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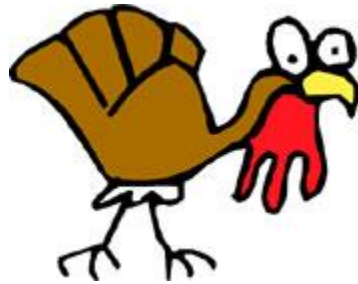
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## November 2008

# Thanksgiving Alkathon



**Starts Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm**

**Ends Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> 11:00pm**

**Meetings are on the hour every hour!**

**Located at Nassau Intergroup office**

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*All Meetings are held at the Intergroup Office unless otherwise noted*

<b>November</b>		<b>December</b>	
Nov 5	8:00 pm Institutions Committee Simpson Methodist Church Locust and Sunset, Amityville	Dec 3	8:00 pm Institutions Committee Simpson Meth Ch, Locust & Sunset, Amityville
Nov 6	<b>Meeting List Change DeadLine</b> 7:30 pm Intergroup Rep's Orientation 8:00 pm Intergroup Rep's Meeting Garden City Community Church Stewart Ave & Whitehall Blvd	Dec 4	7:30 pm Intergroup Rep's Orientation 8:00 pm Intergroup Rep's Meeting Garden City Community Church Stewart Ave & Whitehall Blvd
Nov 11	7:00 pm PI/CPC Committee	Dec 9	7:00 pm PI/CPC Committee
Nov 19	7:30 pm WebSite Committee	Dec 11	<b>Newsletter DeadLine</b>
Nov 13	<b>Newsletter DeadLine</b>	Dec 11	7:00 pm Special Needs Committee
Nov 20	7:30 pm Steering Committee	Dec 20	7:00 pm General Service Rep's Orientation 7:30 pm General Service Rep's Meeting
Nov 26/27	<b>Thanksgiving Alkathon</b> Alkathon Meetings every hour on the hour-round the clock from Wed the 26 <sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm thru Thui the 27 <sup>th</sup> at 11:00 pm <b>GSR do not meet in November</b>	Dec 17	7:30 pm WebSite Committee
		Dec 18	7:30 pm Steering Committee
		Dec 20	8:00 am Exchange Meeting Garden City Community Church Stewart Ave & Whitehall Blvd
		Dec 24 <sup>th</sup> / 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Holiday Alkathon</b>
		Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> / Jan 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>New Years Alkathon</b>

# WE LIST ONLY AA MEETINGS

## MEETING CHANGES

**Douglaston: Fresh Start Group** has added a Sun 7:15 pm BB meeting

**Garden City: The Garden City Group** has added a 6:15 pm Open meeting

**Hicksville: Easy Does It Group** (Correction from meeting list) meets at Holy Trinity Epis Ch, 130 Jerusalem Ave (Corner of Jerusalem & Old Country Rd), also Sun 6:15 pm BB and 7:30 O mtgs are consolidated into one mtg 7:00 pm Sun BB/S/Ann

**Hicksville: First Things First Group** changed the Step meeting from the last Sun to the first Sun

**Manhasset: 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Group** changed the Tue 10:00 am meeting to Thu at 10:00 am

**Manhasset: Manhasset Group** has added a Tue 7:30 pm woman's CD and a Wed 7:30 pm BB

**Merrick: Stepping Stones Group** now meets on the ground floor in Saint Michael's room

**Rockville Centre: No Frills Females** has changed the Thu 10:00 am meeting to a BB study

**Seaford: The Seaford Time Group** has changed the Sun Step meeting from 7:30 pm to 7:00 pm

**West Hempstead: Decision Group** has changed

its Tue 8:15pm CD meeting to an 8:15pm YP

## NEW MEETINGS

**Bellmore: Only Booze** meets at 7:30pm CD Bellmore Pres Ch, Rambo Hall, Bellmore Ave and Martin Ave

**Manhasset: The 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation Group** meets at 10:00am, Tue Children welcome, Shelter Rock Church, 626 Plandome Rd

## DELETIONS

**Hicksville: Step by Step Group**: no longer meets

**Rosedale: Circle of Serenity**: no longer meets

**West Hempstead: Came to Believe** no longer meets

## PHONE VOLUNTEERS:

If you have at least 6 months of Sobriety and are interested in answering phones at Nassau Intergroup,

**CONTACT: the Office Coordinator:**  
**(516) 292-3045**

## From the Chair

Dear Friends:

The results are in!!! Here are your new Intergroup Officers for the upcoming 2009-2010 term:

NIG Chair – George P

NIG 1<sup>st</sup> ViceChair – Bill C

NIG 2<sup>nd</sup> ViceChair – Tony T

NIG Treasurer – Mark S

NIG Secretary – Pauline C

Thank you, to our county DCMC, for facilitating our elections. Congratulations to all the new incoming officers. We appreciate your willingness to serve!

The month of November is gratitude month. Take some time to think about what you are truly grateful for. Gratitude comes easily when our lives are in order, when the bills are paid, the children are behaving, or our health is good. But our challenges are what bring the chance for transformation. And it is during our deepest pain that we can be most grateful, because we know our hardship will deliver a lesson that refines our character.

As you practice gratitude this month, give thanks not only for what you have but also for what you have escaped. When difficulties arise, ask yourself, "What is the lesson for me in this?" And when you can give thanks in the midst of your trial, know that you are becoming your finest.

Gratitude is our most direct line to God. The more we seek gratitude, the more reasons God will give us for gratitude and joy to exist in our lives. Remind yourself how much you have to be thankful for.

Just for today, I owe the world an attitude of gratitude. Please join us for our annual Alkathon (details inside this newsletter issue). Have a peaceful Thanksgiving Holiday!

Happy anniversary to our November celebrants.

Blessed to Serve,  
Intergroup Chairperson  
chair@nassauny-aa(dot)org

**It is easy to let up on the spiritual program of action and rest on our laurels. We are headed for trouble if we do, for alcohol is a subtle foe.**

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, p 85**

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

### Special Needs

**The Mineola Group**

**1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church**

**182 Main St. Mineola NY**

**NOW has an**

**ASL (American Sign Language) interpreter at their  
8pm Step meeting**

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## **Night Book**

The Hotline is a life saver for many alcoholics and family members who don't know what this disease is about. And it is OUR responsibility to help them! This is the gift God has given us, don't throw it away. It's the kind of gift that the more you use it the better it gets-tenfold.

So call Intergroup and sign up your group to answer the phones for 1 week @ night-7 people are needed from 5pm -9am. The hotline gets transferred to your home or cell. It's only once a year for each person.

Thanks to the following groups for taking the Hotline in October:

**Cedarhurst-Hewlett Group**

**Long Beach-Serenity by the Sea**

**Levittown-Periwinkle**

**Hicksville-Back to Basics.**

Yours in love and service,

NightBook Chair

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## **Literature**

### NOW IN STOCK AT NASSAU INTERGROUP

Reprinted editions of two Grapevine Magazines published on the deaths of Bill W and Dr Bob in a protective sleeve. These two early Grapevine Magazines contain the stories of our Co Founders, plus other articles written by the early members of AA.

## **Congratulations Trusted Servants**

I would like to commend all those who are present officers of SENY, Nassau General Service Group and Nassau Intergroup on a job well done for the last two years! I have worked closely with all those in service more than a couple of years as the Alternate DCMC Nassau, a few years as an DCM of District 203 and GSR of Malverne's One Day At A Time Group. Congratulations to all the newly elected officers as they will be the future of the AA.

My hope is to be of service to the best of my ability for the next two years to all who have given me their confidence. I will also be asking for a lot of help in the future from all of you that have come before me.

DCMC Nassau Elect

nassau@aaseny(dot)org

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## **Great Times In Sobriety**

It was a great and glorious weekend up in Edmonton, Canada. We all met and discussed the happenings with inter groups in Central Offices in Intergroup and AAWS Seminar. Some of the issues discussed were workshops in Ring-A-Ling, Office Procedures, Websites/Email, Volunteers, Personalities & Principles, Literature, and Twelve Step Lists. All of inter groups were represented. These were just a few of the workshops which were all interesting and informative. Both I and our chairperson had a very good time. Upon my return home, I went to New York City's General Service Office, had a wonderful tour and attended a beautiful meeting. If you are interested about going there please feel free to give me a phone call. This being my 20th year in sobriety just tells me the time gets better and better.

Yours in Sobriety,

2nd ViceChair

## **The Levittown Group**

**Is Celebrating**

**58 Years of Sobriety!!!**

December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Parkway Community Church

Hicksville, NY

Food at 7:00, Speaker at 8:00

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## **Step 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong PROMPTLY admitted it.**

## From the Treasurer:

### The Budget Process Revisited

Beginning last month, Intergroup started offering a consolidated report on its finances. Not that we hadn't already been providing the groups a good bit of detail on our financial position, but now we are trying to pull it together in one cohesive report. The precise report format remains a work in progress pending feedback from the members on how clear and useable the information is.

Beyond basic reporting, Nassau Intergroup's By-Laws require that the Financial Review Committee "prepare the yearly budget for presentation at the November meeting so that the groups will have a month to review it before voting on it in December." That proposed budget is usually reviewed first by the Steering Committee which may offer some changes before it is seen in November. If you are interested in how Intergroup uses the funding support it receives, your group's Rep should have a copy of the proposal available. The final budget discussion and vote will take place next month.

Job rotation time is almost upon us. AA has a tradition of having its trusted servants periodically move on from current service jobs to new responsibilities. This important practice is seen at all levels of the Fellowship including here at Intergroup. My congratulations and support for the 2009-2010 officers elected last month and for the expected new members of the Steering Committee who will be appointed with the approval of the Reps. I'm hoping to see some new faces in addition to current members who may be staying on but moving over to a new job.

Finally, I remain available to come to your group if there is any AA finance/treasurer topic on which I can provide information. Questions are best directed to me at the phone number or e-mail address below rather than through the office.

In service,

Treasurer

[treasurer@nassauny-aa\(dot\)org](mailto:treasurer@nassauny-aa(dot)org)

## General Service News

Nassau General Service Group held its elections last month and the following trusted servants were selected:

Kevin McH, DCMC Nassau

Jose D, Alt DCMC Nassau

Pauline T, Treasurer

Kevin B, Secretary

Congratulations to these members who I know will do a fantastic job when they commence their service commitments on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Thanks to Nassau Intergroup Chair for facilitating our elections. Also at our October meeting we included a presentation / brief discussion on a Tradition and Concept followed by an Open Forum segment. These ideas came out of the county inventory we had back in August and they proved successful in that our GSR's and DCM's would like to see this continue. And the best part was that we still managed to do county business ending on time, 9 PM!

Unity Breakfast ticket sales are moving along. We're asking for unsold tickets and ticket money to be handed in as soon as possible. Please contact the UB Chair, the treasurer or me. We ask that you do not leave tickets or money at the Intergroup office with phone volunteers.

Together We Can,

DCMC Nassau,

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