



GROUP NEWS

The Serenity Service Group will be moving Saturday, March 1 to 853 Merrimon Avenue - upstairs over Grace Restaurant. Entrance is around back. Park in Citizen's Hardware lot. DO NOT park in restaurant lot.

Beginning February 3, the Hope Group will change its meeting time to 5:30 pm. The Hope Group is for women and they meet every Monday at St. Luke's Church on 219 Chunns Cove Road.

The Black Mountain Group has elected to move the group's open speakers meeting & birthday celebration from the last Thursday of the month to the last Monday of the month. This decision was made by the group conscience in order to maintain the continuity of the group's ongoing Thursday night Step Meetings. The group will continue to discuss one of the Traditions on the first Monday of each month.

The Roundtable Group will begin discussing a Tradition the first Sunday of each month and a Step the last Sunday of each month.

The 4th Annual Tennessee Conference of Young People in AA will be February 21-23 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Knoxville. Contact Intergroup for more information.

The Marshall Group reports that one of its members, John P passed away on January 5, 1986. John attended AA both at Marshall and Mars Hill with his wife Ginnie. She will need our support and prayers and John will be very much missed by her as well as members of the two groups.

To support A.A.'s essential services, the General Service Conference recommends that groups follow the "60-30-10" plan. It works like this:

First, take care of basic group expenses (rent, refreshments and A.A. literature).

Divide remaining funds as follows:

60% to your Intergroup or Central Office.

To support phone service for 12th step calls and other inquiries; coordination of group activities; and A.A. literature sales.\*

30% to your General Service Office.

To support group services throughout the U.S./Canada; the General Service Conference; helping lone members and groups in institutions; and carrying the A.A. message worldwide.

10% to your Area Committee.

To support area assemblies, delegates' expenses and area public information and institution work.

- 60% - Intergroup of WNC, Inc. 107 Parkway Office Building Asheville, NC 28801
30% - GSO Box 459 Grand Central Station New York, NY 10163
10% - NC/Bermuda Service Area Box 3146 Wilson, NC 27893

THE NEXT INTERGROUP MEETING WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 16, 1986 at 3 pm AT ST. JOAN OF ARC CHURCH ON HAYWOOD ROAD.





YOUNG PEOPLE & AA

DECEMBER 17, 1985 - JANUARY 13, 1986

GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS

Acceptance	20.00
Black Mountain	15.00
Blue Ridge	81.20
Cumberland Avenue	15.00
Fletcher	25.00
Haywood Road Smokeless	15.00
Haywood Road Smokeless (ad/paper)	28.25
Hendersonville	49.87
Hope	10.00
Men's Sunday Night	7.00
Mountainview	60.00
Murphy	40.00
New Day	5.00
Open Door	10.00
Thursday Afternoon Ladies	25.00
Traditional	35.00
West Asheville	35.00
total	476.32

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS 103.30

(Ted & Charlotte F, Gerd S - 6 year birthday, Sheila W - 4 year birthday, Michael K, Fred H, anonymous.

LITERATURE SOLD 43.30

DISBURSEMENTS

Answerphone	40.00
Asheville Citizen Times	55.60
A T & T	4.85
Coordinator Expense	270.00
Hazelden	62.17
Mountain Doin's	60.48
Office Supplies	3.40
Parkway Office Rent	60.00
Southern Bell	65.52
total	622.02

SUMMARY

Balance 12-16-85	306.70
Groups	476.32
Individuals	103.30
Literature	43.30
Total available	929.62
Less expenses	622.02
Balance 1-13-86	307.60

Balance in DCM Fund 158.12

According to results of the 1983 survey of AA members in the US and Canada, the percentage of young people (under age 31) entering the Fellowship has reached a new high of 20%. This is a marked increase over the 15% noted in the 1980 survey results. Moreover, 3% are under 21.

The survey further revealed that, among members under 31, the incidence of addiction to other drugs as well as alcohol was 58% for men and 64% for women in 1983 (as compared to the overall figure of 31% for the general membership).

AA's posture remains clear. We do not diagnose anyone's alcoholism; we leave that to the individual and to the professionals. Most AA members eventually choose to call themselves alcoholics, but this is not a condition for belonging to the Fellowship.

At the 35th General Service Conference, it was recommended that the following be inserted in the pamphlets "If You Are a Professional" and "How AA Members Cooperate": "The only requirement for membership in AA is a desire to stop drinking. If a person is not sure about this point, then he or she is most welcome to attend an open AA meeting. If the person is sure that drinking is not his or her problem, then he or she may wish to seek help elsewhere."

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# HOW IT WORKS

## PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

The Public Information Committee for Districts 7 & 8 met on January 19. There were 8 people in attendance: Fred H, Rick F, Gary O, Marie A, Gene V, Clyde H, Diane M, and Gerry D.

Fred reported that each library in Buncombe County now has a copy of the Big Book. The main library now has three copies. Two copies were already there - one had been checked out 10 times in the last six months, the other was currently checked out. One copy was placed in the Fletcher Library. As soon as possible, two copies will be placed at the Buncombe County jail, one at St. Joseph's and one at MAHEC. The response by the libraries was excellent.

There is a tape at WLOS that is supposed to be shown on late night TV. No one has seen the tape, so the committee will check and see if they will run it. If they are unwilling to show it, it will be taken to WHNS. There is a need to keep after the media to show our materials. The committee has been given the "run around" on some occasions.

All radio stations in District 8 have an audio tape. Copies will be made and Rick F will distribute them to the two AM and one FM station in Hendersonville. They will also be distributed to WSKY, WISE, WRAQ, & KISS. The radio stations are the immediate objective.

There is a possibility someone from AA will be able to talk to the Buncombe County Medical Society in March.

The possibility of placing literature in the emergency rooms at Mission and St. Joseph's will be examined.

PI work is just another way of spreading the message and practicing the 12th step. Come to the next meeting and see what is being done in your districts.

The next meeting will be February 16, at 2 pm at St. Joan of Arc Church.

## The Fifth Tradition

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

## Intergroup Minutes

INTERGROUP MEETING - 1/19/86 3 pm

The DCM fund will be changed over to Asheville Federal Savings and Loan to avoid service charges.

There was a lengthy discussion on the question of intergroup conscience vs. decision making by the executive committee. Intergroup will provide all reps and alternates with a copy of the guidelines from GSO for discussion at the next meeting.

The role of Mountain Doin's was discussed. (see related article below.)

Dan G was thanked for his work on the Mountain Doin's.

The where and whens are ready to be collated for the typesetters.

Present: Diane M, treasurer; Marvin M, secretary; Marie A, Roundtable; Fred H, visitor; Gene V, visitor; Clyde H, W. Asheville; Frank R, Blue Ridge; Lane M, Sylvan Valley; Leslie J, Hendersonville; Kathie B, Smokeless; Ted F, trustee; Michael K, vice-chairman; Miriam K, trustee; Dan G, Acceptance; Gerry D, visitor; Helen S, Traditional; Bob V, visitor; Jean W, trustee; Denise L, alternate/Acceptance; Loraine B, visitor; and Jack M, visitor.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

Mountain Doin's is looking for suggestions to distribute the most information at the least cost.

Intergroup is considering:

- A. Mailing two copies to each group and making the group leader responsible to pass along information.
- B. Selling individual subscriptions.
- C. Combination of A & B.
- D. Keeping things as is.
- E. ????? (You fill in the blank) Tell your intergroup representative your ideas or come to the next meeting and tell all of us.

## One day at a time...







# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## DECEMBER

Hendersonville	
Rob T	2
Leslie J	5
Jerry O'N	8

## JANUARY

Hendersonville	
Ed G	8
Marie G	8
Seldon S	3
David F	2
Pat H	4
Louise M	22
Open Door	
Margie C	10
Craig R	1
Marshall	
MV C	7
Tracey T	1
Murphy	
Gary M	5
Bob G	8
June C	5

## FEBRUARY

Hendersonville	
Bill G	4
Ed D	14
Helen D	14
Marge H	17
Rick F	3
James J	1
Jim J	4
Andy S	4
Blue Ridge	
Haddy H	3
Ike O	17
Karl A	6
Roundtable	
James J	1
Marshall	
Gene M	13
Acceptance	
Sam S	5
Vickie N	1
Dana A	4
Todd T	1
John M	3
Pam K	1

Murphy	
David B	3
Black Mountain	
Lorraine C	20
Pam P	5
West Asheville	
Ralph M	9
Cheryl R	2
Traditional	
Mary C	15
Lou L	14
Diane M	3



## Incoming Calls to Intergroup

DECEMBER 16, 1985 - JANUARY 13, 1986

Answering Service	13
General Information	8
AA Help	16
Family Help - An-Anon	5
Meeting Information	23
Intergroup Business	31
Public Information	1
Medical Help	2
Others	14
TOTAL	113

Visitors 21

An old boozer had been sick in bed for weeks. The local doctor had been unable to diagnose the problem and called in a specialist, although the old codger insisted that he didn't need anybody's help.

When the doctors had gone, his drinking friends asked what the specialist had said.

"Told you I was all right," the lush said triumphantly. "Them doctors used a lot of big words I couldn't understand, but they finally said, 'Well, no use arguing over it. The autopsy will soon give us the answer.'"

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