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The next District meeting is Wednesday April 11th 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!

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."

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

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 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: *Voices of Women in A.A.*

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's one:

"As I've moved along in sobriety, I've learned that I cannot change others, only myself. So I did that and got healthier."

Arusha, Tanzania, March 2006

"AA Around the World,"

AA Grapevine

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Corrections: The Volunteer Coordinator for the State Prisons in Comstock contacted District 13 looking for volunteers. Contact Corrections chair for more information. *Looking for **WOMEN** volunteers to bring meetings into jails, see District 13 Corrections service info sheet below. Meetings at Warren County cannot begin until both men and women volunteer slots are filled. Please spread the word so we can carry the message into our local correctional facilities.*

Webmaster: *New District 13 website has launched!* Check it out at: <http://district13.aahmbny.org/>

Meeting Notes

New meeting: Let It Glow 9pm Thursdays Bay and Washington

Friday Night Lake George meeting is postponing meetings for the winter. **Check back in the spring.**

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

Those with a working knowledge of the 12 Steps and willing to sponsor a newcomer are encouraged to attend the Crandall Street meetings.

Events

Delegates Day April 7th in Utica, see flyer

HMB Convention 2018 October 26-28th, 2018

The Radisson Hotel 200 Genesee St.

Utica, NY 13502

HMB Area 48 Events available at:

<https://aahmbny.org/>

Anniversaries

Pam G 4 years

Thursday Women's Courage to Change, March 29 7:30pm

Lore 50 years

Thursday Women's Courage to Change, March 29 7:30pm

Please email any group anniversaries and events to district13newslettereditor@gmail.com.

PLEASE CONSIDER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR DISTRICT 13 !!

*****Treatment/Accessibilities, Newsletter and Grapevine Chair*****

Need to talk to someone at District 13?

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- Grapevine VACANT
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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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Treasury Report

February 28, 2018

Opening Balance	February 1, 2018	618.76
Contributions		
West Fort Ann Big Book	✓ 120.00	
Any Lengths	✓ 75.00	
Suggested Program of Recovery	✓ <u>54.00</u>	
Total Contributions		<u>249.00</u>
Expenses		
Mailings Made Easy	✓ 28.43	
Kingsbury Printing	✓ 22.18	
Rent-Jan & Feb	✓ 50.00	
PO Box rent (6 mos.)	48.00	
Verizon	✓ <u>31.13</u>	
Total		179.74
Ending Balance	February 28, 2018	<u>688.02</u>
Opening Balance		618.76
Contributions		249.00
Expenses		<u>179.74</u>
Month End Balance		688.02
Prudent Reserve		<u>250.00</u>
Total Above Prudent Reserve		438.02
Closing Balance	February 28, 2018	<u>688.02</u>

Reconciliation:	Balance per bank 2/28/18	670.29
Add: Deposits in transit	-	
Less: Outstanding checks	<u>-</u> Adjusted balance	
670.29		
Difference	(17.73)	

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Something really important is about to occur - we ask each AA Member and Group to consider it.

Do you know: There are 93 geographic AA Areas serving the ~66,000 Groups and 1.4 million AA Members in the United States and Canada. Each Area elects a Delegate to represent its Area in AA service matters.

The 93 Delegates work throughout the year leading to an intense week-long U.S. and Canada-wide Annual General Service Conference focusing on **matters important to AA - today and in the future.**

And do you know: Just like Group Conscience, the adopted results of the General Service Conference are viewed as the Conscience of AA for all the United States and Canada. Each day at Conference starts with a prayer to the Higher Power for guidance in the day's efforts. Simply put, this is flat-out serious AA work!

This year's Conference is April 22nd to April 28th in New York City.

Our Area, Hudson Mohawk Berkshire [HMB] Area 48, covers over a third of entire New York State - from below Poughkeepsie north to the Canadian border and from the Vermont line west past Utica and Rome.

Our elected Area 48 Delegate Don S. [from our own upstate NY near Malone] is preparing for Conference.

He's asking for our help and, more importantly, this is an opportunity for members and Groups to tell Don what we think is good and bad with AA today and what's important to AA - for individual members in the rooms and those yet to come; for our Groups and for one whole united AA - today and in the future.

As we take our own Step 10 daily inventory, do we take time to reflect, at least once in a while, on Tradition 1 "Our common welfare should come first: personal recovery depends on AA unity."

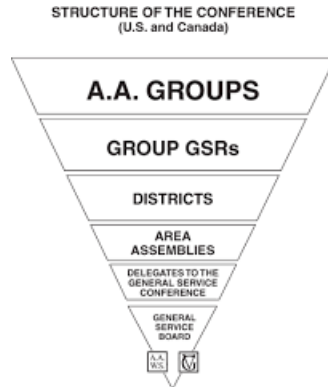
If we believe something is good or bad with AA today - but don't say anything, AA suffers: from the most important part of AA - the Group all the way down AA's structure: District, Area and General Service Office.

A special day is set aside to tell Don what we think: It's **April 7 Delegate's Day** in Utica. Yes, it's a long drive for District 13 Group members but it's a really important opportunity to share your views. AA needs - **and wants** - your views. Please don't miss it! [**A flyer is in Newsletter** with details on the April 7 Delegate's Day.]

If you can't attend April 7th, please, at least, e-mail your views to Don at hmbdelegate@aahmbny.org.

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HMB Area 48

Delegate's Day of Sharing

Hosted by Districts 9 and 12

Saturday, April 7, 2018

Our Savior Lutheran Church 1640
Genesee St, Utica N.Y.13502
9 AM - 3 PM

Concept I:

The final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

Come share thoughts with your Delegate on current issues pertinent to AA as a whole.

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Meet & Greet Coffee Hour 10:00
am – 3:00 pm: Agenda TBA

7th Tradition Lunch will be served