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That first meeting was held at Trinity United Methodist Church on Lycoming Creek Road where it still meets every Saturday Night to this day. It's always been an open discussion format and always known as the Up The Creek meeting.

At first the Church Board of Trustees grumbled about an AA meeting being held there but since then we've built a good repore and today everything is fine.

When the group was started and was in search of a name one man suggested Up The Creek, largely because we're located on Lycoming Creek Road near Lycoming Creek. So, we're Up The Creek and without a paddle so to speak.

The meeting begins at 7:00 PM, there's never been a split from our group and we've grown from about eight members to approximately fifty. We're still growing and hope to change our format just a little to include Speaker and Grapevine meetings in the near future. We invite you to stop in if your in the area, we'd love to see you.

Up the Creek Group

This group has continued to grow and experienced huge spurts since the late eighties from whence it emerged. Stemming off of the Wed. night group this meeting may be the largest in Williamsport. It is common for the meeting to house 70-100 members regularly. It has moved to the West End Community Center located on Diamond Street in Newberry. It is still an open and discussion formatted meeting and explores all aspects of recovery. Saturday night at 7pm.

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UP THE CREEK GROUP

The Saturday night Up the Creek Group was started in 1988 with the first meeting taking place on October 6th. The meeting was started by Jean V. and Lori A. because they saw a need for another meeting in that area on Saturday night. Early members of the meeting included Larry S., Kate, Jean V. Dave, and Cherie D.

The first meeting was held at the Trinity United Methodist Church on Lycoming Creek Road (hence the name of the group). Basically we are "Up the Creek without a Paddle" so to speak. The meeting is held on Saturdays at 7:00. The meeting eventually moved in 2006 to its current place, the West End Christian Community Center on Diamond Street because the church decided to raise the rent, making it impossible for the meeting to stay at that location.

The membership has grown substantially over the years, with 50-75 people generally attending. The format has changed slightly since the first meetings to include speakers and Grapevine discussion meetings.

Some early challenges were the Church Board of Trustees at the original church grumbled about an AA meeting being there, but eventually we established a good relationship with them. Also, initially the membership of the meeting was very small because the church was small. The church caught on fire – it was eventually rebuilt and made bigger, making it possible for the group to grow. A current challenge has been the fact that the members are no longer allowed to be in the kitchen to make the coffee because it was discovered that someone was stealing the silverware from the drawers.