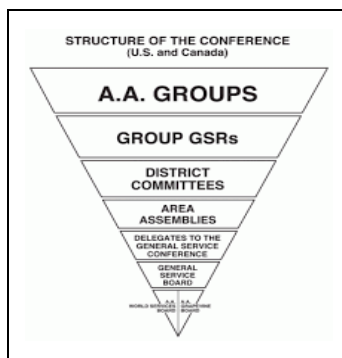




Alcoholics Anonymous Area 33 - District 21 & 22

Sober Times

April 2025

I AM RESPONSIBLE ... When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that: I am responsible.



The District 21 & 22 monthly newsletter's purpose is to share the AA message and inform members of upcoming events around our area and the needs and celebrations of our local AA groups. Supporting our members in unity, service and recovery. Please email district21.22aa@gmail.com with details of your group's upcoming celebrations, events and/or needs.

Did you know...

Difference between open and closed meetings? as defined in A Brief Guide to A.A.

"Closed meetings" are for alcoholics only. These are group discussions, and any members who want to may speak up, to ask questions and to share their thoughts with fellow members. At "closed meetings," A.A.s can get help with personal problems in staying sober and in everyday living. Some other A.A.s can explain how they have already handled the same problems — often by using one or more of the Twelve Steps.

At "open meetings," speakers tell how they drank, how they discovered A.A., and how its program has helped them. Members may bring relatives or friends, and usually anyone interested in A.A. is also welcome to attend "open meetings" as an observer.

~ AA Hotline ~
(877) 337-0611

~ Area 33 Accessibilities ~
(586) 335-2840

Area33accessibilitieschair@aa-semi.org

Upcoming Events

🍲 = food will be served 🍰 = dessert provided

- District 21 & 22 Spring Workshop - GSR School - April 5th 🍲
10:00am-2:00pm - doors open at 9:30am Lunch provided
New Presbyterian Church - 11300 19 Mile Rd. Sterling Hgts. 48314
- Share the Gift ~ 26th Anniversary Breakfast ~ April 12th 🍲
Doors open 7:00am; breakfast 7:30am; speaker 8:30am (Grace L.)
VFW Post 4659 - 8311 Wilson Drive Shelby Twp. 48316
- Area 33 Pre-Conference ~ April 13th 11:00am-4:00pm 🍲
Registration at the door available, pre-registration is advised.
Coffee, donuts and lunch provided.
Questions contact Edgar L. at area33altdelegate@aa-semi.org
Madison High School - 915 E. Eleven Mile Rd. Madison Hgts.
- District 21/22 Meeting ~ April 14th 7:00pm
Grace Episcopal Church - 115 S. Main St. Mount Clemens 48043
- The Covenant ~ 20th Anniversary Celebration ~ April 28th 🍲
Doors open 5:30pm; dinner 6:00pm; speaker 7:00pm (Mike G.)
Ascension Lutheran Church- 23401 23 Mile Rd. Macomb, MI

Looking Ahead 🗓️

You can plan...just not the outcome

July 31-August 3rd

17th Annual Friends of Bill and Lois W. Canoe Trip

Fourth Step

Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Fourth Tradition

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

Spiritual Principles

Step Four ~ Courage: The mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, and withstand danger, fear or difficulty. The fourth step requires fearless self-examination; Courage is also needed to meet every day with an eagerness to improve ourselves.

Fourth Step Prayer *

Dear God, it is I who has made my life a mess. I have done it, but I cannot undo it. My mistakes are mine. Please be with me and guide me as I make a searching and fearless moral inventory. I will write down my wrongs, but I will also include that which is good. I pray for the strength to complete the task.

* There are several prayers that can be used during this phase (of development) and action. See BB pg 13 (when in doubt); BB pg 67 (the sick man); BB pg 68 (fear); BB pg 69 (assistance to change)

Concept 4

At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge.

AA GRAPEVINE

The freedom of the Fourth Tradition

BY: R.M. | Toronto, Ontario

FROM THE DECEMBER 1958 GRAPEVINE

True freedom is not doing what we want, but doing what we ought. There is no government in Alcoholics Anonymous, no rules or regulations. Each group may do as its members wish; they are autonomous. But to live in true freedom they ought to take every care that their actions do not interfere with other groups or contravene AA principles lest we lose our freedom. Our freedom only lives by our willingness to give to others that same right.

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OPEN MEETINGS IN OUR AREA

Sunday

Live and Love - 1st Sunday of the month Macomb Alano Center - 20900 Cass Ave. Clinton Twp. 7pm

Monday

Room to Grow - Last Monday of the month - New Life Presbyterian Church 11300 19 Mile Rd. Sterling Hgts. 7pm

Romeo Monday Night Group - 1st Monday of the month - St. John Lutheran Church - 246 Benjamin Street Romeo 7pm

BYOBB Group - Watermark Church - 54205 Washington St. Chesterfield Twp. Mondays 8:00-9:30pm

HALT - 2nd Monday of the month - St. Augustine Church - 67901 Howard St. Richmond 8pm

Tuesday

Twelve Ways - 3rd Tuesday Jan/Apr/July/Oct.- 1st Congregational Church 36223 Alfred New Baltimore 8pm

Utica Tuesday Night - 2nd Tuesday of the month - Presbyterian Church 11300 19 Mile Rd. Sterling Hgts. 8pm

Wednesday

Pathway to Peace - Last Wednesday of the month - 49655 Jefferson Ave. New Baltimore 7pm

Back to Basics - Holy Family Episcopal Church - 115 North 6th Street Saint Clair Wednesdays 7pm

Church Gratiot - 3rd Wednesday of the month - Grace Episcopal Church - 115 S. Gratiot Mount Clemens 8pm

Capac - 1st Wednesday of the month - Capac United Methodist - 14952 Imlay City Rd. Mussey Twp. 8pm

Thursday

Thirsty Thursday - Life in Christ Fellowship - 950 Wadhams Road Saint Clair Thursdays 7pm

Saturday

The Way - 4th Saturday of the month - St. Michael's Activity Center - 40501 Hayes Rd. Sterling Hgts. 8pm

Share the Gift - 1st Saturday of the month - VFW Post 4659 - 8311 Wilson Dr. Shelby Twp. 8:30pm

**District, Area, G.S.O. and Central Office are common service entities groups donate to.
Below is how to make contributions for those in our area.**

District 21 & 22
PO Box 480594
New Haven, MI 48048
* Now accepting donations through Zelle
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General Service Office
PO Box 2407
James A. Farley Station
New York, NY 10116-2407

Area 33
aa-semi.org/contribution-page/

AA of Greater Detroit
380 Hilton Rd
Ferndale, MI 48220
or online www.aaferndale.org/how-you-can-help