

# AA Newsletter

Central Service Committee of Area 82, Districts 1 & 2, Halifax Regional Municipality  
 To contact Alcoholics Anonymous, call (902) 461-1119 (24 hours per day, 7 days per week)  
 Website: [www3.ns.sympatico.ca/alcoholicsanonymous](http://www3.ns.sympatico.ca/alcoholicsanonymous)

## Metro Drug Dependency Center

2nd Floor of Purdy, NS Hospital, Dartmouth. All meetings at 8 pm

Group — Detox Meeting	Sunday
GRATEFUL GROUP	Dec 7
DOWNTOWN DARTMOUTH	Dec 14
FOUR SEASONS GROUP	Dec 21
ATLANTIC GROUP	Dec 28
TIMBERLEA GROUP	Jan 4
HALIFAX SUNDARY MORNING	Jan 11

Group — Additions Services Meeting	Thursday
<b>NOTICE:</b> Meetings are cancelled until further notice.	

**2nd floor of the Purdy Bldg.**  
 Attendance is limited to clients of this unit & members of the A.A. group putting on the meeting. The meeting format is "Speaker/Discussion" with time for questions at the end.

For more information, contact: Pat R. at 857-1006 or [patwr@eastlink.ca](mailto:patwr@eastlink.ca)

## Central Phone Office

Group	Sat	Sun
Mutual Group	Dec 6	Dec 7
Back to Basics	Dec 13	Dec 14

Groups pick up the key at the Office, Mon to Fri, 9 am - 5 pm

### Phone Office Volunteers Still Needed

The Central Service Phone Office always welcomes volunteers who would like to answer the daytime and overnight phones. If you can dedicate some time to this vital service, please call the Phone Office and arrange for an individual orientation session.

Central Service Phone Office: **461-1119**

## Service Calendar

Service Event	Date & Time	Location
Central Service Meeting	Tues, Dec 2 7:00 PM	United Memorial Church, Young St., Halifax
GSR Meeting District 1	Sun, Dec 21 1:00 PM	George-Dixon-Centre, Gottingen St., Halifax
GSR Meeting District 2	Sun, Dec 21 5:30 PM	Club 24 Dundas St, Dartmouth (basement, side door)
Workshop — "Service Sponsorship" (subject to change)	Sun, Jan 11 1:00 PM	Club 24 Dundas St, Dartmouth (main level)

**Newsletter Contact:** [aahalifax@gmail.com](mailto:aahalifax@gmail.com) or optionally by phone (902) 405—6535. Announcements for the next newsletter are due on 25th of the month. Printouts available at: Central Service Meeting. Request to get on the e-mail list!

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## Birthdays

Dec 1 Mon 8:00 PM	Colby Village B.B.S.G.	Bard J	2
Dec 3 Wed 8:00 PM	Trailer Park 12 & 12	Bernie S	11
Dec 3 Wed 8:00 PM	Back to Basics	Nancy M	6
Dec 6 Sat 8:00 PM	Welcome Group	Derrick T	4
Dec 10 Wed 8:00 PM	Back to Basics	Bruce	2
Dec 12 Fri 8:00 PM	Mutual Group	Suzie N Gail S Blair R	2 5 8
Dec 15 Mon 8:00 PM	Tallahassee	Rick Raymond	14 10
Dec 18 Thurs 8:00 PM	Four Seasons	Kathryn D Lynne M	1 24
Dec 18 Thurs 8:00 PM	Hubbards	Sara W	5
Dec 20 Sat 10:00 AM	Acceptance	Heather H	2

Dec 20 Sat 7:30 PM	Atlantic	Sang-gye B	4
Dec 24 Wed 8:00 PM	Back to Basics	Carl G	1
Dec 28 Sun 8:00 PM	St Margaret's Bay	Alfred M Jim O	2 5
Jan 5 Mon 8:00 PM	Colby Village B.B.S.G.	Mike C Jerry L	4 10
Jan 7 Wed 8:00 PM	Trailer Park 12 & 12	Brian T	2
Jan 7 Wed 8:00 PM	Back to Basics	Bill P	3
Jan 8 Thurs 8:00 PM	West End Step	Pat O	5

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## Group Announcements

### Welcome Group Anniversary

The Welcome Group will be celebrating their 37th anniversary on December 6th.

### Gratitude Candlelight Meeting

A Christmas Gratitude Candlelight meeting will be held Dec 14th at 9:30 PM. This meeting is on 199 Bedford Hwy (old fire station).

### Gratitude Candlelight Meeting (Colby Village)

Colby Village Big Book Study Group is holding it's annual "Gratitude Candle Light Meeting" on December 15th at 8 o'clock. Bring your family and friends and join us for an evening of fellowship, food and refreshment.

**Location:** Pope John Paul XXIII, Colby Drive

### Annual Candlelight Meeting (Live and Let Live)

The Annual Christmas Candlelight Meeting will be held on Monday, December 22nd at 8:00pm at St. Matthew's Church basement.

For those wishing to join us at 6:30pm for dinner prior to the meeting, please call John, 425-8383 for location and details.

### Candlelight Meeting (Four Seasons)

The Four Seasons group will hold a Candlelight Meeting Thursday December 11th at 8:00 pm. Food and refreshments will be served after the meeting.

## Social Speaker Meeting and Dance

The Downtown Halifax Group on Sunday Dec, 14th will have a Social Night Speaker Meeting at 7:00 PM. The dance will immediately at 8:00 PM and go until 11:00 PM. There is admission for sandwiches and treats! Bring your favorite CDs - Rolling Stones, Bob Seiger, etc :)

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Meeting (Trailer Park 12 & 12)

At the regular meeting time the Trailer Park 12 & 12 group will hold a Candlelight Gratitude meeting on December 24th.

### Meeting Cancellation on New Year's Eve

The Trailer Park 12 and 12 group will not hold a meeting on December 31, 2008.

### Gratitude Meeting (West End Step)

The West End Step group will hold a gratitude meeting on December 25th at the regular time and place. Fellowship and refreshments to follow.

### Highland Park December 25th

The Highland Park group, which meets every Thursday 9:00 PM at 3636 Robie street, will have it's doors open Christmas night. All are welcome.

### Halifax Sunday Morning Change

The Halifax Sunday Morning Group will meet on Sunday Dec 28th at 11 am at The Salvation Army, 2044 Gottigen St. Halifax.

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## Service Announcements

### Literature Donations for Corrections

The Corrections Committee is look for donations of conference approved literature from groups or individuals in AA. Particularly popular are Big Books, 12 & 12s, Daily Reflections, Came to Believe, and Living Sober – as well as Grapevine magazines. It doesn't matter how old they are, what version, or how battered – the inmates really appreciate them. Members can give them to their GSR, bring them to the Mutual Group on Fridays at 8 p.m., or contact Gail Stacey at [staceys@eastlink.ca](mailto:staceys@eastlink.ca) or 431.0587.

### District 2 GSR Meeting Change

The District 2 Business meetings now being held on the third Sunday of the month will have at a different time. It will be at 5:30 pm rather than 6:30 pm from

## Service Positions

### District 1 & 2 Committees

At the District 1 & 2 level, we are in need of a Treatment Facilities Co-chair, a PI Co-chair, and a CPC Co-chair. If interested in one of those positions, please attend either a District 1 or 2 Business meeting to put your name forward (see the front page).

### Entertainment Committee Sought

To continue the good old tradition of sober dances!

Interested in either of these positions? Come and attend the next Central Service Meeting and/or contact:

Jennifer B., CS Chair: 489—1776.

### Male & Female Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are still needed to put on meetings at the Correctional Facility in Dartmouth (i.e., Burnside). To apply please contact:

Gail S., Chair: 431.0587 or  
email [staceys@eastlink.ca](mailto:staceys@eastlink.ca)

### Hospital Visitation Committee Visiting A.A. Members in Hospitals

A.A. members facing hospitalization in HRM can get support from local A.A. members. The volunteers are available to break the spell of loneliness and isolation, that often aggravates an already unpleasant experience. To arrange these visits the patient, fellow A.A.s, his/her friends, and family may call the Chairperson of the Hospital Visitation Committee before or during the individual's stay in HRM's health institutions. The Chairperson confirms the request with the patient and dispatches members to visit and report back.

Spread the word if you travel to other districts. We want members from all the Atlantic Provinces to know about us so we can visit when it is needed.

For more information or to serve on the "Hospital Visitation Committee," contact:

Central Service Phone Office 461-1119.

Leave your name and number for:

Garth MacA., Chair, Hospital Visitation Committee.

### Districts 1 & 2

### Meeting Lists

Available at the Central Service Meeting or:

[www3.ns.sympatico.ca/alcoholicsanonymous](http://www3.ns.sympatico.ca/alcoholicsanonymous)

Literature Representative:

Victor L.: 435-6613

# APPLICATION FOR AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE / VOLUNTEER VISITS TO CENTRAL NOVA SCOTIA CORRECTIONAL CENTRE

Women's Meetings \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Meetings \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you able to drive another volunteer to a meeting? \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Given Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ (write out month)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Affiliation: Alcoholics Anonymous – District 1 & 2

Agency Address: Metro Halifax Dartmouth and Area

Day(s) of Visit: Wednesday Nights Program: Alcoholics Anonymous

I hereby authorize the Halifax Correctional Centre to complete inquiries, including with policies agencies, in order to ascertain my suitability for involvement with above noted program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

Received CNSFC: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommended / Not Recommended

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

APPROVED / NOT APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent Date

Photo Identification Produced:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Please return to your GSR or contact Gail Stacey at 431.0587 or staceys@eastlink.ca.*



# Sunshine of the Spirit

## 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Mid-Winter Roundup, Districts 1 & 2

HOLIDAY INN - DARTMOUTH, NS

February 20-22, 2009

Registration: \$20.00 - AA, Al-Anon & Other/\$10.00 - Alateen

Banquet: \$28.00 (banquet limit 200)

Members registered by January 17, 2009 will be entered in a draw for one free registration, one free banquet ticket, and one night's free room.

Mail Registration to: 305-1407 St. Margaret's Bay Rd.  
Lakeside, NS B3T 1K2

For info contact: Darryl, chair - (902) 830-1444  
Kim, registration chair - (902) 876-1907

Return this portion with cheque (payable to *Mid-Winter Roundup*):

	<u>Please circle one:</u>	<u>Banquet Ticket:</u>
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: _____	AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other	Yes / No

for additional registrants, please use the back of this slip

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_