

PASS IT ON

APRIL 2026



CONCEPT 4: *Participation is the key to harmony.*

Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup Newsletter

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Email request to: PassItOnAFG@yahoo.com and send in \$5 Donation to the AAIS

Trusted Servants:

Chair, Jane M.
Warren Oh

Co-Chair (Editor) Jim K
Fairlawn AFG

Secretary, Christina R. Kent
Fri Night

Treasurer, Carla M.
Hudson

Co-Treasurer, Training!

Office Coordinator, Kathy C

Literature, Mary Ellen

Co-Literature,
Shelley S Medina Tues
Night

Public Info Coord., Don V.
Serenity Seekers

Co-PIC – OPEN

Mtgs on Wheels, OPEN

Co-Mtgs on Wheels - OPEN

Alateen, Lynda
Copley

Co-Alateen, Gina
Copley

Archives, - OPEN
Co-Archives - OPEN

Webmaster, Richie T.
Hudson Serenity

OAA Liaison, Cathy C.
Happiness and Acceptance

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

***JOIN US!**

Monthly Intergroup meetings are

ZOOM ONLY Meeting

ID 891 6769 3419

Password 961435

Meeting are first Tuesdays

4/7/2025

7:30 pm meeting

Open to all Al-Anon Members,
ISRs, Group Reps, District Reps.

All are Encouraged to Attend!

Al-Anon Founder's Day Committee

Planning for 2026 Founders Day

Sunday 4/26/2026 4 PM

Meeting ID: 730 4617 7568

Passcode: 086796

All are welcomed + Donations needed

CHANGE IS GOOD:

Medina Tuesday meets 7PM St Paul's
Episcopal Church Medina, OH
Hartville Wednesday – new location –
see attached flyer

Akron Al-Anon Intergroup Service Position Openings 2026-2027

Archivist (5 YR)

Co-Public Info Coord (2 YR)

Mtgs on Wheels (1 YR)

Alateen & Co-Alateen (2 YR)

Please send meeting topics or flyers by
the 15th of month to
passitonafg@yahoo.com

CHECK OUT THE ATTACHED INSIDE:

- Feb Minutes & Office report
- Jan Financials
- Event flyers attached
- BE A VOLUNTEER – FOUNDER'S DAY
- See the Library Bookmark flyer!!!

AKRON INTERGROUP WORKSHOP

Concept 4,5 – Key to Harmony, Appeal &
Petition – **APR 11** at 9:00am ID 813 5635
1017 PC 010355

DATES TO REMEMBER!! Akron

Intergroup workshop Tradition #4
19APR, W.N Hope 16th annv 21APR;
Mantua H 47th annv 21-Apr; Falls 55th
annv 23APR; New Hope Step Study
30APR.

YOUR DONATION MATTERS

AKRON AL-ANON INTERGROUP

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THANKS FOR YOUR DONATIONS AL-ANON

Chagrin Falls Disc, Happiness & Acceptance,
Hope in the Woods, Massillon Serenity, Sat
Night Serenity, Twinsburg Thur. N Canton
Tues.Eve, Individuals, Chili Cook-off

ALATEEN –

STEP 4: *Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.*

TRADITION 4: *Each group should be autonomous, except in matters affecting another group or Al-Anon or AA as a whole.*

Office Location: 3614 Manchester Rd., Suite 103, Akron, OH 44319

Website: www.afg-akron.org Telephone: 330-645-1165 Email: passitonafg@yahoo.com

Office hours 10 AM – 2 PM Monday – Friday (call first before you go)



Hope and help for families and friends of alcoholics

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*****VOLUNTEERS NEEDED*****

FOUNDERS' DAY WEEKEND: June 12 & 13, 2025

On Founders' Day Weekend, Friday, June 12 and Saturday, June 13, we need volunteers to work in the Al-Anon Literature Room that AA graciously lets us run. We are looking for volunteers willing to work two-hour shifts each day. The start time is 9AM each day, and ending time will be 6, at the latest. Volunteers need to register for Founders' Day (online, by mail, or in person). Information can be found at: <https://foundersday.org>

What is needed at this point is willing shift volunteers.

We will need your contact information and day preference, as well as whether you prefer a morning or afternoon time slot. We will get back to you with specific times once we have a handle on people's preferences and schedule needs.

If you are willing, please contact via phone or text:

**Maryellen K. 330-807-6853
Shelley S. 989-506-7062**

File:founders day lit

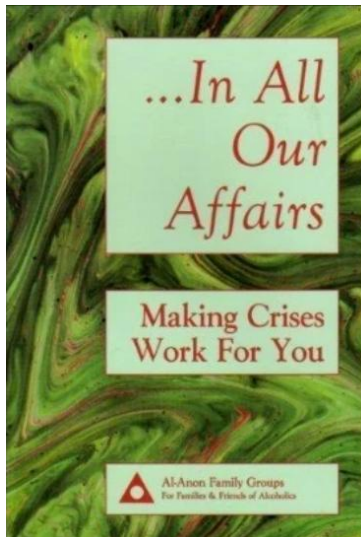
Office hrs. M-F 10am-2pm; office staffed by volunteers; pls. call before visiting.

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Alanon literature book review

IN ALL OUR AFFAIRS. MAKING CRISES WORK FOR YOU

It is a rare person who knows, loves or has a relationship with an alcoholic that has not experienced at least one if not several crises in his or her life. This book, *In All Our Affairs Making Crises Work for You*, “presents the experience of many individuals who have used the powerful tools of Alanon to deal with some of the difficult situations that confronted them. “My alcoholic brother shot himself. My husband is serving a five-year prison sentence. Bankruptcy- the very word implies failure or shame.” These are just some of the stories members bravely share, but they don’t leave us there; they also share how the Alanon program is helping them to find recovery. We can see ourselves in many of the stories in this book. I have turned to this book many times when facing a crisis in my own life. I have also found it to be a great resource when preparing a program on how to use the Alanon tools to “acknowledge, accept and deal with” problems in our lives. If you have not read this book, I highly recommend it.

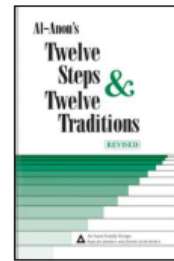


Call [330.645.1165](tel:330.645.1165) to order your copy of this inspiring book..

When you buy books at an Alanon meeting, the Akron Area Intergroup gets a small part of the purchase price. This is one of the few revenue sources that keeps the Akron Area Intergroup office open and available to give information, encouragement, understanding and support to families and friends of alcoholics.

Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup

TRADITIONS BOOK STUDY



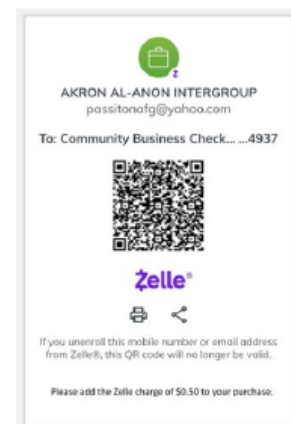
USING AL-ANON LITERATURE



Tradition Four

April 19, 2026

from 3:00-4:30 PM



Akron Area Al-Anon Intergroup Office

3614 Manchester Rd., Suite 103, Akron, OH 44319

Join us using ZOOM ID 982 6348 8058 Passcode: 213987

Website: www.afg-akron.org Telephone: 330-645-1165

FORMAT: Read each section on the Tradition followed by each participant comment

Coffee will be provided. Bring a snack to share

Free - the donation basket will be passed or you can Zelle

NOTE: Intergroup has plenty of books get a new 12 & 12 for \$14.01



Windham New Hope Al-Anon / 16th Anniversary

and

Mantua Hillside Al-Anon / 47th Anniversary

Come celebrate with us. Please bring a dish to share.

Where: Renaissance Family Center

9005 Wilverne Drive, Windham, Ohio 44288

When: Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Eat at 7:00 PM

Speaker: Julie C. 7:30 PM

50/50 Raffle, Gift Raffle and Great Fellowship



THURSDAY NIGHT FALLS PM GROUP

Cordially invites you to share in their upcoming 55th anniversary on:

Thursday April 23rd

8:00

First Christian Church of Stow

230 Stow Ave.

Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221

Speakers TBD

Doors open at 7:30 – join us for cake & fellowship



60th ANNIVERSARY!



New Hope AFG Step Study Group

Thursday, April 30th, 2026

9 a.m. Doors open

9:30 a.m. Breakfast Bites

10 AM SPEAKER:

TRACY C

SHARING HER EXPERIENCE, STRENGTH & HOPE THRU THE STEPS

Door Prizes!

Christ Presbyterian Church
530 West Tuscarawas St, Canton, OH

Pine Room; Lower Level

Handicapped Accessible!



Ohio Area Al-Anon Convention

August 7-9, 2026

DAYTON

Soaring Towards Serenity



Join us for a weekend of
Peace, Growth, and Connection
with an opportunity to
Reflect, Renew, and Recover.

FRIDAY AUGUST 7TH

3:00-7:00 pm - Registration
4:00-5:00 pm - Breakout Sessions
5:00-6:00 pm - Dinner
6:00-7:00 pm - Free Time and Fellowship
7:00-7:15 pm - Conference Welcome
7:15-8:00 pm - Alateen Lead
8:30-9:15 pm - Soaring Towards Serenity
9:30-11:00 pm - Entertainment

SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH

6:00-8:00 am - Registration
8:00-9:00 am - Breakfast
8:45-9:30 am - Free Time and Fellowship
9:30-10:30 am - 12 Traditions in Relationships
10:30-11:30 am - Free Time and Fellowship
11:00-12:00 pm - Breakout Sessions
12:00-1:00 pm - Lunch
1:00-2:00 pm - Nature Walk/Labyrinth
2:00-3:00 pm - AA Lead
3:30-4:30 pm - Breakout Sessions
4:30-5:45 pm - Free Time and Fellowship
6:00-7:00 pm - Banquet Dinner
7:00-7:30 pm - Serenity and Sobriety Countdown
7:30-8:30 pm - Al-Anon Leads
9:00-11:00 pm - Entertainment

SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH

8:00-9:00 am - Breakfast
9:00-9:45 am - Spiritual Practices
9:45-10:30 am - Free Time and Fellowship
10:30-11:30 am - Lead
11:30-12:00 pm - Wrap Up

Fabulous Speakers
Workshops and meetings
Alateen Fun
AA Participation
Nature Walk/Labyrinth
Raffle Baskets
Saturday Evening Banquet
Entertainment
Hospitality room

***Bergamo Center
for Lifelong Learning***

Register today with a click or a scan.

OAC2026



Effective

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

New Meeting Location

Hartville Listen and Learn AFG

New Life Christian Fellowship

210 Grand Trunk Ave. SW

Hartville, OH 44632

Entrance is located at the Grand Trunk Parking lot

7:00 pm

Both Virtual and In Person

Irena H. of Akron Intergroup is inviting you to the Workshop -

2nd Saturday of the month;

Time: 9:00 am, login time 8:45 am

Meeting ID: 813 5635 1017

Passcode: 010355

2026– Topics

All Workshops are based on 12 Steps 12 Traditions & 12 Concepts
(+5 Warranties) of Al-Anon

Jan 10 - Concept 1 – The Ultimate Authority

Feb 14 - Concept 2 - "Arms of Service"

Mar 14 - Concept 3 – Effective Leadership

Apr 11 - Concept 4 & 5 – Key to Harmony; Appeal & Petition

May 9 - Concept 6 & 7– Administrative Responsibility; Rights and Responsibilities

June - Founder's Day month, no workshop

July 11 - Concept 8 - Authority and Routine Management

Aug 8 - Concept 9 – Good Personal Leadership

Sep 12 - Concept 10 – Responsibility and Authority (Double-headed Management)

Oct 10 - Concept 11 - WSO Organizational Structure simplified

Nov 14 - Concept 12 - General Warranties 1 & 2

Dec 12 - Concept 12 – General Warranties 3, 4, 5

Public Outreach Toolkit

Project Name:

Library Bookmarks

Project Brief: A low-cost project to place bookmarks in a convenient location for readers who can take advantage of the utility while putting the Al-Anon message into the hands of those who may need our program.

Target Audience: General Public

Size of Project: Group(s), AIS/Intergroup, District

Project Cost: PO Bookmarks are Free + cost of shipping.

Project Length: 2-4 months

Description:

Leaving the public outreach bookmark at libraries is an inexpensive project with minimal time investment. The [Outreach Bookmark \(M-76\)](#) includes thought-evoking text to encourage the reader to consider if alcoholism may be a problem in their lives and the national toll-free meeting information phone number and a URL for the [Newcomer Welcome](#) page on Al-Anon World Service Office's (WSO's) website. There is also space on the back of the bookmark where local contact information can be added.

To make this project a success, planning is needed. First you will decide how many libraries you would like to include in the project and how many bookmarks will be needed. The bookmarks are free of charge, you will only pay for shipping.

Once you have received the bookmarks, if desired, create labels with local information. This could include the Area or District website, AIS, or group contact information. Do not include members' names or personal contact information. Ask for volunteers to help affix the labels to the bookmarks.

When the bookmarks are ready, visit each library and ask for permission to leave the bookmarks. Be prepared to share basic information about the Al-Anon and Alateen program with library staff, including the bookmark itself. If permission is granted, be sure to ask how often you should return to replenish the stock.

After dropping off the bookmarks, report back on your experience with the rest of your team and begin planning when to begin the process again – order, label, deliver!

AN AL-ANON AFG "PUBLIC OUTREACH" IDEA
ADOPT A LIBRARY ACTION PLAN



Just think about what a ***terrific impact your Al-Anon Family Group will have on families who may need us*** if you "Adopt" Libraries near you by placing our free bookmarks in them.

The Akron Intergroup office has bookmarks!

Here is how you can get a **free supply of bookmarks. Go to <https://al-anon.org/>**

- click-Member
- click-Public Outreach
- click-Public Outreach Toolkit
- [click-Order free bookmarks](#)
 - Enter quantity
 - Create your account-Username & Password etc
 - Complete Order form/pay shipping charge
 - Allow 7-10 days to arrive

Monthly Intergroup Meeting 02.03.2026

Opening

Meeting came to order at 7.33PM

- Serenity Prayer
Recite together

- Readings
 - Traditions of the Month: ___Angela Q._____
 - Concept of the Month: ___Angela Q._____

- Introductions

Jim K - co-chair Fairlawn

Kathy L - Saturday Night Serenity (Bath)

Joanna L - District 48 Alt DR

Christina R - Secretary Kent Fri Nights

Carla M. - Treasurer, Hudson Friday AM

Kristina H - Steering Committee, North Canton Saturday morning

Karen F. - Hudson Saturday Serenity ISR

Suzanne L. - Hudson Morning

Bonny B – Sunday Night Happiness and Acceptance

Irena H - GR- Firestone Park, DR-51

Shelley - co chair literature Medina Family AFG

Angela Q. - Women's Focus on Growth

Previous Meeting Minutes

- Review of Minutes: Any additions or corrections?
- Motion to Accept Minutes: _____ Shelley_____
- Seconded by: _____Bonny_____
- All in Favor? X Yes No

Reports

Co-Chair Report

Notes: Group Announcements: Thursday Morning New Hope Group in downtown Canton will be hosting an event April 30. Doors will open at 9AM and a flyer with more information will be sent out.

Tuesday Night meetings in Medina at St. Paul's now starts at 7PM.

Intergroup lost four mail subscriptions; however, with the increase in subscription costs to cover postage, \$35 will be made compared to losing \$100.

Treasurer's Report

Overall Financial Position:

Current Balance: \$19,636.89

- Al-Anon Checking: \$6454.13
- Alateen Checking: \$5,046.76
- Prudent Reserves (CD + Savings): \$8,036.00
- Petty Cash: \$100.00

Monthly Income & Expenses

- **Total Income:** \$3885.22
- Literature Sales: \$1855.90
- Group Donations: \$314.59
- Individual Donations: \$577.15
- Newsletter Postage: \$195.50
- Fliers: \$20.00
- Miscellaneous: \$606.00
- OH State Sales Tax: \$316.08

- **Total Expenses:** \$3141.11
- Rent: \$650.00
- Gas: \$102.32
- Electric: \$110.00
- Phone/Internet: \$122.64
- Miscellaneous: \$240.65

- Literature: \$11.92.05
- Copier: \$68.73
- Insurance: \$163.00
- OH State Sales Tax: \$491.72

Notes: CD matured and was renewed in February for another five months at a rate of 3.92%.
Delinquent groups:

- Hudson Saturday Serenity - 60 days
- North Lima - 90 days
- OH Assembly - 120 days

Miscellaneous income is Chili Cook-Off donations; however, this may not be reflected on the balance sheet as the funds won't be deposited until February 2. Miscellaneous expenses include a Microsoft 365 subscription, Zelle fees and start up cash for the Chili Cook-Off. Mary will be Intergroup's new C0-Treasurer and will be attending a meeting soon. Intergroup pays OH State sales tax in January and July.

- Motion to Accept: ____ Shelley_____
- Seconded by: ____ Kristina H_____
- All in Favor? X Yes No

Committee and Liaison Reports

Committee / Liaison	Presenter	Key Updates / Notes
Literature	Shelley	Maryellen & Shelley did inventory. There is currently a good supply. No additional orders made at this time.
Public Information (PIC)	N/a	
Meetings on Wheels (MOW)	n/a	
Alateen	n/a	
Office Coordinator	n/a	Cathy C volunteered to be Office Coordinator.
OAA Liaison	n/a	

District 51, 48 and 25	Irena - 51	<p>The next Concept Workshop will be Saturday, February 14 at 9AM on Zoom and will be on Concept Two.</p> <p>Gratitude Night reservation has been made. A check was sent to Akron Intergroup from Cleveland Intergroup. Carla will be contacting WSO for guidance on what to do.</p>
Webmaster	n/a	<p>The email on the website and the Intergroup Zoom monthly meeting start time have been updated. A QR code has been added to the website so donations can be made.</p>
Steering Committee	Kristina H	<p>No report; no issues with EJ Thomas Hall; suggested to have all intro readers on stage and ready to go; new play; lots of AA/Al-Anon interaction; tickets for play can also be purchased electronically</p>
Archives	Kathy	<p>Kathy will be donating two boxes from the AA Archives. There is historical Al-Anon literature currently being stored at AA intergroup. It will be passed on to Akron Al-Anon Intergroup.</p>
Founders' Day	Jane	<p>University of Akron attended last meeting. They will make sure we have A/C in Olin Hall and microphone access all day Fri and Sat. We are still in need of Greeters and cookies for the</p>

tables. There will not be any information printed in Founders' Day flyer about Sunday meeting at Intergroup.

Old Business

Notes / Updates: n/a

New Business

Notes / Discussion Points: n/a

Closing

- Closing Reading: Al-Anon Declaration

"Let it begin with me. When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, let the hand of Al-Anon and Alateen always be there — and let it begin with me."

The meeting adjourned at 8.32PM.

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES
INCOME STATEMENT

DATE: Jan-26

PREPARED BY: Carla M
1/31/2026

DATE: Jan-26

PREPARED BY: Carla M

AKRON AREA AL-ANON INFORMATION SERVICES
BALANCE SHEET

DATE: Jan-26

PREPARED BY: Carla M

	MONTHLY	AVERAGE/MO	YEAR TO DATE	YEAR TO DATE	
AL-ANON INCOME					
Literature	\$1,865.90	\$1,865.90	\$644.84	Al-Anon Checking Account Deposits	\$3,885.22
Group Donations	\$314.59	\$314.59	\$55.47	Al-Anon Savings Deposits	\$ -
Individual Donations	\$577.15	\$577.15	\$375.00	Alateen Checking Deposits	\$0.00
Spring/Fall Workshop	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Cart of Deposit Interest	\$ 5.16
Newsletter Postage	\$196.50	\$196.50	\$25.00	Total Income & Deposits	\$3,890.38
Filers	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$10.00		
Miscellaneous	\$606.00	\$606.00	\$0.00	Al-Anon Checking Disbursements	\$3,141.11
Ohio State Sales Tax	\$316.08	\$316.08	\$39.98	Al-Anon Savings Withdrawals	\$ -
Total Income	\$3,885.22	\$3,885.22	\$1,150.29	Alateen Checking Withdrawals	\$0.00
AL-ANON EXPENSES				Total Expenses & Withdrawals	\$ 3,141.11
Rent	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$625.00	Current Balance	\$ 19,636.89
Gas	\$102.32	\$102.32	\$105.25		
Electric	\$110.00	\$110.00	\$79.75		
Phone	\$122.64	\$122.64	\$92.21	Al-Anon Checking Account Balance	\$6,454.13
Miscellaneous (2)	\$240.65	\$240.65	\$206.74	Prudent Reserve (CD)	\$2,025.44
Newsletter Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Prudent Reserve (Savings Acct)	\$6,010.56
Office Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Alateen Checking	\$5,046.76
Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Petty Cash	\$100.00
Literature	\$1,192.05	\$1,192.05	\$0.00	Total Current Account Balances	\$19,636.89
Copier	\$68.73	\$68.73	\$63.02	Al-Anon Out of Balance	\$0.00
Insurance	\$163.00	\$163.00	\$175.00	Alateen Out of Balance	\$0.00
Alateen	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Total Accounts Receivable	\$ 307.28
Ohio State Sales Tax	\$491.72	\$491.72	\$452.07	Literature Inventory	\$ 7,655.22
Total Expenses	\$3,141.11	\$3,141.11	\$1,799.04		
Net Income - Expenses	\$744.11	\$744.11	-\$648.75	Groups That Helped Keep The Doors Open	
NON-CASH EXPENSE				Al-Anon Donations	
MOW	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Chargin Falls Disc	
PIC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Happiness & Acceptance	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Hope In the Woods	
Al-Anon Savings				Massillon Serenity	
Deposits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Sat. Night Serenity	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Twinsburg Thursday	
Net Savings Dep.-WD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N Canton Tuesday Eve	
				Individuals	
ALATEEN INCOME				Chili Cook-off	
Group Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Delinquent Group Accounts	60 Days 90 Days 120 Plus
Individual Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Alateen Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	North Lima	20.83
ALATEEN EXPENSES				Ohio Assembly	15.47
Literature	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Hudson Sat Serenity	\$89.90
Komlac	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Total Alateen Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Net Alateen Inc.-Exp.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00		
ALATEEN CHECKING					
Deposits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Withdrawals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Net Savings Dep.-WD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00		

Notes
Miscellaneous Income - Chili Cookoff donations (some \$ not deposited until Feb 2)
Miscellaneous Expense - Microsoft 365 subscription, Zelle fees, Chili cook-off start-up cash
Balance off by \$1.50 for Zelle fees paid in Jan to be deducted in Feb., also \$365 Chili Cook-off donations posted Feb 2.

Month of February 2026		calls in	calls out	voice mail	pamp/sched	lit orders	visitors	members	professional
20-Feb-26	Fri Pat G.	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
21-Feb-26	Sat								
22-Feb-26	Sun								
23-Feb-26	Mon x								
24-Feb-26	Tues Cathy C.	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0
25-Feb-26	Wed Janet P.	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
26-Feb-26	Thurs Pat G.	4	0	0	0	4	0	5	0
27-Feb-26	Friday x								
28-Feb-26	Sat								
		calls in	calls out	voice mail	pamphlets & schedules	lit orders	visitors	officers & members	professional calls
Days Covered	18 of 20	19	14	4	0	15	0	17	0
To Autofill Dates: Home - editing- down arrow on the left- series									