

AA Unity LiveWire AA

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

November Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM

2006

aaloraincounty.org

ELEVENTH STEP

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 it out.

WHAT HAVE I to meditate about? This will be answered within a very few days after you have become associated with AA. For the first time in your life you are giving of yourself, and for the first time in your life you will find that good is repaid with good. You will waken in the morning with clear head and eye. You will not be tortured with fears of what you did the night before. People will go out of their way to be cordial, kind and helpful. Happiness will shine in the faces of your loved ones. You will be free from fear, each day will add to your contentedness, you will not be dodging into alleys and crossing streets to avoid moral and physical creditors, you are beginning to have the power to help others. Surely, you have much for meditation.

When you meditate on this new way of living you cannot but realize that there is a God above, guiding you through each successive day and night. As you become more conscious of this you will seem to better understand this Guiding Power. Before long you will find it is easy to pray. But if it doesn't come easily, don't let it worry you.

Even churchmen will admit that prayer as we commonly hear it is phrased in language stilted and archaic. The Thee and Thou form has been used since the days of King James when the present version of the Bible was written. If you don't like it don't use it. It is not hard to say before retiring, "Thank you, God, for keeping me sober today." Nor is it hard to say in the morning, "Please, God, guide me in the path of sobriety and decent and useful living this coming day." Make your talks with your Guiding Power a personal thing. Give thanks for help and ask for assistance as though you were addressing your earthly father. Your sincerity is what counts, not the form of language you use. And be certain that the God to whom you pray will make it easier for you to work out your own salvation.

A Guide to the TWELVE STEPS, 1943 Booklet By Evan W. Direction by Dr. Bob

[PROMISES OF STEP ELEVEN] *Big Book page #86:*

On awakening let us think about the twenty-four hours ahead. We consider our plans for the day. Before we begin, we ask God to direct our thinking, especially asking that it be divorced from self-pity, dishonest or self-seeking motives. Under these conditions we can employ our mental faculties with assurance, for after all God gave us brains to use. Our thought-life will be placed on a much higher plane when our thinking is cleared of wrong motives. In thinking about our day we may face indecision. We may not be able to determine which course to take. Here we ask God for inspiration, an intuitive thought or a decision. We relax and take it easy. We don't struggle. We are often surprised how the right answers come after we have tried this for a while.

Big Book page #87 :

- What used to be the hunch or the occasional inspiration gradually becomes a working part of the mind.
- Being still inexperienced and having just made conscious contact with God, it is not probable that we are going to be inspired at all times. We might pay for this presumption in all sorts of absurd actions and ideas. Nevertheless, we find that our thinking will, as time passes, be more and more on the plane of inspiration.
- We come to rely upon it.
- We are careful never to pray for our own selfish ends. Many of us have wasted a lot of time doing that and it doesn't work. You can easily see why.

As we go through the day we pause, when agitated or doubtful, and ask for the right thought or action. We constantly remind ourselves we are no longer running the show, humbly saying to ourselves many times each day "Thy will be done." We are then in much less danger of excitement, fear, anger, worry, self-pity, or foolish decisions.

- We become much more efficient.
 - We do not tire so easily, for we are not burning up energy foolishly as we did when we were trying to arrange life to suit ourselves.
 - It works—it really does. *Big Book page #97 :*
- PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics. It works when other activities fail.
- You can help when no one else can.
 - You can secure their confidence when others fail.
 - Life will take on new meaning.

**Elyria Fri.
Night
8:00 PM**

Lake & Lowell St.
Elyria (NS)
3rd. Butch Hall
10th. Jimmy M.
17th. Don K.
24th. Sober AA

**Mid-Night
Elyria Group
Sat. 12:00 PM**

St Mary's Church
4th & Middle Ave.
Elyria (NS)
4th. John R.
11th. Tommy F.
18th. Gio
25th. Paul R.

**N. Ridgeville
Men's
Sun. 7:30 PM**

First Merit Bank
35621 Center
Ridge Rd.
N. Ridgeville (NS)
5th. Ron P.
12th. Sober AA
19th. Tad B.
26th. Ed F.

**Elyria Sun.
Night
7:30 PM**

St. Jude's School
594 Poplar St.
5th. Mary Ellen D.
12th. Beth Gordon
Anniversary
19th. Mick Elon
26th. Larry Van D.



**Gratitude
Month**

*First
Things
First*

Anniversary

• 35 years •
November 12th.

Elyria Sunday Night

7:30 PM

St. Jude's School
594 Poplar St.
Lead: Beth Gordon
• Prizes • Fellowship •
• Food •

Anniversary

• 40 years •
November 10th.

Elyria Friday Night

8:00 PM

Lake & Lowell St.
Lead: Jimmy Moran
• Fellowship •
• Food •

GUESS WHAT!!!

Lorain County AA will have its own website starting On Nov. 1, 2006. The address is aaloraincounty.org check it out. Mike Smeck is our Webmaster, he has done a wonderful job, but he would like your input so check out the web site and let him know how you like it, send messages to mdsmeck@comcast.net. Meeting schedule, calendar, other AA web sites, and much more. Come Visit Your Site!!

• *The Word of God Is Power Over Fear* •

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• To watch people recover, to see them help others, to watch loneliness vanish, to see a fellowship grow up about you, to have a host of friends—this is an experience you must not miss. We know you will not want to miss it. Frequent contact with newcomers and with each other is the bright spot of our lives.

We need Members of the A.A. Community that have at least Three (3) years of Sobriety and are Interested in Serving on the Central Office Advisory Board to Send a letter explaining why they would like to Serve on the Board to the Central Office at 577 Broadway Ave, Lorain, OH. 44052. Addressed to the Advisory Board. Thank You, Your Central Office Committee.

Tom Coughlin, because of his health, has had to resign from the Lorain County Central Office Advisory Board. We of the Advisory Board would like to thank Tom, for his many years of service on the Board. Hoping his health gets better, because we know how much the A.A. community will miss his service.

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. **(Dec. 3rd., 2006)**

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) **(Dec. 3rd., 2006)**

Advisory Board Meeting: The meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on the **3rd. Thursday** of the month, at the **Central Office**. **(Nov. 13th., 2006)**

• **In God's Name, Thy Will Be Done** •

Lorain Central Office 50/50 Raffle Winner: Dante Gebelle \$104.00. Just another way you can Help support the Central Office. Buy a **TICKET** from any Advisory Board Member.

Items on Sale at Lorain Central Office:

Auto Visor Clips**New Throws**Calendar Books**Beverage Cups**Double Book Covers for Your Big Book & 12X12**Bumper Stickers**Anniversary and Recovery Coins. Come in Soon, do your Christmas Shopping at the Lorain Central Office!

Concepts 11: 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.

Step 11: 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.

Promise 11: We will intuitively know how to handle situations which used to baffle us.

Tradition 11: Our public relations policy is based on Attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and film.

• *List Your Anniversaries* •

Nov. 1st. Joann Brown 4yrs.

Nov. 4th. Margaret 4yrs

Nov. 14th. Kaye Agee 21yrs.

Nov. 16th. Jeannie C. 25yrs.

Nov. 19th. John W. 21yrs.

Nov. 25th. Curtis Nelson 51yrs.

Nov. 27th. DC Martin 17yrs.

Nov. 28th. Clyde McConaughy 35yrs.

Nov. 29th. Scott C. 18yrs.

Nov. 30th. Mike Heller 23yrs.

MOVED To:

Sheffield Lake Wed. Night(O) is now on Mon. 8:00 PM., 603 Sunset and Reichleu, Sheffield

Ford Local 425 Tues. is now on Tues. 10:30 AM., at YMCA 320 Aldrich Dr., Vermilion 1st meeting Oct. 3rd.

NEW MEETING:

Sister's of Sobriety(CW) Wed. 7:30 PM., First Merit Bank 35621 Center Ridge Rd., N Ridgeville (NS)

CANCELLED:

Arid Lunch Break Sheffield Twnshp. 1741 N. Ridge Rd. (NS)

EASY DOES IT

The Board of Trustees of

Compass House, Inc.

Proudly Presents...

(Our Fifth Annual)

"Twelve Step Day"

DeLuca's Place in the Park, Lorain, Ohio

9:30 AM, Saturday, November 11, 2006

Lead Speaker - Tom I.

From Aberdeen, North Carolina

Call for tickets @ \$25.00 per person (in advance or at the door).

Sponsor those that cannot afford this cost, or...

all other cash, check, credit card donations are also accepted.

All Proceeds to benefit Compass House, Inc.

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www.compass-house.org

**Arid Fellowship
Club
Meetings & other
Funcations
Space
Available**

1741 N. Ridge Rd.

Sheffield

Township

Please Call:

Nikki or Stan

440 233-4801

FATHER MARTIN

"Gratitude"

Sunday Nov. 12th.

TIME 11:00 P.M.

**AT: LORAIN CENTRAL
OFFICE**

**577 BROADWAY AVE.,
LORAIN**

**Annual Gratitude Dinner
& Karaoke Night**

Arid Fellowship Center

1741 North Ridge Road

Sheffield Township

Saturday, November 25th.

6-7PM Pot Luck Dinner

Please bring cover dish or dessert.

Meat Provided by Arid Fellowship

Donations Appreciated

8PM until Midnight

Karaoke Night

Provided by: HD Entertainment Co.

Come and Share Your

Gratitude

Cost: Couples \$8.00

Singles \$5.00

Websites to visit:

<http://www.aaneoh.org>

<http://sobervibes.org>

<http://www.cyberrecovery.net>

<http://www.aa.org>

<http://www.dickb.com>

<http://www.sober.org>

<http://www.silkworth.net>

<http://www.aagrapevine.org/>

<http://www.dailythought@aaonline.org>

<http://www.dailythought@verizon.net>

Fall Dance

November 4, 2006

7:00 p.m. til midnight

Holly Hall

318 West Ave.

Elyria OH

Donations: \$5.00

Food

Music by: Rhythm Master



**Area 54 NE Ohio
General Service**

GRATITUDE SUNDAY

Sunday, November 19, 2006

THE RECOVERY IS IN THE SHARING!

MERCY MEDICAL CENTER

Mercy Hall

1320 Mercy Dr NW,

Canton, Ohio

Doors Open at 1:00 PM

Dinner at 2:00 PM

Speaker at 3:00 PM

AL J., Past Delegate Area 54

HOSTED BY DISTRICT 15

COME SHARE RECOVERY

WITH US!

Please bring a Covered

dish to share with others.

Committee Chairs

<u>Unity LiveWire</u>	
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Maureen Leach.....	967-6305
Coretta Farley.....	308-1714

District Committee

District #19a (Sheffield Lake, Avon Lake, Sheffield, Avon, N.Ridgeville, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton Meetings)	
DCM.Russ Walker.....	327-1308
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District #19b (Lorain City Meetings and some in Vermilion)	
DCM.Craig Warren.....	cell# 440 989-2786
District #20e (LaGrange, Penfield, Brownhelm Twp., Amherst, Henrietta Twp., S. Amherst, Kipton, Oberlin, Camden Twp., Pittsfield Twp., Brithton Twp., Wellington Meetings)	
DCM.Donna Lawson.....	cell# 440 574-3464
District #20b (All Meetings at ARID Club)	
DCM.Judy Sexton.....	322-2619
Alt.Marilyn Oliver.....	284-9834
District #20a Vacant. (All of Elyria City Meetings and Carlisle)	

Board Of Directors

Co-Chairperson	Terri Poznako.....	225-6897
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Russ Walker.....	327-1308
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Donna Lawson.....	574-3464
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*To submit information for the news letter please contact: **Russ Walker** or **Jim Parks** via: Call, *email or leave the information at the **Central Office** before the **25th.** of each month.

Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the month of September, 2006.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>	
1. Rent	\$ 650.00	1.....	1,076.54
2. All Service Telephone	122.63	2.....	231.40
3. Columbia Gas	438.00	3.....	488.50
4. Ohio Edison	20.55	4.....	497.00
5. Century Telephone	118.24	5.....	
6. House Manager's	1448.35		\$ 2,293.44
7. PayCor Fee	53.41		
8. Live Wire Printing	25.00	<u>Donations</u>	\$ 2,293.44
9. Windstream Yellow Pgs.	18.30	<u>Expenses</u>	\$ 3,163.38
10. Petty Cash	110.00	<u>Loss</u>	\$ -869.94
11. Water Heater Repair	130.00	<u>Porky P Profits</u>	\$ 936.09
12. Workers' Comp.	28.90	Total Gain.....	\$ 66.15
<u>Porky P. Pig Roast</u>	\$ 3,163.38		
Receipts \$1,852.00			
Expenses \$ 915.91			
Profit \$ 936.09			

Donations for the month of September, 2006

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

1. St Lads Saturday	22. Blue Monday
2. Sun. Night Sobriety	23. Mon. Happy Hour
3. Blue Monday	24. Back To Basics
4. Blue Monday	25. Anonymous
5. Amherst Frid. Night	26. Tuesday Central
6. Saturday Morning Disc.	27. Wed. Mid Week Disc.
7. Thursday AM Disc.	28. Great Fact Elyria Wed.
8. St Lads Sat. Night	29. Serenity Hall
9. Mon. Oberlin Women's	30. Carlisle Lunch Bunch
10. Sat. Night Security	31. Elyria Men's Stag
11. N. Ridgeville Sun. Men's	32. Oberlin Women's Closed
12. Blue Monday	33. Oberlin Breakfast Group
13. Tuesday We Care	34. Vermilion Tues. Night
14. Tuesday Central	35. Blue Monday
15. Wellington Fri.	36. Lorain Monday
16. Serenity Hall St. Lad's	37. We Care Tues. Morn. Disc.
17. Grafton Wed. Night	38. Tues. Night Central
18. Oberlin Thurs. Night	39. Elyria Mon. Closed Disc.
19. Oberlin Tues. Noon Disc.	40. Mid Week Morn. Disc.
20. As Bill Sees It	41. LaPorte Tues. Group
21. Lorain County 50/50 Raffle	42. St. Lad's Sat. Gould

Phone Line Report:

for the month of Oct., 2006

12 Step Calls...	26
Sponsorship....	14
Al-A-Non.....	16
Meeting Info...	139
General Info....	92
<u>Total:.....</u>	<u>287</u>

Rents:

for the month of Sept., 2006

1. Tues. Night Central
2. Thurs. AM Disc. Unity
3. Mon. Happy Hour
4. Fri. Morn. Survivor
5. We Care Tues. Morn. Disc.
6. Blue Monday
7. Sat. Morn. Disc.

One
Day
At
A
Time