

District 12 Newsletter

September 2015

Step Nine

“Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.”



Have a Great Labor Day!

It Works if you Work it!
One Day at a Time!
Let Go and Let God!
Get a Sponsor don't go
it alone....

People with the same last name.

When we think about amends for Step Nine, we generally bring to mind the people to whom we owed money. My sponsor pointed out that these are the easy amends; once the debt is paid they are off the list. The tough ones are the ones we have to make to the people with the same last name. The wives, children, parents, siblings, and even an occasional in-law have all been harmed by our addiction.

How do we correct the errors of the past. How do we attend missed anniversaries, birthday parties, or just plain Sunday night dinners. Or even worse, how do we account for the ones we attended and ruined by our obnoxious behavior because we were drunk or high. We can't. What's done is done, but we can prevent these things from happening again by staying clean and sober.

We also can be patient. We burned a lot of bridges with our addiction. The trust we may now feel we are due, might be a long time in coming. Many of these people are just waiting for the other shoe to drop as it did in the past. So be patient and tolerant. Accept the strange looks, when you say you're going out for coffee. Ignore the snide illusions to the past, when the conversation gets heated. Back off in all situations, let somebody else, anybody else take control. You just follow directions.

All of this may seem like a bitter pill to swallow, after all you're working hard at staying straight. All of these situations, no matter how hopeless they seem, we turn in your favor in time, in His time..

Mike H.

It's that time of year again!

Time for the 2015 District 12 Christmas Party. The first planning meeting will take place on Friday evening, October 2nd at 7:00 pm at the Waukegan Alano Club. Join us to take part in this great event.



December 13th—Save the Date



Discontinued: District 12 Monthly Open Speaker Breakfast.

The discontinuation of the Dist. 12 monthly open speaker breakfast is due to a lack of attendance/support. We will no longer meet on 1st Sundays, at the Victory Memorial Hospital (aka Vista East) on Sheridan & Glen Flora in Waukegan.



**Have you ever wondered what the
A.A. District 12 is about?**

**District 12 Business/GSR Meeting.
All A.A. Members are invited to attend.**

WHERE: Vista West Medical Center

2615 Washington St

Waukegan, IL 60085

WHEN: Every 3rd Sunday of the Month

3:30pm Traditions Mtg then 4:00pm Business/GSR Mtg

WHO: All A.A. Members

Learn about what is happening in our district regarding many types of services offered.

Do you want to give back? Do you have an attitude of gratitude?

Here's a place for you to help out! Get involved with service such as Newsletter or alternates for Newsletter, Literature, Directory, Special Events, Webmaster, Public Information and others.

Contact Ken C. District 12 DCM Call: 847-693-0970 kenc693@yahoo.com

A.A. District 12 WEBSITE:

<http://www.aadistrict12.com>

District 12 Answering Service: 847-623-9660

“One Day At A Time!”

SPEAKER TAPE MEETING: Listen to speakers from all over & eat desserts!

EVERY THURSDAY 7pm

WHERE: Waukegan Alano Club 2419 Washington St Contact Karen F. 847-609-7354

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR IN A NUT SHELL!

Date	Event
Saturday Aug. 15th	19th Annual Life's a Beach Women's' Meeting — Speaker Kate B. Kenosha, WI North Point Marina—Pit 3, Winthrop Harbor, IL. Sheridan Road to 7th Street For more information contact Jeanne S 847-830-5424 or Beth M 262-515-5840
Sunday Sep. 13th	Serenity House Annual Picnic - Old School Forest Preserve Shelter A 698 North Saint Mary's Road, Libertyville, IL Come on out and have some fun with your family. Noon to 4:00pm
Saturday Sep. 19th	NIA 20 Fall Assembly Hosted by District 90; Contact: Jesse N.—309-236-5576 Faith Walk World Outreach Center, 1450 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL Assembly Elections for 2016 & 2017; All GSRs Please Show Up and Vote
Sunday Oct. 4th	Districts 10 & 12 Fall Breakfast at the Holiday Inn, 6161 W. Grand, Gurnee, IL Contacts Dana T. 847-322-5256 or Kristina K. 224-456-1223 Tickets \$18.00 Coffee at 8:00am, Breakfast at 9:00am, Speaker at 10:00am
Saturday Oct. 10th	A Way Out 15th Anniversary Party, Fellowship, Refreshments & Speaker, Bob D Libertyville Civic Center, 135 West Church Street, Libertyville, IL For more information Genevieve P. 847-682-4266 or Ingeri B. 847-650-4546
Saturday Oct. 24th	Northern Illinois Area 20 Big Book Conference From 9:00am to 4:00pm Countryside Church Unitarian Universalist, 1025 N. Smith Street, Palatine, IL For more information contact Chuck S. 847-770-8200 or Ed R. 608-209-5310

2015
EAST CENTRAL
REGIONAL FORUM
CROWNE PLAZA Milwaukee Airport Hotel
 6401 South 13th Street
 Milwaukee, WI 53221
 (414) 764-5300
 Group Code: ECR

November 13 - 15, 2015

Friday: 7pm - 10pm Saturday: 9am - 9:45pm Sunday: 9am - 12pm

New Spanish Speaking AA Meeting

Where: Alano Club of Waukegan 2419 Washington St, Wkgn IL
When: Every Tues morning, 10 am & every Thurs night, 8 pm
There are two new Spanish Speaking Groups of the Alano Club of Waukegan. Please, let's do our part by reaching out to the large Latin Community & help carry the message to them. Questions? Call: Pete O. at 1-224-381-9992 or Jaime G at 1-224-861-3189

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

12 STEP WORK

St. Therese Psych Unit Meeting: Sunday 10 am & Tues 7 pm
Sponsor Panel-ATP: 1st & 3rd Saturdays 12:45-2pm
Drug Court: 1:30 pm Fridays Court 202
Mental Health Court: 9:00 am Mondays Court 220
Veterans Court: 1st & 3rd Friday, 9:00 am Court 220
SAP: SAP Bldg. 1:00 pm Thursdays
Detox: ATP 7:30 pm Wednesday
For Info Contact: Frank M.@ 847-336-2775

VOLUNTEERS WE NEED A COMMITMENT!!!

Lake County Work Release

Tuesday and/or Thursday
Once or twice a month 7:15 pm
Both men and women needed
For more info contact: Pete 224-381-9992
Email copy of forms to: paulperini@att.net

Acceptance is the Key!

Women's A.A. Meeting

Monday 6:00 pm Alano Club of Waukegan,
2419 Washington St. Waukegan, IL

A.A. Contacts

General Service Office: <http://www.aa.org>
Northern Illinois Area 20: <http://www.aa-nia.org>
District 12 Website: <http://www.aadistrict12.com>
District 12 Answering Service: 847-623-9660
Northern Illinois Area 20 - District 12: P.O. Box 8882 - Waukegan, IL 60079-8882

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District 12 Officers (Confidential – this information is for A.A. Use only)

If you are interested in one of the positions listed as OPEN, please contact an officer.

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