

February 2012

Pass It On

The Akron Area Al-Anon Newsletter

Al-Anon's 4th Concept of Service is:
"Participation is the key to Harmony."

Get involved through service!
We need office volunteers & service officers.
Call the office at 330-645-1165

Office Location:
3614 Manchester Rd. Suite 103
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Call us at: 330-645-1165

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\$15 per calendar year (Jan 1–Dec 31) – via Regular Mail \$5 per calendar year – via Email
Send meeting topics or flyers to be included by the 15th of month to: passitonafg@yahoo.com
A donation of \$10 for the flyer to be included, assists with newsletter cost and is appreciated.

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Conference Approved Literature
Spotlight: "Living With Sobriety"

2012 Newsletter Renewal Form
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Need literature?? We have it! At  
the Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup  
Office!

**Akron Intergroup Meeting**  
**Tuesday 2/7/12 @ 7:30 pm**  
Open to all Al-Anon Members,  
Group Reps, District Reps  
You are Encouraged to Attend!

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*If your group information has
changed please contact the
Intergroup office or update the
form in the December and
January Newsletters by sending
to WSO with a copy to the
Intergroup Office at :*

**3614 Manchester Road Suite 103
Akron OH 44319**

Anniversaries and Conferences

Tuesday January 31st, 2012
Tuesday Triangle AFG
30th Anniversary
St Paul's Episcopal Church
1361 West Market St Room G-3
Akron, OH

February 4th, 2012 1:00 PM
Spring Workshop - Planning
Meeting

February 17 & 18, 2012
AAAC Conference
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Have you seen the new website?

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Akron's new site is [www.afg-akron.org](http://www.afg-akron.org)  
Meeting schedules, program  
information, Meeting On Wheels info  
and links to Ohio, Cleveland and  
World Service Office sites!!

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Meeting Topics

February 2012

Tools For Recovery
Monday@ 7 pm
Cornerstone Church
578 Killian Rd
Akron, OH 44319

February 6 Despair / Grief
February 13 2nd Step
February 20 Hope
February 27 Accountability

Remember that sharing your meeting topics can be a life line for a fellow Al-Anon member who is looking for answers.

Please note: If your group would like to publish topics in the newsletter, please email or mail them to the Intergroup Office by the 15th day of the Month prior to that newsletter. For example, for the October Newsletter, please have your topics in by September 15th.

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## New Meeting UPDATES!

To ensure the doors to our meetings are open at the places we say they are ~ updates about meeting times, location and status are always welcome!

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Meeting on Wheels

Sponsored in February by:

Happiness and Acceptance AFG

Wednesday Feb 15 – 8P – St Thomas

Saturday Feb 25 10:30 A – Edwin Shaw (Adults + Adolescents)

Oriana House – No February Meeting

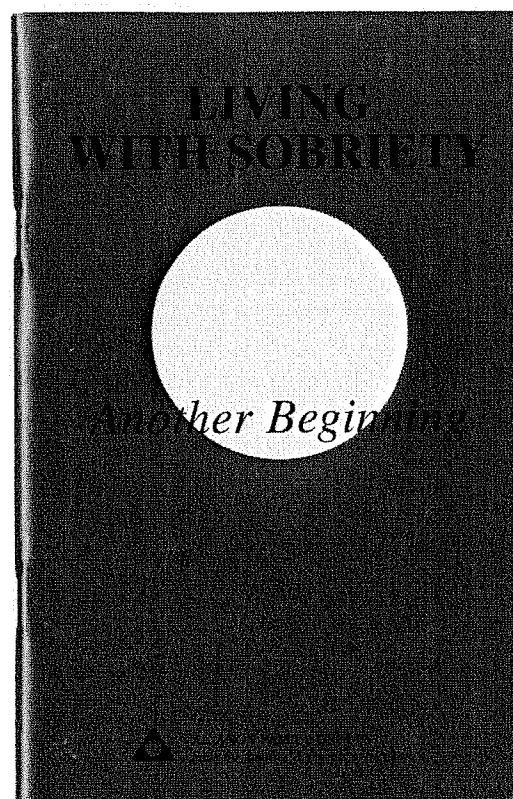
Spotlight on Al-Anon's - Conference Approved Literature

"Living With Sobriety: Another Beginning"

Sobriety brings new challenges for the family and friends as well as the alcoholic. In this booklet members share how they met these challenges.

P49 - \$3.00

Available at the AKRON AREA INFORMATION
SERVICE (AAIS) - aka Akron Intergroup



Meeting Minutes Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup Meeting 1/3/12 @ 730 pm-855pm

----- Agenda Topics -----

Meeting opened with Serenity Prayer

Introductions – Present at the Meeting were ISR or Alternate ISRs:

Saturday Serenity – Sharon B. (Chair). **Uniontown** – Phil B. (Co-Chair) **District 51 Step** – Janet S. **Falls PM** – Tara
Stow New Hope - Tara **Tools for Recovery** – Leah E **Kent Friendly** – Becky Z **Keep It Simple** –Ann D **Paradise**- Lisa
Massillon Comfort/Happiness-Darlene L **Wadsworth** – Roberta T. **Barberton** – Cindy T. (OAA & Steering Committee)
Tuesday Triangle – Amy **Springfield** – Mickie G

Officers:

Sharon B (Chair) Phil B (Co-Chair) Mickie G (Secretary) Linda C (MOW) Tom G (Literature Chair) Rex M. (Steering Committee)
Leah E (Steering Committee) Cindy T (OAA & Steering Committee)

Visitors:

Reminder: The goal is for our meeting to last around an hour, to fill out sign in sheet, copy of agenda, financials and handouts available. Also that Intergroup By-Laws are available if anyone needs a copy. Read Steps.

Secretary –Mickie G. Minutes were not read for December but Sharon asked if any changed needed to be made –and none were – motion to accept last months report made by Leah E and 2nd by Darlene L

Co-Chair - Phil B - 30 newsletters mailed, 60 emailed, and posted on website.

Treasurer - Lisa – (temporary/ Janet assisting) Review of Financial Report – motion to accept report without corrections made by Ann D and 2nd by Becky Z

We are finally “IN THE BLACK”!! Thank you to all groups who support keeping the Intergroup office running.

****If your meeting has an outstanding literature bill, please call Lisa or the office to settle – if you are not sure if you have an outstanding balance – please call Lisa or the office.**

Literature – Tom G – Inventory was taken with the help of Janet Edith and Jeff – Thank you!! We are in good shape as far as how much inventory we have on hand.- Tom made a \$314.63 order placed on December 30.

Tom inquired if we were permitted to sell pins at Founder’s Day – Sharon informed us that we could

PIC & Co-PIC - Skip & Jeff – Skip was not present to report.

MOW – Linda C (Mickie G assisting) – Edwin Shaw-no meeting in December – Janet S did St Thomas meeting. January meetings are covered by 1st Things 1st. February meetings are covered by Happiness and Acceptance. **We need groups to sponsor for months of March through December** – Please call Linda or Mickie to schedule a month. (Side note - - July and August are covered!!!)

District 51 paid for postage and handling charged to cover the free bookmarks that will be distributed to groups.

Linda presented proposal for money to buy literature to take to each of the Meeting On Wheels meetings. Motion made by Janet S and 2nd by Anne D to supply MOW w budget line item for up to \$300.00/year as needed - 14 passed 1 abstained

Alateen - Linda K. – March 10, 2012-Sponsor’s Workshop - April 28, 2012-Spring Rally - June 8-10, 2012- Founders Day. (Linda is still working on speakers for Founders Day). - July 27,28,29- KOMIAC at Baldwin Wallace.

Background check information is on the State website – please print off and follow instructions to be certified as an “AMIAS”

District 25/51 will pay for any sponsor who wishes to have the background check and isn’t financially able to do so.

Office Coordinator – Roberta – 35 calls in, 21 calls out, 5 schedules sent out 12 literature orders, 15 voicemails, and volunteers in office 22 of 22 days. We have volunteers assigned all 5 days during the week. Roberta said pins sales are going slow – but going - \$86.00 was raised last month for pins **Reminder:** ISR’s- please update group registration information. This is important to keep schedules and other information up to date.

OAA Liaison - Cindy – Our state delegate resigned and an emergency meeting was called (Feb 11 in Columbus) to elect replacement

Districts 51, 25, 48 & 56 – DR 51 (Sharon B), DR 25 (Mickie G), 48 (Allen D. – Not Present) and 56 (Charlie P. – Not Present). Sharon reported she is the new District 51 DR. Mickie is stepping down as District 25 DR and Cindy T is filling that position

Webmaster – Richie – No report

Archives- Michelle R. – Michelle advised she is still working on getting Archives in ship shape

Steering Committee - Rex, Leah, Cindy –. No update on pins or coins. Leah shared an “Serenity Ornament” idea – Ann D suggested it is nice – but has a “Christian” overtone therefore not appropriate for Al-Anon– if you have an ideas about raising money for Intergroup – let it be known – call the office or get in touch with one of the ISR’s or Officers.

Founder's Day –Sharon & Phil – minimal Al-Anon discussion Friday night speakers have been approved – Registration begins on line March 1 - \$20.00 fee and a strict “no badge no admittance” to all meetings will be enforced this year. **Still need volunteers!!!!**

Old Business – Spring Workshop meeting

Committee will be meeting. January 14 at 1:00 pm at the Intergroup office This Spring’s Workshop focus would be Steps 4,5, &6.

New Business – Serenity Pens and Registration for Non Profit

Selling “Serenity” Pens –discussion tabled for time to research cost

Motion to add Chair and Co-chair names to list for Registration for Non Profit – Registration is required by Attorney General

Meeting was closed with the Al-Anon Declaration

Submitted in Service, Mickie G.

(Looking for a Treasurer to step in for service!) Please let us know if you are interested!

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES
INCOME STATEMENT

DATE: Dec-11 PREPARED BY: Lisa T.

AL-ANON INCOME	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Literature	\$1,184.96	\$24,630.47
Group Donations	\$120.00	\$3,473.89
Individual Donations	\$4.00	\$1,004.61
AIR Conference		\$1,200.00
Subscriptions	\$135.00	\$637.00
Fliers	\$10.00	\$170.00
Miscellaneous(1)	\$86.00	\$1,818.00
Ohio State Sales Tax	\$76.72	\$1,591.87
Total Income	\$1,616.68	\$34,525.84
AL-ANON EXPENSES	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Rent	\$600.00	\$7,200.00
Gas	\$46.04	\$563.16
Electric	\$58.47	\$559.78
Phone & DSL	\$165.77	\$1,977.89
Answering Service		\$239.57
Newsletter Postage	\$37.12	\$112.00
Office Postage	\$8.61	\$110.82
Office Supplies	\$25.13	\$428.24
Literature	\$808.07	\$15,132.18
Copier	\$280.00	\$1,525.27
Miscellaneous(2)	\$190.50	\$2,079.70
Alateen		\$0.00
Ohio State Sales Tax		\$1,368.98
Total Expenses	\$2,219.71	\$31,297.59
Net Income - Expenses	-\$603.03	\$3,228.25
AL-ANON SAVINGS	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Deposits		\$0.00
Withdrawals		\$0.00
Net Savings Dep.-WD	\$	\$0.00

ALATEEN INCOME	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Group Donations	\$88.00	\$652.31
Individual Donations		\$320.00
Miscellaneous		\$0.00
Total Alateen Income	\$88.00	\$972.31
AL-ATEEN EXPENSES	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Literature		\$173.58
Komiac		\$1,110.00
Miscellaneous		\$105.79
Total Alateen Expenses	\$0.00	\$1,389.37
Net Alateen Inc.-Exp.	\$88.00	-\$417.06
ALATEEN SAVINGS	MONTHLY	YEAR TO DATE
Deposits	\$	\$972.31
Withdrawals		\$1,389.37
Net Savings Dep.-WD	\$	-\$417.06

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES
BALANCE SHEET

DATE: Dec-11 PREPARED BY: Lisa T.

	Balance Carried Forward	\$	
Checking Account Deposits		\$1,616.68	
Alanon Savings Deposits	Interest	\$ -	
Alateen Savings Deposits	Interest	\$ 88.09	
Total Income & Deposits		\$ 1,704.77	
Checking Disbursements		\$2,219.71	
Alanon Savings Withdrawals		\$ -	
Alateen Savings Withdrawals		\$ -	
Total Expenses & Withdrawals		\$ 2,219.71	
Current Balance		\$ 12,172.83	
Checking Account Balance	\$2,428.57	Archives Balance	\$559.82
Prudent Reserve	\$7,008.63	MOW Balance	\$11.90
Alateen Savings	\$2,504.61	(Included in Alanon Funds)	
Petty Cash	\$232.94		
Total Current Account Balances	\$12,174.75	Al-ANON Out of Balance	\$1.92
		Alateen Out of Balance	\$0.00

Total Accounts Receivable	01/02/12	\$959.13	YTD
PIC Lit distributed at selling price	Current		YTD
MOW distributed at selling price	Current	\$0.00	
Literature Inventory	12/31/2011	\$5,338.00	
Groups That Helped Keep The Doors Open			
Al-Anon Donations	Alateen Donations		
Barberton	Firestone Park		
Firestone Park	Uniontown		
Happiness and Acceptance			
Uniontown			
Wadsworth			

Delinquent Group Accounts

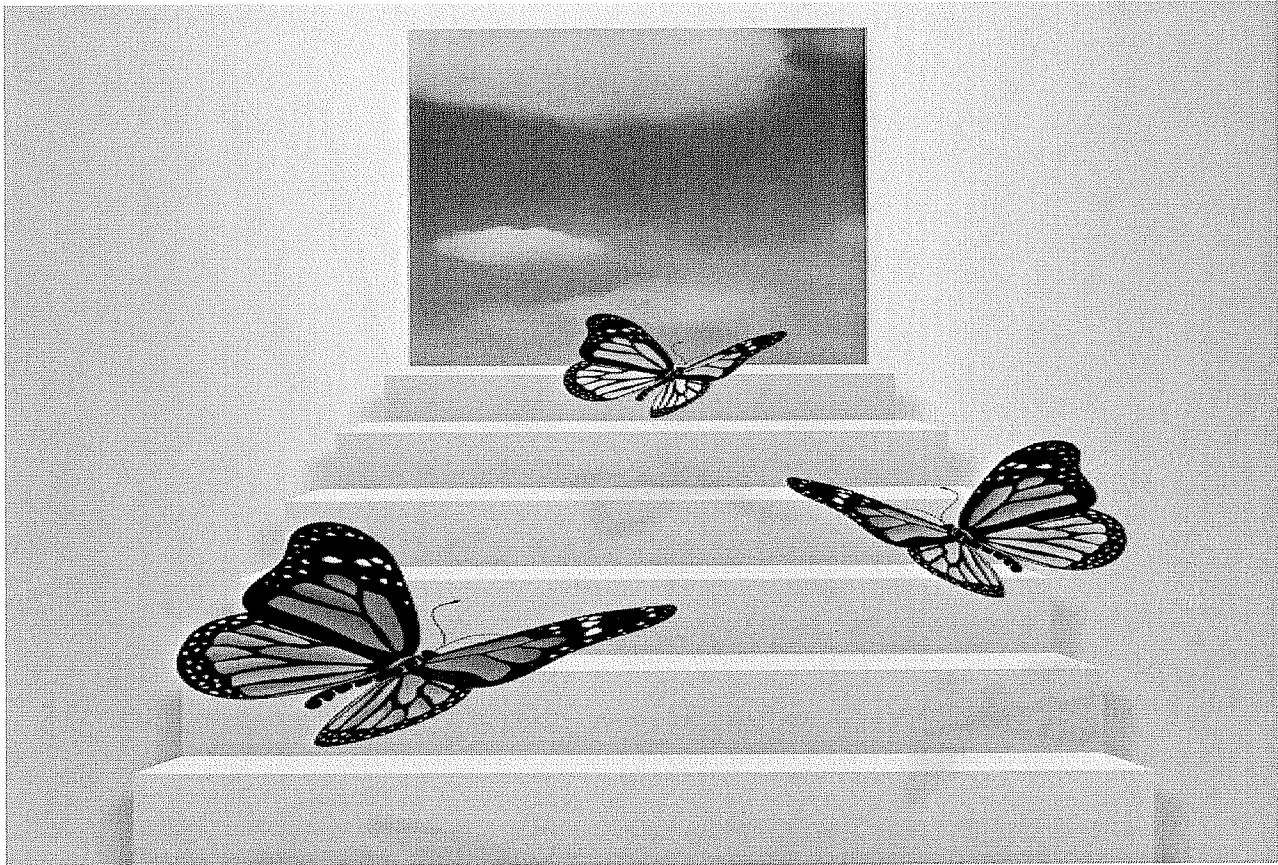
- 60 Days Over
- Copley AFG
- 90 Days Over
- Hudson Friday
- 120 Days Over
- Fairlawn Tuesday

Notes

- (1) Pin sales
- (2) State Farm Insurance

**JOIN US AT THE
AKRON AREA AL-ANON INTERGROUP OFFICE
3614 MANCHESTER ROAD, STE 103 AKRON, OH**

ON FEBRUARY 4TH AT 1:00 PM



A 4th & 5th STEP WORKSHOP IS BEING PLANNED

FOR THE END OF APRIL THIS YEAR!

JOIN THE COMMITTEE, STEP INTO SERVICE!

SEE YOU THERE!



The 3 C's to Serenity

We didn't **cause** it, can't **control** it, and can't **cure** it.
 We may be powerless, but we're not helpless!

Conference Rate: \$80

Includes Snacks on Friday evening and Dinner
 Saturday evening.

Friday February 17, 5pm – 9pm
 Snacks and Fellowship
 Lead

Saturday February 18, 9am – 11pm
 AM Panel
 Workshop

PM Discussion
 Double Lead
 Dance & Social Fellowship

Friday February 17
Saturday February 18

Our Lady of the Elms (High School)
 1375 West Exchange St, Akron, OH 44313

Registration and check due in full by
February 3, 2012

Please, no walk-in attendees will be accepted.

mail completed registration form and check to:
 2012 AAAC Conference
 C/O Carmen Von Soosten, Treasurer
 80 Devon Lane, #201
 Akron, OH 44313-6851

Questions?

visit: <http://www.afg-akron.org/conference>

email: conference@afg-akron.org

call: Teri 330.620.6152 or Becky 330.678.9340

Please make your checks payable to AAAC.

 2012 Individual AAAC REGISTRATION FORM -- Please print clearly – Thank you.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Is this your 1st AAAC? _____

Special Dietary Meal Needs: _____

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Group Name _____

Individual Receiving Newsletter _____

Address for Mailing (Hardcopy Only) _____

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Akron, OH 44319

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Newsletter Meeting Topics

Group Name _____

Day of Week _____

Contact Person _____

Date	Topic
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