

DISTRICT 13 NEWSLETTER

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The next District meeting is Wednesday April 12th 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!

Please be advised that monthly district meeting will be switching to second Wednesday of month starting in April.

We ask Group Chairs or GSR's to bring this Newsletter to their Group Meetings.

Step 3 - Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood God.

Tradition 3 (long form) - Our membership ought to include all who suffer from alcoholism. Hence we may refuse none who wish to recover. Nor ought A.A. membership ever depend upon money or conformity. Any two or three alcoholics gathered together for sobriety may call themselves an A.A. group, provided that, as a group, they have no other affiliation.

Concept III (long form) - As a traditional means of creating and maintaining a clearly defined working relation between the groups, the Conference, the A.A. General Service Board and its several service corporations, staffs, committees and executives, and of thus insuring their effective leadership, it is here suggested that we endow each of these elements of world service with a traditional "Right of Decision."

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

P. O. Box 4335, Queensbury, NY 12804

HMB Area 48

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

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

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

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

The latest new Grapevine Book is: Forming True Partnerships

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,

"If I want to be a leader, I have to do more than just find out in which direction the mob is moving and then get out in front of it ... Leadership involves significant sacrifice of personal goals and ambitions. A person really needs to have Tradition Two right at the center ... Personal pettiness just has no place in leadership."

Humbolt, Saskatchewan, February 1996

"I Wish You Well,"

AA Grapevine

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Corrections: Consider donating old issues of grapevine or *soft cover* AA books for correctional facilities. Looking for volunteers to bring meetings into jails, see District 13 Corrections service info sheet below.

Webmaster: New District 13 website to launch soon.

Public Information: Position available in July.

Dance/Events: Thank you to everyone that came out to the Cabin Fever Dance. It was a success! Stay tuned for the next event and consider volunteering to help!

Meeting Notes

New Meetings: Monday Quarry House Women's Book Study at 5:30pm, Monday Vantage Point at 7pm (12&12); Tuesday Quarry House at 5pm (Living Sober)

The Bay Road Literature Monday 7:00PM, **Original Warrensburg Group** Tues. 8:00PM, and **The Hudson Falls Group** Tuesday 7:00 PM *all need some support*. Give them a try.

Events

HMB Delegate's Day of Sharing Saturday, April 1, 9 am – 3 pm
Sacred Heart Church Parish Center 50 Mohican St. Lake George

HMB Area 48 Events available at:

<https://aahmbny.org/>

District 13 March Anniversaries

Lore	49 years	Women's Courage To Change	Thursday 3/30 7pm
Pam G	3 years	Women's Courage To Change	Thursday 3/30 7pm
Michelle	1 year	Women's Courage To Change	Thursday 3/30 7pm

Please email any anniversaries and celebration dates to district13newslettereditor@gmail.com.

PLEASE CONSIDER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR DISTRICT 13 !!

If you are interested please come the next meeting and find out what District level service is all about. So much exists beyond the Group. Come out and see how you can help. If you do not think you want to take a Chair position, consider just pitching in where needed.

Need to talk to someone at District 13?

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>e-mail address</u>
• DCM	Mike C. [elected 4/1/15]	
• Alt. DCM	Dolores K. [elected 12/7/16]	
• Secretary	John D. [elected 4/1/15]	district13secretary@sprynet.com
• Treasurer	Joe D.	
• Records	Tom B [elected 4/1/15]	
• Bridging the Gap	Lisa A [elected 2/1/17]	
• BTG Co-chair	[elected 2/1/17]	
• Corrections	Statia H. [elected 12/7/16]	
• CPC/PI	Karen H. [elected 7/3/13]	district13cpc@aahmbny.org
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HMB District 13			
Treasury Report			
End of February, 2017			
Opening Balance -February 1, 2017			528.85
Contributions			
	<i>Saturday Morning Eye Opener Group</i>		60.00
	<i>There Is A Solution Group</i>		60.00
	<i>Road To Happy Destiny Group</i>		20.00
	<i>Sunday Morning 8&10 Group</i>		25.00
Total			165.00
Expenses			
	<i>Rent</i>		50.00
	<i>Kingsbury Printing</i>		13.17
	<i>Contact Communications</i>		117.86
	<i>Verizon</i>		27.15
	<i>AA Dance expense (Natalie Nugent)</i>		100.00
Total			308.18
Opening Balance			528.85
Contributions			165.00
Expenses			308.18
Month End Balance			385.67
Prudent Reserve			250.00
Total Above Prudent Reserve			135.67
Closing Balance - February 28, 2017			385.67

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District 13 Corrections Service Info Sheet

Requirements:

Please have 6 months of consecutive sobriety.

If you have served time in either jail, they ask that you not volunteer in that particular jail.

WARREN COUNTY

The meeting for **both male and female** inmates would be held at the same time on **Mondays 6:30 to 7:30 pm**.

Warren County has (4) pods, therefore will require (8) volunteers every week.

Fill out the application and return to the corrections chair. Once your application is approved you will receive an OCR # and a link to go online to make an appointment for fingerprinting. The cost for this is \$12.00.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

The meetings will be held on **Mondays 6:30–7:30 Women / 7:30–8:30 Men**

Fill out the application and return to the corrections chair. There is no fingerprinting required in this county.

- Each meeting will require (2) AA volunteers in attendance.
- Warren County has a volunteer acknowledgement form that a Correction member will go over with each representative to make them aware of what is allowed in the Facility.
- Once there are enough volunteers for each county, the Corrections Chair will make a schedule for each month.

Contact District 13 Chair Statia H. for more information!

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[IF YOU KNEW...](#)

[BRIDGING THE GAP \(BTG\)](#)

[A simple question for each AA member:](#)

[If you knew](#) that [someone from your hometown](#) had been in a treatment or rehab facility and, while there: came to recognize his or her problem with alcohol abuse; had learned about AA's program of recovery; and, [was coming home soon](#) - but didn't know anyone in AA in his or her hometown or where local AA meetings were - [and wanted to meet local AA members and attend local AA meetings](#)...

[Would you be willing](#) to meet that individual, take him or her to a few local AA meetings and introduce him or her to other local sober AA members? Would you?

Most of us would say "[Yes, of course, I'd gladly do that!](#)"

[Ah, but the key question is: How would you know that person 'is coming home?'](#)

[The answer: AA's Bridging the Gap \[BTG\] program](#). Simply put, if you tell us you are willing to help and give us [just your first name and phone number, it will work!](#) [How?](#)

When someone is 'coming home,' we will contact you and say 'Jim or Sarah is coming home on [date]; could you meet that person or take him or her to the first few local AA meetings and introduce him or her to other local sober AA members?

[This may happen only once or twice a year](#). If it's good timing for you, we'll give you all the details. If it's not good timing for you, just say so and we'll go on to the next person on the list. You [do not](#) become that person's AA sponsor; you just become an initial [welcoming AA member who cares!](#)

Please consider this really great and [simple opportunity to be of service to the AA newcomer](#).

[Why not let our District 13 BTG Chair Lisa A. know at the next District 13 meeting.](#)



Delegate's Day of Sharing



The Adirondack Cluster welcomes all to Lake George.

As is custom for our cluster there will be the famous

Chill and Grill

April 1, 2017 9 am until 3 pm

Sacred Heart Church Parish Center

50 Mohican St

Lake George, NY 12845

