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WORLD WIDE WEB EDITION

JULY 2013



EISENHOWER PARK, EAST MEADOW

“CEDARS”

SUNDAY - JULY 21, 2013

8 AM-4 PM

PARKING LOT 6A

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(All meetings held at Nassau Intergroup unless otherwise noted.)

July 2013

- 7/1 LICYPAA Meeting, South Oaks
- 7/3 8 PM Institutions Committee Meeting
(Simpson Methodist Church, Locust & Sunset, Amityville)
- 7/11 7:30 PM Intergroup Reps Meeting
- 7/11 7 PM Intergroup Reps Orientation
- 7/15 7 PM GSR Workshop
- 7/17 7:30 PM Website Committee Meeting
- 7/18 Newsletter Deadline**
- 7/21 Intergroup Picnic**
(Eisenhower Park, Cedars Area, Parking Field 6A)
- 7/25 7:30 PM Steering Committee Meeting

August 2013

- 8/1 7 PM Intergroup Reps Orientation
- 8/1 7:30 PM Intergroup Reps Meeting
- 8/7 8 PM Institutions Committee Meeting
(Simpson Methodist Church, Locust & Sunset, Amityville)
- 8/15 7 PM Special Needs Committee Meeting
- 8/16-18 New York State Informational Workshop**
- 8/19 7 PM New GSR Orientation
- 8/19 7:30 PM GSR/DCM Meeting
- 8/22 Newsletter Deadline**
- 8/29 7:30 PM Steering Committee Meeting

STEP 7— Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.



June 2013 Newsletter Correction
Jim G., Veterans in Recovery Group member, and author of "A Veterans Story" was mistakenly listed as the NI Al-Anon Liaison.

NASSAU INTERGROUP - MEETING LIST CHANGES

DELETIONS:

East Meadow 11554

East Meadow Group, Tuesday 6:45 PM #Step (#Last Tuesday Tradition) Meeting.

Freeport 11520

Freeport II Group, Monday 8 PM Open Discussion.

Manhasset 11030

Sober Spirits Group, Saint Ignatious Retreat House, 251 Searington Road, Manhasset are is longer meeting.

Oceanside 11512

Keep It Simple Group, Tuesday 9 PM Closed Discussion (Candle Light).
One Day At A Time Group, Monday 8 PM Step.

Rockville Centre 11570

Encouragement Group, Monday 7:30 PM Step; Thursday 7:30 PM Closed Discussion.

MEETING CHANGES:

Amityville 11701

Open Door Group, Tuesday 10 AM Closed now Closed Topic; Thursday 10 AM Closed is now 10 AM Beginners.

Baldwin 11510

Baldwin Group, Wednesday 7:30 PM Big Book is now Open Discussion Big Book.

Bethpage 11714

Caring & Sharing Group, Wednesday 7:30 PM Closed now #Closed (#1st Wednesday Step/Last Wednesday Beginners).

East Williston 11596

Serenity Group (formerly Searington Group, Manhasset) have relocated their Wednesday 7:30 PM Step to The Community Church of East Williston, 45 East Williston Avenue.

Freeport 11520

Day Enders Group, Last Wednesday, 4:30 PM Tradition; last Friday, 4:30 PM Open Anniversary.

Garden City 11530

Easy Does It Group, Saturday 7 PM Step & 7 PM Young People's now 7 PM Alternating Closed Discussion/Step.

Garden City Group, 7:30 PM Friday Open Big Book Study now 7:30 PM Sunday Open Big Book Study.

Manhasset 11030

Good Morning God Group, added Monday 5:30 PM Closed Discussion, Tuesday 5:30 PM Meditation & Thursday 5:30 PM Step.

Searington Group is now called Serenity Group and have relocated to East Williston (see above).

Huntington 11743

Huntington Group, Sunday 6:45 PM* & 8 PM Closed now 6:15 PM Closed Discussion & 7:30 PM Closed; Wednesday 7 PM Open, 8:15 PM Beginners & 8:15 PM Step now 7:15 PM Open, 8:30 PM Beginners & 8:30 PM Step.

Lawrence 11559

Lawrence/Cedarhurst Group Anniversaries now last Monday 7:30 PM.

Lynbrook 11563

Primary Purpose Group, Added 8:15 PM Anniversary last Tuesday; Added Thursday 7 PM Big Book (# Last Thursday Tradition).

Manhasset, 11030

Manhasset Group, 7:30 PM Closed Discussion now 7:30 PM Open Meeting.

Mineola 11501

County Seat Group, 7:30 AM Closed Discussion now 7:30 AM# Beginners (#Living Sober); 1:15 PM #Beginners now 1:15 PM Closed Discussion. (No change to other meetings/times as listed.)

Oceanside 11512

One Day At A Time Group, Sunday 7 PM *Closed now 7:30 PM *Open Discussion. (*Sunday – Anniversary as needed.)

Port Washington 11050

Port Washington Group, Tuesday 9:00 PM Closed Discussion now 8:45 PM Open Discussion; Thursday 9:00 PM Beginners now 8:45 PM Beginners.

NEW GROUPS:

Farmingdale 11735

I Am Responsible Group, Tuesday 7:30 PM Big Book & Thursday 7:30 PM Beginners, Crossroads Church, 610 Carmans Road, Farmingdale.

Garden City 11530

Open Hearts Group, Thursday 8 PM 11th Step Meditation, Ethical Humanist Society, 38 Old County Road, Garden City.

Port Washington 11050

ME—Third Group, Monday 5:30 PM Big Book & Friday 5:30 PM Beginners, Saint Peter's Convent, 1327 Port Washington Boulevard.

Rockville Centre 11570

"Off The Fence" Young People's Meeting, Thursday 6 PM Beginner's, The Vineyard Church, 251 Merrick Road, Rockville Centre.

Williston Park 11596 (Starts September 5th)

Friends of Bill and Bob Group, Thursday 12 noon Closed Discussion. Saint John's Lutheran Church, 47 Winthrop Street. (#No meeting Thanksgiving Day.)

TEMPORARILY CLOSED MEETINGS:

Roosevelt 11575

Sunday Sunrise Group and Women Caring for Women Group which meet at the React Center, 27A Washington Place, are temporarily closed until further notice due to fire damage at the center.

MEETING CHANGES DUE TO HURRICANE SANDY

Island Park 11558

Island Park Group "Below Sea Level": Resumed their Saturday 7:30 PM Candlelight Meeting, Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 301 Long Beach Road, Island Park.

Long Beach 11561

High Noon/West End Group: Temporarily not meeting, but expected to restart soon.

New Beginnings Group:

Two new locations- Saint Mary of the Isle, 315 East Walnut Street, Long Beach (near Park Avenue; enter behind church on Walnut Street and Monroe Boulevard) Long Beach; Sunday 7:30 PM Big Book only; and People's Church of Long Beach, 111 Delaware Avenue; Friday 7:30 PM Beginners only.

Serenity by the Sea/AM Group: New location: Saint John's Lutheran Church, 75 East Olive Street, Long Beach (home of the Early Risers Group).

The Step Meeting: People's Church of Long Beach, 111 Delaware Avenue, Long Beach (not previously listed as not meeting or displaced, but resumed regular meetings 01/08/2013.)

Point Lookout 11569

Serenity By The Sea/PM Group: Temporary location: Point Lookout Community Church, 60 Freeport Avenue, Point Lookout. Monday 7 PM Beginners & 8:30 PM Step; Wednesday 7 PM Open & 8:30 Big Book.

NB: Information is subject to change and is correct to the best of our knowledge. All other groups/meetings are meeting as usually scheduled as far as we know.



Where Would I Be Had I Not Been Made Aware of AA's Presence?

The awareness of Alcoholics Anonymous is not only passed through its members, but also through various institutions such as detoxification centers, in- and out-patient rehab centers, health fairs, schools, churches and others. Who takes on the responsibility of spreading AA's message to these institutions? Members of the Public Information (PI) and Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC) Committees. AA co-founder, Bill W., saw the need for public information as an avenue to spread the message of Alcoholics Anonymous.

We, members of PI and CPC, do service by reaching out to facilities, institutions and schools and offer to meet and speak with them to discuss AA's presence in our community and how we can be of service. We speak to counselors, directors, teachers/professors and guidance personnel, to inform them of what AA does and does not do. We offer to also speak to their clients and students. We leave them literature. We have chosen at this level to break our anonymity as members of AA to reach out to another alcoholic who may not understand what AA is: support, compassion, identification, understanding and a new way of living without the use of alcohol.

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Some people having problems with alcohol use do not know what AA is other than that AA is where drunks go, or what they may have seen being portrayed in a movie. It is important to me to spread the message that AA is here to help all who decide that the use of alcohol is or may be causing a problem in their lives: men, women, young and old, those from all ethnicities, religions and sexual orientations.

I often think to myself, where would I be had I not been given that awareness. I was made aware of AA 28 years ago, but at that time I did not see myself as an alcoholic. My idea of an alcoholic was not **ME**. It took me another 22 years to be able to identify, relate and accept that I was indeed an alcoholic. I do believe that my exposure to AA 28 years ago paved the road to my finally turning to AA when I did accept that I was an alcoholic, and needed help with my drinking. I am sober 6 years and my life **IS** beyond any life I could have imagined, and because of this, I want to be one of those spreading awareness of AA in our community.

I extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join us in this endeavor. The PI and CPC Committees meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Nassau Intergroup office in West Hempstead. Please join us.

Yours in Service
Regine V.
PI Chair
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From the Nassau Intergroup Chair

In the past few weeks I have been reflecting on the lessons I have been taught in my journey through our wonderful Fellowship. What I feel the most important lesson was, "ONE." I was taught that I only need to not drink ONE DAY AT A TIME. That when I do service, that no matter what job I do, if I only reach ONE person, I have done a good job. So the idea of ONE has helped me to live a good sober life. My friends, when you think of all the gifts we have been given, is it too much to give ONE day to this Fellowship?

As you know, we just held another Speakers Exchange Meeting. Thanks to all who took part at the Exchange. I would only like to remind everyone that it is not fair to those who come to the Exchange Meeting during the times listed, only to find members who've arrived early already on their way home or exchanging speaker information in the parking lot.

Lastly, I hope to see many of you at the picnic on July 21st at Eisenhower Park, the "Cedars" area, parking field 6A. Remember that we may be the only copy of the Big Book that the public may ever see. Therefore we should always be respectful of others enjoying Eisenhower Park, and especially to leave our picnic space in a clean and tidy manner.

Well friends, back to my iced coffee and macaroons.

Yours in Service
Jack K.
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34th New York State Informational
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August 16-18, 2013
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Who Am I?

Early non-alcoholic friend of AA.
Heard AA co-founder, Bill W.'s 5th Step.
Bill W.'s spiritual sponsor.
Helped bring AA to St. Louis, MO.

[Answer on page 4.]

AA HISTORY

July 1950—First International Convention, Cleveland; 15th anniversary; 3,000 attend. Twelve Traditions adopted.

July 1955—Second International Convention, St. Louis; 20th anniversary; 5,000 attend. Three Legacies: Unity, Recovery, and Service adopted.

July 1955—Second Edition of the Big Book published.

July 1960—Third International Convention, Long Beach; 25th anniversary; 8,900 attend.

July 1960—GSO moves to 305 East 45th Street, New York City.

July 1965—Fourth International Convention, Toronto; 30th anniversary; 13,000 attend. Responsibility Declaration adopted.

July 1966—Worldwide 12,444 AA groups are registered.

July 1970—Fifth International Convention, Miami; 35th anniversary; 15,000 attend. Unity Declaration adopted. Bill W.'s last public appearance.

July 1970—GSO moves to 468 Park Avenue South, New York City.

July 1975—Sixth International Convention, Denver; 40th anniversary; 19,500 attend.

July 1975—First Regional Forum, Atlanta.

July 1975—*Living Sober* published.

July 1980—Seventh International Convention, New Orleans; 45th anniversary; 25,000 attend.

July 1980—*Dr. Bob and the Good Oldtimers* published.

July 1985—Eighth International Convention, Montreal; 50th anniversary; 35,000 attend.

July 1985—*Best of the Grapevine, Vol. 1* published.

July 1990—Ninth International Convention, Seattle; 55th anniversary; 48,000 attend.

July 1990—*Daily Reflections* published.

July 1995—Tenth International Convention, San Diego; 60th anniversary. 56,000 attend.

TRADITION 7— Every AA group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.

Answer to "Who Am I?"

Father Ed Dowling, SJ. Died July 1960.

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From your Newsletter Editor

Kia ora! Hope everyone had a nice July 4th. Looking to exercise your right of opinion? Then let us know! Would be great to hear about what's going on in your home group, or perhaps your journey in sobriety over the summer.

Submit via email or by regular mail to the intergroup office "Attn: Newsletter Editor!"

Service in Action

Brenda P.

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SAVE THE DATE

"LOVE & SERVICE, THE BIG MEETING"
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2013

1-4 PM

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1670 ROUTE 25A
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CONCEPT 7—The Charter and Bylaws of the General Service Board are legal instruments, empowering the trustees to manage and conduct world service affairs. The Conference Charter is not a legal document; it relies upon tradition and the A.A. purse for final effectiveness.