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**AA Principles of the Month**

**Step 9** - Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

**Tradition 9** – A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

**Concept 9** - Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

**Ninth Tradition Checklist**

- Do I still try to boss things in AA?
- Do I resist formal aspects of AA because I fear them as authoritative?
- Am I mature enough to understand and use all elements of the AA program--even if no one makes me do so--with a sense of personal responsibility?
- Do I try to exercise patience and humility in any AA job I take?
- Am I aware of all those to whom I am responsible in any AA job?
- Why doesn't every AA group need a constitution and bylaws?
- Have I learned to step out of an AA job gracefully--and profit thereby--when the time comes?
- What has rotation to do with anonymity? With humility?

**Concept IX Checklist**

- Do we discuss how we can best strengthen the composition and leadership of our future trusted servants?
- Do we recognize the need for group officers? What is our criteria for election? Do we sometimes give a position to someone "because it would be good for them?"
- Do I set a positive leadership example?

## Area Calendar

September	Election Assembly	Eastern Cluster (District 18 Host)	September 10
October	Area Assembly	Central Cluster (District 14 Host)	October 15
November	HMB Convention	Hudson Valley Cluster (Fishkill)	November 4-6
	Fellowship Day	Western (TBA)	November 20

**October 8, 2011 Treatment, Bridging the Gap, and Corrections Service Workshop.** 2:00-5:00 p.m. Pine Grove Methodist Church, 1580 Central Ave., Albany, NY. Sponsored by Districts 1, 2, 5, 14, 18. Contact Jetta I (518)495-4135 or jintelisano.1981@gmail.com for more information.

**October 22, 2011 Serenity of the Catskills in the City of the Hills Banquet.** 5pm meet & greet. 6 pm dinner. 7 pm speaker. Northeast Regional Trustee. Holiday Inn. 5206 State Highway 23, Oneonta, NY. Rob B (607)441-3004 for more information.

**Ongoing in Area 48 EACYPAA Committee Needs You** Meetings are held Wednesdays at 8:30 pm after the Saratoga YP meeting at 36 Phila Street (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. We are looking for supportive people with all levels of service or for those who are interested in increasing the involvement of YPAA in Area 48 **Contacts:** Maria (518)441-5511; Will (419)215-2907; Tori (518)701-5070, or e-mail saratogaeacypaabid@gmail.com for more information.

**October 28, 2011 District 18 Halloween Dance.** Greenbush Reformed Church, 688 Columbia Turnpike, East Greenbush. 9:00 p.m.- 12:00 a.m. AA meeting at 8:00 p.m. Contact Howard H (518)727-0612 or xylanthian@aol.com for more information.

**New Meeting in District 01:** SUNY Albany Campus. Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. 370 Campus Center. Park in Dutch Gold lot.

# HMB AREA ELECTION ASSEMBLY

September 10, 2011

Blooming Grove Methodist Church

706 Blooming Grove Drive

Defreestville, NY

9:00 AM- 3:00 p.m.

*Where we will elect Area Officers and Service Chairs.*

**From the North and West:**

Get off the Thruway/Northway at Exit 24. Get on I-90 East (Albany-Boston).  
Exit I-90 at Exit 8.

Turn right on Washington Ave at the first light.

Turn right on Blooming Grove Drive at the Stop sign.

The church is almost immediately on your right.

Parking is behind the church (limited) or across the street in the CDTA Park & Ride.

**From the South:**

Exit the Thruway at Exit 23. Get on I-787 North. Take Exit 5 for I-90 East.

Follow the directions above.

**From the East:**

West on I-90 to Exit 9, go north on Rt 4 past Home Depot about ¼ mile. The CDTA Park and Ride is on your left.

Contact: Joanne (518)674-1717

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## **A Call for Two Hours of AA Help for our Homeless U. S. Veterans**

Many U.S. Veterans are homeless – with real and serious life problems.

**Many of them could use AA's help - and some of them really want that help!**

**But like so many of us 'in the beginning' of our sober journeys, how and to whom do these Veterans reach out for that AA help? One answer is staring us in the face!**

A remarkable opportunity is coming up on **Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**. **Here are the details:**

Once a year, the Colonie Elks organization holds a **health and wellness open house for homeless Veterans** - within 60 miles of the Capital Region. This year, it's October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Elks Lodge in Latham. The program runs from 8AM to 1PM - with setup at 7AM.

The Veterans get food, some new clothing and boots, access to doctor and dentist exams, flu shots, eyeglasses, legal advisors, info from US HUD about possible housing **AND the Elks have asked us to have an AA resource table with AA literature and sober AA members to talk with the Vets. What an opportunity for the Hand of AA to be there!**

**More than 500 homeless Veterans have attended this event each year in past years!**

How do homeless Veterans [**men and women**] get to this health and wellness event called a "Stand-down?" The Elks use a fleet of mini-buses to pick up the Veterans from numerous known locations – including even from Father Young's facilities.

**We are going to have that AA resource table with AA literature. Can we count on some of you to be there on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> – even if just for an hour or so?**

**Districts 1 and 2 - and Area 48 Treatment, PI and CPC folks hope you can help out.**

The Elks Lodge address is 11 Elks Lane, Latham, NY 12110 - just off Watervliet Shaker Rd. and a few minutes from I-90, I-787 and I-87 [the Northway].

Get more info [including directions] for this **October 1<sup>st</sup> Veterans Day event** at the September 10<sup>th</sup> Area 48 Elections Assembly at Blooming Grove Methodist Church, 706 Blooming Grove Dr., Defreestville, NY - or - **by e-mail request to [hmb48cpc@sprynet.com](mailto:hmb48cpc@sprynet.com)**.

In the meantime, can you mark your calendar for a couple of hours on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> to extend the hand of AA to Veterans who may be ready and willing to reach out for that hand?

Any questions or to help out, please call Area 48 Treatment Chair, Bill C. at 518 732 4380.

**We need the help!**

**What an opportunity to be of AA service – to folks who really can use it.**

## Area Treatment Chair Report

August for Treatment has been pretty quiet. I will be leaving Fri. Sept. 9, for three weeks vacaton. When I come back, Sept. 30, the next day i will be at the Stand down. If any of you people want to help out our homeless vets, show up at the Elks in Colonie between 7 am and 1 pm. The facility is just down the street from where Pat held the Informational Workshop. We will be talking to somewhere around 800 homeless men and women vets. I wouldn't be surprised to see some children there also. I get choked up just thinking about it. Hope to see some of you there.  
Love in service-Bill C.

### Meeting Leaders Needed

The HMB 2011 Convention is being held Nov 4-6, 2011 at The Ramada Inn in Fishkill New York. On both evenings, from 9:30 pm through 1:30am, there will be continuous AA meetings.

We are looking for volunteers to lead these meetings. Meetings will last one hour each, starting at 9:30pm. If you are interested in this service opportunity, please contact:

Tim J	845-242-4353	<a href="mailto:tjnappy1@gmail.com">tjnappy1@gmail.com</a>
Elaine B	914-204-2144	<a href="mailto:embruno@aol.com">embruno@aol.com</a>

Thank you!

AREA 48 NEWSLETTER

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# Hudson Mohawk Berkshire Area 48 2012 Proposed Budget May 2011

**Amounts allocated are the maximum allowable expenditures for each category.** Actual expenditures must be reported in writing and documented with receipts. Reports are due by April 15th, July 15th, October 15th and December 15th. The Finance Committee must review all reports past due before any payments are made. Allocated monies are disbursed when requested, and only when an accounting of the previous allocation has been made. Eligible expenses include mileage at \$0.35 per mile, tolls, postage, supplies, telephone, printing, copies and other. Receipts and mileage details are required.

The funded amount for various events is based on hotel costs, registration costs, and mileage to the 2011 event and estimated costs to the 2012 event. It is hoped that this method will help bring the budget closer to the actual expenses and give all those who want to serve the HMB Area an equal opportunity. Allocations are for the specific event only and cannot be utilized for another event. **As always, those funded are asked to share expenses whenever possible.**

<u>Expenses:</u>	Position Total	Expense Allocation	NERAASA- Albany	NERF (Not Held in 2012)	NYS Convention - HMB	NYSIW- Western	HMB CONV (Not Held in 2012)
<b><u>Area Officer Allocations:</u></b>							
Area Delegate	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 4,750.00			Event costs are included in allocation		
Area Chairperson	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,750.00			Event costs are included in allocation		
Alternate Area Chairperson	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 600.00	\$350.00		\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Secretary	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00		\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Alternate Treasurer	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00		\$300.00		\$0.00
Registrar/Alt. Secretary	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 800.00	\$350.00		\$300.00		\$0.00
Treasurer	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 800.00	\$350.00		\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
<b><u>Committee Chairs and Others Allocations:</u></b>							
TF Committee Chair	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 500.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
CF Committee Chair	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 500.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
BTG Committee Chair	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 500.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
PI Committee Chair	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
CPC Committee Chair	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
SN Committee Chair	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Grapevine Chair	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Archivist	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Newsletter Editor	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
Website Committee Chair	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 400.00	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00
HMB Convention Chair	\$ -	\$ -					
<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>\$ 29,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 15,800.00</b>	<b>\$5,250.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$4,500.00</b>	<b>\$3,900.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Other Expenses**

GSO Conference Contribution	\$ 2,000.00
Newsletter Printing	\$ 2,500.00
Newsletter Postage	\$ 3,500.00
Area Inventory Day	\$ 450.00
Day of Sharing/Delegates Day	\$ 450.00
Area Assemblies (2)	\$ 900.00
Fellowship Days (4)	\$ 1,800.00
Insurance Costs	\$ 500.00
Website Expenses	\$ 400.00
Grapevine Materials, AA Service Manuals (Seed Money)	\$ 400.00
HMB Service Manual Updates	\$ 200.00
HMB Meeting Books for Committee Chairs	\$ 400.00
HMB Convention 2012 (Seed Money)	\$ -
NYS Info Workshop 2012 (Seed Money)	\$ -

Allocations to clusters for Area functions will be \$450 per function. Amount allocated should be sufficient to cover event costs— if clusters need assistance staying within budget, they should contact the Alternate Area Chair and/or seek guidance from experienced members. If the cost of the event should exceed the amount allocated, plus the 7th Tradition contributions, Districts within the host Cluster should arrange to divide costs over the allocated amount. The reimbursement of expenses exceeding the allocated amount will be considered by the Finance Committee if requested. Any 7th Tradition donations collected in excess of the expenses shall be returned to the Area. There are two Area Assemblies in even-numbered years (May and October). There are three Area Assemblies in odd-number years including the Area Election Assembly held in September.

[www.ny-aa.org](http://www.ny-aa.org) and [www.aahmbny.org](http://www.aahmbny.org)

Committees receiving HMB Meeting Schedules are PI, CPC, TF, BTG, and SN.

There is no HMB Convention in 2012. HMB hosts the NYS Convention in July 2012

The 2012 NYS Informational Workshop will be hosted by Western New York

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**Other Expenses (cont)**

3000 Additional HMB Meeting Schedule Books (Seed Money)	\$ 1,000.00
HMB Corrections Connection Workshop	\$ 300.00
Mail Box Service	\$ 600.00
Computer Costs	\$ 400.00
Archive Storage Fees	\$ 800.00
Tax Preparation	\$ 600.00
Prior Year Expenses	\$ 500.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,700.00</b>

\$1,000.00 is allocated as seed money for additional HMB meeting books to fulfill orders received after approved deadline; books are to be distributed as needed by the Alternate Area Treasurer. HMB Area will pay cost of shipping and recover the cost of the schedules if all books are sold. (Estimated at \$900.00)

**Total Expenses: \$ 47,150.00**

**Income:**

HMB 2011 Convention (Seed Money Returned)	\$ 2,000.00
HMB 2011 Convention (Overage)	-
NYSIW (Seed Money Returned)	\$ -
Grapevine Materials, AA Service Manuals (Seed Money Returned)	\$ 400.00
Projected Group Contributions	\$ 33,850.00
Estimated Checkbook Carryover on 1/1/12	\$ 10,000.00
Extra HMB Meeting Books (Seed Money Returned)	\$ 900.00
<b>Total Income Needed:</b>	<b>\$ 47,150.00</b>

**Misc Information:**

Prudent Reserve	\$ 7,000.00
Mileage Rate	\$ 0.35

**Notes:**

The Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA) is an assembly for GSR's, DCM's and Area Committee Members of the Northeast Region to discuss issues and concerns affecting AA as whole, as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity, and service common to the Northeast Region. The 2012 event will be held in Albany, NY.

Additional items may be funded at the discretion of the HMB Finance Committee.

## District and Group Treasurers

### Send donations to these addresses:

HMB AREA ASSOCIATON  
RTE. 30, #114  
118 POLAR PLAZA  
AMSTERDAM, NY 12010

GENERAL SERVICE OFFICE  
PO BOX 459  
GRAND CENTRAL STATION  
NEW YORK, NY 10163

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## Service Resumes

I respectfully make myself available for the position of HMB Area Chairperson/Alternate delegate. My sobriety date is January 8, 1981, and I have had a home group and a sponsor throughout my sobriety. My home group is the Original Colonie Group. I have a service sponsor. I have held every position in my home group over the years. After serving as GSR of my group, I was elected DCM of District I. As Area 48's first Area Treatment Chair, I traveled throughout the entire Area visiting treatment facilities and I currently bring a meeting into the Capital District Psychiatric Center weekly. I have been involved in Corrections facilities, Treatment facilities, and CPC and PI events. In 2006 I became District I Special Needs chair and was elected Area Special Needs Chair and served in that position until January 2010. At that time I became Area 48 Alternate Chairperson serving until the present. In this position as Functions chair I am chairperson of the NYS Informational Workshop 2011 and I support districts in scheduling Fellowship Days and Assemblies, as well as facilitating DCM workshops at Fellowship Days. I have served as Chairperson of two HMB Area Conventions as well as the NYSIW 2011. I sponsor women in recovery and also am a service sponsor. I am most grateful for the spiritual benefits of doing service in HMB Area 48.

Respectfully submitted on May 15, 2011

Pat L

It is an honor and a privilege to make myself available for the position of HMB Alternate Area Chairperson. My home group is the East Greenbush Caring and Sharing Group. My sobriety date is 12/10/2001. Group and District Activities: 2001: Coffee maker – Castleton Step Group. 2001-2002: Alternate GSR - East Greenbush Caring & Sharing Group. 2002-2003: Nassau Tuesday Night Step Group Treasurer. 2003-2006: GSR - East Greenbush Caring & Sharing Group/Backup coffee maker. 2003-2004: District 18 Treasurer. 2005-2006: Alternate DCM - District 18. 2007-2008: DCM - District 18. 2009-2010: Treatment Chair - District 18. Additionally, I have always helped where needed in the groups I regularly attend and with District events. HMB Area 48 Activities: 2008 HMB Convention Committee Registration Co-Chair. 2009-2011 HMB Alternate Area Treasurer, Finance Committee Chair. 2010 Chaired ad-hoc Area committee to solicit bids for 2011-2013 HMB Meeting Schedule printing. 2012 NYS Convention Co-Chair. I have participated in numerous workshops and panels at HMB events on topics including the Traditions, the Steps, and Finance. I will be a panel participant at the 2011 NYS Convention. I have a sponsor and a service sponsor and sponsor other men. I am grateful to have served Alcoholics Anonymous thus far and hope to continue to be able to do so. Service has brought a dimension to my recovery that I never could have imagined.

Yours in service,

Tad J.

I understand that the position of area secretary will be available next year and I would like to present myself as a candidate. I had my last drink and went to my first AA meeting on July 26, 1991. I got my first GSR commitment at about 6 months. I moved quite a bit in early recovery and have served as GSR in 6 different districts in 3 states. I served as a GSR and then secretary for District 15 for several years. For the last two years I have been the treasurer of District 7. I am also secretary for the Convention Committee, and on our district CPC/PI committee. I was taught early that you are not really in AA unless you are doing service. One of the reasons that I have sought out district and area level service opportunities is because that's where I find the people who are working the traditions and steps in their lives. It helps my recovery to help AA. I also want to make sure that AA is there for the next person who needs it. Also, I type really fast and have my own laptop. If it's the group's conscience that I would be of use as the area secretary, I would be happy to serve.

Sincerely,

Thea H.

## Proposals for October Assembly

Several years ago, we voted to have the “Corrections Connection” every year in our Area. It has been a successful venture, but attendance has gone down each year. Southeast New York (SENY) will be hosting their “Corrections Connection” in the Spring of 2012, and suggested we alternate hosting it with them. The proposal is to have the Corrections Connection in our Area every other year, and participate in SENY’s the year they have it.

-Pat L

Propose to amend the name of the Special Needs Committee to Special Needs/Accessibility Committee to better address the needs of districts groups and individuals in our Area. This reflects the name change GSO has instituted as well as many of the other Areas.

-Pat L

The Ad Hoc Functions Committee was asked by the Area Chairperson to review how the Area organizes events and to make any updates and clarifications so that the next HMB Service manual would properly reflect what is being done in the Clusters. These issues were also discussed at the DCM meetings in March and June 2011.

First issue to consider: Should we continue the present policy of the May and October voting assemblies to be held on Sundays, and the other functions to be scheduled on Saturdays? Consensus was that we should follow this plan as it is working well.

Second issue: Presently we have rotated the non-assembly days within the clusters. Could we decide to have one ideal central location per cluster? One that meets the needs of the Area, and is also available for approximately \$100 for the day? CONSENSUS: that the districts within the cluster decide how to rotate the events within the clusters: the host district within the cluster will take responsibility for choosing a topic and panelists for a workshop to be held at the Fellowship Days.

Third issue: Identify ways to contain the remaining costs over and above the “rent” to hold the costs within the \$400 the Area budgets for the 1 day events. CONSENSUS: that the clusters/districts find a location that can be rented for approximately \$100 for the day, and hold the breakfast/lunch/beverage costs within the remaining \$300. (Some suggestions were to reduce the breakfast foods served, and simplify the lunch offerings.)

Fourth issue: Should we clarify that the districts within the host cluster can decide how to rotate responsibilities when they host an Area one day event? (Covered in issues 2 and 3)

Fifth issue: How can we best maximize the time allocated for each event, so that we can cover all the business scheduled? Do we need a longer time frame, or can we do it within the 9-3 time frame by making some adjustments? CONSENSUS: not to make the day longer. Reduce the meet and greet time to ½ hour, and reduce the lunch time to 45 minutes. This allows an additional 45 minutes for Area business, workshops, committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted

Pat L. Area 48 Alternate Chair/Functions Chair

## Proposals for October Assembly

### **Proposal to change voting at Assemblies to include District Service Committee Chairs:**

Whereas: Area 48 expects each District to elect/appoint one Service Committee Chair parallel to the Service Committees in the Area, (ie: TFC, CFC, BTG, PI, SNC, GvC, CPC.) and Whereas: Area 48 expects each of these District Service Committee Chairs to attend the Area events, especially the NYS Informational Workshop, and NERAASA, And Whereas: Each of these Service Committee Chairs, with their Committees are doing the grassroots work needed to help the next suffering Alcoholic for the Area, District and A.A.'s primary Purpose, And Whereas: Only the Area Service Committee Chairs are allowed to vote at our Assemblies, I propose that: Each District Service Committee Chair be given the Right to Participation and the Right to Voice in the Area General Service Assemblies, and Area Committee Meetings with a recognized vote in the Area Assembly meetings, just as the GSRs are allowed.

Comments on the proposal:

Currently many of the District Service Committees are not structured, and often times not filled and not functioning. We, as an Area should encourage this work by allowing these Trusted Servants the Right to Vote and participate. They currently have no vote in our Assemblies. If someone serves in this capacity, policy is being set for their service work, and they have no right to vote on it. This is contrary to our 4th Concept: "At all responsible levels, we ought to maintain a traditional "Right of Participation," allowing a voting representation in reasonable proportion to the responsibility that each must discharge."

Service at the Grassroots level through this Committee work in Area 48 has been long overshadowed by event planning and functions such as Conventions. Service Committee work is neglected as the result. We seem to cater to the A.A. members who have already found the solution, rather than to those whom are still in need of our help. More time and focus should be put into this Service work, and less focus on picnics, parties and dances, and social events for fellowshiping. Our Assemblies often have more Past Delegates at the microphone, than new GSRs and people we need to step into Service. The Right to Participation is neglected when those who Served in the Past won't step aside. It may be better to listen to what someone has to say who has been doing the grassroots A.A. work lately, than from those who may have never done it at all, or some years ago in the past. In other Areas, some of these Service jobs are being done by Central Offices and Intergroups. If our Area does not do the work, an actual Service void will necessitate the creation of Intergroups and Central Offices to fill these jobs in our Area. The alternative is that the void will not be filled, and the newcomer suffers. Allowing more participation in our Area to the Service Committees to function will allow for more of the work to be done in our Area.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin B.

TFC Dutchess County A.A.

treatment@dutchessaa.org

(845)240-4272

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<b>HMB Area 48 Monthly Treasury Report August 2011</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$7,806.51</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Area Contributions	\$2,138.66
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,138.66</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
Treatment Facilities	\$117.10
NYS Convention	\$1,430.97
NYS Info Workshop	\$350.00
Area Assemblies	\$363.12
Insurance Costs	\$298.00
Mail Box Service	\$27.34
Website	\$19.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$2,605.53</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$466.87</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$7,339.64</b>
Prudent Reserve	-\$7,000.00
<b>Available Funds</b>	<b>\$339.64</b>

Prepared by Chris S.

[treasurer@ahmbny.org](mailto:treasurer@ahmbny.org)

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*At this juncture, we can hear a churchman exclaim, "They are making disobedience a virtue!" He is joined by a psychiatrist who says, "Defiant brats! They won't grow up and conform to social usage!" The man in the street says, "I don't understand it. They must be nuts!" But all these observers have overlooked something unique in Alcoholics Anonymous. Unless each A.A. member follows to the best of his ability our suggested Twelve Steps to recovery, he almost certainly signs his own death warrant. His drunk- enness and dissolution are not penalties inflicted by people in authority; they result from his personal disobedience to spiritual principles.*

*(Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, p. 174)*

**Interested in NERAASA 2012 service?**

**Please contact the following:**

**REGISTRATION**

Tammie E. [tamster1962@roadrunner.com](mailto:tamster1962@roadrunner.com)

Don S. [dstrachan@twcny.rr.com](mailto:dstrachan@twcny.rr.com)

**HOSPITALITY**

Smoking Faye F. [fallonfaye@yahoo.com](mailto:fallonfaye@yahoo.com)

Non-smoking Fred F. [neraasa2012@gmail.com](mailto:neraasa2012@gmail.com)

**GREETERS**

Keith D. & Debbie D [neraasa2012greeters@hvc.rr.com](mailto:neraasa2012greeters@hvc.rr.com)

**NERAASA 2012~March 2-March 4**

**CROWNE PLAZA Albany [www.cpalbany.com](http://www.cpalbany.com)**

**Group Code: DNI**

**Toll free number: 877-462-4441**

**Rate \$115 plus tax**

**Hosted by HMB-Hudson-Mohawk-Berkshire Area 48**

**Questions: [NERAASA2012@gmail.com](mailto:NERAASA2012@gmail.com)**

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# NERAASA 2012 Registration Form

**Forms may be copied. Please use one form for each person registering.**

Mail-In and On-line Registration will be processed beginning October 1, 2011.

Credit cards will be accepted for online registration only.

**Hotel Registration Deadline: Friday, February 17, 2012**

(Hotel prices are guaranteed until Feb 17 or until room blocks are filled.)

**Event, Banquet & Meal Pre-registration Deadline: Friday, February 17, 2012**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AA AREA#: \_\_\_\_\_ (see front page map)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # (with area code) \_\_\_\_\_

**Service Commitments:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ GSR or Alt GSR
- \_\_\_\_\_ DCM or Alt DCM
- \_\_\_\_\_ DCMC or Alt DCMC
- \_\_\_\_\_ District Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Central Office or Intergroup
- \_\_\_\_\_ Area Committee
- \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate or Alt Delegate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Panel \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Past Delegates:**

Area #: \_\_\_\_\_ Panel # \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Committee \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would be interested in moderating a round table session.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have attended NERAASA before:

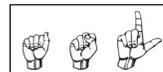
- \_\_\_\_\_ As a presenter
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to participate in a panel
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to record a round table

\_\_\_\_\_ I have special needs (please specify):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Translation request:

\_\_ASL \_\_Spanish \_\_French \_\_Other \_\_\_\_\_

*ASL will be provided if a need presents itself through pre-registration.*



**Comments, Suggestions & Requests** (No guarantees, but we will take everything under consideration and do what we can to be accommodating): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- \$ 20.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Registration
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Breakfast \$20
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Lunch \$30
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Night Banquet
- \_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \$44
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Breakfast \$20
- \_\_\_\_\_ Delegates Luncheon \$30 (current, past & alts only)
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed

**\*\*Please indicate each individual meal desired on registration form. Full payment is required at time of registration.\*\***

**Make check or money order payable to: NERAASA 2012**  
(Credit cards will be accepted for online registration only)

Mail completed form with full payment to:  
NERAASA 2012  
PO BOX 6328  
Albany, NY 12206

March 2-4  
2012

Please complete the form and mail to:

NERAASA 2012  
PO BOX 6328  
ALBANY, NY  
12206

Or go to:  
WWW.NERAASA  
2012.ORG  
beginning  
October 1, 2011

September 1, 2011



# HMB 2011 Convention

## November 4-6, 2011

**"We are Responsible for A.A.'s Future  
- Let it Begin With Us"**

### Ramada Conference Center Fishkill

542 Route 9  
Fishkill, NY 12524  
(845) 896-6281

*Single Rooms: \$89 per night (plus taxes) / Double Rooms: \$109 per night (plus taxes)*

*Hotel Reservations should be made directly with the hotel.*

*Please use Group Code "HMB".*

*Hotel Reservations MUST be secured by October 4, 2011.*

### Friends • Fellowship • Meetings & Speakers • Panels & Workshops

*Pre-Registrants  
will Receive an Extra  
Free Bottle Thank You  
on Arrival Night!*

**Entertainment Friday & Saturday Night  
Saturday Night Banquet  
Hosted by the Hudson Valley Cluster  
(Districts 3, 7, 11, 15, 16, 17)**

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For More Information: Lori W. (518)397-1925 / Deb D. (845)331-4213

### Convention Registration Form

*One Person Per Form*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Years In Program

\_\_\_\_\_ A. A. \_\_\_\_\_ Al Anon \_\_\_\_\_ Alismen

Special Needs? (Ex. Hearing-) \_\_\_\_\_

**Detach & Mail with Check or Money Order Payable to:**

HMB Convention 2011  
385 Dewitt Mills Rd.  
Kingston, NY 12401

**Saturday Banquet: \$30.00 per plate  
Includes: Salad, Beverage, & Dessert**

**Please Indicate Choice:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken

\_\_\_\_\_ Pork

\_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian

\_\_\_\_\_ Dietary needs?

**Banquet Reservations MUST be Received by:  
October 26, 2011**

**\$27.00 Registration Fee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Banquet

\_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed

**Walk In Fee for Saturday Evening Activities  
will be \$12.00 (including Banquet)**



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RTE 30, #114  
118 POLAR PLAZA  
AMSTERDAM, NY 12010