

Berkshire Intergroup News

October, 2024

Anniversaries:

Southern Berkshire	October 25	Chris D (9 yrs), Colin (11 yrs), Thea B (35 yrs)
SOS (Sober on Saturday)	October 26	Jane S (31 yrs), Thea B (35 yrs)
Keep It Simple (In-person)	October 26	Brian C (5 yrs), Alysa W (6 yrs), Elaine B (15 yrs), Diane C (16 yrs)
Monterey 11th Step	October 27	James (4 yrs), Tim L (6 yrs), Jamie (19 yrs), Craig (22 yrs), John (26 yrs), Gina (31 yrs)
Stockbridge Tower Group	October 29	Madison L (5 yrs), Colin McC (11 yrs)
Great Barrington Men's	October 31	Andy (2 yrs), Dalton (3 yrs), James D (4 yrs) Brian (5 yrs), Mario (10 yrs), Karl S (38 yrs)
Great Barrington Women's	October 31	Diane C (16 yrs), Elaine (14 yrs), Joan N (21 yrs), Renée (24 yrs), Jane C (35 yrs), Thea B (35 yrs)
Virtual Sober at Sunrise	October 25 October 27 October 28	Cindy A (4 yrs) Stanley N (20 yrs) Lisa A (14 yrs), Karl M (21 yrs)

Recent meeting changes*

* Email corrections and additions to: berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com.

Events:

MSCYPAA (Massachusetts State Convention of Young People in AA) Octoberfest
October 25. Agawam United Methodist Church, 459 Mill Street, Agawam. 5:30 speaker meeting, cornhole, s'mores by a fire pit, candy apples, and pumpkin painting. \$10 suggested donation, \$10 meal ticket, \$5 cornhole tournament entry fee. See mscypaa.com

Berkshire Intergroup Christmas Alkathon

Planning meeting Friday, October 25, 5:00 pm Zoom ID: 876 1377 6813 Passcode: 306885

Western MA Intergroup Thanksgiving Alkathon

November 28, 11 am–12 am. Morningstar Baptist Church, 11 N Main Street, South Hadley

I Don't Have A Clue Thanksgiving Zoomathon

10:00 am – 7:00 pm. Try Zoom ID: 825 6642 4813 Passcode: 413645

Massachusetts State Convention

November 8–10, Best Western Plaza Hotel, 181 Boston Post Road W, Marlborough

For more information: aamastateconvention.org

Hybrid planning meeting October 29 at 7:00 pm. Packet stuffing and pizza at 6:00.

Zoom ID: 815 3656 5207 Passcode: 729674 Carpool; altdelegate@area31aa.org

NERAASA; Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly

February 21-23, 2025 will be virtual. For more information go to NERAASA.org

2025 International Convention: "90 Years: Language of the Heart"

Registration is open; <https://www.aa.org/international-convention>.

July 3–6, 2025, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

New Literature:

Plain Language Big Book: A Tool for Reading Alcoholics Anonymous

Scheduled to be available November 1: To reserve copies, call Intergroup (413) 448-2382 or email berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com with "PLBB" in the subject line.

Also new: a revised pamphlet "Black in A.A" and Literature Workbook

Ongoing:

District 3 Traditions Meeting

2nd Sunday, 7:00 pm. Zoom ID: 842 7414 8976, Passcode: 816033

Links to recordings of past speakers can be obtained by writing district3@area31aa.org.

Area Committees

There are a number of area committees that encourage participation. These include: Accessibility, Archives, Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC), Grapevine, and Public Information (PI). More information can be found on the website: area31aa.org.

Berkshire County Committee Meetings:

Intergroup: 2nd Monday, "Bookie" speaker exchange 6:00 pm, Committee meeting 7:00 pm. Zoom ID: 876 1377 6813, Passcode: 306885

Institutions: 2nd Thursday, 8:30 pm. Zoom ID: 815 4091 3682, Passcode: serenity.

District 3: 3rd Friday, 7:00 pm. Hybrid. Lee Town Hall Courtroom, 32 Main Street Zoom ID: 830 1542 5561, Passcode: 043735

Opportunities for Service:***Berkshire Institutions Committee***

There is an ongoing need for people to bring meetings into institutions (McGee, CSS, Jones and BCHC). Groups are encouraged to send a rep to the Institutions Committee meeting on the 2nd Thursday at 8:30 pm to learn more. Zoom ID: 815 4091 3682, Passcode: serenity. Elections for positions will take place on November 14.

Berkshire Intergroup

Those interested in becoming a group rep or learning more about ways to get involved in Intergroup can attend a committee meeting or write berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com. Elections for the positions of co-chair, secretary and treasurer will take place November 11.

Office volunteers are needed to carry out tasks which include answering the phone, greeting visitors, selling literature and medallions. Six months of sobriety is suggested. For more information, contact Robin D at (413) 446-7445.

Intergroup Office:

The Intergroup office is now open Monday through Friday from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm except for holidays.

It is suggested that visitors always **CALL AHEAD** to make sure someone is there.

Intergroup office phone number: (413) 448-2382.

Website: berkshireaaintergroup.org

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Berkshire County AA Hotline number: (413) 443-0212.

News and announcements can be sent to berkshireintergroupnews@gmail.com.

For the next issue, please send news and announcements by Monday, November 11.