

District 48

Monthly Newsletter

December 2016



Each of us in A.A. has received the gift of sobriety. All of us have found a new usefulness and most of us have found great happiness. This adds up to the gift of life itself – A new life of Wondrous Possibility. ---Bill W. 1955

Greater Williamsport Area Alcoholics Anonymous

Step 12 – HAVING HAD A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING AS THE RESULT OF THESE STEPS, WE TRIED TO CARRY THIS MESSAGE TO ALCOHOLICS, AND PRACTICE THESE PRINCIPLES IN ALL OUR AFFAIRS.

12th Tradition – ANONYMITY IS THE SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION OF ALL OUR TRADITIONS, EVER REMINDING US TO PLACE PRICIPLES BEFORE PERSONALITIES.

Welcome to the District 48 December Newsletter!

Hard copies of the D48 newsletter will be made available to all GSRs at the monthly district meeting for distribution to your individual meetings. The newsletter is also posted on the district website, district48aa.org, where it can be viewed or printed out to share.

In order for this newsletter to become a viable and relevant communication vehicle that shares positive news of Recovery among us – **you need to be an active participant**. Spread the news of what's working in your meeting, home group and life.

Rx for Sobriety Smith & Wilson A. A.

12 Steps practiced in all our affairs - Pages 59-60

Trust Higher Power & Clean House - Page 98

Share Experience, Strength and Hope

Stay Active in Service

One Day At A Time, for the rest of our life

A handshake, smile and hug as often as possible

Recovery Guaranteed Dr. Bob S. & Bill W.

The Holiday Season is upon us.

*It is important to remember not to **Isolate**.*

Get out of yourself and be with others in recovery. There are lots of AA Meetings, Special Events, & Parties going on during the Holidays.

Call your Sponsor & friends in A.A.

Stay Connected and enjoy the Holiday Season.

Upcoming Events

Registration Forms & Flyers @

www.district48aa.org

December

Holiday Social

Monday Night D'town
Christmas Party

Muncy Candlelight

(January, 2017)

Men's Retreat

Important

Announcements

- Is your meeting in need of fresh faces or dwindling in attendance?
- Are you celebrating an anniversary next month and would like to share the news?
- Is there a special event your group is working on & you want to spread the word?

***If you answered yes to any of the above or think you have a news item for consideration for upcoming issues, please submit the information to:

newsletter@district48aa.org

Submission deadline is the 28th of each month prior to publication.

TWELVE TRADITIONS CHECKLIST

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These questions were published in the AA Grapevine with a series of Articles on the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous that began in November 1969, running through September 1971. They were primarily intended for the individual's use. Many AA Groups use them as a basis for their discussion topic as they study the Traditions.

This list can be particularly helpful in 4th Step work relating to any relationship, for wherever two or more of us are gathered we have a relationship. A simple change of context to that particular relationship is all that is necessary.

Tradition Twelve: Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

1. Why is it a good idea for me to place the common welfare of all AA members before individual welfare? What would happen to me if AA as a whole disappeared?
2. When I do not trust AA's current servants, who do I wish had the authority to straighten them out?
3. In my opinions of and remarks about other AAs, am I implying membership requirements other than a desire to stay sober?
4. Do I ever try to get a certain AA group to conform to my standards, not its own?
5. Have I a personal responsibility in helping an AA group fulfill its primary purpose? What is my part?
6. Does my personal behavior reflect the Sixth Tradition - or belie it?
7. Do I do all I can to support AA financially? When is the last time I anonymously gave away a Grapevine subscription?
8. Do I complain about certain AAs behavior - especially if they are paid to work for AA? Who made me so smart?
9. Do I fulfill all AA responsibilities in such a way as to please privately even my own conscience? Really?
10. Do my utterances always reflect the Tenth Tradition, or do I give AA critics real ammunition?
11. Should I keep my AA membership a secret, or reveal it in private conversation when that may help another alcoholic (and therefore me)? Is my brand of AA so attractive that other drunks want it?
12. What is the real importance of me, among more than a million AAs?

**As in so many things, especially with we alcoholics,
Our History is Our Greatest Asset !!!**



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In the Community...

NEW MEETING

Veterans & Friends in Recovery

Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
1101 Washington Blvd.
Williamsport

Meetings in Need of Support:

Fantastic Meeting

Wednesdays/10:00 AM

Our Lady of Lourdes Church
100 Walnut St./Montoursville

Young People in Recovery

Sunday, 3:00PM

Alternative Bikers Club
2003 W. 4th St., Wmspt. - O,T

District 48 Hotline:

866-671-6130

24 Hours/Day – 7 Days/Week