

May

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Thoughts To Ponder:

The power of a man's virtue should not be measured by his special efforts, but by his ordinary doing.

Blaise Pascal

The airplane kit is on the table in front of us. We have the glue, the little wooden pieces, and the instructions. We work for hours putting together each piece, step by step. A dab of glue here, a clamp there, maybe some rubber bands to hold the bigger pieces together. We work slowly, allowing the glue to set overnight, even though we want to see it fly right now. We follow each step in order, even though we think we know how to do it on our own. Patience is the most important asset we bring to this activity - the willingness to allow each step its own time and proper place.

After we've done all the careful work and waited till the glue is firm, we take it out for a trial flight. It soars! So do we, when we allow ourselves time to learn each step of the way.

I think my peace comes from my good fortune.

Jim Burns

How we define "good fortune" is a significant indicator of one's attitude. While winning the lottery might be judged as good fortune by all of us, virtually every other occurrence will be evaluated in a very individualistic way. What seems like a wonderful situation or opportunity to one might greatly frighten his or her neighbor.

Peacefulness is a feeling everyone deserves. Thank goodness it's attainable. Perhaps we're beginning to realize that it always was available even though it didn't seem within our grasp. The fault was never the result of external circumstances, even though that was where we laid the blame. Finally, we're becoming willing to see that we will have all the peace and good fortune we want by simply taking charge of how we interpret the experiences that trouble us.

We're never too old to develop a positive outlook on life. Some say, "I'm too old to change." But that's not true. Let's offer a good example to a friend who is still stuck in the chaos of a defeated perspective. Our demonstration of the attainment of peace may be all this person needs.

Peace can be enjoyed by me today, regardless of circumstances, if I shift my perception ever so slightly.

Humility is to make a right estimate of oneself.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon

What does it take to come to the place where we can exchange pride for humility? First we must stop the blasphemous charade of pretending that we are no good. "I'm worthless" has often been spoken in the name of humility. But these words, or any other words that express the same sentiment, are a self-indulgence and a cop-out.

The essence of humility is summed up in the Serenity Prayer: God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference.

Humility is truth. To be humble is to know the truth about our limits, to recognize what can be changed, and to accept that all good things are possible with the help of our Higher Power.

Excessive pride prohibits acceptance because it prohibits the truth, and the truth is that some things are unchangeable. Refusal to accept that truth gets us plenty of frustrations and anger - and no humility at all.

Today, I humbly ask God for the wisdom to accept what is and to let go of what isn't.

You're never too old to grow up.

Shirley Conran

A child's view of adults is that they have arrived at some fixed point where they are emancipated and have all the tools necessary for life. An adult knows that we never stop growing. Many of us have been stuck in an immature level of development. Our life stresses and our addictions took us off the track of emotional growth. We found substitutes and evasions for truly dealing with the normal life problems. Now we are back on the much more rewarding path of truly living and growing.

We accept the adult wisdom that we all need help and we all continue to learn and grow throughout our life span. We finally feel like adults because we take responsibility for our actions. We don't blame others for our problems, and when our days feel challenging, we can ask for help. Back on our path, we are never alone.

Today I am grateful to be on the path of dealing with my life and continuing to grow truly stronger.

Service is gratitude in action.

Mon. Night

Lorain

7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church
5100 Ashland Ave.

4th. Sam H.

11th. Corey

18th. Santos

25th. Ken P.



**Fri. Night
Faith Group**

11:00 PM

1741 N Ridge Rd.

1st. Renee S.

8th. Renee P.

15th. Dave M.

22nd. Fifth Step

29th. Disc.

G.S.R./D.C.M. Meeting: The Multi-District meeting is held at 11 AM 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.

**Mother's
Day
May
13th**

**Mid- Night
Elyria Group**

Sat. 12:00 PM

4th & Middle Ave.

2nd. Med. Disc.

9th. Shawn M.

16th. Brian O.

23rd. Troy S.

30th. Ken K.

**Lorain
Consolidated**

Sun. 2:30 PM

710 Broadway

3rd. Anonymous

10th. Anonymous

17th. Anonymous

24th. Anonymous

31st. Anonymous

Attention All Groups:The Lorain Inter-Group Central Office Needs your Cooperation, all groups have or should have a General Service Number under your Groups information, if your Secretary or Treasure could please call the Inter-Group Office 440 246-1800 with that NUMBER we could complete our listings in the Meeting Schedules and the donations correctly listed. Help us to achieve this goal. Thank You All, The Inter-Group Office

Moved: Saturday Night Security has Moved
From : First Merit, 1000 Lowell St. Elyria
To: Elyria Baptist Church, 276 Washington Ave.

Moved: Friday Night Amherst has Moved
From : The Congregation Church 2795 Main St. Amherst
To: Church of the Nazarene 210 Cooper Foster Park Rd.

New Meeting:
Design For Living will be an open discussion.
Where: At Christ Church 23080 Royalton Rd. Columbia Station 44028
When: Starting Friday Morning March 20th
Time: Friday at 9:30 AM

We would like to Thank those who help with the Birmingham Steak Fry. By selling or buying ticket for the Dinner or the 50/50 Tickets. Special thanks to the committee and Co chair Art. See you at the Free Picnic in July.
Thanks Susie Koons

Thought to Ponder . . . Reliance on God enables me to match calamity with serenity.

Concepts 4: At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

Step 4: Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Promise 4: We will know peace.

Tradition 4: Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.

In Loving Memory Of Steadman Pleasant
Steadman Pleasant went home to be with the Lord on April 13, 2009. One of His Last Wishes was to have an AA meeting at the Hospice of the Western Reserve in Cleveland on Saturday April 11, 2009. Steadman had 10 and a half years sobriety after a previous 10 years. Steadman not merely carried the message He was message. Steadman touched many lives in the field of Chemical Dependency as a Licensed Independent Chemical Dependency Counselor and International Certified Clinical Supervisor for over 19 years. Steadman was an Ordained Minister and Executive Director of Pleasant People Inc., a non-profit alcohol and drug treatment private practice in 1998. He was Executive Director of State Certified Drivers Intervention program in 2006: State Certified with Chemical Dependency Professional Board as Provider for Counselors Education. Founder of M.E.N. Meeting Every Need, Support Group for Men: Founder of Real Dads: Founder and Counselor for Ex-Offenders Support Group. He was a proud devoted husband and loving father, brother and grandfather. The family thanks all those who attended Steadman's last A.A. Meeting in this life. Thank you for over \$600.00 in donations from the A.A. community. Joyce Pleasant and her family are still in need of donations toward the funeral expenses which are still well over \$3000.00. ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT JOYCE PLEASANT AND HER FAMILY BY MAKING FINANCIAL DONATIONS FOR THE UNPAID FUNERAL EXPENSES PLEASE CONTACT: JOYCE AT (440)714-9331(CELL) OR (440)242-0945 (HOME)

*To submit information for the news letter please contact: Jim Parks 440 385-5687 or Bobbi Matear 440 537-4280 via: Call, *email or leave the information at the Inter-Group Office before the 25th. of each month.

Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle
 Winner: John S., \$44.00 sold by
 Inter-Group Office. Just another
 way that you can Help support the
 Lorain Inter-Group. Buy a
TICKET from any Advisory Board
 Member. Be A Winner

C H A N G E D = Choosing Humility
 Allows New Growth Each Day.

Celebrate!!

Founders' Day

74th. Anniversary of Alcoholics
 Anonymous
 June 12•13•14, 2009
 Akron, OH Birthplace of A.A.
 Cost Only: \$17.00

Registration packages are also
 available at the Lorain InterGroup
 Central Office and the Akron
 Internet www.akronaa.org

Memorial Day breakfast tickets are
 now available. Board members,
 committee members, and the
 Inter-Group Office will have them.

**Memorial Day
 Breakfast**

Monday, May 25, 2009
 Breakfast at 9:00AM Lead at 10:00AM
 Speaker **Bob Paton**
German's Villa
 3330 Liberty Ave.(Rt.6) Vermilion, Ohio
 Between Rt.60 & Baumhart Road
 Donation \$9.00
No Children Please
 For Tickets Contact:
 Any Advisory Board Member
 Return Tickets Before May 20th

**LORAIN COUNTY CA
 MEETINGS:**

For more Information
 Contact:
 JENNIFER 440-310-0470
 ED F. 440-3090551
 LARRY C. 440-667-5492
 EDWIN T. 440-989-0362

Let Go Let God

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**Elyria Sunday Night
 Group
 St. Jude's
 Breakfast in the Park**

Join us at
Cascade Park in Elyria
West River Road
Entrance
 Breakfast: 9:00
 Lead: 10:00
 Dates:
 May 17
 June 21
 July 19
 Aug. 16
 Breakfast includes:
 Scrambled eggs,
 hash brown potatoes,
 bacon, sausage, toast,
 juice, and coffee.
 Breakfast Cost: \$3.00

•• My Mind is My Garden •
 My Thoughts are My Seeds
 I will Harvest • Either
 Flowers or Weeds ••

**27th ANNUAL
 NEW LONDON
 CAMPOUT**

Thursday June 25th
 through
 Sunday June 28th, 2009
 New London
 Recreation Park,
 New London, Ohio
 Grove Street
 (off State Rt. 60)
 For more information call:
 Bas and Judy Elliott
 419-929-0054
 Mary Ott 419-668-4122
 Pat Morgan 440-225-0125
 Larry Nagy 440-965-4165

There is always
 Space Available in
 The LiveWire for
 your Groups
 Messages, News
 & Activities
 Contact:
 James Parks 440 385-5687
 Bobbie Matear 440 537-4280
 Opal A. 440 670-6619

**Phone Line Report:
 Month of April, 2009**

12 Step Calls.....	7
Sponsorship.....	5
Al-A-Non.....	4
Meeting Info.....	73
General Info.....	64
Total:.....	153

• May Anniversaries •

- 1st. Mykki 5 yrs.
- 2nd. Spudd Mark S. 12 yrs.
- 2nd. Jennifer F. 2 yrs.
- 4th. Chris J. 4 yrs.
- 5th. Jeff W. 6 yrs.
- 9th. Rhonda A. 3 yrs.
- 11th. Bill F. 44 yrs.
- 13th. Mike D. 2 yrs.
- 24th. Oscar L. 17 yrs.
- 25th. Bert M. 20 yrs.
- 26th. Fred R. 4 yrs.
- 26th. Jerry G. 22 yrs.
- 28th. Troy S. 7 yrs.
- 29th. Brenda S. 7 yrs.
- 31st. Paul B. 33 yrs.
- 31st. Tom N. 30 yrs.

**Honesty, Unselfishness,
 Purity, Love**

**Friends of Bill W.
 Picnic**

Supported by the Home Groups
 of Lorain County
 Come see what your Steak Fry
 Support Did!!!
 We would like door prize
 donations to raffle!!
July 18, 2009
 12:00 -5:00 PM
 Brimingham Methodist
 Youth Center
 South Street, Brimingham Please
 Bring cover dish to share.
 Games for Young and Old
 corn hole, softball, volleyball and
 kids games. So don't forget your
 gloves, bats lawn chairs, and fellowship
 Things provided:
 Burgers and Dogs, Condiments, Buns
 and Soda for \$.50. Coffee, punch,
 grill if you want to cook.
 50/50 Raffle
 Contact persons:
 Chairman Susie K. 440-309-0491
 Co-chair Art C. 440- 773-9474

Survivors List:

Groups in need of
Support to stay afloat Please
 Attend, Contribute,
 Be Active, Help Chair,
 Be a Secretary,
 Be Responsible
Blue Monday
Mon. 10:30 AM
Serenity Hall
"The Gould"
Sat.8:30pm
 710 Broadway Ave. Lorain
Thursday Morning
Big Book Study
10.30 AM
 Pilgrim Church
 Broad and Winkles
 Elyria, Oh
Haven Center
Fri. 7:00 PM
 Haven Shelter
Sisters of Sobriety
Wed. 7:30 PM
 Firstmerit Bank
 Center Ridge Road
 North Ridgeville
Rainbow Group
Mon. 7:30 PM
 6th. & Washington
 Lorain
St Agnes Thurs. Gp.
Thurs. 8:00 PM
 St. John's Luthern Church
 W. River Road
Sun. Night Serenity
Sun. 8:00 PM
Tues. Lunch Break
Tues. 12:00 Noon
Friday Night Faith
Fri. 11:00 PM
 Arid Club, 1741 N. Ridge Rd.,
 Sheffield Township
We Need Your Help!!
 Don't let them Close
HELP SUPPORT
 THE GROUPS.

We need volunteers from our Lorain County A.A. Community to help on all these various Committees listed, if anyone is interested please contact one or more of the chairperson and **VOLUNTEER!!!!**
Help Make A Difference

Committee Chairs

Unity LiveWire Committee

Jim Parks.....440 385-5687
 *e mail jbparks2542@yahoo.com

Internet Committee (aaloraincounty.org)

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

Cooperation with the Professionals Committee

Alan Revercomb440 541-2473

Correctional Committee

Eddie Logan.....440 829-7541
 Alan Revercomb440 541-2473

Archives Committee

Linda S.440 240-1189

Young Peoples Committee

John Flores.....440 308-5421

Treatment Facilities Committee

Edwin Torres.....440 989-0362

Picnic Committee

Sue Prosser.....440 309-0491

Finance Committee

Mark Potter.....440 452-5946

Pig Roast Committee

Troy Smith.....440 365-9018

Special Needs Committee

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Memorial Day Breakfast Committee

Terry Poznako.....440 225-6897

Grapevine Committee

Linda S.440 240-1189
 Coretta Farley440 308-1714

District Committee

District 19A (Sheffield Lake, Avon Lake, Sheffield, Avon, N. Ridgeville, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton DCM. James Barker.....440 233-4992

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

DCM. Yolanda A.440 654-3429

District 20A (All of Elyria City Meetings a Carlisle) DCM. Judy Sexton.440 322-2619

District 20B (All Meetings at ARID Club) DCM. Kevin Snodgrass440 241-7166

District 20C(LaGrange, Penfield, Brownhelm Tnsp., Amherst, Henrietta Tnsp., S. Amherst, Kipton, Oberlin, Camden Twsp., Pittsfield Twsp., Brighton Twsp., Wellington Meetings)

DCM. Donna L.440 574-3464
 e mail maschulz@oh.rr.com

Alt. DCM. MaryAnn S.440 453-4115

Financial Report

Listed below are the Profit & Loss spread sheet, the group donations and the rents for the Month of March, 2009.

<u>Expenses</u>		<u>Donations</u>	
1. Rent	\$ 650.00	1.....	\$ 890.78
2. Columbia Gas	\$ 302.00	2.....	\$ 764.15
3. All Service Telephone Answering	\$ 157.51	3.....	\$ 321.25
4. Ohio Edison 710 Broadway	\$ 211.59	4.....	\$ 437.94
5. Century Telephone	\$ 129.55	5.....	5 22.08
6. House Managers	\$ 1,417.78		\$ 2,936.20
7. Pay Cor Fees	\$ 68.70		
8. Live Wire Printing	\$ 64.00		
9. Insight Yellow Pages	\$ 19.46		
10. Memorial Day Breakfast Tickets	\$ 54.00		
11. Ohio Bureau of Workers Comp.	\$ 50.00		
12. Mark R. Stewart-Vendors License	\$ 25.00		
	\$ 3,295.24		
Donations/Rents	\$2,936.20		
Coca Cola Sales	\$78.00		
Expenses	\$3,295.24		
Total Loss March,, 2009	-\$281.04		

Rents:

Month of March, 2009

- Blue Monday
- Friday Morning Survivor
- Lorain Consolidated
- Mid Week Morning Disc.
- Never Too Young
- Saturday Morning Disc.
- Serenity Hall
- Sharing Our Sobriety
- Strength In Sobriety
- Tuesday Night Central
- We Care Tues. Morn. Disc.

Donations Month of March, 2009

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.

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| 1. Amherst Saturday Night | 18. Mid Week Morning Disc. |
| 2. Amherst Thursday Night | 19. Monday Night Rainbow |
| 3. Amherst Who Me | 20. New Life Women's Disc. |
| 4. Anonymous | 21. North Ridgeville First Step |
| 5. Avon Lake 12 X 12 Disc. | 22. North Ridgeville Sunday Men's |
| 6. Blue Monday | 23. Oberlin Group |
| 7. Elyria Men's Stag | 24. Oberlin Women's Closed Group |
| 8. Elyria Morning Disc. | 25. S.I.O.G.A. |
| 9. Elyria Sunday Night | 26. Saint Anthony's |
| 10. Elyria Women's Disc. | 27. Serenity Hall |
| 11. Friday Morning Survivor | 28. Sheffield Lake Civic Center Group |
| 12. Friday Night Amherst | 29. Sisters In Sobriety |
| 13. Friday Night Sobriety | 30. Stepping Into Sobriety |
| 14. Grafton Wednesday Night | 31. Strength In Sobriety |
| 15. LaGrange Monday Night | 32. Sunday Open Men's Disc. |
| 16. Lorain Inter-Group 50/50 Raffle | 33. We Care Tuesday Morning Disc. |
| 17. Lorain Monday | 34. Wednesday Back to Basics |

Special Needs Committee NEEDS a Volunteer to Head up the Committee, if you are interested Please contact Inter-Group Office or attend The Lorain Inter-Group Meeting the 1st. Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM.

Board Of Directors

Chairperson	Troy Smith.....365-9018
Vice-Chairperson	Ken Cain..... 322-2496
Treasurer	Bill Post.....933-4153
Secretary	Mark Potter.....452-5946
Office Managers	Sam Hensley.....288-4942
	Tom Niemiec.....258-7286
	Keith Shagie.....258-1159

Advisory Board Members

Tom Ortiz.....	315-8600
Tom Banks.....	309-3226
Bill Jackson.....	935-3251
Terri Poznako.....	225-6897
Nikki Lustek.....	387-7347
Donna Lawson	574-3464
Alan Revercomb.....	541-2473