WHAT IS AA?

Alcoholics Anonymous ("AA") is an international organization of individuals who have struggled with drinking at some point in their lives. Supported and organized by its members, AA operates independently of any outside funding. AA is not affiliated with any religious or political group. AA's goal is to promote sobriety by "carrying its message" to suffering alcoholics. All AA members remain anonymous. Anonymity removes the stigma of identification and recognition and allows participants a more comfortable experience in recovery. Alcoholics Anonymous is open to all persons regardless of age, gender or ethnicity. The only requirement to become a member is the desire to stop drinking.

AA FACTS

Alcoholics Anonymous was founded in 1935 by Bill Wilson and Dr. Bob Smith in Akron, Ohio. The name of our fellowship

is derived from the name of the book, "Alcoholics Anonymous", first printed in 1939. This book contains the basic text of the program of recovery. The 12



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Steps (on reverse of this pamphlet) are the backbone of AA's program of recovery from alcoholism. There are over 117,000 AA groups in 181 countries and 1.2 million members.

Names and Phone Numbers



The Meeting Guide is a <u>free</u> meeting finder app for iOS and Android that provides AA meeting information in an easy-to-access format. The app lists over 100,000 weekly meetings, and the information is refreshed twice daily.

Useful Websites

Alcoholics Anonymous in Georgia

Official Georgia State Service Assembly website. Find meetings anywhere in the State of Georgia. www.aageorgia.org

Alcoholics Anonymous worldwide

Official site of Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc. www.aa.org

Al-Anon Family Groups—help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics. Find meetings anywhere in Georgia. https://al-anon.org

AA and Al-Anon Meetings

~Madison~

~Greensboro~ ~Rutledge~





"Meeting Makers Make It"

We recommend going to a number of different meetings when beginning the program.

This brochure was created to help expose the newcomer to the wide range of meetings in the Rutledge—Madison—Greensboro area.

To find a meeting anywhere in the State of Georgia:

For AA: aageorgia.org

For Al-Anon: al-anon.org

Meeting Schedule				
O/D	Madison			
O/D	Off The Rails			
C/D	Lakeside			
C/D/WP	Lakeside Women's			
Al-Anon	Greensboro Al-Anon			
Tuesday				
O/D	Off The Rails			
C/D	Lakeside			
O/D	Rutledge			
Wednesday				
C/D	Clean-N-Greene			
Thursday				
O/BB	Off The Rails			
C/D (1st & 3rd Thurs BB study)	Lakeside Group			
C/D	Madison			
Al-Anon	Madison Al-Anon			
Friday				
C/BB	Madison			
Saturday				
O/D	Clean-N-Greene			
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Groups and Locations

Madison Group + Madison Al-Anon

Episcopal Church of the Advent Parish House 338 Academy Street, Madison, GA

Off The Rails Group + OTR Women's meeting

Episcopal Church of the Advent Parish House 338 Academy Street, Madison, GA

Rutledge Group

Rutledge Baptist Church (fellowship hall in back) 112 West Main Street, Rutledge, GA

Clean-N-Greene Group

Greensboro United Methodist Church 202 West Broad Street, Greensboro, GA

Lakeside Group

Christ Our King and Savior Catholic Church Parish Life Center, Room 104 6341 Lake Oconee Parkway, Greensboro, GA

Lakeside Women's Meeting

Lake Oconee Community Church 1001 Village Park Dr. #107, Greensboro, GA

Greensboro Al-Anon

Lakeside Church at Lake Oconee 5800 Lake Oconee Parkway, Greensboro, GA

One day at a time

Meeting Types

O = Open meetings are for AA members and anyone interested in the AA program of recovery from alcoholism (e.g., students, family members).

C = Closed meetings are for AA members only or for those who have a drinking problem and have a desire to stop drinking.

D = Discussion

BB = Big Book Study

WP = Women Predominate

THE TWELVE STEPS OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

- We admitted we were powerless over alcohol—that our lives had become unmanageable.
- 2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
- Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
- 4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
- 5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
- 6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
- 7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
- 8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.
- Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
- 10. Continued to take a personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
- 11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
- 12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs.