## The Sober Times Newsletter June 2021

Intergroup Office hours are Wednesday 12-6, Thursday and Friday 9-2

## **Notes from the editor**

Hello All,

At the urging of the Intergroup reps a committee was formed to try and locate a more suitable, handicapped friendly location for the office of Cape Cod Intergroup. After a month of searching the committee has brought back what they feel is a suitable new location for the Intergroup office. There are pictures and information posted on our website. The reps have been tasked with bringing the info back to their groups for consideration. A vote on the matter will be held on June 1st. Any interested A.A. is encouraged to submit opinions or thoughts on the move to their Intergroup rep. The nomination committee has been busy working on nominations for Steering Committee. These elections will also be held on the 1st of June. Nominees must be present at the June meeting in order to be elected. Serving on these committees is an excellent way to contribute through service work. If interested, please let your rep know or have someone bring your nomination forward at the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

#### Chuck T.

#### Service Committee Meetings

Intergroup Reps Meeting Every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 on the Zoom platform. Meeting ID: 833 6954 2618. Text Constance S. 508-274-7797 for password

Newly elected GSR's are requested to meet at Cape Cod Covenant Church every 2nd Tuesday At 6:30 pm for a welcoming orientation.

#### **General Service Districts**

**1&2**Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 pm at the Cape Cod Covenant Church, Setucket Rd. In Brewster.

District Zoom ID is 306-270-5910

Barbara F. is contact for District 1 & 2 774-836-8830

### **Cape Cod Intergroup**

Phone- 508-775-7060 www.capecodaa.net

Just what is Intergroup doing for your group?

How does your group benefit from Intergroup?

How can your group have a voice in what Intergroup does?

Why not invite us to share with your group at your next business meeting and answer these questions?

A member of our Steering Committee will be glad to make a presentation at your business meeting. Contact us today.**508-775-7060** 

It is suggested the 6th Tradition be read at each meeting in June:

"An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest the problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose"

> The Intergroup Steering Committee meets the last Monday of the month at 6:30 P.M. On Zoom. Meeting ID 872 2028 8723 Text Constance S. 508-274 7797 for password

Your Intergroup is not a governing body and does not attempt to, nor can it, rule any AA Group.

Its sole purpose is to act as a clearinghouse for the convenience of members and groups desiring assistance, and to extend the Twelve Step Work of "carrying the message."

#### Did you.....

- Begin your morning with prayer?
- Talk with another alcoholic?
- Call your sponsor?
- Are you
  doing service

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#### **Meeting Updates**

#### Meeting Changes Falmouth

Each Day A New Beginning in Falmouth no longer meets on the weekend at Falmouth hospital, we are 7 days a week,7:30 -8:30 AM at John Wesley United Methodist Church, physical meeting

#### **Pocasset**

Pocasset Sunday night has changed their meeting time from 7:30-9:00 to 7:30-8:30 PM

Pocasset New Meeting Pocasset Community Center BBSS Thursdays 9 A.M.

#### Would you like to serve your group?

AA gives us many ways to be of service to our fellowship. One of those is to represent your group as an Intergroup Representative (IGR). Does your group have an IGR? If not, why not volunteer to represent your group? Volunteer to serve at your next business meeting. Does your group have a General Service Representative? (GSR) The GSR is the link between your group and AA as a whole. Your Intergroup Office is always looking for volunteers to staff the office during vacations,

illness, etc. Please contact the office if interested.

# Tradition Six: An AA group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the AA name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

- 1. Should my fellow group members and I go out and raise money to endow several AA beds in our local hospital?
- 2. Is it good for a group to lease a small building?
- 3. Are all the officers and members of our local club for AAs familiar with "Guidelines on Clubs" (which is available free from GSO)?
- 4. Should the secretary of our group serve on the mayor's advisory committee on alcoholism?
- 5. Some alcoholics will stay around AA only if we have a TV and card room. If this is what is required to carry the message to them, should we have these facilities

#### **Is Cape Cod Intergroup a part of A.A.?**

Cape Cod Intergroup is entirely dependent on the AA groups and individuals for its continuing operation.

Your group can participate by selecting an Intergroup Representative to represent your group.

IG Reps meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month. Any AA member can attend.

As an A.A. member you can support CCIG by volunteering. While CCIG has one paid staff worker, many of the services are provided by volunteers.



#### We Have Increased Our Inventory Of Books And Supplies To Serve You Better

Do you have a special anniversary coming up? Does your group need a bulk order of books or other materials? Would you like to order from the comfort of your home or meeting space? Well, look no further. We have increased our inventory and are now pleased to offer painted medallions, the bronze "Boston" medallions, and 24-hour bronze medallions. Send us your email orders. There is no limit on books or other merchandise. No order too big or too small. If you are looking for specialty items, we will be happy to order them for you. Come in and check us out. We would love to see and get to know you. We always try to have coffee available and have time for good conversation. Also, feel free to check out the website for info on meetings and other related information. **DON'T FORGET WE OFFER FREE SHIPPING**!!!!!!

<u>Commitment time slots that need to be filled at Emerson</u>	H
House MONTHLY	On their members c each year
Start times are either 7 or 7:30 based on group preference. Participants must be WOMEN with more than 90 days of	
sobriety. $1^{st}$ and $3^{rd}$ Mondays $1^{st}$ and $2^{nd}$ Tuesdays	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays Every Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays	
Contact Michelle M to schedule 617-905-4651 or email Mmerlino8@gmail.com	four servi ar

IAPPY BIRTHDAY Sharon J. 30 years

**Birthday Plan** 

On their sobriety birthday, many AA nembers contribute one dollar or more for each year of sobriety to any or all of our four service entities: District, Area, GSO and your local Intergroup

#### How can A.A. best assure its continued existence?

Since the beginning of recorded time, many societies and nations of civilizations have passed in review. In those great ones that have left their mark for good, in contrast with those who have left their mark for evil, there has always been a sense of history, a true and high constant purpose, and there has always been a sense of destiny.

In the societies which failed to leave a bright mark in the annals of the world, there was always a false or boastful sense of history, always a mistaken or inadequate purpose and always the presumption of an infinite, a glorious and an exclusive destiny.

In the societies that left their mark of goodness on time, the sense of history was not a matter for pride or for glory; it was the substance of the learning of the experience of the past. In the purpose of such a society there was always truth and constancy, but never a supposition that the society had apprehended all of the truth - or the superior truth. And in the sense of destiny there was no conceit, no supposition that a society or nation or culture would last forever and go on to greater glories. But there was always a sense of duty to be fulfilled, whatever destiny the society might be assigned by providence for the betterment of the world.

This is the crossroads at which we in A.A. stand. This is a good time to re-examine how well we have looked upon our A.A. history and how much we have profited by it, what false insights or false glories we may have been extracting from history - to our future detriment. It is a moment to examine the purpose of this Society. Indeed, we are very lucky to be able to state as the nucleus of that purpose a single word: sobriety.

Quite early we saw, however, that sobriety in abstinence from alcohol could never be attained unless there was sobriety and more quietude in the false motivation that underlay our drinking.

When the Twelve Steps were cast up - without any real experience and therefore under some Guidance, surely - we were given keys to sobriety in its wider implications. We have been blessed with a concrete definition of purpose but, for all its concreteness, we could still abuse it and misuse it in a very natural way.

Sometimes we begin to think that perhaps, according to Scriptural promise, the first shall be last and the last - meaning us - shall really be first. That would indeed be a very dangerous presumption and never should we indulge it. If we do, we shall compete in history with other societies who have been ill-advised enough to suppose that they had a monopoly on truth or were in some way superior to other attempts of men to think and to associate in love and in harmony.

We may look out upon our destiny with no violation of our principle that we are to live one day at a time. We mean that, emotionally, each in his personal life is never to repine upon the past glory too much, in the present, or presume upon the future. We shall attend to the day's business, but we shall try to apprehend ever more truth from the lessons of our history, not the lessons of our successes but the lessons of our defections, failures and the awful emotions that can set us loose upon us. For these, indeed, are the raw materials that God has used to forge this still rather little instrument called Alcoholics Anonymous. So we may look at destiny and we may ask ourselves about it and speculate upon it a little - if we do not presume to play God. **Bill W.** (**G.S.C.**, 1961)

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