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The AA Grapevine: Our Meeting in Print

The A.A Grapevine is A.A.'s "meeting in print," a monthly collection of articles written by A.A. members from around the world. As an integral part of Alcoholics Anonymous for over 50 years, the Grapevine publishes articles that reflect the full diversity of experience and thought found within the A.A. Fellowship. No one viewpoint or philosophy dominates its pages, and in determining content, the editorial staff relies on the principles of the Twelve Traditions. Each issue carries a statement of purpose, which states a fundamental truth about the Grapevine, that it is "a lifeline linking one suffering alcoholic to another."

A Mirror of the Fellowship

From its beginning, in June of 1944, the Grapevine's history has run parallel to that of AA as a whole, and many of the critical events in the evolution of the Fellowship have been chronicled in the pages of the Grapevine. The Twelve Traditions were first presented to the Fellowship by Bill W. in an April 1946 article entitled "Twelve Suggested Points for AA Tradition." The Preamble was written by one of the Grapevine's first editors, based on the Foreword to the book Alcoholics Anonymous, and was published in the June 1947 Grapevine. Throughout the years many nonalcoholic friends of AA have shared their experience and insight with the Fellowship through the Grapevine - such friends as Sister Ignatia, Rev. Sam Shoemaker, Dr. William Silkworth, and others.

Today, the Grapevine reaches an AA population that's dramatically different from the population of the early 1940's. There are many more young people now; the number of women has increased considerably; more minority groups and language groups are represented throughout Alcoholics Anonymous. These changes all point to an ongoing need for increased communication between different segments of the AA community, and that's just what readers find in the Grapevine.

The Grapevine and Conference Approval

A question often asked about the Grapevine is whether or not it is "Conference-approved." General Service Conference approval is a lengthy review process, and Conference-approved literature represents the widest possible consensus of AA experience. The process can take years for longer projects, with several stages of committee evaluation along the way. Ultimately, the General Service Conference as a whole must approve the final product before it can be published with the "Conference-approved" statement.

Since the Grapevine comes out 12 times a year, and the Conference meets only once a year, the magazine would never come off the press if it had to go through the Conference review process. However, the Conference has always supported the concept of the Grapevine and, in 1986, a Conference Advisory Action specifically addressed the issue of Conference approval for the first time with the following statement: "Since each issue of the Grapevine cannot go through the Conference-approval process, the Conference recognizes the Grapevine as the international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous." In addition, the Conference Charter guarantees the right of the Grapevine editor to accept or reject material for publication; there is a Conference Committee on the Grapevine, formed in 1954; and any Grapevine matter of importance to the Fellowship as a whole is brought to the Conference through that committee. Over the years a number of Conference Advisory Actions have encouraged use of the Grapevine and endorsed questions of corporate or editorial policy.

So, while each issue of the magazine cannot be individually approved, the concept of the Grapevine has been endorsed by the Conference as a whole and use of the Grapevine as a recovery tool has been encouraged throughout the Fellowship year after year.

Subscribe online here: <http://www.aagrapevine.org>

For further info contact: Linda S. 440 240-1189

If you keep bringing your body, your mind will follow.

Mon. Night

Lorain

7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church

5100 Ashland Ave.

2nd. Jay W.

9th. Dale M.

16th. Pete C.

23rd. Tony

30th. Dan P.

Wellington

Thurs. Night

7:30 PM

137 Lincoln St.

5th. Joe S.

12th. Ann L.

19th. Jim F.

26th. Denise

Fri. Night

Faith Group

11:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.

6th. Nigel

13th. 3rd. Step

20th. Kim G.

27th. Disc.

Sheffield Lake

Monday Night

8:00 PM

United Church of Christ

603 Sunset Ave.

2nd. Mary D.

9th. Ken P.

16th. Hallie R.

23rd. Jeff R.

30th. Steve S.

The 5th. Annual

Pajama Meeting

Sat. April 4th.

Mid-Night

Elyria Group

St Mary's Church

4th & Middle Ave.

Lead: Trinidad M.

Door Prizes • 50/50 Raffle

Chinese Raffle

• Cake • Food •

Prize for Best PJ's

Anniversary

• 35 years •

Sat. March 7th.

Amherst Sat.

Group

Food 6:30 PM

Lead 8:00 PM

Beth Gordan

Church of the Nazarene

210 Cooper-Foster Rd.

Cover Dish

Appreciated

Amherst

Sat. Group

8:00 PM

Church of the Nazarene

210 Cooper-Foster Rd.

7th. Beth G.

14th. Sober AA

21st. Kenny Z.

28th. Scott K.

Mid- Night

Elyria Group

Sat. 12:00 PM

St Mary's Church

4th & Middle Ave.

7th. Tom

14th. Tony

21st. Chuck

28th. Camille

Lorain

Consolidated

Sun. 2:30 PM

710 Broadway

1st. Joe C.

8th. Melanie H.

15th. Anita C.

22nd. Lacey P.

29th. Jackie P.

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.

"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

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

Canceled: Thurs. Noon Meeting 12 & 12 at Arid Club

Prayer for the Day: Teach us, that we may feel the importance of every day, of every hour, as it passes.

Concepts 3: To insure effective leadership, we should endow each element of A.A. -- the Conference, the General Service Board and its service corporations, staffs, committees, and executives-- with a traditional "Right of Decision."

Step 3: Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God, as we understood Him.

Promise 3: We will comprehend the word serenity.

Tradition 3: The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.

PEOPLE NEEDED to speak to the patients at Elyria Memorial Hospitals psychiatric unit on Thursday at 4:00PM. Call Mike Heller 440-309-7983

Please note these corrections. In our last meeting booklet printing there were a few mistakes. Monday (cw) New Life Women's Disc. is a 7:30 P.M. Meeting, New Life Church 38079 Center Ridge Rd. North Ridgeville Wednesday (0) Stepping into Sobriety Group 6:30 P.M. Meeting, Nord Center 6140 S. Broadway Ave. Lorain Thank You, Tom

Need A.A. Volunteers to Speak, Lead and or Assist at the Lake Point Nursing Home on Monday's 7 PM. Contact Coretta Farley. 308-1714

Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle Winner: Linda S. , \$90.50 was Sold by Inter-Group Office. Just another way that you can Help support the Lorain Inter-Group. Buy a TICKET from any Advisory Board Member. Be A Winner

Prayer for the Day: I pray that God will guide me one day at a time in the New Year. I pray that for each day, God will supply the wisdom and the strength that I need, so I may be there for others.

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.

**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

*Thought to Ponder . . . Humility
is not a station we arrive at; it's a
way of traveling.*

**Memorial Day
Breakfast**

Monday, May 26, 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

**Arid Club
Annual**

**St Patrick's Day
Dinner & Dance**

1741 N. Ridge Rd.,

Sheffield Township

8 PM till Mid-Night

Sat. March 21st

Food Provided

Corn Beef Dinner

(Cover Dish Appreciated)

Dinner & Dance \$8.00

Hot/Dogs and Chips Free

Children 10 and over \$2.00

Under Free

DJ • 50/50 •

For more info:

Arid Club (440 233-4801)

Fun & Fellowship

**F A I T H • Facing
All, Intuitively
Trusting Him.**

Phone Line Report:

Month of January, 2008

12 Step Calls.....	10
Sponsorship.....	5
Al-A-Non.....	11
Meeting Info.....	131
General Info.....	83
Total:.....	240

• List Your Anniversaries •

March 1st. Kris K. 8yrs.

March 5th. Debbi S. 4yrs.

March 8th. Bob S. 12yrs.

March 11th. Russ W. 19yrs.

March 13th. Sandra S. 3yrs.

March 19th. Denny L. 35yrs.

March 22nd. James M. 6yrs.

March 25th. Scott B. 24yrs.

HELP NEEDED

**A.A. Men & Women
to carry the message
to other Alcoholics that
are incarcerated in Jail
or Prison in Lorain
County. There is also a
correspondence pro-
gram in place for those
who would like to
write to inmates.**

Requirements:

1 yr. Sobriety

(if you would like to help)

Please Call:

Eddie Logan

440 829-7541

Joel (Gypsy) T.

330 646-3490

The Children's

Easter Party

April 5th.

Arid Fellowship Center

1741 North Ridge Road

4:00 PM till 6:00 PM

Fun For ALL, FREE

• FOOD • GAMES •

• PRIZES • 12 & Under

The Easter Bunny wants to

see all the Boys & Girls

Space is limited call for

reservation:

Kim (440 396-2476)

Bobbie M. (440 537-4280)

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

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Mike.....440 670-9910
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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 January, 2009.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>
1. Rent	\$ 650.00	1..... \$ 369.63
2. Columbia Gas	\$ 152.00	2..... \$ 2,258.43
3. All Service Telephone Answering	\$ 144.53	3..... \$ 287.20
4. Ohio Edison 710 Broadway	\$ 301.92	4..... \$ 780.80
5. Ohio Edison 577 Broadway	\$ 0.00	5..... \$ 452.77
6. Century Telephone	\$ 129.88	
7. House Managers	\$ 1,417.77	
8. Pay Cor Fees	\$ 159.25	
9. Live Wire Printing	\$ 86.25	
10. Insight Yellow Pages	\$ 19.46	
11. Office/Janitorial Supplies	\$ 72.03	
	<u>\$ 3,133.09</u>	
Donations/Rents	\$ 4,148.83	
Expenses	<u>\$ 3,133.09</u>	
Total Gain January 2008	\$ 1,015.74	

Rents:

Month of January, 2009

1. Friday Morning Survivor
2. Mid Week Morning Disc.
3. Monday Happy Hour
4. Never Too Young
5. Saturday Morning Disc.
6. Spanish American
7. Strength In Sobriety

Donations: Month of January, 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. 12 X 12 Discussion | 17. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle |
| 2. Amherst Saturday | 18. Mid-Week Morning Disc. |
| 3. Anonymous | 19. Monday Night Lorain |
| 4. Back To Basics Disc. | 20. Oberlin Breakfast Group |
| 5. Blue Monday | 21. Oberlin Group |
| 6. Carlisle Lunch Bunch | 22. Oberlin Women's Closed Group |
| 7. CBS Big Book Step Study | 23. S.I.O.G.A. |
| 8. Early Morning Disc. | 24. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group |
| 9. Elyria Monday Closed Disc | 25. Spanish American |
| 10. Elyria Sunday Night | 26. Spencer Under Construction |
| 11. Elyria Women's Disc. | 27. Stepping Into Sobriety |
| 12. Friday Morning Survivor | 28. Strength In Sobriety |
| 13. Friday Night Amherst | 29. Sunday Open Men's Disc. |
| 14. Friday Night Sobriety | 30. We Care Tuesday Morning Disc. |
| 15. Grafton Wednesday | 31. Wellington Thursday Night |
| 16. Harbortown Breakfast | |

God can't hand you anything new until you let go of what you're holding.

Thought to Ponder . . . Don't give up before the miracle happens. Life is an ongoing miracle. Live it One Day At Time.

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