

BALTIMORE INTERGROUP COUNCIL OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

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(Next Mailing January 24, 2012)

"The power of God goes deep!...Those of us who have spent much time in the world of spiritual make-believe have eventually seen the childishness of it. This dream world has been replaced by a great sense of purpose, accompanied by a growing consciousness of the power of God in our lives. "

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The next Intergroup Meeting will be on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 8:00pm at the Episcopal Cathedral of the Incarnation, Saint Paul St. & University Pkwy. Enter from the Saint Paul St. side of the building. The New Rep. Meeting begins at 7:30pm.
- The next Institution Committee meeting will be on Friday, January 20, 2012 at 7:00pm, University Baptist Church, 34th & Greenway. Orientation for new reps, new sponsors and co-sponsors begins at 6:30PM. Attention: The following Institutions need Sponsors or Co-Sponsors: SETT @ Springfield State Hospital (Tues-8:00PM); Howard Co. Detention Ctr. (Wed.-7:30PM); Gaudenzia-Women's side (Sat.-7:00PM); Patuxent (Sat.- 9:00AM); Mountain Manor (Thurs.-7:30PM); Balto. Co. Women's Det. Ctr. (Tues.- 7:30PM); Loch Raven Comm. Living and Rehab Ctr. [a new commitment] (any day-7:00PM); MD Correction and Adjustment Ctr. (any day but Tues.-7:00PM). Please contact the Institution Committee Scheduler at 410-377-7216. "All they need is your time every other week. Maybe you can't do it, but you know someone who can."
- The Intergroup Office will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2012.
- Check out our new website! www.baltimoreaa.org. (Click refresh if old site appears)
- Please note that individual and group donations can be charged over the phone at the Intergroup Office, 410-663-1922, and now also on line! Visa, MasterCard, and the Discover Card are accepted.
- The Faithful Fivers program has really taken off and is looking very successful. It is never too late to sign up for this easy way to contribute and practice the Seventh Tradition. See the enclosed flier, and/or call the Office for more information: 410-663-1922.
- The Intergroup Office is setup for shipping of literature through telephone orders or online please note you may pick up orders at office or have them shipped directly. Fees will apply to this service.
- Auditions for the Sobriety Show will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 and Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 717 Cliveden Rd.
- The Gratitude Breakfast originally scheduled for February 19, 2012 has been cancelled. More information will follow.
- As of 12/12/11, there are only 85 members signed up for the 12th Step List. It is vital that we have men and women, and lots of them, willing to take these life-saving calls. Please sign up and please get the lists returned to the Intergroup Office before the end of January.

GROUP ANNIVERSARIES WITH GUEST SPEAKERS AND REFRESHMENTS

Friday Night Village will celebrate 64 years on December 23, 2011. (21229)

Franklin Square is celebrating 27 years on Friday, December 23, 2011. Desserts! (21237)

Brooklyn Saturday Morning will celebrate 3 Years on January 7, 2012. Doors will open at 8:00AM for refreshments. (21225)

New Attitude will celebrate 33 years on Saturday, January 28, 2012 with refreshments before the 7:30PM meeting. (21144)

Simpler Times will celebrate 13 years on Monday, January 30, 2012. (21122)

MEETING CHANGES AND OTHER INFORMATION

Franklin Square has discontinued the *Saturday* evening meeting. (21237)

Talbott Springs has discontinued the 6:30PM *Friday* evening Women's meeting. (21045)

Seventy Times Seven has been reactivated as a Women's meeting. (21218)

Sabre has not moved to the Franciscan Center, but has moved to Project PLASE, 1814 Maryland Ave., rear entrance. (21201)

Eastside Monday Noon is not a Big Book meeting. (21209)

Agape has added a Big Book meeting on Thursdays at 5:30PM. (21204)

Welcome will be moving, effective January 7, 2012, to the Holy Comforter Lutheran Church, 5513 York Rd. at Harwood Rd. Please do not park in Wendy's lot, but use the lot just beyond it. Enter on Harwood. (21212)

Free at Last will sponsor a "Back to Basics" workshop on the four Wednesdays of January 2012. The location is St. John's Lutheran Church, 8808 Harford Rd., rear entrance, and each session will be from 8:00PM to 9:00PM. (21234)

No Judgment only meets at 4:00PM on Sundays, not at 5:30PM. (21131)

Turning point is the correct name for what is listed in the Directory as "Westminster Turning Point." (21157)

NEW MEETINGS

Big Book Thumpers, Parke Memorial United Methodist Church, 18908 York Rd., Thursday, 6:30PM. (O) (NSM) (D) (21120)

Otterbein Lunch Meeting, Old Otterbein Church, 112 W. Conway St., Thursday, 12:15PM. (O) (NSM)(Speaker) (21201)

Flohrville Thursday Night Men's, Flohrville United Methodist Church, 6620 Church St. @ Central Ave., 7:00PM. (C) (NSM) (D) (Alt. Literature) (21784)

NEEDS SUPPORT

Saturday Night Pasadena, Emanuel Lutheran Church, 8615 Ft. Smallwood Rd. & Pinegrove Village. (21122)

DISCONTINUED

Franklin Square has discontinued the *Saturday* evening meeting. (21237)

Talbott Springs has discontinued the 6:30PM *Friday* evening Women's meeting. (21045)

Whitelock, St. Francis Center, 2405 Linden Ave., Sunday, 3:00PM. (21217)

IN MEMORIAM

MGS AREA 29- DISTRICT MEETINGS and OTHER NOTIFICATIONS

District 34 GSR monthly meetings will be on the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30PM at Panera Bread, 6643-A Ritchie Hwy, Glen Burnie. (21060)

District 9 (Carroll County) holds its meetings on the third Tuesday of every odd month at 7:30PM. The meetings are now held at the Crossroads Community Church, 895 Leidy Rd., Westminster. (21157)

***The new mailing address for contributions to Maryland General Services is: MGS, P.O. Box 20177, Baltimore, MD 21284-0177

~I am responsible~

When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of A.A. always to be there. And for that, I am responsible.

HOLIDAY ALCATHONS & Other Information

City County (21225) will be hosting their Annual Holiday Alcathons:

Christmas:

Begins Saturday Dec. 24th from 7:30 PM until 11:30 PM
Sunday Dec. 25th from 9 AM til 11:30 PM

New Years Eve:

Begins Saturday Dec. 31st from 7:30 PM until 1:00 PM
Sunday Jan 1st from 9 AM til 11:30 PM

Hour meetings and half hour break throughout. Donations for the snack table are always welcomed and appreciated.

Kingsville will have Christmas party on December 14, 2011 with a pot luck supper at 6:30PM followed by the meeting at 7:30PM. (21087)

St. Anthony's Mid-Day will have an Alcathon starting at 6:00PM December 24, 2011 with a ½ hour break between meetings. The last meeting will be at 5:30PM on December 25, 2011. Some food will be provided but additional food and snacks are always welcomed. (21206)

Charles Village will have an Alcathon on beginning December 24, 2011 at 11:30AM and ending on December 25, 2011 at 11:30AM. Christmas Dinner will be served on December 25, 2011 at 1:00PM. Also, there will be an Alcathon on December 31, 2011 beginning at 11:30AM and ending January 1, 2012 at 11:30AM. NewYear's Dinner will be served at 1:00PM on January 1, 2012. (21218)

Chance to Grow, Free at Last, Free to Be Me Women's and several other groups are sponsoring a New Year's Eve Dance, on December 31, 2011 from 8:00PM to 1:00AM at St. Anthony's Church 4414 Frankford Ave. The admission donation is \$10.00. For more information, call Cathy K. at 443-520-7179 or Stanley O. at 410-375-9163. (21206)

The Groups of **District 9** are sponsoring an alcathon on New Year's Eve from 6:00PM on December 31, 2011 until 6:00PM on January 1, 2012. It will be held at the Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St. in Westminster. (21157)

Melrose will not be open either Christmas Eve, December 24, 2011, or New Year's Eve, December 31, 2011. (21210)

Open Hands will be closed Sunday, December 25, 2011, that date only. (21213)

Brooklyn Big Book will be open both December 25, 2011 and January 1, 2012. (21225)

ABC will meet as usual at 7:00PM on December 25, 2011 and January 1, 2012. (21218)