

# nassau intergroup

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WORLD WIDE WEB EDITION

## AUGUST 2014

### HELP WANTED

### AA PHONE VOLUNTEERS

Service opportunity is a 7 day cycle, Monday – Sunday.

Shift Hours: 9 AM-1 PM / 1 PM-5 PM.

Recommended AA members have 6 months sobriety or more.  
Experience welcomed but not necessary, training is provided.

To sign up please contact

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

#### August 2014

- 8/6 8 PM Institutions Committee Meeting  
(Simpson Methodist Church, Locust & Sunset, Amityville)
- 8/7 7 PM Intergroup Reps Orientation
- 8/7 7:30 PM Intergroup Reps Meeting
- 8/10 11 AM-5 PM Long Island Spirituality through Service
- 8/18 7 PM New GSR Orientation
- 8/18 7:30 PM GSR/DCM Meeting
- 8/20 7:30 PM Website Committee Meeting
- 8/21 7 PM Special Needs Committee Meeting
- 8/21 Newsletter Deadline**
- 8/28 7:30 PM Steering Committee Meeting

#### September 2014

- 9/3 8 PM Institutions Committee Meeting  
(Simpson Methodist Church, Locust & Sunset, Amityville)
- 9/4 7 PM Intergroup Reps Orientation
- 9/4 7:30 PM Intergroup Reps Meeting
- 9/10 7 PM 2015 Share-A-Day Planning Meeting
- 9/11 7:30 PM PI/CPC Committee Meeting
- 9/15 7:30 PM GSR Workshop
- 9/17 7:30 PM Website Committee Meeting
- 9/18 Newsletter Deadline**
- 9/20 7-10 AM Speaker's Exchange Meeting
- 9/25 7:30 PM Steering Committee Meeting

9/20 7-10 AM – SPEAKER'S EXCHANGE MEETING  
NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE, CLUSTER F, ROOM 127

STEP 8—Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

## NASSAU INTERGROUP - MEETING LIST CHANGES

### DELETIONS:

#### Amityville 11701

**County Line Group**, removed Friday 7:30 PM Women's Meeting.

#### Levittown 11756

**Turnpike Group**, Saint Bernard's School, 3100 Hempstead Turnpike, removed Tuesday 8 PM Open.

#### Long Beach 11561

**Big Book Study Group** (new name: **Living Sober Group**), removed Wednesday 9 AM Big Book.

#### North Bellmore 11710

**Miracles Group**, 906 Newbridge Road, removed Friday 8:30 AM #Big Book.

### MEETING CHANGES:

#### Amityville 11701

**County Line Group**, last Monday 6:45 PM Open Anniversary only.

**Open Door Group**, Thursday 10 AM Closed now Thursday 10 AM Beginner's; Friday 10 AM Closed Discussion now Friday 10 AM multiple meetings: First/Last Friday Open Anniversary, 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Tradition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Big Book Stories. Group now meeting in admin building basement, Hollywood Baptist Church, 3504 Great Neck Road.

#### Bayville 11709

**Triangle Group**, Village United Methodist Church, 11 Mountain Avenue, Monday 7:45 PM \*Beginners; (\*1<sup>st</sup> Monday Open Anniversary.)

#### Cold Spring Harbor 11724

**Discussion Group**, Saint John's Church, 1670 Route 25A (behind Fish Hatchery) have added a Friday 6:30 PM Women's Reflections. (No changes to other meetings.)

#### Bellmore 11710

**No Frills Group**, formerly of Levittown, is now meeting at: Bellmore Presbyterian Church, 2740 Martin Avenue. (Monday, 5 PM \*Step, Tuesday \*\*5 PM, Wednesday 5 PM Closed, Thursday 5 PM Big Book, Friday 5 PM Beginners, Saturday 5 PM Open, Sunday 5 PM Closed. (\*Last Monday Tradition, \*\*Tuesday Living Sober).

#### Franklin Square 11010

**Gift of Serenity Group**, Wesley United Methodist Church, 619 Fenworth Boulevard (off Dogwood Ave), Sunday 6:15 PM \*Beginners, Tuesday 7:30 PM #Step, Thursday 7:30 PM #Closed Discussion now 7:30 PM Open, Saturday 7 PM Big Book now 7 PM Big Book Open. (\*Last Sunday Anniversary, #3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday Tradition.)

#### Levittown 11756

**No Frills Group**, has moved from Presbyterian Church, 474 Wantagh Avenue to: Bellmore Presbyterian Church, 2740 Martin Avenue, Bellmore, NY 11710. See Bellmore 11710 listing.

**Turnpike Group**, Saint Bernard's School, 3100 Hempstead Turnpike, Tuesday 9:15 PM Beginner's now Tuesday 7:30 PM \*Beginner's, Sunday 8 PM Closed. (\*Last Tuesday Anniversary.)

#### Locust Valley 11560

**Choices Group**, Reformed Church, 115 Ryefield Road, 6:30 AM Daily Reflections now 6:30 AM Big Book, Saturday 7 AM Big Book now 7 AM Daily Reflections. (No change to Wednesday/Thursday meetings.)

#### Long Beach 11561

**Big Book Study Group**, Saint John's Lutheran Church, 75 East Olive/Riverside Boulevard have changed their name to: **Living Sober Group**. (No change to Tuesday meeting.)

**High Noon/West End Group**, have returned to West End Community Center, 91 Maryland Avenue. (No changes to meetings.)

**Serenity by the Sea/AM Group** have returned to: Saint James Episcopal Church, 230 West Penn Street & Magnolia Boulevard. (No changes to meetings.)

**The Step Meeting**, Tuesday 7:30 PM Step is now Tuesday 7:00 PM Step.

#### Manhasset 11030

**Good Morning God/Sober Spirits Group**, Temple Judea, 333 Searingtown Road has changed their name to **Sober Spirits – Good Morning God Group**.

#### North Bellmore 11710

**Miracles Group**, 906 Newbridge Road, added Monday 7 PM Big Book, Wednesday 8 PM \*Open Discussion Topic now 8 PM Closed Discussion.

#### Plainview 11803

**Recovery Group**, has moved from Recovery House, 1425 Old County Road to: Recovery House 526 Greengrove Avenue, Uniondale, NY 11553. See Uniondale 11553 listing.

#### Port Washington 11050

**Port Washington Group**, correct meeting address: United Methodist Church, 35 Middle Neck Road. (No changes to meetings.)

**ME—Third Group**, Saint Peter of Alcantara Convent, 1327 Port Washington Boulevard. Friday 5:30 PM #Beginners. (#Last Friday Anniversary). No changes to Monday/Thursday meetings.)

#### Rockville Centre 11570

**Off the Fence Group**, The Vineyard Church, 251 Merrick, added a Young Peoples Friday 8:30 PM Step, meeting upstairs. (Only change to Thursday meeting: basement.)

**Tuesday Morning Lufberry Group**, that met at Saint Michael & All Angels, 2197 Jackson Avenue have moved to: Saint William the Abbott, 2001 Jackson Avenue. (No change to Tuesday meeting.)

#### Seaford 11783

**Seaford at Wantagh Group**, Saint Gregory Orthodox Church, 1100 Hiskville Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 7:30 Big Book, now 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 7:30 PM Closed. (No changes to Sunday meetings. Last Wednesday Anniversary.)

#### Westbury 11590

**We Care Too Group** United Methodist Church, 265 Asbury Avenue, Westbury, Friday 7:30 PM Step is now 7:30 PM Beginner's. (\*Last Friday Open Anniversary).

#### West Hempstead 11552

**Reflect This Group**, 311 Hempstead Turnpike, Tuesday/Thursday 10:30 AM Closed meetings now Tuesday/Thursday 11 AM Closed meetings.

### NEW GROUPS:

#### Levittown 11756

**God's Will Group**, Presbyterian Church, 474 Wantagh Avenue, Monday 5 PM Step, Tuesday \*5 PM, Wednesday 5 PM Closed Discussion, Thursday 5 PM Big Book, Friday 5 PM Beginners, Saturday 5 PM Open, Sunday 5 PM Closed Discussion. (\*Tuesday Living Sober).

#### Massapequa 11758

**Into Action Group**, Grace Episcopal Church, 23 Cedar Shore Drive, Friday 3 PM Big Book Open Discussion. (Meeting in portable classroom 2B.)

#### Rockville Centre 11570

**The Men's Group**, 30 Hempstead Avenue, Basement Office Building, Suite H6, Friday 8 PM Closed Discussion now Open Ended Topic;

**Serenity in the Evening (Step 11) Group**, Saint Agnes Parish, (Dominic Room), 29 Quealy Place, Wednesday 5:30 PM Step 11 (Prayer, Meditation Meeting).

#### Uniondale 11553

**Hope of Sobriety Group**, 913 Front Street, Thursday 7 PM \*Closed. (\*Last Thursday Big Book/Anniversary).

**Recovery by the Book Group**, Saint Martha Parish, 546 Greengrove Avenue, Monday 7:30 PM Beginners. (Meeting in church basement).

**Recovery Group**, formerly of Plainview, is now meeting at: Recovery House, 526 Greengrove Avenue, Uniondale, NY 11553. Wednesday 7:30 PM \*Men's Step now Wednesday 8 PM \*Men's Step., Friday 8 PM Closed now 8 PM Closed Discussion. (\*1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Closed Discussion & 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Closed Topic).

### TEMPORARY MEETING RELOCATION INFORMATION:

#### Rockville Centre 11570

**We Can Do It Too Gratitude Group**, which usually meets at the Shiloh Baptist Church, 96 North Centre Avenue, Rockville Centre, is temporarily meeting at The Vineyard Church, 251 Merrick Road (opposite Post Office) 10:00 AM every Tuesday for **AUGUST** only.

#### Roosevelt 11575

**Sunday Sunrise Group** 8:30 AM Closed Discussion and **Women Caring for Women** 1 PM Women's Meeting are meeting at the First United Methodist Church of Roosevelt, 30 Union Place/Whitehouse Avenue.



## YOUNG BY THE BEACH

### 3rd Annual Group Anniversary

When: Saturday August 9th, 2014 6PM-11PM  
Where: St. Ignatius Martyr Church - 721 W Broadway  
(Between Grand Blvd & New York Ave)  
Long Beach, NY 11561  
With Keynote Speaker:  
**Chris S.**  
**Spiritual Awakenings Group, Westfield NJ**  
Celebrate with us and Enjoy  
*Raffles • 50/50 • Pig Roast • DJ&Dancing*



## AA Finance/Treasurer Workshop

Our thanks to the members who turned out to participate in last month's, "Where Money and Spirituality Mix: AA Finance/Treasurer Workshop." Special thanks too to Rose M., Treasurer, Nassau General Service Committee, Brenda P., NI Newsletter Editor and George P., NI Literature Chair for your participation and support.

We hope the workshop was useful. We remain available should members have additional questions.

Elsie M., NI Treasurer  
treasurer@nassauny-aa.org

Bill C., Chair, NI Finance Committee

## July Picnic in the Park

Another year and another successful July picnic in the park hosted by Nassau Intergroup. There's usually a huge turnout of members, families and friends, though this year our numbers seemed to have dwindled, not that that's a bad thing. Sometimes the weather can put a damper on things, and I have to admit it was a little overcast that Sunday morning, that I thought it would rain. Ye of little faith, it turned out to be a lovely sunny day.

We found our "picnic spot" except the volleyball area had been set up in close proximity. Hmm, I thought would the volleyball get hit towards our BBQ? And then our NI Picnic Chair, Chris came over and said, "you guy's have a spot," and I said, "yep, it's right here." But no worries, we only had to move back a little so that we were still in our spot, and the volleyball never was hit towards our BBQ. I even joined in the volleyball game and realized afterwards with saw legs, that I should leave that activity to the younger generation.

Once again the Baldwin Group had a coffee setup, and they also generously provided food for anyone who was hungry. Other picnic goers offered food to visitors stopping by to say hello. It's nice to fellowship with folks, and catch up with people you haven't seen in a long time. DJ Bigg Higg once again played great tunes throughout the day, with people dancing and having a good time. There was an egg-tossing game in front of the DJ area which seemed like fun, though perhaps a little messy. Bill C., had brought his Horseshoes and Bocce games.

Yep it was another successful picnic. Thanks to our NI Picnic Chair, Chris and his crew for all your hard work in making this a successful sober event. Thanks to Nassau Intergroup for providing beverages. And thanks to the groups who came out to enjoy a day of fun and fellowship. Bill C., George P. and I from the steering committee were the last to leave, and we made sure that AA had left the Eisenhower picnic area in a cleaner manner than it was found.

Together We Can  
Brenda P.,  
NI Newsletter Editor & The Right Place Group, Westbury

## Who Am I?

I visited my old buddy Bill W., having sobered up myself in August 1934 with the help of the Oxford Group.

[Answer on page 4.]

## AA History

August 1939—Dr. Bob and Sister Ignatia treating alcoholics at Saint Thomas Hospital, Akron.

August 1981—distribution of *Alcoholics Anonymous* passes the 3,000,000 mark.

## The Group Conscience

Tradition Two reminds me that, "For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience." The group conscience is both patient and thoughtful. It takes its time to consider information and individual points of view before expressing itself, hence the expression "an informed group conscience." The effectiveness of this approach to group decision making I think is grounded in my faith in Steps Two and Three where I come to believe in a Power greater myself, and then turn my will and my life over to the care of that Power.

However, having my own point of view on most matters and no doubt holding on to at least some arrogance, I sometimes find it difficult to accept a group decision which does not align with my own views, particularly when I feel strongly about a matter. I want to direct the show and think you should let me. I'm guessing I'm not alone in this.

It seems to be a part of the challenge of living in recovery that I need to be satisfied to be allowed to step up and have my say as a group member, and then step back and accept the outcome of our decision making process in matters large or small.

Perhaps it is my ability to fall one way or the other on this that draws the sometimes fine line between "elder statesman" and "bleeding deacon."

Am I willing to disregard the group conscience when it does not conform to my own, or am I able to accept with humility sometimes being the minority voice which may or may not carry the day?

Bill C., Baldwin Group

## Long Island Spirituality Through Service (LISTS) Workshop

Sunday – August 10, 2014  
11 AM – 5 PM

Saint Francis College  
180 Remsen Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Learn how spirituality through service  
keeps us sober.  
Celebrate our Third Legacy!



**2015 International Convention Alcoholics Anonymous  
July 2 - 5, 2015, Atlanta, Georgia**

*80 Years – Happy, Joyous and Free*

Registration forms and other information will be available through group GSRs, area and county General Service committees, GSO ([www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)) and Nassau Intergroup in August 2014.

**From your Newsletter Editor**

*Kia ora!* We've had some great articles from members, and I'm always looking for articles or announcements for your newsletter. It's really cool reading about members experiences, or knowing that such and such a group is celebrating their anniversary, or there's an AA workshop happening somewhere in the county. So if you have something you'd like to share, let me know.

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

Service in Action  
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**CONCEPT 8**—The trustees are the principal planners and administrators of over-all policy and finance. They have custodial oversight of the separately incorporated and constantly active services, exercising this through their ability to elect all the directors of these entities.

**Newsletter Correction:**

July 2014 - Beyond My Wildest Dreams article. Accidentally omitted author Frank K., Hand in Hand Group, Westbury from signature block. Apologies to Frank for this error.

**Answer to "Who Am I?"**

Ebby T.

**NASSAU INTERGROUP OFFICE CLOSINGS**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED AND ALL MEETINGS CANCELLED:**

1. SEVERE WEATHER IS FORECAST.
2. WHEN 6 INCHES OR MORE SNOW FALL IS FORECAST DURING WINTER MONTHS.
3. UNDER OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES DEEMED BY THE OFFICE MANAGER.

**BEFORE COMING TO THE OFFICE:**

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.NASSAUNY-AA.ORG](http://WWW.NASSAUNY-AA.ORG);**

**PHONE THE NI OFFICE: (516) 292-3045;**

**OR, CALL ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

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**GEORGE P., (516) 710-6646**

**DURING TIMES WHEN THE OFFICE MAY CLOSE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE, EFFORTS SHALL BE MADE TO CONTACT GROUPS VIA THE INTERGROUP REP, OR THE 12<sup>TH</sup> STEP CONTACT LIST. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR GROUP'S CONTACT INFORMATION IS CURRENT. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CO-OPERATION.**

**TRADITION 8**—Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

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