

DECEMBER 2011

# NEWSLETTER

CENTRAL SERVICE COMMITTEE • AREA 82 • DISTRICTS 1 & 2 • HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

| <b>TELEPHONE SERVICE SCHEDULE</b><br>Call (902)404-0456 to pick up the weekday or<br>weekend cell phones |                    | <b>ADDICTION TREATMENT &amp; PREVENTION SERVICES</b><br>2nd Floor Purdy, NS Hospital, Dartmouth, NS<br>All meetings are held on Sunday at 8:00pm |                        |  |
|--|--------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| December 3rd & 4th   | Four Seasons       | December 4th   | Back to Basics         |  |
| December 10th & 11th   | Mutual Group       | December 11th  | Second Chance          |  |
| December 17th & 18th   | Keep it Simple     | December 18th  | West End Step          |  |
| December 24th & 25th   | St. Margaret's Bay | December 25th  | Fresh Start            |  |
| Dec. 31st & January 1st  | Back to Basics     | January 1st  | Living in the Solution |  |

## **SERVICE CALENDAR FOR DISTRICTS 1 AND 2**

| Mid Winter 2012                | Holiday Inn Room #619         | <b>Sunday, December 4th</b>  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Roundup Committee Meeting      | Wyse Road, Dartmouth          | 1:00 pm                      |
| <b>Central Service Meeting</b> | <b>United Memorial Church</b> | <b>Tuesday, December 6th</b> |
| Districts 1 & 2                | Young Street, Halifax         | 7:00 pm                      |
| <b>GSR Meeting</b>             | <b>Club 24</b>                | <b>Sunday, December 18th</b> |
| District 2                     | Dundas Street, Dartmouth      | 2:00 pm                      |
| <b>GSR Meeting</b>             | <b>George Dixon Center</b>    | Sunday, December 18th        |
| District 1                     | Gottingen Street, Halifax     | 1:00 pm                      |
| <b>Central Service Meeting</b> | <b>United Memorial Church</b> | <b>Tuesday, January 3rd</b>  |
| Districts 1 & 2                | Young Street, Halifax         | 7:00 pm                      |

### TO CONTACT ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CALL (902) 461-1119 OR VISIT US ON THE WEB @ AAHALIFAX.ORG

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### **GROUP AND SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **AA NEEDS YOU!**

AA needs five people to form a Telephone Committee to administer/supervise the implementation and ongoing operation of a new AA telephone answering system. There are three elected positions; Chairperson and two Co-Chairs plus two additional committee members.

Two years of continuous sobriety and a sponsor is required for the Chairperson position while one year of continuous sobriety with a sponsor is the requirement for the Co-chairs. These positions are for the balance of the current term expiring December 31, 2012.

If you possess organizational skills and have a desire to serve Alcoholics Anonymous in HRM, please attend the CSR Meeting on Tuesday December 6th at 7pm at the United Memorial Church on Young St. Halifax. For further information, please call the CSR Committee Chairperson, Mike Ch. at (902) 404-0456.

#### **AA PHONE ANSWERERS REQUIRED**

The AA Telephone Committee is looking for people to volunteer to answer the AA phone line from Monday to Friday one week at a time for the following shifts:

Weekdays: 9:00am - 6:00pm (AA cell phone) Evenings: 6:00pm - 11:00pm (AA cell phone) Overnight: 11:00pm - 9:00am (AA cell phone)

There will be training involved and the more people who volunteer, the less frequent the shifts will be. To volunteer or for further details, please call the AA phone at (902) 461-1119

#### WELCOME GROUP ANNIVERSARY

The Welcome Group is celebrating its 40th Anniversary at 8:00pm on Saturday, December 10th at Bethany United Church on Clinton Street, off the Armdale Rotary in Halifax. Come on down and join in the celebration.

#### **BEDFORD GROUP CANDLELIGHT MEETING**

The Bedford Group will be holding it's annual holiday candlelight meeting on Friday, December 23rd. All are welcome.

#### **BEDFORD GROUP 30TH ANNIVERSARY**

The Bedford Group will be celebrating it's 30 year anniversary on Friday, December 16th. Festivities include AA and Al-Anon speakers, and a Pot-Luck. Everyone is welcome.

#### **COLE HARBOUR GROUP ANNIVERSARY**

The Cole Harbour Group will hold it's 32nd Anniversary meeting on Sunday, Dec. 18th at 8pm at the Meeting House on Cole Harbour Rd. The Meeting House is on the right hand side past Bissett Road, at the top of the hill heading towards Lawrencetown (small white church across from Ritchey Crescent). All are welcome.

#### PORTERS LAKE GROUP "WE ARE GRATEFUL"

Join us in sharing our gratitude on Dec. 10th at 7pm. We are located in the Porters Lake Community Centre just 10 minutes from metro. Seasons Greetings from the Porters Lake Group, hope to see you there.

#### **MID-WINTER ROUNDUP COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next meeting of the Mid-Winter Roundup committee will be at 1pm on Sunday, Dec. 4th, 2011 in room 619 at the Holiday Inn, Wyse Rd, Dartmouth.

The following positions are vacant: Program Co-chairs (2) Registration Co-chair

Anybody interested in getting involved at this level of service is encouraged to attend this meeting.

#### **MID-WINTER ROUNDUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Mid-Winter Roundup Committee is looking for coffee sellers and greeters to help out with event on February 17th-19th. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Lynne at (902) 453-1072. Leave a message.

#### **CHRISTMAS COCKTAIL PARTY**

The Back to Basics Group is hosting the annual Christmas Cocktail Party on December 24th, from 1pm-4pm at Trinity Anglican Church, 321 Main Avenue, Fairview (top of Main Avenue and across Dunbrack Street). Any food contributions are appreciated. All are welcome to attend.

#### FOUR SEASONS CANDLELIGHT MEETING

The Four Seasons Group will be holding it's annual holiday candlelight meeting on Thursday, Dec. 22nd at 8pm. All are welcome.

#### WEST END STEP CANCELLED ON DECEMBER 15

West End Step Group's regular meeting is cancelled on Dec. 15th due to scheduling conflicts with the church.

| DECEMBER BIRTHDAY CALENDAR |                |            |    |               |                  |            |           |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------|----|---------------|------------------|------------|-----------|
|                            |                | DAVID      | 2  |               | DOWNTOWN HALIFAX | THOMAS     | 5         |
| MON                        | COLBY VILLAGE  | MIKE C.    | 6  |               |                  |            |           |
| DEC 05                     |                | GERRY L.   | 13 | SAT<br>DEC 24 | ACCEPTANCE GROUP | HEATHER H. | E         |
|                            |                | GENE A.    | 30 |               |                  |            | '         |
| MON<br>DEC 05              | GRATEFUL GROUP | DAVE S.    | 14 | THU<br>DEC 29 | FOUR SEASONS     | SANDRA D.  | 24        |
| FRI                        | BACK TO BASICS | MICHAEL C. | 1  |               |                  |            |           |
| DEC 09                     | DACK TO BASICS | MICHAEL C. |    |               |                  |            | $\square$ |

### **NEWSLETTER CONTACT INFORMATION**

Send all announcements to aahalifax@gmail.com. If you do not have email access, please call Jeff at (902) 830-7802 and leave a message. Please do your best to get your announcements for the newsletter submitted prior to the 25th of each month. Printed copies of the newsletter will be made available at the monthly Central Service meeting. If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the monthly newsletter, just email adhalifax@gmail.com and ask to be added to the mailing list.

#### **USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION**

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## HAVE A SAFE & SOBER HOLIDAY SEASON



## RING IN 2012 DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE

### DECEMBER 31, 2011 • FROM 9PM – 1 AM St. Theresa's Church at the corner of North & Dublin

POT LUCK DINNER, DJ & PRIZES • TICKETS \$10.00

FOR MORE INFO CALL PETER J. AT 229-3502 or leave a message at 453-1447



Workshop by District 2

Tuesday January 10, 2011 at 8:30pm Sunrise Group, Woodlawn Dartmouth

## **AA Service Structure**

- 1. Who is a GSR?
- 2. Who is a Delegate?
- 3. Who is a Trustee?
- 4. What is a General Service Board?

## **Everyone is Welcome!**

Find out what they do and how to get involved!





**Colby Village Big Book Study** Welcomes members and guests to our

## Annual Candlelight Gratitude Meeting

Pope John XXIII – Colby Village

Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 8:00 pm



Come and share fellowship show your Gratitude for sobriety See you all on the 19<sup>th</sup> Lots of food and drink







*Early Bird Special*- For those registered by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012, partners/spouses will be able to buy banquet tickets without paying registration. After this date, only those who are registered will be able to buy a banquet ticket. Members registered by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 will be entered in a draw for 1 free registration, 1 free banquet ticket and 1 free night stay at the Holiday Inn. **Banquet speaker**: Paul D. from Hamilton, Ont., And Spiritual speaker: Mary D. from NY.

Hotel Room Rate \$109.00/night, Block Code MW8, call 902-463-1100. Guests please specify they are attending the Mid Winter Round Up for discounted rate

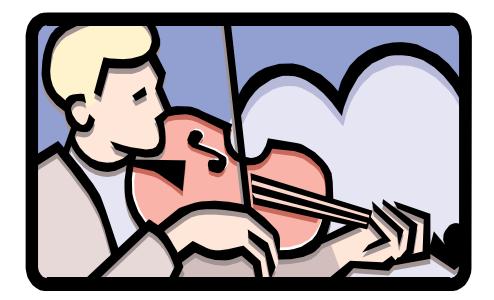
Mail Registration to:

Trudy D., 2889 Oxford Street, Halifax, N.S., B3L 2V9 PayPal Registration: <u>http://www.aahalifax.org/midwinter-roundup-2012</u>

For info contact: Foster L, chair - (902) 435-2172 Trudy D, registration chair-(902)293-3117 Bill P, co-chair - (902) 219-2140

All attendees are required to wear name tags while at the round-up. Signing Interpreter available for Welcome, Banquet and Spiritual Meetings.

| Return this portion with cheque (payable to Mid-Winter Roundup):                 |                                |   | Banquet  |  |
|--|--------------------------------|---|----------|--|
|  |                                | Please circle one:                              | Ticket:_ |  |
| Contact Registrant Name:   | AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other | Yes /No   |          |  |
| Telephone:   | _Address:                      |   |          |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Registrant Name:   |                                | AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other                  | Yes /No  |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Registrant Name:<br>For additional registrants, please use the b | each of this slip              | AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other Amount Enclosed: | Yes /No  |  |
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### 34th Annual Mid-Winter Roundup February 17-19, 2012

# Serenity Café is looking for participants to entertain guests with their talent.

Do you play an instrument or sing?

Join us Friday evening and Saturday in the sing along concert at the Holiday Inn.

Please contact the Entertainment Committee to express your interest. Registration required.

Peter J. (902) 229-3502 Jim H. (902) 483-6115

> I listened, motionless and still; And, as I mounted up the hill, The music in my heart I bore, Long after it was heard no more.

> > William Wordsworth