

# Pass It On

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Quarterly Newsletter of the  
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## ***AIS Meeting 20 January 2010***

Attendees: Linda M, Bob M, Diane Z, Kathleen M, Cindy K, Patty G, Janice Z, Polly K.

The meeting was opened at 8:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer and a reading of the Concepts and Warranties. The minutes from the 16 September 2009 were read and moved to accept by Diane and seconded by Bob. Motion was carried.

The Treasurer's report was read by Bob, moved to accept by Polly and seconded by Cindy. The motion was carried. Bob informed the group that if a check for insufficient funds is received he throws it away and AIS covers the cost. He maintains the anonymity of person who sent check.

### **Coordinators Reports:**

Directories: Cindy reported that she will continue to do two updates a year of the printed directory. She will increase number based on increase in demand. Changes to the directory should be emailed to her. She will verify accuracy of phone numbers.

Public Outreach: Patty reported that she still gets requests for directories but no requests for other literature. Linda reminded the group that local newspapers no longer include information about meetings.

Newsletters: Kathleen had computer crash and is still having problems with some graphics but will be able to produce newsletter.

Alateen: Janice reported that the Annapolis Alateen is doing fine. She will visit shelter soon but it is a rough group. If Carole is still interested in starting North County Alateen Janice will provide guidance if needed.

Website: Linda is working on Alateen page for web site.

Answering Service: There was a problem with no volunteer coverage for Thanksgiving but problem was solved before Christmas. Carol needs two volunteers for Friday and Sunday. A question was raised about whether Answering Service personnel should also give out NarAnon numbers. There was concern that it is hard to ensure accuracy of phone numbers. There was a suggestion made that only the main NarAnon web site URL be given or that volunteers provide info as needed.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Linda will order 50 copies of Al-Anon Faces Alcoholism 2010 and bring to May AIS meeting for distribution to groups. This publication is for Public Outreach for professionals such as doctor's offices.

Linda reported that she is corresponding with and receiving information regarding the “e-community.”

Diane reported that the WMAAAIS has moved.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

District 20 Workshop: 27 February 2010, Crownsville, cost \$10, lunch included

Spring Workshop is 01 May 2010 at North Arundel Church in Glen Burnie. No flyer yet.

Picnic is 27 June 2010 at Lake Waterford Park.

Spring Assembly: 15 May 2010

Fall AWSC: 25 September 2010

Fall Assembly: 23 October 2010

## **GROUP CONCERNS:**

A question was raised about how to handle situation when group members get off topic during meetings. The concern was that meetings can become gripe sessions with no talk of AI-Anon tools or principles. Group consensus was that a member of the group should speak up and get meeting back on track. No consensus reach on whether a person such as the secretary or chairperson should be one designated to do this.

### **Sunday:**

Riviera Beach/Jenkins Memorial - doing OK

Davidsonville AI-Anon Adult Children - 4 to 8 people per meeting.

### **Monday:**

Afternoon Delight - OK.

Harundale - Small home group.

**Tuesday:** AIS Meeting 20 January 2010

Annapolis Tuesday Afternoon - Doing well.

### **Wednesday:**

Glen Burnie Wednesday Night/North Arundel Church - Usual ebb and flow.

### **Thursday:**

Annapolis Thursday Morning/Pathways - Getting big, sometimes 30 people.

Anne Arundel/Arnold - Growing.

Glen Gardens - Doing well and has some newcomers.

Linthicum Thursday Night - Has a few new home group members. Size of meeting varies.

### **Friday:**

Glen Burnie Friday Night - Holding its own. Group mostly “old times.”

Fort Smallwood - Small group. Some newcomers.

Crofton/Prince of Peach - Growing.

**Saturday:**

Arnold/Gloria Dei 11:00 meeting growing.

The next AIS meeting is at 8:00 p.m. on 19 May 2010.

The meeting closed at 9:05 p.m. with the Lord's Prayer.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**January 2010**

**Groups Donating**

Mon. Adult Children Annapolis  
Tues. Marley  
Tues. Crofton  
Tues. Steppin'  
Tues. Easton  
Wed. Afternoon Delight  
Annapolis Thursday Morning  
Thurs. Linthicum  
Thurs. Green Door (NSA)  
Fri. Night Glen Burnie  
Fri. Night Crofton  
Fri. Night Fort Smallwood  
Sat. Morning 10: AM  
Sat. Morning 11:00 AM

**Beginning Balance                    \$1273.81**

**Expenses**

**Answering Service                    \$489.72**  
**Bank Fee                                \$ 52.00**  
**Phone                                    \$172.07**  
**Rent for Woods Church                \$ 80.00**  
**Directories                             \$ 167.48**

**Total Expenses.                    \$961.27**

**Donations                            \$938.38**

**Taken from Reserve                    \$ 22.89**

**Ending Balance                        \$1250.92**

**Respectfully submitted R.L. Minghini, Treasurer**

## **CALENDAR 2010-SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS ON ALL EVENTS**

District Meetings: Start at 7PM

- 4/22/10 Linthicum Thursday Night
- 7/09/10 Fort Smallwood Friday Night
- 10/07/10 Linthicum Thursday Night

See Grace for book orders

- 2/27/10 Winter Workshop-Davidsonville  
Harbor Hills Yacht Club \$10.00  
Advanced Tickets only  
(See website for information)
- 3/14/10 Steep Yourself in Serenity Tea  
Conference Center behind Cathedral of Mary Our Queen  
5200 N. Charles St, Baltimore, MD 21210  
No Tickets or admission fee/ Refreshments Provided  
(Contributions Accepted)  
Food and Fellowship 2-3 PM  
Speaker panel and sharing 3-4:30 PM
- 3/20/10 AWSC Meeting
- 5/1/10 District 11 Workshop  
NAC Church 8:30 – Noon
- 5/15/10 Spring Assembly-DC
- 6/4-6/6/10 Spring Convention  
Chestertown, MD
- 6/27/10 Picnic- Lake Waterford Park  
Sponsored by Riveria Beach  
Noon- Until...
- 9/25/10 Fall AWSC
- 10/23/10 Fall Assembly- Holy Trinity Church  
B & A Boulevard  
8-4PM

11/12/- Fall Convention at Rocky Gap  
11/14/10

11/10 Potluck-possible dates 11/6/ & 11/13/10  
Needs a Committee to be assembled

### **District 11 Public Outreach Report**

**Dist 11** Linda – Public Outreach –Al-Anon faces Alcoholism 2010 to be ordered.  
Orders in by February 2010 of 50 copies.

**Dist 15** No report this month

**Dist 20** Patty- Continued distribution to Pathways and Health Department of  
Al-Anon literature. Requests are mostly for directories. If anyone else  
wants to distribute there is literature available to use.

### **Coordinator's Report**

**Answering Service - Carol F** – Need two volunteers for Friday/Sunday. Some  
questions from volunteers whether answering service should also steer people to  
Nar-Anon if needed. Possibly just giving out phone number for the person to call  
was discussed.

**Alateen - Janice Z** - Shelter meeting 1x/month and doing okay. Literature still going  
to shelter. Carol interested in starting Alateen meeting at Harundale Monday

**Directories** – Cindy everyone to email her with any changes in meetings as she will  
be ordering new directories. There were 3000 directories distributed in 2009. It was  
discussed that possibly more will need to be order in the future.

**Meeting Changes** – Brooklyn Monday night has been discontinued  
Linthicum Thursday night now an OPEN meeting

**Newsletter** – Any articles or events to be included in the next edition of *Pass It On*  
need to be submitted ASAP. Send a copy by e-mail [alanon@md-al-anon.org](mailto:alanon@md-al-anon.org), or  
send with your Alt-GR to the next AIS meeting. Kathleen M will now be the  
Newsletter Editor.

**Website** – Ecommunities available-see website for information.

Our Website, maintained by Bob/Linda M. is doing well and changes have been made. Please feel free to log on and give us your feedback! [www.md-al-anon.org](http://www.md-al-anon.org)

**Website - Linda – Working on webpage for Alateen.**

**District News** –

**District 11 – District Meetings for the rest of the year: 4/22/10 at Linthicum Thursday Night, 7/9/10 at Fort Smallwood, Friday Night, 10/7/10 Linthicum Thursday Night. Meetings start at 7PM**

**District 15 – No Report**

**District 20 – No Report**

**Group Concerns:**

**Sunday –Riveria Beach growing and doing well.**

**Sunday-Davidsonville Al\_Annon Adult Children doing fairly well.**

**Monday- Harundale offers babysitters during meeting time.**

**Has core group, doing well**

**Monday- Brooklyn Monday meeting has been discontinued.**

**Monday- Curtis Bay noon doing well**

**Monday-Afternoon Delight- doing well**

**Tuesday-Annapolis has a core group of 8 people.**

**Tuesday-Rowe Blvd-has built up again, doing well.**

**Wednesday- NAC has a 5-6 steady members.**

**Thursday-Linthicum has few home group members.**

**Thursday- Glen Gardens, doing well**

**Thursday -Davidsonville- doing okay**

**Thursday- Pathways-very big considering moving**

**Friday-Crofton-close to twenty members**

**Friday-St Albans, doing well-group of mostly oldtimers**

**Friday-Ft. Smallwood has small core group, some newcomers**

**Friday Crofton meeting has babysitting.**

**Saturday-Linthicum needs home group members.**

**Arnold Saturday Morning, both 10 and 11 a.m., Monday night (7:30) & Thurs night (7:30) all doing well**

**NSA- Green Door doing okay.**

**MISCELLANEOUS:** Miss Claire could use some calls, she is not doing so well right now.

## Lois Wilson Movie

# "WHEN LOVE IS NOT ENOUGH" TO AIR ON CBS NETWORK SUNDAY, APRIL 25 AT 9 PM EST



Screenwriter and Author Bill Borchert on the set of "Love Is Not Enough" with film star Winona Ryder who plays Lois Wilson.

**1-25-10**

Shooting of the Entertainment One/Hallmark Hall of Fame movie, "When Love Is Not Enough," was completed in Toronto, Canada just before Christmas and is now in post-production. It is scheduled to be aired as a Hallmark Hall of Fame Presentation on the CBS Network on Sunday, April 25 at 9 P.M. EST.

**11-11-09**

The Hallmark Hall of Fame movie, "When Love Is Not Enough: The Lois Wilson Story," began shooting in Toronto, Canada on November 9, 2009. It is scheduled for completion by the middle of December.

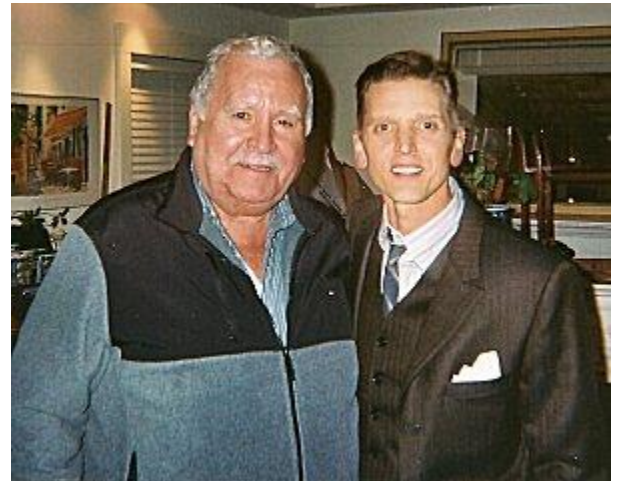
The movie stars the magnificent young actress, Wynona Ryder, as "Lois Wilson," the co-founder of Al-Anon, and the wonderful young actor, Barry Pepper, as her husband, "Bill Wilson," the co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous. The distinguished director is John Kent Harrison and the Executive Producers are Brent Shields and Peter Duchow. The screenplay was written by William G. Borchert and Camille Thomasson.

is based on the book, "The Lois Wilson Story: When Love Is Not Enough," written by veteran author William G. Borchert who was a close personal friend of Lois Wilson for more than 15 years before her passing in 1988. Mr. Borchert was nominated for an Emmy for writing the highly acclaimed Hallmark film, "My Name Is Bill W." which starred James Woods and James Garner and was based on the lives of Bill Wilson and Dr. Robert Smith and the founding of Alcoholics Anonymous.

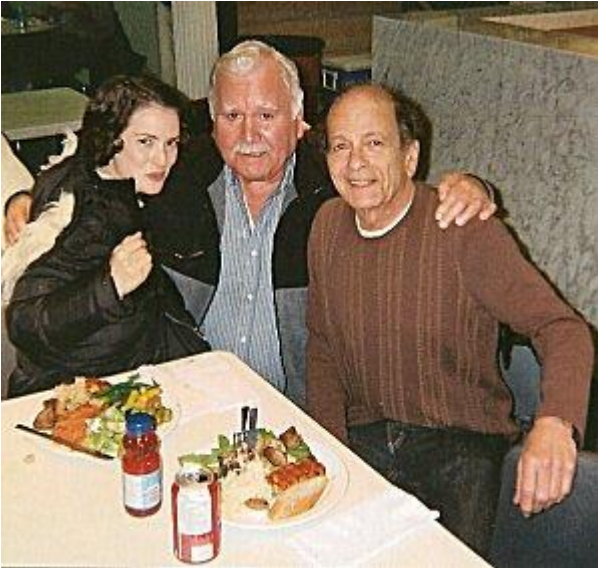
Mr. Borchert long felt the story of Al-Anon must also be told and the heroic role Lois played in its founding. So four years ago he wrote her life story. Hallmark Hall of Fame then purchased the film rights to his book and now the movie has become a reality.

Wynona Ryder, who expressed great eagerness to play the role of Lois, has been nominated for two Academy Awards and has starred in many box office hits. These include "Star Trek," "The Informers," "Edward Scissorhands," "The Age of Innocence," "Little Women," "The Crucible," "Being John Malkovich," "The Last Word," "Beetle Juice," and many others.

More than three years in the making, the movie



Writer Bill Borchert on movie set with Barry Pepper who plays Bill Wilson in Hallmark's "When Love Is Not Enough."



Writer Bill Borchert with actress Winona Ryder and her father, Mike Horowitz, during a lunch break from the film.

Audiences have also gotten to know Winona through her many TV appearances on such shows as Jay Leno, David Letterman, Conan O'Brien, The Charley Rose Show and eight appearances on Saturday Night Live.

Barry Pepper is a deeply sensitive actor as he clearly showed in his major roles in "Saving Private Ryan" and "The Green Mile." A six-time nominee and winner of The Golden Globe Award, Barry has starred in many other feature films such as "We Were Soldiers" and "Flags of Our Fathers." He has also starred in major television movies such as "61" where he played New York Yankees home run slugger Roger Maris and in "Lonesome Dove: The Outlaw Years."

Like Winona, audiences have seen him interviewed on many TV shows such as The Late, Late Show with Craig Ferguson and the Rosie O'Donnell Show. The man guiding these marvelous actors through the difficult task of portraying a loving couple battling the scourge of alcoholism is an outstanding director with many awards and credits to his name. John Kent Harrison understands this story from many points of view and considers it a personal privilege to be undertaking this challenge.

moving and gripping Hallmark Hall of Fame drama, "The courageous Heart of Irene Sandler" which won accolades from around the world. He also wrote and directed the TV movie, "Pope John Paul II" and the highly acclaimed movie, "The Sound and the Silence" about Alexander Graham Bell.

Last year John directed the



Bill with actor Barry Pepper following one of the dramatic scenes in the movie involving Bill Wilson's alcoholic drinking.

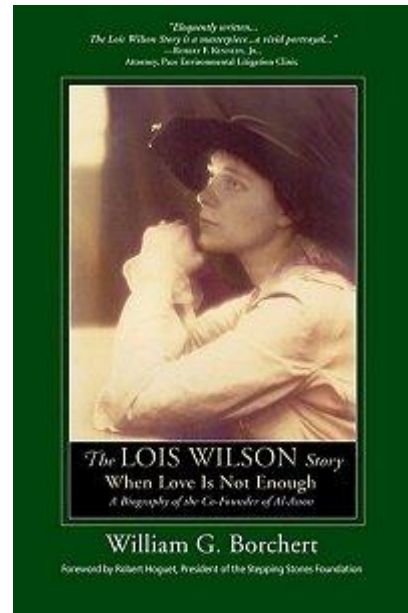
"When Love Is Not Enough" is scheduled to be shown on the CBS Television Network in late April of 2010, just before Mothers Day. Stay tuned for further news on this important event.

**9-10-09**

We will continually update you on this page as the Lois Wilson movie "When Love Is Not Enough" moves through pre-production into shooting and through post-production. You will learn who will be playing the starring roles, about the director and cast and where it will all be done on location. We hope you will stay tuned.



Bill on the movie set with John Kent Harrison, the Director of the Hallmark film based on the life of Lois Wilson, Co-Founder of Al-Anon.



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