THE BOTTOM LINE is a collection of recovery stories written by DA members. It also includes DA announcements, and quotes from DA and AA literature.

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Printed copies may be obtained at the DA Intergroup monthly meetings and at your home group -- at the literature table and in the Beginners Packet.

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You are encouraged to contribute your own story of recovery in 300-500 words so that it may benefit others.

DA announcements are greatly appreciated.

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GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS, 2018

The Debtors Anonymous Intergroup of Greater New York wishes to thank the following groups for their contributions in accordance with our 7th Tradition:

January
Total $531.75
June
Tue 7 am Brooklyn Sunrise Visions $40.50
12:30 pm Steps and Tools $45.
February
Total $822.44
July
March
Sat 9 am Visions $16.
8:45 - 9:45 pm BDA The Little Room $10.79
April
DA Integrity 259
$55. August
Mon - Fri 7 am Malibu Diner $24.
Mon 12 noon Park Slope Tools $84. Mon 12:30 pm $7.
May
Thur night FOS (from 2014) $150. September
No donations
Mon-Fri 7 am Malibu Diner $39.94 October and November
Sun Syosset $50. The figures are not in yet.

The Debtors Anonymous of Greater New York Intergroup Meets
The Last Thursday of Each Month
December 27, January 25, February 22 / 6:45 - 8:45 pm
At the Crossroads Episcopal Church, 410 West 45th Street (bet 8th/9th Aves.), New York, NY
The Nearest Trains are the A,C,F, to 42nd street (38th Ave.). Take the 44th Street Exit.
Or the 1,2,3 to 42nd Street (7th Avenue)

While leaving an AA meeting--sober for a year--I passed by about 8 people pulling messy stacks of papers from their shopping bags and spreading them out on a conference table. I soon found out it was a Debtors Anonymous meeting, so I attended the next meeting. As with the others, I brought all my unopened, terrifying mail (and orange peelings and gum wrappers) to the meeting, and after the standard format, we spent a couple of hours working on our paperwork together. It was the only meeting in Boston, but I had heard that NYC had strong meetings and finally made it to the Friday night meeting in the Village, found a sponsor and back in Boston I got a job for twice the salary. Soon, I began attending three and four meetings a week and even started one in Harvard Square.

After meeting the woman (in DA) with whom I began living for a decade, we applied DA to our finances with the unsteady income of two free-lance as artists.. Overtime, I stopped pulling my share of the load, depressed clinically I think now, or I was out of love and too codependent to leave. She came into some money with which we fulfilled many visions: we toured the British Isles; studied Tibetan Buddhism in California; went to London to study shamanism; went to house-building school in Maine; bought sports parks and wicking tops. But we did not save.

Finally, she met someone new. Devastated, I went to my mother’s in Washington State and became her night nurse; she was very ill and died a year later. Meanwhile, my friend G moved to New York and I planned to move there, too.

But my brother didn’t pay me the agreed upon $5,000 for 5 months’ work. With the help of my mother’s housekeeper, I got the money with my mother’s consent, out of the bank, and flew to New York. I got a job, a place, and when the money ran out, took a loan from an old friend who declined my check. I continued to attend the Friday night Business Owners’ meeting (BDA) which comprises of two back-to-back meetings and, even when I got evicted and became homeless, my shelter was steps from a daily DA meeting.

Eventually, I went to live in assisted living where I was very unhappy, and after a stint in a psychiatric ward, I made my own world thanks to my electronic gadgets which included a computer, a printer, a cell phone, and a tv. I obtained a subsidized apartment and I am here now for a heavenly three years. For two years I spent less than my Social Security, but when I got hooked by online shopping, I bounced seven checks and my AA sponsor “bounced” me back to DA.

Now, I am mostly clear about my money. I go to DA every Friday waving to The Lady of Liberty on the BQE, love having reunions with old friends, and as a writer feel today called to use my words. We DA is where you go to grow up! When you “polish it” here, a miracle occurs “there!” Pay your own way comfortably. Live abundantly. Da’s beyond your wildest dreams. Try it! Or just come back. We’ll save you a seat. The end--or should I say, the beginning

Jane B
DA ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-NEWS
DA members may sign up to receive eNews about DA by email at www.debtorsonanonymous.org/enews or U.S. members may text “DARECOVERY” to 22828

SHARE YOUR STORY
“Share your story in Ways & Means the recovery magazine of DA or share an article about service in The DA focus quarterly. Go to: www.debtorsonanonymous.org/share

The Bottom Line, the newsletter of Debtors Anonymous Intergroup of Greater New York is seeking your experience, strength, and hope. See the back page of this publication.

NEW DA SERVICE OP
Project Contributor
Have experience in a particular field such as computer technology literature development public relations?
Time-limited tasks, assignments, or projects of a General Service Board committee
Nominations of self or others consist of three items:
Signed Letter of Intent Service/Professional Resume Signed Letter of Recommendation
Service requirement: 1 year of not debting
Sent electronically (Word or pdf) to: GSB Nominations Committee at office@debtorsonanonymous.org
https://debtorsonanonymous.org/download/project-contributor/?wpdmdl=2333

A WORD FROM OUR WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE
“If it fits in your spending plan, please increase your 7th Tradition contributions!”

WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE
Get ready for the World Service Conference 2019 in Los Angeles
Save the Date! Save your Serenity!
August 7 - 11, 2019 LAX Hilton Hotel
We may volunteer to get there early, unlock the venue, set up the chairs, and welcome others, especially the newcomers.

THE DA MANUAL OF SERVICE
2018 Edition (DAMS)
is available as a free download at https://www.debtorsonanonymous.org/dams

MORE DA ANNOUNCEMENTS
www.debtorsonanonymous.org/announcements

BDA CONFERENCE CALL
The World Service Conference Committee of Business Debtors Anonymous (BDA) presents the following fellowship-wide conference call:
A Spiritual Approach to Growing Your Business
BDA Tools 7, 8, and 9
Sunday, December 2
2 - 3:30 pm est
USA & Canada Call-in Number +1.605.472.5530 access code: 617093#
Some charges may apply, depending on your phone service.
Web-based phone alternatives are available.
For international numbers and online access: www.debtorsonanonymous.org/call-in-access
For recordings of Fellowship-wide calls (when made available), visit www.debtorsonanonymous.org/podcasts

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