

# THE JOURNEY AT THE BEACH

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*Tradition Six* - "An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose."

*Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 155*

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

*"To thine own self be true"*

NAME	YEARS	SOBRIETY DATE	CELEBRATING	WHERE	WHEN
Celeste M	13	06/17/06	06/18/19	Come As You Are • OP Chamber of Comm.	6 pm
Joe C	39	06/16/80	07/03/19	Proud To Have Served • Atlantic Club	6 pm
Paul B	2	06/20/17	06/20/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	7:30 am
Allison K	10	06/25/09		Fresh Air • Crossway Church	8 pm
Glen A	7	07/05/12	07/06/19	Happy Risers • Atlantic Club	9 am

Please submit all anniversary information to [ocmdaa.news@gmail.com](mailto:ocmdaa.news@gmail.com) by the 28<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month of the anniversary. Include your name, sobriety date, celebration date, where and when. The newsletter is printed on the first Tuesday of every month, so if your sobriety date falls early in the month, we may put your announcement in the prior month's newsletter. Thanks!

*Step Six* • "Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character."

*Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, page 63*

"This is the Step that separates the men from the boys." . . . the difference between "the boys and the men" is the difference between striving for a self-determined objective and for the perfect objective which is of God. . . . It is suggested that we ought to become entirely willing to aim toward perfection. . . . The moment we say, "No, never!" our minds close against the grace of God. . . . This is the exact point at which we abandon limited objectives, and move toward God's will for us.

*Daily Reflections, page 165*

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## News and Events

**District 32** and the **Ocean City Area Fellowship Intergroup** meet every first Tuesday of the month at the Atlantic Club, 11827 Ocean Gateway, Ocean City, MD 21843 (Route 50 Westbound). All are welcome to attend.

**Next meeting is**       **July 2nd**

**District Reps**         **5:30 pm**

**Intergroup Reps**     **6:00 pm**

**Participation in Service Work** • There are many ways to participate in service work in your AA community. Answering services, Correctional Facilities visits, and volunteering at Workshops and Events are just a few. Please speak to your Intergroup Rep before or after a meeting to learn more. We are grateful for your participation in helping to carry the message of AA!

**Would you consider Hosting a Workshop?** • The Area 29 Workshop Committee's purpose is to assist local groups, districts, and inter groups who wish to present workshops on various topics related to AA. Contact [workshop@marylandaa.org](mailto:workshop@marylandaa.org) with questions.

**AA Books** • Literature is available for purchase online at [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) and at the Atlantic Club. See someone at the front desk for assistance.

**Website** • Visit Ocean City Fellowship Intergroup of AA's website at [www.ocaa.org](http://www.ocaa.org).

**Grapevine** • Founded in 1944, the AA Grapevine® is the monthly, international journal of Alcoholics Anonymous in print, digital and audio. Often referred to as our "meeting in print," A.A. Grapevine communicates the experience, strength, and hope of its contributors and reflects a broad geographic spectrum of current A.A. experience with recovery, unity, and service. For more information, visit [www.e-aa.org](http://www.e-aa.org).

## Help Wanted

**Participation by Intergroup Representatives** in monthly meetings. The average attendance at our monthly meetings has been 7-10. There are 24 meeting groups in District 32. If you have volunteered to be an Intergroup Rep, please resolve to attend meetings in 2019 to help keep the traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous strong.

**Bridging the Gap Committee Chair** • This committee helps people just being released from jail get into recovery. If interested, please attend an Intergroup meeting for more information.

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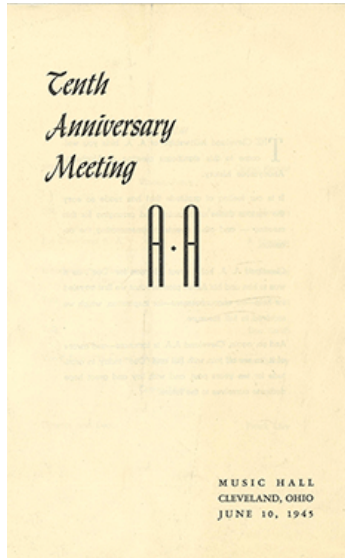
### OCAA Phone Schedule 410-600-5219

Dawn is the chair of the OCAA phone committee.

June - Fresh Air    July - Happy Hour    August - Positive Attitude    September - Happy Risers

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## A.A.'s 10th Anniversary Celebration



Five years prior to A.A.'s first International Convention a historic gathering took place in Cleveland, Ohio to commemorate A.A.'s tenth anniversary in June 1945. Over 2,500 members of Alcoholics Anonymous from 36 states, two Canadian provinces, and Mexico attended the two-day event. Celebrations kicked off on Saturday June 9th with two regular A.A. meetings and two "open house" meetings held in different parts of Cleveland.

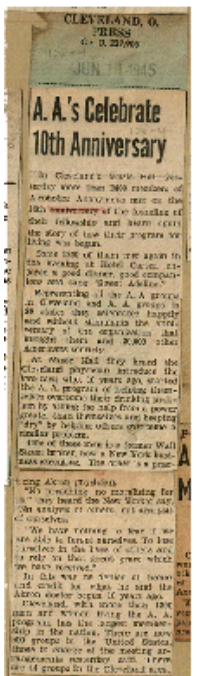
On June 10th, marking the ten year anniversary of the founding of A.A., cofounders Bill W. and Dr. Bob spoke to a crowd of 1,000 at the Music Hall in downtown Cleveland. In his talk, Bill spoke about the growth of A.A., briefly retelling his own story and about the writing of the Big Book. Bill concluded his talk by stating that "A.A. is much bigger than any of us" and joked that Dr. Bob and himself were "a couple of old, cracked antiques who have had a little more experience than others."

Following Bill, Dr. Bob spoke briefly about the development of A.A. in Akron, Ohio. He concluded by saying, "Our program must be followed by each individual. And each individual is the only one who can do it for himself." Bill stating that June 10th was "a day for congratulations for thanksgiving and for celebration," and that A.A. "could not have been but for others." Dr. Bob went on to thank all that "were a source of help and inspiration in [his] trouble," including his wife, Anne; A.A.s of Cleveland; the members of the Alcoholic Foundation, and to all in attendance at the Music Hall.



Also on the evening of June 10th, 400 A.A. members attended a Founders Day dinner in Akron, Ohio. Bill and Dr. Bob attended the dinner after they spoke in Cleveland. Speaking about Akron, Bill said "It was here that the miracle really happened. This is the hill where the A.A. beacon was lit 10 years ago."

[https://www.aa.org/pages/en\\_US/aas-10th-anniversary-celebration](https://www.aa.org/pages/en_US/aas-10th-anniversary-celebration)



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## OCEAN CITY AREA FELLOWSHIP INTERGROUP

CHAIR - Tom M      ALT CHAIR - Dave H      SECRETARY - Allison K      TREASURER - Bradley S

GROUP	INTERGROUP REP	LOCATION	ADDRESS	DAY & TIME
Action Group	Bradley S	Holy Savior Catholic Church	17 <sup>th</sup> & Philadelphia Ocean City	Friday 8 PM
Assateague Group - Living Sober	Kenny G	Bethany United Methodist Church	6848 RT 611 Berlin	Sunday 6 PM
Beginner's Big Book	Joe P	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Monday 6:30 PM
Berlin 101 Women's (CLOSED)	Patricia G	St. Paul's Episcopal Church	3 Church Street Berlin	Saturday 9 AM
Berlin Friendship	VACANT	Friendship United Methodist Church	Friendship Road Berlin	Monday 8 PM
Come As You Are	Jennie R.	Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce	11031 Cathell Rd Berlin	Tuesday 6 PM
Entirely Ready	Robin D	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Friday 6 PM
Free To Be Women's	Nancy C	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Wednesday 8 PM
Fresh Air	Allison K	Crossway Church	11811 RT 50 West Ocean City	Tuesday 8 PM
Happy Hour	VACANT	Community Church at Ocean Pines	11227 Race Track RD Ocean Pines	Monday 6 PM
Happy, Joyous & Free Women's Step Study	Carla H/Gail G	Community Church at Ocean Pines	11227 Race Track RD Ocean Pines	Friday 10 AM
Happy Risers	Paul B	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	M thru F 7:30AM S & S 9 AM
Joy of Living	Diane H	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	M thru Sat Noon
Men's 12&12 Step	Jeff S / Eck S	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Wednesday 8 PM
Not A Glum Lot	Jerome N	All Hallows Episcopal Church	109 West Market Street Snow Hill	M/W/F 7:30 PM
One Step At A Time	Martha J	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Saturday 6 PM
Positive Attitude	Rob A	Stevenson United Methodist Church	123 N Main Street Berlin	Saturday 7 PM
Primary Purpose	VACANT	St Peter's Lutheran Church	10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City	Thursday 7 PM
Proud To Have Served	John M	Atlantic Club	11827 RT 50 West Ocean City	Wednesday 6 PM
Seaside Group	Ellen O	St Peter's Lutheran Church	10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City	Wednesday 6 PM
Serenity Group	Ellen O	St Peter's Lutheran Church	10301 Coastal Hwy Ocean City	Wednesday Noon
Serenity & Sand	Angie P	On the Beach	at 2nd St • Weather Permitting	Friday 10 PM Mem. Day - Labor Day

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