

January

Unity LiveWire

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Do We Ever Truly Recover?

There is one fact about alcoholism that should be faced with candor....

IS FULL recovery possible? This question was put to me recently after I had referred to myself as a recovered alcoholic. After some fast inventory I was forced to admit that although I had recovered sufficiently to live that one day without alcohol, I would never recover completely. This is due to one simple fact: I will never be able to take even one drink with safety the rest of my days.

This discovery did not mean, however, that I would have to discontinue calling myself a recovered alcoholic, for I have indeed recovered -for today. But for sobriety past, present and future the word has to be "recovering." Even though I choose to stay sober one day at a time, I still regard sobriety as a continuous process, which will last until I decide to take a drink.

A delightful discovery I made in AA is that alcoholism is a sickness, so that I could think in terms of having something to recover from. With this knowledge I can do something definite and positive about hastening my recovery. The only other possibility would be to regard alcoholism as a moral problem, but what can you do about sin except confess and hope to be forgiven? Beyond that, it seems to me, there is nothing to do, no place to go. Our critics say we are kidding ourselves with our disease idea. Could be. But we continue to recover in AA.

Recently, at a meeting, a member with a long period of sobriety admitted to having had a slip. He had been away from meetings for about five years. His thinking got stinking, which seems to illustrate the unlimited risk of missing meetings, even after many years of sobriety.

Fortunately for us, this member was quite open and honest about his slip, and fortunately for him, he did not offer any excuses. He had not considered the act as throwing away many years of sobriety, nor had he bothered to consider the consequences. He simply took a drink.

Much as we felt compassion for this man, I have to admit that his being there helped me. It is always the same, regardless of how many years we have tucked away. The confusion, the suffering, the remorse. If it happened to him, it could happen to me. He had not "fully recovered" after seventeen years; what makes me think I have after only four? There is always hope, but never a guarantee.

Going back to the thought of never again being able to take a drink safely, I hope that this is not, or will not be, a matter of concern to any reader. When we become sober in AA we get to know a great many things about ourselves, and this is one of them. If we forget it or question it, we are apt to get drunk. Therefore, I would say it is a healthy thing to remember. But this need not be saddening or depressing - merely factual. It is a truth about ourselves that should be faced with candor. Drinking becomes less and less important as recovery takes place, and if we substitute worthwhile things in our lives, it is not difficult to accept the fact that drinking is out.

According to the Fifth Chapter, we claim spiritual progress, not spiritual perfection. In my book, it is on this spiritual progress that we hang our hats, and as long as we can claim it, we are recovering.

J. S. C., New Hartford, N. Y.
AA Grapevine March 1966
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January

Rejoice

2013

Midnight Elyria Group Sat. 12:00AM

St. Mary's Church
4th & Middle Ave.
Elyria

5th Jennifer P

12th Eric C.

19th Ron R.

26th John P.

**20yr. Anniv. Lead
(Free Dinner!)**

Elyria Sunday Night Group 7:30 PM

St. Jude's School
594 Poplar St., Elyria

5th Shawn M.

12th Bill H.

19th Nora M.

26th Linda W.

1st Lead

(Dessert Night)

Monday Night Lorain 7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church
5100 Ashland Ave.
Lorain

7th Stacy M.

14th Rich A.

21st Tom T.

2yr Anniv Lead

28th Sherry

G.S.R./D.C.M. Meeting: The Multi-District meeting is held at 10:30AM 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: Ed F. \$78.00, Sold by Office Managers. Just another way that you can help support the Lorain Inter-Group. Buy a TICKET. Be A Winner.

Step 1: We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.

Promise 1: We are going to know a new freedom and a new happiness.

Tradition 1: Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.

Concept 1: Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

Area 54 —3rd Sunday, January 20th, Area Assembly .

2:00 PM

**12 Step Recovery Club, 1480 Pearl Rd.,
(in Brunswick Plaza) Brunswick, OH 44212
U.S. Route 42, 1/4 mile south of State Route 303**

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 10:30 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

Friday Nite Haven 7:00 PM

Haven Center
1536 E. 30th St.,
Lorain

4th Dave M.

11th Bonnie L.

18th Karen C.

25th Zarquinda F.

Friday Night Faith Group 11:00PM

1741 N. Ridge Rd.,
Lorain

4th **Step 1 Disc.**

11th Ed P.

18th Debbie H.

25th Brenda S.

Friday Night Sobriety 8:00 PM

Old Glory Grange Hall,
across from bank
113 Center St.,
LaGrange

4th Angie M.

11th Matt C.

18th Rick C.

(26 yr. Anniv. Party)

25th Unknown

Friday Night Sobriety

26 Yr. Anniversary

Friday, Jan. 18th

La Grange Lion's Club

250 Glendale Street

Lead: Rick Craig

Dinner: 7:00 PM

Speaker: 8:00 PM

***Fun*Food*Fellowship*
Come Celebrate with us**

I am powerless over much of life. Today I'll look to see how this is true. I'll look to see what I really have control over and what I don't.

30 Year Anniversary Oberlin Breakfast Group

Sunday, January 20th

10:00AM

Concord Manor
95 E Vine St., Oberlin

Lead: Paul B.

**Door Prizes, Food & Fellowship!
Come Celebrate with us**

Anyone attending the 4:30PM meeting on Sundays at Kennedy Plaza, PLEASE DO NOT PARK in the parking lot !!

Unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the owners expense. Thank You and Have a Nice Day!

On behalf of Lorain County Intergroup Office and the members of the Advisory Board we would like to thank Kenny Cain for his many years of service on the Advisory Board.

His efforts and contributions will be appreciated for many 24 hours to come.

Thank you Kenny! All of Lorain County and beyond appreciate everything you do!

Thanks for 4 years on the Advisory Board!

**38th Annual Area 54
Northeast Ohio General
Service Mini-Conference**
Radisson Hotel North Olmsted
25070 Country Club Blvd.,
North Olmsted, OH
1-216-734-5060
April 5,6 & 7, 2013
Registration \$15.00
Saturday Banquet \$33
For More Info Contact:
Bob D.
216-408-9020
Or Ola P.
216-408-0289 or your
DCM

Survivors List:

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

MICA House

Fri. 6:00 pm
1049 Infirmary Rd.,
Elyria

Turning Point

Thursday 6:00 PM
Elyria Baptist Church
276 Washington Ave.,
Elyria

Amherst "Who Me"

Moved to Old Stone
Methodist Church
553 S. Main St., Amherst

January Anniversaries

- 1st Marilyn A. 5 yrs.
- 1st Ed E. 19 yrs.
- 1st Greg R. 18 yrs.
- 2nd Mike H.(Thumper) 11y.
- 2nd Peggy A. 2 yrs.
- 3rd Laura P. 6 yrs.
- 4th John G. 4 yrs.
- 4th John P. 20 yrs.
- 4th Rick B. 20yrs.
- 6th Ken M. 8 yrs.
- 7th Terri P. 17 yrs.
- 9th Linda S. 16 yrs.
- 10th Ken C. 17 yrs.
- 12th Iris 17 yrs.
- 12th Tom B. 25 yrs.
- 15th Barley 8 yrs.
- 15th Liz F. 14 yrs.
- 16th Kevin S. 21 yrs.
- 16th Linda W. 1 yr.
- 17th Pat S. 2 yrs.
- 17th Paul V. 12 yrs.
- 18th Ernie S. 3 yrs.
- 18th Mary V. 3 yrs.
- 18th Christabell 3 yrs.
- 20th Tom T. 2 yr.
- 18th Mary V. 3 yrs.
- 21st Esther H. 12 yrs.
- 24th Mark W. 25 yrs.
- 29th Chris B. 30 yrs.
- 29th Don F. 30 yrs.
- 30th Kevin L. 2 yr.
- 31st Greg D. 21 yrs.

== Meeting Updates ==

**New Meeting-
Wednesday Night**

Open Disc., 7:30 P.M.
Vermillion Safe Harbor
Lakeview Baptist
Church (Southwest Rear
Door Entrance)

591 Ferndale Ave. & Liberty,
Vermillion

**New Meeting-
Light House Big Book**

Discussion
Open Mtg., WED 7:30 PM
Nana's Lighthouse
225 West 6th Street
Lorain

Meeting Updates:
Monday Night 12x12
Moved from 110 Kelly St. to
Congregational Church
140 S. Main (Corner of S. Main
& Maygar),
Wellington

As of the 1st of the Year:
Spanish American moves from
710 Broadway to
St. John the Baptist
Ukrainian Hall
3010 Charleston Ave.
Open Lead
Friday 8:30-9:30 PM

Strength in Numbers Big Book
Friday 7-8 PM
Open Women's Right
Same Place!!!

*Like an old gold-panning
prospector, you must re-
sign yourself to digging up
a lot of sand from which
you will later patiently wash
out a few minute particles
of gold ore.*

By Dorothy Bryant

*I will find some gold
among the sand, today.*

Alcoholics-R-Us

Monday Nights in Avon
Lake have changed from
8:00 PM to 7:30 PM
Same location!

Phone Line Report:

**For the Month as of
December 28, 2012**

12 Step Calls.....	3
Sponsorship.....	2
Al-A-Non.....	6
Meeting Info.....	106
General Info.....	95
Phone Services..	46
Total:.....	258

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

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

Prayer for the Day: I pray that God will guide me one day at a time in the New Year. I pray that for each day, God will supply the wisdom and the strength that I need, so I may be there for others.

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 November, 2012.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Unity LiveWire Committee

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

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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 W.....440 327-8812
Alt DCM Sonia K.....440 933-0753

District 19B (Lorain City Meetings and some in Vermilion)

DCM Terry H.....440-752-6444
Alt DCM Jessica S.....440 453-2449

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

DCM Ally B.....440 522-7155
Alt DCM Amy C.....440 759-0329

District 20B (All Meetings at ARID Club)

DCM Judy S.....440 322-2619

District 20C (LaGrange, Penfield, Brownhelm Twps., Amherst, Henrietta Twps., S. Amherst,

Kipton, Oberlin, Camden Twps., Pittsfield Twps., Brighton Twps., Wellington Meetings)
DCMPosition Available.....
Alt DCMPosition Available.....

District 24 (North Olmsted, Fairview Park, Westlake)

DCM Bob P.....216 224-7657
Alt DCM Mark P.....216 406-1169

Rents:

Month of November, 2012

1. Blue Monday
2. Friday Morning Survivor
3. Lorain Consolidated
4. Mid Week Morning Discussion
5. Sharing Our Sobriety
6. Spanish American
7. Tuesday Night Central
8. Unity Hall Discussion

Expenses

1. Rent	\$700.00
2. Columbia Gas	\$193.00
3. All Service Telecommunications	\$165.03
4. Ohio Edison 710 Broadway	\$121.80
5. Time Warner	\$96.07
6. House Managers	\$1,638.86
7. Pay Cor Fees	\$67.94
8. Live Wire Printing	\$69.00
9. Berry Yellow Pages	<u>\$20.26</u>

Month of November

Donations/Rents	\$3,130.22
Coca Cola Sales	\$0.00
Interest From Savings	<u>\$0.43</u>
Total Income	\$3,130.65
Total Expenses	<u>\$3,071.96</u>

Total November 2012 Expenses **\$3,071.96**

Donations/Rents	1.....	\$11.40
By Week	2.....	\$979.25
	3.....	\$750.40
	4.....	\$742.12
	5.....	<u>\$647.05</u>

\$3,130.22

Total Gain For November 2012 \$58.69

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. 700 Sober Living House
2. Amherst Saturday Group
3. Carlisle Lunch Bunch
4. CBS Big Book Study
5. Elyria Monday Closed Discussion
6. Elyria New Way Of Life
7. Friday Morning Survivor
8. Friday Night Amherst
9. Friday Night Faith
10. Friday Night Haven
11. Friday Night Sobriety
12. Grafton Wednesday Night
13. LaGrange Monday Night
14. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle
15. Midnight Elyria
16. Mid-Week Morning Discussion

17. Monday Night Lorain
18. North Ridgeville Men's
19. Oberlin Breakfast Group
20. Oberlin Women's Closed Group
21. S.I.O.G.A.
22. Saturday Night Security Group
23. Saturday Young Person's Group
24. Serenity Hall
25. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group
26. St. Mary's Sunday Night Sobriety
27. Strength in Sobriety
28. Thursday Morning Big Book Study
29. Tuesday Night Haven
30. Turning Point
31. Wellington Group
32. Wellington Thursday Night
33. Wellington Wednesday Morning Disc.

Board of Directors

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