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Tues. & Thurs 12-4  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday/mo  
5-7pm

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We are back in action!

Please notify me with any Info!

Thanks

Carol T.

*Mark Your Calendar*

**New meeting:**

*Love and Service Group*

Innisfil Community Church  
1571 Innisfil Beach Rd, Alcona,  
8:00 pm [C]

**Georgian Bay South - District 8**

**District Committee Meeting**

Sunday, September 9, 2007 at 1:30 pm

\*[St. George's Church](#)

Burton & Granville Street, Barrie

**Barrie & Area Intergroup Meeting**

Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 7:00 pm

\*[Central United Church](#)

54 Ross Street, Barrie

**Collingwood Sunday Night Group**

Celebrates 60years of service on  
September 16<sup>th</sup>

**11th Annual**

**Creemore, Stayner, Wasaga Beach  
A.A. RoundUp**

Stayner Community Centre  
Saturday, 25 August 2007

**41st Annual Dunnville**

**A.A. Convention & Campout**

Byng Island Conservation Area,  
7, 8, 9 September 2007

**Hamilton and Districts A.A.**

**39th Annual Autumn Leaf Roundup**

Sheraton Hamilton Hotel  
14, 15, 16 September 2007

**District 7 and 8 of Area 86 present  
a day of Recovery, Unity and Service**

Ferndale Banquet Hall, Barrie  
22 September 2007

**Check the web:**

[barrieaa.com](http://barrieaa.com)

for a detailed listing of events

*Gratitude*

Say thank you until you mean it. Thank God, life, and the universe for everyone and everything sent your way. Gratitude unlocks fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. It turns problems into gifts, failures into success, the unexpected into perfect timing and mistakes into important and beneficial lessons. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow. Gratitude makes things right. Gratitude turns negative energy into positive energy. There is no solution or circumstance so small or large that it is not susceptible to gratitude's power. We can start with who we are and what we have today, apply gratitude, then let it work its magic. Say thank you, until you mean it. If you say it long enough, you will believe it.

Today, I will shine the transforming light of gratitude on all the circumstances of my life.

-submitted by Joe S., Alliston



**Barrie A.A. Central Office Twelve Step Work**

**July 2007**

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# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## August 2007

Name	Anniversary	Sober Date	To Be Celebrated	Meeting
Phillip L.	25 Years	1 August		Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Pat A.	38 Years	5 August	27 August	Base Borden Group
Sylvie L.	3 years	9 August	27 August	Base Borden Group
John H.	22 Years	10 August		Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Spence D.	12 Years	11 August	30 August	Alliston Group
Marg M.	13 Years	15 August		Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Kevin B.	10 Years	16 August	30 August	Alliston Group
Diane K.	22 Years	19 August		Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Phil H.	2 Years	27 August		Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Karen M.	5 Years	29 August	1 September	Saturday Night Georgian Group
John C.	5 Years	31 August	27 September	Alliston Group

## September 2007

Name	Anniversary	Sober Date	To Be Celebrated	Meeting
Rob H.	5 Years	11 September	24 September	Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Doug A.	4 Years	22 September	24 September	Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Joe T.	1 Year	23 September	24 September	Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Nancy S.	4 Years	26 September	24 September	Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud
Anita D.	7 Years	29 September	24 September	Alcona Serenity Group, Stroud



*Happy Birthday to those celebrating milestones of sobriety... those 24hrs add up!*



### Tradition Eight

Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional.

We define professionalism as the occupation of counseling alcoholics for fees or hire. But we may employ alcoholics where they are going to perform those services for which we might otherwise have to engage non-alcoholics. Such special services may be well recompensed. But our usual A.A. "12 Step" work is never to be paid for.

**"All of us, without exception, pass through times when we can pray only with the greatest exertion of will.**

**Occasionally we go even further than this.**

**We are seized with a rebellion so sickening that we simply won't pray.**

**When these things happen we should not think too ill of ourselves.**

**We should simply resume prayer as soon as we can, doing what we know to be good for us."**

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**Prayer**