



# A.B.E. Intergroup of Alcoholics Anonymous

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**DATE: Tuesday, June 24, 2026**

**Intergroup Attendees:** Sal G. Vice Chairperson, Keith H. Secretary, Staten Island Bobby & Sue Hotline, John D. Schedules, Lois R. Bookstore, Dawson Unity, Tom C, H&I, Brandon & Pam Treasurer

**Chairperson** – Rich H. ([chairperson@aalv.org](mailto:chairperson@aalv.org)) Rich was not able to attend. Sal called the meeting to order with the Responsibility Pledge

**Secretary** – Keith H. ([secretary@aalv.org](mailto:secretary@aalv.org))

- 25 groups were represented during Roll Call. The full roll call of meeting attendance can be found on the last page of the minutes
- Motion to Approve minutes was raised and seconded
- The May 2026 meeting Minutes were approved with no changes.

**Treasurer** – Brandon M. ([treasurer@aalv.org](mailto:treasurer@aalv.org))

- Brandon Presented the May Budget
- Thanks to all the groups that donated
- Confirm Group Contributions – please confirm and reach out if anything is missing
- Motion to approve the Treasurer's report and seconded – Approved

## Position Discussion

- Staten Island Bobby would like to nominate Lorraine S for **Hotline Committee Chair**
  - Unanimous for Lorraine – We welcome Lorraine from the Miller Heights group!
  - Many thanks to Bobby for all the hard work and amazing service!
- Lois would like to nominate Kathy Marie F for **Bookstore Chair**
  - Lois will stay available and we always need volunteers
  - By-Laws were reviewed that a vote could be taken without the nominee
  - Unanimous for Kathy Marie We welcome Kathy Marie from 9<sup>th</sup> Tradition!
  - Thank you, Lois, for all your service!
- Sal would like to nominate Fred for the **Treasurer** position
  - Fred was unanimous voted in for position Thank you Fred from the Bethlehem Group!
  - Pam will continue as the assistant
  - Thank you, Brandon and Pam, for the past two years! Thanks!
- **Unity Chair** is going to be open – looking for someone to take this on.
  - Dawson will rotate out of his position. Dawson will be rotating out of his position this month. We want to extend our deepest gratitude to Dawson for his dedicated service over the past few year
  - Description: Assists Intergroup officers and committee chairs by rallying group support and service volunteers for local activities. Full description can be found in the Intergroup By-laws on AALV.ORG

**Group Insurance** – Sal has been working with High Street for Liability insurance

- **New Policy Opportunity:** High Street Group established a general liability insurance policy through Philadelphia Insurance Company, to be held by Intergroup.
- **Estimated Cost:** Annual premiums could be as low as \$156 per group; final pricing depends on securing a majority of local groups to participate. If we do not have a majority participating that this insurance is not an option.
- **Participation Requirement:** Optional. Only necessary for groups whose meeting facilities explicitly mandate liability insurance.
- **Action Required:** If your group needs coverage, email the following details to Vice Chairperson Sal Gattuso ([sgattuso@PTD.net](mailto:sgattuso@PTD.net)):
  - ✓ Group Name
  - ✓ Facility Name & Full Address
  - ✓ Average Attendance
  - ✓ Weekly Meeting Frequency
  - ✓ Group Contact name, email & mobile #

Please remember that we are currently just gathering data to determine the feasibility of a group insurance policy. We will provide updates during next month's meetings.

**Bookstore – Lois** ([bookstore@aalv.org](mailto:bookstore@aalv.org))

- More books ordered and coins are on order to be here soon
- Lots of monthly coins. Yearly coins are a little low. If you want yearly, it might be worth reaching out to Lois first.
- We have had some volunteers unable to continue, so Volunteers are always welcome! One year sobriety required.
- Upcoming Training session for volunteers as needed.
- Everything AA App is now owned by GSO. Download and take a look!
- Come check out the bookstore! Wednesday 9-11:30 and Saturday 9-11. Star of Bethlehem Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue in Bethlehem

**Unity – Dawson N.** ([unity@aalv.org](mailto:unity@aalv.org)) Dawson

- 10<sup>th</sup> Step Workshop set for Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> at the Wesley Church in Bethlehem Breakfast and then Speakers/Workshop
- Flyer is on AALV.ORG

**Schedules – John D.** ([schedules@aalv.org](mailto:schedules@aalv.org))

- We are out of paper schedules until the new ones are printed.
- There have been many /drafts and the schedules are not ready yet.
- Hope to have these for the July Meeting
- 59 Active Groups - 213 Meetings in the Lehigh valley(online and in person) – 78 locations

**Public Information – Deb Z.** ([publicinfo@aalv.org](mailto:publicinfo@aalv.org)) Deb was not able to attend and Sal gave update

- **\*\*\*We could use an assistant for Public Information\*\*\* 6 months sobriety required**
- PSA reached 16,178 separate accounts in our audience (minimum age 18, within 25 mile radius of Allentown PA)
- Total views 25,041
- Landing page views 1,373
- Cost per LPV \$0.18
- Post reactions 31
- We did reach a small group of 13-17 year-olds)
- PSA had 38,687 impressions in our target audience. Total clicks 190. Click through rate 0.49% (clicks\impressionsx100)
- Industry average is 0.32%.
- Our days of the week with the most activity for this PSA are Fridays and Saturdays.

**Hospitals & Institutions (H&I) – Tom C.** ([institutions@aalv.org](mailto:institutions@aalv.org))

- Assistant is has needed to help Tom – Dawson has volunteered and will transition over as assistant. Thanks for all your service!

As Tom C. mentioned last night, volunteers are needed to help carry the message to local facilities with open time slots (detailed below).

If you can help, please contact Tom C. to sign up: **Email:** [cleary872@yahoo.com](mailto:cleary872@yahoo.com) OR **Text:** 610-751-4835

- **White Deer Run Treatment (Lehigh Valley Center for Recovery)**
- 1620 Riverside Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18015
- Meeting - Third Friday of every month - 7pm (arrive no later than 6:45PM)
- **Victory House (Men Only)**
- 314 Filmore Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015
- Meetings - Fourth Tuesday of every month - 7pm (arrive no later than 6:45PM)
- **Allentown Recovery Center**
- 18 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street Allentown, PA 18101
- Meetings -Every Tuesday each week – 6:30pm (arrive no later than 6:15PM)
- **Lehigh County Jail – (Women)**
- 38 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Allentown PA
- Meetings Every Wednesday each week – 7pm (must arrive no later than 6:30PM)

**Telephone Hotline –** ([telephone@aalv.org](mailto:telephone@aalv.org)) Staten Island Bobby

- **\*\*\*A person has been found to take over in June\*\*\* Thank you Lorraine**
- Please remind your home group that we are always looking for Hotline Volunteers Try to incorporate this into every meeting.
- Please let the Hotline know if there are meeting cancellations or changes.
- Hotline Volunteers continue to go above and beyond – Thank you!

**District 37** - Fred ([d37adcm@gmail.com](mailto:d37adcm@gmail.com))

- Next meeting tomorrow night – Star of Bethlehem church on 3<sup>rd</sup> avenue at 7:30
- If you don't have a GSR send someone or attend yourself
- Start discussions of the District Panel Rolling off

**District 57** – Janis ([district57@aalv.org](mailto:district57@aalv.org))

- Meeting tomorrow night at 7:00 at St Timothy's on Ott Street
- Please come if you don't have a GSR

**Old Business**

- No old business needed for

**New Business**

- Bob B. and Rod. from Bridging the Gap (district 47) attended the meeting tonight - He inquired about the opportunity for them to be integrated into ABE Intergroup This will be a further discussion with the Intergroup committee if it makes sense
- People with Handicaps are not always receiving the message. AA Members that are having trouble hearing, is there anything we could do?
  - ✓ **Solutions:** Consider using microphones and specialized literature.
  - ✓ **Action:** Individual meetings should decide resource allocation through their own Group Conscience.
  - ✓ **Resources:** Access the information flyer on the AALV.org Bulletin Board or visit deafaa.org.

**Commercials** – please see the website AALV.ORG and check out the Bulletins Page for Flyers

Check out PENNSCYPAA Conference Flyer on the Bulletin Board if you have not seen it.

Friday – Sunday Jun 26-28. Registration is \$25 now and \$30 at the door.

Please support PENNSCYPAA 37 – “Raised from the Dead”

Motion to close the meeting and second

Sal closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer

Sal adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM. - **The next meeting – July 28, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.**

*As Intergroup Representatives you are a vital link between your individual home group and the broader Intergroup Committee. You serve as "trusted servants" under AA's Eighth Tradition, ensuring information flows seamlessly to support local recovery efforts.*

Thank you for your service!

**ABE Intergroup Steering Committee**

| Meeting                                | JAN                  | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 1 11th Step Meeting                    | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 2 ABE Virtual Group                    | X                    | X   | X   | X   |     | X   |
| 3 Bath Group                           | X                    | X   | X   | X   |     |     |
| 4 Bethlehem Group                      | X                    | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 5 big book comes alive                 | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 6 Blue Mountain Gratitude              | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 7 Brown Bag                            |                      | X   |     |     |     |     |
| 8 Catasaqua Group                      | X                    | X   |     | X   |     |     |
| 9 Cetronia                             |                      |     | X   |     | X   |     |
| 10 Dryland                             |                      |     |     | X   |     |     |
| 11 Early Bird                          | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 12 Early Sobriety                      | X                    | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 13 Easton Group                        | X                    | X   | X   |     | X   | X   |
| 14 Easton Spring Garden                |                      | X   |     | X   |     | X   |
| 15 Egypt Group                         | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 16 Emmaus Women's Group                | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 17 Experience Strength and Hope        | X                    | X   | X   | X   |     | X   |
| 18 Fireside Chat                       | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 19 Freedom on Liberty                  |                      | X   | X   |     |     | X   |
| 20 Friday Night Big Book               |                      |     | X   | X   |     | X   |
| 21 Friday night Emmaus Beginners       | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 22 Give Time Time                      |                      |     |     | X   | X   | X   |
| 23 GOYA                                |                      | X   | X   | X   | X   |     |
| 24 Happy Destiny                       | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 25 Happy Hour                          |                      | X   |     | X   |     |     |
| 26 KISS                                |                      | X   |     |     |     |     |
| 27 Listen and Learn                    |                      | X   | X   |     |     |     |
| 28 Living to Change                    | X                    | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 29 Mid-day Sobriety Hour               |                      | X   | X   | X   |     | X   |
| 30 Miller Heights                      |                      | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 31 Mustard Seed                        |                      | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 32 Nazareth Meeting                    | X                    | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 33 New Way of Life                     | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 34 Northampton                         |                      | X   | X   |     |     |     |
| 35 Northampton Men's                   | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 36 Orefield Group                      | No recent attendance |     |     |     |     |     |
| 37 Our Common Welfare                  |                      |     | X   |     |     | X   |
| 38 Over the Hump                       | X                    | X   |     |     |     |     |
| 39 Palmer Men's Group                  | X                    | X   |     | X   | X   |     |
| 40 Palmer Women's Group                |                      | X   | X   |     | X   | X   |
| 41 Pass It On                          | X                    |     |     |     | X   | X   |
| 42 Promises                            | X                    | X   | X   |     |     |     |
| 43 Rainbow Group                       |                      | X   |     | X   |     |     |
| 44 Recovery Room                       | X                    | X   |     |     |     |     |
| 45 River Otters                        |                      |     |     | X   |     |     |
| 46 Road to Recovery                    |                      |     | X   |     |     |     |
| 47 Saturday Night Live                 | X                    |     | X   |     |     |     |
| 48 Serendipity                         | X                    | X   | X   | X   | X   |     |
| 49 serenity Group                      |                      | X   |     | X   | X   |     |
| 50 Spiritual Awakening                 |                      |     |     | X   |     |     |
| 51 Sunday Big Book Study               |                      | X   | X   | X   | X   | X   |
| 52 Sunlight of the Spirit              |                      |     |     |     |     | X   |
| 53 Tatamy Group                        | X                    |     |     |     |     |     |
| 54 Tatamy Beginners Group              | X                    | X   | X   | X   |     | X   |
| 55 Thursday Luncheon                   |                      |     |     | X   |     | X   |
| 56 Thursday Night Steps and Traditions | X                    |     | X   |     |     | X   |
| 57 West Bethlehem New Beginnings       |                      | X   | X   |     |     | X   |
| 58 Young People's meeting              |                      |     | X   |     | X   | X   |