



# District 48 Newsletter

## May 2014



### What Do You Like About Your Home Group?

"My home group is the Williamsport Group and what I love is that we are a family. We have learned from each other, we grow together, laugh with each other, we argue and still love one another in spite of our differences."

*Chris M., celebrates June 6, 1994, serves as DCM and is the Program Chair for the PA State Convention.*

"I like my home group because I'm comfortable sharing there. If I'm not going to make it, I let my home-group members know so if I don't show up, they'll know something's up, because I show up 'Up the Creek' every Saturday night."

*Janine B., celebrates October 11, 2008, serves as GSR and her home group is Up The Creek Group.*

"I love my home group, we have greeters and three-month commitments, Big Book and Twelve and Twelve, too."

*Lariane M., celebrates May 29, 2005, her home group is A Common Solution.*

"I love my home group because it strongly carries the message of AA and feels more like a mini fellowship, not just a bunch of people that randomly picked a group just so they could say they had one."

*Lindsey E., celebrates November 13, 2012, her home group is The Fresh Start Group-Havertown, PA*

"I just love my home group, years and years of sobriety and it's a topic meeting and I love and need the structure. The love I feel when I walk in is just immeasurable."

*Elizabeth D., celebrates August 1, 2013, and her home group is the Friday Night Big Book.*

"The 12:05 was called the Looney Nooney but we have built the 12:05 into the best home group in the district. God has taken this group to a higher level of strong recovery."

*David T. celebrates January 1, 2000, his home group is the Lunch Hour Group.*

"What I love about my home group! I love the flow of newcomers we get since we are a young people's meeting. Keeps it green. That's for me and Donnie."

*Rhianna S., celebrates May 26, 2003, and Donnie S., celebrates February 19, 2003, and serves as treasurer for their home group Off The Hook Young People.*

"My home group reads the Big Book with me because I am too lazy to do it myself. The members share their own viewpoints and perceptions with me, thereby expanding my own self-centered frame of reference. The group was there for me when I came in 1996, when I came back from relapse in 2006, and will be there for others, with God's help, long after I have escaped the bonds of earthly life."

*David B., celebrates March 1, 2006, and services as GSR for his home group, Friday Night Big Book.*

#### Contact AA

##### Online:

[www.district48.org](http://www.district48.org)  
[www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)  
[www.area59aa.org](http://www.area59aa.org)  
[www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org)

##### By Phone:

Local: 570-327-2860

##### By Mail:

G.S.O.  
 PO Box 459  
 Grand Central Station  
 New York, NY 10163

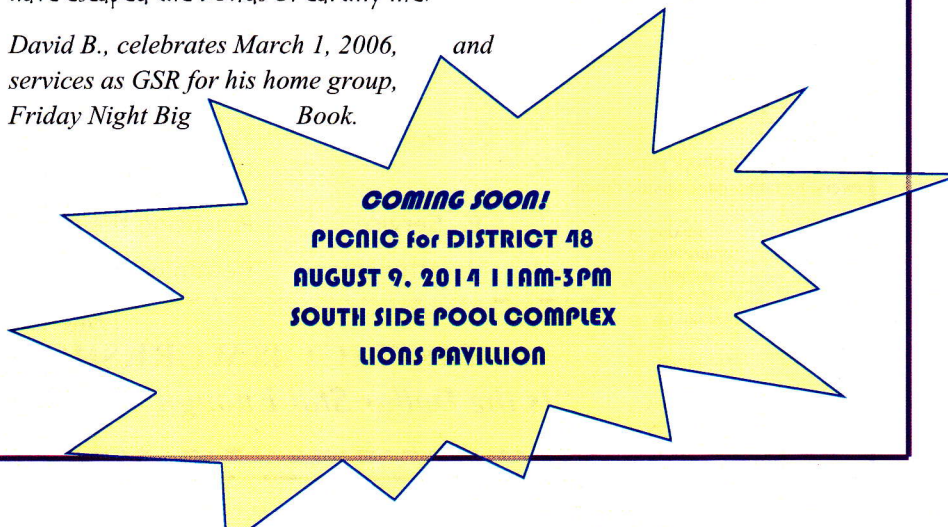
For strength and hope  
 for friends and families  
 of problem drinkers:

##### Al-Anon Online:

[www.al-anon.alateen.org](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org)

##### To listen to AA speakers

(download for free)  
[www.aaspeakers.org](http://www.aaspeakers.org)



#### COMING SOON!

**PICNIC for DISTRICT 48**  
**AUGUST 9, 2014 11AM-3PM**  
**SOUTH SIDE POOL COMPLEX**  
**LIONS PAVILION**



# ANNIVERSARIES

<b>Marilyn P. 5.29.14</b>	<b>31 years</b>	<b>Ben C. 5.31.14</b>	<b>20 yrs</b>
<b>Marianne 5.26.14</b>	<b>2 yrs</b>	<b>Bill G. 4.1.14</b>	<b>8 yrs</b>
<b>Gladys 3.28.14</b>	<b>6 yrs</b>	<b>Charlie 5.13.14</b>	<b>6 months</b>
<b>Monica 5.1.14</b>	<b>13 yrs</b>	<b>Laraine M. 5.29.14</b>	<b>9 yrs</b>
<b>Holly 4.25.14</b>	<b>3 yrs</b>	<b>David H. 3.1.2014</b>	<b>2 yrs</b>
<b>Tia 4.26.14</b>	<b>2 yrs</b>	<b>Carol H. 4.26.14</b>	<b>20 yrs</b>
<b>Stan L. 3.14.14</b>	<b>3 yrs</b>	<b>Meredith 5.1.14</b>	<b>9 yrs</b>
<b>Lisa M. 4.9.14</b>	<b>3 yrs</b>	<b>Jan 5.25.2014</b>	<b>10 months</b>

## can you match the step with the principle?

Step 1	_____	H. Faith	It seems to be a spiritual truth, that before a higher power can begin to operate, you must first believe that it can.
Step 2	_____	C. Acceptance	Accepting character defects exactly as they are and becoming entirely willing to let them go.
Step 3	_____	K. Amendment	Making direct restitution, correction, etc.
Step 4	_____	G. Integrity	Probably the most difficult of all the steps to face, also the one that provides the greatest opportunity for growth.
Step 5	_____	A. Willingness	Making a list of those harmed before recovery may sound simple. Becoming willing to actually make those amends is the difficult part.
Step 6	_____	B. Honesty	After many years of denial, recovery can be begin with one simple admission of being powerless over alcohol—for alcoholics and their friends and family.
Step 7	_____	D. Surrender	A lifetime of self-will run riot can come to a halt, and change forever, by making a simple decision to turn it all over to a H.P.
Step 8	_____	I. Soul Searching	The saying in the program is that recovery is a process, not an event. The same can be said for this step—more will surely be revealed.
Step 9	_____	L. Vigilance	Exercising self-discovery, honesty, abandonment, humility, reflection and amendment on a momentary, daily, and periodic basis.
Step 10	_____	F. Humility	The focus of this step is humility, asking H.P. to do something that cannot be done by self-will or mere determination.
Step 11	_____	E. Service	Practicing the program of recovery, is simply “how it works”.
Step 12	_____	J. Attunement	Becoming as one with your H.P.

No Peeking! To check your answers, turn the page upside down:

- B. Honesty
- D. Surrender
- I. Soul Searching
- G. Integrity
- C. Acceptance
- F. Humility
- A. Willingness
- K. Amendment
- L. Vigilance
- J. Attunement
- E. Service

*Flyer Available*

**DISTRICT 48 WORKSHOP JULY 26TH 10AM-2PM**

***“Is the Dollar Still Enough? Where 7th Tradition & Spirituality Mix”***