

Ch-Ch Changes ...

The Wednesday Set-ups group in Warrenville, meeting at Community Baptist Church, 28w444 Main Street at 7PM, is looking for support

The Thursday Night 8PM meeting at Anona West has ceased operations

The Saturday Night 8PM open speaker meeting at Central Dupage Hospital (The one that met in the hospital cafeteria) has also ceased operations.

D40 Doings

January/February/March 2019

Step 1

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol, that our lives had become unmanageable

Tradition 1

Our common welfare should come first. Personal recovery depends upon AA unity

Step 2

Came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity

Tradition 2

For our group purpose, there is but one authority—a loving god as he may express himself in the group conscience

Step 3

Made a decision to turn our live over to the care of god as we understood him

Tradition 3

The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking

8TH ANNUAL

DUPAGE COUNTY OPEN

Saturday, February 16, 2019



Parkview Community Church
764 St. Charles Road
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Doors open at 6 pm, Open Speaker Meeting 7 to 8:30 pm

Hello Again ...

If you're reading this, you've officially survived the holiday season, or at least most of it. The end-of-year retrospectives that pop up around this time sometimes prove pleasantly thought-provoking. The *Trib's* theatre critic, Chris Jones, provided a moment like that for me this past December, writing that; "Decent human beings crave nothing as much as the chance to correct their own mistakes, especially those that cause misery for those they love." in the context of reviewing what he considered to be Broadway's best productions of 2018. I'm guessing I'm not the only one who hears echoes of steps 8 and 9, to say nothing of the passage in "Bill's Story" where he expresses a desire to make amends to Lois.

There's a bit of background on the DuPage Open in this issue, and there will hopefully be a similar article on the Big Book Conference, which Districts 40 and 23 are co-hosting coming up. As always feel free to submit content – the email address for the newsletter is on District 40's Website.

DuPage Open

The DuPage open is rolling into Glen Ellyn's Parkview Community Church again on February 16.

Now in its eighth year, the open had its beginnings as some people from this neck of the woods discussed their experience at the Fox Valley Open, and realized that the DuPage area could benefit from a similar event.

With an eye towards the big tent philosophy of the fellowship, the open features three speakers, with progressively greater amounts of sobriety, hopefully cutting a broad enough swath of experience for most, if not all, of the audience to relate to.

The open is a joint presentation by all four DuPage County districts, with each district assuming responsibility for a different facet of the meeting each year. D40's DCM, who I interviewed for this article (Thanks again!), informed me that there is a spreadsheet with the responsibilities for each district mapped out through 2023. I can't help but suspect that Abby G, who is commonly credited with originating the principle of rotation, would be impressed, as he was a patent lawyer and engineer by trade. His story was in the Big Book as recently as the third edition; "He Thought He Could Drink Like a Gentleman"

January 19: 10:30AM-2PM Corrections Workshop St. Charles Episcopal Church, 994 N 5th Ave, St. Charles, IL 60174

January 25: D40 GSR Meeting First Presbyterian Church 715 N. Carlton, Wheaton, IL 60187

January 26: 4PM Hinckley Pork Chop Dinner Hinckley First United Methodist Church, 801 N. Sycamore St, Hinckley, IL 60520

February 16: DuPage Open:

Parkview Community Church 764 St Charles Rd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 6-9 PM

February 22: 6:30 PM D40 GSR Meeting (See January 26)

February 18: Presidents Day

February 22: D40 GSR Meeting (See January 25)

February 23: DuPage County Corrections Workshop First Presbyterian Church (Same location as GSR Meeting) 10AM 12:30 PM Also: Getting the Word Out Wesley United Methodist (basement) 21 E. Franklin Ave, Naperville IL 60540 1-3 PM

March 17: St. Patrick's Day

March 29 6:30 PM D40 GSR Meeting (See January 26)

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