

September

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2008

“First Things First”

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The Lorain Inter-Group Central Office will be **MOVING October 1st, 2008** to OUR New Office; 710 Broadway Avenue Lorain, Ohio 44052. We are all looking forward to the New Location, being a positive move for all.

WE NEED YOUR HELP NOW: The Lorain Inter-Group Central Office needs volunteers to help with Construction, Painting, Moving, Cleaning up, etc. Please contact Tom Ortiz at 440 315-8600.

The Lorain Inter-Group Central Office would like to Thank all of the A.A. Community for their Donations to help with the Renovation of Our New Office.

God Bless and Thank you all.

I Am Responsible...

“When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA to always be there.. And, for that I am responsible.” - One of the AA slogans that seems to be waning among the women of Lorain County. Working with the new person is the second most important part of sobriety. (Staying sober is the first.) When I am asked to sponsor a new girl I suggest that she gets at least two phone numbers at every meeting she goes to. - And as my sponsor told me “meetings, meetings, and more meetings.” Their reply to me was I get numbers and call to talk or get a ride to a meeting and they don’t return my call or don’t show up either. How sad, we are such quick forgetters. I don’t want to ever forget where I came from and the hands (plural!) that were there to reach out for me. Besides getting sober I was taught to start being responsible and return phone calls and show up when I say I will be there. It’s also called being courteous.

The other area that I am responsible for is the 12th Step call list. It’s not just a paper to put my phone number on to feel important. When that call comes we need to answer it. Even if we can only talk to them on the phone. Dinner won’t burn and your family should understand that you have to pass it on to keep it.

We are the future “old-timers” and need to pass on what we were so freely given.

So, ladies let’s get back to basics. Don’t drink, clean house, and pass it on.

Thanks In Loving Service, Donna M.

ARE YOU PREPARED:

Years ago, a farmer owned land along the Atlantic seacoast. He constantly advertised for hired hands. Most people were reluctant to work on farms along the Atlantic. They dreaded the awful storms that raged across the Atlantic, wreaking havoc on the buildings and crops. As the farmer interviewed applicants for the job, he received a steady stream of refusals.

Finally, a short, thin man, well past middle age, approached the farmer. "Are you a good farm hand?" the farmer asked him. "Well, I can sleep when the wind blows," answered the little man.

Although puzzled by this answer, the farmer, desperate for help, hired him. The little man worked well around the farm, busy from dawn to dusk, and the farmer felt satisfied with the man's work. Then one night the wind howled loudly in from offshore. Jumping out of bed, the farmer grabbed a lantern and rushed next door to the hired hand's sleeping quarters. He shook the little man and yelled, "Get up! A storm is coming! Tie things down before they blow away!" The little man rolled over in bed and said firmly, "No sir. I told you, I can sleep when the wind blows."

Enraged by the response, the farmer was tempted to fire him on the spot. Instead, he hurried outside to prepare for the storm. To his amazement, he discovered that all of the haystacks had been covered with tarpaulins. The cows were in the barn, the chickens were in the coops, and the doors were barred. The shutters were tightly secured. Everything was tied down.

Nothing could blow away. The farmer then understood what his hired hand meant, so he returned to his bed to also sleep while the wind blew.

When you're prepared, spiritually, mentally, and physically, you have nothing to fear. Can you sleep when the wind blows through your life? The hired hand in the story was able to sleep because he had secured the farm against the storm. We secure ourselves against the storms of life by grounding ourselves in the Word of God. We don't need to understand, we just need to hold His hand to have peace in the middle of storms.

A friend of mine sent this to me today, and I enjoyed it so much, that I wanted to Share it with you.

I hope you enjoy your day and you sleep well.

Mon. Night

Lorain

7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church
5100 Ashland Ave.
1st. Laura J.
8th. Amy B.
15th. Clark R.
22th. James M.
29th. Keith S.

Sheffield Lake

Monday Night

8:00 PM

United Church of Christ
603 Sunset Ave.
1st. Nyle C.
8th. Kelly Y.
15th. Cindy P.
22th. Lois R.
29th. Joe C.

LaPorte

Tues. Group

8:00 PM

Christian Church
301 Washington Ave.
2nd. Stan T.
9th. Maggie M.
16th. Rick O.
23rd. Nammon T.
30th. Rose C.

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.

Fri. Night

Faith Group

11:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.
5th. 9th. STEP
12th. Robert H.
19th. Nora M.
26th. Ask it
Basket

Mid- Night

Elyria Group

Sat. 12:00 PM

St Mary's Church
4th & Middle Ave.

6th. Jim
13th. Diane
20th. Ken B.
27th. Irma

Lorain

Consolidated

Sun. 2:30 PM

577 Broadway
7th. Sonny
14th. Bob
21st. Al R.
28th. Zorri

NEW MEETINGS: The Key Women's Discussion (CW) Thurs. 7 PM. The Key 32nd. & Seneca Ave., Lorain
St. Anthony's Saturday, 6:15 PM [Big Book Study]
Newly Formed And Growing [THE NEXT STEP] Is A Worship Celebration For Those In Any Type Of Recovery. An Interdenominational Supportive Fellowship For Individuals & Family members Whom Addiction Is An Ongoing Threat. A Safe Place Where Love & Acceptance Is Found. Saturdays 6:00 To 7:15 PM. At The Amherst Church Of The Nazarene. All's Welcome. Any Questions Call (440) 985-1099. Kim P.

Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle Winner: Jim P. \$93.00, 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

Be Persistent! Keep Asking, Keep Seeking and Keep Knocking!

Elyria Sun.

Night

7:30 PM

St. Jude's School
594 Poplar St.
7th. Charley P.
14th. Don M.
21st. Beth G.
28th. Clyde M

Sunday

Serenity

8:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.
7th. Lois R.
14th. Larry S.
21st. Chris S.
28th. Disc.

Spanish

American

Fri. 8:30 PM

St. Ladislaus
1412 29th St.
5th. Don F.
12th. Anita
19th. John F.
26th. Abe

Prayer for the Day: I pray that I may gladly leave my future in God's hands.

Hello everyone,

I am writing this to thank each and everyone of you! The Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous, for helping me thru this past, "just over three years of sobriety".

I am getting married, and moving to Florida, as most of you know by now, hoping to take just a little bit of Lorain Counties AA atmosphere with me. I am also praying that My wife, and I can make it up every summer for Founders day, and to visit the meeting's here in Lorain county.

Keep your faith, get active, and Love one another for who you are, not for your past, nor for your accomplishments. Keep the help flowing! Thank you, Darrell C.

*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.

In need of help! The Key

Get active and help someone! The key is in need of female volunteers to help girls with rides, sponsorship, big book study and many other tasks. So if your program is getting stagnant or you are not sponsoring right now. Think about giving back to the place that has given to so many. It would be nice if you had one year of sobriety but if not we are sure they could find something for you to do.

We all know the best way to stay sober is to give back. So let's show some love for our treatment centers and show the new person how people in A.A. take care of each other.

Concepts 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.

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

Promise 9: Our whole attitude and outlook upon life will change.

Tradition 9: A.A. As such, ought never be organized; But we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

Survivors List:

Groups in need of
Support to stay afloat Please
Attend, Contribute,
Be Active, Help Chair,
Be a Secretary,
Be Responsible

Sisters In Sobriety

Wed. 7:30 PM

Firstmerit Bank
Center Ridge Road
North Ridgeville

Friday Morn. Trad.

Fri. 10:00 AM

St. Clarence Church
30106 Lorain Rd. N. Olmsted

St Agnes Thurs. Gp.

Thurs. 8:00 PM

St. John's Luthern Church
W. River Road

Young Person's Gp.

Sat. 2:00 PM

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.

33rd. Anniversary Mid-night Elyria Group

Sat. 12:00 PM

St Mary's Church
4th & Middle Ave.

Elyria (NS)

September 20th.

Lead:@ 12:00 PM

Ken B.

Food Served after Lead:

Door Prizes, 50/50,

Fellowship

Cover Dish Appreciated

• September Anniversary •

1st. Chuck F. 21 yrs.

2nd. Arlen G. 3 yrs.

3rd. Amy B. 4 yrs.

5th. Sandy H. 17 yrs.

7th. Jeff H. 9 yrs.

8th. Karen C. 23 yrs.

12th. Tracy T. 23 yrs.

17th. Linda H. 28 yrs.

17th. Lois R. 5 yrs.

25th. Naaman 20 yrs.

28th. Susan Z. 5 yrs.

29th. Steve H. 32 yrs.

HELP NEEDED

A.A. Men & Women
to carry the mes-
sage to other Alco-
holics that are
incarcerated in Jail
or Prison in Lorain
County. There is al-
so a correspon-
dence program 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

45th. Anniversary Sheffield Lake Monday Night

8:00 PM

United Church of Christ
603 Sunset Ave.

Sept. 29th.

Lead:@ 8:00 PM

Joe C.

Food and Fellowship

Phone Line Report:

Month of Aug., 2008

12 Step Calls..... 12

Sponsorship..... 3

Al-A-Non..... 4

Meeting Info..... 130

General Info..... 55

Total:..... 204

Happy Joyous & Free.

Elyria Sunday **Night Group**

St. Jude's

Annual Steak Fry

Cascade Park

West River Road Entrance

Elyria, Ohio

Sept. 21, 2008

Sunday

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Meal includes:

steak, salad, potato,

corn on the cob,

dinner roll, coffee, dessert,
and lots of fellowship.

\$12.00 per person

(soft drinks- \$.50)

Proceeds to benefit the

Children's Christmas Party

THANK YOU!! LORAIN COUNTY A.A.

The Friends of PORKY P. would like to thank ALL the people who helped and supported us. This was the 4th Annual Pig Roast and it was a Great Success. We hope a good time was had by all. Special thanks to Juan & friends who donated time and effort in cooking Porky. And also to the guys in the "HALF MEASURES" band who donated time and talent in playing for us. All the support for the Inter-Group Office paid off and we were able to raise \$1,705.00. The 50/50 raffle was \$553.00, and the left over pig went to the Haven Center so you also fed a shelter for a day.

Thanks A.A.'s of Lorain County

Respectfully, Troy Smith.

Road To Hope **Foundation**

1st. Annual Steak Fry

Sept. 20th.

1:00 PM till ?

St Ladislaus

1412 29th. St. & Wood Ave.

Tickets: \$15.00

(Must be Purchased in Advance)

(Hot Dogs Will Be Provided)

For Children under 10

Lead: 7:00 PM

• Outside Games • Raffles •
Door Prizes • Music • Fellowship

Contacts: Jeff & Kris K.

440 774-2642

Arid Club Fellowship

"Surprise"

(Come Join The Fun)

Sept. 27th.

8:00 PM Till

\$5.00 Couples

\$3.00 Singles

\$1.00 Children Under 10

Food for Sale

Cover Dish Appreciated

Happy

Joyous

& Free

FAITH = Facing All, Intuitively Trusting Him.

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 P.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

Archives Committee

Mary Ann Schulz.....440 453-4115

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

Sarah Lamb.....440 787-7520

District Committee

District 19A (Sheffield Lake, Avon Lake, Sheffield, Avon, N. Ridgeville, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton DCM. James B. ?

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

DCM. Yolanda A. ?

District 20A (All of Elyria City Meetings a Carlisle) DCM. Judy S.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., Brighton Twsp., Wellington Meetings)

DCM. MaryAnn S.440 453-4115
e mail maschulz@oh.rr.com

Alt. DCM.Donna L.440 574-3464

Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the month of July, 2008.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>
1.Rent	\$ 700.00	1..... \$ 270.34
2.Columbia Gas	\$ 358.31	2..... \$ 851.50
3.All Service Telephone Answering	\$ 148.18	3..... \$ 758.35
4.Ohio Edison	\$ 295.26	4..... \$ 1,204.80
5.Century Telephone	\$ 124.15	5..... \$ 174.49
6. House Managers	\$ 1,562.44	
7.Pay Cor Fees	\$ 79.33	
8.Live Wire Printing	\$ 64.00	<u>Donations/Rent</u> \$ 3,259.48
9. Insight Yellow Pages	\$ 18.86	<u>Proceeds from Coke</u> \$ 41.37
10.Dennis Schuster Paper Towels	\$ 146.18	<u>Machine</u>
& Toilet Paper		<u>Total</u> \$ 3,300.85
11.Tom Ortiz Lock Set	\$ 54.16	<u>Expenses</u> \$ 4,306.16
12.Tom Ortiz Creamer & Sugar	\$ 64.62	
13.Sam Hensley Cups	\$ 21.24	<u>Loss July 2008</u> -\$1,005.31
14.Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp.	\$ 19.43	
15.TVP Realty Management	\$ 650.00	
(Security Deposit for 710 Broadway)		
	\$ 4,306.16	

One Day At A Time

Donations: Month of July, 2008

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. Friends of Bill W Picnic | 18. Oberlin Women's Closed Disc |
| 2. Amherst Saturday | 19. Serenity Hall |
| 3. Amherst Thursday | 20. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group |
| 4. Anonymous | 21. Spanish Speaking A La Libertad |
| 5. Attitude of Gratitude | 22. St. Anthony's Friday Night |
| 6. Back to Basics Discussion | 23. Stepping Into Sobriety |
| 7. Blue Monday | 24. Sunday Night Sobriety |
| 8. Carlisle Lunch Bunch | 25. Tuesday Early Morning |
| 9. Elyria Monday Closed Disc. | 26. Tuesday Night Central. |
| 10. Elyria Sunday Night Group | 27. Vermilion !2 & !2 Disc.. |
| 11. Friday Morning Disc. | 28. Vermilion Tuesday. |
| 12. Grafton Wednesday Night | 29. We Care Tuesday Morning Disc.. |
| 13. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle | 30. Anonymous. |
| 14. Mid-Week Morning Disc. | 31. Vermilion 12 & 12 Disc. |
| 15. Monday Happy Hour | 32. Tuesday Night Central |
| 16. Monday Night Lorain | 33. 12 & 12 Discussion |
| 17. Oberlin Group | 34. We Care Tuesday Morning Disc. |

B.I.G. B.O.O.K.

S.T.E.P.S.

Believing In God Beats Our Old Knowledge. Solutions To Every Problem Sober

Board Of Directors

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