

## DISTRICT 13 NEWSLETTER

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### The next District meeting is Wednesday December 3rd.

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)



*We are reminded that November is known as "Gratitude Month."  
On behalf of District 13, DCM Peter R. extends thanks to all Group and  
Members for their service and support of District 13 AA service efforts.*

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.

Tradition 11 (long form) - Our relations with the general public should be characterized by personal anonymity. We think A.A. ought to avoid sensational advertising. Our names and pictures as A.A. members ought not be broadcast, filmed, or publicly printed. Our public relations should be guided by the principle of attraction rather than promotion. There is never need to praise ourselves. We feel it better to let our friends recommend us.

Concept XI (long form) - While the Trustees hold final responsibility for A.A.'s world service administration, they should always have the assistance of the best possible standing committees, corporate service directors, executives, staffs, and consultants. Therefore the composition of these underlying committees and service boards, the personal qualifications of their members, the manner of their induction into service, the systems of their rotation, the way in which they are related to each other, the special rights and duties of our executives, staffs, and consultants, together with a proper basis for the financial compensation of these special workers, will always be matters for serious care and concern.

### **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 4335, Queensbury, NY 12804

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

P. O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

**GSO contributions also can be made on-line at: [www.aa.org](http://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."

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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](mailto: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.

- Everyone can find current, correct AA meeting information on-line at Area 48 and District 13 websites; and,
- Callers to our **District 13 telephone hotline 518 793 1113** will hear the correct meeting information.

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

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

Order it on-line at [www.aagrapevine.org](http://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](http://www.aagrapevine.org). Here is one to enjoy,

"Sobriety -- freedom from alcohol -- through the teaching and practice of the Twelve Steps, is the sole purpose of an AA group."

AA Co-Founder, Bill W., February 1958

"Problems Other Than Alcohol,"

*The Language of the Heart*

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.*

**District 13's WEBSITE has some great AA information. Why not check it out!**

**[district13.aahmbny.org](http://district13.aahmbny.org)**

Please visit the District 13 website to: find AA meetings; view AA and Grapevine literature catalogs; find out how to purchase AA & Grapevine literature; start a new group or change existing group information; make contributions to District 13; Area 48 and GSO; view and print copies of Area 48 and District 13 Newsletters and download/print free copies of the current District 13 meeting list; and more! Find it all at our website: **[district13.aahmbny.org](http://district13.aahmbny.org)**

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Please email any anniversaries and celebration dates to [district13newslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:district13newslettereditor@gmail.com)

From DCM Peter R.: Fellowship Day hosted by Districts 9 & 12 HMB Western Cluster was very well attended. Alt. DCM Kevin T. and I went to Utica to attend. Our own Adirondack Cluster will be having a correction workshop in Plattsburgh hosted by District 10 in March/April 2015. HMB Area 48 correction chair stated that donations for Big Books and Grapevine subscriptions are needed for the correctional facilities. HMB AREA 48 INVENTORY DAY is January 10, 2015 in Albany 9am – 3pm see the Area website for details. Please have a safe and sober Holiday Season. Yours in service, Pete.

### UPCOMING AA ACTIVITIES and EVENTS

**Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> -Thanksgiving Alkathon – Saratoga Springs** – United Methodist Church, 175 Fifth Ave. (the corner of 5th Avenue & Henning Road) 6am to 6pm - AA meetings every 2 hours starting at 6am - last meeting 4pm. TRADITIONAL THANKSGIVING BUFFET 1:00PM. BRING A DESSERT OR BAKED GOOD TO SHARE! Email [d5functions@gmail.com](mailto:d5functions@gmail.com) if you'd like to help contribute.

**Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve Alkathon – Glens Falls**- United Methodist Church, 54 Bay St. (corner of Bay & Washington) 6pm – 9pm lots of food and fellowship. Meeting at 8pm. More details soon.

### Need to talk to someone at District 13?

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>e-mail address</u>
• DCM	Peter R. [elected 7/3/13]	<a href="mailto:district13dcm-pr@aahmbny.org">district13dcm-pr@aahmbny.org</a>
• Alternate DCM	Kevin T. [elected 3/5/14]	
• Secretary	Tom B. [elected 3/6/13]	
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• Bridging the Gap	VACANT.	<a href="mailto:district13btg@aahmbny.org">district13btg@aahmbny.org</a>
• Corrections	Lisa A.	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• CPC/PI	Karen H. [elected 7/3/13]	<a href="mailto:district13cpc@aahmbny.org">district13cpc@aahmbny.org</a>
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• Newsletter	Bill D. [elected 3/5/14]	
• Grapevine	*Vacant*	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• Archives	Joe B. [elected 1/8/14]	
• Special Needs	*Vacant*	Please consider this AA service opportunity
• Webmaster	Lou H., Sr. [elected 3/6/13]	<a href="mailto:district13webmaster@aahmbny.org">district13webmaster@aahmbny.org</a>

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