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Topic Time: Topic for next month and call for entries.



****New Meeting Announcement****

Hope For Today
Fridays, 2:30 PM
Open Discussion, Speaker On Last Friday Of The Month
IU Health Morgan
2209 John R Wooden Dr.
Martinsville, Indiana 46151
In Conference room directly opposite reception.

What exactly is the Indianapolis Intergroup?

Indianapolis Intergroup consists of 12 standing committees and 1 service committee. To learn more about Indianapolis Intergroup as well as view a list of all the committees and what service they provide click on the link below.

Indianapolis Intergroup Information [Click Here](#)



Notable July Dates In A.A. History

July 4, 1935- Bill D. leaves St. Thomas Hospital in Akron, OH. Akron AA group begins.

July 15, 1938 - 1st documented use name Alcoholics Anonymous, A.A. Archives letter Bill to Willard Richardson.

July 18, 1938 - In letter to Dr. Richards at Johns Hopkins, Bill used Alcoholics Anonymous as working title for Big Book & name for the fellowship.

July 1939 - 1st AA meeting started in Flatbush, NY.

July 1940 - 1st AA Group formed in Dayton, Ohio.

July 1940 - Philly AA's send 10% of kitty to Alcoholic Foundation, sets precedent.

July 1941 - First AA group formed in Seattle, Washington.

July 1943 - L.A. press reports formation of all-Mexican AA Group.

July 1944 - Dr. Bob writes article for Grapevine "On Cultivating Tolerance".

July 1946 - Grapevine reports: The Indianapolis Group now numbers about 275 members. There are five sectional groups: Broad Ripple (bi-partitioned this spring because of luxuriant growth), East Side, West Side, Women's Group and the Meyerson Group. The present arrangement provides a meeting by one of the sub-groups every night in the week.

July 1948 - Grapevine reports: Indianapolis A.A.s Open Club.(Alanon Club, 124 W. Georgia St.)

July 28-30, 1950 - First AA International Convention held in Cleveland, Ohio. Twelve Traditions adopted. Dr. Bob made last appearance at large AA gathering.

July 2-3, 1955 - 20th Anniversary Convention at St. Louis, MO. The Three Legacies of Recovery, Unity, and Service, turned over to the movement by the old timers. AA Comes of Age.

July 11, 1960 - Time published article called "Passionately Anonymous" on the 25th Convention.

July 2-4, 1965 - 30th Anniversary of AA in Toronto. Adopted "I Am Responsible."

July 1965 - "Best of Bill" and Pocket-Sized "12 and 12" 1st sold.

July 1965 - 1st "La Vigne", Canadian Grapevine, published.

July 3-5, 1970 - 35th Anniversary of AA in Miami. "Declaration of Unity". Bill's last public appearance.

July 4-6, 1975 - 40th Anniversary of AA in Denver. Worlds largest coffee server serves 1/2 million cups a day.

July 18, 1976 - Indy Star Magazine articles "Hope For Your Alcoholic And You". This was a excerpt of the book "The Booze Battle", by Ruth Maxwell. Also, has a story by Susan Lennis, "Help For Indiana's Problem Drinkers."

July 3-6, 1980 - 45th Anniversary of AA in New Orleans. First true marathon meeting was held.

July 5-7, 1985 - 50th AA Anniversary in Montreal, Canada. Ruth Hock given 5,000,000th Big Book. House of Seagrams flew their flags at half mast for 3 days.

July 5-8, 1990 - 55th AA Anniversary in Seattle, WA. Nell Wing given 10,000,000th Big Book.

July 2000- 20 millionth copy of Big Book given to Al-Anon in Minneapolis, MN.

July 1-3, 2010 - 75th Anniversary Convention in San Antonio, TX. (54,000 attending.) 30 Millionth Big Book Given to the (AMA) American Medical Association.

Notable July Birthdays

July 22, 1877 - William Duncan Silkworth born in Brooklyn, NY.

Notable July Deaths

July 18, 1965-Frank Amos, AA Non-Alcoholic Trustee, dies. In Chesterfield, IN.

July 22, 1980 - Marty M. early AA woman and founder of NCADD dies (National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence)

"Passionately Anonymous"- July 11,1960 Time Magazine Article

[CLICK HERE](#)

"Hope For Your Alcoholic And You" - July 18, 1976 Indianapolis Star

[CLICK HERE](#)



COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Message From Our Intergroup Chairperson

Hi,

I'm Cari M., And I'm the current chair of intergroup for 2019. My hope this year is to make intergroup better. I am reaching out to get your suggestions on what Intergroup is doing well and what you'd like to see us implement in the future to make this organization better. We are here to serve you.

Please email suggestions to chair@indyaa.org

In Service,

Cari M.

Corrections Committee NEEDS a Co-Chair. The only requirements are 1 year of sobriety and having worked the 12 steps. The volunteer does not have to be off paper to serve on the committee. Responsibilities include; Collecting Little Green Can money at Intergroup Meetings. Help facilitate jail orientations, Assist anytime help is needed with meeting scheduling. Please contact correction@indyaa.org. if you have any interest.

Indianapolis Intergroup Sunday
July 14, 2019 @ 9:30 am-10:30 am
UAW 933 - Union Hall
2320 S. Tibbs Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46241

We Can Always Use Help With
Corrections – Take AA meetings into Marion County Jail and Morgan County Jail
Telephone Answering Service – Take calls after office hours
SOS Sheets of Sobriety Newsletter – Submit your stories and meeting news.
Intergroup Volunteers Needed in Central Office
Call 317-632-7864 if you can help

District and Area Meeting Schedule

DISTRICT 20 MEETING

July 1 2019 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Avon United Methodist Church
6850 E US Hwy 36
Avon, In 46123

DISTRICT 36 A/B MONTHLY MEETING

July 8, 2019 @ 7:00 pm
Paragon Restaurant
118 S. Girls School Road
Indianapolis, IN 46214

DISTRICT 26 MEETING

July 9, 2019 @ 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Allisonville Friends Church
7701 Allisonville Road
Indianapolis, IN 46250

DISTRICT 24 MEETING

July 9, 2019 @ 6:45 pm – 8:00 pm
Carvel Club
4627 Carvel Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46205

INDIANAPOLIS INTERGROUP SUNDAY

July 14, 2019 @ 9:30 am-10:30 am
UAW 933 -Union Hall
2320 S. Tibbs Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46241

DISTRICT 22 MEETING

July 25, 2019 @ 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Orchard Park Presbyterian Church
1605 East 106th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46280

DISTRICT 30 MEETING

July 28, 2019 @ 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Club East

441 S Ritter Ave.

Indianapolis, IN 46219

Upcoming Events

Progress House 4th of July Celebration

July 4, 2019 @ 5:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Progress House

201 Shelby Street. Indianapolis IN

COST: Food-\$5 / Ice Cream - \$5

[Click Here For Flyer](#)

Seeds Of Serenity 19th Annual Women's 12 Step Retreat

July 19, 2019 @ 8:00 am – July 21, 2019 @ 5:00 pm

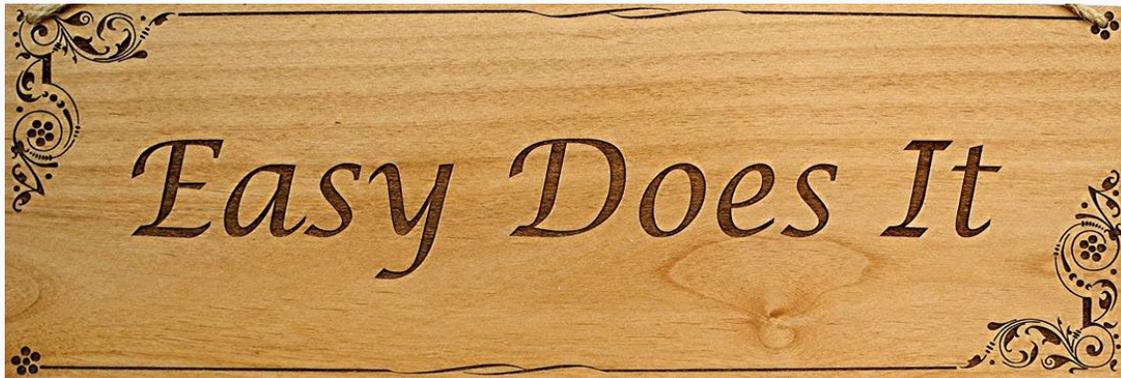
Fatima House

5353 East 56th Street Indianapolis IN

COST: Single Room \$210 Double Room \$165/per person

[Click Here For Flyer](#)

To See The Calendar Of All Upcoming Events: **[Click Here](#)**



Developing Humility

Step 7 of the A.A. 12 steps reads: Humbly asked Him to remove out shortcomings. Sounds pretty simple. But when I stop and really think about it, this seems to me to be something I must do every day.

Many of my shortcomings, in my opinion, are simply a part of my human nature. The 7th step is designed to help me achieve humility and allow myself to evolve in a spiritual manner. When I say the 7th step prayer, on page 76 of the Big Book, or by praying to my Higher Power in my own words I am asking for his help to achieve this. Humility is not bowing down or placing myself in a lowly position, but rather an understanding that I, as an individual, am no better or no worse than anyone else. We are all created equal in God's eyes. It means I only take credit for the things I am responsible for and give credit due to those things I am not.

I must realize that I am not the center of the universe, but only a very small part of it. I must strive to treat everyone as equals and try to do whatever I can to be useful to others. I think this is very important if I want to grow spiritually and to evolve as a person. My years of drinking were spent thinking and doing only for myself.

Seeking only what it was I wanted. Extremely selfish and self-centered. Not at all a good person. Certainly not a person I would want to be around. I find it necessary to continue to pray every day, for my Higher Power to help remove any shortcomings, and allow me to be humble, to be useful and to continue to grow spiritually.

By: Todd C



Q: How many alcoholics does it take to change a light bulb?

A: Seven - one to do it and six to tell him how to do it their way.

Q: What's the difference between a stoner and a alcoholic?

A: An alcoholic will run a stop sign while a stoner will wait for it to turn green

**A doctor tells a woman she can no longer touch anything alcoholic.
So she gets a divorce.**

An alcoholic wakes up in jail.

He asks the first police officer he sees, "Why am I here?"
For drinking," replies the officer.

"Great," says the man, "when do we start?"

Q: What does a law student and a recovering alcoholic have in common?

A: They both have to pass the bar.

Q: What do alcoholics and chemists have in common?

A: They both view alcohol as a solution.



**A baby can
drink a bottle,
fall asleep and people
say it's cute.
If I do it, I'm an alcoholic.**

ARE YOU DRUNK?

YES

NO

X

AUGUST TOPIC SUGGESTION

STEP 8 "Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all."

Share your Experience, Strength, and Hope regarding STEP 8 for the August Edition of S.O.S.

****Submissions are not limited to the suggested topic and we encourage you to write about any topic as it relates to Alcoholism for any month.****

Submissions for August Edition are due by July 25th. Any submissions received after July 25th will be included in the September Edition.

Please submit to sos@indyaa.org and title your email "Newsletter Submission".

*Please keep all submission around 700 words or less.
Include a title for your submission where applicable. If no title is included, we may provide one for you.
If you wish to be published anonymously, DO NOT include your name in your document and please write "post anonymously" in your email submission to SOS.
If you wish for your name or initials to be published, please write it at the end of your submitted document exactly as you would like it published. If no indication of intent has been made, your submission will automatically be posted anonymously.
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We look forward to hearing from you!*

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