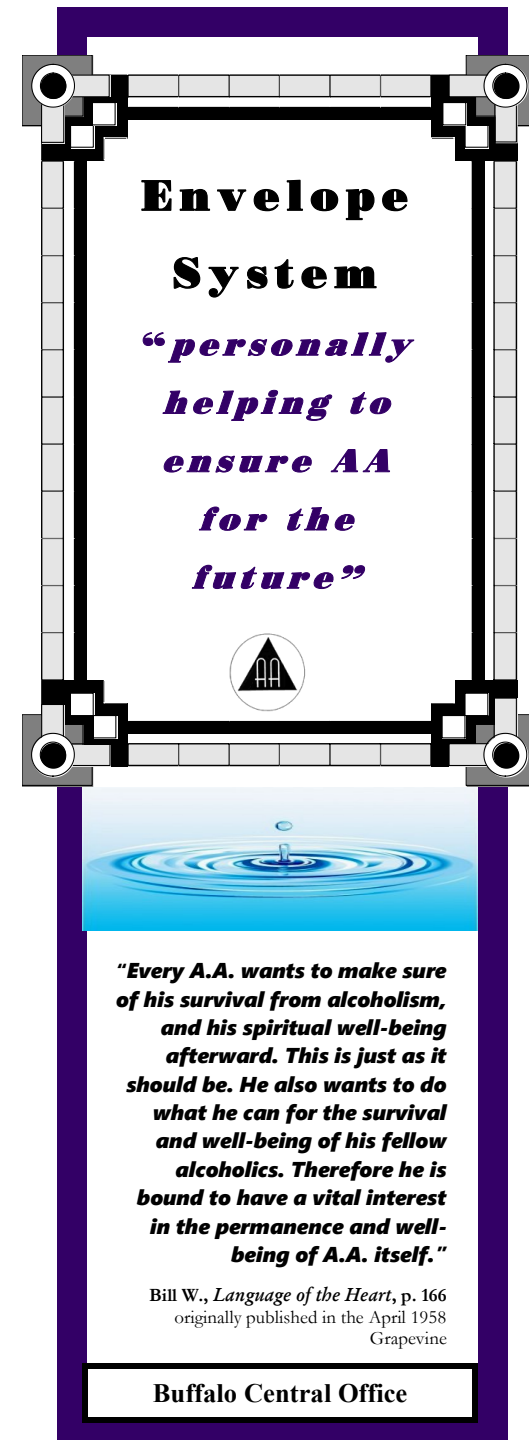
*"Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix" pamphlet*



**" your drop makes a  
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**Envelope  
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***"personally  
helping to  
ensure AA  
for the  
future"***



**"Every A.A. wants to make sure  
of his survival from alcoholism,  
and his spiritual well-being  
afterward. This is just as it  
should be. He also wants to do  
what he can for the survival  
and well-being of his fellow  
alcoholics. Therefore he is  
bound to have a vital interest  
in the permanence and well-  
being of A.A. itself."**

Bill W., *Language of the Heart*, p. 166  
originally published in the April 1958  
Grapevine

**Buffalo Central Office**

## **“Envelope System”**

The “Envelope System” was established to allow AA members to directly contribute monies to help defray the costs of operating the Buffalo Central Office, which in turn helps carry the message & ensure the future of local area A.A for future generations. By keeping the lines of AA open, through the Central Office, the hand of AA may be ever more accessible to the troubled alcoholic.

The Envelope System gives you an opportunity to put our 12th Step into action and allows you to say in one more way ... ***I am “personally” responsible.***

There are many costs involved in keeping the Central Office open, such as website, telephone, postage, lights, rent, etc.

To enroll in the Envelope System, is really quite simple, you can fill out the form in this pamphlet and fold it up, put a stamp on it and place it in

the mail, or call Central Office, leave your name and address and let them know that you are interested. The Envelope System’s Chairperson will send you a form, you can decide on how much and how often ... and we are off and running. Now wasn’t that easy! What is better, is the feeling you get.

Don’t know how much to contribute? Maybe consider putting in what you drank a day, all right so that is a little silly, maybe. But why not at least the cost of a drink per day. What’s your sobriety worth?

**Anonymity is kept and at the end of the year you have a tax deduction!!!.**

**“When we meet and defeat the temptation to take large gifts, we are being prudent. But when we are generous with the hat, we give a token that we are grateful for our blessing and evidence that we are eager to share what we have found with all those who still suffer.”**

**Bill W., Language of the Heart**

# **Yes! Please enroll me in the “Envelope System”!**

## **① Contact Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

## **② Amount & Frequency**

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Frequency: *(check only one)*  One-Time

Bi-Weekly  Monthly  Quarterly  Annually

Start On: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

## **③ Choose a Payment Method**

### **Option A: Automatic Payments**

*Contribute through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) from a Credit Card account*

Credit Card\*

Visa  MasterCard  AmEx  Discover

Account Number: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

\* I authorize Buffalo Central Office to automatically bill the account listed under “Option A” as specified. I understand that I may cancel this authorization by contacting Intergroup.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Option B: Direct Payment**

*Contribute using cash or check by stopping in the office or mailing your check payable to:*

**Buffalo Central Office**

17 Gierlach Street

Sloan, NY 14212