

SEPTEMBER 2006

SPIRIT OF STEP NINE:

*“the readiness to take the full consequences
of our past acts,
and to take responsibility for the well-being of others
at the same time . . .”*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

All Meetings are held at the Intergroup Office unless otherwise noted

Sep 7	7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation	Oct 4	8:00 pm	Institutions Committee
	8:00 pm	Intergroup Rep's Meeting			Simpson Methodist Church
Sep 13	8:00 pm	Share-A-Day Planning			Locust and Sunset, Amityville
Sep 14	7:00 pm	Committee Kick Off Meeting	Oct 5	7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation
Sep 16	8:00 am	PI/CPC Committee Meeting		8:00 pm	Intergroup Rep's Meeting
		Speakers' Exchange Meeting	Oct 11	8:00 pm	Share-A-Day Planning
		Ethical Humanist Society			Committee Kick Off Meeting
		38 Old Country Rd, Garden City	Oct 12	7:00 pm	PI/CPC Committee Meeting
Sep 17	1:00 pm	Special Needs Committee	Oct 18	7:00 pm	WebSite Committee
Sep 20	7:00 pm	Website Committee	Oct 19		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Sep 21		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	Oct 20	7:00 pm	Special Needs Committee
Sep 28	7:30 pm	Steering committee	Oct 23	7:00 pm	GSR Orientation
				7:30 pm	GSR Meeting -
					Nassau Intergroup Office
					361 Hempstead Tpke, W Hemp
			Oct 26	7:30 pm	Steering committee

Nassau GSC will not meet in September

WE LIST ONLY AA MEETINGS

MEETING CHANGES

Freeport: Grupo Solo pro Hoy has added a Mon night 9:00pm CD meeting.

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Glen Cove: Closed Discussion Group has made its Wed night 8:00pm meeting a beginner's meeting.

Glen Head: Glen Head Group Anniversaries are celebrated on the last Tue at the 8:00pm mtg, and the 6:45 Thu meeting is a Trad on the last Thu.

Hempstead: Grupo Nueva Direccion has moved to 139 Jackson St (bsmnt).

Lynbrook: Primary Purpose Group both meetings are Open.

Oyster Bay: O.B./Sagamore Group will celebrate anniversaries on the last Sun at the 7:30pm Open meeting.

Roosevelt: We Care Group has canceled its Wed 10:30 am meeting and the Fri 7:15pm will be: a Beginner's meeting on the 1st, 3rd, (& 5th) Fri and an Open meeting on the 2nd and 4th Fri.

Syosset: Sobriety First Group has canceled its meeting.

Westbury; Grupo 2 de Enero will also meet on Fri at 10:00pm and Sat at 9:00pm.

West Hempstead: Decision Group adds a Tue 8:15pm Closed Discussion to its schedule.

NEW MEETINGS

Huntington Station: High Noon Group has moved to 175 Wolf Hill Rd (downstairs, back entrance) at 12noon:Mon-Step, Tues-BB, Wed-Beginner's, Thu-CD, and Fri-Topic mtg.

Exchange Meeting

Saturday

September 16th

8:00 am

Ethical Humanist Society

38 Old Country Road, Garden City, N.Y.

Night Book, Night Book, Night Book

Things are going well-keeps me grateful! Gratitude is an "action" word. That's the only way I really get to "experience" it.

If your group wants to take a week from 5pm to 9am give Intergroup a call and leave word. I'll get back to you.

Thanks the following groups for taking the nightbook in August:

- ✓ *Advent Group, Westbury*
- ✓ *North Bellmore Group*
- ✓ *Gift of Serenity Group, Franklin Sq*
- ✓ *Hope Group, Levittown*
- ✓ *Wantagh-Massapequa Grp @ Seaford*

Yours in Gratitude,

Teri Q, Nightbook Chair

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SHARE-A-DAY 2007

I am headed for Texas on September 5th. But just for a week. I will be helping my daughter move to Austin.

Mary is a schoolteacher. A little sad and very proud, I realize that my sobriety has made all these things in my life possible. Gratitude is what fills me as I write this article.

I will be back for our First Share-a-Day Committee meeting. September 13th, 2006 at Nassau Intergroup Office, @ 8:00PM. Please come and help me plan another successful Share-a-Day. I will need your help.

SEE YOU THERE . . .

Your AA Brother, Victor D,

2007 Share-a-Day Chair

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Suffolk County Intergroup Association of A.A.

will hold its annual Shareathon

Saturday November 4, 2006

9:30am to 4:30pm

St. Joseph's College in Patchogue

Directions: take Sunrise Highway east-Exit on Waverly Ave, stay on the service road, then follow signs to the college.

For more information contact the SIA office at (631) 654-1150

SOBER IN THE SUN

The 5th Annual AA Picnic in Sea Cliff

Tappan Beach Park, Sea Cliff

Sunday, September 10th 10am – 6pm

SPEAKERS

Free Breakfast

Fun, Food, and Sports All Day!

All are Welcome !

From the Chair:

At our October Reps meeting we will be electing our new officers to serve Nassau Intergroup from January 2007 thru December 2009. It is amazing how fast the last two years have gone by. AA's election process here at Nassau Intergroup is done using the 3rd Legacy procedure. It is a unique way of voting that elects the candidate by a 2/3 vote, rather than just by simple majority. There are 5 ballots cast and if the 2/3 majority is not reached, the vote will "go to the hat". According to our By Laws the nominating committee has selected the following qualified candidates:

Chairperson-Cynthia S
1st Vice Chair-George P
2nd Vice Chair-Denis O
Treasurer-Bill C
Secretary- Reyne B

As a Rep, your group has one vote, so it is most important to be present. You may send your Alternate if you are not available. The procedure will be explained at the meeting, however you may read more in the AA Service Manual, pages S20-21, or ask your groups GSR for some help.

We usually have the county's DCMC from General Service to be an impartial facilitator. Thanks, Brenda.

I look forward to seeing you all there. Thanks for letting me serve.

Together We Can,
Marie MS
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SENY ELECTIONS ASSEMBLY - SEPTEMBER 16th, 2006

Important reminders to all GSR's/DCM's in Nassau County please don't forget the upcoming SENY Elections Assembly to elect our new SENY officers for the 2007/2008 period. Hosted by Queens County General Service on Saturday, September 16th, 2006 at Intermediate School 5, 50-40 Jacobus Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373 from 10:30am-3:00pm. Directions to the assembly can be downloaded off the SENY website: www.aaseny.org or in June's issue of *The Link*. If you can't make it please have your alternate attend. Your group/district has a voice and a vote at area assemblies, please come so it can be heard!

In Service,
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HERE'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO IN NASSAU GENERAL SERVICE:

During the last weekend of July I traveled with Bill C, SENY Delegate, to the 38th NY State Convention hosted by Central NY, Area 47 in Rochester. It was a full weekend of workshops, panel presentations, and key note speakers. I had the opportunity to present on "Service Sponsorship - Passing It On" with Dave S, from Central NY and Brenda O, from Hudson/Mohawk/Berkshire, Area 48. That same weekend Rochester was inundated with thousands of people attending other city hosted events. Overwhelming and frustrating for some of our members who had been temporarily displaced from the convention hotel.

August was a busy month in the world of General Service. On August 1-4, 2006 Bill and I were invited to participate in "The 6th Annual Fellowship of the Spirit" weekend held at St John's University, Queens and hosted by the Utopia Group. This event is essentially an intensive weekend of going through the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous as written in the Big Book, but in a relaxed environment. The shared experience, great fellowshiping and coffee, tea, munches and such were most enjoyable. Al-Anon had also been invited to participate. Our purpose was to offer a little insight to AA members who would not normally get involved in General Service beyond the home group, or are not aware of this thing called the AA General Service structure. Interestingly enough after our presentation a few members, some from England and Iceland asked Bill many questions. This continued throughout the remainder of the weekend. It was a nice surprise to see a couple of GSR's from Nassau and Queens and equally delightful to meet AA members from around the world. Key note speakers were exceptional and memorable. Thanks to Bart, FSOTS Chair and the planning committee for the opportunity to participate, and also to Derrick H, GSR, Lynbrook, for initiating the invitation.

We held our county meeting on August 21st, 2006 and I am pleased to say we have a few more new General Service Representative's (GSR's). If your group does not have a GSR, why not? Would your group consider electing a GSR and have them come to our next county meeting in October? After all, the GSR is the vital link between the home group and AA as a whole. Your group effectively does not have a voice or a vote in AA matters without a GSR to represent you. We also amended and approved our NGS Article of Association and By-laws. Encouraging GSR's to step up and fill one of the many vacant District Committee Member (DCM) positions is ongoing, but hopeful.

Over the last weekend of August SENY hosted the 27th Annual NY State Informational Workshop in Stony Point, Rockland County. It was a successful event with a surprisingly good attendance. Ask your Nassau Intergroup Corrections Chair Sammy C, and Hospitals & Institutions Chair Kathy B, sent by Intergroup, on what took place and what they experienced. Huge thanks to the following groups in Nassau for their generous contributions to hospitality for this event: Merrick/Bellmore AA Group, New Hyde Park Group and "One Day At A Time" Oceanside Group. This really is a worthwhile event to attend whether you're new to General Service or have an interest in working on a General Service committee.

Finally, there are plenty of service opportunities available to everyone. Find the one that fits you and your group.

Love & Service
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PHONE VOLUNTEERS:

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