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April 2007

SHARE-A-DAY XXX

“THE JOY OF LIVING COMES FROM GIVING”

APRIL 21; DOORS OPEN AT 8:00AM

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

1346 BROADWAY, HEWLETT

DIRECTIONS: SOUTHERN STATE PARKWAY, EXIT 19(s), PENINSULA BLVD.; PROCEED UNDER RAILROAD TRACKS, CROSS SUNRISE HIGHWAY, TURN AT 2ND LEFT (SCRANTON AVE.); TURN RIGHT ON BROADWAY, DRIVE APPROXIMATELY 18 BLOCKS, CHURCH IS ON RIGHT.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All Meetings are held at the Intergroup Office unless otherwise noted

April				May			
Apr 4	8:00 pm	Institutions Committee Simpson Methodist Church Locust and Sunset, Amityville		May 2	8:00 pm	Institutions Committee Simpson Methodist Church Locust and Sunset, Amityville	
Apr 5	7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation		May 3	7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation	
	8:00 pm	Intergroup Rep's Meeting			8:00 pm	Intergroup Rep's Meeting	
Apr 11	8:00 pm	Share-A-Day Planning Meeting			Deadline for next meeting list !		
Apr 12	7:00 pm	PI/CPC Committee Meeting		May 5	12:00 noon	SENY Intergroup Liaison Mtg SENY Office 199 Lincoln Ave Bronx, NY 10454	
Apr 15	1:00 pm	Special Needs Committee					
Apr 16		Nassau General Service Committee					
	7:00 pm	GSR Orientation		May 9	8:00 pm	Share-A-Day Planning Meeting	
	7:30 pm	GSR Meeting		May 10	7:00 pm	PI/CPC Committee Meeting	
Apr 18	7:30 pm	WebSite Committee		May 16	7:30 pm	WebSite Committee	
Apr 19		Newsletter DeadLine		May 20	1:00 pm	Special Needs Committee	
Apr 26	7:30 pm	Steering committee		May 24		Newsletter DeadLine	
				May 31	7:30 pm	Steering committee	
						Nassau GSR'S will not meet in May	

WE LIST ONLY AA MEETINGS

MEETING CHANGES

Baldwin: Baldwin Group 7:30pm Wed Step meeting is a Traditions meeting on the last Wed. The 7:30pm Sat Closed Discussion meeting is Open/Anniversary on the last Sat; 1st Presbyterian Church, 717 St. Lukes Pl

Baldwin: Over 40 Closed Discussion Group has moved to Baldwin from Oceanside and is still at 8:30pm on Thu, with the last Thu of the month for anniversaries. Handicapped-accessible. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1375 N Grand Ave

Baldwin Harbor: Sober Living Group The last Mon is a Traditions meeting. (Used to be described as the 4th Mon.) This meeting is also Handicapped Accessible; Calvary Protestant Church, 2801 Park Ave

Bellmore: There Is A Light Group the second Sun of the month is no longer an Open Discussion meeting; East Bay Reform, 2569 Merrick Rd

East Meadow: East Meadow Group Tue 8:00pm meeting is now a Closed Discussion meeting, and the last Tue is an Open/Anniversary meeting; Thu 6:45pm meeting is an Open Big Book Study meeting and the 8:00pm is a Beginner's meeting (non-smoking); Christ the King Episcopal Church, 5th/DeWolfe Pl

Farmingdale: Farmingdale Group 7:30pm meeting on Fri is now a Beginner's meeting. 407 Main St

Garden City: Dartmouth Street Group Meetings are now held Mon at 7:30pm (Beginner's) and Thu at 7:30pm (two meetings: a Closed Discussion meeting and a Step meeting); St Anne's Church, 35 Dartmouth St

Glen Oaks: Glen Oaks Group no longer holds a Thu evening meeting; St Paul's Church, 262-22 Union Tpke

Hicksville: Serenity Group's Wed Step meeting is now held at 7:30pm; United Methodist Church, 130 W Old Country Rd

Levittown: Levittown Growth Group that met at 7:30pm on Fri is now called Farmingdale Growth Group and meets at 7:30pm (Closed Discussion, Open Ended) on Wed; St Kilian Roman Catholic Church, 485 Conklin St, Farmingdale

Manhasset: Manhasset Group Mon 7:30pm Closed Discussion meeting is now a Beginner's meeting; Congregational Church, 1845 Northern Blvd

Oceanside: See Baldwin Over 40 CD Group entry above.

Williston Park: Solution Group Closed Discussion meeting on Wed moves from 8:30pm to 9:00pm; St Aiden RC Church, 505 Willis Ave

NEW MEETINGS

Farmingdale: Sunday at the Park holds a Closed meeting on Sun at 9:30am. Allen Town Community Park, 45 Motor Ave

Freeport: Jaywalkers Group will meet at 7:30pm on Mon and offer Open and Big Book meetings; 1st Presbyterian Church of Freeport, 178 S Ocean Ave

Lynbrook: Primary Purpose Group has added a Step meeting at 7:00pm on Thu; Lynbrook Baptist Church, 225 Earle Ave

Manhasset: Early Cup of Sobriety Group has added a Beginner's meeting at 7:00am on Thu; Shelter Rock Church, Plandome Rd

Massapequa Park: A Step Forward meets Thu at 7:30pm (Closed Discussion meeting). Rose of Lima RC Church, Father Graham Center, 4704 Merrick Rd

Rockville Centre: Encouragement Group has added a Tue Men's Topic Meeting at 6:00pm. Church of the Ascension, 71 N Village Ave

PHONE VOLUNTEERS:

Anyone with 6 months sobriety, who is interested in answering the phones,

CONTACT: the Office Coordinator

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NIGHTBOOK

This fellowship does a lot of service, and with everyone chipping in, each separate commitment is minimal work. I cannot take all the credit for this hotline functioning. All I do is keep track of you people giving back...

Thank you to the following groups for taking the Hotline in March

✓ *Beginners' Gift - Levittown*

✓ *The Rockville Centre Group*

✓ *The Garden City Group*

✓ *No Frills Group - Levittown*

✓ *The Port Washington Group*

Love & service,

Nightbook Chair

nightbook@nassauny-aa(dot)org

From the Chair:

Dear Friends,

Happy Spring! When I think about this time of year, I think about new beginnings, new experiences, taking the time to listen to the birds joyfully singing, feeling the warmth of the sun's rays hitting my face (like basking in God's Grace), watching the trees, which have been dormant for months, being awakened with buds patiently waiting to burst into leaves. I love the smell of Spring as I wait, not so patiently, for the seeds and bulbs that were planted last year to manifest into beautiful flowers.

Maybe you've planted seeds of hope into someone's life, knowingly or unknowingly, and AA has been watering and harvesting them into new beings that are waiting to burst out or have already shown signs of growth.

Alcoholics Anonymous has a way of working on you even when you don't think that it's working (trust me, it IS working!). Eventually, you'll start acting differently, talking differently, treating yourself and others differently, and wanting different things in your life. Before you know it, you'll be the one planting seeds of hope into someone else's life. Let's all make a conscious effort to plant seeds into the lives of those we come in contact with, both in and out of AA. It'll truly make a difference in YOUR garden too.

Please come and celebrate the "Joy of Living" at our annual Share-A-Day event on Saturday, April 21st (see the enclosed insert for more information).

Happy anniversary to our April celebrants, and enjoy Spring, everyone!

Blessed to Serve,

Intergroup Chairperson

chair@nassauny(dot)org

GENERAL SERVICE NEWS

Friendly reminder to all groups who have a General Service Representative to please have him or her attend this month's Pre-Conference Assembly on Saturday, April 14th, 2007. See March's issue of our area's newsletter *The Link* or visit www.aaseny.org for directions. Perhaps GSRs and DCMs could arrange to carpool to this event. Here is your chance to let our SENY Delegate know what your group's conscience is regarding this year's Conference Agenda items. At our upcoming Nassau General Service Group (NGSG) meeting, we plan to discuss resurrecting or forgoing the Nassau Big Meeting. NGSB officers are available to help facilitate group inventories. Huge thanks to the groups for your contributions.

In Service,
DCMC Nassau
[nassau@aaseny\(dot\)org](mailto:nassau@aaseny(dot)org)

The Archives Committee thanks the member from the Bellerose Group for his work on the history of the 4th Step Workshop.

From the Treasurer

'Contributions'

The long form of Tradition Seven suggests we should "view with much concern those AA treasuries which continue, beyond prudent reserves, to accumulate funds for no stated AA purpose." A bloated group treasury is often an invitation to controversy and disunity.

Once a group has established any reserve needs, it may consider what to do with excess funds. The usual course is to pass any excess along the AA service chain, from the home group to AA service groups. Locally, that chain includes Nassau Intergroup and Nassau General Service (district and county). Beyond these local service groups is your General Service area (SENY, Area 49) and your General Service Office (AAWS). While each AA group is free to determine how often and how much, if anything, it may wish to give to any AA service entity, some suggested distribution schemes are offered in the pamphlet, *Self-Support: Where Money and Spirituality Mix*. The group must break up and specifically direct its contributions if it wishes to see them go to more than one service entity. Also, even very small and infrequent contributions make a meaningful addition spiritually linking your group to the broader AA service structure and purpose.

Also, it may help groups deciding how to deal with excess moneys to look at how the various service entities use the funds they receive. For

Nassau Intergroup, the monthly treasurer's report details our use of contributed funds.

Nassau Intergroup wants to acknowledge your contributions. Currently, acknowledgment letters go out shortly after contributions come in. If you have made a recent contribution and have not received an acknowledgment, it is because we do not have a proper address for you. (Many letters go to the place where the group meets.) Please remember to put your group's NIG number (found to the right of your group's name in the county meeting list) on all contributions, and specify a return address. I would be happy to re-direct or re-issue any acknowledgment letters that have gone astray.

In service,
Treasurer
[treasurer@nassauny-aa\(dot\)org](mailto:treasurer@nassauny-aa(dot)org)

SHARE-A-DAY 2007

This is it. April is finally here. Share-a-Day is a little over two weeks away. When I first took the commitment to chair Share-a-Day 2007, I thought I was in over my head. I could not have been more mistaken. I temporarily forgot that in AA we do things together, not alone. In the past eight months I have learned just what a **Group Of Drunks** can do if service is their motive.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 11, 2007 at 8:00 pm at the Nassau Intergroup office, it will be our last meeting before Share-a-Day. Please join us, we still need your help. If you can't make the committee meeting, please come to Share-a-Day on Saturday, April 21, 2007, and enjoy the fellowship.

See you there.

Your AA Brother
2007 Share-a-Day Chair
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A message from Ed, the Literature guy:

Available now at Nassau Intergroup:

Fourth Edition Big Book on CD,
Including Fourth Edition Stories

&

Twelve and Twelve on CD,
comes with a table of contents booklet

*The office is open 9:00am to 4:30pm
for the sale of books,
and the phone reps do not carry change.*

NOTICE: Meeting list changes

Deadline for additions and deletions is May 3
at Nassau Intergroup office.
