

GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, July 26, 2022 (online meeting)

(These Minutes Approved by Floor Members)

The meeting convened at 8:00 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by the Serenity Prayer. The Twelve Traditions were then read by Jim B. (The Dogs).

MEMBERS PRESENT:

INTERGROUP REP/ALT: Anniversary, Beaches, Beverly Hills, Birds of a Feather, Bloordale, Deer Park, Dry on Danforth, East York, Erin Mills, GSM, Hill, King City, Kipling, Last Stop Freedom, Living Sober, Markland Woods, Mississauga, Mount Royal-York, Open Hands, Port Credit, Primary Purpose, Responsibility, Richmond Hills, Rox Glen Traditional, Silverbirch, St. Clements, Stepping Stones, Steps to Serenity, Streetsville Action, Streetsville, The Dogs, Tuesday Men's, Welcome, Willowdale, and Yorkville.

DISTRICT LIAISONS: District 18.

OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Don H., Gord H., Graham D. (OC Vice-Chair), Kelli T., Mary M., and Marvyn W. (OC Chairperson).

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS: ARCHIVES, COMMUNICATIONS, TWELFTH STEP, WSOH, WSVA, GRAPEVINE, and SELF-SUPPORT.

HOUSEKEEPING: Marvyn outlined the following: recording of the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES – JUNE 2022

Errors and/or Omissions: none were reported. **MOTION** to adopt Minutes as presented moved by Jim B. (The Dogs) and seconded by Dee G. (Steps to Serenity). The Motion was carried.

At this point in the meeting, Marvyn asked Operating Committee members to introduce themselves to Floor members.

CHAIRPERSON'S OPENING REMARKS - Marvyn W. (Mississauga), Operating Committee Chair

- Marvyn informed members about the upcoming 'Practical Solutions for a Safe AA Meeting' Workshop to be held virtually Sat. July 30 starting at 1 p.m. The Workshop features talks by Carrie B. (Oregon) and Billy N. (Florida). Members who have questions for the 'Ask It Basket' were directed to email the OC secretary (see flyer).
- Flyers for both the WSOH in-person event and the WSVA are now up in the Announcements section of our website. Volunteers are needed for both committees (see committee meeting dates/times on flyers).
- We are looking for a Workshop Chairperson. We are forming a Workshop Committee in order to facilitate future Workshops to be held at the Intergroup Office (see flyer on website).

Volunteers are needed for the following service positions:

- **Workshop Chairperson** <https://www.aatoronto.org/workshop-chairperson-need/>
- **WSOH Volunteers Needed** <https://www.aatoronto.org/winter-season-virtual-alkathon-2/>
- **WSVA Volunteers Needed** <https://www.aatoronto.org/winter-season-virtual-alkathon/>
- **Twelfth Step Volunteers Needed** <https://www.aatoronto.org/are-you-bilingual-or-multilingual/>

Motion to Suspend Regular Business – Elections for Incoming Operating Committee Members (2)

MOTION to Suspend Regular Business to Facilitate Elections moved by Mike F. (Open Hands) and seconded by David S. (St. Clements). The Motion was carried.

Election for 2 new Operating Committee Members: Marvyn outlined the qualifications and service commitments for this position and asked if anyone present would like to stand for the position or nominate a Floor member. David S. (St. Clements) nominated Derek F. (St. Clements) to stand as a new OC member; Derek accepted. After giving a brief address to Floor members, **Derek F. (St. Clements) was acclaimed as the new OC member.**

There will be an Election for one more OC member at the August 30 General Meeting. Please announce at your groups!

COLLECTION OF THE 7TH TRADITION:

- As per our literature and the 7th Tradition, we are self-supporting through our own contributions.
- The 7th Tradition link is as follows: <https://www.aatoronto.org/about/7th-tradition/>

FINANCE REPORT – Steven P. (Bloordale), Finance Secretary

	June 2022 (1 month)				June 2022 Year-to-Date (6 months)										
	Actual 2022	Budget 2022	Variance	%	Actual 2021	Variance	%	Actual 2022	Budget 2022	Variance	%	Actual 2022	Actual 2021	Variance	%
Contributions	9,662	9,980	(318)	(3%)	6,395	3,267	51%	50,577	60,000	(9,423)	(16%)	51,530	58,086	(6,556)	(11%)
Literature Sales	10,256	7,500	2,756	37%	7,675	2,581	34%	61,348	45,000	16,348	36%	61,348	39,046	22,302	57%
= Total Revenues	19,918	17,480	2,438	14%	14,070	5,848	42%	111,925	105,000	6,925	7%	112,878	97,132	15,746	16%
- Cost of Sales	6,005	4,875	1,130	23%	4,975	1,030	21%	35,798	29,250	6,548	22%	35,798	22,507	13,291	59%
- Expenses	15,020	13,934	1,086	8%	15,236	(216)	(1%)	80,374	86,506	(6,132)	(7%)	80,374	78,939	1,435	2%
= Surplus / (Deficiency)	(1,107)	(1,329)	222		(6,141)	5,034		(4,247)	(10,756)	6,509		(3,294)	(4,314)	1,020	
Prudent Reserve Market Value at June 30, 2022 = \$256 K. 2022 Prudent Reserve Target = \$266 K.															

June 2022

- Deficit of \$1.1 K vs. budgeted deficit of \$1.3 K
- Contributions of \$9.6 K compared to budget of \$10.0 K and 2021 amount was \$7.7 K, individual contribution below budget
- Literature sales of \$10.3 K were 37% above budget
- Expenses of \$15.0 K were \$1.1 K above budget due to approved Archives Committee expenses (\$1.8 K scanner, \$0.8 K storage racks) offset by lower than budgeted operating and staff expenses

2022 YTD

- Deficit of \$4.2 K vs. budgeted deficit of \$10.8 K is a positive variance of \$6.5 K to budget
- Contributions of \$50.6 K are \$9.4 K below budget, **individual contributions were only \$13.1 K and this is \$17.7 K below budget for June 2022 year to date**, group donations were \$8.3 K above budget
- Literature sales of \$61.3 K are \$16.3 K above budget
- Expenses are \$6.1 K or 7% below budget because each category of expenses was below budget (committee: \$1.6 K, operating: \$1.2 K and staff: \$3.3 K)
- Intergroup relies on the contributions of both Individual Members and Groups to support its mission of carrying the AA Message in the Greater Toronto Area, it is easy to contribute to Intergroup, including the following ways:
 - **Online – one-time or monthly contributions from your credit card or PayPal account**, please see 7th Tradition Donation | GTA Intergroup (aatoronto.org) or <https://www.aatoronto.org/about/7th-tradition/> on the GTA Intergroup website
 - **Interac e-Transfer** to contributions@aatoronto.org

How to Make Contributions to GTA Intergroup:

- Online at www.aatoronto.org where you can use your credit card or PayPal account
- Interac e-Transfer to contributions@aatoronto.org
- Mail a cheque or money order payable to “Toronto Intergroup” to 202-234 Eglinton Avenue East, Toronto, ON M4P 1K5
- Monthly preauthorized bank account debit by contacting Helen at the 234 Intergroup office at litdept@aatoronto.org or 416-487-9865

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

ARCHIVES: Glenn G. (East York), Chairperson

Hello friends, I am an alcoholic, a member of the East York Group, having the honour, privilege and responsibility to serve as the Chair of the GTAI Archives Committee; my name is Glenn.

One of the major telecom giant's networks, went down nationwide, on the day scheduled for our monthly Archives Committee meeting in July. Six committee members attended via zoom. Group conscience decided to postpone the meeting by a week, however, I failed to arrange for access to the Intergroup zoom account for the following week's meeting. As a result, we were not able to access the virtual room. This month's meeting was then cancelled. I apologize for any inconvenience. Our next Committee meeting is scheduled, on zoom, for 7pm on Friday August 12th. Committee members may also choose to attend physically, in the Intergroup office boardroom, at 234 Eglinton Avenue East.

Both our Archivist and assistant Archivist, Eddy G. and David T., continue to organize information, documents and historical artifacts, in the newly created repository room, as part of the Intergroup space, at 234 Eglinton.

The GTAI Archives Committee is unique in that it has endeavoured to be self-supporting over the last 40-50 years. This has been accomplished primarily through the production of surpluses, generated from an annual fund raising breakfast usually held in the fall. These surpluses have contributed to: financing the printing of the book 50 Years of AA in Ontario, paying for Archives repository technology, equipment and supplies, rare travel opportunities for either the Archivist or assistant Archivist to attend Archives conventions. As a result, both current and previous GTAI Archivists are some of the most valuable resources in North America.

This year, regarding the "in person" fund raising breakfast scheduled for November 6th, we are considering some unique challenges. Over the previous 16 years, with the exception of the last two years, the breakfast event has been held at the Oasis Convention hall on Lakeshore, just East of Dixie Road. Attendees arrive at approximately 8:30 am, enjoy coffee/tea, socialize, and view Archives and other displays. Breakfast is served at 10 am, a long time member shares their story while simultaneously referencing significant historical moments or customs. This is followed by a sobriety countdown and closing raffle. It is great fun, entertaining and informative.

Historically, between 200 - 250 attend this "in-person" event. Tickets are priced at approximately the cost of the breakfast (including hall rental). Surpluses are generated through raffle ticket sales.

This year, costs at the Oasis have risen dramatically. So, please answer the following two questions: Would you commit to buying a ticket and attending for \$35? Is bacon an important menu item for those committed to attend?

(Polls were taken at the July Intergroup meeting: 54% of the 52 people present said that they would attend, of these 27, only 4 thought it important to include bacon with the breakfast. For information: sausages are already included.)

Thank you for your time, patience and consideration. Yours in loving service, Glenn G.

COMMUNICATIONS: Aaron K. (Yorkville), Chairperson

Hello friends, the past subcommittee meeting was graciously put together by Alexx, and has returned us to the first Tuesday of the month. Thank you!

There are some developments now in my understanding of various challenges to the website update. We covered some foundational ground with basics of update capabilities, a chat/text option, Literature Sales, and site maintenance.

I have reached out to a past committee member that has deep IT experience, and we will be setting up meeting to troubleshoot and hopefully streamline the existing site into its full capability.

Info for this will be forthcoming.

In Service, Aaron K., Communications Committee Chairperson

INFORMATION AA DAY 2022: No Report.

ONTARIO REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2023: No formal report.

Marvyn informed the Floor that the 2023 ORC Committee will be holding their meetings at 234; meetings will commence this August. Attendees will include the 2024 ORC Event ('shadow') committee. The ORC will be an in-person event, to be held March 17-19, 2023 at the Sheraton Hotel, Toronto. Stay tuned!

TWELFTH STEP: Laura V. (Mount Royal-York), Chairperson

The 12 step committee has always been responsible for managing the Help Line and COVID-19 did not change that. However, since we've gone remote, we have had to overcome some unforeseen difficulties and one of them involves people not answering their phones if call display shows Private Number, Unknown Caller or an unfamiliar phone number.

On the one hand, 12 Step Callers are complaining that they are not getting any calls to do 12 Step calls, and greeters are reporting that they can never get a 12 Step caller available to follow up with a Help Line caller. I've been searching for an app that allows cell phone users to change their call display on outgoing calls, such that greeters could display the 416.487.5591 phone number during their shifts, but haven't found anything yet. So if anybody knows a hack to do that, please get in touch with me pronto. In the meantime, I have drafted an email to the 12 Step Caller List members advising them that if they want to receive 12 Step call requests, they will have to answer their phone whenever it rings regardless. I have also had 12 Step Callers report that when they called the person requesting the follow-up phone call, nobody answered and I suspect it's for the same reason. Fortunately we can fix that flaw by simply telling the person who requested the call the last 4 digits of the 12 Step Callers phone number so they'll answer when it rings.

So even though greeters still do exactly the same thing as we ever did, either engage in a 12 step share with a suffering alcoholic, find a meeting for someone, provide information about detox and/or treatment, or make an AI-Anon referral, the way in which we do it is radically different. To that end, we now have a first draft of a rewritten Procedures and Guidelines for the 12 Step Committee, to be discussed and tweaked at our next committee meeting on Wednesday, August 10th. But back in the day, a person could work the phones at 234 with no computer skills whatsoever, relying on binders for information, plus there was usually a partner to bounce things off of. Now, each greeter is on their own and has to have at least rudimentary computer skills, which many of them don't at the beginning but are willing to learn. And believe me, there is a tremendous amount of information to absorb, which takes time of course. I know some of the greeters have struggled getting up to speed in this regard, because they have been trained to reach out and ask if they don't know something and they do. But I would put our Help Line up against any other anywhere. I know all of our people are dedicated and committed to providing 5 star Customer Service at the very least, as well as good solid AA sharing when needed.

In in the two years since I've been the chair, only two people have missed their shift and I have not received one valid complaint about a greeter. I say valid because I have received a few complaints from practicing alcoholics because that's something we tend to do when we're drunk, especially when we're being told something we don't want to hear. Mostly what I get and what I hear in the rooms are a lot of compliments, about how nice the person was, how patiently they explained how to go to a zoom meeting, etc. I just wish we could get more people to realize how much they're missing out on by not taking the phones because if nothing else, listening to an alcoholic who is stuck in that incomprehensible and demoralized state where they can't drink and can't quit, one can't help but be grateful for every second of their sober life. If I could be Queen for a Day, I would "suggest" that every single member do a phone shift after they get their one year medallion because once they had done it one time, they would want to do it more times. I can't tell you how many emails I get from greeters saying how much they love doing their shifts, and thanking me for the opportunity like I have anything to do with it. All of it is Divine Intervention, from the very beginning right up until this present moment, of that I have no doubt.

WINTER SEASON OPEN HOUSE 2022: Tony Z. (Bloordale), Chairperson

The venue for the event has been confirmed and the contract signed. The 2022 WSOH will be held at Roncesvalles United Church. Rental Cost will be \$400.

The following is the schedule for the committee to meet at Bloordale United Church (no cost):

- First meeting – August 14, 2022 (9:30 a.m. start)
- September 11, 2022

- October 16, 2022
- November 13, 2022
- December 4, 2022

The volunteer positions required to put on the event will be discussed at the first meeting. I am in conversations with others in the fellowship in an attempt to find the right fit for the required positions.

I am attending open meetings and announcing that volunteers are required. A flyer asking for volunteers is being distributed throughout the city. A detailed update will be provided after the first committee meeting on August 14.

Yours in Service, Tony Z. wsqh@aatoronto.org

WINTER SEASON VIRTUAL ALKATHON 2022: David P. (Birds of a Feather), Chairperson

Our template for this year is the same – a 4-day event, running Dec 24 - 25 from noon to noon and again Dec 31 from noon till noon on January 1st, with 50 minute meetings allowing for ten minutes of fellowship before or afterwards. There will likely be a break during the hours in which the Winter Season Open House is happening.

Members: Think of any friends or group members they know who for whatever reason cannot make it out to the Winter Season Open House, for accessibility or perhaps health reasons, or those who normally spend their holidays alone. Or for those people who live in an area that may not have such a holiday event. **It is for these people that we hold this online Alkathon, to help them get through an often difficult time of year with fellows and friends who understand.** Please take this back to your business meetings.

We need people to join our subcommittee to plan and execute the event. Our first Committee meeting will be held Mon. Sept.12 at 8 p.m. (virtually) (see flyer). We need a Secretary, a Technical Chair, or coordinator, and a tech hosting team of 3-6 people, plus anyone else with ideas and enthusiasm! If you have ever hosted or chaired a Zoom meeting you are more than qualified to be part of our team. The more, the merrier, as the saying goes – there is a role for everyone. More info can be obtained by email at: winterseasonvirtualalkathon@aatoronto.org.

Please take this back to your home group, because we will eventually need groups to apply to host a meeting, which will happen sometime in the weeks before the holiday season. Obviously the first groups to apply will get first crack at the best time slots available.

So please tell your friends and fellows at any and all the meetings you attend. Perhaps you, or one or even some of them attended our event in the past and know how wonderful and powerful it is. Come help us be a part of creating this true gift for the holidays! Thank you for listening. David P., WSVA Chair

DISTRICT REPORTS

ACCESSIBILITY: No Report.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES: No formal report.

Graham D., OC Liaison, shared that the meeting was held July 6 and 6 members were present. He mentioned the following:

- Toronto East facility hosts one AA meeting per week (Wednesdays)
- Toronto South facility also hosts one AA meeting per week
- OCI (Maplehurst) is interested in starting up an online meeting soon

COOPERATION with the PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY/PUBLIC INFORMATION: No verbal report. Joe A. (One Paragraph at a Time), Chairperson, sent in the following report:

The committee will next meet online on the third Monday of September.

There is quite of bit of activity in District 6. The efforts of the Chair and Alt Chair are very inspiring.

Thank you, Joe A., CPC PI Chair

GRAPEVINE: Scott M. (Bloordale), Chairperson

Greetings friends! I'm alcoholic; a member of the Bloordale Group & my name is Scott. Hi! I have the honour & privilege to serve the fellowship as your GTAI Grapevine Committee chair. Our GTA Inter-District Committee meeting held last Tuesday had representation from 4 Districts & Kelli T., our committee liaison.

I'll mention again this month about a reduction in price on 16 Grapevine books available through our Literature Dept. These are reduced by 30%. Please check www.aatoronto.org under the literature tab & download price list. There you will find Grapevine materials on pages 8 through 13, right after listed AAWS books. Updates to the discounted prices & three new Grapevine publications have also been added.

The August Grapevine magazine has a special section on "Sober Travel". Members share stories about staying sober while on the road or in the air. Some of the stories are: Let's Go, Wherever I am & Far from home.

As a reminder, please visit the website www.aagrapevine.org for magazine subscription information & other Grapevine news. Also, please share with your group members about the Grapevine YouTube channel.

www.youtube.com/aagrapevine

The Committee decided that a Grapevine story writing workshop would be of interest, so we have confirmed the date of Saturday, October 22, 2022 @ 11am E.T. Alexx has created a draft flyer for what will be an on-line event. Once we have our presenters confirmed, the flyer will be ready to go. We're going to invite the Grapevine editor & other Trustees that have served on the AA Grapevine board. More news to follow.

Lastly, please remember to recycle your Grapevine magazines. Perhaps your group has a Treatment Centre commitment or members that you know go into Correctional facilities. There are Doctor's offices where a copy can be left behind. There is also a purple box at 234, our Intergroup office where they can be left.

That's all for this month. Yours in love & service, Scott M. grapevine@aatoronto.org

SELF SUPPORT: David T. (Welcome), Chairperson

There was no Self-Support Committee meeting in July however, the following information is for your benefit:

- Contributions per member in 2021 \$7.30 US
- Contributions per group \$149.38

Target this year is 5.15 US per member.

Your group may wish to give the equivalent to this amount for each member of your group.

Along with your contributions it is also suggested that members become involved in carrying the message by volunteering to your district committees, Intergroup committees and any other service entity that needs support.

Remember, not all groups or members contribute to GSO as to GTA Intergroup.

If your group wishes to have a Self-Support presentation at your Group Business meetings, I am available to give these briefings or contact your District Self-Support Chair.

The **suggested recommended** contribution from Groups to the Service entities is as follows:

- 50% of group surplus to Intergroup
- 30% to GSO
- 10% to your District
- 10% to area 83

TREATMENT: No verbal report. Sean L. (Steps to Serenity), Chairperson, sent in the following report, which was read by Marvyn W.:

1. The Treatment Committee met, as we do every third Thursday of the month on July 21st, 2022. We had 8 attendees from 5 districts.
2. Overall, the Committee is quite active with lots of new commitments being negotiated and met.
3. We are still looking for a Secretary!
4. In District 6, Jean Tweed remains closed for renos, but looking to re-open September 3rd. Cawthra Centre meetings continue every Wednesday in-person
5. Identified new opportunities for service meetings at the Mississauga Hospital and PAARC
 1. In District 10, Maxwell Meaghan and CAMH will be going back to in-person soon. The new St. Felix House meeting has been resourced. Fred Victor House wants a meeting at Sherbourne and Dundas
 2. In District 18, meetings are running smoothly at Edward Village Hotel and Michael Garron Withdrawal Management and we are covered for both till the end of November. Looking to restart the service meeting the Michael Garron Hospital itself soon.

3. The Leslie Group has made arrangements for running the AA meetings twice per month at Alpha House with support from the Treatment Committee.
4. In District 12, the new service commitment they are sharing with D10 (St. Felix House) is good to go. D12 will be doing it in September. The district also approved a new commitment at Homes First: weekly in-person on Wednesdays at 7pm. Lastly, the Saturday Noon is back in-person
5. In District 22, there will be a Service Day on September 24th at the Oakridge Community Centre – 9am-4pm plus evening social event.
6. The Committee itself will be going to hybrid meetings at 234 Eglinton once that option is available in the Fall.
7. And most importantly: we are shifting our Committee meeting time from 730pm to 7pm beginning Thursday August 18, 2022.

Sean L., Treatment Committee Chair

AREA 83 REPORT: James O'D. (GSM), Area 83 Alternate Delegate & Intergroup Liaison

Update: FAQ – 2025 International Convention

<https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/FAQ%202025%20International%20Convention%20-%20EN.pdf>

(See below)

1. Area Events

- September 10, 2022 – Area Committee Meeting – Westminster United Church
- October 28-30, 2022 – Area Assembly – Virtual – Elections Assembly
- December 3, 2022 – Area Committee Meeting – Westminster United Church

2. Monthly Grapevine News – August 2022

<https://www.aagrapevine.org/gvr-resources>

- I. Overview of what AA Grapevine is Today
- II. Grapevine Representative Handbook
- III. 2022 Catalogue
- IV. Grapevine Editorial Calendar 2023
- V. Self Support 2020
- VI. Guidelines for Contributing to Grapevine
- VII. Traditions Checklist (inventory)
- VIII. Workbook: A Guide to AA Grapevine
- IX. Article entitled – Spirituality & ‘God-talk’

3. Sneak Preview!

NAATW 2022 Presentation Topics

The Workshop is an annual event where those interested in using technology in service to Alcoholics Anonymous gather to share experience.

Below are some of the topics confirmed for presentation at this year's hybrid event that will be hosted from the Hotel Interurban in the Seattle Washington area from September 9th to 11th, 2022.

- Technology Adoption: A unifying option in A.A.
- Concept 12 and Technology
- Building A.A. websites with service rotation in mind
- What makes a great hybrid experience and how NAATW 2022's hybrid presentation is achieved
- Office 365 and Google for Non-Profits
- Digital payment platforms for 7th Tradition
- Literature Translation and Meeting Interpretation Technology

Register before August 16th for discounted room rate. Visit <https://naatw.org/2022-naatw-workshop/> for more information and check back often in the next few weeks to view the full program.

Re-live last year's online workshop by viewing presentation media at <https://naatw.org/archival-content/2021-naatw-online-workshop/>.

Looking forward to being with you all soon, NAATW 2022 Steering Committee

RECEPTION: Graham D. (Markland Wood), OC Vice-Chair

Graham reported that there were 32 Reps, 3 Alternate Reps, 6 OC Members, 7 Subcommittee Chairs, 1 District Liaison, and 3 Visitors present at this meeting, for a total attendance of 52 members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO FULFILL THE SERVICE SIDE OF YOUR RECOVERY TRIANGLE:



[Phone Greeters](#)
[Bilingual Member Resource](#)
[WSOH/WSVA Committee Volunteers](#)
[Operating Committee Member](#)
[Workshop Chairperson](#)

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business was forthcoming.

CHAIRPERSON'S CLOSING REMARKS

Marvyn thanked everyone for the participation and dedication to service, and reminded members of the following:

- Twelfth Step Committee members needed 12step.chair@aatoronto.org
- 12 Step Volunteers needed 12step.chair@aatoronto.org
- Phone Greeters needed 12step.chair@aatoronto.org
- Workshop Chairperson needed <https://www.aatoronto.org/workshop-chairperson-need/>
- WSOH Volunteers needed wsoh@aatoronto.org
- WSVA Volunteers needed winterseasonvirtualalkathon@aatoronto.org
- Upcoming Archives Breakfast (November) archives@aatoronto.org
- Ontario Regional Conference 2023 (in-person) to be held March 17-19, 2023 at the Sheraton Hotel, Toronto

A **Motion to adjourn** was moved by Mike F. (Open Hands) and seconded by Jim B. (The Dogs). Carried.

The meeting adjourned with the Responsibility Declaration.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: An online meeting via Zoom will be held on **Tuesday, August 30 at 8 p.m.**