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The next District meeting is Wednesday October 11th at 7:00pm.

Regular location: Lake George Town Center rear entrance, 20 Old Post Rd., Lake George.

All AA members are welcome. Why not bring a newcomer and hear what's new in AA!

Step 9 - Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Tradition 9 - A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

Concept IX - Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

District 13 is deeply grateful to the Groups and Members who contribute to our AA service work.

There are 60 AA Groups in District 13 - now with 80 AA meetings each and every week. Even the most modest contribution would greatly help, if only your group would consider donating when able.

All contributions are acknowledged by letters from District 13, Area 48 and GSO. District 13 also lists contributions in its Treasurer's Report and Newsletter. Historical contribution share has been 60% District; 30% Area & 10% GSO.

Contributions can be sent to:

District 13

HMB Area 48

General Service Office (GSO)

P. O. Box 4335, Queensbury, NY 12804

118 Polar Plaza #114, Route 30, Amsterdam, NY 12010

P. O. Box 459, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163

GSO contributions also can be made on-line at: www.aa.org and click on 'contributions' icon

Remember the **Grapevine**? It's not just the monthly magazine; it's all the great books available! The latest new Grapevine Book is: *Making Amends*

Order it on-line at www.aagrapevine.org or call the Grapevine at 212 870-3018. Get a free catalog, too!

Also get Grapevine's free Daily Quote of the Day. Just go to www.aagrapevine.org. Here's One:

"We've all seen the new member who stays sober for a time, largely through sponsorship. Then maybe the sponsor gets drunk, and you know what usually happens. Left without a human prop, the new member gets drunk, too. He has been glorifying an individual, instead of following the program. "Certainly, we need leaders, but we must regard them as the human agents of the Higher Power and not with undue adulation as individuals. The Fourth and Tenth Steps cannot be too strongly emphasized here, 'Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.' There is your perfect antidote for halo-poisoning."

AA Co-Founder, Dr. Bob, June 1955

"The Fundamentals in Retrospect,"

Best of the Grapevine, Vol. 2

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Hotline: Consider having your group or members volunteer for a time slot.

Corrections: Consider donating old issues of grapevine or soft cover AA books for correctional facilities. **Looking for WOMEN volunteers to bring meetings into jails**, see District 13 Corrections service info sheet below. Meetings at Warren County cannot begin until both men and women volunteer slots are filled. Please spread the word so we can carry the message into our local correctional facilities.

Webmaster: New District 13 website has launched! Check it out at: <http://district13.aahmbny.org/>

Dance/Events: Stay tuned for the next event and consider volunteering to help!

Meeting Notes

Friday Night Lake George meeting is postponing meetings for the winter. **Check back in the Spring.**

Crandall Street meetings, The Bay Road Literature Monday 7:00PM, **Original Warrensburg Group** Tues. 8:00PM, and **The Hudson Falls Group** Tuesday 7:00 PM **all need some support.** Give them a try.

Events!!

District 13 Joy of Service day is postponed.

HMB Convention November 3-5, 2017
Ramada Conference Center, 542 Route 9, Fishkill, NY 12524

HMB Area 48 Events available at:
<https://aahmbny.org/>

Please email any group anniversaries and events to district13newslettereditor@gmail.com.

PLEASE CONSIDER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR DISTRICT 13 !!

Records Chair

Need to talk to someone at District 13?

<u>Committee:</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>e-mail address</u>
• DCM	Mike C. [elected 4/1/15]	
• Alt. DCM	Dolores K. [elected 12/7/16]	
• Secretary	Paul [elected 4/12/17]	district13secretary@sprynet.com
• Treasurer	Joe D.	
• Records	Karen H [elected 9/13/17]	
• Bridging the Gap	Bill P [elected 6/9/17]	
• Corrections	Statia H. [elected 12/7/16]	
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Treasury Report

End of August, 2017

Opening Balance - Aug 1, 2017	806.36
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Contributions

Road To Happy Destiny Group	25.00
Alive Again Group	60.00
There Is A Solution Group	180.00
Saturday Eye Opener Group	180.00

Total	445.00
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Expenses

Mailings Made Easy	28.26
Rent	25.00
Contact Communications	237.65
Kingsbury Printing	28.18
Verizon	27.15

Total	346.24
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Opening Balance	806.36
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Contributions	445.00
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Expenses	346.24
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Month End Balance	905.12
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Prudent Reserve	250.00
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Total Above Prudent Reserve	655.12
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Closing Balance -Aug 31, 2017	905.12
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SELF-SUPPORT

The Seventh Tradition states: "Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions."

While contributions cover each group's rent and other expenses, the Seventh Tradition is essential at every level of A.A. service. It is both a privilege and a responsibility for groups and members to ensure that not only their group, but also their intergroup/central office, local services, district, area, and the General Service Office remain self-supporting. This keeps A.A. free of outside influences that might divert us from our primary purpose — to help the alcoholic who still suffers.

Although the amount of our contribution is secondary to the spiritual connection that unites all groups around the world, we may want to remember that a dollar does not support as many services as it used to.

Service Material from the General Service Office

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Some facts:

- Currently about 40% of groups contribute to the General Service Office.
- Costs of Services provided by G.S.O. (as of 2016) are approximately \$7.15 per member per year.
- Gross profit from A.A. literature sales account for over 50% of G.S.O.'s income.
- Your contributions help ensure the future of our Fellowship worldwide.

Personal thoughts:

- What is the value of your sobriety?
- Does your group know that contributions may be made online at AA.org?
- Gratitude, expressed through contributions, reaches the still-suffering alcoholic.

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District 13 Corrections Service Info Sheet

Requirements:

Please have 6 months of consecutive sobriety.

If you have served time in either jail, they ask that you not volunteer in that particular jail.

WARREN COUNTY

The meeting for **both male and female** inmates would be held at the same time on **Mondays 6:30 to 7:30 pm.**

Warren County has (4) pods, therefore will require (8) volunteers every week.

Fill out the application and return to the corrections chair. Once your application is approved you will receive an OCR # and a link to go online to make an appointment for fingerprinting. The cost for this is \$12.00.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

The meetings will be held on **Mondays 6:30–7:30 Women / 7:30–8:30 Men**

Fill out the application and return to the corrections chair. There is no fingerprinting required in this county.

- Each meeting will require (2) AA volunteers in attendance.
- Warren County has a volunteer acknowledgement form that a Correction member will go over with each representative to make them aware of what is allowed in the Facility.
- Once there are enough volunteers for each county, the Corrections Chair will make a schedule for each month.

Contact District 13 Chair Statia H. for more information!

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H.M.B. Area 48 Convention
November 3, 4, 5 2017

“Supporting Our Future”

For the latest updates:

<http://aahmbny.org/convention>



Hotel Website link:

[Ramada Fishkill](#)



Ramada Conference Center
542 Route 9, Fishkill, NY 12524

Cut off date for Hotel 10/4/17 — Hotel rate: \$99. +tax/night

The code for our event is CCHMB1.

Please be sure to book your hotel rooms with this code in order to receive the special rate. The direct number to the Hotel is 845-896-6281

There will be

*Al-Anon meetings/panels
& Saturday Night Speaker*

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Convention Registration Form

One Person Per Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____ - _____

Email: _____

_____ Years in Program

____ A.A. ____ Al-Anon ____ Alateen

Accessibility Needs? (such as hearing, vision, wheelchair...etc.)

Saturday Banquet: \$38. per plate

Includes: Salad, Beverage, & Desert

Please Indicate Choice:

_____ Grilled Flank Steak

_____ Chicken Cordon Blue

_____ Vegetable Lasagna

_____ Additional Dietary Needs?

Breakfast is included for Hotel Guests.

Banquet Reservations **MUST** be Received by: October 27, 2017

_____ **\$27.00 Registration Fee**

_____ **\$38.00 Banquet Fee**

_____ **Total Enclosed**



There will be a small fee for online credit registrations.

Registration Website link

Detach & Mail with Check or Money Order Payable to:

HMB Convention 2017
15 Health Way Apt 42
Ellenville NY 12428

www.aahmbny.org/convention/

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