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"The circle stands for the whole world of A.A., and the triangle stands for A.A.'s Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service."

Alcoholics Anonymous Comes of Age, page 139

<u>Step Eleven</u> (Recovery)	<u>Tradition Eleven</u> (Unity)	<u>Concept Eleven</u> (Service)
<i>Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.</i>	<i>Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.</i>	<i>The trustees should always have the best possible committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Composition, qualifications, induction procedures, and rights and duties will always be matters of serious concern.</i>

NECYPAA -XV

The New England Conference for Young People in Alcoholics Anonymous

The Sheraton Hotel Burlington, Vermont ~ December 31st 2004 – January 2nd 2005

For more info contact us at: NECYPAAAXV@YAHOO.COM

Name: _____	Please make checks/money orders payable to:
Address: _____	NECYPAA XV
City, State, Zip _____	PO Box 8693 Burlington, VT 05402
Phone: (____) _____	Sobriety Date: _____
eMail: _____	A.A. Al-Anon Alateen (circle one)
	Special Needs (circle one) Deaf / Hearing Impaired / Wheelchair Access / Other _____
Pre-Registration \$10.00 _____ (\$15.00 after November 15th)	Banquet \$17.00 _____ Vegetarian? Y N
Scholarship Donation \$ _____	Total Enclosed \$ _____

Upcoming Events

2004

Nov. 13-14	41st Annual Mass. State Convention! Sheraton Tara, Framingham, Mass.
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2005

Feb 25-27	N.E.R.A.A.S.A. 2005 - Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA). Hosted by Eastern Massachusetts Area 30. Boston Newton Marriott, Newton, MA. For more info contact delegate@aaemass.org
Apr 10	Area 30 Pre Conference Assembly. Hosted by District 8. Site TBD. All G.S.R.'s, DCM's and Area Officers are responsible to attend. All A.A. members are encouraged to attend. Contact chair@aaemass.org
Jun 30 - July 3	The 70th anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated at the 2005 International Convention in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, June 30-July 3, 2005. For more info click on the link http://www.aa.org/default/en_services_aa.cfm?pageid=39 or contact delegate@aaemass.org

2004 InterGroup Timeline

2004-2005	Intergroup Meeting dates for the new year: 2004 - November 11, December 9. 2005 - January 13, February 10, March 10, April 14, May 12.
November 2	Christmas/New Years Alcathon slots drawn - District 25 Monthly Meeting (Even Hours)
November 11	Christmas/New Years Alcathon slots drawn - Intergroup Monthly Meeting (Odd Hours)
November 24-25	Thanksgiving Alcathon - See page 7 for details....
December 24-25	Christmas Alcathon - See page 7 for details....
December 31-January 1	New year's Alcathon - See page 7 for details....

"Wherever you go, there you are"
Some A.A. websites of interest

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| www.aa.org | Alcoholics Anonymous World Services |
| www.aaworcester.org | Worcester Area InterGroup |
| www.aaemass.org | The Area 30 Website |
| www.capecodaa.com | Cape Code InterGroup website |
| www.rhodeisland-aa.org | Rhode Island Official AA website |
| www.ct-aa.org | Connecticut Official AA website |
| www.mv.com/ipusers/nhaa | New Hampshire Official AA website |
| www.aavt.org | Vermont Official AA website |
| www.aamaine.org | Maine Official AA website |



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Service Meetings

<u>InterGroup/District 25 & 26</u>		<u>Area 30</u>	
<p><u>Steering Committee</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 2nd Thursday 6:15pm</p>	<p><u>Intergroup Delegates</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 2nd Thursday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Eastern Mass. General Service Committee</u> St. John's 80 Mt. Auburn Watertown 4th Wednesday 8:00pm</p>	<p><u>Grapevine Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 4th Sunday 1:00pm-3:00pm</p>
<p><u>Public Information</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 4th Monday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Joint Treatment</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 4th Saturday 10am</p>	<p><u>CPC Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 2nd Thursday 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Joint Treatment Facilities</u> St. Paul's 59 Court Street Dedham 3rd Friday 8:00pm</p>
<p><u>Joint Corrections</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm</p>	<p><u>Social Committee</u> Sacred Heart Church 595 Cambridge St. Worcester Updated! → 2nd Saturday 6:00 pm</p>	<p><u>Archives Committee</u> St. John's 80 Mt. Auburn Watertown 3rd Thursday 7:30pm</p>	<p><u>Literature Committee</u> Carter Methodist Church 800 Highland Ave. Needham 1st Monday 7:30pm</p>
<p><u>District 25 - CPC Committee</u> Intergroup Office 100 Grove St. # 309 Worcester 2nd Wed. 6:30 - 8:00 pm</p>	<p><u>District 25 (GSR's)</u> St. Joan of Arc Church 570 Lincoln St. Worcester 1st Tuesday 7:30pm</p>	<p><u>Corrections Committee</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 4th Thursday</p>	<p><u>Joint Public Information</u> Boston Central Service 368 Congress St. Lower Level Boston 1st Thursday 7:00 pm</p>
<p><u>District 26 (GSR's)</u> Local 60 Union Hall Mechanic St. Leominster 1st Thursday 7-9pm</p>		<p><u>December Deadline!</u> Submissions Must be received by November 15, 2004 Email "The Beacon" at: Beacon@AAworchester.org</p>	

“Our own conception, however inadequate, was sufficient to make the approach and to effect a contact with Him.” (Page 46)

The Bookie Board

*** Group Updates Needed!! ***

If your group is not listed, please get your updates to the Beacon staff by emailing them to:

Beacon@AAworchester.org

SUNDAY	Ashburnham	“Naukeag Group”	6:15 pm	John B.	(508) 752-9000
	Brookfield	“Sunday Morning”	10:00 am	Leon F.	
	Fitchburg	“Sunday Morning”	10:15 am	Frank G.	
	Shrewsbury	“Shrewsbury Gratitude”	7:00 pm	TBD	
	Southbridge	“Southbridge Originals”	7:00 pm	André L.	
	Stow	“Stow Sunday”	11:00 am	Tom S.	
	Webster	“Triton”	7:30 pm	Kim W.	
	Worcester	“Early Risers”	10:00 am	John O.	
“Gratitude”		7:00 pm	Kathy L.		

MONDAY	Leominster	“Original Group”	7:45 pm	Dean R.	(508) 752-9000
	Spencer	“Spencer Fellowship”	7:30 pm	Anna R.	
	Sutton	“Sutton Center”	7:00 pm	John C.	
	Webster	“Joy of Living”	8:00 pm	Harry H.	
	Worcester	“Crozier”	8:00 pm	Marla V.	

TUESDAY	Charlton	“Courage to Change”	7:30 pm	Mike M.	(508) 752-9000
	Groton	“Easy Does it”	7:30 pm	Joe F.	
	Webster	“The Fellowship of Webster”	7:30 pm	Jack	
	Worcester	“Young People”	7:30 pm	TBD	

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WEDNESDAY	Auburn	“Auburn Group”	7:30 pm	Tony B.	(508) 752-9000
	Westboro	“Westboro Forge”	8:00 pm	Kathy A.	
	Worcester	“Four Corners”	8:00 pm	Sarah N.	
		“Top of the Hill”	8:00 pm	Bonnie	
		“We Mean Business”	7:00 pm	Happy C.	

THURSDAY	Douglas	“Maintenance & Repair”	7:00 pm	Paul P.	(508) 752-9000
	Dudley	“Day at a Time”	8:30 pm	Jim B.	
	Holden	“Holden Group”	8:00 pm	Mike K.	
	Worcester	Updated! → “Stay Active”	6:45 pm	Nancy Q.	
		“Serenity”	7:30 pm	Cynthia C.	
	“As Bill Sees it”	7:30 pm	Pat C.		

Friday	Marlboro	“New Life”	8:00 pm	Dick C.	(508) 752-9000
	Worcester	“Greendale”	8:30 pm	Ginny	

SATURDAY	Millbury	“Millbury Traditions”	7:30 pm	Mary C.	(508) 752-9000
	Upton	“Upton Capertown”	1:30 pm	John H.	
	Worcester	“How it Works”	6:45 pm	Mike S.	

H.A.L.T. Line needs your help!

Contact the H.A.L.T. line chairpeople at haltline@aaworcester.org or call WAI at (508) 752-9000 to volunteer to answer the phone when someone calls looking for a meeting in the Greater Worcester Area.

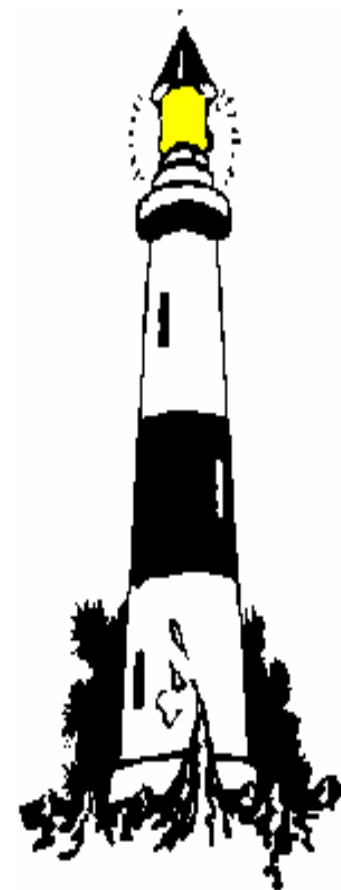
“...We can't keep it unless we give it away...”

Steering Committee & Committee

Chairpersons

<u>Position Held</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
Chairperson	Ellen McQ.	Intergroupchair@aaworcester.org
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Beacon Editor	Charlie W.	beacon@aaworcester.org
Liaison to District 25	Open	
Liaison to Area 30	Open	
Alcathon Committee	Billy S.	

If you need to speak to any of these people, you can leave a message at the Intergroup Office, 752-9000, and the staff will be happy to ask them to return your call.



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Office Hours:

Monday 10am-2pm
 Tuesday 10am-8pm
 Wednesday 10am-8pm
 Thursday 10am-8pm
 Friday 10am-2pm
 Saturday 9am-2pm
 Sunday CLOSED



70th Anniversary
Alcoholics Anonymous

June 30 - July 3, 2005

Registration begins September 2004

http://www.aa.org/default/en_services_aa.cfm?pageid=39

2004 Alcathons

Sponsored by District 25 and The Worcester Area Intergroup of Alcoholic's Anonymous

Thanksgiving * 12 Noon Nov. 24 to Midnight Nov. 25
 Christmas * 12 Noon Dec. 24 to Midnight Dec. 25
 New Years * 12 Noon Dec. 31 to Midnight Jan. 1

To be held at St. John's Church 44 Temple Street, Worcester

Printable Flyer: <http://www.aaworcester.org/aflyer.htm>

Host/Hostess are needed to help at the Alcathons

Responsible for alcathon kitchen area, overseeing coffee preparation and refreshments, general housekeeping of meeting facilities. Service may be from 1 hour to as many hours as you wish.

(Service)	Thanksgiving	Christmas	New Years
Host/Hostess			

Name : _____
 Address : _____
 Community : _____
 Tel. No. : _____

Get your information to : Worcester Area Intergroup – 100 Grove Street – Suite 309 – Worcester, Ma
 For more Information Call WAI at: (508) 752-9000 or Mary M. @ [REDACTED]

What is an Alcathon?

An Alcathon is a Marathon A.A. Meeting that typically occurs around the holidays each year. On Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, Worcester Area Intergroup & District 25 host this event, and provides a place to go at any hour of the day, for 24 hours straight, during these holidays.

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If you've never experienced attending, or participating in an Alcathon, don't go through another holiday season alone.

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Come join us!

District 26

Christmas Alcathon

Knights of Columbus Hall
110 South Street
Gardener, Ma

Starting at Noon on December 24th

Come join in the Fellowship!

12 Step Volunteer Application

Name: (last initial only)	_____	Phone: _____
Towns you will accept calls from:	_____	
Available Hours:	_____	
I wish to help:	<input type="checkbox"/> Males only <input type="checkbox"/> Females only <input type="checkbox"/> Both	
Age Groups I prefer:	<input type="checkbox"/> Teens <input type="checkbox"/> 20-30 <input type="checkbox"/> 30-40 <input type="checkbox"/> 40-50 <input type="checkbox"/> 50-60 <input type="checkbox"/> Over 60 Other: _____	
I am willing to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Talk to a person on the phone <input type="checkbox"/> Go to a persons home to talk <input type="checkbox"/> Give rides to A.A. Meetings <input type="checkbox"/> Give rides to Detox/Rehab <input type="checkbox"/> Meet someone at a meeting <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

Note. It is strongly suggested that a person NOT go on a Twelfth Step call alone!



"I Am Responsible. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that:
I AM RESPONSIBLE."

Dance Schedule

The Second Saturday of each month!

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| October 9 (Halloween) | November 13 |
| December 11 | January 8 |
| February 12 (Valentines) | March 12 |
| April 9 | May 15 (Mother's Day) |

Sacred Heart Church

596 Cambridge Street

Worcester, MA

7:00-11:00 pm

\$5.00 donation at the door

Additional Information: intergroupdance@aol.com

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