

Concept X

Every service responsibility should be matched by an equal service authority – the scope of such authority to be always well defined whether by tradition, by resolution, by specific job description or by appropriate charters and bylaws.

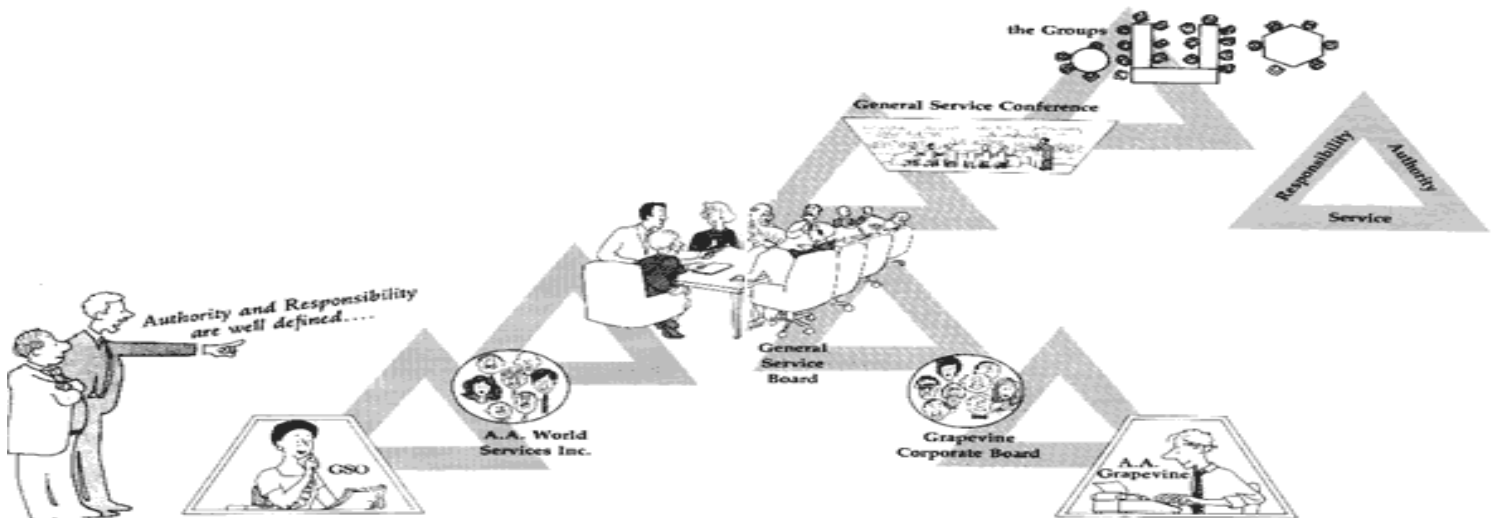


Have a Happy and Sober Halloween!

Concept X:

Our service structure cannot function effectively and harmoniously unless, at every level, each operational responsibility is matched by a corresponding authority to discharge it. This requires that authority must be *delegated* at every level – and that the responsibility and authority of every entity are well defined and clearly understood.

As we have seen (Concept I) “final responsibility and ultimate authority” reside with the A.A. groups, and the *delegate* this authority to the Conference (Concept II). The Conference, in turn, *delegates* to the General Service Board the authority to manage A.A.’s affairs (Concept VI) in its behalf. The board is in authority over its subsidiary operating conditions – A.A. World Services, Inc. and The A.A. Grapevine, Inc. – but it *delegates* to the directors of those corporations the authority necessary to run these service entities. The directors are in authority over the executives of the corporations, but delegate to these officers the authority needed to carry out their administrative responsibilities. And finally, the executives *delegate* to the G.S.O. and Grapevine staff members and other employees the *authority* necessary to carry out their important service jobs..



“It is perfectly clear,” says Bill W., “*That when delegated authority is operating well, it should not be constantly interfered with.*” Otherwise, he warns, “those charged with operating responsibly will be demoralized.” For example, the General Service Board owns the two operating corporations and its authority over them is absolute. “Nevertheless, so long as things go well, it is highly important that the trustees do not unnecessarily interfere with or usurp the operating authority of these entities.”

“To sum up: Let us always be sure that there is an abundance of final or ultimate authority to correct or to reorganize: but let us be equally sure that all of our trusted servants have a clearly defined and adequate authority to do their daily work and to discharge their clear responsibilities.”

Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it

This thought brings us to Step Ten, which suggests we continue to take personal inventory and continue to set right any new mistakes as we go along. We vigorously commenced this way of living as we cleaned up the past. We have entered the world of the Spirit. Our next function is to grow in understanding and effectiveness. This is not an overnight matter. It should continue for our lifetime. Continue to watch for selfishness, dishonesty, resentment, and fear. When these crop up, we ask God at once to remove them. We discuss them with someone immediately and make amends quickly if we have harmed anyone. Then we resolutely turn our thoughts to someone we can help. Love and tolerance of others is our code.

Step 10 begins laying the foundation for the rest of my life. It is a pledge to continually monitor my life with honesty and humility. It requires me to be vigilant against my addictive behavior and against the triggers for my addictive behavior. It requires me to be humble before my God who can keep me from my addictive behavior if I have the right attitude. It requires me to deal with my defects promptly when they arise and not to let them linger in my life. *From 12Step.org*

The emphasis on inventory is heavy only because a great many of us have never really acquired the habit of accurate self-appraisal. Once this healthy practice has been groomed, it will be so interesting and profitable that the time it takes won't be missed. For these minutes and sometimes hours spent in self-examination are bound to make all the other hours of our day better and happier. And at length our inventories become a regular part of everyday living, rather than unusual or set apart. *Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, p. 89-90*

Steps 10, 11, and 12 are sometimes called the maintenance steps. They repeat many of the points outlined in previous steps, but they emphasize the value of continuing to "work the steps" on a day-to-day basis.

Step 10 encourages the taking of a personal inventory, which, for recovering persons, should be a daily process.

Our daily inventory certainly needs to assess the status of our relationship with God. Are we still yielding our will to Him? Bill Wilson emphasized how crucial this evaluation is, especially for addictive personalities, which tend to be willful. Our need to surrender ourselves to God on a daily basis will go on throughout our lives, and we shall explore the means of that continuing spiritual surrender in Step 11. *Serenity, A Companion for Twelve Step Recovery, p. 67, 69*

Maintaining an ongoing awareness of one's impact on others is one way to keep the slate clean. It is suggested that A.A. members review their day each evening for any signs of unfinished business, both with others and within themselves. This calls for a classic combination of honesty and humility. While some pieces may be obvious, others may be hidden under rationalizations and other defensive maneuvers. For some people, a printed list of reminders is useful in reviewing the day. Similarly, beginning each day with a review of the day to come can help prevent problems before they begin.

A special consideration is made for issues of anger and resentment. Generally, these are seen as luxuries, which are damaging to people in general but especially risky indulgences for recovering addicts. "Resentment is the number one offender" (Alcoholics Anonymous 2001) *A Clinician's Guide to 12 Step Recovery, p. 54*

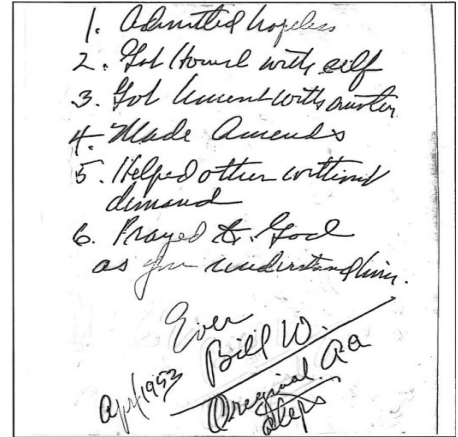


80 Years ago, this month— A letter dated October 26, 1939, from the Alcoholic Foundation to Fitz M initiates a dialogue between Washington area A.A. members and the Foundation. Hardin C. is one of the Washington drunks cited in this letter who is referred to Fitz. The first contact between Fitz and Hardin C. marks the beginning of the Washington Group. The two men meet two or three days after Fitz receives the letter from New York. If the mail takes two days to arrive from New York, then **the date of the founding of the Washington Group is October 28, 1939.** [Some folks find ghoulish glee in the notion that meetings around *Foggy Bottom, the swamp*, emerge around Halloween Whoooooooooo.] [Cf. Charles E. Schamel, *The Washington Group: Foundations, 1936-1941* (1995) p. 28]

75 Years ago, this month— In October 1944, the Washington Group writes three open letters to the community in an effort to make their work better known. The first letter dated October 7, 1944, explains the purpose of Alcoholics Anonymous. The next week, a second letter briefly explains how A.A. works, and that it has over 18,000 members and clubrooms in almost every large American city. The following week the Washington Group invites the public to an "Open Meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous," held on October 25 at the Washington Central High School [presently the Cardozo High School]. The open meeting is one of the last public outreach activities carried out by the Washington Group acting alone. [Cf: *New Reporter*, November 2006]

In reaching out to the practicing alcoholic and to agencies dealing with them, Washington Group member Bill A. hosts an impressive array of participants including the United States Public Health Services Director Dr. Lawrence Kolb [Dr. Kolb also speaks at WAIA's first Banquet,

January 23, 1943, Cf: *New Reporter*, January 2017, "A.A. History Corner", page 5]; the Washington Federation of Churches' Social Welfare Director Rev. Francis W. McPeck; DC Penal Institutions



Superintendent, [Cf: *New Reporter*, August 2015, "AA History Corner", page 4] Howard Gill; as well as some other clergy and the alcoholics Horace C., Ila P. and William C. Oft-mentioned in A.A. lore, Horace C. is credited with offering to print copies of the Serenity Prayer on wallet-sized cards for enclosure in the Alcoholic Foundation's correspondence. Nevertheless, Ruth Hock contacts Washington Group member Henry S, whose family operates a printing enterprise, and he freely supplies five hundred such cards.[Cf: *New Reporter*, June 2016, "A.A. History Corner", pages 2-3].

50 Years ago, this month— In early October 1969, representatives convene in New York City from countries where A.A.s maintain a General Service Office or a literature distribution center. This inaugurates the Biennial World Service Conference for sharing information on service structures, group services, publishing, and finance. Attendees include Bill W., General Service Board Chair Dr. John L. Norris, New York General Service Office manager Bob H., and delegates from Australia, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Finland, France, Germany, Guatemala, Holland, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, the United Kingdom and the United States. [Cf: aa.org/A.A. Timeline]

25 Years ago, this month— The October issue of the *New Reporter* sports this:

Not sure how to celebrate Halloween sober? Work It Health has tips on how to make sure your recovery comes first on October 31st

If you've been sober, whether for a long period of time or a short while, you've likely had to deal with facing a holiday while in recovery. Doing so can feel like an intimidating, daunting task, especially when drinking-heavy holidays like Halloween make their way around. Despite what your mind may be telling you, facing such days doesn't have to be scary. When armed with the right tools and the right attitude, holidays like Halloween can still be a blast. You don't have to drink in order to dress up, eat candy or spend time with friends. Here are a few pieces of advice to make the most of this Halloween while still putting your recovery first.

1. Plan ahead.

As with most things in life, planning ahead can take some of the stress out of a sober holiday. Rather than impulsively making plans with people the week of, try to feel out what is going on a few weeks in advance. If someone is planning a get together, this gives you some time to think about who may be in attendance and what types of activities may be taking place. If you find yourself feeling nervous and unsure about being around a certain group of people or being in a certain place, you may want to rethink your plans and change them accordingly. Who you surround yourself with plays a big role in the ability to maintain your recovery, and that's as important on Halloween as it is every other day of the year.

2. Have a plan for turning down alcohol.

You may have to spend some time thinking about what you want to say in this situation. My favorite route is telling the truth, that I just don't drink. But not everyone is comfortable with opening up that conversation, which is understandable. If someone asks why you're not drinking or offers you a drink, and you're hesitant to say you're sober, there are a number of other ways to say no to alcohol. Say you're driving. Say you're on a medication that doesn't mix well with alcohol. Say you can't be hungover the next day. Say you're not in the mood. Most

people won't question your explanation or reasoning. And if they do, they probably aren't people you want to be spending time with.

3. Come up with an alternative to alcoholic beverages.

Honestly, it's not that much fun to be drinking water all night when at a special event. Sometimes it's easy to forget that there are other fun, non-alcohol options for beverages. A quick Google or Pinterest search turns up a variety of fun, festive, alcohol-free drink ideas for Halloween. (Or check out Workit Health's own mocktail recipes!) Before heading to a party, whip something up and bring it along. I've found this makes me feel less tempted to be drinking what others are drinking.

4. Enlist the support of a non-drinking buddy.

You know that saying, there's power in numbers? That's true in recovery, too. For some reason, it just feels better when you're not the only one not drinking. If you've been in recovery for some time, you likely know some peers in the same boat. Don't be afraid to message or call one of them and ask if they are interested in taking on sober Halloween together. This is a good idea for two reasons: you can keep one another accountable and you can find comfort in the fact that someone else understands.



IF YOU SEE A BEER
IN THIS PICTURE



YOU MAY HAVE A
PROBLEM

Guilty.. 🤔🍺

"According to Vanity Fair, the Queen of England has four alcoholic beverages every day, including a glass of champagne before bed. Champagne before bed? Who does she think she is, herself?" -Seth Meyers

From: Favorite 9-11 Calls:

Dispatcher: Nine-one-one What is the nature of your emergency?

Caller: I'm trying to reach nine eleven but my phone doesn't have an eleven on it.

Dispatcher: This is nine eleven.

Caller: I thought you just said it was nine-one-one

Dispatcher: Yes, ma'am nine-one-one and nine-eleven are the same thing.

Caller: Honey, I may be old, but I'm not stupid.

Pistol Packin' Mamma

A Virginia woman who has seen a few too many westerns got into trouble recently while horse riding. Mariah Smith, of Arlington, and another woman were riding horses in a cemetery in Warren County, Virginia when someone told them to remove the horses from the cemetery property, according to the sheriff's office. Smith didn't like being told what to do and fired her pistol. No one was hit, but deputies were called and detained the women. Authorities say Smith had a .38 Smith and Wesson on her. She was arrested and charged with three firearms charges, including possessing a concealed firearm while under the influence. Bet you didn't see that last little detail coming, did you?



Gayland Stouffer enjoys a cold one after finding the "magic fridge" in the middle of a field.

Some People Really Hate Getting Stuck in The Snow

Hancock, Michigan police were called after midnight on reports of numerous gun shots. Arriving on the scene officers found a 37-year-old Hancock man standing outside his vehicle, which was stuck in a snowbank. Officer investigation revealed the man was intoxicated. Officers also found numerous bullet casings on the ground. After a search of the vehicle, officers found and confiscated a Glock 9mm pistol. It appeared the shots had been fired into the snowbank. The man was arrested and lodged in the Houghton County Jail. The snow was unharmed.

THE BIRTHDAY PLAN

Many AA members across the country are currently sharing their Anniversary Celebration with others, by giving a dollar or two for each year of their sobriety to WAIA. This ensures that the same help that they received will be available to others that are new to the Fellowship.

Start this year and make it an annual event. It is not how much you give that's important. It's thinking of others on your special day, that makes it so special. If you are truly grateful for your sobriety, this is really a wonderful way to express your gratitude by helping others receive the blessings of sobriety. Thanks.

FAITHFUL FIVERS

Faithful Fivers are AA members who in gratitude pledge to contribute at least five dollars each month toward the support of WAIA in its quest to carry the AA message of hope and recovery to those alcoholics who still suffer in the Washington, D.C. area.

The Faithful Fiver idea came about when we remembered that many of us wasted many times that amount each month during our drinking days. Your contribution (which is tax deductible) will help WAIA get through the money problems we are always facing.

If you are able to join this worthwhile cause, please fill in the form and send it along with your first contribution.

Cardholder Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone # _____ **MasterCard** _____ **Visa** _____

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date _____

Cvv number _____

Billing Address (if different than subscription address)

I authorize WAIA to charge my credit card in the amount of \$
Signature: _____

WAIA
4530 Connecticut Ave, NW, Suite 111
Washington, DC 20008

Back To Basics

The Alcoholics Anonymous Beginners' Meetings

"Here are the steps we took . . ."
in Four One-Hour
Sessions

10AM Saturday October 5th

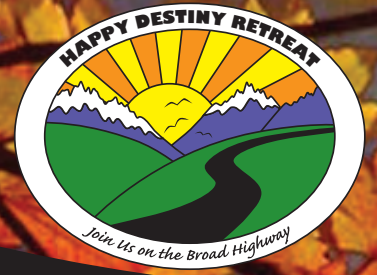
10AM Saturday October 12th

10AM Saturday October 19th

10AM Saturday October 26th

Laurel Recovery 368 Main Street Laurel MD 20707

laurelrecovery.org



Happy Destiny Retreat Presents
The 13th Annual

Fall Bonfire and Potluck

Saturday, October 12, 2019

Rain Date October 19, 2019, Check Website to
Confirm if Weather is Bad

Suggested Donation is \$5

- Music - Open Mic/DJ
- 50/50 Raffle
- Hay Rides
- Fun for the Whole Family

3:00 pm – Potluck Dinner, Music,
Games, & Festivities

7:00 pm – AA Meeting with
Music to Follow

For More Info or Service Opportunities:

Email: happydestinyretreat@gmail.com

Call or Text: Jack 301-908-8396

or Stacey 301-802-4615

Web: <https://tinyurl.com/happydestinyretreat>

What to Bring

- A Potluck Dish to Share
Last Names Starts With:
A-K Main Dish
L-S Side Dish or Salad
T-Z Dessert
- Chair/Blanket/Flashlight
- Warm Clothes/Jacket for After Dark
- A Newcomer

Located at Greenbank Farm
7158 Brooks Rd, Highland, MD

From the Montgomery County area, head EAST
on 108 toward Howard County. After you cross
the Patuxent River into Howard County go
about a mile. Take a LEFT onto BROOKS RD,
then turn into the FIRST DRIVEWAY on the LEFT.

No Pets Please





HAPPY, JOYOUS AND FREE
YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP
INVITES YOU TO THEIR:

5TH ANNUAL
PUMPKIN CARVING
& CANDLELIGHT
AA MEETING TO
CELEBRATE OUR 12TH
GROUP ANNIVERSARY

Sunday, October 27, 2019

5:45pm Pumpkin Carving*

7:30pm Meeting

Speaker: Harlan L., from Scottsdale, AZ

Silver Spring United Methodist Church
in Fellowship Hall at 8900 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

This is a family friendly event.

Bring your favorite hearty appetizer, we'll supply drinks and dessert!

Please email hjfyppg@gmail.com with questions.

*Bring your own pumpkin or purchase one at event. Pumpkins are sold through an outside vender until 6pm or while supplies last. Bringing carving tools is encouraged.



41st Annual Fundraiser THE OLD TIMER'S GRATITUDE MEETING

Don't drink
and don't die!



Speakers with over 20 years of sobriety!

Date: Friday November 8, 2019

Time: 7:00 - 9:30 pm

Hosted by Hospitals & Institutions Committee of WAIA

Place: Oakdale Church
3425 Emory Church Rd. Olney, MD 20832

Coffee & Refreshments: 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Meeting Time: 8:00 - 9:30 pm

Raffles will be held mid-meeting.

**Prizes include: 50/50 split, turkey,
Big Book and a subscription to the
New Reporter.**

**Literature donations accepted
at the door.**

Directions

From Rockville:

**Take Norbeck Rd. (Rt. 28) east
Turn left on Georgia Ave. (MD 97)
Turn right on Emory Church Rd.**

From PG County:

**Take the Beltway (Rt. 495) west to
Georgia Ave. (MD 97) north
Drive approx 6 miles
Turn right on Emory Church Rd.**

**For more information or assistance with transportation to this event
call Rachel W. 301-801-4292**

*Washington Area General Service Assembly
(WAGSA - Area 13)*

33RD ANNUAL GRATITUDE BREAKFAST



Sunday, November 17, 2019

8am to 12pm - \$30 per ticket

*Marriott Inn &
Conference Center
University of Maryland
University College
3501 University Blvd E.
Hyattsville, 20783*

*For ticket inquiries or to
volunteer:
Gratitudebreakfast@
area13aa.org*

If purchasing for a large group, note that tables are sold 10 at a time. There are a limited number of tickets available through your General Service Representative (GSR) until Nov. 7. Tickets *will not* be sold at the door.



WAGSA Area Committee

2nd Monday

October 14, 2019

7:30 PM

Silver Spring Presb.
Church
580 University Blvd East
Silver Spring MD

Info: chair@area13aa..org

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7:00—9:30 PM

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Highland MD

Donation: \$5.00
happydestinyretreat@gmail.com

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WAIA Monthly Board Meeting

October 8, 2019

8:00 PM

The Church in Bethesda
5033 Wilson Ln
Bethesda, MD 20814

For more information
email: aa-dc@aa-dc.org

Happy, Joyous & Free Young People's Group 12th Anniversary

Sunday, October 27, 2019

5th Annual Pumpkin Carving
& Candlelight Meeting

5:45 PM Pumpkin Carving
7:30 PM Speaker Meeting
Harlan L. from Arizona

Silver Spring Meth. Church
8900 Georgia Ave
Silver Spring MD 20910

hjypg@gmail.com

CHECK OUT OUR EVENTS CALENDAR

Events are updated
regularly!

If you would like to
submit an event, send an
email to events@aa-dc.org. A pdf flyer may be
attached

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| 228 A Way of Life | Crossroads of Recovery | High Sobriety |
| 600 AA at CUA | 231 Daily Reflections, SW | 950 Hill Lunch |
| 100 AA & Family Issues | 55 Daily Reflections, UnityPI | 60 Hope/Oxon Hill |
| 40 Addison Road | 156 Darn Good Big Book | 472 How It Works G'burg |
| Adams Morgan Meditation | 220 Darnestown Men | 132 Hyattsville Discussion |
| 233 All Are Welcome | 120 Deanwood Women Rap | 505 Hyattsville Hope |
| Among Women | 75 DC Young People | 72 Informed Group |
| 84 Anacostia Group | DCC Noon | 1200 Into Action, Germantown |
| 420 Andrews Armed Forces | 17 DCC Women Fri. | 420 Investment |
| 226 As Bill Sees It, NW | Del Ray Acceptance | Irreverent Women |
| 325 As We Understood Him | 336 District 2 | 400 Jaywalkers |
| 840 Aspen Hill 5th Chapter | 225 Divine Intervention | 1800 Just Before Noon |
| 60 Aspen Hill Phoenix Mon. | Dunn Drinking | Just For Today |
| 77 Aspen Hill Phoenix Fri. | 210 Dunrobbin | 1200 Kensington Big Book |
| 500 Attitude & Action | 8AM Men's Big Book | 48 Kensington YP Step Study |
| Attitude Adjusters | 255 Early Times | 254 Keys to Kingdom |
| 600 Back to Basics | 477 Epiphanies | 34 Kid Friendly Big Book |
| Barnesville | 59 Ex Libris | Kingman Park |
| 210 Beginner Basics (DCC/Wed) | 40 Faith Fellowship | 226 King Str. Recovery |
| 96 Beginners & Winners | 90 Faith Group | 714 Language of the Heart |
| Brandywine | 619 52 Pick-Up | 100 Landover Discussion |
| 107 Big Book Study | Fireside Spirituality | 104 Lanham-Seabrook |
| 54 Big Book Thumpers | Foggy Bottom | 111 Last Chance |
| 180 Brightwood | 265 Forestville Primary Purpose | 1545 Laurel Recovery |
| Brookland | 300 14 Promises | Leisure World Big Book |
| 301 Broad Highway | Free Spirits | 360 Leisure World Noon |
| 3763 BYOL | 413 Friday Night Fun Too | 25 Let Go Let God |
| 613 Burtonsville Big Book | 210 Friday Night Big Book | Let It Happen |
| Campus Noon | Friendly Bunch | 90 Life Is Good |
| Capitol Heights | Friendship | 60 Life Saver/Big Book |
| 870 Capital Hill | Gaithersburg Beginners | Little House |
| 200 Carmody Hill Group | 443 Gateway | Living Sober by the Book |
| Cedar Lane Women | 771 Gateway/Wednesday | 48 Living Sober Unity Place |
| 346 Change of Life | 91 Gay 18 New Castle | 60 May Day |
| Cheltenham | Gay Group | 184 Meance to Serenity |
| 275 Chinatown Big Book | Georgetown | Men of Dupont |
| 254 Chinatown Men's | Get It Off Your Chest | Men In Recovery |
| Cleveland Park | 600 Glenarden | Men's BS Session |
| Clinton 45 Plus | Glen Echo | 545 Messengers |
| Clinton Day | 19 Goldsboro | 180 Mideast |
| 200 Clinton 6:30 | Good News Beginners | Midtown |
| 100 Clinton Sunday Night | Good Shepard | 247 Misery is Optional |
| 320 Coffee & Donuts | Grace | Mitchellville |
| 300 Colesville Sunday Nite | 1520 Greenbelt Step | 258 Mo.Co. Women |
| 120 College Park | 213 Growing Group | 200 More Peace of Mind |
| 600 Cosmopolitan | Happy, Joyous & Free | Montrose Gay |
| 120 Crapshooters | Help Wanted | 120 Moving into the Solution |
| 120 Creative Arts | High Noon | 120 Mt. Rainer |
| | High on the Hill | 442 Nativity |

171	Neelsville Beginners	116	Queer Women	12	The Away Group
240	Never Too Late	200	Quince Orchard	423	There is a Solution
90	Never Walk Alone	1926	Radicals	60	TGIF
	New Avenue		Read & Speak	60	Thurs. Morn. Reset
	New Beginnings NW	60	Riderwood Bills		Triangle Club-Sat. 7:15PM
70	New Beginnings/Pool'ville	300	Room with a View		Triangle Club-Tues. 7:15PM
466	New Beginnings SE	100	Rosedale Sobriety		Trusted Servants
120	New Beginners	212	Sat. Afternoon/2PM/UP	100	Tue. Nite Men's Big Book
187	New Hope		Sat Morn Fire Barrel	21	Unity Noon
300	New Way Recovery	300	Saturday Morning Steps	72	Unlovely Creatures
	No Hard Terms	192	Saturday Night Happy Hour	50	Upper Marlboro Big Book
	Norbeck Women Fri		Saturday Night Special		Upper Marlboro Step
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300	Norbeck Step		Second Chance		Victory Lights
450	N.E. New Hope		Serendipity		Village Idiots
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	Nuts & Bolts		Serenity House		Wash. Serenity Retreat
60	NW Metro	123	Serious Business	1320	We Care
184	Oasis Women's BB		Shepherders	366	Wednesday Nite Winners
20	Old Fashion	522	Silence is Golden		Welcome Group
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	Olney Farm	2400	Silver Spring	193	Westside Beginners
351	Olney Stag Rap		Silver Spring Women	186	Westside Women
410	Olney Women's group	120	Simplicity	300	What's Happening Now
300	On the Circle	200	Simply Sober	240	White Oak Steps & Traditions
73	On the Move		Singleness of Purpose	782	Yacht Club
60	One Day at a Time	1361	Six & Seventh Step		Yeas & Nays
	One Day at a Time/R'ville	60	Soapstone		
	One Day at a Time/		Sober & Alive		
G'burg		152	Sobriety Sisters		
125	One Day at a Time/	50	Souls Arising		
Lanham			Southern Sobriety		
96	180 Group	2200	Spiritual Awakening		
630	Open Arms	30	St, Barnabas Womens wrop		
60	Out Of the Woods		St. Camillus		
	P Street		St. Mary's Gay		
420	Palisades Mon. Nite	34	Starting Over (SS)		
270	Petworth	43	Starting Over Gaithersburg		
	Phoenix Group/DC		Step Sisters		
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750	Potomac High Noon		Sunday Men's Step	60	Faithful Fivers
956	Potomac Oaks	331	Sunday Morning Breakfast	2817	Individuals
	Potomac Women	300	Sunday Morning Joy	1500	Memorial
	Potomac Speakers	1080	Sunrise Sobriety		
1370	Primary Purpose Gay	1027	Sunshine, G'burg		
750	Progress Not Perfection		Sursum Corda		
	Promises Promises		Survivor Group		
90	Prospect	360	Takoma Park Necessity		
		1200	Tenley Circle		

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Day

Years

October 13

Ann H.

New Hope Group

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THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Anniversaries should be called into WAIA (202) 966-9783 as early as possible, by the 1st of the preceding month at the latest.

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New meetings are not listed in the Where & When or on the website until they have been in existence for 6 months. If you'd like to let the A.A. community know about a new meeting, we will gladly list it here.

If you have a new meeting starting up, or changes to an existing meeting, please email us at aa-dc@aa-dc.org or call us at 202-966-9115 to let us know!

HOPE IN SOBRIETY—Saturday, 2:00 PM, Beacon Center, 2nd Fl, 6120 Quackenbos St, NW, Washington, DC

GREENWAY—Tuesday, 6:00 PM, 324 A St SE, Washington, DC 20019

SOLO POR HOY —(Spanish) Saturday 11:00 AM, Kolmac Outpatient Recover Clinic, 8561 Fenton St, Silver Spring, MD

STEPS 1,2,3 "By the Book" —Wednesday 7:30 PM, Capitol Memorial SDA Church, 3150 Chesapeake St, NW, Washington, DC 20008

NIH NOON —Friday, Noon, NIH Campus, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bldg 31, Suite 4A52, Bethesda, MD (Visitor Center Entrance, ID required)

SERENITY RIDGE—Wednesday, 7:00PM, Difference Makers Church, 11210 Bethesda Church RD, Damascus, MD

NEW STOMPING GROUNDS— Sunday, 6:00 PM, Greater Tried Stone Baptist Church, 1363 Otis PL, NW, Washington, DC 20010

MEETING MOVED

MONDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIG BOOK —Monday, 6:00 PM, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, 1830 Connecticut Ave, NW, Washington, DC

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