Participate in your own recovery by writing for Unity

We are looking for AA members to contribute to *Unity!* Stories of experience, strength and hope are always welcome.

The deadline is the 15th of the month prior to publication. E-mail your contribution to daytonunity@gmail.com

You can write about anything related to your personal experience in sobriety. Use "I" statements. Respect the anonymity of other members. If you hear something at a meeting that makes you see things in a different light, write about it. If you've stayed sober through a difficult experience, write about it. If you have experience, strength and hope to share, write about it. A good length is 500 words. Longer stories may be edited for length.

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A DECLARATION
OF UNITY
This we owe to A.A.'s future;
To place our common welfare first;
To keep our fellowship united.
For on A.A. unity depends our lives,
And the lives of those to come.

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A declaration of **Unity**

Next Intergroup Meeting is 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, on Zoom ONLY. ID: 895 7607 5323 PW: 946369

Your Dayton Area Intergroup Newsletter **September 2021** **Vol. 46, No. 9**

Important choice: react or respond

I've been working very hard on responding rather than reacting.

Reacting in the heat of the moment is one of my worst defects.

With ubiquitous email and texting, I find it's too easy to fire off a reply without pausing to think.

With the help of my sponsor and other AAs, I'm learning to process, pause and think calmly before a knee-jerk reaction kicks in.

The *12 & 12* is spot on when it says fear is the chief activator of my defects.

I need to be patient with people who might be having a bad day and remember that sometimes the behavior that disturbs me has more to do with their emotional state than it does mine.

Thank God for all the lessons I learn, however painful, and thank God for AA.

— *Ann P.*

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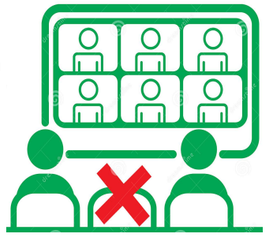

The church where my home group meets closed in March of 2020 when Covid swept our nation. It took us some time to figure out what to do. At first, we met by phone conference and that worked fine but then we switched to Zoom. That decision kept our group together and thriving for more than a year but this past spring some members became antsy and wanted to meet back in person. Those group conscience meetings challenged us as a group with differing views on how we were going to make this happen.

Sure, we all wanted to be together again but, Zoom met the needs of many of us in this past year. Some members were not ready to meet in person yet. There had to be a compromise.

Several of us decided to get help by attending a workshop put on by a district in Area 79 (BC/Yukon) in Canada on making groups or events "hybrid." Some of their techniques were a little complicated for us but we came away with the understanding that we don't need to leave anyone behind.

As it stands now, we have an even split on our Thursday evening meeting. Some people join us via Zoom on the large TV our church has provided for our use. I bring my laptop and join the meeting, staging it to view the whole room for those on Zoom. There are glitches, but we don't panic. We were told by everyone with experience that there is a real learning curve.

We are so fortunate to be able to provide a meeting for people who cannot attend in person. We have people joining us from different cities and states and they keep coming back! To those who are nervous about making the decision about staying on Zoom, going back in person, or becoming hybrid please know that there are people out there willing to help. My husband tells everyone that after joining AA you don't have to do anything alone ever again.

— *Andrea H.*

A closer look at Step Nine

"Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others."

There are three kinds of amends:

Direct Amends – taking personal responsibility for your actions and approaching the person with whom you would like to reconcile.

Indirect Amends – finding ways to repair damage that cannot be reversed or undone, by doing things like volunteering and helping others.

Living Amends – when you show others as well as yourself that you have made a genuine lifestyle change and are making a commitment to yourself and those that you have hurt and that you have discarded your previous destructive behaviors.

To keep things simple, focus on "The Three R's" of the Ninth Step associated with making amends: Restoration, Resolution and Restitution.

Restoration means bringing something back to its former state, usually things or relationships that have been damaged.

Resolution means we likely have past experiences that plague us or disturb us in some way. Finding a resolution to these problems means coming up with answers and solutions and laying them to rest.

Restitution as it relates to the Ninth Step is the act of returning something material (or abstract) to its rightful owner.

Our sponsor can help us decide how best to handle each one. They can help us check our motives. Consulting with a sponsor is vital to making successful amends.

— *Jason W.*

How and why AA groups grew and changed

"I got drunk, but we stay sober." That is not only a popular saying, it also emphasizes that "the group is where it happens." AA groups were splitting and giving birth to new groups—and new groups are forming of themselves – at an incredible rate in the mid-1980s.

Not only did the number of groups grow, but existing groups were often bursting at the seams with newcomers.

At the same time, the AA meetings themselves were evolving. The Alcoholics Anonymous program of recovery remains unchanged, and the language of the heart is the same in any meeting, anywhere in the world. But the variety and diversity is astonishing.

The first AA groups that broke away from the Oxford Groups in Akron, Cleveland and New York brought with them the format of the Oxford Groups. They opened by reading from *The Greatest Thing in the World* by Henry Drummond or William James' *Varieties of Religious Experience* or the *Bible*, and they had a time for prayer and silently waiting for guidance from God. They customarily closed with the Lord's Prayer because that's the way the Oxford Group meetings closed. But they also shared and gave each other support. They were open meetings, in that spouses were welcome to attend.

Very soon, though the wives still came along for the sociability, they met separately in another room. The meetings generally had no time limit; they might last two or three hours. They sometimes met intermittently, but soon evolved to once a week, at a definite time and place.

The second group in a given locality might start for one of several reasons. Especially in the early days, personality conflicts developed in groups—rising out of resentment of a dominating leader or disagreement over some issue or a rebellious desire to do things one's own way. It's an old cliche, of course, that all that's needed for a new AA group is a resentment and a coffeepot and, indeed, countless groups began just that way.

Another reason was the real need for a new group in a more convenient location.

A third reason was a group's need for another kind of meeting. For example, a group holding a regular weekly closed meeting would decide to have an open speaker meeting on another night, and then to precede the speaker meeting with a beginner's meeting.

In Minnesota, it is not unusual for a single group to have from 15 to 30 meetings a week; in Los Angeles, every meeting is a separate group (or, to put it the other way, every group has but one meeting.)

This is addressed by the Fourth Tradition.

A healthy group often grew larger and larger until it became unwieldy, or participation of members became difficult, or it outgrew its quarters. Then, by agreement among the members themselves, it might divide into two groups—like an amoeba reproducing itself.

Somewhere during the youth of AA, a definite time length for meetings became customary, usually 90 minutes. And, typically alcoholic, the members usually became as rigid about observing the set opening and closing times, as they had previously been free and easy. In time, one-hour meetings became as common as 90-minute meetings. As it became convenient to attend several meetings a week, the individual meetings seemed to become shorter. Also, the time of day of the meetings began to vary. At first, they were usually in the evening. In larger cities, midnight meetings sprang up to accommodate night people. Noon meetings became commonplace not only in cities, catering to office workers, but in smaller towns where mothers of small children found them convenient. Early morning meetings have become extremely popular. In many places they are held daily. Sunday morning meetings, sometimes held following a breakfast, were a feature of the earliest days in some Ohio cities and today in many places they attract the largest attendance of any meeting of the week.

Step meetings came into existence rather early. Typically, the format is to take a Step a week. The leader reads the Step from the *Twelve & Twelve* and then the participants comment. There are also Step Study meetings in which the members take turns reading from the *Twelve & Twelve*, a paragraph at a time, and discuss it before moving on.

Big Book groups became popular in the late '60s and early '70s, following the same format as the Step Study meetings. They now are a part of the meeting-mix nearly every place.

Speaker/lead meetings, discussion meetings and beginner meetings were all early adaptations.

The growth of AA has also been affected by outside factors. The proliferation of treatment centers and rehabs poured recruits into AA meetings.

Limitations imposed by the pandemic have been the most recent catalyst for change. Many groups have gone online or become hybrid.

A statement by Bill W. in the November 1960 *Grapevine*, predicted the importance of AA's continuing adaptation to the needs of today. He said, "Nothing matters more to AA's future welfare than the manner in which we use the colossus of modern communication. Used unselfishly and well, it can produce results surpassing our present imagination."

— *Excerpted from an article on Silkworth.net*

Our common ground: Service to the Community; Service to the Fellowship

Our Common Ground: Service to the Community and Service to the Fellowship is a BIG topic.

This topic was part of the theme of the 65th Ohio State Convention, "Our Great Responsibility" and I was asked to think about it and share my experience.

As you all know, Service is one of three legacies that make up the inner triangle of our unofficial logo. Our fellowship and my life in Alcoholics Anonymous are represented by the circle surrounding the triangle. For me to stay strong in my journey of sobriety, for me to stay on the right path without wobbling this way and that, all three legacies, Recovery, Unity and Service must stay balanced. Each leg of the triangle must be equal so that my sober life remains round and smooth.

I did not know it at the time but Service to the Fellowship began for me when my sponsor instructed me to attend his Home Group *every* week. He said he would accept only rare, legitimate reasons to miss the meeting, and he needed to know ahead of time if I was not going to be there. From him I learned how healthy groups function in AA. I was progressing in Recovery through the Unity of the group. By being an *active* Home Group member, I am providing Service to the Fellowship. In my Home Group, Trusted Servants such as Annual Chairperson, Treasurer, General Service Representative (GSR), and Intergroup Representative are selected. They are expected to fulfill their responsibilities for their term of service, and then rotate out. These Trusted Servants expand service outward to Service to the Community. When the Group survives and thrives, so do I, and when enough groups operate in this manner, by the Traditions of AA, our fellowship survives and thrives.

Today, after some time, I have come to the realization that my fellow Home Group members, by attending our meeting week in and week out, "come hell or high water," have provided me with a deep-down security that everything is all right, that our program works. Deep down within is where my Higher Power resides, and this makes a "healthy" group a spiritual entity. I have come to realize that Service to the Fellowship and Service to the Community are intertwined. Our primary purpose is to carry the message to the still suffering alcoholic, both inside and outside the rooms, not through promotion but by making the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous more attractive. AA will then survive *and* thrive, and for that I am responsible.

— *Warren G.*

Area 56 Assembly election of officers Sept. 25 online

If you are like me, you too are surprised that our Assembly/Election is coming up very soon! These last two years have gone by more quickly than I could ever have imagined. Please join us on Saturday, Sept. 25, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Your group has a vote at our Assemblies, and we need your GSRs to attend. In addition, any non-voting members have a voice and are welcome!

We have five officer positions to fill: Delegate, Alternate Delegate/Area Chair, Registrar, Treasurer and Secretary. If you feel you have the time and the calling to serve as an Area 56 officer but have questions, please contact me at: areachair@aaarea56.org.

A past delegate from Florida shared with some of us that after having been elected delegate she thought, "what have I gotten myself into?" Right then, a woman came up to her and said, "God does not choose the qualified, He qualifies the chosen."

We were hoping to meet in person at this Assembly, but the church is unavailable on that day. Hopefully, we can meet there for our December Assembly.

We will have a special guest who will be conducting our election. Her name is Rio D., Alternate Delegate Area 79 (BC/Yukon). I can't wait for people to see and hear from her and watch how amazing an online election can be!
Here is the Zoom information:

Meeting ID: 828 0023 7827 Passcode: 811435

– *Andrea H., Area 56 Alternate Delegate/Area Chair*

Area 56 Calendar of Events

Sept. 12 noon	Area Committee Meeting	
Sept. 25 10a-2p	**Area Assembly (Election)**	Virtual
Oct. 10 noon	Area Committee Meeting	TBD
Nov. 6 11a	Ohio State Convention Planning Meeting	TBD
Nov. 14 noon	Area Committee Meeting	TBD
Nov. 19-21	East Central Reg. Forum	Virtual
Dec. 5 noon	Area Committee Meeting	TBD
Dec. 11 10a-2p	**Area Assembly**	**TBD**

Service meetings

If your group doesn't have an Intergroup Representative and a General Service Representative, plus alternates for these position, please volunteer.

Service work helps keep us sober!

Sept. 9 — Dayton Area Intergroup ONLINE Meeting, 7 pm on Zoom at ID: 895 7607 5323 PW: 946369. All Intergroup Reps are encouraged to attend, as are any and all area AA members.

Groups needing support

Here are a few of the groups that need support.

- **Monday 10 am Forward Step Group,** open 12 & 12 meeting, Southside Club.
- **Tuesday 7:30 pm** AWOL 12&12, Westside Club is now meeting in person.
- **Wednesday noon** Women's O-D at Aldersgate Church 5464 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights.
- **Friday, 10 am Big Book Group**, O-D, Southside Club.
- **Friday 7:30 pm Zippo Group** O-L at Linden Ave. Baptist Church, 101 Linden Ave.
- **Saturday 2 pm** Women-to-Women O-D, Crossroads Club.

WESTSIDE CLUB

3359 W. 2nd St., Dayton

- The Westside Club now has a Beginners' Meeting on Mondays from 7 to 8pm. Please come and support this meeting.
- The Trinity West Group on Wednesdays at 7:30pm, is a hybrid meeting and now a discussion meeting. Zoom ID is 841 5255 4695 Password 219573
- The Ray of Sunshine women's group on Saturdays at 10:30am, at the Westside Club is also a hybrid meeting Zoom ID is 847 0827 6095 Password: 857793

Northside Fellowship Club

7089 Taylorsville Road, Huber Heights

- Pancake breakfast from 8am to 9:30am every first Sunday of the month, free but donations are welcome.
- The last Friday of the month will be pizza and game night starting at 8pm.
- The third Sunday of the month carry in from 2 to 5pm

34th Annual Northside Fellowship Club

Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, Sept. 25

Sulfur Grove UC, 6595 Taylorsville Rd.
Huber Heights OH 45424
Fellowship: at 5 pm, Dinner: at 6 pm,
Lead: at 7pm, Speaker Gigi H.
Tickets: Members $12 (limit 4 at this price).
Non-members $15.
See NFC board members for tickets.

Did you know that before crowbars were invented, crows mostly drank alone?

From "DadJokes" on Facebook

MW2

A.A. Men's Workshop at Butler Springs
Sept. 17-19

Registration limited to 175. Bring bedding, towels, pillows, and toiletries. Cost for the weekend, which includes meals, lodging and refreshments, is $90. There are 4 hookups at the same cost of $90. Tent Campers or RV Campers welcomed at same cost of $90. Non-Smoking indoors. Registration $30 non-refundable with the remaining $60 due on arrival.

Info: (937) 321-5379 or (937) 620-3245 or www.MW2workshop.com
Make checks payable to: MW2 Workshop
Mail to 1104 Sherwood Forest Drive
West Carrollton, OH 45449

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Alco Aides Club

2206 East Third Street, Dayton

- Breakfast every Sunday, 8am to 9:45am, followed by 10am lead meeting. $5 buys eggs, home fries, bacon or sausage, toast or biscuits, juice and a small coffee.
- Volunteers needed to work at our food counter. Must be at least 30 days sober. Earn cash by the tips that you make. Call us at (937) 254-0067 or stop in and apply.
- Alco Aides houses the Dayton Area Intergroup Archives. Come take a look.
- Rent our card room for as little as $25 for your event. Call us at (937) 254-0067 if interested.

HELP WANTED

Alco Aides Club is seeking a manager.

Some of the requirements of the position include experience with Quick Books, kitchen operation, cash flow and other skills.

We will train you for our operations.

If you are interested, call Terry or Brian at (937) 254-0067.

FREE ACCORDION

The instrument was owned by an AA who passed away. Her wish was that it should go to another AA who can play and will use it. If more than one person wants it, auditions may be held! Please call (937) 681-2798.

BIG BOOK QUIZ

By Twila W.

1. When father takes this tack, the family may react ___(p.128).
2. And does not science demonstrate that ___(p.48) proof is the weakest proof?
3. The men who cry for money and ___(p.98) before conquering alcohol , are on the wrong track.
4. If he cannot or does not want to stop, he should be ___(p.148).
5. We can laugh at those who think spirituality the way of ___(p.68).
6. I felt this was inevitable and wondered if the bank was doing the man a ____(p.138).
7. Their chances are less than ___(p.58).
8. Show him these things in yourself and they will be ___(p.118) back to you from him.
9. He has helped other men recover, and is a power in the ___(p.158) from which he was long absent.
10. We have made our ___(p.78), done our part.

WORD SEARCH

Step 9 & Tradition 9

O S E R V I C E O M
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Follow the leader

Talk about exciting!

Zippo on a Friday night, and my very own sponsor was giving the lead. It was like hearing the Sermon on the Mount, but without the robes and halo.

He gets up there and he kills it. I mean, they're riveted. Laughter, tears, applause, everything. That's my boy!

But there was one statement in particular that pinned me to my seat. He fairly mumbled it, but it was piercing. I quickly jotted it down.

My sponsor was speaking about his elderly mother, in her last years. "God got me sober so I could be my mom's caretaker," he said. Then he looked up at the audience, his face flushed. "I took care of her until she died."

The tremor in his voice expressed a host of emotions: sadness that she was gone, satisfaction that he'd cared for her, gratitude for his sobriety.

I presently live with my father, 86, who took me in when I had no place to land. Now that I'm sober, our relationship is symbiotic: he gives me a place to sleep, and I'm his full-time caretaker. As a caretaker, I can only hope to emulate my sponsor. That means thanking God for my sobriety, and then putting that sobriety to some good use. Son, honor thy father.

I think I'll follow my sponsor's lead.

— *Kurt O.*

A Safe Place for a First Lead

Giving a lead is wonderful service work. It's a great way to help other AAs work on and live out their recoveries. As with all things, though, there is always a first time. Giving a first lead can be nerve wracking and downright scary. This is especially true for those who are not comfortable speaking in front of groups. As a sponsor, I know that it can be hard to encourage sponsees that the time has come for them to share their stories with other alcoholics.

The Southside Club 10 a.m. Thursday Chairman's Choice meeting has decided to reach out to those who are ready to give that first lead. This meeting is a great environment for first leads, because the size of the group is relatively small, and the members have always shared a deep commitment to openness and non-critical encouragement to all who come through the door.

Typically, this meeting hosts 1 to 2 leads per month, but the chairman's choice format allows for more if the demand becomes higher. The group also strives to live up to their name. They seek monthly chairs who vary the meeting format each week. Discussion, *12 and 12, Grapevine* articles, readings from the *Big Book*, all are fair game for potential meeting topics.

The group is always looking for new people to chair. If your sponsor wants you to give your lead for the first time, if you are a sponsor looking for a good place to host a sponsee for a first lead, or you would like to chair this meeting, I encourage you to contact this group. For more information or to contact the members of this meeting, please send an email to sscc10am@protonmail.com.

— *Paul C.*

AUGUST 12 DAYTON AREA INTERGROUP MEETING MINUTES

CHAIR: Tony H. ahuguely@gmail.com
VICE CHAIR: David B. dbowman5@woh.rr.com
TREASURER: Jim T. jmtorbett@gmail.com
INTERIM SECRETARY: OPEN POSITION Ann P. ampettee@sbcgobal.net

The meeting opened with the Serenity Prayer. Tony H. read the Preamble, Carl G. read the Twelve Traditions and Ann P. read the Intergroup Mission Statement: "The Dayton Area Intergroup exists to create unity and service in support of our AA community in our common purpose of carrying the AA message to the alcoholic who still suffers. We are directly responsible to the AA groups and communities that we are trusted to serve."

AA Birthdays: None.

Secretary's Report: Sent via email, and in *Unity*.

Treasurer's Report: Jim T. (937) 581-0406 jmtorbett@gmail.com Little to no activity in July.

July Report:

Opening Balance	$14,242.95
Deposits	$27.74
Total Checks/Charges	$203.00
Closing Balance	$14,067.69
Big Change/Small Change Deposit	$27.74
Big Change/Small Change Balance	$2,783.50
CD Balance	$5,457.78

Big Change from Small Change Contributions

Group Name	July	YTD
Washington Church Group.	$22.74	$22.74

NOTE: During the pandemic, if your group collects Big Change from Small Change, please turn it into a check or money order and send it to Central Office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Central Office: Tom D. (937) 222-2211 centraloffice@aadaytononline.org
• Profit & Loss info and Contributions for July appear on Page 5 of this issue of *Unity*.
• Office staff has returned to wearing masks.
• Tickets are ready; however, we're waiting to see if things change with COVID before they go on sale in September.

Archives: Phillip M. (937) 977-2630
• We have completed digitizing issues of *Unity* back to 1973 and they are posted on the aadaytononline.org website.
• Of the 250 cassette tapes of local leads, 33 have been digitized so far.
• Renovation of the space is almost complete.
• There are two people who have volunteered to help with sorting and identifying photographs.
• We still want to have an archive event featuring a collection of recordings of talks by Father John Doe, author of the Golden Books.

Unity: Ann P. and George N. daytonunity@gmail.com
• The deadline for sending articles for each issue is the 15th of the month prior to publication. We need articles on Step 10, Tradition 10, Concept 10, and personal experience about sponsorship, returning to in-person meetings, or any coming events.
• If event planners want to publicize their activities in *Unity*, they need to send information by the 15th of the month prior to publication.
• If your group is coming back to in-person meetings we can list the group under the "Meetings Need Support" column.
• If your group or club doesn't subscribe, a subscription form can be found on Page 8 of this issue of *Unity* or downloaded under the *Unity* tab at aadaytononline.org

Public Information & Cooperation with the Professional Community (PI/CPC): Kat M.
• Books are being cataloged and should be showing up on the shelves at the Dayton Main Library soon. They will put six recommended books into circulation.
• Warren G. said this is part of a collaboration with Cincinnati Intergroup and DCMs in Area 56 to be sure books are available in public libraries. This is all part of the Service Opportunity Literature Distribution effort to get information into the hands of doctors, counselors, libraries, and others who can help get the word about AA out to their clients. He also said he has mailed Kat a quantity of literature she had requested.

Corrections: Brian H. (937) 781-6770 bdh495253@gmail.com Not present, no report.

Outreach (Treatment Facilities/BTG/12-Step List/Special Needs/Mobile Meetings): OPEN POSITION

Special Events: John C. Not present, no report.

Web: Chris P. (937) 369-5948 christpage@gmail.com Not present, no report.

Membership: OPEN POSITION

Area 56 Liaison: OPEN POSITION

Grapevine: Robbin S. (937) 609-0659 robbininski@yahoo.com Not present, no report.

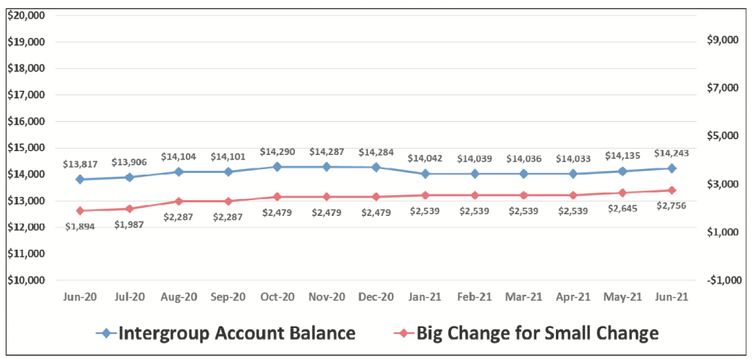
Old Business: None.

New Business: The increase in COVID has created a concern. The decision was made to return to Zoom only Intergroup meetings, beginning in September.

The meeting closed with the Responsibility Statement and adjourned.

Next Meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9 on Zoom. ID: 895 7607 5323 PW: 946369

MONTHLY TRENDS



Check with Central Office to see if this event is still on and not affected by COVID.

Dayton Area AA Intergroup

Fall Breakfast

Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021
Fellowship: 8 a.m. • Breakfast Buffet: 9 a.m. • Lead: 10 a.m.

Speaker: Cyndi M. of Louisville, KY.

Where: Ponitz Center, Building 12
4th and Perry Streets

Parking: In Ponitz Center garage or on street

Tickets: from Central Office
120 W. 2nd St.
Liberty Tower, Suite 211
Dayton, OH 45402
(937) 222-2211
$25 each, or $200 for a table for 8

All ticket sales handled through Central Office. Tickets reserved in advance must be paid for or returned by Oct. 22, 2021. Remaining tickets will be sold first-come, first-served at Central Office.

Make checks out to Dayton Area Intergroup.
NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR
DEADLINE FOR TICKET SALES OCT. 29

INTERGROUP AND CENTRAL OFFICE NEWS

Central Office July Report

Income	
Group Contributions	$4,881.32
Contributions – Other	$200.00
Total Contributions	$5,081.32
Literature Sales	$4,132.21
Miscellaneous Revenue	$4.57
Total Income	$9,218.10
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold-Literature	$3,046.92
Shipping & Handling	$61.31
Total Cost of Goods Sold	$3,108.21
Gross Profit	$6,109.87
Expense	
Banking Expenses	
PayPal Fee	$4.45
Bank Charges	$11.28
Banking Expenses Other	55.68
Total Banking Expenses	$71.41
Contract Services	
Accounting Fees	$224.00
Total Contract Services	$224.00
Facilities and Equipment	
Parking	$255.00
Rent	$385.00
Total Facilities and Equipment	$640.00
Operations	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	$10.74
Supplies	$27.09
Telephone, Telecommunications	$100.25
Postage, Mailing Service	$65.00
Total Operations	$438.12
Other Types of Expenses	
Advertising	$100.23
Payroll Expenses	
Wages	$2,707.50
Total Payroll Expenses	$2,707.50
Total Expense	$3,946.22
Net Income	$2,163.65
Operating Checking	$35,317.47
Commercial Money Market	$13,543.47
Printing Reserve	$3,643.86
Business Money Market	$60,053.73
Sick Leave	$2,902.22
Phone Calls	276
Website Visitors	3,546
Website Visits	9,281

* NOTE: If your group does not support Central Office, Area 56 and GSO, ask why.

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Group	
A Vision For You	$219.60
Bellbrook Monday Night	$48.75
Brown Bag CEC	$60.00
CR-It's In The Book	$32.00
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CR-Never On The Weekend	$60.00
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Fairborn Group Tues	$50.00
Fairborn Reach Out And Touch	$50.00
Fairborn Working On It	$65.50
Franklin St. Tuesday Step	$30.00
Hart Street	$200.00
How It Works	$150.00
Huber Serenity Group	$210.00
Introduction To The Steps	$160.80
Language Of The Heart	$31.80
Living Sober Lamme Rd	$50.00
Miamisburg Burg Group Sun	$29.88
Miamisburg Burg Group Sun	$23.06
Miamisburg One Step Closer	$213.25
Midday Sobriety Group Springboro	$170.40
No Name Group	$25.00
PAL Group	$79.20
S Group	$194.22
SS-Letting Go Monday Noon	$60.00
SS- Women's Drop the Rock	$60.00
SS-Happy Hour	$90.00
SS-Sister's Step Study	$60.00
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Troy Trinity Sunday	$370.00
Tuesday Traditions Meeting	$84.00
Vandalia Fri Night	$250.00
Vandalia Thurs AM	$135.00
West C. Step Tues	$60.00
Women Under Construction	$150.00
Xenia -Meeting in the Park	$50.00
Xenia Brownbagger Noon Monday	$306.50
Xenia Serious About Serenity	$154.00
Individual	
Eric H	$122.46
Jim H	$50.00
Richard B	$345.90
Bridgett S	$15.00
Memorial	
Women Under Construction	$200.00
TOTAL	**$5,081.32**

Central Office News

We have new meeting format binders for sale for meetings starting up or established meetings in need of fresh copies. The binders include the readings and service sign-up sheets.

The next Intergroup meeting is at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, online only via Zoom.
ID: 895 7607 5323
PW: 946369

For more information, refer to the Intergroup Meeting Minutes on Page 4.

A Declaration of Unity

This we owe to AA's future:
To place our common welfare first;
to keep our fellowship united.
For on AA unity depend our lives,
and the lives of those to come.

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