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## District 26 Activities Committee

### RECOVERY HIKE



**Saturday, OCT. 10, 2015**  
**Mount Wachusett**

Hike starts at 9:30 am rain or shine. (Heavy rain cancels.) Lunch will be provided at the top of the mountain. Bring appropriate hiking gear; sturdy boots, water, bug spray, tissue, camera, etc. Dress for the weather! Meeting to be held weather and time permitting. Have Fun!



Call if you have any questions.

Dan B. 978-895-3979 or Karen M. 978-496-0500

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### Group Spotlight

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### AA Activities

If anyone has any information about upcoming AA related activities please contact the editor at [Beacon@aaworcester.org](mailto:Beacon@aaworcester.org). Be sure to check out the following websites in the meantime for information as well,

### SUBSCRIPTION!

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## Service Meeting Schedule

**Intergroup Steering Committee\*** - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA —6:00pm

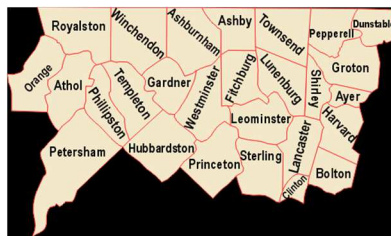
**Intergroup Delegates\*** - Veterans, Inc., 59 South St. Shrewsbury, MA — 7:00pm

*\*The Intergroup meetings occur the second THURSDAY of each month.*

**District 25 General Service Committee**—Joan of Arc Church, Lincoln Street Worcester, Ma meets first Tuesday of the month 7:30 pm

**District 26 General Service Committee**—Local 60 Union Hall, Mechanic Street, Leominster, Ma meets first Thursday of the month 7:00pm AA members welcome—please come join us!

I am responsible...  
When anyone, anywhere,  
Reaches out for help, I want  
The hand of A.A. always to be  
there.



Any Group Anniversaries or A.A. functions please notify [webmaster@aaworcester.org](mailto:webmaster@aaworcester.org) and we will put it on the website “calendar of events” as soon as possible. If you have a flyer in electronic format please send that along and we will include it.

**NEW!**  
Check out the  
new Social Com-  
mittee's Activities  
Calendar on the  
Worcester Area  
Intergroup web-  
site.

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### TRADITIONS CHECK LIST :

1. In my mind, do I prejudge some new AA members as losers?
2. Is there some kind of alcoholic whom I privately do not want in my AA group?
3. Do I set myself up as a judge of whether a newcomer is sincere or phony?
4. Do I let language, religion (or lack of it), race, education, age, or other such things interfere with my carrying the message?
5. Am I over impressed by a celebrity? By a doctor, a clergyman, an ex-convict? Or can I just treat this new member simply and naturally as one more sick human, like the rest of us?
6. When someone turns up at AA needing information or help (even if he can't ask for it aloud), does it really matter to me what he does for a living? Where he lives? What his domestic arrangements are? Whether he had been to AA before? What his other problems are?

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### **Why does your group need an Intergroup Representative?**

The Worcester area Intergroup has no authority of it's own but derives it from the participating groups. The representative that each group elects is the groups voice to intergroup—your link to those who maintain and operate the Intergroup Office.

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### 12 Step Volunteer Application

Name (First name and last initial): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Towns you will accept calls from: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours that you are available: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to help: Males Only Females Only Both

Ages I am willing to work with: Teens 20 to 30 30 to 40 40 to 50 50 to 60 Over 60

Other (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to: (please circle all that apply)  
Talk to a person on the phone Go to a persons home to talk \*

**MAIL TO: Worcester Area Intergroup  
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Give rides to AA Meetings Give rides to Detox \*

Meet someone at a meeting Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*It is suggested that a person NOT go on a twelfth step call alone to help an alcoholic who is still suffering. Also you should NOT drive a wet drunk to a treatment facility (detox) without having another A.A. member with you. If you circled either of these items, please be sure that you have another member of A.A. that is willing to go along with you.

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### FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Worcester Area Intergroup (WAI) accepts information regarding AA related events to be included in the website calendar. Let us know if you have an event you would like publicized. Please email information to the Office Manager at:

[webmaster@aaworcester.org](mailto:webmaster@aaworcester.org)

Worcester Area Intergroup could use support from the local A.A. Groups. If your group has an excess amount in your treasury please consider making the pie chart split to help not only Worcester Intergroup but the other local A.A. entities and also A.A. World Services. If you are a group treasurer and need more information, feel free to call the office at 508-752-9000.