

AA Unity LiveWire AA

577 Broadway Avenue, Lorain, Ohio 44052 Phone 440 246-1800

June

Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM

2005

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The A.A. Group...

Where it all begins... How a group functions...
How to get started... A.A. Approved literature
Pamphlet P-16

What do A.A. group members do?

"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." In short, when newcomers walk into our meeting rooms, we want A.A. to be there for them as it was for us—something we can do continuously only if we function as a group.

But, for a group to keep going, all kinds of jobs must be done. It is through the combined efforts and ongoing commitment of group members that:

- A meeting place is provided and maintained.
- Programs are arranged for the meetings.
- Contributions are collected, and properly allocated and spent.
- A.A. Conference-approved literature on hand.
- Grapevine literature and lists of local group meetings are available.
- Refreshments are often available.
- Alcoholics in the area learn that A.A. is available and how to find it.
- Calls for help are answered.
- Group problems are aired and resolved.
- Continuing contact is sustained with the rest of A.A.—locally, through the intergroup (central office), district and area's general service committee; and nationally and internationally, through the General Service Office in New York.

The difference between open and closed A.A. meetings

The purpose of all A.A. group meetings, as the Preamble states, is for A.A. members to "share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism." Toward this end, A.A. groups have both *open* and *closed* meetings.

Closed meetings are for A.A. members only, or for those who have a drinking problem and "have a desire to stop drinking."

Open meetings are available to anyone interested in Alcoholics Anonymous' program of recovery from alcoholism.

At both types of meetings, the A.A. chairperson may request that participants confine their discussion to matters pertaining to recovery from alcoholism.

Whether open or closed, A.A. group meetings are conducted by A.A. members, who determine the format of their meetings.

Self-support: The Seventh Tradition

There are no dues or fees for membership in A.A., but we do have expenses. In keeping with the Seventh Tradition a group may "pass the basket" in order to cover expenses such as rent, refreshments, A.A. Conference-approved books, pamphlets and meeting lists, and contributions to services provided by the local intergroup (central office), district and area, and the General Service Office of A.A. worldwide. A.A. members are free to contribute whatever they wish, up to a maximum of \$2,000 each in a given year.

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 Central Office 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, Get Active)

Advisory Board Meeting: The meeting will be held at 6 PM on the 3rd. Thursday of the month, at the **Central Office**

SUN	<p>FATHER'S DAY 19TH</p> <p><u>North Ridgeville Men's</u> 7:30 PM First Merit Bank 35621 Center Ridge Rd. N. Ridgeville(NS)</p>	<p><u>Sharing Our Sobriety (S.O.S.)</u> 8:00 PM 577 Broadway Ave. Lorain (S)</p>	
MON	<p><u>Monday Night Lorain</u> 7:30 PM Zion Lutheran Church 5100 Ashland Ave. June 6th Mike Thumper June 13th Oscar June 20th Santos June 27th Jesse C.</p>	<p><u>Vermilion United Church Of Christ Monday Night</u> 8:00 PM 990 Rt.60 June 6th Ted A. June 13th Jeff June 20th Sue Engler June 27 Cindy C.</p>	<p><u>LaGrange Monday Night</u> 8:30 PM Rt.303 United Methodist Church 105 W.Main St. LaGrange (NS)</p>
TUES	<p><u>Oberlin Tuesday Noon Disc.</u> 12:00 PM Oberlin College Wilder Hall Room 204 (NS)</p>	<p><u>Tuesday Night Central</u> 8:00 PM 577 Broadway Ave. Lorain (S)</p>	<p><u>Amherst "Who Me"</u> 8:00 PM Congregation Church 379 Main St. Amherst (NS)</p>
WED	<p><u>Sheffield Lake Wed. Night</u> 8:30 PM St. Thomas School 715 Harris Rd. Sheffield Lake (S)</p>	<p><u>Stepping Into Sobriety Group</u> 6:30 PM NORD Center 6140 S. Broadway Ave. Lorain (NS)</p>	<p><i>Don't Let Yesterday Use up to Much of Today</i></p>
THURS	<p><u>Wellington Thurs. Night</u> 7:30 PM 137 Lincoln St. Wellington</p>	<p><u>N. Ridgeville Big Book Disc.</u> 8:00 PM First Merit Bank 35621 Center Ridge Rd. N.Ridgeville (NS)</p>	<p><u>Compass Group</u> 8:00 PM St. John's Catholic Church Rt.57 & Homewood Dr. Lorain (NS)</p>
FRI	<p><u>All's Welcome Arid Friday</u> 7:30 PM 1741 N. Ridge Rd. Sheffield Township (S) June 3rd. Bob Seibolt June 10th. Joe Moore June 17th. Tommy Burns June 24th. Tommy Ortiz</p>	<p><u>St. Anthony Friday Night</u> 8:00 PM 1305 E. Erie Ave. Lorain (NS)</p>	<p><u>Friday Candlelight Sobriety</u> 11:00 PM 1741 N. Ridge Rd. Sheffield Township (S)</p>
SAT	<p><u>Mid-night Elvira Group</u> 12:00 PM St. Mary's Church 4th & Middle Ave. Lorain June 4th. Joel Reichlin June 11th. Lisa Joe June 18th June 25th</p>	<p><u>Steps to Life Kipton Community Church</u> 7:30 PM 511 Church St. Kipton (NS)</p>	<p><u>Columbia Station Group</u> 8:30 PM Hosanna Lutheran Church 13485 W. River Rd. Columbia Station (NS)</p>

June 19th A.A. Thought for the Day

I pray that I may keep growing spiritually. I pray that I may make this my real life's work.

20th Annual Memorial Day Breakfast Thanksgiving:

"We recognize God's presence in all of creation, with the new blooms of spring, struggles of the groups, wisdom of the aged, firmness of purpose of those present today.

We gather today to celebrate each opportunity that we have taken to support each other in our daily commitment to a life of sobriety, and all those that have passed on and made this day possible for all of us.

Lord bless the food we are about to enjoy and the fellowship and laughter we share."

Tom Coughlin May 30th, 2005

May 50/50 Raffle Winner: Amanda Lotko...\$139.50 Amherst Friday Night

An alcoholic's prayer could be as follows:

"God grant me the serenity to accept my condition gracefully and humbly, grant me also the ability to absorb the teachings of those who are by their past experience trying to help me. Teach me to be grateful for their help. Guide me, oh God, in the path of tolerance and understanding of my fellow man, guide me away from the path of criticism, intolerance, jealousy and envy of my fellow. Let me not prejudice, let me not become a moralist, keep my tongue and thoughts from malicious idle gossip. Help me to grow in stature spiritually, mentally, and morally. Grant me that greatest of all boons, that of being able to help my fellow sufferer in his search out of the morass that has encompassed him. Above all, help me to be not too critical and impatient with myself."

Ernie of Ravenswood Chicago, Illinois

Concepts 6: The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.

Step 6: Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

Promise 6: That feeling of uselessness and self-pity Will disappear.

Tradition 6: An A.A. Group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. Name to any related facility or Outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

The Bottom Line: "Now that we are sober in A.A., the word "support" has to do with sharing, people, self-respect, gratitude, and what we are privileged to give---not take---in material terms." (Jamie Bailey)

Lorain County Central Office
 Pig Roast
 Saturday, July 16, 2005
 Noon until ???
 Burgette's Park
 State Route 58
 Between Russia & Butternut
 Ridge Rds.
 On the East side of the road
 Look for the sign

Food - Fun - Fellowship
 Music & Dancing
 50/50 Raffles
 Tickets \$15.

Proceeds to benefit
 Lorain County Central Office



Sunday St. Jude's Breakfast in the Park

Join us at
 Cascade Park in Elyria
 West River Road Entrance

9:00 Breakfast
 10:00 Lead

Dates:

June 19

July 17 Aug. 21

Breakfast includes:
 Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns
 Potatoes, Bacon, Sausage, Toast,
 Juice, and Coffee.

Breakfast cost: \$3.00

Father's Day Lunch
 All Fathers, Sons, & Grandsons invited
 Sunday, June 19, 2005
 Noon until ??
 And Fellowship Center Inc.
 774 N. Ridge Rd. (Route 254)
 Sheffield Township, Ohio
 Lunch includes Bar-b-Que, Side Dishes, Dessert,
 & Coffee

50/50 Raffle Fellowship Fun

Ladies

We need volunteers to help
 cook & serve for the guys.
 Donations of side dishes &
 desserts needed.

Call Donna at 440.288.3495



No charge - All donations appreciated
 Thanks!

Harbor Lights Men's Discussion Group

7:00 PM

St. Ladislaus
 1412 29th Street.

Name Changed

Sunday Night

Acceptance

Open Discussion
 Men Only

ARK Big Book

Wed. Night

7:00 PM

Moved To

**Good Sheppard
 Center**

Wilson Off Root Rd.
 Open Discussion

23rd ANNUAL NEW LONDON CAMPOUT CONFERENCE

When: Thursday June 23rd through Sunday June 26th, 2005

Where: New London Recreation Park, New London, Ohio
 Grove Street (off State Rt. 60)

Calendar of Events

DAY	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	8:00 P.M.	AA Lead • Carolyn Kenna - Lima, OH
Friday	3:00 P.M.	AA Lead • George Robinson - Huron, OH
	7:00 P.M.	Dad AA/ALANON lead • Bob and Sharon Finner - Norwalk, OH
Saturday	10:00 A.M.	OH Timers Panel • James Weaver - AppleCreek, OH • Dorey Shurtle - Painesville, OH • Carolyn Kenna - Lima, OH
	3:00 P.M.	Pet Lark Dinner • Bring your favorite dish. <i>Alcohol and table service provided</i> • Tom Richards - Blythe, OH
	4:00 P.M.	• Tom Richards - Blythe, OH
	8:00 P.M.	New London AA Meeting - Will be held at the park. • Andy Tolbert - Batschels, OH

• 50/50 Raffle available at each meeting

Cost: \$12.00 per seat (includes, set-up, set) per night for all occupied nights
 \$12.00 per night charge applies for those setting up early before Thursday
 Electric, water, cooking, picnic tables and fire rings available on first-come basis.
 Please bring firewood to stoves.

You do not have to camp to join the fun. Come at any time for meetings, fellowship,
 singing, campfire meetings and great conversation. If coming out for the day, bring your
 cooler, picnic basket and lawn chairs.

For more information call:

- Ben and Judy Elliott 419-929-0064
- John and Mary Orr 419-668-4122

- Park rules require that all persons 17 and under are present to complete after 11:00 p.m.
 unless accompanied by an adult.
- Lorain Central Office and Sandusky area group will have for sale: AA Literature, Big
 Books, Medications & More, etc.
- New London Campout has approved Advanced Audio tapes, LLC, private Cable and
 Home Speaker, Columbus, OH. For taping services. All other wiring is prohibited.

Elyria Women's Discussion

6:30 PM

New Life Baptist Church

720 E. River Rd.

Will Not Be Meeting

June 7th.

June 14th.

July 23rd.

Central Office

Wed Night

7:00 PM

Space

Available

577 Broadway Ave.

Lorain

440246-1800

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Founders' Day Herald

2005

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 or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

70th Anniversary of Alcoholics Anonymous

June 10, 11, 12, 2005 • Akron, Ohio • Birthplace of A.A.

Committee Chairs

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Maureen Leach.....	967-6305

District Committee

District #19a	
DCM.Russ Walker.....	327-1308
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District #19b vacant

Help Needed

District #20c	
DCM.Donna Lawson.....	cell# 440 574-3464
Alt.Craig Warren.....	cell# 440 985-3403

District #20b

DCM.Judy Sexton.....	322-2619
Alt.Marilyn Oliver.....	284-9834

District #20a vacant

Help Needed

Board Of Directors

Co-Chairperson	Terri Poznako.....	225-6897
Co-Chairperson	Tom Ortiz.....	277-0276
Treasurer	Bob Paton.....	965-7786
Secretary	Tom Banks.....	823-5159
Office Managers	George Schmidt.....	288-8935
	Charlie Crawford.....	988-7061

Advisory Board Members

George Sheridan.....	647-4654
Donna McCauley.....	288-3495
Tom Coughlin.....	926-3791
Bill Watkins.....	934-1610
Bill Findley.....	277-8736
Russ Walker.....	327-1308
Bill Post.....	933-4153
Troy Smith.....	365-9018
Donna Lawson.....	574-3464

To submit information for the newsletter please contact:
Russ Walker or leave the information at Central Office
before the 26th. of each month.

Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit/Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the month of April 2005.

Expenses		Donation's
1.Rent	\$ 650.00	1.....686.67
2.All Service Tel.	115.13	2.....560.10
3.Columbia Gas	300.00	3.....769.22
4.Ohio Edison	176.98	4.....1011.69
5.Centurey Tel.	115.41	5.....1128.33
6.House Manager's	1383.46	
7.Hall's Office Dnum	145.00	
8.Dereck's Office Toner	180.41	\$ 4156.01
9..C.O. Supplies	196.67	
	\$ 3263.06	
Donation's		\$ 4156.01
Expenses		\$ 3263.06
		\$ +892.95

Donations

Please include General Service # if you know it, and
Phone # with your donation's . Thank You!!

1.Strength in Sobriety	20.Blue Monday
2.La Grange Mon. Night	21.Tues. Lorain Central
3.Monday Night Lorain	22.Sun. Civic Center Sheffield
4.Elyria Woman's Disc. Tues.	23.Sunday St. Jukes
5.Back to Basics Mon. Sal/Army	24.Vermilion Disc.
6.Sat. Gould Auditorium	25.All's Wellcome Arid Group
7.Sat. Night Security	26.New Beginnings B/Book A/Lake
8.Verm. Tues. Night B/Book	27.Anonymous
9.Arid Lunch Bunch	28.S.I.O.G.A.
10.Sunday St. Mary's	29.C.O. 50/50 Raffle
11.C.B.S. Avon Lake	30.Basil Elliott
12.Amherst Fri. Night	31.Alcoholics Victorious
13.Attitude of Gratitude	32.Wellington Thurs. Night
14.Alcoholics-R-Us A/Lake	33.Sun.Night Men's N. Ridgeville
15.Elyria Mid-Night	34.Tues 1st Step N. Ridgeville
16.Elyria Fri. Night	35.Avon Tuesday Night
17.Wellington Big Book Wed.	36.N. Ridgeville Woman's Disc.
18.Wellington Group Friday	37.Oberlin Woman's Close Disc
19. Sheffield Lake Wed. Night	

Rents

1. Tues. Lorain Central
2. Blue Monday
3. Fri. Night Men's Disc.
4. Strength in Sobriety
5. Sat. Morn. Disc. Unity Hall
6. Tues. We Care
7. Sunday Consolidated

April Phone Line Report

12 Step.....	15
Sponsorship.....	12
Al-A-Non.....	17
Meeting Info.....	155
General Info.....	70
Total:	269

Acceptance:The way to serenity and peace of mind.