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October

“First Things First”

Unity LiveWire

577 Broadway Avenue Lorain, Ohio 44052

Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM

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“Easy Does It”

The Advisory Board Meeting has been **CHANGED** to the Third (3rd) Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Raising Literature Prices or Footing the Bill?

Our Fellowship has some challenges ahead. Presently, Seventh Tradition contributions to the General Service Board amount to about 70% of expenditures, with the balance, or 30%, made up by literature sales. The board then distributes the money based on the instructions we gave them through the Conference, and the authority we have placed on them through our Concepts.

The cost of our literature and books is directly proportionate to the amount of Seventh Tradition contributions received. So our question is, will our groups take responsibility and participate in their own recovery and the recovery of alcoholics to come? With fewer groups carrying more of the load of financial accountability.

Our groups have many choices today. They can choose to participate in Twelfth Step work or not. They may choose to be an isolated group. By that, I mean they could coast along, not growing. Every once in a while welcoming a newcomer who sees them in a group schedule, or perhaps one or two members doing corrections or institutions work, as long as it is close to home. Their Seventh Tradition funds being spent mostly on rent and refreshments. They do not contribute to entities outside their home group, intergroup or central office. They hold with disdain the services done on behalf of their district, area or the General Service Board as wasteful and not mindful of the importance of the Seventh Tradition. They want their money spent at home. They are a group that is virtually blind, deaf, and mute. There is no G.S.R. to see or hear information from the General Service Office or the area, and no voice to communicate their group conscience.

These choices are made by some because of the belief that Tradition Four is the authority to not be part of A.A. as a whole. In a sense, they are correct. Tradition Four gives them the right to be autonomous, operating independently, with no one over them. However, that is only part of a much larger responsibility.

We are responsible to communicate the many paths that lead to recovery and Spiritual Awakening locally, nationally and worldwide. Our General Service Office began a program in 2006 that produced wonderful results. By bringing in the D.C.M.s, and including them in mailings detailing the work done nationally and internationally, our percentage of participation has increased. My own area has benefited by this inclusion. But what of the groups that are not registered, or the groups that are registered, but have made the choice not to participate?

Our choice as members of the Fellowship is clear. It is to discuss in unambiguous non-judgmental terms the work of A.A. inside our area, state or province, and country. We can clearly share the instructions given us in the Twelfth Step: To carry the message to alcoholics who still suffer. By this sharing, we can bring these groups into the realm of participation.

We can share that our Fellowship instructed the board to carry our work around the world. That is why the Big Book is printed in 52 languages, and Alcoholics Anonymous is in over 180 countries. We members are part of a society based on communication; one member talking to another. When we encounter an island or isolated group, or that member who has a provincial point of view, we can view it as an opportunity to share our structure. We are not in the activity of creating arguments; we are in the action of carrying the message of recovery and Spiritual Awakening.

When we join together supporting our district, area, and the General Service Office, our degree of self-support increases, thus no longer having to rely on the sale of literature to take up the slack in our revenue.

This is our responsibility, to act as a conduit of information. An informed group is a knowledgeable group, and a knowledgeable group will recognize and understand our principle of self-support as written in Tradition Seven.

*Jerry Clarkson, California/
San Diego-Imperial*

Mon. Night

Lorain

7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church
5100 Ashland Ave.

1st. Ed R.

8th. George S.

15th. Mary Ann S

22 John D.

29th. Bob O.

Grafton

Wed. Night

8:30 PM

Grafton Fire Station

1050 Novak Rd.

3rd. Tracey

10th. Bill J.

17th. Ron R.

24th. Suzy

31st. Vicky

Fri. Night

Faith Group

11:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.

5th. Matt M.

12th. Brenda S.

19th. Judy S.

26th. Red Ball

The Lorain Intergroup 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) (**Nov. 4th., 2007**)

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. (**Nov. 4th., 2007**)

Mid- Night

Elyria Group

Sat. 12:00 PM

St Mary's Church
4th & Middle Ave.

6th. Edwin T.

13th. Lewis N.

20th. Warner S.

27th. Walt P.

Amherst Tues.

Who Me

8:00 PM

Congregational Church

379 Main St.

2nd. Reno

9th. Sober A.

16th. John M.

23rd. Jeff H.

30th. Polly C.

Amherst Sat.

Group

8:00 PM

Church of the Nazarene

210 Cooper-Foster Rd.

6th. Sober A.

13th. Ed B.

20th Ken N.

27th. Larry N.

CHANGE

Advisory Board Meeting: The meeting will be held at **6:30 PM** on the **3rd. Wednesday** of the month, at the **Intergroup office.** (**Oct. 18th., 2007**)

Notice to All Group Secarities: When I became a secretary of my Home Group I was told that I had to attend the Lorain Intergroup Meeting the first Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM at the Intergroup Office. So that I would be aware of what was going on in Alcoholics Anonymous in Lorain County. I did that for the three years, that I was secretary of the group. We have 112 groups in Lorain County and at the meetings we only get about 3 secretaries or group members at each meeting. When you attend this meeting you can purchase the literature for your group, get the latest meeting schedule, get copies of the LiveWire, help with your advice on solving some of the problems effecting A.A. in Lorain County. If you are the secretary of your group please attend the meeting yourself or send a representative from your home group to the meeting. We hope to see you at the next Intergroup Office Meeting or someone from your home group. (**Russ W.**)

Lorain Intergroup 50/50 Raffle Winner: Neil M. \$96.00, Sold by Joe H.. Just another way you can Help support the Lorain Intergroup

The Arid Fellowship would like to thank all those who helped make our Arid Family Picnic a wonderful success. Thank You.

Concepts 10: Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.

Step 10: Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.

Promise 10: Fear of people and of economic insecurity will leave us.

Tradition 10: Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. Name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

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- List Your • Anniversary •
- Oct 4 Bill J. 4 years
- Oct.7th. Joe L. 35 yrs
- Oct.13th. Nora M. 7 yrs
- Oct. 21st. Caroline J. S. 19 yrs.
- Oct. 22rd. Roy P. 25 yrs.
- Oct. 23rd. Jim P. 3 yrs.
- Oct. 24th. Bill A. 19 yrs.

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Elyria St. Mary's Group

Sun.

8:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.

7th. Larry H.

14th. LaPhenie C.

21st. Pat W.

28th Stella W.

Bob Paton after many years of service on the Lorain Inter-group as Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary also a long time member of the Advisory Board is stepping down. The Board of Directors and Advisory Board members would like to thank Bob for all those years of dedicated service.

The Lorain County Central Office has changed it's name to the Lorain Intergroup it was a change that had to be made. The Intergroup name was suggested by our legal team, because of our non profit status.

The Intergroup is considering getting the Internet for the Office helping us in our ordering and allowing the members to place orders on their computers. We are asking for the members opinions.

The sign on the front of the Office needs to be changed to Lorain Intergroup if any A.A. Group or any one member would like to volunteer to change the sign, Please call the Office 440-246-1800

Nothing is so bad that a drink won't make worse.

Halloween Party

St. John's Hall
Homewood and Route 57
Sat. October 27th.
7:00 PM until Midnight
Great Family Fun!!
Tickets \$5.00
At the Door \$6.00
Children under 12 Free
Food, DJ, Treats, Raffle,
Door Prizes, Big Cash
Prizes for Costume
Contact: Tommy O. 315-8600

Arid Fellowship Center

Space Available
30x30 Bldg.
Meeting Rooms
For More Info.
Contact:
Mark Weaver
440 225-3031

Arid Fellowship Halloween Party

Sat. October 20th.
8:00 PM until Midnight
Great Freaky Fun!!
Tickets:
Singles \$5.00
Couples \$7.00
Please
Bring a Covered Dish
and a Flashlight for
Spooky Games
Contact: Arid Club

**One Day
At A Time**

Children's Christmas Party: 2nd Group Meeting

We need many volunteers to help make this Children's Christmas Party a success. We are having a planning meeting.
Date: **Sunday, October 21, 2007**
Time: Noon
Place: **Lorain Intergroup, Inc.**
577 Broadway Ave., Lorain, Ohio
Hope you will help us to make this year party the best yet. If you have any questions about the meeting contact:
Troy Smith (440 365-9018)

Come Meet Your

Area 54 Delegate
Jeff Your
Saturday
October 27, 2007
Delegate Report
1:00 till 3:00 p.m.
Lorain Intergroup
577 Broadway
Multi-District will provide
food for those attending.
Intergroup Literature Office
will be open for sales.
More Info:
Call Russ 327-1308

The Compass House, Inc.

Proudly Presents...
(Our Sixth Annual)
"Twelve Step Day"
DeLuca's Place in the Park,
Lorain, Ohio
9:30 AM, Saturday
November 10, 2007
Lead Speaker Valerie D.
Richmond, Virginia
\$25.00 Advance Donation
\$30.00 at the Door
More Info: 440 246-5111

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10th Annual "Fall In Sobriety" Women's Mini-Convention Theme: Attitude of Gratitude Saturday, October 20th, 2007

9 am until 3:00 pm
Tickets - \$15.00
Held at:
Rosewood Place
4493 Oberlin Avenue,
Lorain, OH 44053

A Continental Breakfast & Luncheon
Will be Served
Panel Speakers, Lead Speaker, Raffles &
Lots of Recovery

Please Note: This is non-smoking

Contact by Phone or email:

Kathy C. (440) 365-1925
kcurrence1@yahoo.com
Linda S. (440) 323-9217
diamonds97@windstream.net

Pre-Registration tickets only.
Tickets can not be sold at t

Area 54 NE Ohio General Service GRATITUDE SUNDAY Sunday, November 18, 2006

12:00 – 4:00 PM
St Patrick's Church
357 N Main St
Hubbard, OH 44425
Speaker at 2:30 PM – Jeff Y,
Area 54 Delegate
Hosted by AA Districts 7, 8 & 48
**COME SHARE RECOVERY
WITH US!**

Bring a covered dish – meat and drinks
will be provided. Group contributions will
be
appreciated.
Donations at the door
Contact: Joel T., District 7 DCM
Visit the Area 54 web site at
<http://www.aaneoh.org>

UNSELFISHNESS

----- Trust God, Clean House, Help Others. -----

Note from the Editor: We need HELP!!! A.A. Members to carry the LiveWire to their Group and to other Groups in the District." Please Carry the Message" . We also need members to be reporters, gathering information about what is happening in their District. Become a member of the LiveWire committee.
Thank You the Editor

*To submit information for the news letter please contact: **Russ Walker** or **Jim Parks** via: Call, *email or leave the information at the **Intergroup Office** before the **25th.** of each month.

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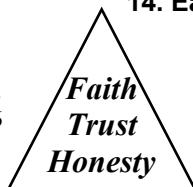
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Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the month of August, 2007.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>	
1. Rent	\$ 675.00	1.....	\$ 276.85
2. Columbia Gas	\$ 432.00	2.....	\$1,449.52
3. All Service Telephone	\$ 140.88	3.....	\$ 461.80
4. Ohio Edison	\$ 117.46	4.....	\$ 227.75
5. Century Telephone	\$ 99.38	5.....	\$ 353.93
6. House Managers	\$1,521.31		
7. Pay Cor Fees	\$ 53.41		\$2,769.85
8. Live Wire Printing	\$ 49.00	<u>Donations/Rent</u>	\$2,769.85
9. Windstream Yellow Pages	\$ 18.30	<u>Partial Ins.</u>	
10. Air Deodorizer	\$ 118.76	<u>Settlement</u>	\$ 330.00
11. Office Cleaning	\$ 20.00	<u>Expenses</u>	\$3,315.50
12. Workers' Comp.	\$ 50.00		
13. Mail Return	\$ 20.00	<u>Loss</u>	-\$215.27
	<u>\$3,315.50</u>		

Donations for the month of August, 2007

When making Donations to the Lorain Intergroup, 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 GS 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. Make all checks or money orders payable to Lorain Intergroup. 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. Blue Monday | 15. Arid Lunch Bunch (Carlisle) |
| 2. Monday Morning Live Disc. | 16. Wellington Thursday Night |
| 3. Monday Night Lorain | 17. Amherst Thursday "Who Me" |
| 4. LaGrange Monday Night | 18. Oberlin Group |
| 5. Elyria Monday Closed Disc. | 19. Fri. Night Sobriety Group LaGrange |
| 6. Elyria Women's Discussion | 20. Elyria Friday Night |
| 7. We Care Tuesday Morning | 21. Serenity Hall |
| 8. Crazy But Sober B. B. Study AvonLake | 22. Friday AM Discussion |
| 9. Sheffield Men's | 23. Serenity Hall |
| 10. Mid-Week Morning Disc. | 24. Amherst Saturday Group |
| 11. Great Fact Group Elyria | 25. Oberlin Breakfast Group |
| 12. Stepping Into Sobriety Group Lorain | 26. Sheffield Lake Civic Center |
| 13. Grafton Wednesday Night | 27. Birmingham Twilight Group |
| 14. Early Morning Disc. Elyria | 28. P.T.O.Y. |
| | 29. Lorain Intergroup 50/50 Raffle |

H O W = Honesty, Open-mindedness, Willingness.

Action for the Day: I will help others through sharing my own experiences today. In the process, I'll recapture the essence of the lessons I have learned.

Prayer for the Day: May I be given clear eyes to see and then to stop myself when I am manipulating the lives of those around me, my daily associates, friends, and family. May I always be aware that change must begin within myself.

Thought to Ponder . . . Growing old is inevitable, growing up is optional, growing spiritually is up to you.

Rents: Month of Aug., 2007

- Blue Monday
- Monday Happy Hour
- We Care Tues. Morn. Disc.
- Tuesday Night Central
- Strength In Sobriety
- Friday Men's Disc.
- Unity Hall Disc.

Phone Line Report:

Month of Sept., 2007
 12 Step Calls.... 12
 Sponsorship..... 5
 Al-A-Non..... 6
 Meeting Info.... 141
 General Info..... 82
Total:.....246