



DECEMBER 2011

NEWSLETTER

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

TELEPHONE SERVICE SCHEDULE		ADDICTION TREATMENT & PREVENTION SERVICES	
Call (902)404-0456 to pick up the weekday or weekend cell phones		2nd Floor Purdy, NS Hospital, Dartmouth, NS 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 Roundup Committee Meeting	Holiday Inn Room #619 Wyse Road, Dartmouth	Sunday, December 4th 1:00 pm
Central Service Meeting Districts 1 & 2	United Memorial Church Young Street, Halifax	Tuesday, December 6th 7:00 pm
GSR Meeting District 2	Club 24 Dundas Street, Dartmouth	Sunday, December 18th 2:00 pm
GSR Meeting District 1	George Dixon Center Gottingen Street, Halifax	Sunday, December 25th 1:00 pm
Central Service Meeting Districts 1 & 2	United Memorial Church Young Street, Halifax	Tuesday, January 3rd 7:00 pm



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

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 its annual holiday candlelight meeting on Friday, December 23rd. All are welcome.

BEDFORD GROUP 30TH ANNIVERSARY

The Bedford Group will be celebrating its 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 its 32nd Anniversary meeting on Sunday, December 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 December 10th at 7pm. We are located in the Porters Lake Community Centre just 10 minutes from metro. As always, some wonderful food and fellowship. 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, December 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 volunteers to come down and help out with the 34th Annual Mid-Winter Roundup; held at the Holiday Inn on Wyse Road in Dartmouth on February 17th-19th. Coffee sellers and greeters are needed. 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. Location: Trinity Anglican Church, 321 Main Avenue, Fairview, Halifax (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 its annual holiday candlelight meeting on Thursday, December 22nd at 8pm. The Four Seasons Group meets at 45 Connolly Road in Lower Sackville. All are welcome.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

MON DEC 05	COLBY VILLAGE	DAVID	2	SUN DEC 11	DOWNTOWN HALIFAX	THOMAS	5
		MIKE C.	6				
		GERRY L.	13	SAT DEC 24	ACCEPTANCE GROUP	HEATHER H.	5
		GENE A.	30				
MON DEC 05	GRATEFUL GROUP	DAVE S.	14	THU DEC 29	FOUR SEASONS	SANDRA D.	24
FRI DEC 09	BACK TO BASICS	MICHAEL C.	1				

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 aahalifax@gmail.com and ask to be added to the mailing list.

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HAVE A SAFE & SOBER HOLIDAY SEASON



NEW YEARS EVE DANCE



RING IN 2012 DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE

DECEMBER 31, 2011 • FROM 9PM - 1AM

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!





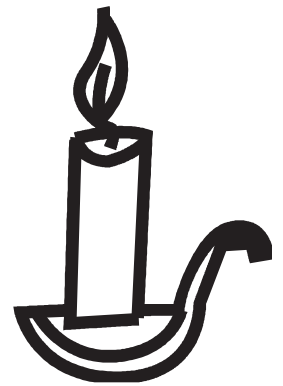
Colby Village Big Book Study

Welcomes members and guests to our

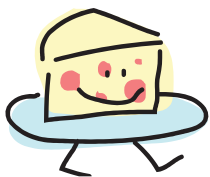
Annual Candlelight Gratitude Meeting

Pope John XXIII – Colby Village

Monday, December 19th, 2011
8:00 pm



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



FREEDOM FROM **FREEDOM TO**



34th Annual Mid-Winter Roundup, Districts 1 & 2
Holiday Inn - Dartmouth, NS
February 17-19, 2012

Registration: \$20.00 - AA, Al-Anon & Other
 \$10.00 - Attendees 18 & under
 Banquet: \$35.00 (banquet limit 200)

Early Bird Special- For those registered by January 15th, 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 15th, 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**

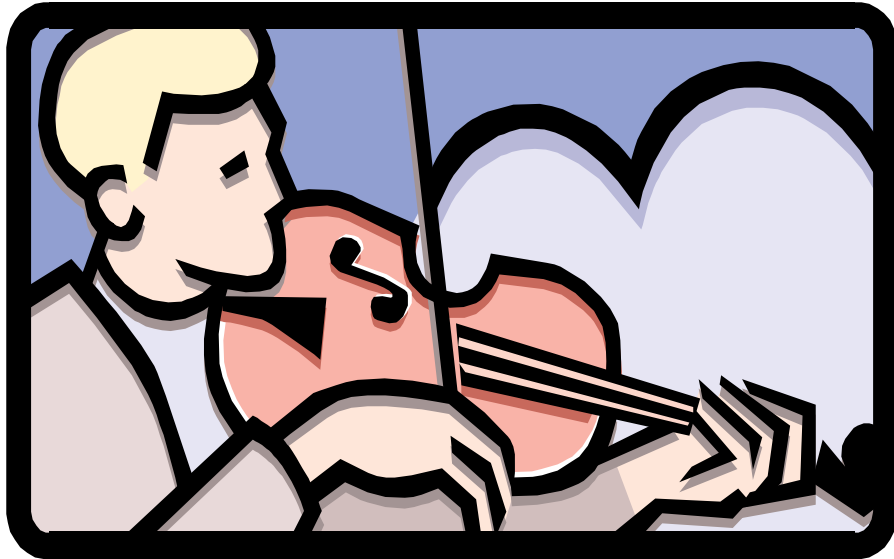
Mail Registration to:
 Trudy D., 2889 Oxford Street, Halifax, N.S., B3L 2V9
PayPal Registration: <http://www.aahalifax.org/midwinter-roundup-2012>

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*):

	Please circle one: _____	Banquet Ticket: _____
Contact Registrant Name: _____	AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other	Yes /No
Telephone: _____	Address: _____	
2 nd Registrant Name: _____	AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other	Yes /No
3 rd Registrant Name: _____	AA / Al-Anon / Alateen / Other	Yes /No
For additional registrants, please use the back of this slip	Amount Enclosed: _____	



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