



News and Events of Alcoholics Anonymous Groups in the Rochester Area Intergroup

VISIT US – 1000 Elmwood Avenue

In the Greenhouse, behind the Al Sigl Center Mon – Fri: 9am to 7pm / Sat: 9am to 1pm /Closed Sunday

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GROUP/INTERGROUP EVENTS FOR THE MONTH

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52 nd Anniversary Henrietta Group	Mon Nov 25 7:30 pm	Guardian Angels Church 2059 East Henrietta Rd South of Jefferson	Refreshments 7:30 pm 2 Great Speakers at 8 pm Cake & Fellowship 9 pm Travelling Archives & ASL Interpreted
25 th Annual 'Round the Clock Sobriety	Nov 27-28 Dec 24-25 Dec 31-Jan 1	The Mack Building 1587 Jackson Road, Penfield	SEE FLYER FOR FULL SCHEDULE Meetings around the clock!! Starts 7:30 am on Wed 11/27, Tues 12/24 & Tues 12/31 through next day at 11:30 pm
45 th Anniversary	Fri Nov 29	Genesee Baptist Church	Guest Speakers with Chicken Dinner, cake & Fellowship to follow <i>(FLYER)</i>
Renaissance West	7:30 pm	149 Brooks Ave	
Education & Participation "Traditions Series — Part 2" TRADITIONS 5-8	Mon Dec 2 7:00 pm	Al Sigl Gym, 1000 Elmwood Ave, 2 nd Fl, (Main Building, Door #11, across the parking lot from Central Office)	ASL Interpreted Refreshments Provided
16 th Anniversary	Thurs Dec 5	Christ New Hope Ministry	Food at 6:30 pm, Great Speaker at 7 pm
Spiritual Awakening	6:30 pm	155 Pinnacle Rd, Henrietta	Good Food & Amazing Fellowship!
3 rd Anniversary The Repair Shop	Sat Dec 7 5:30 pm	The Gay Alliance (across from Village Gate) 100 College Ave	Speaker/Candlelight meeting. Join us for coffee, candy & candid conversation!
31 st Anniversary	Mon Dec 9	Lake Ave Baptist Church	Speaker at 7 pm, Pizza/Food after the meeting
Pass It On	7:00 pm	70 Ambrose St	
30 th Anniversary	Wed Dec 11	Waring Baptist Church	Fellowship 1:30 pm, Speaker(s) 2:30 pm
ABSI (As Bill Sees It)	1:30-3:30 pm	1921 Norton St (comer of Waring)	Dish to pass if you choose
1 st Annual Holiday Party	Thurs Dec 12	Greece United Methodist	10:30 am, with speaker meeting at 11 am All Women Welcome!
Keep It Simple Sister (KISS)	10:30 am	1924 Maiden Lane	
FCFC 2020	Sat Dec 14	Church of the Ascension	SEE FLYER FOR MORE INFO
Breakfast fundraiser	9:00 am	2 Riverside St	\$10/ ticket (\$5 for kids)
A Night of Remembering	Tues Dec 17	Gates Presbyterian Church	Come share the memory of the men & women who helped us achieve a life of serenity and gratitude (FLYER)
Gates Tuesday Open	7:30 pm	1049 Wegman Road	
Holiday Celebration Women's Experience	Tues Dec 17 7:00 pm	Parkminster Presbyterian Church 2710 Chili Ave, Chili	Food, Fellowship & a Guest speaker 7 pm Food, 7:30 pm Speaker All Women Welcome! (FLYER)
36 th Anniversary	Wed Dec 18	St. Mark's Episcopal Church	Pizza, dish to pass-11 am, Speaker-12 pm, Sobriety countdown-1 pm (FLYER)
Newark Noon	11:00 am	400 South Main St, Newark	
Anniversary Meeting	Sat Dec 28	AA Central Office Meeting Room	Food at 5:30 pm, 2 Speakers at 6:30 pm
Saturday Night Special	5:30 pm	1000 Elmwood Ave, Greenhouse	Cake & Fellowship after the meeting.
Annual Candlelight Meeting & Open House Rochester Gay Men's	Sun Dec 29 8:00 pm	St. Luke & St. Simon Church 17 S Fitzhugh St	ALL ARE WELCOME! On this occasion this meeting is OPEN. Meeting with Speaker at 8 pm. Social Hour afterwards with Food & Fellowship (FLYER)
30 th Anniversary	Wed Jan 1	Henrietta United Church of Christ	Food, Fellowship at 6:30 am
Sunrise	6:30 am	1400 Lehigh Station Rd, Henrietta	2 Speakers at 7:00 am <i>(FLYER)</i>
30 th Anniversary Park Ave Gay Men's	Fri Jan 3 7:30 pm	Immanuel Baptist Church 815 Park Ave	7:30 Meeting with Speakers 8:30 Fellowship Celebration & Dinner (FLYER)

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December 2019

Please note: In cooperation with the Finger Lakes Answering Service, we have synced our meeting lists. We have added and updated a number of the meetings that are found in the "Surrounding Counties Meetings" section of our printed list and we are also in the process of making these adjustments to the online database and Meeting Guide App. The changes and additions are too numerous to list here, so please check out the new printed lists and the online & app information.

NEW MEETINGS:

HOW IT WORKS (Wednesday, 8:00 pm) - first meeting 11/20/19

- Open-Big Book-Discussion-Handicapped Accessible (O BB d Hc)
- Meets at Mack Building, 1587 Jackson Rd, Penfield

SPECTRUM STEPPERS (Sunday, 5:30 pm) - first meeting 12/1/19

- This is a new Open AA meeting, especially for the neuro-diverse recovery community. More sensory-friendly: turn OFF phones to attend, no cross talk, and 3rd Tradition-based to avoid controversy. A safe space for those who process differently, yet want to address their issues with alcohol and recovery.
- Open-Discussion-Handicapped Accessible (O d Hc)
- Meets at AA Central Office, Rochester Area Intergroup, 1000 Elmwood Ave, Greenhouse (back parking lot of the Al Sigl Center, the Greenhouse is a separate building across from door #9)

WOMEN OF WISDOM (Wednesday, 7:00 pm) - first meeting 12/4/19

- Open-Women-Big Book-Step-Speaker-Discussion-Handicapped Accessible (O W BB S Sp d Hc)
- The format rotates weekly: BB, S, Sp, d
- Meets at United Methodist Church, 21 Summers St, Livonia

SPIRITUAL GANGSTERS (Sunday, 9:00 am) - first meeting 1/5/2020

- Open-Speaker-Handicapped Accessible (O Sp d Hc)
- Meets at Out/Gay Alliance (across from Village Gate), 100 College Ave (off Goodman)

MEETING CHANGES/UPDATES:

- No Longer ASL Interpreted
 - Lehigh Station (Saturday, 12:00 pm)
 - o Big Book Discussion (Sunday, 7:00 pm)
- Updated Format
 - Lehigh Station (Tuesday, 12:00): Now OPEN-BIG BOOK (O BB) meeting
 - New Door (Sun-Sat, 7:30 am):
 Sun O ST d Hc, Mon O Gr d Hc, Tues O BB d Hc, Wed O BB d Hc, Thurs O Sp/d Hc, Fri O ST d Hc, Sat O 1 Sp/d Hc
- Time Change
 - Step Sisters (Saturday, 11:00 am): EFFECTIVE January 4, 2020 will meet at 10:00 am

NO LONGER MEETING/TAKEN OFF OUR MEETING LIST:

- ✓ A WOMAN'S STORY (Monday, 7:00 pm, Seneca United Methodist, 121 Scholfield Rd, Irondequoit)
 - Last meeting 11/25/19
- ✓ AA HISTORY 101 (Wednesday, 7:30 pm, Bill & Bob's, 289 Monroe Ave)
 - Notified Central Office 11/6/19
- ✓ WOMAN 2 WOMAN (Friday, 7:00 pm, Bill & Bob's, 289 Monroe Ave)
 - Last meeting 10/2519
- ✓ FREE TO BE (Friday, 7:30 pm, Mack Building, 1587 Jackson Rd, Penfield)
 - Last meeting 11/29/19
- ✓ LYONS MONDAY (Monday, 7:00 pm, First Presbyterian Church, 11 Queen St, Lyons)
 - Notified Central Office 11/18/19
- FLACRA WEDNESDAY (Wednesday, 7:00 pm, FLACRA Bldg, 28 E Main St, Clifton Springs)
 - Notified Central Office 11/18/19
- ✓ BOYS NIGHT OUT (Wednesday, 8:00 pm, St. Matthews Church, 6591 Richmond Mills Rd, Livonia)
 - Notified Central Office 11/18/19
- THE OVIDIANS YOUNG PEOPLE'S (Friday, 7:30 pm, Ovid Federation Church, 7137 Main Street, Ovid)
 - Notified Central Office 11/18/19

● DEADLINE FOR FLYERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE ALL AROUND ROCHESTER (DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY) WILL BE ONE WEEK EARLIER — SATURDAY DECEMBER 14th.

- ✓ Reminder: Please return Gratitude boxes & contributions to Central Office by 12/20/19. Thank you!
- ©CENTRAL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED <u>WEDNESDAY 12/25 and WEDNESDAY 1/1</u>, for Christmas and New Year's Day.
- •• GIFT CARDS FOR AA CENTRAL OFFICE-ROCHESTER AREA INTERGROUP ARE NOW AVAILABLE! You can purchase a gift card for your sponsor, sponsee, home group (so they can buy books, coins & pamphlets)... Stop by and see Mary for more details and to purchase!
- Reminder: as of 4/19/2019, the Office Administrator email is office1@rochester-ny-aa.org
 ** This replaces raacog@frontiernet.net Please use this new address immediately! The old address will be forwarding to the new one for a while, but not forever, so please make sure to make the change. Thank you!
- Please check out the <u>"Carrying the Message TRADITION XII" Flyer</u> in this month's mailing

FRIDAY NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE FOR THE FLOWER CITY FELLOWSHIP CONVENTION (FCFC) WILL MEET ON THE FOLLOWING <u>SATURDAYS FROM 2-3:30 PM AT AA CENTRAL OFFICE MEETING ROOM</u>, 1000 ELMWOOD AVE, IN THE GREENHOUSE (BUILDING IN BACK PARKING LOT OF THE AL SIGL CENTER, ACROSS FROM DOOR #9):

12/7, 1/4, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 2/29 & 3/7

Please come if you are interested in helping out with the Friday night entertainment at FCFC 2020 or call Central Office at 585-232-6720 and we will put you in touch with Jim L & the Committee.

Committee of the Month for December 2019: The NOMINATING & ELECTIONS Committee

<u>Purpose of Committee:</u> The Nominating & Elections Committee is a unique committee at the Rochester Area Intergroup that is often unknown to local members of AA.

The purpose of the Nominating and Elections Committee is to provide a slate of candidates for all rotating, elected positions within the Intergroup and to facilitate the election process, by providing support and information on the upcoming election, at the monthly Intergroup meeting.

How it helps the alcoholic who still suffers: The Rochester Area Intergroup Board of Trustees, Personnel Committee and Intergroup Registrar are elected on a rotating schedule every May. Those elected are trusted servants to the *groups who have* elected them and are elected to ensure the administrative and financial viability and oversight of the Intergroup so that Alcoholics Anonymous is secure now and into the future, making sure the "hand of AA will always be there."

How you can grow spiritually by getting involved: Growth from being a part of the committee comes from learning to implement the spiritual principles contained in our Steps, Traditions and Concepts when helping to find suitable members of our fellowship to serve the AA community on the Board of Trustees, Personnel Committee or as our Intergroup Registrar.

<u>How you can get involved:</u> Members of the Nominating and Elections Committee are generally chosen from the current Intergroup Representatives. This committee has one person that is appointed by the Chair of the Intergroup and two others that are nominated and elected by the Intergroup Representatives at the JANUARY meeting (this year that will be January 9th, 2020).

Contact the Central Office for more information or questions!

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INTERGROUP / COMMITTEE / GENERAL SERVICE MEETINGS (All meetings at Central Office unless stated otherwise)

COMMITTEE	Archives	Dec 4: 6:30 pm (1st Wed) Dec 11: 9:30 am (2nd Wed) Working Meeting	Rochester Medical Museum 1441 East Avenue, 2 rd Floor
GENERAL SERVICE	District 101's Monthly Meeting All GSR's, DCM's & any AA members are welcome	Dec 4: 7:00 pm (1st Wed)	St. Luke's Episcopal Church Vestry Basement Room 14 State St, Brockport 14420
INTERGROUP	Steering Board of Trustees	Dec 5: 6:00 pm (1st Thurs)	
GENERAL SERVICE	District 200's Monthly Meeting	Dec 5 7:00 pm (1st Thurs)	St. John's Episcopal 183 North Main Street CANANDAIGUA (14424)
GENERAL SERVICE	CNY Area Assembly For meeting location & directions: Check website: www.aacny.org	Dec 8: 1:00 pm (2nd Sun)	For meeting location & directions: Check website: www.aacny.org
COMMITTEE	Accessibility	Dec 10: 6:30 pm (2nd Tue)	
COMMITTEE	Website	Dec 11: 6:30 pm (2nd Wed)	
INTERGROUP	NEW IR Orientation	BEFORE IR MEETING Dec 12: 6:00 pm (2nd Thurs)	AL SIGL GYM: Same parking lot, Door #11, Left out of elevator on 2 nd Floor
INTERGROUP	Intergroup Representatives Meeting	Dec 12: 6:30 pm (2nd Thurs)	AL SIGL GYM: Same parking lot, Door #11, Left out of elevator on 2 nd Floor
COMMITTEE	Treatment (New Rep Orientation)	Dec 15: 12:45 pm (3rd Sun)	
COMMITTEE	Treatment	Dec 15: 1:30 pm (3rd Sun)	
COMMITTEE	Education & Participation	Dec 17: 6:00 pm (3rd Tues)	
GENERAL SERVICE	Rochester Districts (800's & 102, 105, 108, 109, 110) Meeting	Dec 18: 6:30 pm (3rd Wed)	All GSR's, DCM's & any AA members are welcome
COMMITTEE	Corrections	Dec 19: 6:30 pm (3rd Thurs)	
COMMITTEE	Nightwatch (After Hours Phones)	Dec 24: 7:30 pm (4th Tues)	
COMMITTEE	FCFC	NO MEETING IN DECEMBER Usually meets 7:00 pm (4th Wed)	NO MEETING IN DECEMBER Next meeting will be Wed. Jan 8 at 7 pm
COMMITTEE	PI/CPC	**Dec 12: 5:30 pm** (reschedule due to Christmas) Usually meets 6:00 pm (4th Thurs)	MEETING ON THURS 12/12 (BEFORE IR) AT 5:30 PM

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS 2019 through October 31st, 2019:

ACTUAL	BUDGET	+OVER/-(UNDER)	
\$53,641.25	\$55,000.00	- (\$1,358.75)	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE ROCHESTER AREA INTERGROUP & OUR CENTRAL OFFICE!

NEWSLETTER ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR FREE PUBLICATION BY

*** SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th ***(1 WEEK EARLIER DUE TO CHRISTMAS)

TO SEND <u>A FLYER</u>: SUBMIT <u>275</u> Unfolded copies (20# paper) & <u>\$20</u> for postage to the Central Office by <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>DECEMBER</u> 14th

Flyers and AAR announcements <u>must</u> be received by the above date. We <u>will not be able</u> to accept any flyers or information for inclusion in the monthly mailing after that date.

THANK YOU!

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October 2019			
Group Name	This Month	Yr to Date	
11th (Eleventh) Step, Central Office	0.00	558.73	
12 At 12	0.00	353.00	
24 Hour	0.00	1,655.50	
A Better Way	0.00	120.00	
A Vision For You - Central Office	100.00	200.00	
A Way of Life, 5th Chapter MC, Palmyra	100.00	200.00	
Albion Monday & Thursday	50.00	150.00	
Albion Sunday Grapevine	0.00	30.00	
Anonymous Groups ***	0.00	129.79	
Basic	75.00	75.00	
Big Book Discussion - Sunday	304.20	963.65	
Boomers	162.00	462.00	
Brockport Big Book	30.50	30.50	
Brockport Grapevine	110.00	420.32	
Brown Baggers	300.00	300.00	
Brunch Bunch	58.00	990.51	
Canandaigua Keep It Simple	0.00	180.00	
Canandaigua Noon Time	60.00	140.00	
Castile Sunday	40.00	160.00	
Chili Monday	0.00	180.00	
Chili Sunday	0.00	240.00	
Churchville New Heights	0.00	349.04	
Clifton Springs Sunday	0.00	100.00	
Corn Hill	0.00	330.00	
Courage to Change, Cobbs Hill Manor	0.00	150.00	
Crossroads, Williamson	10.00	30.00	
Culver Durand	0.00	0.00	
Culver Ridge	50.00	205.00	
Dansville Thursday	0.00	25.00	
Dansville Valley	0.00	10.00	
Daygone Daygone	0.00	300.00	
Dewey-Avis	0.00	72.34	
Early Birds	135.00		
Early Birds Early Risers, East Rochester		1,799.00	
East Avon Way Out	0.00	420.00	
	0.00	100.00	
Eastside Men's	0.00	453.00	
Easy Does It Sunday	126.32	717.80	
ER Sober Women (SE ORG -East Roc)	0.00	173.00	
Everybody's Everyday	90.00	1,749.00	
Everyday Living	120.00	1,530.00	
Farmington Friends	40.00	205.00	
FHA	0.00	743.50	
Free To Be	1.00	79.00	
Freethinkers	49.00	345.00	
Fresh Air	0.00	1,304.24	
Gates Rainbow	0.00	150.00	
Gates Tuesday Open	40.00	240.00	
Geneseo Saturday Night	0.00	30.00	
Grace + Truth	63.03	361.81	
Grassroots	25.00	200.00	
Gray AA	0.00	65.00	
Ham on Wry	0.00	364.00	
Hamlin Monday Night	0.00	50.00	
Hamlin Sunday Night	0.00	170.00	
Hawk Tawk	165.00	165.00	

Phone 232-6720	Facsimile 454-3949
This Month	Yr to Date
75.00	75.00
0.00	147.49
225.00	225.00
0.00	1,733.98
0.00	395.00
0.00	260.00
0.00	241.00
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October 2019				
Group Name	This Month	Yr to Date		
Park Avenue Morning	300.00	342.00		
Pass It On	20.00	20.00		
Penfield Friday	0.00	286.00		
Penfield Steps & Traditions	9.00	115.00		
Phelps Saturday night	0.00	50.00		
Phoenix	0.00	200.00		
Pickle Jar	0.00	53.00		
Pittsford Tuesday	0.00	70.00		
Poker Chip	0.00	642.26		
Primary Purpose	0.00	732.72		
Pumpkin Hook	0.00	25.00		
Rebos	0.00	300.00		
Renaissance West	0.00	100.00		
Renewal	0.00	216.84		
Rochester Gay Men	0.00	300.00		
S.N.Y.P.	0.00	202.00		
Saturday Night Live	48.09	81.61		
Seneca	0.00	125.00		
Serendipity @ Monroe Comm Hosp	0.00	100.00		
Serenity Hill	150.00	1,500.00		
Seven Eleven (CHILI, Fridays)	0.00	559.00		
Show Me Group	0.00	300.00		
Sober	0.00	397.00		
Sober on Sunday	0.00	291.00		
Sober Women	0.00			
Sobriety Stop	450.00	500.00 450.00		
Sodus Nooners				
South Perinton Grapevine	0.00 82.20	1.00		
Spencerport		140.40		
	0.00	1,231.69		
Spiritual Awakening Spiritual Solution	0.00 63.25	90.00		
		516.11		
Step by Step, Irondequiot	0.00	433.96		
Step Sisters	0.00	125.00		
Steppin Up	0.00	35.00		
Steps for Life	84.50	686.50		
Struck Gold	0.00	225.00		
Student Group @ RIT	0.00	50.00		
Sunday Nooners	14.00	494.00		
Sunrise	161.40	786.95		
Terminally Unique	0.00	80.00		
There is a Solution	0.00	261.00		
Titus Avenue Irregulars	0.00	120.00		
TNT Big Book	0.00	350.00		
Today Group	0.00	25.00		
Turning Point	0.00	174.00		
Twilight	300.00	300.00		
Victory	150.00	774.00		
Visions	0.00	50.00		
Way Of Life Mens Group	0.00	0.00		
Webster Monday	0.00	430.00		
Webster Wednesday	0.00	250.00		
Wednesday Women (Park Ave)	0.00	154.49		
Wednesday, 7 - 3 & 11, Webster	0.00	111.00		
Williamson Saturday Night	19.76	41.78		
WINGS	0.00	86.00		
Winners Circle BATAVIA	0.00	25.00		

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Group Name	This Month	Yr to Date
Winners, Rochester (S. Winton)	0.00	329.81
Wolcott Thursday	0.00	60.00
Women Living Sober	0.00	150.00
Womens Experience	0.00	250.00
Womens Spirit	0.00	100.00
You Got A Mug, Batavia	0.00	25.00
TOTALS	6,422.76	53,641.25
GAP (Grateful Alcoholic Pledge) & ABC (Anniversary/Birthday Contribution)	This Month	Yr to Date
GAP Anonymous	52.00	765.00
GAP 013A	0.00	100.00
GAP 029A	50.00	500.00
GAP 037A	38.00	198.00
GAP 053A	29.00	290.00
GAP 057A	100.00	100.00
GAP 060A	0.00	197.00
GAP 065A	0.00	77.03
GAP 068A	0.00	125.00
GAP 069A	0.00	25.00
GAP 071A	0.00	58.00
GAP 108A	0.00	200.00
TOTALS	269.00	2,635.03

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THANK YOU!

The Fall Event Committee would like to express our sincerest gratitude to all the groups that donated baskets to the Rockefeller Dinner event. The event was a complete success and all proceeds will go directly to funding the Rochester Area Intergroup.

Thank you so much to the following groups for donating baskets:

24 Hour Group

Ladies Night Out

Bill D & Mary F

Heard it through the Grapevine

Webster Wednesday

Seneca Group

Gates Rainbow

Dawgone Group

A Woman's Spirit

Early Birds

High Nooners (donated 2 baskets)

Brunch Bunch

Culver Ridge

Sober

A Woman's Story (donated 2 baskets)

Renewal Group

Northeast Freedom

Spiritual Solution Group

Monday Night Spencerport

The 11th Step Group

Terminally Unique

Love & Service

Sunrise Henrietta

Poker Chip

Big Book Discussion

East Side Men's

Ham on Wry (donated 2 baskets)

Heartbeat

5:30 Henrietta Group

Struck Gold

Step by Step

7am Sunrise Group Henrietta

Victory Group

3 baskets donated anonymously

These groups, and the many volunteers that sold tickets for the basket raffle and announced baskets, have shown extreme generosity. Together, in unity, we can be self-supporting. Rochester AA is an amazing community and we clearly showed our appreciation in all our contributions.

Thank you to all of these groups and all our volunteers for your generosity!

Carrying The Message

Tradition XII – "Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities."

Historical Context (Lessons Learned)

Bill W. was convinced that the entire future of our fellowship hung on the vital principle of anonymity. If we continued our program filled with the spirit and practice of anonymity nothing would wreck us. If we forget the spirit, the principal of money, prestige, and power will be "loosed" among us.

One of Bill's primary concerns about anonymity was spurred by the fear that with the potential speed AA was growing, the number of personal appeals would be so overwhelming and there would be so few current members to guide them it would break anonymity wide open.

Bill also discovered as groups grew in number, anonymity problems grew, such as inexperienced sponsors sharing intimate details of sponsees, which in turn caused a severe lack of confidence in the program.

And, finally, Bill recognized that many newcomers were shouting from the rooftops and got drunk shortly after causing still more loss of confidence in AA.

Based on this, the founders knew that the greatest safeguard that Alcoholics Anonymous would ever have was <u>Humility</u>, expressed by <u>Anonymity</u>.

Intent of the Tradition

Since all of AA traditions repeatedly ask us to give up our personal desires for the common good, we realize that this sacrificial spirit well symbolizes the fact that anonymity is the foundation for all our traditions.

Individual sacrifice of our own personal natural desire for personal distinction among fellow members and the general public is the spiritual quality of anonymity. Principles have to come before personalities, without exception.

To preserve anonymity and still allow avenues to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic outside of the rooms, AA has developed a growth path:

- Individual members started to share experiences with families, doctors, ministers, close friends, etc. These are quiet enclosures within the spirit of anonymity.
- The establishment of open meetings that invite outsiders into these meetings are within the spirit of anonymity and carrying the message.

If you have any comments or would like to provide your reflections on Tradition XII, please send to Central Office at office1@rochester-ny-aa.org

December 2019 RAI Board of Trustees

Tradition XII:

Can you think of any time you struggled with any of your defects that could have put the anonymity of A.A. at risk? Did you remind yourself to put principles before personalities, and what other action did you ultimately take?

Should I keep my AA membership a secret, or reveal it in private conversation when that may help another alcoholic (and therefore me)? Is my brand of AA so attractive that other drunks want it?

Trustee Reflections

I can think of one experience where I broke my anonymity for the sake of helping another (possible) drunk. The HR Director of the establishment I worked for came to me because one of the employees was taken to the hospital for being drunk at work. I had never disclosed my membership to her, but perhaps my "brand of AA" led her to ask me for help. I was able, at least, to help her by copying the chapter of the Big Book, "To Employers" and giving it to her. Further action was not needed to help the employee, as nothing came of the situation, but I was willing to help at the expense of breaking my own anonymity. Furthermore, whether my "brand of AA is attractive" really isn't my business, and I sure wish AA members would learn not to break their anonymity on Social Media. -Cindy S.

This Tradition reminds us that anonymity means more than just not using our last name in public, it has a deeper spiritual significance. In Alcoholics Anonymous, we learn to give up a little something. We give up the need to always stand out by keeping our unity in mind. We give up the need to always be right when we listen to God speak in the group conscience. We give up being the face of AA in print, radio, and films. We give up looking for controversy, just to stir the pot a little.

We do place emphasis on spiritual principles rather than personalities, and know there is a loving God as we understand him watching over all of us, all the time - and that's how this thing works. -Zack L.

Tradition 12 Long Form - and Finally, we of Alcoholics Anonymous believe that the principle of anonymity has an immense spiritual significance. It reminds us that we are to place principles before personalities: that we are actually to practice a genuine humility. This to the end that our great blessings may ever spoil us: that we shall forever live in thankful contemplation of HIM who presides over us all.

The Henrietta Group AA and Al-Anon 52nd Anniversary Monday November 25th, 2019

(please note new start time)

Refreshments 7:30 PM

Bring a dish to pass if you like.

MEETING WITH TWO GREAT SPEAKERS

8PM

Cake and Fellowship - 9PM

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Guardian Angels Church 2059 EAST Henrietta Rd South of Jefferson Rd

COME TO THE 25th ANNUAL 'ROUND THE CLOCK SOBRIETY AT THE MACK BUILDING

1587 JACKSON ROAD, PENFIELD

Meetings will be held around the clock on:
Wednesday November 27th and Thursday the 28th
Tuesday December 24th and Wednesday the 25th
Tuesday December 31st and Wednesday January 1st, 2020

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(5) = Regular Nightingales Meeting	(S) = Special 'Round the Clock Sobriety Meetings

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SERENITY 2 SERENT

Omelette Station with
Waffles • Bacon • Sausage • Potatoes • Pastries • Coffee
50/50 Raffle and hopefully pictures with Santa

10 dollars a ticket • 5 dollars for kids

See Rich C. or Liz S. for tickets or visit Central Office



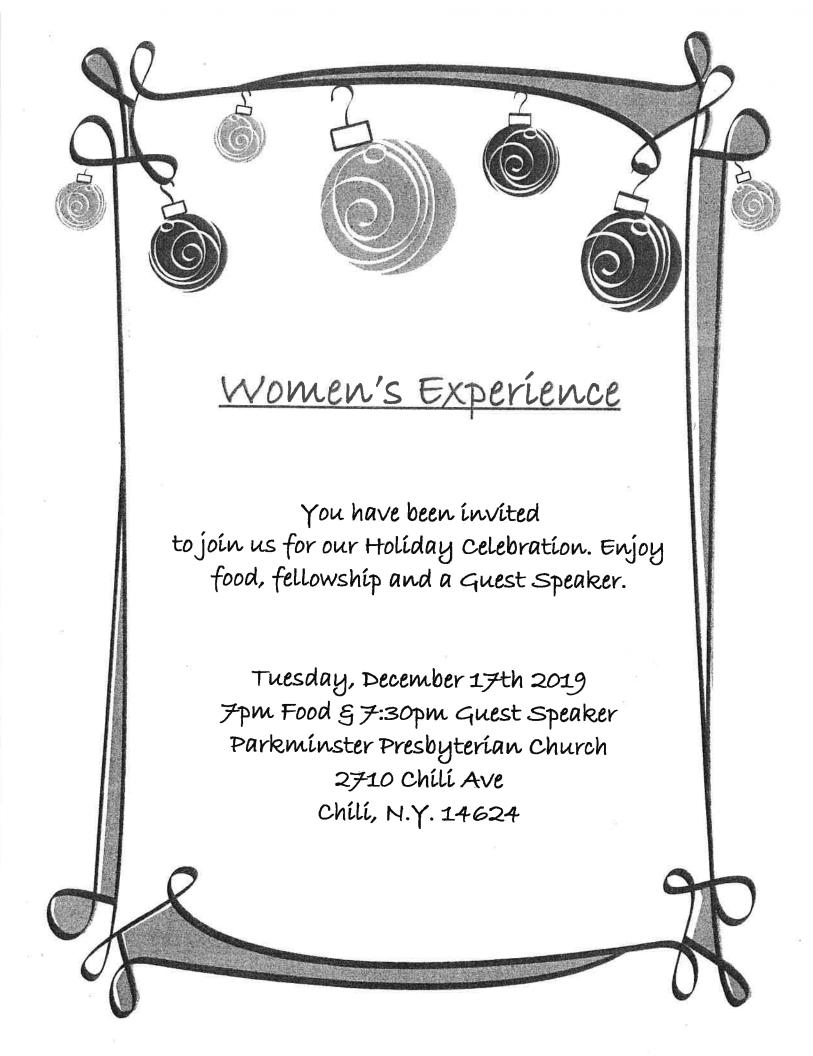
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION SATURDAY DECEMBER 14TH AT 9AM

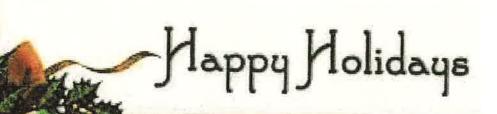
A NIGHT OF REMEMBERING IN THIS SEASON OF LIGHT

Gates Tuesday Open December 17 7:30 PM 1049 Wegman Road

We will be remembering this night those members of AA who are no longer with us physically but whose light continues to shine in our lives. As part of our meeting that night we will ask members and guests to call out the names of their sponsors, sponsees, and friends who made a difference in their lives. Come share with us the memory of these men and women who helped us achieve a life of serenity and gratitude.

This will be a candlelight service.





Newark Noon Group 36th Anniversary

St Marks Episcopal Church, 400 South Main St Newark

Come Celebrate the Holiday Season with Old friends and make some new ones.

Wednesday December 18th

Pizza, Dish to Pass @ 11am

Speaker at noon

Sobriety Countdown @1pm

Cake and fellowship immediately after

Bring your appetite, bring your friends, experience the Fellowship of the Spirit and the Spirit of the Season



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Rochester Gay Mens A.A. Cordially Invites You to Our

ANNUAL HOLIDAY CANDLELIGHT MEETING AND OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY DECEMBER 29 2019

Saint Lukes church 17 Fitzhugh St.

Meeting with dynamic speaker at 8 P.M. Social hour afterwards with dessert, finger food, hors doeuvres, refreshments and fellowshipping

On this occasion this meeting is open so please bring your loved ones, friends

ALL ARE WELCOME



SUNRISE GROUP'S 30th ANNIVERSARY (2020)



When:

NEW YEARS DAY - 1/1/2020

6:30 am - Food & Fellowship

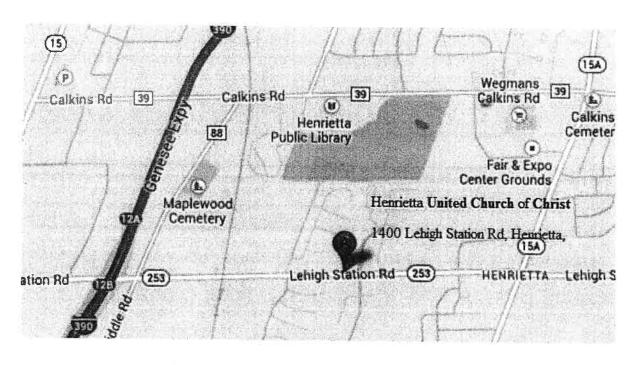
7:00 am - Two Great Speakers!

Where:

Henrietta United Church of Christ 1400 Lehigh Station Rd.

Henrietta, NY

"To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the WORLD."



Two Speakers, Food, Fellowship, a great way to start 2020!

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PARK AVE GAY MEN'S MEETING 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

immanuel baptist church 815 Park Avenue

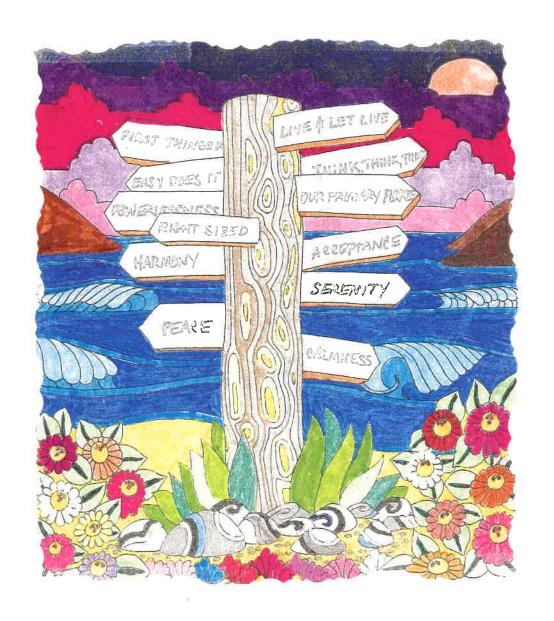
7:30pm - MEETING WITH
ANNIVERSARY SPEAKERS
8:30pm - FELLOWSHIP CELEBRATION
AND DINNER

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR ANNIVERSARY AND THE UNVEILING OF OUR NEW GROUP NAME!









FIRST MTG. 1/5/2020

NEW MEETING: SPIRITUAL GANGSTERS

- * SUNDAYS @ 9:00 a.M.
- * 100 COLLEGE AVE. (The out Alliance)
- * SPEAKER MTG.
- & OPEN MTG -ALL ARE WELCOME