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NOV. 21 5PM - NOV. 23 5PM Speakers/Refreshments/Fellowship

Meetings Every Hour! <u>Your Support Is Needed!</u> Donations of Time and Food Will Be Greatly Appreciated

ATTENTION ALL GROUPS

TO BE INCLUDED IN THE JANUARY 2002 MEETING LIST, ALL CHANGES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING NO LATER THAN THE DEC. 6, 2001 INTERGROUP REPS. MEETING

Calendar of Events

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

Nov	8	7PM	CPC/PI Meetings	Nov	29	7:30PM	Steering Committee
Nov	10	1PM	Corrections Correspondence	Dec	5	8PM	Institutions Committee
Nov	13	8PM	Diner Dance Committee				Simpson Methodist Church
Nov	14	8PM	Share-a-Day XXIV Committee				Locust and Sunset, Amityville
Nov	21-23		Holiday Alkathon (See Above)	Dec	6	7:30PM	Intergroup Reps Orientation
Nov	21	8 PM	Website Committee	Dec	6	8PM	Intergroup Reps Meeting
Nov	22		NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	Dec	9	9AM	UNITY BREAKFAST

NEW MEETINGS

Baldwin: Womens Topic Meeting:

_Wednesdays 7:30 - 9:00 pm Topic meetings, Bethleham Lutheran Church 1375 No. Grand Ave., No. Baldwin

East Rockaway: The Way: Big Book Study
Friday @ 11:00 am Big Book Study meeting,
Church of the Nazarene, Ocean Ave. & Garfield Pl

Floral Park: Floral Park/Bellrose Group has added a 7:15 pm. Clsd. meeting on Mondays.

<u>Levittown: Women Discussion:</u> Sunday 3pm CD meeting Pres.Ch. 474 Wantagh Ave.

Manhasset: Early Cup of Sobriety Group has added a new CD meeting @ 7:00am on Mondays.

Rockville Centre: Big Book Study

Tuesdays 4:30 pm located @ Rvc Medical Bldg. (bsmt.) suite H-6 (Confide Inc. Agency)

MEETING CHANGES

Amityville: Massapequa At Amityville Bottom Line Group has moved from Brunswick Hall @ 80 Louden Ave. to the Brunswick Hospital Grounds (still on Louden Ave.,) but opposite the Physical Therapy Bldg. The last Tues. is an Anniversary meeting.

Farmingdale: Step Into The Light Group meets on Sundays @ 7:47 pm., it is an Open Step meeting.

Melville: High Noon Group has relocated to 315 Route 110 suite 203.

Rosedale: Circle of Serenity has changed its Saturday 7:30 pm Beg. meeting to an Open Disc.

DELETIONS

Valley Stream: Valley Stream Group: Olivet

Baptist Church, have deleted their Sat. eve. 7:30 pm. 4th Step Workshop and Clsd. Disc. meeting. The Beginners meeting starts @ 7:30 pm

PHONE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Nassau County Intergroup is in desperate need of telephone volunteers to answer the phones at our office in 4 hour shifts.

Please give of your time to help another sick and suffering alcoholic to a better way of life. Remember, "Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety."

Please select a 4 hour shift that is best for you.

Monday 9:00AM-1:00PM Monday 1:00PM-5:00PM

Please contact: Joe M.

THE NIGHTBOOK

Nassau Intergroup and I would like to give thanks and gratitude to the following groups who took the NightBook commitment for the month of October:

- Albertson/Searington Group
- Malverne Gratitude Group
- Emergency Volunteers
- Great Neck Big Book Group
- Long Beach Serenity By The Sea AM

Also a reminder to all groups to update their 12 step list; this will help keep us up to date. Gordon T. Nightbook Chairperson

INSTITUTION COMMITTEE

From the very *first* days of AA, recovering alcoholics have visited institutions and brought the AA message of hope to the sick and suffering. For 6 months, Bill went looking in Towns Hospital. He and Dr. Bob found AA Number Three in the hospital in Akron.

The Intergroup Institutions Committee (IIC) presently brings AA meetings to over 25 hospitals, detox facilities, rehabs, and the jail every day of the week. Various positions for chairpersons and/or co-chairperson are still available. Contact your institutions Rep or Intergroup Rep for an up-to-date list.

You need no "hospital" experience, only one-year

sobriety to be a chair/co-chair and 3 months to speak. Or just show up at the Institutions Committee meetin g which is held the first Wednesday of each month at the County Line Group meeting place at 8 PM (Simpson Methodist Church, Locust & Sunset, Amityville). Stan A. IIC Chairperson

12 Step List: Urgent !!!

This is the most important column I have written for the Newsletter in a long time. I hope most of you have read the insert that was in the October Newsletter. because the facts speak for themselves. Mike F. did a great job of putting together all the figures for the groups in Nassau that do not participate in updating their 12 Step List, that do not volunteer for the Nightbook commitment, are not involved with the Hospitals and Institutions Committee, or go to the Exchange Meetings. It really is a shame that most groups stay in the background. It is time for these groups to step- up and do their share in helping people who are still suffering, to get what We treasure most- **SOBRIETY!**

Please discuss this with your Home Group and make a commitment to help out NOW, before it's too late.

Yours in Sobriety, Larry S.

The Numbers Speak for Themselves (November)
Total Number of Groups in Nassau County
250 plus

Total Number of Reps at the October Intergroup Rep's Meeting 31

Total Number of Groups supporting Institutions Committee work: **11**

Total Number of Groups supporting Nic

Total Number of Groups supporting Nightbook over past year: **37**

Total Number of Groups providing 12th Step lists

over past year: **55**

Total Number of Groups attending last Speaker Exchange meeting: **79**

Total Number of Groups that kept their speaking commitments: ??

If you've been thinking that someone else is doing the work of AA in Nassau County, you might want

to take another look at the numbers above. For

example, although there are over 250 groups in the meeting list, only 55 of those groups (about one fifth) have updated their 12th Step lists over the past year. Who will carry the message if we don't?

Mike F., Keep It Simple Group

Old-Timers Open Meetings

Listen to Learn, Learn to Listen

The following groups are hosting an "OLD TIMERS" night in November. Please be supportive and attend these meetings with a few members of your home group.

Nov. 13 Glen Head Group 8PM

Nov. 23 W.Hempstead Came To Believe 8PM

Nov. 27 Hicksville Back To Basics 8PM

Yours Gratefully in Service.

Tony T.

SEAFORD GRATITUDE GROUP

26TH ANNIVERSARY

FRIDAY, NOV. 2, @ 7:00 PM /SPEAKER 8PM D.J. and DANCING AFTER

ST. WILLIAM THE ABBOT CHURCH SCHOOL CAFETERIA (LOWER LEVEL) JACKSON AVE., SEAFORD (*so. of sunrise hwy*)

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Very soon the Holiday season will be upon us, and it is very important for all to stay close to the Fellowship. One of the best ways is to get involved with the Holiday Alkathon at the Intergroup office during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years. Also try to do a little more service in your Home Groups. The Institution Committee (H&I) is always looking for people to do service in the jails, institutions, rehabs, detoxes, hospitals during the Holidays. It is very rewarding to go to these facilities and share at meetings with people who cannot get to regular meetings. You will feel so much better when you help another recovering alcoholic, especially during the Holiday season. Another way is to put your name and

telephone number on the 12 Step List at Intergroup. You can always call me at home (516) 775-3244, or call the Intergroup office at (516) 292-0206. Ask for Joe M. or anyone would be happy to help you..

Best wishes for a happy healthy Sober Holiday season! Tom S. Nassau Intergroup Chair.