

Alcoholics Anonymous

Let's Be Friendly with Our Friends

Your Local A.A. Community

A.A. in Your Community

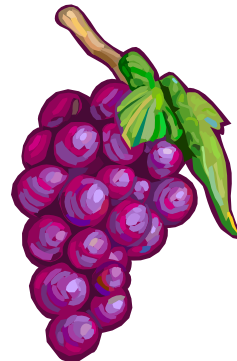
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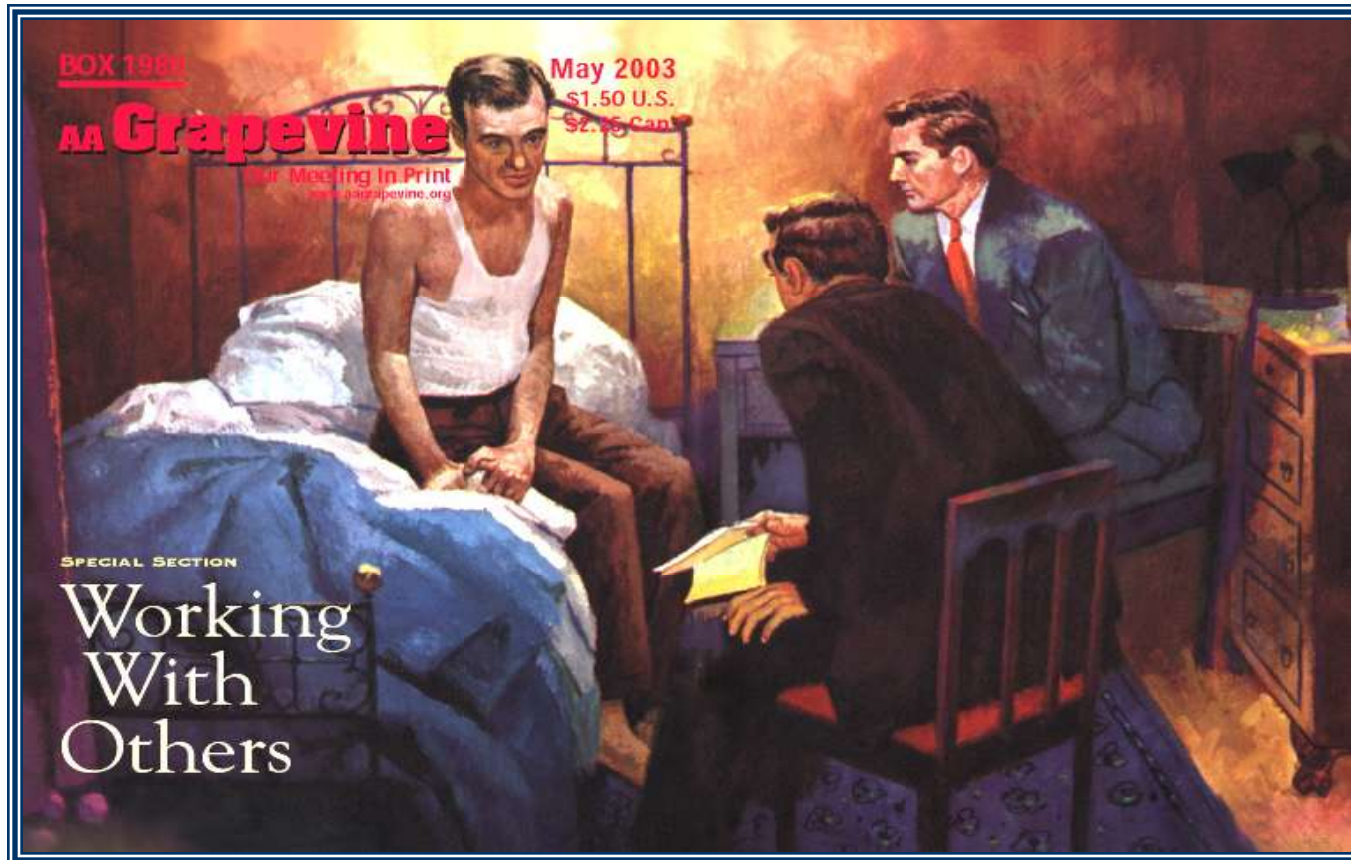


The A.A. Grapevine, Our
Meeting in Print

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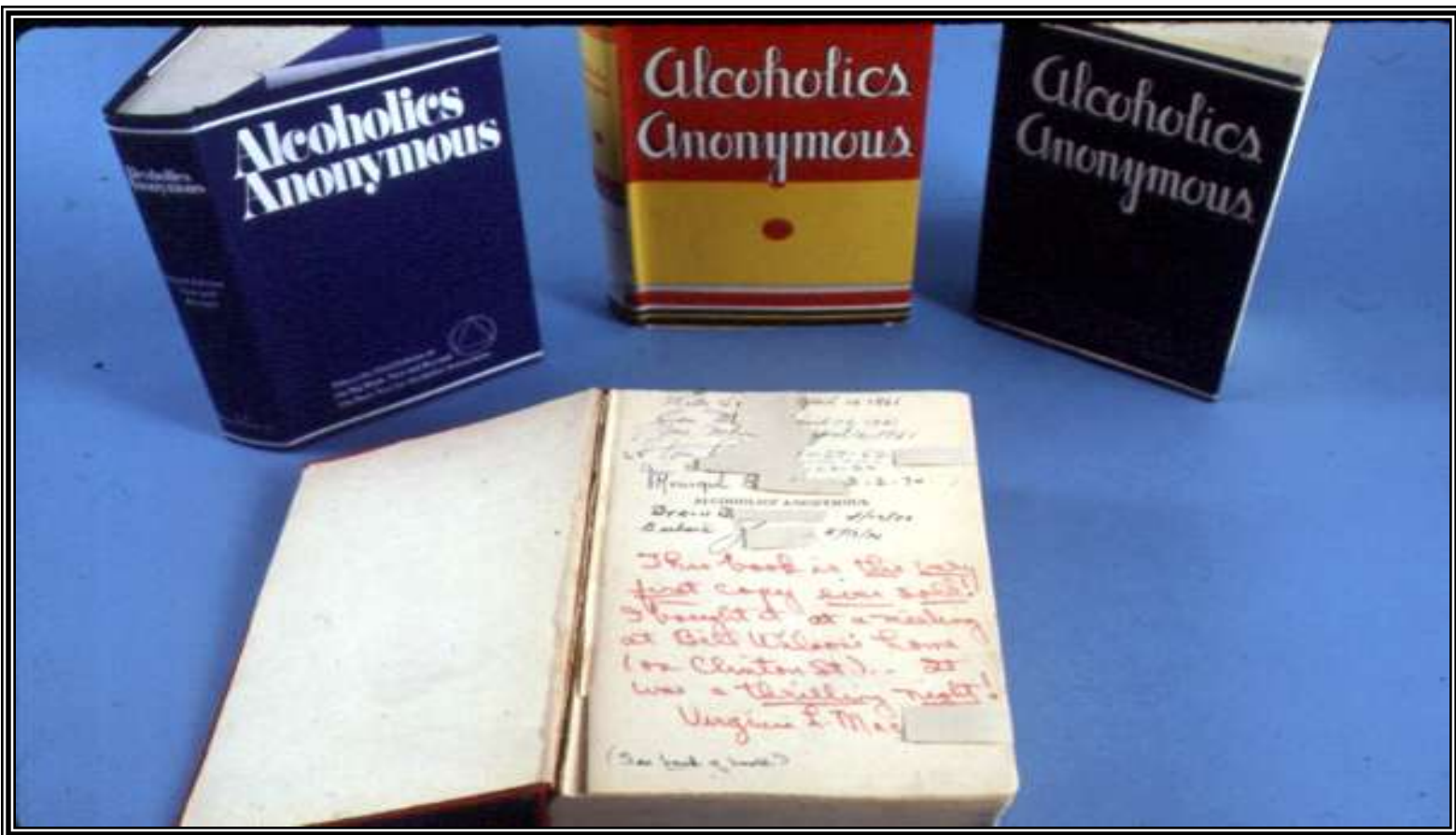
Some Facts About A.A.



The A.A. Program of Action

- A way to stop drinking and stay stopped
- A.A.'s suggested Twelve Steps are the program of recovery
- The Steps are based on the experience of early A.A. members
- A.A. is spiritual, not religious

A.A.'s Spirit of Service



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June 12, 1961
I bought a copy of the book at a meeting at Bill Wilson's home (on Clinton St.) - it was a thrilling night!
Virginia E. May
(See back of book)

A.A. Unity

- **A.A.'s Twelve Traditions ensure unity and act as a guide for members, groups, and the Fellowship as a whole**



A.A.'s Twelve Traditions

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Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

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The 4th Edition of the Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous

CIRCLES OF HELP

MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER
CLERGY
NURSE OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
PHYSICIAN
JUDGE OR CORRECTION OFFICER
SOCIAL WORKER
EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROFESSIONAL
YOU CAN HELP TOO
UNION REPRESENTATIVE
MILITARY LEADER
COACH
SUPERVISOR
EDUCATOR

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What Does A.A. Do?

- Offers a Twelve Step program of recovery
- Groups put on A.A. meetings
- A.A. members share their experience
- Local committees carry the A.A. message

What Does A.A. Not Do?

- **Solicit members**
- **Make medical diagnoses**
- **Provide hospitalization or drugs**
- **Keep attendance records/case histories**
- **Offer religious services**
- **Address prevention, treatment, advocacy or legislation**

Singleness of Purpose

- A.A.'s focus is on recovery from alcoholism
- Anyone may observe *open* meetings
- Closed meetings are for those with a drinking problem.
- Anyone with a desire to stop drinking may become an A.A. member
- A.A. members bring meetings into correctional and treatment facilities

A.A. and Professionals

- Referrals to A.A. may help someone with a drinking problem find a way to stop drinking
- A.A. members in your community can help your patients/clients with drinking problems
- A.A. members can give informational presentations for professionals

Proof of Attendance at A.A. Meetings

- **Signing slips – it is up to each A.A. group to decide if/how to handle the signing of attendance slips**
- **A.A. is not allied with nor does it endorse court or treatment programs**
- **Some A.A. groups choose to cooperate with these programs**

How Can You Cooperate with A.A. to Help your Patients/Clients?

- **Maintain contact with the local A.A. community**
- **Contact a local A.A. office for *open* A.A. meeting information**
- **Observe *open* A.A. meetings**
- **Read A.A. literature directed to professionals**
- **Subscribe to the *About A.A.* newsletter (free) and *The A.A. Grapevine* or *La Viña* magazines (cost)**
- **Contact the General Service Office to get connected with local A.A.s**

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Thank You!

[Local contact info here]

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