

Ch-Ch Changes ...

The Wednesday Set-ups group in Warrenville, meeting at Community Baptist Church, 28w444 Main Street at 7PM, is looking for support

The Tuesday Resentmentville West group, meeting at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Blomingdale at 118 First Street at 8PM, is looking for support. Although the original Resentmentville group is a men's meeting, this group is co-ed.

The New Hope Closed Big Book Meeting is asking for support
It meets from 12 to 1 on Tuesday at Hope Presbyterian Church, 1771 S. Wiesbrook, in Wheaton

D40 Doings

Step 1

We admitted we were powerless over alcohol, that our lives had become unmanageable

Tradition 1

Our common welfare should come first.
Personal recovery depends upon AA unity

Step 2

Came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity

Tradition 2

For our group purpose, there is but one authority—a loving god as he may express himself in the group conscience

Step 3

Made a decision to turn our live over to the care of god as we understood him

Tradition 3

The only requirement for AA membership is a desire to stop drinking

7th Annual

DuPage County Open

Saturday, February 17th 2018



Parkview Community Church
764 St. Charles Road
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Doors open at 6pm, Open Speaker Meeting 7 to 8:30pm

Hello Again ...

If you're reading this, you've officially survived the holiday season, or at least most of it. It's probably a restatement of the obvious to say that this time of year can be anticlimactic, and can lead to what's commonly called isolation around the tables, or cabin fever in the wider world. So it's a bit of good timing that both the NIA conference and the DuPage open are happening in this neck of the woods in the coming months. The Jack Alexander article referred to us as a society-loving people, but opportunities to do so aren't a bad thing. To find out more, see the calendar on the next page. I'm hoping to provide some additional coverage of the summer sober music festivals over the next issue or two —stay tuned.

Stay Wires

If the fellowship is a big tent, to extend the analogy, the traditions are the stay wires holding it up. For myself, I am especially grateful for the third tradition, that the only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking or, as is explained in the long form of the tradition, membership does not depend on money or conformity.

I can't explicitly say that self-medicating or anesthetizing the discomfort of growing up with a slight-but-obvious disability in a small town made me an alcoholic, but it certainly fueled the fire. It also fueled the 'pangs of anxious apartness' that Bill speaks about. To flip the coin to the other side, the notion that conformity was not a requirement for membership, whether or not I was capable of conforming, was more than a little reassuring.

January 26: 6:30 PM D40 GSR Meeting
First Presbyterian Church
715 N Carlton St Wheaton, IL 60187

January 27: 4PM Hiinkely Pork Chop Dinner
Hinkley First United Methodist Church, 801 N. Sycamore St, Hinkley, IL 60520

February 17: DuPage Open:
Parkview Community Church 764 St
Charles Rd, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 7-8:30 PM
February 23: 6:30 PM D40 GSR Meeting
(See January 26)

February 19: Presidents Day

March 17: St. Patrick's Day
March 23: 6:30 PM D40 GSR Meeting (See
January 26)

March 23-25: Spring Conference &
Assembly : Hyatt Regency Schaumburg
1800 E Golf Rd Schaumburg, IL 60173
more information at niaspringconference.com

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