

# District 48



Monthly Newsletter

September/October 2018

## Greater Williamsport Area Alcoholics Anonymous

### OUR 3 LEGACIES:

**Step 10** – “Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.”

**Tradition 10** – “Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.”

**Concept 10** – “Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority, with the scope of such authority well defined.”

### Welcome to the District 48 October Newsletter

Where can you find the newsletter?

- Districtaa.org – Newsletter
- Facebook – search District 48 Activities & Events Committee
- Ask your home group GSR (General Service Representative)
- Many home groups keep a copy of the newsletter – just ask!

How can you contribute? Celebrating your anniversary? Is your home group having an event? Is there an upcoming AA workshop or event you want to share? Have a story, photo or something inspirational? Simply email: [newsletter@district48aa.org](mailto:newsletter@district48aa.org)

### NEW in 2018!

DISTRICT SERVICE COLUMN – District 48 A.A. Member’s share experience, strength and hope with their District service commitments.

TRADITIONS CHECKLIST COLUMN- questions originally published in the Grapevine in conjunction with a series of articles on the Twelve Traditions that ran from November 1969 to September 1971. While they were originally intended as suggestions for individual use, many AA groups have since used them as a basis for wider discussion.

### MEETINGS IN NEED OF SUPPORT

#### Rewards of Sobriety

Saturday, 7PM – Penn College  
**\*Especially Need Old-Timers\***

Bush Campus Center, Rm. 164  
1 College Ave, Williamsport

#### Young People In Recovery

Sunday @ 3p.m.

#### Alternative MC Clubhouse

2018 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Williamsport

#### Veterans & Friends in Recovery

Tuesday @ 7PM

Lutheran Church of the Redeemer  
1101 Washington Blvd. Williamsport

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Oct. 13 – PENNSCYPAA Karaoke, Comedy & Costume Party

Oct 13 - H.O.W. it works  
Bloomsburg

Oct. 20 – Alkathon

Oct 27 – Corrections Workshop -  
Danville

Oct. 31 – Halloween Party

Registration Forms & Flyers @

[www.district48aa.org](http://www.district48aa.org)

**A**ttitude

**A**djustment

## Catching Up on Anniversaries!

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

#### JULY

July 2	Travis D	9 years
July 8	Shirley C	26 years
July 10	Al B	6 years
July 11	Lewis W	13 years
July 13	Liz B	15 years
	Gail B	7 years
July 17	Steve	25 years
July 18	Tammy S	9 years
July 19	Capt Mike	32 years
July 21	Randy T	12 years
July 26	Bud W	6 years

#### AUGUST

August 1	Mary S	25 years
August 2	Blair E	26 years
August 4	Francis K	2 years
August 6	Kim C	20 years
August 8	Elizabeth D	5 years
August 18	Craig W	2 years
August 20	Tim B	5 years
August 21	Harry M	11 years
August 24	Katie H	6 years
August 27	Tom K	35 years
	Carl S	4 years
August 28	Rachel R	1 year
August 31	Al H	29 years

#### SEPTEMBER

September 1	Mary F	2years
September 19	Sue G	1 year
September 21	Stacy B	6 years
September 24	Amy H	10 years
	Sam E	6 years
September 25	Jenn B	7 years

#### WE ALL HAVE TODAY

Would you like your anniversary listed in the newsletter?

Simply email: [newsletter@district48aa.org](mailto:newsletter@district48aa.org)

**GSR's - Please submit current Home Group lists**



**OCTOBER 2018**

[www.aagrapevine.org](http://www.aagrapevine.org)

## **TRADITIONS CHECKLIST**

Tradition Ten: Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence, the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

- ✓ Do I ever give the impression that there really is an “AA opinion” on Antabuse? Tranquilizers? Doctors? Psychiatrists? Churches? Hospitals? Jails? Alcohol? The federal or state government? Legalizing marijuana? Vitamins? Al-Anon? Alateen?
- ✓ Can I honestly share my own personal experience concerning any of those without giving the impression I am stating the “AA opinion”?
- ✓ What in AA history gave rise to our Tenth Tradition?
- ✓ Have I had similar experience in my own AA life?
- ✓ What would AA be without this Tradition? Where would I be?
- ✓ Do I breach this or any of its supporting Traditions in subtle, perhaps unconscious ways?
- ✓ How can I manifest the spirit of this Tradition in my personal life outside AA? Inside AA?

***The Williamsport Group's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

### **24<sup>th</sup> Annual ALKATHON**

**“We will be amazed before we are halfway through”**

**Pg. 83 Big Book**

**New Covenant Church of Christ**

**202 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Williamsport PA 17701**

**(Academy Street Door)**

**Saturday, October 20, 2018**

**Speakers: Noon – 8:00 pm**

**Dinner: 5:00 – 6:00 pm**

**Join Us for a Day of Fun, Food and Fellowship**



### **HALLOWEEN PARTY**

**October 31<sup>st</sup> 7 p.m.**

**Duboistown United Methodist Church**

**133 Summer Street in Duboistown**

**\$3 per person or \$5 a couple**

**Questions call Gidget 570-560-7494**

**Please bring a dish to share,**

**Something spooky if you can...**

**Costume Contest; 50/50's**

## District 48 Grapevine Representative (GVR)



A little history on the Grapevine (Gv), the meeting in print was created by four women and two men and the first issue was printed in June 1944. The description under the headed was put in place by the fourth issue and reads as:

A monthly Journal devoted to those seeking further knowledge on the problem of alcoholism, in the hope that it may prove a unifying bond to all alcoholics everywhere. Individual opinions expressed here are not, necessarily, those of AA as a whole.

Some other basics facts about the Gv, is it does not receive any contributions made to General Service, it strives to be self-supporting through the sales of the magazine and it related items. Every article ever written is available online. The AA Grapevine, Inc is one of the two operating entities of the General Service Board, with its own staff and financial operation separate from GSO.

As the Grapevine Representative (Gv) your basic job is to make the Gv available to the groups and encourage AAs to read it. When you register with the Gv office you will receive a Gv kit that includes a handbook to welcome you to the Gv network, informational guidelines, flyers, and order forms.

The Steps, the Traditions, the Preamble and the Serenity Prayer appear in every issue. In addition, to regular stories about working the Steps and using the Traditions; Emotional Sobriety; Spiritual Awakenings; Newcomers; Sponsorship; and Into Action.

To be honest, I myself feel a lot is not known about what the GV Representative (GVR) does. The GVR can be asked by any group or meeting to come and read from the Gv. They need to show up and make the Gv available at all District workshops. Also to make sure that each group has a subscription to the Gv (I will try to work on that). I have enjoyed being the GVR, it is a way to stay involved and be held accountable but always remembering to "Keep It Simple". (All taken from the Gv Handbook.)

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