

# Newsletter

## Nassau Intergroup

of Alcoholics Anonymous

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## JUNE 2012



### Calendar of Events

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

#### JUNE

Jun 6	8:00 pm	Institutions Committee Simpson Methodist Church Locust & Sunset, Amityville
Jun 7	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation Intergroup Rep's Meeting
Jun 11	8:15 pm	LICYPAA Committee South Oaks Chapel 400 Sunrise Hgwy, Amityville
Jun 12	7:00 pm	PI/CPC Committee
Jun 14		<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
Jun 14	7:00 pm	Special Needs Committee
Jun 16	7:30 am	Speakers Exchange Meeting Nassau Community College 1 Education Dr, Cluster F
Jun 18	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	New GSR Orientation Nassau General Service Meeting
Jun 20	7:30 p	Web Site Committee
Jun 28	7:30 p	Steering Committee

#### JULY

Jul 4	8:00 pm	Institutions Committee Simpson Methodist Church Locust & Sunset, Amityville
Jul 5	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Intergroup Rep's Orientation Intergroup Rep's Meeting
Jul 10	8:15 pm	LICYPAA Committee South Oaks Chapel 400 Sunrise Hgwy, Amityville
Jul 10	7:00 pm	PI/CPC Committee
Jul 15		<b>Annual Nassau Intergroup Picnic</b> Eisenhower Park, Field 6A Hempstead Tpke, East Meadow
Jul 18	7:30 p	Web Site Committee
Jul 19		<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>
Jul 26	7:30 p	Steering Committee

**WE ONLY LIST**  
**AA MEETINGS**

**MEETING CHANGES**

**Baldwin:** **Over 40 Discussion Group** has changed their name to **Over the Hill Group**

**Bellmore:** **There Is A Light** has changed the Sun 7:00 S to 6:30:

**Douglaston:** **Fresh Start** has changed the Wed 8:30 OD to a C

**East Meadow:** **Clean and Sober** has changed their name to **Clean and Sober Men's Meeting**

**Malverne:** **Gratitude Group** has changed the Tue 7:00 S to 7:30 with last Tue a Trad

**Manhasset:** **Good Morning God Group** has changed the Thu 10:00am C to 10:30am

**Manhasset:** **Solid as a Rock**, effective May 5<sup>th</sup>, is moving to the Unitarian Universalist Church, 48 Shelter Rock Road and changed the 1:00 CD to a 10:30 am CD

**Sea Cliff:** **Sleepless in Sea Cliff** had changed the Sat 6:30 am *Daily Reflections* to a CD

**Seaford:** **Time Group** has changed their Sun 7:00 S to 4:00 with the last Sun a Trad

**Syosset:** **Berry Hill Discussion Group** has changed the Tue 6:30am from a CD to a Step, and the Fri 6:30am to a BB

**Uniondale:** **Pace Group** has moved to Grace Luth Ch, 311 Uniondale Ave & changed the Wed 7:30 BB to Tue at 7:30

**West Hempstead:** **Decision Group** has changed their Tue 7:00 S to a BB with the 1<sup>st</sup> Tue a Trad, & 2<sup>nd</sup> a Step

**West Hempstead:** **Road to Recovery** has moved to Ascension Lutheran Church, 145 Franklin Ave, Franklin Square

**NEW MEETINGS**

**Baldwin:** **Baldwin Group** a Wed 9:00 BB

**East Meadow:** **The East Meadow Group** has added a Sun CD at 7:00 am through Apr 1<sup>st</sup>

**East Norwich:** **East Norwich Group** has added Tue 7:30 1<sup>st</sup> week S, 2<sup>nd</sup> week BB, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week CD Last Tue Ann

**Garden City:** **Joy of Living** meets at 233 Stewart Ave on Thu for a 7:30 OB

**Glen Cove:** **Into Action Group** meets at St Paul's Epis Ch, 28 Highland Rd on Sat for a 7:30 O

**Glen Cove:** **No Excuses Group** meets at Trinity Luth Ch, 74 Forest Ave on Mon for a 7:30 CD with the last Mon an Open

**Island Park:** **Women's Serenity Group** has added Mon 10:30 am *Daily Reflections*

**Long Beach:** **High Noon/West End Group** has added 7:15 Last Thu Ann

**Long Beach:** **Young By The Beach** meets at St Ignatius Martyr, 721 W Broadway on Sat 6:15 YPBC, 7:30 O

**Lynbrook:** **Primary Purpose** has added 7:00 Last Thu Trad and 8:15 Last Thu Ann

**Malverne:** **Gratitude Group** has added a Tue 7:30 S Last Tue Tradition and designated the last Thu 7:30 CD for Anniversaries

**Manhasset:** **Albertson/Searingtown Afternoon Discussion** has added Mon 10:30 am Chairman's Choice

**Melville:** **Sweet Air Group** has added a Mon 8:00 YP, Thu 6:30 BB and 6:30 CD

**Merrick:** **Merrick Bellmore Group** has added a Fri 6:45 BB

**New Hyde Park:** **Conscious Contact** meets at Christ Luth Ch, 300 Hillside Ave S on Wed 8:00 for a CD 11<sup>th</sup> Step Meditation

**North Bellmore:** **Miracles** meets at 906 Newbridge Rd for an 8:30 am BB CD

**Port Washington:** **Mackey Ave Group** has added Fri 7:30 BB

**Rockville Centre:** **Serenity Now** meets at 30 Hempstead Ave., Suite H6 in basement on Thu 10:00 am CD

**Rockville Centre:** **Veterans In Recovery** meets at 30 Hempstead Ave, Suite H6 on Sun 7:30

**West Hempstead:** **Here & Now Group** now meets at Project Outreach, 600 Hempstead Tpke. on Thurs 12 Noon B

**Williston Park:** **Solution Group** has added a Fri 7:30 C Women's meeting

**DELETIONS**

**Albertson:** **Albertson Group** 9:00 CD

**Baldwin:** **Sober On Sunday Group** Sun 7:45 CD

**Douglaston:** **Fresh Start** Wed 7:15 B

**Garden City:** **Garden City Group** Tue 7:30 Women's Step

**Manhasset:** **Sober Spirits** Fri 5:30 BB

**Massapequa Park:** **Lost Weekend Group** Sun 7:30 S

**Port Washington:** **Mackey Ave Group** Mon 7:30 S

**Sea Cliff:** **Alive Again Group** Tues 6:45 BB

**Uniondale:** **Pace Group** Fri 7:30 B

**The Newsletter Deadline for July is June 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Please send all submissions by then.**

## From the Chair -

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

77 years ago last month, Bill Wilson found himself fighting his alcoholism following a discouraging business failure. Alone in a strange city, with little money and with nothing to show for his business trip to Akron, Ohio, he found himself as it is put in *Pass It On* (p. 135) “with time on his hands and bitterness in his heart” standing in the lobby of his hotel listening to the sounds of apparent comfort coming from the hotel bar. Recognizing his precarious position, Bill realized he needed another drunk as his working with other similarly afflicted men at Towns Hospital and the Calvary Mission in New York had helped him achieve the few months of sobriety he now enjoyed. (Bill had been sober since 11 December 1934.)

Bill turned to the hotel directory of houses of worship and selected a name to phone. As fate would have it, he had selected the Rev. Walter F. Tunks, himself a member of the Oxford movement with which Bill had become involved in New York through his friend Ebby Thacher. Rev. Tunks, through a chain of contacts, ended up putting Bill in touch with Henrietta Sieberling (the last of ten names on his list) who in turn arranged for him to meet the following day (Mother’s Day, 1935) with Dr. Robert H. Smith, a local physician who was himself struggling with active alcoholism which was destroying his career and his health.

Dr. Smith reluctantly agreed to meet with Bill, but only for 15 minutes. After dinner Bill Wilson and Bob Smith ended up speaking for several hours as Bill related his experiences struggling for recovery from alcoholism in addition to sharing Dr. William Silkworth’s idea that alcoholism might represent an allergy to alcohol.

Bill stayed on in Akron. Dr. Bob was able to stop drinking at least until an ill-conceived trip to a medical convention in Atlantic City where he fell off the wagon.

On his return to Akron, Dr. Bob would struggle for a while longer with his addiction. He would have a drink the morning of 10 June 1935 to help steady him before he went to the hospital to perform a procedure, but would never drink again. It is from that date that we mark the founding of Alcoholics Anonymous.

In other matters, our quarterly Exchange Meeting will be held on 16 June at Nassau Community College. If you do exchange, please remember that that exchange is a commitment. We hear too many reports in the Intergroup Reps meeting of incoming groups simply not showing up. Our annual picnic will be held at Eisenhower Park on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Check our calendar of events for details on both events.

Hope this is helpful.

Chair  
chair@nassauny-aa(dot)org

## From the Archives Chair -

### NEW ARCHIVE EXHIBIT 35 YEARS OF SHARE-A-DAY

Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012 was Nassau County Intergroup's 35<sup>th</sup> Share-A-Day.

This day was the culmination of four months of archiving all 35 years of what makes Share-A-Day, the phenomenon that it is.

Nassau County Share-A-Day began in 1978!

It was so exciting and interesting to see everything that goes into making a Share-A-Day function. I was amazed! It is a yearlong commitment for each Share-A-Day committee member and a two year commitment for the Share-A-Day Chairperson.

The Chairperson and Committees meet once a month starting when the current Share-A-Day is over; the 2013 Chairperson is in place with starting formation of 2013 Committees.

It was also very informative to see what groups participated, who were the Old-timer’s on the Old-timers panel and who the keynote speakers were; also where the functions were held and all the behind the scenes ‘stuff’ that goes into making the largest event of Nassau Intergroup a success.

The Archive had a Share-A-Day questionnaire to see how people liked this function, the exhibits and meetings, and if there were any volunteers for Share-A-Day 2013. The response to all was unanimous! There were even volunteers, about 10 people whose information will be forwarded to Vinnie, Share-A-Day’s new chair for 2013. Share-A-Day 2012 was a great success. Everyone had a great time with great exhibits, meetings, good food and fellowship.

Thanks to this year’s committee members and Chairman Jay, he finished the second year of his commitment.

**BRAVO!!**

If you missed this year’s function, make a point that in 2013 you will ‘share a day’ of fellowship with AA members from all over Nassau County, it is our own little convention and it is FREE!

In Love and Service,,  
Archives Chair  
archives@nassauny-aa(dot)org

## From the CPC Committee -

### HELPING DOCTORS BETTER SERVE THE STILL SICK AND SUFFERING ALCOHOLIC

Would you like to see doctors in your community better serve one of us? It's easy, just cut out the card below and give it to your doctor on your next visit. Better yet, photo copy it and give one to all the doctors and health care professionals you know.

This could make you an instrument of God's grace, which can be defined as a series of improbable events with a beneficial outcome.

When someone is led to this life saving program it is because God connects the dots. So why not take this opportunity to be one of God's dots and connect a still sick and suffering alcoholic to the wonderful men and women who do service at our 24 hour hotline.

In Love And Service,  
Member of the CPC Committee,  
cpc@nassauny-aa(dot)org

### Additional Help Is Available From AA-Telephone Hotlines

#### Did You Know?

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are available 7 days per week, Telephone 'Hotlines' providing the locations, days and times of AA meetings, and providing an opportunity for anyone struggling with alcohol to talk directly and anonymously with a recovering sober member of AA.

The local hotline number is  
**516-292-3040**

Feel free to offer this  
hotline number to anyone.

## From the Share-A-Day Chair -

### LETTER FROM SHARE-A-DAY 2012

Share-A-Day has come and gone and it was a great success. We would like to thank the many groups that made donations to help in this year's big event. We would like to thank St. Joseph's Church in Hewlett for the use of the grounds. Special thanks to the groups that stepped up to the plate to cover all the programs, fill all the information tables, and help set up and clean up. finally, we would like to thank our Share-A-Day Committee who did such a great job. It was a pleasure working all together as a team to make this event successful.

As I rotate out of my commitment I would like to thank my Higher Power, Nassau Intergroup, and the fellowship of AA for keeping us sober one day at a time.

Thanks again to everyone hope you all have a great summer. See you next year at Share-A-Day 2013.

Sincerely,

Your AA Brother,  
Share-A-Day Chair 2012  
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