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Our meeting in print.

About MAICO

The mission of MAICO (Madison Area Intergroup Central Office) is to help A.A. groups within its service area (South Central Wisconsin) carry the A.A. message. MAICO helps coordinate and facilitate communication and cooperation among individual A.A. groups, area 12-step and other committees, and components of the A.A. service structure. MAICO provides needed services that are beyond the scope and ability of any individual A.A. group, and is at all times responsible to the groups it serves.

YOU NEVER KNOW

In my early days in AA, 30 to 35 years ago, I had gone on a number of Twelfth Step calls, usually without success. My first attempt came when Joe from my home group called and asked if I could join him to go talk to a neighbor. The neighbor's wife knew that Joe had recently gotten sober in AA and asked him if he could help her husband. Even though I'd only been sober a few months more than Joe and had never been on a Twelfth Step call, we both had read "Working With Others" in the Big Book and had shared our stories at meetings. So I agreed to go.

The husband agreed to talk with us, so we went over to his house early one evening. We met his wife and two young children, who disappeared into the kitchen while we stayed in the living room with the man. Joe and I each shared our stories with him, stressing how sobriety was improving our lives and the lives of our families. The man admitted alcohol was causing him problems similar to those we had each described. He said he thought he should do something about it, but declined to let us take him to a meeting. When we left, his wife, with tears in her eyes, thanked us for coming. Joe told her we were sorry we weren't of more help and that he would stay in touch.

Joe did keep tabs on the family and the prospect never stopped drinking. He died of alcoholism several years later. Joe sometimes spoke of our unsuccessful Twelfth Step call at our home group, always concluding with "...but *we* stayed sober."

One day, roughly 22 years after that Twelfth Step call, I arrived at our weekly meeting and Joe grabbed my arm and said, "Come over here, I want you to meet someone." He introduced me to a young woman in her early 30's – the daughter of the man we had tried to help years ago. The young woman related how she had listened through the open kitchen door that night and had always remembered what Joe and I had said to her father. So when she realized that she too was having a problem with alcohol, she knew where to come for help. There she was, in AA, working the program and getting sober. Today, 12 years later, she's still sober, as are Joe and I.

Working with others can certainly have disappointments, but like other AA service, it usually will help keep us sober. And sometimes it leads to unanticipated, wonderful outcomes.

Bill H. – Seattle, Wash.

Income Statement – January 2016

Revenues	This year	Last Year
Donations	3,340.14	3,049.79
Individual Donations	7.30	663.96
Donations - Gratitude Month	407.60	429.30
Conference Literature	2,748.90	2,685.90
Non-Conference Literature	1,353.44	1,012.29
Non-Conference Merchandise	2,233.11	1,562.25
Grapevine Literature	107.40	205.35
Faithful Fivers	5.00	133.00
Directories	34.00	221.00
Savings Account Income	1.65	0.00
Other Income – copies	77.93	16.34
Shipping Charges Reimbursed	45.91	64.22
Sales Tax Discount	<u>0.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>
Total Revenues	<u>10,362.38</u>	<u>10,053.40</u>
Cost of Sales		
Inventory Exp.-Conference Lit.	4,028.49	721.80
Inventory Exp.-NonConfer Lit.	-187.50	915.77
Inventory Exp.-NonConfer Mer.	312.67	1,052.81
Inventory Exp.-Grapevine	116.55	0.00
Total Cost of Sales	<u>4,270.21</u>	<u>2,690.38</u>
Gross Profit	<u>6,092.17</u>	<u>7,363.02</u>
Expenses		
Travel Expense – mileage	19.35	0.00
Wages Expense	4,366.59	4,001.13
Payroll Tax Expense	518.46	306.09
Medical Reimbursement	160.00	100.00
Credit Card Processing Costs	44.98	39.69
Mobile Credit Card Unit Fees	15.00	15.00
Office Supplies Expense	40.73	0.00
Office Expense	339.20	49.02
Telephone/Internet Expense	155.44	150.15
Answering Service Expense	450.24	472.88
Advertising in Phone Book	80.00	92.00
Postage and Shipping Expense	44.40	63.66
Occupancy Expense	886.00	860.00
Reconciliation Discrepancies	-0.08	0.00
Other Expense	43.93	0.00
Total Expenses	<u>7,176.24</u>	<u>6,149.62</u>
Net Income	<u>-1,084.07</u>	<u>1,213.40</u>

Upcoming Events

2015

Some event flyers are on www.aamadisonwi.org or www.area75.org

Any district or group AA event can be posted on the Area 75 calendar by going to www.area75.org, click "get your event posted here", be aware that info & flyers go on internet, mindful of anonymity, names on flyers etc

Recurring events:

1st Sun of month – Ripon's Royal Ridge Open Speaker AA Breakfast, Royal Ridges, State Hwy 23 (W. Fond du Lac St.), Ripon. Breakfast 10am, Speaker 11:00am. \$9.00 adults, Holiday meets 2nd Sunday.

3rd Sun of month – Pocket Full of Sunshine Breakfast, Howard Johnson, 3841 E. Washington Ave., Madison, 10am breakfast buffet \$8.99 all you can eat, 12 & under \$5.00, 11am Speaker

2nd Fri of month – Finger Food Friday, Appetizer Potluck, Speaker meeting, 6:30pm appetizer's, 7:00pm Speaker, United Methodist Ch., 1804 New Pinery Rd., Portage.

Last Wed of month – Sunlight of the Spirit Grp, (SOTS) Open speaker meeting, Plymouth United Church of Christ, 2401 Atwood Ave., 5:30pm Potluck, bring a dish to share, 6:30pm Speaker, enter Ohio St. side of church.

Last Sat of month – Hosted by Portage Area Recovery Groups, Open Speaker Meeting, 8pm, Historic Apts., 207 W. Cook St., Portage, basement, handicap accessible, Potluck to follow meeting.

1st & 3rd Sat of month – Monroe Sister Blandine Group, Open Speaker Meeting, St. Victor's Church, 1760 14th St., Monroe, entrance off 20th Ave (parish library door) Everyone welcome

2016

Mar 12 – Cabin Fever, Work the 12 Steps in 1 day, Eastside Alano, 1017 Northport Dr., Madison, 9am to 4:00pm. Bring your Big Book, Highlighters & another alcoholic. Pulled Pork and Buns provided, bring a salad or dessert. Suggested donation \$5.00.

Mar 13 – Delegates Workshop for all Area 75 members, Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin, Madison, 9am. Workshop is the opportunity for members of AA to give input to the General Service Conference through our Delegate. Bring a friend or sponsee.

Mar 19 – 40th Annual Badger Intergroup, Waukesha Expo Center, 1000 Northview Rd., Waukesha, WI. (non-smoking facility), **Clancy I. from Los Angeles, CA.**, Tickets \$30, Mail in Only, Name & address on Flyer, Deadline March 4, 2016. Q's – Troy M. 414-803-7561

Apr 9 – Dist. 9 Mini-Conference, St. Rose School, Cuba City, WI.

Apr 9 – Great Lakes Mini Conference, A.A. Traditions, First Presbyterian Ch., 1225 4th St., Fond du Lac, WI. 9am-9:15pm. Hosted by District 25. Q's Email greatlakesintergroup@gmail.com

Apr 10 – Area 75 Pre-Conference Assembly, 9am, Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin St., Madison

Apr 16 – MAICO Reps Spring Into Action Workshop, "Surviving Sobriety"

Trinity Lutheran Ch., 1904 Atwood Ave., Madison, WI. Three Panels. 9:00am to Noon. Pizza at Noon, \$5.00 for pizza

Apr 30 – Corrections Conference, Trinity Lutheran Ch., 1904 Atwood Ave., Madison, WI.

May 20-22 – 65th Annual Area 75 AA Conference, Olympia Resort, Oconomowoc, WI. **Happy, Joyous & Free**, hosted by Districts 34 & 12. You can register on line at www.eventbrite.com, type Area 75 2016 Conference in search box. Click on link, and that will take you to registration page.

Jun 10 -12 – Founder's Day Conference, Akron, Ohio, "Where the past touches the present." Registration opens March 1, 2016 at 9am, <https://foundersdayregistration.akronaa.org>

MAICO Rep's Spring Into Action mini conference

Surviving Sobriety

Three Panels - Relationships, Work, Finances

9am to Noon

April 16, 2016

Pizza lunch will follow at noon - \$5

Trinity Lutheran Church

1904 Winnebago St.

Madison WI 53704

Thank You's - Donations received Dec 24, 2015 to Feb 19, 2016

General Fund

207 Grp
4th Dimension
A Vision for You
Atwood Woman's Grp
Beaver Dam Sunday Serenity
Berlin Friday Night
DeForest Progress Grp
Dist. 35
Family Afterward Grp
Fel-O-Ship Grp
First 164 Pages Monday Night Grp
Foxhall Recovery Grp
Friday Night Lights
Ft. Atkinson Open Beginners
Good Fellowship
Grace Lunch Grp
Into Action
Keep It Simple
Keys to the Kingdom
Language of the Heart
Living Sober Grp
Lost in the Woods Woman's Grp
Mauston Friday Night Fellowship
Mauston Monday Night
Mauston Wednesday Afternoon
Mid Morning Grp
Mineral Point Grapevine
Monroe Design for Living
Monroe Early Birds
Monroe Open Speaker Meeting
Monticello 12 & 12
Morning After Grp
Mt. Horeb Wed Night
Mt. Olive Grp
New Glarus Sobrietyfest
Our Group Wednesday
Palmyra Monday Night Grp
Prairie Dock Grp
Red Circle
Richland Center Grp
Richland Center Primitive Grp
Room to Grow Grp
Sat. Morning Woman's Serenity
Sauk Prairie Grp
Sober Today Middleton
Sober Today Waunakee
Suburban Sobriety Grp
Sunlight of the Spirit
Sun Night Discussion
Sun Prairie Mon Night
Sunrise Serenity
Sunshine Grp

The Phoenix Grp
Triangle Grp
Tues. Night Workshop
Wed. Night Schooners
Woman's Reflection

Faithful Fivers

Anonymous
Mary S.

Gratitude Month

Capital Steps Grp
Columbus Grp
Happy Hour Grps in Wi. Dells
Happy Hour Grp in Madison
High Noon
Individual Donation
Janesville Early Risers
Janesville Home Grp
Janesville Tues Night Men in Recovery
Janesville No Name
Janesville Sun. Beginners
Janesville Sun Night Open Discussion
Janesville Unity
Keep It Simple
Lodi Lifeliners
Mid Morning
Platteville Monday Night
Poynette-DeKorra
Prairie Dock
Sat. Morning Woman's Serenity
Sauk Prairie Grp
Serenity at 6 Woman's Grp
The Promises Grp
Watertown Fri 4pm & Sun 11am
Watertown Dist 11 Grp (JEF-M1)

Individual Donations

Anonymous
Dave S.
Doreen H.
Penny R.
Ron M.
Tom S.

MAICO Corrections Treatment Fund

Serenity at Six Woman's
Sunlight of the Spirit

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For This, We are Responsible

We need your help and cooperation if we are to keep up to date about meetings and groups in the area we serve. Please let us know of any changes to the meetings you attend or to your group so we can pass the information along to our readers. Call MAICO at 608-222-8989, email to aamadisonwi@gmail.com or fill out the form and mail to MAICO, 2000 Engel St., Suite 104, Madison, WI. 53713

Provide as much of the following information as is possible			
New___	Change___	Help___	Discontinued___
Group name (if any)_____		Open___	Closed___
Smoking___	Non-smoking___	Signed___	Accessible___
Day and time of meeting _____			
Location_____			
Type of meeting_____			
Group contact person_____			
Contact's phone number_____			
Also, let us know of any changes in your group's contact person(s):			
Name_____			
Position _____			
Phone number_____			
Group name (if any)_____			
Day and time of meeting_____			
Location_____			