

# SOBER TIMES NEWSLETTER

News from around District 26, Area 32

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"The purpose of District 26 Unity Council is to educate AA Groups and the public on AA Principles and promote harmony among AA Groups thru the practice of A.A.'s 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts. We are a fellowship of alcoholics from different Groups within the District that encourage participation and service."

**Next District 26 Meeting**  
**10:00 am Sat Jan 19**  
**Skidway Lake**  
**Faith Lutheran Church**  
**5315 Henderson Lake Rd.**

December 15<sup>th</sup> the **Houghton Lake Area Alano Club** will be hosting a Christmas Party, see the info on Facebook. This will be followed at 8:00pm by an OPEN Speaker

Central Michigan Intra Area will meet Dec 2 in Saline for elections. Lunch is provided.

MCYPAA was a complete success thanksgiving weekend. Detroit YP, BURBYPAA, won the bid for next year's festivities. Help us congratulate their hard work.

Having spent the month of November seeking to improve my conscious contact, am I prepared to carry the message and am I attempting to practice these principles in all my affairs?

There will be no New Years Party in Roscommon this year but watch the website for various events this month.

Check out latest news and upcoming events at <http://www.dist26aa.org/>

Yours in service: *A.E.Newman*

**AA's 12<sup>th</sup> Step "Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs".**

Am I as an alcoholic in AA doing the things today that instilled the spiritual awakening that the twelfth step is referring to? Am I "trying to carry this message, and at least as important, am I practicing these principles in ALL my affairs?"

***The 12<sup>th</sup> Tradition states that Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities. The spiritual substance of anonymity is sacrifice. Because AA's 12 Traditions ask us to give up personal desires for the common good, we realize the sacrificial spirit – well symbolized by anonymity – is the foundation of them all. It is AA's proved willingness to make these sacrifices that gives people their high confidence in our future.***

**AA's 12<sup>th</sup> Concept states "The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. traditions, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government, and that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action."**