

# District 12 Newsletter

August 2014

## Step Eight

*“Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.”*



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**It Works if you Work it!**

**One Day at a Time!**

**Let Go and Let God!**

**Get a Sponsor don't go it alone....**

### “Eighth Step Essay”

By Martin C.

**It's all about starting over again, only this time I'm on the Eighth Step. So I'm just writing down a list of people I have harmed, and working on WILLINGNESS to make amends to them all.**

**Sometimes I confuse the Sixth and the Eighth Steps because I try to be ready as well as willing.**

**Another approach I like to take is across the board with Eighth Step, Eighth Tradition and Eighth Concept.**

**At this Number there is an irony. The Sixth Step gets me ready to give up my defects. The Eighth Step encourages me to be willing to make amends after I have written a list which came principally from my Fourth Step. The Eighth Tradition reminds me to not take myself too seriously, and finally the Eighth Concept admonishes me to take the job seriously.**

### Tradition Eight—Page 166 12 x 12

**“Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.”**

**Alcoholics Anonymous will never have a professional class. We have gained some understanding of the ancient words “Freely ye have received, freely give.” We have discovered that at the point of professionalism, money and spirituality do not mix.**

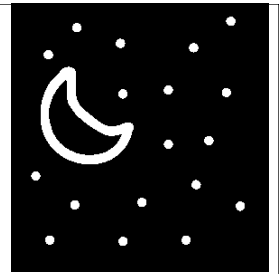
### Step Eight—Page 77 12 x 12

**Steps Eight and Nine are concerned with personal relations. First, we take a look backward and try to discover where we have been at fault; next we make a vigorous attempt to repair the damage we have done; and third, having thus cleaned away the debris of the past, we consider how, with our new found knowledge of ourselves, we may develop the best possible relations with every human being we know.**

## **NEW LOCATION**

***DAY BY DAY CLUB***  
***1803 St. John's***  
***Highland Park, IL 60035***  
***(Above the Health Spa)***  
***Handicapped ramp to***  
***Elevator in the rear of the***  
***Building to the 2nd Floor***

**Waukegan Alano Club**  
**2419 Washington Street**  
**Waukegan, IL**



### **Meetings Under The Stars**

**Come join us for the 8 PM Speaker Meeting on Saturday Nights and following we will have an open discussion meeting around a fire and under the stars!!!**  
**Any questions call Tina M. (847) 693-9863**

*TWELVE STEPS AND TWELVE TRADITIONS, p.80*

Willingness is a peculiar thing for me in that, over a period of time, it seems to come, first with awareness, but then with a feeling of discomfort, making me want to take some action. As I reflected on taking the Eighth Step, my willingness to make amends to others came as a desire for forgiveness, of others and myself. I felt forgiveness toward others after I became aware of my part in the difficulties of relationships. I wanted to feel the peace and serenity described in the Promises. From working the first seven Steps, I became aware of whom I had harmed and that I had been my own worst enemy. In order to restore my relationships with my fellow human beings, I knew I would have to change. I wanted to learn to live in harmony with myself and others so that I could also live in emotional freedom.

The beginning to the end of my isolation – from my fellows and from God

### **A.A.'s Responsibility Statement**

**“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.”**

# **EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Waukegan Alano Club ANNUAL PICNIC**

**Sun. Aug. 10, 2014  
12 Noon**

**BOWEN PARK  
(Pavilion Shelter)  
Greenwood Ave. & Sheridan Rd.  
Waukegan, IL  
Raffle  
\$200 First Prize  
\$100 Second Prize  
\$100 Third Prize**

**Bring a Dish to Pass**

## ***ATTENTION LADIES***

### **LIFE'S A BEACH**

**Speaker, Beth M, Kenosha, WI  
Saturday, August 16, 2014  
5:30—???  
North Point Marina - Pit 5  
Winthrop Harbor, IL**

**Sheridan Road to 7th Street**

*Bring a dish to pass, lawn chair, bug spray and a friend.  
Donations will be taken to cover the cost of pop, coffee,  
etc. Any proceeds go to the District 12 Christmas Party.*

*In case of rain we will meet at the Zion-Benton Alano  
Club on Sheridan Road*

## **VOLUNTEERS WE NEED A COMMITMENT!!!**

Lake County Work Release  
Tuesday and/or Thursday  
Once or twice a month  
7:15 pm

Both men and women needed  
For more info contact: Pete 224-381-9992  
Or LaVonne 224-440-2834

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 12 STEP WORK**

### **St. Therese Psych Unit Meeting**

Sunday 10 am Tues 7 pm

### **Sponsor Panel - ATP**

1st and 3rd Saturdays 12:45 til 2 pm

### **Drug Court**

1:30 pm Fridays Court 201

### **Mental Health Court**

9:00 am Mondays Court 220

### **Veterans Court**

1st and 3rd Friday at 9:00 am Court 201

### **SAP**

SAP Bldg. 1:00 pm Thursdays

### **Detox**

ATP 7:30 pm Wednesday

**For Info Contact:** Frank M.@ 847-336-2775

## **Looking for a Sponsor/Sponsee?**

Join us at the  
**ATP Sponsorship Panel**  
1st and 3rd Saturday of each month 12:45pm  
Female sponsors needed!

## **District 12 Meeting**

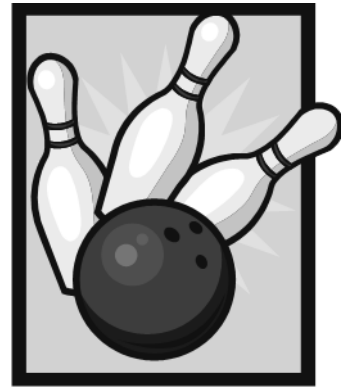
Third Sunday of every month at 4:00PM at Vista Medical  
Center West, 2615 Washington Street, Waukegan, Illinois  
60085. All alcoholics are welcome and group GSRs are  
strongly encouraged to attend.

## **The District 12 Open Speaker Breakfast**

Victory Hospital  
(also known as Vista Medical Center East)  
Cost: \$7.00  
Start time is 8:30 AM  
1st Sunday of every month

# Waukegan Alano Club Bowling Party

**1st Friday of Each Month  
At 9:00 P.M.  
Bertrand's Bowl  
2616 Washington Street  
Waukegan, Illinois 60085**



**Cost: \$6.00  
Includes 2 Games and Shoes  
Pizza and Soda on the Club**



## A.A. Contacts

General Service Office: <http://www.aa.org>  
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 District 12 Answering Service: 847-623-9660  
 Northern Illinois Area 20 - District 12: P.O. Box 8882 - Waukegan, Illinois 60079-8882

## District 12 Officers (Confidential – this information is for A.A. Use only)

If you are interested in one of the positions listed as OPEN, please contact an officer.

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