

8: USA/Canada Accessibilities Committee Meeting 6-7:30 PM
Zoom ID: 811 7204 2624
Passcode: AAC2024

14-20: General Service Conference, Brooklyn, NY

26: GSR Meeting 6:30PM First Presbyterian Church, 715 N. Carlton St., Wheaton, 60187

11: 29th Annual Fox Valley Open 7-9PM
Lord of Life Church 40W605 IL-38
Elburn IL 60119

13: AA USA & Canada All Accessibilities Committee Meeting (See April 8)

18: NIA Spring Committee Meeting 8AM-4:30PM Lord of Life Church 40W605 IL-38
Elburn IL 60119

31 GSR Meeting (See April 26)

7-9: Eastern Central Region Conference Calvin University 3201 Burton S.E.
Grand Rapids MI

10: AA USA & Canada All Accessibilities Committee Meeting (See April 8)

14-16: District 22 Women's New Beginning Retreat NIU Lorado Taft Field Campus
1414 N. River Rd. Oregon IL 61061 For additional information, contact Carol S at 847-208-0481

28: GSR Meeting (See April 26)

April 2024						
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D40 Doings

April/May/June 2024

Step 4

Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves

Tradition 4

Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or AA as a whole.

Step 5

Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs

Tradition 5

Each group has but one primary purpose- to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Step 6

Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character

Tradition 6

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.

Hello Again ...

We list the steps and traditions corresponding to the months this newsletter covers on the front page. As resentments figure prominently in steps four and five, allow me an anecdote. I’ve had the observation pulled out of me at my home group that resentments start to fade if and when we can learn something from them.. One specific example for me was graduating from college. Having grown up neurodivergent, I got called stupid enough. I am grateful that this angered me more than it hurt me, and that I had a mother who kept me busy in order to keep me out of trouble, which also taught me a bit about channeling anger. I won’t say all the resentment fell away when I found myself holding my degree in my hands, but a decent-sized chunk of it did, as I had proven myself.

Our meeting schedules have evolved again, combining a listing of meetings with a QR code linking to a meeting finder app. If you haven’t already seen them, they have a yellow cover.

DuPage Open, Then and Now

By Lisa S

On Saturday February 17th the 13th Annual DuPage County Open was held at Parkview Community Church in Glen Ellyn, hosting a record number of attendees. Approximately 800+ persons came to hear the experience, strength, and hope as shared by three speakers with varying lengths of sobriety.

The first DuPage County Open began in February of 2011, patterned after a neighboring area that supported a long standing, annual open A.A. meeting featuring a variety of local speakers, some who were early in their recovery and some who had decades of sobriety. It was a great evening of fun and fellowship, and a group of us thought “this would be a great opportunity for DuPage County – why don’t we host an Open?” The four districts of D40, D41, D42 and D43 came together and began the planning process for our own event. On a rotating basis, each district commits to a responsibility – either set up & clean up, greeters & registration, hospitality, or host. A speaker is also chosen from three rotating districts, 1 – 5 years, 6 – 19 years, 20+ years. Some are chosen through an election process;

Ch-Ch Changes ...

Meetings in District 40 that need our support!					
Day of Week	Time	Meeting Name	Meeting Place	Street Address	City
Sunday	7:30 PM	Sunday Nite H.O.W.	Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church	328 George St.	West Chicago
Monday	1:00 PM	Anona Monday Afternoon	Anona West	129 Fremont St.	West Chicago
Monday	8:00 PM	Monday Night Big Book	St. James Catholic Church	480 S. Park Blvd.	Glen Ellyn
Monday	8:00 PM	Wheaton Beginner's	Trinity Episcopal Church	130 N. West St.	Wheaton
Tuesday	8:00 PM	Snippets of the Big Book	Anona West	129 Fremont St.	West Chicago
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Anona Wednesday Afternoon	Anona West	129 Fremont St.	West Chicago
Thursday	8:00 PM	Glen Ellyn Thursday	St. Petronille Catholic School	425 Prospect Ave.	Glen Ellyn
Friday	6:00 AM	Literature from Big Book and Grapevine	Anona West (Online only)	Zoom Meeting ID: 894 5738 8674 Passcode: 559	West Chicago (on Zoom only)
Friday	7:00 PM	Dual Recovery Anonymous (substance & mental health)	Anona West	129 Fremont St.	West Chicago
Friday	7:30 PM	Glen Ellyn South Friday Night	St. Luke's Lutheran Church	23W080 Butterfield Rd.	Glen Ellyn
Saturday	7:00 PM	Anona Saturday Night Discussion	Anona West	129 Fremont St.	West Chicago
Saturday	8:30 PM	Saturday Night Butterfield	St. Luke's Lutheran Church	23W080 Butterfield Rd.	Glen Ellyn
Tradition 1 states, "Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity." Please visit a few of these meetings! We all need to support each other.					

There is a need for LCMs for:
Anona West
Wheaton
Winfield

The Glen Oak Hospital meetings on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6:15 are looking for support. For more information, contact Rich, at either 630.469.7739 or 630.903.3799

others are “pulled from the hat.” Each speaker shares their story from their unique perspective of that point in their recovery. And these stories are always filled with inspiration and encouragement.

Planning begins three to four months before the event, usually over breakfast with lots of coffee and laughter. A representative from each district is assigned to provide planning support, communicate information back to the groups, help recruit volunteers, and encourage attendance for the night of the event. The DuPage County Open has proven to be a highly anticipated event each year, bringing together the spirit of recovery, unity, and service. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2025!