

DISTRICT 13 NEWSLETTER

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The next District meeting is Wednesday March 4th at 7:00pm.

Regular location: Lake George Town Center rear entrance, 20 Old Post Rd., Lake George.

All AA members are welcome. Why not bring a newcomer and hear what's new in AA!

We ask Group Chairs or GSR's to bring this Newsletter to their Group Meetings.
(Please print copies and distribute them at your groups)

Step 2 - Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Tradition 2 (long form) - Our A.A. experience has taught us that: For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience.

Concept II (long form) - When, in 1955, the A.A. groups confirmed the permanent charter for their General Service Conference, they thereby delegated to the Conference complete authority for the active maintenance of our world services and thereby made the Conference—excepting for any change in the Twelve Traditions or in Article 12 of the Conference Charter—the actual voice and the effective conscience for our whole Society.

AA can always use your help!!

District 13 is deeply grateful to the Groups and Members who contribute to our AA service work.

Thanks to all contributing groups!

There are 60 AA Groups in District 13 - now with 80 AA meetings each and every week. Even the most modest contribution would greatly help, if only your group would consider donating when able. All contributions are acknowledged by letters from District 13, Area 48 and GSO. District 13 also lists contributions in its Treasurer's Report and Newsletter. Historical contribution share has been 60% District; 30% Area & 10% GSO.

Contributions can be sent to:

District 13

HMB Area 48

General Service Office (GSO) P. O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

P. O. Box 4335, Queensbury, NY 12804

118 Polar Plaza #114, Route 30, Amsterdam, NY 12010

GSO contributions also can be made on-line at: www.aa.org and click on 'contributions' icon

Remember AA's Tradition 1: "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on AA unity."

District 13's **Records Keeper, Paul G.** works so hard to perform this AA service. All Groups to submit Group change information to him as soon as possible. Contact Paul by e-mail: district13@nycap.rr.com or by phone: 518 793 2685. Make sure your meeting information is correct and up to date. Also contact Paul to volunteer for the hotline.

Remember the Grapevine? It's not just the monthly magazine; it's all the great books available!

The latest Grapevine Book is: One On One – AA Sponsorship in Action.

Order it on-line at www.aagrapevine.org or call the Grapevine at 212 870-3018. Get a free catalog, too! Also get Grapevine's free Daily Quote of the Day. Just go to www.aagrapevine.org. Here is one to enjoy,

"What keeps me sober and serene is the very act of letting go of resentments, self-pity, fear of others, and whatever else keeps my thought going in circles about myself."

Galveston, TX 9/1995 "The Uncertainty Principle"
Spiritual Awakenings II

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DCM Pete R. reports that he and ADCM Kevin T. attended Area 48's last Fellowship Day hosted by District 1. The 2015 Area budget was passed and there was an excellent speaker. Pete will be attending NERASSA in Somerset, NJ Feb. 20 – 22.

HMB Day of Sharing/ Delegate's Day Saturday, April 11, 2015 at Sacred Heart Church Parish Center, 50 Mohican St Lake George, NY 12845

Hosted by District 13 and the Adirondack Cluster

Registration, Coffee, and Treats @ 9 AM

Meeting from 10 AM until 3 PM

7th Tradition Lunch will be served

Tentative Agenda:

- Brief Area Reports
- Roundtable discussions of selected 2013 General Service Conference Topics
- Reports from Roundtables

Please join HMB Area 48 in sharing an informed Area conscience with our Delegate for the 2015 General Service Conference. District 13 DCM Pete R. (pdr60@ymail.com)

is looking for volunteers to help put together a great day hosting our fellow AA Districts in the Area.

Info/Directions: althmbchair@aahmbny.org

*THE HAND OF AA IS **NOT** THERE...and **WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!***

AA's District 13 - serving those in need of AA's help – in the Adirondacks

There is a serious shortage of AA Members willing to carry the AA message into

Washington & Warren Counties & NY State/Comstock Correctional Facilities.

GSR's & Chairs are especially asked to request AA members in their Groups

[and possibly Groups themselves] to take a 'Corrections commitment.'

Please contact Corrections Chair, Lisa A. at 518 223 2100 to learn how taking a 'Corrections commitment' - perhaps just once-a-month - can be so important to sober individuals who need **and want** the AA message but cannot 'go to meetings' that, perhaps too often, too many of us just take for granted!

Your help on this is really needed and would be greatly appreciated.

The **Corrections Correspondence Service** is a Twelfth Step opportunity which links A.A. members on the "outside" with A.A. members in correctional facilities to provide a source of experience as it relates to problems with alcohol. Men are linked with men and women with women. Currently there are over 1000 men how are looking to correspond with AAs on the outside. Contact: **Corrections Desk, General Service Office, Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163 Direct: (212) 870-3085 E-mail: corrections@aa.org Fax: (212) 870-3003 Web site: www.aa.org**

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Need to talk to someone at District 13?

Please consider filling one of the vacant positions below!!

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>e-mail address</u>
• DCM	Peter R. [elected 7/3/13]	pdr60@ymail.com
• Alternate DCM	Kevin T. [elected 3/5/14]	Ktbydab@gmail.com
• Secretary	Tom B. [elected 3/6/13]	
• Treasurer	Everett V. [elected 3/6/13]	district13treasurer@aahmbny.org
• Records	Paul G.	district13@nycap.rr.com
• Bridging the Gap	VACANT.	district13btg@aahmbny.org
• Corrections	Lisa A.	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• CPC/PI	Karen H. [elected 7/3/13]	district13cpc@aahmbny.org
• Treatment	Lisa A. [elected 7/3/13]	district13treatment@aahmbny.org
• Newsletter	Bill D. [elected 3/5/14]	district13newslettereditor@gmail.com
• Grapevine	<u>*Vacant*</u>	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• Archives	Joe B. [elected 1/8/14]	
• Special Needs	<u>*Vacant*</u>	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• Webmaster	Lou H., Sr. [elected 3/6/13]	district13webmaster@aahmbny.org

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