

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

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Time</i> | <i>What's Happening</i> | <i>Group</i> | <i>Location</i> |
|-------------|-------------|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 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 |
| 10/3 | 7:00pm | Kristen G. Celebrates 8 Years | Tues Night Newcomers | 409 Broadway Ave South Roxana |
| 10/4 | 7:30pm | Frank G. Celebrates 8 Years | BHBB | 114 E. Warren St Bunker Hill |
| 10/9 | 7:00pm | Debi A. Celebrates 5 Years | ESH | 400 N Center St East Alton |
| 10/13 | 8:00pm | Beverly B. Celebrates 1 Year | Highland Group | West Door, 2520 Poplar St Highland |
| 10/18 | Noon | Randy M. Celebrates 31 Years | Just for Today | 409 Broadway Ave South Roxana |
| 10/19 | 7:00pm | Amber O. Celebrates 1 Year | Sisters in Sobriety | 724 E Bethalto Blvd Bethalto |
| 10/28 | 5:30pm | Sharon P. Celebrates 4 Years | Happy Hour | 6 th & Penning, Wood River |
| 12/2 | 5:30pm | Kelsey W. Celebrates 6 Months | Happy Hour | 6 th & Penning, Wood River |

Please send in announcements for November by October 25th ☺ to districteighteennewsletter@gmail.com and please remember to include all groups, times, and locations for birthdays and speakers.



SPEAKERS/ POTLUCKS

| <u>Date</u> | <u>What's Happening</u> | <u>Group</u> | <u>Location</u> |
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| Sat 9/30 | Potluck/Speaker @ 7:00pm  | Edwardsville Saturday Night Library Group | St. Mary's Church Basement 1802 Madison Avenue Edwardsville, IL |
| Thu 10/26 | Potluck 6pm/ Speaker Mike S. 7:00pm | Sisters in Sobriety | 724 E Bethalto Blvd Bethalto |
| Wed 11/29 | Speaker Kyle C. 7:00am | Morning Miracles | 131 N Main St Glen Carbon |

Cheerfulness and Laughter make for Usefulness

A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00 am by a loud pounding on the door. The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.

"Not a chance," says the husband, "it is 3:00 in the morning!" He slams the door and returns to bed.

"Who was that?" asked his wife.

"Just some drunk guy asking for a push," he answers.

"Did you help him?" she asks.

"No, I did not, it is 3:00 in the morning and it is pouring rain out there!"

"Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you remember about three months ago when we broke down, and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself! God loves drunk people too."

The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain.

He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?"

"Yes," comes back the answer.

"Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband.

"Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark.

"Where are you?" asks the husband.

"Over here on the swing set," replied the drunk.

October In AA's History

Oct 1

- 1941 - Local news reports 1st AA Group in New Haven, CT.
- 1957 - Book "A.A. Comes of Age" published.

Oct 2

1944 - Marty M. founded National Committee Education Alcoholism, later became National Council on Alcoholism.

Oct 3

- 1945 - *AA Grapevine* adopted as national publication of AA.

Oct 5-7

- 1972 - 2nd World Service meeting held in New York.

Oct 5

- 1988 - Lois Burnam Wilson died.

Oct 6

- 1941 - 900 dine at Cleveland dinner for Bill D, AA #3.

Oct 8

- 1988 - Memorial Service for Lois W at Stepping Stones, NY.

Oct. 9-11

- 1969 - 1st World Service meeting held in New York with delegates from 14 countries.

Oct 10

- 1943 - 6 of 1st 9 AA's attend clubhouse anniv. in Toledo.
- 1970 - Lois reads "Bills Last Message" at annual dinner in New York.
- 1988 - Lois is buried next to Bill in East Dorsett, Vermont.

Oct 13

- 1947 - "The Melbourne Group" held its first meeting in Australia.

Oct 14

- 1939 - Journal of American Medical Association gives Big Book unfavorable review.

Oct 15

- 1904 - Marty M, early AA woman, is born in Chicago.

Oct 17

- 1935 - Ebby T, Bills sponsor, moves in with Bill and Lois.

Oct 20

1928 - Bill wrote promise to Lois in family Bible to quit drinking. By Thanksgiving added second promise.

Oct 21

- 1939 - *Cleveland Plain Dealer* begins series of articles on AA of by Elrick Davis.

Oct 22

- 1963 - E M Jellinek, alcoholism educator and AA friend dies.

Oct 24

- 1942 - *L.A. Times* reports AA groups in 14 California cities.
- 1943 - Wilson's start 1st major A.A. tour, returned Jan 19, 1944.
- 1973 - Trustee's Archives Committee of AA has its first meeting.

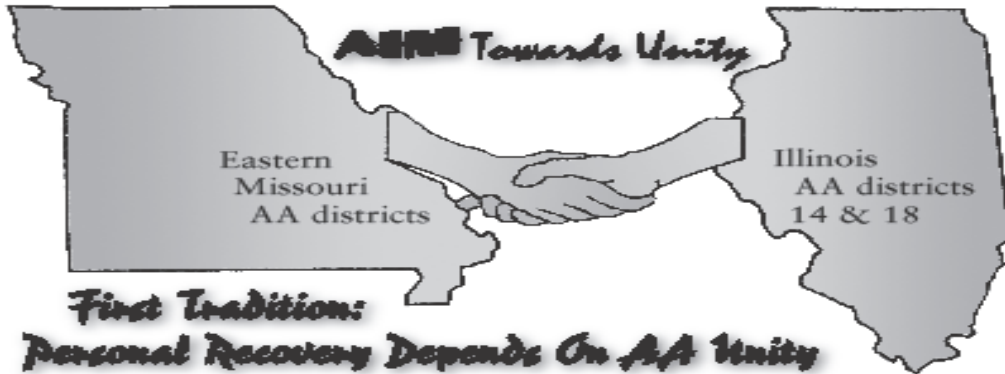
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- 1994 - National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence celebrates 50 years.

Outside the District

20TH ANNUAL ILLINOIS MISSOURI MEN'S AA BREAKFAST

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**TICKETS MUST BE
PURCHASED BY
OCTOBER 13TH**

WHEN: Sunday, November 5, 2017

WHERE: 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

Directions: 270 North/South
Exit Dorsett Rd west to Dorsett Village Plaza

Purchase tickets by mail
by October 13, 2017

FOR INFORMATION CALL: Adam W. @ (618)-520-1344
Bill F. @ (314)-968-5299

Complete this form to order tickets by mail \$22.00
(Please Print)

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
of People _____ @ \$22.00
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.