

August

# Unity LiveWire

2012

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## Is This A Group Or A Meeting...

Our group meetings disclose in a general way how we handle our affairs, remain in unity, and seek to carry AA's message. If a group decides it wants recovery, unity, and service to be its experience, and is willing to practice humility to get them - it is then ready to adopt certain principles.

At some of these we balked. We thought we could find an easier, more effective way. But we could not. With all the earnestness at our command, we beg of you to be fearless and thorough from the very start. Some of us have tried to hold onto money, power, and prestige and the result was chaos until we practiced the Traditions in all of our group life.

Remember that we deal with alcoholics, seeking to direct rather than be guided, affiliate rather than cooperate, to accumulate rather than to pass it on. Without help unity is beyond our reach. But there is One who has all power that One is God. May you find Him in your group conscience now!

Warping the Traditions availed us nothing. We began to see our coming destruction. We asked His guidance toward unity with honest humility.

Many of us exclaimed, "those don't apply to this situation." Do not be unique.

No group has had the misfortune of "curing" all alcoholics or people with other problems. We are not magicians. The Traditions are not as old fashioned as they seem. The point is they guide us in how to be of service to fellow sufferers. The principles set down are guides to group progress. Better to be of a service to some than of no use to all. We hope to see our group progress, that is why we have group inventories. Not to become the model for AA as a whole.

The Traditions as written, the experience that developed them, and the chaos resulting from their avoidance or misuse make clear three pertinent ideas:

- (a) That a group, unguided, could destroy everyone's chance of recovery.
- (b) That probably no amount of human power could get alcoholics to make MY solution for the group work out right.
- (c) That God would grant us a humble unity when we follow AA Traditions.

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As described in the pamphlet P-16, "The A.A. Group...Where It all Begins" which is Conference approved literature, The difference between a Meeting and a Group, on page 10, and The difference between Open and Closed meetings is described on page 11, and reads as follows:

Most A.A. members meet in A.A. groups as defined by the long form of our Third Tradition (see page 42). However, some A.A. members hold A.A. meetings that differ from the common understanding of a group. These members simply gather at a set time and place for a meeting, perhaps for convenience or other special situations. The main difference between meetings and groups is that A.A. groups generally continue to exist outside the prescribed meeting hours, ready to provide Twelfth Step help needed.

A.A. groups are encouraged to register with G.S.O., as well as with their local offices: area, district, intergroup or central office. A.A. meetings can be listed in local meeting lists.

**Closed meetings** are for A.A. members only, or **for those who have a drinking problem** and "have a desire to stop drinking."

**Open meetings** are available to anyone interested in Alcoholics Anonymous' program of recovery from alcoholism. **Nonalcoholics may attend open meetings as observers.**

At both types of meetings, the A.A. chairperson may request that participants confine their discussion to matters pertaining to recovery from alcoholism.

In summary, each group is autonomous, and decides the format of their meeting by a vote.

Contact your GSR or DCM for any questions !!!!

August

Willing

2012

**Monday Night  
Lorain 7:30 PM**

Zion Lutheran  
Church  
5100 Ashland Ave.  
Lorain  
6th **Kim S.**  
13th **Will A.**  
20th **Bob K.**  
27th **John R.**

**Tuesday Night  
Haven 7:00 PM**

Haven Center  
1536 E. 30th St.,  
Lorain  
7th **Kim K.**  
14th **Jennifer W.**  
21st **Johnny C.**  
28th **Roberta L.**

**Midnight Elyria  
Group  
Sat., 12:00AM**

St. Mary's Church  
4th & Middle Ave.  
Elyria  
4th **Kenny C.**  
11th **Dave M.**  
18th **Steven R.**  
25th **Mark H.**  
**(Free Dinner!)**

**Elyria Sunday  
Night Group**

**Sun., 7:30 PM**

St. Jude's School  
594 Poplar St.,  
Elyria  
5th **King G.**  
12th **Ronnie G.**  
19th **Dena J.**  
26th **George J.**

**Friday Nite**

**Haven  
7:00 PM**

Haven Center  
1536 E. 30th St.,  
Lorain  
3rd **Tom L.**  
10th **Santos Z.**  
17th **Ernesto I.**  
**(Ness)**  
24th **Bob D.**  
31st **Dan M.**

**Friday Night  
Faith Group**

**11:00PM**

1741 N. Ridge Rd.,  
Sheffield Tsp.  
3rd **1 Topic Disc**  
10th **Ray B.**  
17th **Kristie M.**  
24th **Erin R.**  
31st **Theresa B.**

**Elyria Sunday Night Group**

**St. Jude's Breakfast in the Park**

Join us at High Meadows Park, Ford Road  
in Elyria

**Breakfast: 9:00 a.m., Lead: 10:00 a.m.**

**Aug. 19**

Breakfast includes:

Scrambled eggs, Cheesy hash brown po-  
tatoes,  
bacon, sausage, toast, juice, and coffee.

**Breakfast Cost: \$3.00**

**Tom Gamble**

**Memorial Service**

**Emmanuel Lutheran  
Church, 360 Princeton  
Ave., Elyria**

**Thursday, Aug 9th  
7:00 PM**

**Please bring a cov-  
ered dish/dessert to  
share!**

**Big Flea Market**

**ARID FELLOWSHIP CLUB**

1741 N. Ridge Rd.,  
Sheffield Township

**Saturday August 18th**

**9 am to 3 pm**

**Benefits the Fellowship  
Center !!!**

**\$15 for a spot with table  
provided**

**\$12 for spot if you bring your  
own table.**

**50/50 and raffles !**

**Contact Mark W. 440-225-3031  
To Reserve your Spot!!**

**CA Friday Night Live at the ARID  
New Meeting !!! 8:00 PM**

**WANTED: ANY WOMAN WHO HAS BEEN THROUGH THE KEY  
WOMEN'S TREATMENT CENTER!!**

We are looking for women to join the Advisory Board at The Key to help with fundraisers and The Annual Key Brunch in September that solely benefit the clients and children in treatment. This is strictly a volunteer position. Help is needed in any way, shape or form !

**Please contact Kirstin at 440-452-3506 or kmanholt@yahoo.com**

**G.S.R./D.C.M. Meeting:** The Multi-District meeting is held at 11:00AM on the **1st Sunday** of the month. This meeting is for The General Service Rep's. (G.S.R.) of each Group and the District Committee Member's (D.C.M.).

If you want to learn more about service attend this meeting.

**The Lorain Inter-Group Meeting** is the **1st Sunday** of the month at 12:30 PM. It is very Important that all the **Secretaries of each Group** attend this meeting.

We urge your Attendance (Be Informed, Be Active)

**Advisory Board Meeting:** The meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on the **3rd Wednesday** of the month, at the Inter-Group Office. Closed to Advisory Board Members ONLY please.

**Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle**

Raffle Winner: Rick B., \$74.50, Sold by Kenny. Just another way that you can help support the Lorain Inter-Group. Buy a TICKET. Be A Winner.

**Step 8:** Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

**Promise 8:** Self-seeking will slip away.

**Tradition 8:** Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

**Concept 8:** The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of overall policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

**Area 54 Workshop—August 19th, 2 PM in Brunswick**

**DCM/Committee/Officer Service Opportunities**

**Please bring a covered dish !**

**ATTN ALL GROUPS:** Please help us to help you !! If you have changed GSR's (General Service Representative) in your group. Or have changed your Primary Mail Contact and have not attended the Monthly Multi-District Meeting to have a Group Change Form filled out, Please do one of the following-. 1) Attend 1st Sunday of the Month at 11:00 AM, 2) Call your District Committee Member listed on the last page, or 3) Call the Inter-Group Office with your new information so it can be passed on to the appropriate person (DCM).

Please submit your groups' or personal anniversaries to the Livewire by the 25th of each month. Anniversaries will not be carried over to the next year for publication automatically. Thank you for your cooperation.

There is always Space Available in The LiveWire for your Group's Messages, News, Activities & Anniversaries!  
Please Contact:  
**Bobbi M. 440 537-4280  
& Patti R. 440 284-6677 or  
Office Mgrs. 440 246-1800**

For information on Cocaine Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Marijuana Anonymous or Al-Anon meetings, please contact the Intergroup office at 440-246-1800.

**==New Locations==**

Friday Night Sobriety  
Friday, 8:00 PM  
Old Glory Grange  
(across from Bank)  
113 Center St.  
LaGrange, Oh

Please do not to First Merit Bank as of 7/31. They have closed the community rooms to all, we are awaiting two more meeting changes before printing schedules.

**==New Locations==**

North Ridgeville Men's  
Sunday, 7:30 PM  
St. Peter's Church  
(Office Building)  
35777 Center Ridge Rd.,  
North Ridgeville, Oh  
Behind church lot, over bridge,  
next to cemetery.

Still without a new home are:  
Sisters of Sobriety  
Wed., 7:30PM, N. Ridgeville  
And  
Big Book Discussion  
Thurs., 8 PM, N. Ridgeville  
Both at First Merit Bank

**3rd Annual Old Fashioned Family Picnic for Clyde Mc**

**Saturday, August 25, 2012**

AT: Mastic Park, Same place as West Side Picnic

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

\$5.00 Dinner Tickets, 50/50's

Contact April 440-341-2975

**Friends of Porky P.**

**8th Annual Pig Roast**

**Saturday, August 18th 2pm-11pm**

**Scotts Lake Park**

**Route 58 between Russia Road and**

**Butternut Ridge Road**

**Tickets are \$10.00**

**for information call the inter-group or an advisory board member**

**The Inter-Group-440-246-1800**

**Troy Smith-440-365-9018**

**Music, food, fun, fellowship, raffles**

**Back by popular demand-The Half**

**Measures!!**

**And more live music to be announced.. Eat at**

**4pm must have ticket**

**Pig cooked by Steve S.**

**Hot dogs for kids 12 and under at no charge**



**Group donations are appreciated !**

**Volunteers are welcome !**

**August Anniversaries**

- 1st. Lillie R. 13 yrs.
- 2nd. Ernesto I. (Ness) 7 yrs.
- 3rd. Jessica S. 2 yrs.
- 8th. Arlen G. (A.J.) 1 yr.
- 10th. Jamie W. 3 yrs.
- 11th. Diane J. 24 yrs.
- 11th. Jamie R. 5 yrs.
- 14th. Ken Z. 13 yrs.
- 18th. Johnny M. 5yrs.
- 17th. Lynda C. 3 yrs.
- 23rd. David R. 6 yrs.
- 23rd. Dan H. 31 yrs.
- 24th. Betty B. 6 yrs.
- 25th. Long John 14 yrs.
- 27th. Tim C. 19 yrs.
- 28th. Randy S. 3 yrs.
- 28th. Charlie P. 38 yrs.
- 28th. Timothy S. (Joe) 3 yrs.
- 30th. Deborah H. 2 yrs.
- 30th. Felix S. 31 yrs.
- 31st. Mike S. (Bear) 9 yrs.

**Spanish American**

**43rd Anniversary**

**Friday, August 24, 2012**

AT: Puska's Outdoor Party Center

2493 N. Ridge Rd. E., Lorain

Serving at 6:00 PM

Lead 8:00 PM: Guddrun



**Phone Line Report:**

**For the Month as of July 30, 2012**

12 Step Calls.....	2
Sponsorship.....	2
Al-A-Non.....	5
Meeting Info.....	85
General Info.....	74
Phone Services..	57
Total:.....	225

*A S A P = Always Say A Prayer*

We print all our mistakes due to some people that's all they look for, and we want to make everybody happy!!!

**Survivors List:**

Groups in need of Support to stay afloat . Please Attend, Contribute, Be Active, Help Chair, Be a Secretary, Be Responsible

**Amherst "Who Me"**

**Tuesday 8:00 PM**

Congregational Church

379 Main St.,

**MICA House**

**Fri. 6:00 pm**

1049 Infirmary Rd.,

Elyria

**Turning Point**

**Thursday 6:00 PM**

Elyria Baptist Church

276 Washington Ave.,

Elyria

**Friday Night Faith Group**

**11:00 PM**

Arid Club

1741 N. Ridge Rd.

**Great Fact Group**

**12:00 Noon Wednesday**

Pilgrim United Church of

Christ, 523 E. Broad St. &

Winckles St., Elyria

**Midnight Elyria Group**

**12:00 AM**

St. Mary's Church

4th & Middle Ave.,

**Avon Lake Monday Disc.**

Lakeshore Methodist

Church

**8:30 PM Closed Mtg**

33119 Electric Blvd

**Lorain County**

**Consolidated Group**

**2:30 Sunday**

**Spanish American**

**8:30 Friday**

Lorain Inter-Group Office,

710 Broadway, Lorain

**We Need Your Help!!**

**Don't let them Close**

**ATTENTION:** Lorain County A.A. Community— Help is needed on Various Committees! If interested, please contact one of the Advisory Board Members or Committee Chairs and **VOLUNTEER!! Help Make A Difference**

## Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the Month of June, 2012.

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

#### Unity LiveWire Committee

Patti Rodgers.....440 284-6677  
\*e mail prodgers7@windstream.net

#### Internet Committee (aaloraincounty.org)

Mike.....440 670-9910  
\*e mail webmaster@aaloraincounty.org

#### Correctional Committee

Ted Englehardt.....440 759-2302  
Troy Smith.....440 365-9018

#### Archives Committee

\*\*\*\* Position Open to Qualified Person \*\*\*

#### Public Information Committee

Bob Pyle.....216 224-7657

#### Picnic Committee

Art C.....440 773-9474

#### Pig Roast Committee

Troy Smith.....440 365-9018

#### Memorial Day Breakfast Committee

Donna Lawson.....440 574-3464  
Nikki Lustek.....440 799-1943

#### District Committees



#### District 19A (Sheffield Lake, Avon Lake,

Sheffield, Avon, N. Ridgeville, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton)

DCM Ellen Winson.....440 327-8812

Alt DCM Bob Pyle.....216 224-7657

#### District 19B (Lorain City Meetings and some in

Vermilion)

DCM Terry Hicks.....440-752-6444

#### District 20A (All of Elyria City Meetings and Carlisle)

DCM Ally Bollinger.....440 522-7155

Alt DCM Patty McMullen.....440 365-3778

#### District 20B (All Meetings at ARID Club)

DCM Judy Sexton.....440 322-2619

#### District 20C(LaGrange, Penfield, Brownhelm Twps.,

Amherst, Henrietta Twps., S. Amherst,

Kipton, Oberlin, Camden Twps., Pittsfield Twps.,

Brighton Twps., Wellington Meetings)

DCM Patti Rodgers.....440 284-6677

#### District 24 (North Olmstead, Fairview Park, Westlake)

DCM Bob Pyle.....440 224-7657

### Rents:

#### Month of June , 2012

1. Blue Monday
2. Friday Morning Survivor
3. Monday Happy Hour
4. Serenity Hall
5. Spanish American
6. Strength in Sobriety
7. Tuesday Night Central
8. Unity Hall Discussion

### Expenses

1. Rent	\$700.00
2. Columbia Gas	\$145.00
3. All Service Telecommunications	\$165.03
4. Ohio Edison 710 Broadway	\$181.11
5. Time Warner	\$95.22
6. House Managers	\$1,564.38
7. Pay Cor Fees	\$67.94
8. Live Wire Printing	\$69.00
9. Berry Yellow Pages	\$20.26
10. Janitor Supplies Paper Products	\$97.97
11. Directors & Officers Liability Insurance	<u>\$1,050.00</u>
July 1, 2012 To June 30, 2013	

### Month of June

Donations/Rents	\$2,360.21
Coca Cola Sales	<u>\$19.81</u>
Total Income	\$2,380.02
Total Expenses	<u>\$4,155.91</u>

### Total June 2012 Expenses

**\$4,155.91**

#### Donations/Rents

#### By Week

1.....	\$810.34
2.....	\$931.17
3.....	\$330.99
4.....	\$287.71
5.....	<u>\$0.00</u>

### Total Loss For June 2012

**\$1,775.89**

**\$2,360.21**

When making Donations to the Lorain Inter-Group, Area 54, Multi-District, or the General Service Office in New York. PLEASE put your Groups General Service number on the Donation. You can find your Groups General Service number in the meeting schedule or on the internet at aaloraincounty.org under A.A. Meetings. Please put your Area & District numbers on the donation, it also helps to identify your Group. If you don't have a General Service number under your Groups information in the meeting schedule you can contact your District Committee person listed in the LiveWire to help you get registered.

### Donations

- |                                     |                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Alcoholics-R-Us Avon Lake        | 14. Monday Night Lorain               |
| 2. Amherst Saturday Night           | 15. Oberlin Breakfast Group           |
| 3. Amherst Who Me                   | 16. Oberlin Group                     |
| 4. Attitude of Gratitude            | 17. Oberlin Women's Closed Group      |
| 5. Carlisle Lunch Bunch             | 18. S.I.O.G.A.                        |
| 6. Elyria Friday Night Group        | 19. Serenity Hall                     |
| 7. Elyria Monday Closed Discussion  | 20. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group |
| 8. Elyria New Way Of Life           | 21. Spanish American                  |
| 9. Friday Night Sobriety            | 22. St. Anthony's Friday Night        |
| 10. Grafton Wednesday Night         | 23. St. Mary's Sunday Night Sobriety  |
| 11. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle | 24. Tuesday Morning Discussion        |
| 12. Mid Week Morning Discussion     | 25. Vermillion Tuesday Night Group    |
| 13. Monday Happy Hour               | 26. Wellington Group                  |

### Board of Directors

Chairperson	Ken Cain..... 322-2496
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	Tom Niemiec.....258-7286
	Keith Shagie.....258-1159

### Advisory Board Members

Troy Smith.....	365-9018
Tom Ortiz.....	315-8600
Nikki Lustek.....	799-1943
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