

Sometime ~~around~~ around July of 1980, the upper Perkiomen Valley Group of Red Hill thought it would be nice to have a Saturday night A.A. meeting in the area. ~~Because~~ there was not a meeting near by on Saturday night, so the steering committee of Red Hill, who were Fran B., Willard M., Grant H., Ray V., Bill H., Val S., Jim S. Bob H., Tom I., appointed two people to see if they could find a place to hold the meeting. Bill H. and Ray V. both said that they knew of a place that the meeting could be held, ~~was~~. Bill H. knew of a place in Spinnertown PA, at the Spinnertown Township Hall, and Ray V. checked into the activity center in Richlandtown PA. About two weeks later ~~they~~ came back and gave a report to the group. Bill H. said that ~~they~~ could not hold the meeting in Spinnertown. Ray V. said ~~that~~ St John's Lutheran Church of Richlandtown said they would ~~be~~ more than glad to have the meeting there. The church was also ~~very~~ supportive of having Alcoholics Anonymous at the church.

It was decided to hold the first meeting on Saturday night October 17, 1980 at 8:00 o'clock. It was also decided to have an all speaker meeting. The Red Hill Group helped supply the literature and the church supplied the coffee pot until the group could afford there own.

The first meeting was chaired by Ray P. and the speaker was Richard (last initial and home group unknown). There were thirty people at the first meeting. The attendance was up and down for a while. Sometime in 1983 the group, which is now called the Richlandtown Group, decided to change ~~its~~ format to a speaker discussion meeting. The attendance is back up to about twenty to twenty five people today.