

## District 5 Meeting

Second Wednesday,  
6:45 p.m.

**SPECIAL TIME**

**This month 11:21 a.m.**

1412 6th Street E  
Menomonie, WI

Zoom ID: 716 081 9669

Password: 300 255

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# The District 5 View

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## Is your sobriety the right kind?

*Tell us your story of how you view  
the quality of your sobriety*



We've all heard the admonitions that we shouldn't compare our inside to someone else's outside. The Promises give us the assurance that it is not "extravagant" to think changes will come, sometimes quickly and sometimes slowly. Mystical thinkers of all types remind us there are a thousand paths to spiritual growth.

So what the heck is up with that creepy annual feeling that my sobriety leaves something to be desired?

This year marks not a sobriety year ending in 0 or 5, but it's in the 30s. Yet for many years, including this one, I find myself saying: "You'd think I'd be better by now."

There is a temptation to further berate myself by thinking I've failed to heed all of AA's suggestions. Rather than learn from someone talking about their step work, this annual May event causes me to think mine pales in comparison.

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## In this edition:

- ♥ June Calendar of Events
- ♥ News from AA districts, area and General Services Office

**Step 6** Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.



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### Special events:

To mark AA's founding, the English and Spanish editions of the Grapevine are available free through June 10. It was June 10, 1935 that Dr. Bob had his last drink. See the publications at [AAgrapevine.org](http://AAgrapevine.org)

Recovery on the River is back! See attached flyer and link in calendar

# June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <b>Accessibilities Committee</b> 6 p.m. Zoom ID: 727 737 4935 Password: 111 680	3 <b>Traditions Workshop</b> See flyer	4	5
6	7	8	9 <b>District 5 SPECIAL TIME</b> 11:21 a.m. Zoom ID: 716 081 9669 Password: 300 255	10 <b>Traditions Workshop</b> See flyer	11	12 <u><b>Eye Opener AA Intergroup</b></u>
13	14 <u><b>Public Information</b></u>  <u><b>Treatment</b></u>	15 <u><b>Gay Chatter turns 4</b></u> See flyer	16	17 <b>Traditions Workshop</b> See flyer	18	19 <u><b>Gay Chatter 4th Year Potluck</b></u> See flyer
20	21 <u><b>Fair Volunteer Meeting</b></u> See flyer	22	23	24 <b>Traditions Workshop</b> See flyer	25	26 <u><b>Recovery On The River Fellowship</b></u> See flyer
27	28	29	30			



**Tradition 6** 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..

## News from AA districts, area and General Service Office

- ♥ How are things going in your home district? Read about it the June's [District 5's committee minutes](#).
- ♥ **AA Intergroup** is June 12. See attached flyer.
- ♥ The District 5 Public Information Committee is looking for **volunteers for the Northern Wisconsin State Fair July 7-11**. See attached flyer for a meeting June 21 about being a volunteer.
- ♥ **Gay Chatter** is celebrating four years with an open meeting June 15 and a get-together June 19. See calendar and attached flyers.
- ♥ To keep up with the location of meetings in the district as well as information on which meetings you can attend online, be sure to visit [district05.org](http://district05.org).
- ♥ A new publication, *Sharing from Behind the Walls* that tells stories from those who are incarcerated, is available [here](#).

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That then, of course, leads to me thinking I'm too self-absorbed. I still struggle with acceptance. I get annoyed and want to snarl. I still can't wait in a line in peace. Am I not entirely ready to have God remove these defects of character?

So my sobriety is either a gift of grace despite my shortcomings, or an annual reminder of the incompleteness of my program.

Aargh!

Somewhere in this tangle is the reminder that the length and quality of my sobriety is not personal.

Others are free to use my sobriety as a benchmark, or to ignore my approach because they are on a better path.

Listening to years of wise and sometimes not-so-wise AAs has allowed me to stay sober. I do still have the desire to not drink. I consider myself a mascot for we are not saints.

Clearly, mine is far from being a perfect program. How about yours?

*Anonymous*

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**6th Concept** The Conference recognizes that the chief initiative and active responsibility in most world service matters should be exercised by the trustee members of the Conference acting as the General Service Board.



LET'S DISH, HONEY

*The Gay Chatter's  
4th Anniversary  
Fellowship and Potluck*

**June 19th, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.**

**Boyd Park Pavillion**

(1202 Fairway St, Eau Claire, WI 54701)

Cupcakes provided.

Bring your own non-alcoholic beverages.

Bring a dish to pass that can be safely shared.

Safety first! Let's observe guidance for face coverings and gathering safely.

**IT'S BEEN OVER A YEAR!**

**LET'S DISH!**

DISTRICT 05 PI COMMITTEE  
**AA GOES TO  
THE FAIR**  
INFORMATIONAL MEETING

FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN HELPING STAFF A PUBLIC  
INFORMATION BOOTH AT THE UPCOMING NORTHERN  
WISCONSIN STATE FAIR, JOIN US

June 21st at 6:30pm

Zoom ID: 557 003 651

Password: FAIR



If interested but unable to make it, please email

[pi@district05.org](mailto:pi@district05.org)



# The Gay Chatter is turning 4!

**OPEN SPEAKER MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 15  
7 PM CDT**

**ZOOM MEETING ID: 802 767 225  
PASSWORD: 074745**

**Two Speakers!**

**Kelly Q. (she/her), Great Falls, MT**

**Nicki W. (she/her), Toronto, Canada**

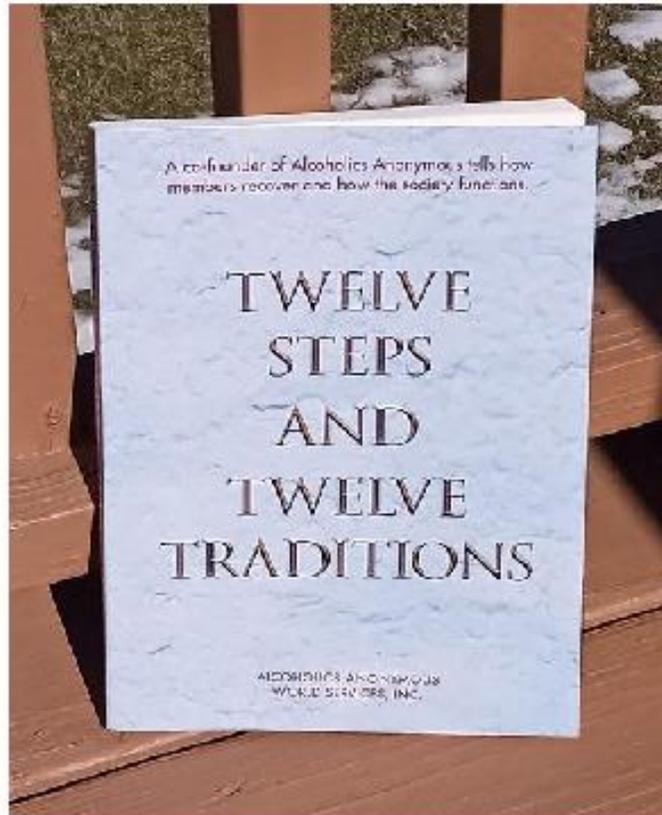
**Help us celebrate the  
inclusive fellowship of  
Alcoholics Anonymous!**

Questions: Contact Alex, 715-456-2852

# 12 Traditions Workshop

**Starts – Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup> 2021**

**Time – 6 pm to 7 pm; Where – River Falls Alano Club**



**We will go through a tradition every week.**

**Bring your 12 x 12, if you have one. We also will have copies at the club, if you need one.**

**Everyone welcome, especially sponsors and sponsees**

**Questions? Call Wynne M 715-821-8248 / Myron M 715-220-6056**

# Eye Opener AA Intergroup

Saturday, June 12, 2021

(Central Standard Time)

6:00 PM Fellowship & Trivia

7:00 PM Al-Anon Speaker Leonard E.

(Los Angeles, CA)

8:00 PM AA Speaker Matthew M.

(Santa Paula, CA)

Zoom ID: 893 6347 1405

Password: 080744



(ASL Interpreter provided during the speakers)

Questions: Call Sara 920.209.9164

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