

## AA's Birthdate

**June, 10<sup>th</sup>, 1935:** This the date that is celebrated as Dr. Bob's last drink and the official founding date of AA. There is some evidence that the founders, in trying to reconstruct the history, got the date wrong and it was actually June 17. If this was so, this would be the sequence:

<b>Sunday, June 9th:</b>	Dr Bob starts drinking on the train; buys more booze upon arrival.
<b>Monday, June 10th:</b>	Stays sober till evening.
<b>Tuesday, June 11th:</b>	Checks out of hotel.
<b>Wednesday, June 12th:</b>	Blackout begins.
<b>Thursday, June 13th:</b>	May have arrived back to Akron train depot.
<b>Friday, June 14th:</b>	Picked up by nurse.
<b>Saturday, June 15th:</b>	Drying out.
<b>Sunday, June 16th:</b>	Day 3 of drying out.
<b>Monday, June 17th:</b>	Last drink!



The meeting began on Monday, June 10, in the midst of a downpour, which it is understood marked a record in precipitation of water for the New Jersey coast. Yet this flood was no deterrent to the atten-

**The above is only one scenario, but perhaps Dr. Bob— with just a few weeks sobriety— just got thirsty? If so, the date of the AMA Conventions had “nothin’ to do with nothin’! The June 10<sup>th</sup> date still stands!**

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