

The Covid Crisis in the Summertime



WAIA Office Now OPEN!

The WAIA office is now open to the public and volunteers with the following safety precautions in place: Following the landlord's policy, if you are not fully vaccinated for Covid 19, please wear a face covering before entering the building or the WAIA Office. If you need a mask, we can provide you with one.

To help us all keep safe: do not enter with a cold, flu or covid-19 symptoms, practice social distancing and wash hands frequently or use hand sanitizer when possible.

Office Hours will expand as we recruit and train volunteers. To volunteer call: 202-966-9783 or email: help@aa-dc.org.

The current office hours are:

Monday: 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM
Tuesday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Sunday: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



Magic of Zoom Sustains Old Timer

Zoom has contributed to the sobriety of not only the newcomer but to the long-timer as well, at least in my situation. During the pandemic, I have enjoyed participating in an increased number of meetings each week as well as attending meetings all over the US and outside the CONUS through the magic of zoom. Zoom has definitely been an asset to my sobriety. One such magical meeting originated in Dubia. The leader, celebrating 10 years of sobriety, referred to early recovery days and nearly drinking because of his/her inability to escape from or inability to reduce someone else's pain. This really hit a cord in my heart strings. Even with long term sobriety, this could have very easily been my downfall had it not been for the assistance of zoom. My spouse had been in hospital and rehab for an extended period of time when COVID 19 reared its ugly head and made normal communication nearly impossible. For me, the "caretaker", Zoom not only made it possible to observe activities inside the confines of brick walls but also to communicate with the patient and hospital staff as well. And just as important, I was able to be in contact with my local A.A. friends, attend an increase of meetings, then and now, and reap an abundance of fellowship and program support. This resulted in greatly diminishing personal pain and maintaining my own sobriety through the difficult times and the pandemic. (P.S. The patient did pass, but had the blessing of 32 years of continuous sobriety with the peace and acceptance that Higher Power brings to those who seek his will.)

Charlotte L., Wake Up Group East, 6:00 a.m., 365 days meeting on Zoom

An Historical Note:

Editor's note: Your faithful editor has been volunteering for a non-profit that offers books for free to all takers. Among the many donated books, he found The Curiosities of Ale & Beer. If you have ever wondered how long we have been discussing laws regarding drunkenness, this book has the answer. Read on.

“A statute was passed in the fourth year of James I (1603-1625) enacting that “whereas the loathsome and odious sin of drunkenness is of late grown into common use, being the root and foundation of many other enormous sins, as bloodshed, etc., to the great dishonor of God and of our nation, the overthrow of many good arts, and manual trades, disabling of divers good workmen, and the general impoverishment of many good subjects, abusively wasting the good creatures of God,” a fine of five shillings is imposed for drunkenness, together with six hours in the stocks. Some attempt had been previously made at legislation in this direction. In Townsend’s *Historical Collections* (1680) an account is found under the date Tuesday, November 3rd, 1601 to restrain the Excess and Abuse used in Victualling Houses. Mr. Johnson moved, that “bodily punishment might be inflicted on Alehouse keepers that should be offenders, and that provision be made to restrain a Resort to Alehouses.” In the same bill Sir George Moore spoke against drunkenness, and desired “some special provision should be made against it;” and, “touching the Authority of Justices of the Assize and of the Peace, given by this bill, That they shall assign Inns, and Inn Keepers. I think it convenient: *for an Inn is a man’s inheritance*, and they are set at great rates, *and therefore, not to be taken away from any particular man.*” The attempt of James who, to tell the truth, was himself not by any means free from “the loathsome and hideous sin,” to make his subjects sober by compulsion, seems to have met with but poor success.

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South Africa or Bust!

It’s funny. You never know when a seed has been planted within you in this program, and you never know when it is going to sprout!

Because of the virtual technology explosion during this pandemic, I’m now able to go to A.A. meetings all over the world. I found one in South Africa, in Cape Town, called Hout Bay. What a time difference! It’s 4:30 p.m. for them, but for me in Burlington, Ontario, it’s 10:30 a.m. What a cool way to start my day, with a meeting in South Africa!

This was one of the first meetings where the spirit of the Fellowship came shining through my computer screen. The 60+ members of the Hout Bay group seem to have a very close connection with each other. They really are happy, joyous and free.

I get to “hang out” after the meeting with them and we get to know each other better. They even asked me to speak when it was my 23-year A.A. Anniversary.

One day I mentioned how much I will miss them when we have to go back to in-person meetings. I told them, “You know what guys? I think I will have to travel and come to one of your meetings in person one day!”

My family has always wanted to go to South Africa, so now it’s at the top of our list. My kids think that it is so cool that I know people there now too.

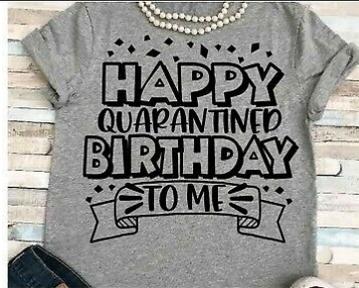
So now I do my service in Hout Bay – virtually while I save up my money and wait until we can travel once again. I can’t wait to give to give these new friends hugs and handshakes in real life one day.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON PRACTICING THE SEVENTH TRADITION AT VIRTUAL MEETINGS

In recent years a number of groups have utilized digital payment platforms to provide opportunities for members to make cashless contributions. There are different payment platforms to facilitate this service, and it is up to the group to determine which one to use. Experience suggests that the treasurer is a natural choice to handle digital contributions.

Some groups, however, share the responsibilities among trusted servants or even create a new service position to inform group members about digital payment options and assist those who are interested in contributing this way. 1. Q. Our group is meeting virtually as a result of Coronavirus (COVID-19). Our meeting costs are low, so why do we need to take a Seventh Tradition collection? A. The spirit of self-support ensures that even minimal expenses are borne by the whole group rather than by individual members. In addition, many groups want to continue support for other A.A. services. Local intergroup/central offices still have bills to pay, such as rent and utilities. Many have employees who are working hard to keep meeting information updated and respond to calls for help. The Online Intergroup of A.A. also has its own costs which require support, and many districts and areas continue to have expenses as they support the work of committees and plan future events. Furthermore, the General Service Office needs to cover its operating expenses in order to continue providing services. Literature sales, which traditionally help pay for services, currently are much lower than usual. 2. Q. If our group decides we want to “pass the virtual basket” how would we get started? A. Often a group will have their treasurer or other members gather shared experience and information on different digital payment options, then present that to the group for discussion at a business meeting. 3. Q. What kind of options are available? A. Here are some of the digital payment platforms that groups using:

Apple Pay, Cash-App, Google Pay, PayPal, Venmo and Zelle. Information on options being used locally may be available from your intergroup/central office, district or area. 4. Q. How would we decide between them? A. Groups often compare the costs and benefits of each platform, considering things like ease of set up and use, payment processing fees, security, privacy, and how commonly known it is. Some groups offer multiple options for their members. 5. Q. Once the group decides, then what? A. Often it will be the group treasurer who sets up the account and links it to the bank account the group is using (for more information on setting up bank accounts and tax ID numbers, see the links below). It is helpful to choose a username for the account that is simple and intuitive since it will be shared with those attending the meeting. Groups usually avoid using a personal email that reveals someone’s full name so as not to compromise that person’s anonymity. Often at the beginning of a digital meeting, or during a break, groups will share the username through the chat or a screen share as they make an announcement about practicing the Seventh Tradition. It is recommended that groups do not share the username as part of the meeting’s public online information. 6. Q. What about anonymity? A. Some digital payment platforms have social components that members may want to disable to protect anonymity. For example, members have shared about changing the privacy settings on Venmo so contributions are only visible to the sender and recipient. A couple of intergroup/central offices have posted helpful guides to practicing the Seventh Tradition at virtual meetings: Best Practices for Online 7th Tradition Contribution from SF and Marin Office Remote meetings 7th Tradition Best Practices from New York Intergroup Office For more information on the Seventh Tradition and shared experience for A.A. group treasurers: The A.A. Group Treasurer Self Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix A.A. Guidelines on Finance



Happy Birthday to Me
At peace with her computer, her cat and a big piece of cake

I never needed a reason or an excuse of any justification to drink alone. I had a job and I had money and I did what I wanted, end of story. I joked about not really drinking alone anyway, as I had a cat. In my world, cats counted, right?

The wise words of many sponsors is to remember “HALT.” Never let yourself get too hungry, too angry, too lonely or too tired.

Even though I’m an introvert by nature, I have struggled with loneliness during the lockdowns caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. I’m considered “high-risk” for complications from infection and I have taken precautions that have left me extremely isolated for months.

So, it is a gift to have access to online meetings. In many ways, I have come to prefer this option over face-to-face interaction. I have access to an A.A. meeting at all times of the day. Thanks to online meetings, I can now say I’ve attended meetings all over the world.

Over time though, I’ve longed to me in the physical presence of others. Holding a hand, receiving a hug or just sitting next to someone who inherently understands is important. Human contact is something I never realized meant so much to me and is something I’ve greatly missed.

Today is my fourth A.A. “birthday,” and I seem to have invited myself to a pity party for one. I want my success to be recognized to the same degree that I received recognition for my perceived failures.

I never had a problem drinking alone and today I’m choosing to be safe and celebrate alone because recovery is a choice, not matter the circumstances. So, I bought a chip online and had a cake delivered to my car. I didn’t have any birthday candles on hand, so Chanukah menorah candles had to suffice.

I sang the “Happy Birthday” song to myself and, yes, my cat was invited.

Here’s to four years of growth, change and decisions I’m really proud to have made. Here’s to many more sober years to come.

Hannah A., Albuquerque, N.M.
Courtesy of the Grapevine

Women Now Drink As Much As Men — Not So Much For Pleasure, But To Cope

Heard on NPR's All Things Considered, ANERI PATTANI REPORTING.

Victoria Cooper thought her drinking habits in college were just like everyone else's. Shots at parties. Beers while bowling. Sure, she got more refills than some and missed classes while nursing hangovers, but she couldn't have a problem, she thought.

"Because of what my picture of alcoholism was — old men who brown-bagged it in a parking lot — I thought I was fine," says Cooper, now sober and living in Chapel Hill, N.C.

That common image of who is affected by alcohol disorders, echoed throughout pop culture, was misleading over a decade ago when Cooper was in college. And it's even less representative today.

For nearly a century, women have been closing the gender gap in alcohol consumption, binge-drinking and alcohol use disorder. What was previously a 3-1 ratio for risky drinking habits in men versus women is closer to 1-to-1 globally, a 2016 analysis of several dozen studies suggested.

And the latest U.S. data from 2019 shows that women in their teens and early 20s reported drinking and getting drunk at higher rates than their male peers — in some cases for the first time since researchers began measuring such behavior.

This trend parallels the rise in mental health concerns among young women, and researchers worry that the long-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic could amplify both patterns.

"It's not only that we're seeing women drinking more, but that they're really being affected by this physically and mental health-wise," says Dawn Sugarman, a research psychologist at McLean Hospital in Massachusetts, who has studied addiction in women.

I hope they give us a two week notice before sending us back into the world. I think we all need time to become ourselves again. And by "ourselves" I mean lose 10 pounds, cut our hair and get used to not drinking at 9 am.

This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her cat. It was obvious she thought her cat understood her. I came into the house, told my dog...we laughed a lot.

My body has absorbed so much soap and disinfectant lately that when I pee it cleans the toilet.

Day 5 of Homeschooling: One of these little monsters called in a bomb threat.

The World Health Organization has announced that dogs cannot contract Covid-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out.



YOU'RE INVITED!



JOIN

Saturday Morning Steps and Sunday Morning Joy

As We

Celebrate Our 23rd Anniversary!

Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 8:00am

Zoom Meeting ID: 875 0935 6319

Zoom Passcode: SMS1640SMJ – (that's a zero)

Dial-in Number is 301-715-8592;

Dial-in Passcode is: 6401-238-932

All are welcome!

NAATW 2021 Virtual Workshop

The 2021 National AA Technology Workshop will host our annual Workshop on the weekend of Sep 17-19, 2021. Expect two full days of content.

The workshop will be online only. While we hoped to be in person this year, the Steering Committee concluded that the health and financial risks were just too high. Given the organizing time it takes to put on an event, we needed to make this decision now and chose the safe road.

We are excited to see how we have grown and thrived. Join us as we share and explore where technology has changed, and stayed the same, this year.

Stay tuned for an email request for volunteers, which we will send out shortly.

Doug G
NAATW 2021 Chair
chair@naatw.org

AA Sponsorship Conference 2021



Saturday, September 25, 2021
via Zoom
9 am to 5 pm

This conference is sponsored by WAIA—the Washington Area Intergroup Association.

There is no charge for your participation. Costs for the Spanish Interpreters and the use of zoom will be covered by WAIA.

Directions for online registration, which is required, will be available in early July.

Save the Date and Pass It On

Questions? Email Will R. at sponsorshipconference@aa-dc.org



Classic Sponsorship: When do I need a sponsor?

- By the book (AA Sponsorship Pamphlet, p-15)
- And/or "old" style sponsorship (sit down, shut up, listen, and on and on)
- How can I tell if I'm ready to sponsor someone

Setting Boundaries from The Start: Carry the message not the alcoholic

- How to build a network that supplements guidance from a sponsor
- How to deal with the alcoholic who keeps going back out
- 13th Stepping
- You're "fired." When and how. Words matter?



Sponsorship with an International Flavor: Lessons from other countries

The Latin American Experience, Great Britain, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, Caribbean, Africa, Asia



Service Sponsorship: What? Why?

- Introducing sponsees to service
- GSR, WAIA, and DCM representatives
- Traditions

New Age Communications: Sponsorship in a virtual world

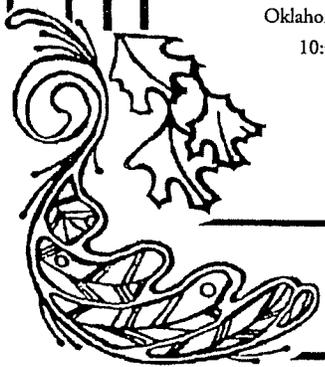
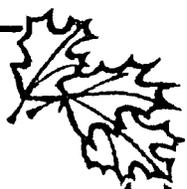
- Text, email, phone, face-to-face
- Staying connected in sobriety
- Sponsorship during a pandemic/age of zoom



Striving For Common Ground: Special strokes for certain folks

- Newly sober for the first time
- Fresh out of treatment
- Still relapsing/slipping
- Sponsees with long term sobriety
- Mental health issues/dual addiction/special needs

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64th ANNUAL A.A. SESSIONS By - The - Sea

Tuesday thru Sunday September 7-12, 2021

CONVENTION HALL - OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND
We are pleased to announce an outstanding program

TUESDAY EVENING

Anson P.
Miami, FL
8:30 P.M.

FRIDAY EVENING

Deb H.
Akron, OH
8:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

John E.
Belvue, NE
8:30 P.M.

SATURDAY MORNING (AFG)

Barbara A.
Crestwood, KY
10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY EVENING

Vanetta C.
Little River, SC
8:30 P.M.

SATURDAY EVENING

Dick A.
Crestwood, KY
8:00 P.M.

FRIDAY MORNING (AFG)

Lori G.
Oklahoma City, OK
10:00 A.M.

SUNDAY MORNING

Cliff G.
Oklahoma City, OK
10:00 A.M.

THERE WILL BE NO SMOKING IN THE CONVENTION HALL

- Interpreter for the hearing impaired -

Good
Fellowship

Golf
Tournament

A. A.
Literature

Good
Speakers

Good
Beach

Fishing
Trip

All registrations must be picked up at the Convention Center. You must be pre-registered, and the name badge must be worn visibly to attend any event at the Convention Center. When all seats have been taken, all requests for Registrations and Checks will be returned to you. There will be no other Registrations or Name badges available at Sessions.

SERENITY CUP GOLF TOURNAMENT

58th YEAR

When: Friday, September 10, 2021

Registration: by August 28, 2021

Where: Ocean City Golf Club
Ocean Side Course

Price: \$85.00 (includes 18 holes of golf, and prizes)

On-site registration, if available, at the the Convention Center is \$90

Shotgun Start: 9:00 A.M. (Captains choice; best ball - rules provided before play starts)

Handicap _____

Name _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Mailing Address _____

Team Members (when known) _____

Mail Golf Registration Only to: Serenity Cup Golf Tournament
PO Box 7756
Port St. Lucie, FL 34985-7756

64th Annual Sessions By-The-Sea

September 7-12, 2021

Hotel Information

For your convenience, "Sessions" rates have been offered by hotels and motels listed below. It is your responsibility to select a place to stay during the week, and make your own reservations. To obtain "Sessions" rates, you must inform the hotel you will be attending Sessions By-The-Sea. Locations and phone numbers are listed for each hotel. Ask the hotel about other items such as room tax, minimum nights required to make reservations, week day and weekend rates, and any other items they have to offer or require. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. More information can be obtained by contacting the Ocean City Hotel-Motel Association at 1-800-OC-OCEAN.

QUALITY INN OCEAN FRONT	54th Street	410-524-7200	1-800-638-2106
HARRISON HALL HOTEL	15th St. & Boardwalk	410-289-6222	1-800-638-2106
HOLIDAY INN	67th St. Oceanfront	410-524-1600	1-800-638-2106
OCEANIC HOTEL	1st St. & Inlet	410-289-6494	1-800-638-2106
BEST WESTERN-Sea Bay Inn	6007 Coastal Hwy.	410-524-6100	1-800-888-2229
PLIM PLAZA HOTEL	Boardwalk & 2nd St.	410-289-6181	1-800-638-2106
FENWICK INN	138th Street & Coastal Hwy.	410-250-1100	1-800-492-1873
HAMPTON INN	4301 Coastal Hwy.	410-524-6263	
GRAND HOTEL & SPA	2100 Baltimore Ave.	410-289-6191	1-800-447-6779

WAGSA Area Committee Meeting

No July Meeting.

Saturday Morning Steps & Sunday Morning Joy

23rd Group Anniversary

Saturday, July 3, 8:00 AM

Zoom Meeting ID: 87509356319

Zoom Passcode: SMS1640SMJ

Dial-in number: (301) 715-8592

Dial-in Passcode: 6401238932

WAIA Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

July 13, 2021—8:00 PM 2nd Tuesday of the month except August

Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83460598434?
pwd=VVBEK2FNSzcxS3VXZDFVOXhMa1oxZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83460598434?pwd=VVBEK2FNSzcxS3VXZDFVOXhMa1oxZz09)

Meeting ID: 834 6059 8434

Passcode: 819862

One tap mobile

+13017158592,,83460598434# US (Washington DC)

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

930 Club	720	Cosmopolitan	Glenarden
AA at CUA		Crapshooters	Glen Echo
AA & Family Issues		Creative Arts	172 Goldsboro
Addison Road		Crossroads of Recovery	30 Good News Beginners
Adams Morgan Meditation		Daily Reflections, NW	Good Shepard
All Are Welcome	99	Daily Reflections, SW	1545 Greenbelt Step
Anacostia		Daily Reflections, UnityPI	30 Growing Group
780 Andrews Armed Forces		Darn Good Big Book	Happy, Joyous & Free
250 As Bill Sees It, NW	532	Darnestown Men	Help Wanted
750 As We Understood Him		Day by Day	High Noon
480 Aspen Hill 5th Chapter		Deanwood Women Rap	High on the Hill
Aspen Hill Phoenix Mon.		Double Dippers	60 High Sobriety
20 Aspen Hill Phoenix Fri.	44	Double Recovery	Hill Lunch
750 Attitude & Action		Dupont Circle Club	Hope Fellowship
Attitude Adjusters		DC Young People	30 Hope/Oxon Hill
Back to Basics	100	DCC Noon	How It Works G'burg
Barnesville	57	DCC Women Fri.	Hyattsville Discussion
Beginner Basics (DCC/Wed)	122	DCC Tues. 6PM	Hyattsville Hope
Beginners & Winners	1780	DCC—930 Club	Informed Group
Beginners are Winners		Del Ray Acceptance	1800 Into Action, Germantown
Beltsville		Del Ray club	Investment
60 Brightwood		District 2	Irreverent Women
Brookland		Divine Intervention	Jaywalkers
Broad Highway		Dunn Drinking	30 Just Before Noon
1500 BYOL		Dunrobbin	Just For Today
BYOL (NonSmoke)		8AM Men's Big Book	Kensington YP Step Study
447 Burtonsville Big Book		Early Times	47 Keys to Kingdom
Campus Noon	826	Epiphanies	Kid Friendly Big Book
Capitol Heights		Ex Libris	Kingman Park
1105 Capital Hill		Faith Fellowship	540 Language of the Heart
Carmody Hill Group		Faith Group	Landover Discussion
100 Casey Barns		52 Pick-Up	Lanham-Seabrook
Cedar Lane Women		Fireside Spirituality	Laurel Recovery
Change of Life	65	Foggy Bottom	Leisure World Noon
Cheltenham	109	Fogliffers	Leisure World Big Book
Chestnut Lodge Outreach		Forestville Primary Purpose	Let Go Let God
Chevy Chase Group		14 Promises	Life Is Good
Chinatown Big Book		Fourth Dimension	Little House
212 Chinatown Men's		Free Spirits	61 Lit Womxn
Clarksburg AA		Friday Night Fun Too	Living Sober by the Book
Cleveland Park		Friday Night Big Book	Living Sober Unity Place
Clinton 45 Plus		Friendly Bunch	May Day
Clinton Day	600	Friendship	Meance to Serenity
Clinton 6:30		Gaithersburg Beginners	600 Men of Dupont
Clinton Sunday Night		Gateway	Men In Recovery
160 Coffee & Donuts		Gateway/Wednesday	Men's BS Session
Colesville Sunday Nite		Gay 18 New Castle	79 Merry Miracles
College Park		Gay Group	Messengers
	100	Georgetown	198 Mideast

2742	Midtown Monday Winners		Phoenix Group/DC	360	Takoma Park Necessity
	Mo.Co. Women	30	Pool'ville Pot Luck	180	Takoma Rush Hour
80	Monday Nite Women		Potomac Group		Tenley Circle
202	More Peace of Mind		Potomac Eye Openers	60	There is a Solution-Women
	Montrose Gay	360	Primary Purpose Gay		TGIF
320	Moving into the Solution	147	Progress Not Perfection		Thurs. Morn. Reset
	Mt. Rainer	480	Potomac Oaks		Triangle Club
94	Nativity		Promises Promises		Twelve Point Bucks
	Navy Yard Nooners		Queer Women		Unity Noon
72	Neelsville Beginner		Quince Orchard	120	Unlovely Creatures
73	New Hope		Radicals		Upper Marlboro Step
	N.E. New Hope	60	Read & Speak	329	Uptown
	NE Sunrise	120	Riderwood Bills		User Friendly
	Never Too Late	200	Room with a View	129	VA Hospital Ctr
	Never Walk Alone		Sat.Afternoon/2PM/UP	400	Victory Lights
	New Avenue		Saturday Morning Steps	95	Virtually Sober
250	New Beginnings NW		Saturday Night Happy Hour		Vision for You
	New Beginnings/Pool'ville	60	Saturday Night Special	110	Waters Landing
	New Beginners SW		Scaggsville		We Care
	New Beginnings-Women		Second Chance		Wednesday Nite Winners
	New Stomping Ground	120	Serendipity	285	Welcome Group
200	New Unity Gay		Serenity House	50	Westmoreland Women
	No Exclusion		Shepherders	31	West Side Men
	No Hard Terms		Silver Spring Beginners BB		Westside Women
	Norbeck Women Fri		Silver Spring	127	What's Happening Now
171	Norbeck Women Wed		Simplicity		When All Else Fails
	Norbeck Step		Simply Sober		White Oak Steps & Traditions
185	NW Metro		Singleness of Purpose	218	Women's Lit (180 Club)
	Nuts & Bolts		Six & Seventh Step	3627	Yacht Club
	Oasis Women's BB		Soapstone	200	Yeas & Nays
	Old Fashion Group	240	Sober & Alive		
	Olney Farm		Spiritual Hilltop		
	On the Circle	75	Sobriety Sister		
	Olney Stag Rap		Southern Sobriety		
	One Day at a Time	2000	Spiritual Awakening		
	One Day at a Time/R'ville		St. Barnabas Womens wrap	129	Birthday
	One Day at a Time/G'burg	1100	St. Camillus	180	Faithful Fivers
	One Day at a Time/Lanham		St. Mary's Gay	18,772	Individuals
	One Hour Back		St. Francis	400	Memorial
155	Out of the Woods		Starting Over Gaithersburg		
	180 Group	95	Step II Group		
	Open Arms	379	Sunday Men's Step		
	Path to Healing	230	Sunday Morning Breakfast		
1400	P Street		Sun. Morn. Breakfast Out		
	Palisades Mon. Nite	6000	Sunday Morning Joy		
60	Petworth	190	Sun. Morning Reflections-UP		
			Sunrise Sobriety		
			Sunshine, G'burg		
			Sursum Corda		

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newreporter@aa-dc.org



Day			Years
June	21	Lee D. Lewes, DE	47 Years
July	3	Howard T. 14 Promises	21 Years
July	6	Donald T. A Class Act (Plymouth, MA)	26 Years
July	7	Sonja S. Serenity House	29 Years
July	15	Harold B. Pit Stop	31 Years
July	18	Frank H. New Hope Steps 123	32 Years
July	18	Greta D. Lewes, DE	42 Years
July	18	Luella T. Hyattsville Hope	43 Years
July	19	Ron A. Sunrise Sobriety	8 Years
July	30	Clo'via C. Nativity	13 Years

THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE

Johnny Mason, "The Plumber", My 25, 2021, 31 years sober, Carmody Hills and Glenarden Groups

John "Jeff" Eden, May 29, 2021, 26 years sober, Georgetown Group

Ralph Justus, May 31, 2021, 13 years sober, Del Ray Club

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