District 18 Newsletter



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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS DISTRICT 18
CENTRAL SERVICE OFFICE AND BOOKSTORE
MON - FRI 10 am - 6 pm SAT 10 am - 12 pm

Address: 409 Broadway, Unit C-1, South Roxana, IL Phone: (618) 251-4000

District Meeting: Held the 3rd Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Date FRI 9/1	<i>Time</i> 8:00pm	What's Happening Bob P. Celebrates 6 Years	Group Friends of Bill W.	Location 1200 S Liberty St Jerseyville, IL
9/4	8:00pm	Earl M. Celebrates 2 Years Chris K. Celebrates 18 Years	Greenville Group	1001 East Harris Ave Greenville, IL
9/6	7:30pm	Phil Y. Celebrates 13 Years	Bunker Hill Big Book	114 South Washington St Bunker Hill, IL
9/18	8:00pm	Art W. Celebrates 17 Years	Greenville Group	1001 East Harris Ave Greenville, IL
9/20	7:30pm	Anthony D. Celebrates 3 Years	Bunker Hill Big Book	114 South Washington St Bunker Hill, IL
9/26	5:00pm	Rick P. Celebrates 5 Years	Fieldon Group	Rte 16 Fieldon Old Elementry School
9/30	7:00pm	Matt R. Celebrates 1 Year Andrea A. Celebrates 6 Years Mary G. Celebrates 9 Years	Calhoun Saturday Night Group	203 West Main St Hardin, IL



Please send in announcements for November by September 25^{th} \odot to <u>districteighteennewsletter@gmail.com</u> and please remember to include all groups, times, and locations for birthdays and speakers.

SPEAKERS/ POTLUCKS							
<u>Date</u>	What's Happening	<u>Group</u>	<u>Location</u>				
FRI 9/1	Bob P. Speaking @ 8:00pm Pizza Afterward	Friends of Bill W.	1200 S Liberty St Jerseyville, IL				
THU 9/28	Potluck @ 6:00pm/Speaker Bill P. @7:00	Sisters in Sobriety	First Christian Church 724 E Bethalto Blvd. Bethalto, IL				
Sat 9/30	Potluck/Speaker @ 7:00pm	Edwardsville Saturday Night Library Group	St. Mary's Church Basement 1802 Madison Avenue Edwardsville, IL				

Cheerfulness and Laughter make for Usefulness

Johnny is struggling with recovery and, as luck would have it, he is pulled over by a policeman the one time he slips up.

"Sir, I smell alcohol on your breath. Have you been drinking today?"

"Well, officer, you'd be drinking too if you'd just killed your wife."

"WHAT!? Are you confessing to murder?"

"The handgun is hidden under the seat. In the glove box, I stashed the heroin and a syringe I used to knock her out. Her body, bless her soul, is wrapped in a sheet in the trunk of the car."

The officer, stunned, handcuffs Johnny and calls for his sergeant. The sergeant arrives, takes the car keys and opens the trunk.

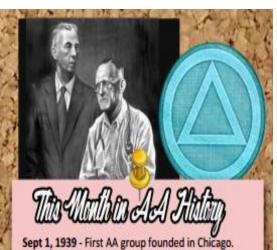
There's no body in here," he says to the patrolman. "I thought you said there was a homicide?"

The sergeant then looks in the glove box.

There isn't any heroin and there's no syringe," he says. He then searches under the seat. "And no gun either."

The sergeant turns to Johnny for an explanation.

"Geez, I bet he said I was drinking too."



Sept 1, 1939 - First AA group founded in Chicago.
Sept 11, 2001 - 30 Vesey St, New York. Location of AA's first office is destroyed during the World Trade

Center attack.

Sept 13, 1937 - Florence R, first female in AA in NY.

Sept 17, 1954 - Bill D, AA #3 dies.

Sept 19, 1965 - The Saturday Evening Post publishes

"Alcoholics Can Be Cured Despite AA"

Sept 21, 1938 - Bill W. & Hank P. form Works Publishing Co.

Sept 24, 1940 - Bill 12th steps Bobbie V., who later replaced Ruth Hock as his secretary in NY.

Sept 30, 1939 - article in Liberty magazine,

"Alcoholics and God" by Morris Markey.

Other significant events in September, but for which there is no specific date:

1930 - Bill wrote 4th (last) promise in family Bible to quit drinking

1939 - Group started by Earl T. in Chicago.

1940 - AA group started in Toledo by Duke P. & others.

1940 - Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases gives Big Book unfavorable review.

1946 - Bill & Dr. Bob both publicly endorsed National Committee Education Alcoholism founded by Marty M. 1946 - First A.A. group in Mexico.

1948 - Bob writes article for Grapevine on AA, "Fundamentals in Retrospect".

1949 - First issue of A.A. Grapevine published in "pocketbook" size.

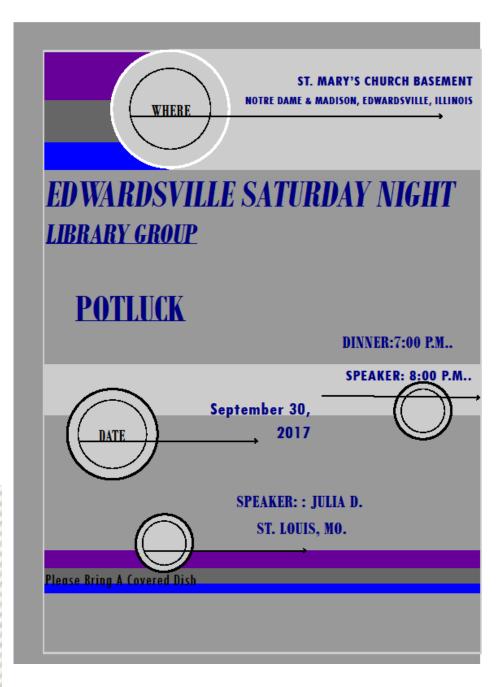
"Life will mean something at last.
The most satisfactory years of your existence lie ahead."

-Big Book, Pg. 152

EVENTS / CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS

4th Annual Fieldon Fish Fry Tuesday 9/26 Fieldon Group ,Rt 16 Fieldon Old Elementary school.

Food @5. Please bring covered dish. Speaker meeting to follow. Rick P. celebrating 5 years.



Outside the District

20th Annual Illinois Missouri



MEN'S AA BREAKFAST 0 Ŧ Towards Unite I C ĸ ĸ Illinois Eastern T Missouri AA districts AA districts 14 & 18 Ñ 0 ĸ First Tradition: Personal Recovery Depends On AA Unity

> TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY OCTOBER 13TH

when: Sunday, November 5, 2017

Orlando Gardens (Handicapped Accessible)

2050 Dorsett Village - Maryland Hts. 63043

what: 9:00 am - Buffet Breakfast

10:00 am - Speaker: Dennis H. Belleville, IL

11:30 am - Adjournment

cost: \$22.00

Purchase tickets by mail by October 13, 2017 Directions: 270 North/South Exit Dorsett Rd west to Dorsett Village Plaza

FOR INFORMATION CALL:

Adam W. @ (618)-520-1344 Bill F. @ (314)-968-5299

Complete this form to order	tickets by	mail \$22.00

WHERE:

Name

Total Enclosed \$

NOTE: tickets ordered by mail will be available for pick up at the door the morning of the breakfast

MAIL CHECK & FORM TO:

"AIM Unity Breakfast" P.O. Box 430093 St. Louis MO 63143 - 0093

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: AIM Unity Breakfast

MEETING CHANGES?

Who do we inform to ensure that meeting listings in the where and when and the district website are up to date and accurate?

- □ Where and when changes and additions need to be emailed to: **Roblando38@aol.com**. The subject line in the email should have "where and when".
- □ District website meeting changes need to be emailed to meetings@aa-district18.org

We thank these gentlemen for their service as our meetings are constantly changing, so there is a lot to keep up with.