

# Flint Area Unity Council Newsletter

F.A.U.C. Website: [www.geneseecountyaa.org](http://www.geneseecountyaa.org)



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AA Help Line (810) 234-0815

## The 3<sup>rd</sup> Step

When God solves our problems, we've faith in His abilities. When God doesn't solve our problems, He has faith in our abilities.

Faith is to believe what we do not see; and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe.

"Being convinced, *we were at Step Three*, which is that we decided to turn our will and our life over to God as we understood Him. Just what do we mean by that?"

The first requirement is that we be convinced that any life run on self-will can hardly be a success. On that basis we are almost always in collision with something or somebody, even if our motives are good."

"We hope you are convinced now that God can remove whatever self-will has blocked you off from Him. If you have already made a decision, and an inventory of your grosser handicaps, you have made a good beginning. That being so you have swallowed and digested some big chunks of truth about yourself." Page 60 & 71. Big Book, reprinted by permission of A.A.W.S.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Step says we turn our will and life over to the care of God. First it says we *Made a Decision*. The word *Decision* defined; "making up one's own mind." If my car breaks down, a *Decision* is to fix it. The *Decision* doesn't fix it. *Action* gets it fixed.

For any *Decision* to mean anything, it always requires further *Action*.

## Announcements

2017 F.A.U.C. A.A.

Meeting Books can be ordered by calling 313-613-3703 (James P) or 810-410-7458 (Doug G).

The Meeting Book cover has the A.A. 24 Hour Helpline telephone number incorrectly listed. 810-234-0815 is correct, 810-235-0815 is wrong. The books that the Committee have will be corrected before they are sold.

Al-Anon requests to let the Outreach Coordinator be aware of any Health Fairs. Contact: [linda.worstenholm@mygait.com](mailto:linda.worstenholm@mygait.com)

There is a new CMIA 32 Treasurer, Cindy R. Please send group donations for CMIA32 to her. The contact information's on page two of the Newsletter.

The Treatment Facilities & Special Needs Committees need a Chair person. Please volunteer for this much needed Service Work.

"He has a right to criticize, who has a heart to help." — Abraham Lincoln, 2/12/1809 to 4/15/1865. "Doing nothing for others is the undoing of ourselves." — Horace Mann, 5/4/1796 to 8/2/1859.

## Volunteer Down

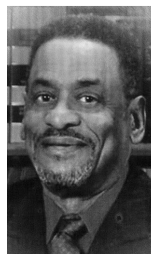
Mr. Ernest F. Jr was an A.A. member in the Flint area for decades. He served on the F.A.U.C. as Chair of Corrections Committee. Also a D.C.M., & Delegate of CMIA32. Ernie spread A.A.'s message at the Thumb Correctional Facility for over 25 years, and was duly honored by the MI State Corrections Department.

Sunrise: 10/06/1935.

Sober Date: 11/26/1987. (29 years, 105 days)

Sunset: 2/08/2017.

Ernie's in the Fellowship of the Spirit now to meet some of us as we trudge the Road of Happy Destiny.



## F.A.U.C. Committees

Al-Anon Liaison  
Joann G 810-845-5318  
Answering Service;  
Chair - Wayne T. 810-962-5036  
Co chair Doug G. 810-410-7458  
CPC- Cooperation with the Professional Community;  
Chair - Richard B 810-938-9755  
Co chair Bob W. 810-814-7988  
Corrections; Chair  
George W. 810 - 624 - 2772  
Grapevine: Chair  
Kamesha M. 810-449-5242  
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Chair - James P. 313-613-3703  
Co chair; Doug G 810-410-7458  
PI-Public Information: Chair  
"Moe" M. 810 - 908 - 3449  
Special Needs: Chair  
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Treatment: Chair  
OPEN  
Young People: Chair  
Gregory G 810-730-3146  
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FAUC Secretary;  
Ruth H. 810 - 660 - 8173  
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## FLINT AREA UNITY COUNCIL AIMS AND PURPOSES

1. To promote Unity among Flint Area A.A., and harmony with Al-Anon and Ala-teen groups
2. To exchange group ideas.
3. The G.S.R.'s and Alternates shall act as trusted servants of their groups.
4. Each group shall be represented by a G.S.R. or Alternate. One vote per group shall be allowed in the determining matters of policy and action affecting the groups. (Committee persons are allowed one vote.)
5. To continue advancement of Twelve Step work and sponsorship.
6. To help financially any member group of this Council who needs help. A two-thirds majority vote will pass on any such loans which shall not be in excess of sixty days.
7. The Twelve Traditions and Twelve Concepts of A.A. shall prevail at all times.
8. No monies will be spent or sent out of the Council area without a two-thirds majority vote of the groups that have paid into the council in the last three months. If they are not present they will be contacted for a vote on the issue within one week.
9. The Council will create service committees and be financially responsible for them.

"Any group or district of the Fellowship is free to use the symbol of a circle and triangle on newsletters, meeting schedules or other A.A. material." From "The A.A. SERVICE MANUAL Combined With the TWELVE CONCEPTS for WORLD SERVICE by Bill W." page S41, reprinted by permission of A.A.W.S.



**Flint Area Open Speaker Meetings\* for the Month**

NOTES: \* = Addresses of Locations can be found in the F.A.U.C. Meeting Book. \*\* = With a Potluck Dinner.

FAUC Meetings; Date: Place: Group March 19; Arid Club; Torrey Road Group April 16; Thetford; Thetford Group May 21; Christ Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church; Oak Park Group June 11: Arid Club; Davison Fellowship		March 2017			
		WED	THURS DAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 7 pm Van Slyke	3 12 noon Arid Club 8:30 pm Clover School Lapeer	4 7:30 pm Eastside St Mary's 8 pm St Jude's Fenton 8 pm Episcopal Church Owosso
5 7 pm St Andrews 7:30 pm Arid Club	<b>2017 March Roundup, March 10-12, 2017</b> Contact <a href="mailto:chair@march-roundup.org">chair@march-roundup.org</a>  2017 Michigan AA Conference, July 28-30, 2017 Info at <a href="http://www.aa-semi.org">www.aa-semi.org</a>			10 8:30 pm Clover School Lapeer	11 7:30 pm Eastside St Mary's 8 pm St Jude's Fenton 8 pm Episcopal Church Owosso
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<b>19 FAUC Meeting</b> <b>11:30 am; Committees</b> <b>12:30 pm General Assembly -Arid Club</b> 7 pm St Andrews 7:30 pm Arid Club				24 8:30 pm Clover School Lapeer	25 ** 7 pm Thetford 7:30 pm Eastside St Mary's 8 pm St Jude's Fenton 8 pm Episcopal Church Owosso
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**A.A. Treasurer's addresses:**



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 C.M.I.A. 32, % Cindy Rowley, 2903 Ronan St. Apt 2, Midland MI 48642  
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**Pass The Hat Association, Inc.)**

**From the Newsletter Editor:**

**If you would like to receive the Newsletter via email, then email to [farfromitoday@aol.com](mailto:farfromitoday@aol.com) to submit your request.**



**Honey, the wreckage of your past is back.**



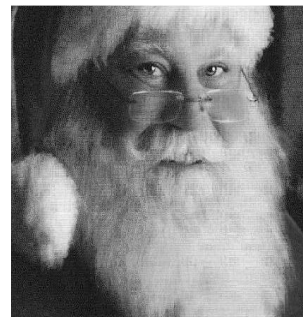
**It'd be nice if Spiderman would just sober up once and for all, instead of once in a while...**



**This is the life! Santa thinks I've got the flu.**



**Vegetarian? No way, I'm always eating crow...**



**Real eyes realize real lies.**



**"They need your companionship and your help." Page 111, Big Book, reprinted by permission of A.A.W.S.**