

April

Unity LiveWire

2009

"Easy Does It"

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"First Things First"

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On the 4th Step. . . AA Grapevine.org

"Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves."

Self appraisal which attains any real accuracy is unquestionably a difficult process. We all find it so easy and pleasant to view ourselves through a rosy hue of complimentary half-truths and so hard and unpleasant to take a look in the uncompromising and glaring light of the unvarnished truth.

The 4th Step is, indeed, a real challenge to honesty with oneself. In this way, it is both preparation and a complement to the 5th Step. To make the "searching and fearless moral inventory" called for in the 4th Step, one must first of all be searchingly and fearlessly honest about himself. The degree of honesty one can achieve will determine the accuracy and therefore the usefulness of the moral inventory.

One practical way of starting this very practical Step--or at least a way that helped one newcomer--is to prepare a record sheet with two columns, one headed, "Liabilities" and the other, "Assets."

Under "Liabilities" can be listed personality deficiencies and faults, such as intolerance, selfishness, indecisiveness, fear, indolence, a bad temper, impatience and a whole host of other qualities which most everyone at this early stage discovers he has in abundance.

Under "Assets," if any, can be listed the opposite positives--tolerance, generosity (and this does not mean giving the poor bum a dime for a cup of coffee and feeling noble about it for two blocks), thoughtfulness of other people, humility, patience, and a few other attributes. Few persons, if honest, ever work up much of a list on this side of the ledger for their first moral inventory.

The actual process of deciding what to put in each column consists of asking oneself some pointed questions. Am I tolerant of other people's peculiarities, other creeds, other colors, other races, other opinions? Or do I dislike somebody because of the way he combs his hair or ties his tie? How many favors will I do other people without expecting one in return? Will I really go out of my way to help someone, or only when it's convenient? Do I feel superior to others? Am I impatient of others' shortcomings, while being very patient about my own? Am I honest, or do I practice deceit and double-talk, and then excuse myself afterwards with some fancy rationalizing? Am I kind, considerate, gentle?

The more questions one asks himself along this line the clearer become the entries he should make in each column.

If this is the first moral inventory one has taken of himself, or at least the most honest one, he will find it the most trying. But he also will find that in itself it will give him a certain feeling of relief. Finally he has begun to face facts. Finally he has worked up enough courage to face himself as he really is, and not as he has been dreaming he is. This is a courageous step forward. It is another step onto the path to sanity, stability and happiness.

The first inventory should not be the last by any means. In fact, the principle and the technique of the moral inventory become a vital part of the new life. The first is the most difficult. Subsequent inventories show where progress has been made, where more effort still needs to be placed. If an inventory be taken at regular intervals, one has at hand a guide for keeping on the beam.

The moral inventory is one of A.A.'s most effective techniques. Of course, as with other A.A. techniques, its effectiveness depends on how well it is used. The inventory will not work by itself. The benefit comes about through the efforts made to change that which the inventory reveals should be changed.

T.D. Manhattan, New York

Thought for the Day . . . We. First word of the Twelve Steps

We; This little word says a lot about the Twelve Steps. Our addiction made us lonely. The "we" of the program makes us whole again. It makes us a member of a loving growing group of people.

Our addiction isolated us from others. We couldn't be honest. We felt a lot of shame. But all this is in the past. The "we" of the program helps us live outside ourselves. Now we tell each other about our pasts. We comfort each other. We try to help each other. Prayer for the Day: Higher Power, help me to join the we of the program. Help me to admit and accept my illness, so the healing can begin.

Life is an ongoing miracle: Start your Steps to Recovery; Enjoy the Miracle.

Mon. Night
Lorain
7:30 PM
 Zion Lutheran Church
 5100 Ashland Ave.
6th. Bob S.
13th. Renee S.
20th. Bobbi M.
27th. Pat C.

Sheffield Lake
Monday Night
8:00 PM
 United Church of
 Christ, 603 Sunset Ave.
6th. J.R.
13th. Ed C.
20th. Bob Y.
27th. Sam H.

Fri. Night
Faith Group
11:00 PM
 1741 N Ridge Rd.
3rd. Ron R.
10th. Disc.
17th. Peggy B.
24th. 4th. Step

Happy
Joyous
&
Free

Mid- Night
Elyria Group
Sat. 12:00 PM
 St Mary's Church
 4th & Middle Ave.
4th. Trinidad M.
11th. Renee S.
18th. Ask It Basket
25th. Jamie W.

Lorain
Consolidated
Sun. 2:30 PM
 710 Broadway
5th. Coretta F.
12th. Al M.
19th. Lynn Y.
26th. Paulette

Discipline: Instead of holding on, I was told to let go. Instead of using self-control, I was encouraged to turn my life and my will over to a God of my own understanding. I'm beginning to understand. The renewal of discipline is a process that I must set in motion every day. AA is teaching me to wade through grief, and to take steps of joy through this powerful gift. SOBRIETY

"The Lorain Inter-Group of Alcoholics Anonymous made a \$800.00 contribution to the General Service Board in New York, NY during February 2009". Thank you for your help. Best regards, William E. Post Treasurer (440) 670-0315

G.S.R./D.C.M. Meeting: The Multi-District meeting is held at 11 AM on the 1st. Sunday of the month. This meeting is for the General Service Rep's. (G.S.R.) of each Group and the District Committee Member's (D.C.M.). If you want to learn more about service attend this meeting.

The Lorain Inter-Group Meeting is the 1st. Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM. It is very Important that all the Secretaries of each Group attend this meeting. We urge your Attendance (Be Informed, Be Active)

Advisory Board Meeting: The meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on the 3rd. Wednesday of the month, at the Inter-Group Office.

Moved: Friday Night Amherst has Moved
 From : The Congregation Church 2795 Main St. Amherst
 To: Church of the Nazarene 210 Cooper Foster Park Rd.

New Meeting:
St. Mary's Sunday Night Sobriety will be a lead meeting, please come and share some fellowship with us.
 Where: At St. Mary's Church on Middle Ave. Elyria, OH
 When: Starting Sunday, April 5th
 Time: Sunday at 7:00 PM
Living Life
 Where: Kennedy Plaza 1730 Broadway Lorain
 Time: Sunday 2:30 PM
 **Design For Living will be an open discussion.
 Where: At Christ Church 23080 Royalton Rd. Columbia Station 44028
 When: Starting Friday Morning March 20th
 Time: Friday at 9:30 AM

We here at the INTER-GROUP OFFICE would like to thank everyone that helped to make the Open House a Success. We hope that a good time was had by all. Thanks to all that showed up it was nice to see the inter-group meeting so full. We hope to see you all on April 5th at 12:30 Once again thanks to all. Your friends at the Lorain Inter-Group Office

The Inter-Group office is Updating the 12 Step Call List. If their is anyone who would like to be add to the list PLEASE CONTACT the Inter-Group Office 440 246-1800. Tommy got a call from the answering service and they are in need of a current call list. Linda is in the process of updating the list. Sam will get what they have to the answering service.

Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle Winner: Ron Claus, \$101.00 sold by Smily Joe. Just another way that you can Help support the Lorain Inter-Group. Buy a TICKET from any Advisory Board Member. Be A Winner

Founders' Day registration is now open.

Memorial Day breakfast tickets are now available. Board members, committee members, and the Inter-Group office will have them.

It's a lot easier to stay sober than to get sober.

LORAIN COUNTY CA MEETINGS: For more Information
 Contact: JENNIFER 440-310-0470; ED F. 440-3090551
 LARRY C. 440-667-5492; EDWIN T. 440-989-0362

*To submit information for the news letter please contact: Jim Parks 440 385-5687 or Bobbi Matear 440 537-4280 via: Call, *email or leave the information at the Inter-Group Office before the 25th. of each month.

Concepts 4: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

Step 4: Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Promise 4: We will know peace.

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.

**34th ANNUAL
AREA 54 NORTHEAST
OHIO GENERAL SERVICE
MINI-CONFERENCE**

April 3-5, 2009

“Our Commitment to Carry
AA’s Message
- Enthusiasm and
Gratitude in Action”

All members of A.A. are encouraged
to attend this conference

Conference Begins

Friday: 7:00 PM

LOCATION

Hilton East Beachwood

Registration

Friday: 1 – 7 PM

Saturday: 8 – Noon

Reserve your room by

March 6, 2009

Phone: (216) 464-5950

Make reference to: Northeast Ohio
Mini-Conference

*Memorial Day breakfast tickets are
now available. Board members,
committee members, and the
Inter-Group Office will have them.*

**Memorial Day
Breakfast**

Monday, May 25, 2009

Breakfast at 9:00AM Lead at 10:00AM

Speaker **Bob Paton**

German’s Villa

3330 Liberty Ave.(Rt.6) Vermilion, Ohio

Between Rt.60 & Baumhart Road

Donation \$9.00

No Children Please

For Tickets Contact:

Any Advisory Board Member

Return Tickets Before May 20th

One Day At A Time

Arid Fellowship Center

Needs Volunteers to be part of the
Entertainment Committee to help in
the planing and setup of events
throughout the year. If interested
Contact: Arid Club (440 233-4801)

Kim (440 396-2476)

Bobbie M. (440 537-4280)

Trini (440 670-2563)

Leave a message Thank you

***Spirit of the
Pines***

April 17, 18, 19 2009

At Lutheran Memorial
Camp, Fulton, Ohio

6 Miles South of

Mt. Gilead, on Rte. 61

Cost: \$95.00 Per Person

For The Weekend

Includes Lodging, Friday

Night Cook Out, 3

Meals Saturday and

Brunch Sunday

Make check payable to:

LarryCassady,

40078 State Rt. 18,

Wellington, Ohio 44090

Full refund if cancellation

received by

Apri 13th 2009

For More Info Call:

Rose W. (419) 502-6660

Mike W (419) 483-3667

Paulene& Dean M.

(419) 898-0191

Sharon V. (419) 752-6340

Larry C. (440) 667-5492

27th ANNUAL

NEW LONDON

CAMPOUT

Thursday June 25th

through

Sunday June 28th, 2009

New London

Recreation Park,

New London, Ohio

Grove Street

(off State Rt. 60)

For more information call:

Bas and Judy Elliott

419-929-0054

Mary Ott 419-668-4122

Pat Morgan 440-225-0125

Larry Nagy 440-965-4165

**There is always
Space Available in
The LiveWire for
your Groups
Messages, News
& Activities**

Contact:

James Parks 440 385-5687

Bobbie Matear 440 537-4280

Opal A. 440 670-6619

Phone Line Report:

Month of March, 2009

12 Step Calls.....	9
Sponsorship.....	6
Al-A-Non.....	6
Meeting Info.....	127
General Info.....	67
Total:.....	215

• April Anniversaries •

1st. Mary K. 9 yrs.

1st. Renee S. 4 yrs.

4th. Darrell C. 10 yrs.

5th. Ken H. 5 yrs.

6th. David A. 4 yrs.

9th. Steve R. 4 yrs.

11th. Judy S. 22 yrs.

15th. Bobbie M. 9 yrs.

16th. Andy B. 9 yrs.

17th. Trinidad W. 1yr.

19th. Teresa W. 19 yrs.

19th. Pat C. 13 yrs.

22nd. John S. 14 yrs.

24th. Layman C. 8 yrs.

29th. Ed D. 2 yr.

30th. Tim M. 30 yrs.

ACCEPTANCE

**Friends of Bill W.
Picnic**

Supported by the Home Groups of
Lorain County

We need gifts to raffle,

cash donations to

support it

July 18, 2009

12:00 -5:00 PM

Brimingham Methodist

Youth Center

South Street, Brimingham Please

Bring cover dish to share.

Games for Young and Old
corn hole, softball, volleyball and
kids games. So don't forget your
gloves, bats lawn chairs

Things provided:

Burgers and Dogs, Condiments, Buns

and Soda for \$.50. Coffee, punch,

grill if you want to cook.

50/50 Raffle

Contact persons:

Chairman Susie P 440-309-0491

Co-chair Tom B 440-309-3226

Survivors List:

Groups in need of
Support to stay afloat Please

Attend, Contribute,

Be Active, Help Chair,

Be a Secretary,

Be Responsible

Blue Monday

Mon. 10:30 AM

Serenity Hall

"The Gould"

Sat.8:30pm

710 Broadway Ave. Lorain

Thursday Morning

Big Book Study

10.30 AM

Pilgrim Church

Broad and Winkles

Elyria, Oh

Haven Center

Fri. 7:00 PM

Haven Shelter

Sisters of Sobriety

Wed. 7:30 PM

Firstmerit Bank

Center Ridge Road

North Ridgeville

Rainbow Group

Mon. 7:30 PM

6th. & Washington

Lorain

St Agnes Thurs. Gp.

Thurs. 8:00 PM

St. John's Luthern Church

W. River Road

Sun. Night Serenity

Sun. 8:00 PM

Tues. Lunch Break

Tues. 12:00 Noon

Friday Night Faith

Fri. 11:00 PM

Arid Club, 1741 N. Ridge Rd.,

Sheffield Township

We Need Your Help!!

Don't let them Close

HELP SUPPORT

THE GROUPS.

We need volunteers from our Lorain County A.A. Community to help on all these various Committees listed, if anyone is interested please contact one or more of the chairperson and **VOLUNTEER!!!!**

Help Make A Difference

Committee Chairs

Unity LiveWire Committee

Jim Parks.....440 385-5687
*e mail jbparks2542@yahoo.com

Internet Committee (aaloraincounty.org)

Mike.....440 670-9910
e mail webmaster@aaloraincounty.org

Cooperation with the Professionals Committee

Alan Revercomb440 541-2473

Correctional Committee

Eddie Logan.....440 829-7541
Alan Revercomb440 541-2473

Archives Committee

Linda S.440 240-1189

Young Peoples Committee

John Flores.....440 308-5421

Treatment Facilities Committee

Edwin Torres.....440 989-0362

Picnic Committee

Sue Prosser.....440 309-0491

Finance Committee

Mark Potter.....440 452-5946

Pig Roast Committee

Troy Smith.....440 365-9018

Special Needs Committee

Maggie Middleton.....440 775-1274

Memorial Day Breakfast Committee

Terry Poznako.....440 225-6897

Grapevine Committee

Linda S.440 240-1189
Coretta Farley440 308-1714

District Committee

District 19A (Sheffield Lake, Avon Lake, Sheffield, Avon, N. Ridgeville, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton

DCM. James Barker.....440 233-4992

District 19B (Lorain City Meetings and some in Vermilion)

DCM. Yolanda A.440 654-3429

District 20A (All of Elyria City Meetings a Carlisle)

DCM. Judy Sexton.440 322-2619

District 20B (All Meetings at ARID Club)

DCM. Kevin Snodgrass440 241-7166

District 20C(LaGrange, Penfield, Brownhelm

Tnsp., Amherst, Henrietta Tnsp., S. Amherst, Kipton, Oberlin, Camden Twsp., Pittsfield Twsp.,

BrightonTwsp., Wellington Meetings)

DCM. Donna L.440 574-3464

e mail maschulz@oh.rr.com

Alt. DCM.MaryAnn S.440 453-4115

Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the Month of February, 2009.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>
1. Rent	\$ 650.00	1..... \$ 1,328.35
2. Columbia Gas	\$ 297.00	2..... \$ 136.85
3. All Service Telephone Answering	\$ 144.53	3..... \$ 509.76
4. Ohio Edison 710 Broadway	\$ 232.06	4..... \$ 558.88
5. Century Telephone	\$ 129.55	5.....
6. House Managers	\$ 1,288.91	
7. Pay Cor Fees	\$ 68.70	
8. Live Wire Printing	\$ 64.00	
9. Insight Yellow Pages	\$ 19.46	
10. Memorial Day Breakfast Deposit	\$ 150.00	
11. ABCO Fire Protection, Inc.	\$ 54.50	
12. Donation to General Services Board New York, NY	\$ 3,898.71	
		\$ 2,533.84
Donations/Rents	\$ 2,533.84	
Coca Cola Sales	\$ 29.67	
Expenses	\$ 3,898.71	
Total Loss February 2009	-\$ 1,335.20	

Rents:

Month of February, 2009

1. Blue Monday
2. Friday Morning Survivor
3. Mid Week Morning Disc.
4. Never Too Young
5. Saturday Morn. Disc.
6. Spanish American
7. Tuesday Night Central
8. We Care Tues. Morn. Disc.

Donations Month of February, 2009

When making Donations to the Lorain Inter-Group, Area 54, Multi-District, or the General Service Office in New York. PLEASE put your Groups General Service number on the Donation. You can find your Groups General Service number in the meeting schedule or on the internet at aaloraincounty.org under A.A. Meetings. Please put your Area & District numbers on the donation, it also helps to identify your Group. If you don't have a General Service number under your Groups information in the meeting schedule you can contact your District Committee person listed in the LiveWire to help you get registered.

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| 1. Amherst Saturday Night | 17. Memory of Bill Oberman |
| 2. Anonymous | 18. Mid-Week Morning Disc. |
| 3. Blue Monday | 19. Monday Night Lorain |
| 4. Elyria Friday Night | 20. Oberlin Breakfast Group |
| 5. Elyria Monday Closed Disc. | 21. Oberlin Group |
| 6. Elyria Sunday Night | 22. Rainbow Group |
| 7. Elyria Women's Disc. | 23. S.I.O.G.A. |
| 8. Ford Local 425 Group | 24. Saturday Night Security |
| 9. Friday Morning Survivor | 25. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group |
| 10. Friday Night Sobriety | 26. Stepping Into Sobriety |
| 11. Grafton Wednesday Night | 27. Tuesday Night Central |
| 12. Holly Hall | 28. Vermilion 12 X 12 Disc. |
| 13. Industrial Group | 29. Vermilion Discussion (Thursday) |
| 14. LaGrange Monday Night | 30. Vermilion Tuesday Night Group |
| 15. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle | 31. We Care Tuesday Morning Disc. |
| 16. Memorial George Sheridan | |

Thought to Ponder: Isolation is a darkroom for developing negatives.

C A R E = Comforting And Reassuring Each other.

Board Of Directors

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