

STRAIGHT HOPE



Newsletter from the Montgomery Area of Narcotics Anonymous

WE NEED YOU

Want to help with our newsletter?
 Email Taylor G at moco.news@cprna.org
 ALL SUBMISSIONS WELCOME!

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ANNIVERSARIES

CELEBRANT	# OF YEARS	MEETING	DATE
ANDREW W.	3	Making a Difference	5/6/21
JOE K.	6	Fresh Start	5/8/21
KABIR S.	10	Fresh Start	5/9/21
SHAUN C.	21	Good Deal	5/15/21
NORM	4	Fresh Start	5/15/21
WILL Q	1	Gentlemen's Club	5/19/21
CHERI B.	9	People's Recovery	5/26/21
NIKO T.	10	People's Recovery	5/26/21
MATT L.	5	Gentlemen's Club	5/26/21
GREG W	2	Gentlemen's Club	5/26/21
TERRENCE T.	13	All About Change	6/1/21
PETER M.	16	Talking Heads	6/27/21

The First Step to Becoming Who We Were Meant to Be

An excerpt on from Living Clean: The Journey Continues, pg. 18

“Each time we surrender, we find once more that the desperation that drives us to our knees fuels the passion that carries us forward. When hope manifests into reality, our lives change. Our experience affirms what we believe, and belief grows into faith. When our faith grows into knowledge, the program that we once struggled to practice has become part of who we are. We find here what we were looking for all along: connection to others, connection to a Higher Power, connection to the world around us—and, most surprising of all, connection to ourselves.”

—Living Clean: The Journey Continues

Surrender

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Online & Printable Meeting List

Visit our region's online meeting list [here](#). You can search by area, day of the week, location, meeting format and more. You can also find a printable Montgomery Area NA Meeting List updated as of May 2021, with all relevant Zoom information on hybrid, in-person, and Zoom meetings. Don't miss out on your copy [here](#).

Are People Still Meeting in Person?

The Montgomery Area still has in-person and hybrid meetings that you can attend both on Zoom and in person. The [online meetings](#) list is the best way to get the latest most up-to-date information. Currently, the 5 NA meetings you can still attend in-person are NA @ Noon, New Way of NA, Upcounty NA the Gentlemen's Club & Stepping Free.

Does Your Group Need Literature?

Support our Area by Obtaining Literature for your group through Danny O (301) 437-4552

Our Region Now Has a Facebook Page!

Keep up to date on the latest and greatest in our Region and follow their Facebook page [here](#).

AREA NEEDS YOU!

While meetings are the primary vehicle for carrying the message, there are many moving parts and service opportunities behind the scenes. ALL service positions are turning over at the area level in June. Please come by and help support the area support the group.

NA @ NOON HYBRID

Monday-Friday
Christ Congregational Church
9525 Colesville Rd
Silver Spring, MD, 20901
Zoom Meeting ID: 889 4686 0935
No Passcode

NEW WAY OF NA

Mondays @ 4PM
Tuesdays @ 5:30PM
Rockville Metro Club
12319 Washington Ave
Rockville, MD 20852

UPCOUNTY NA HYBRID

Friday @ 7:30PM-9PM
Emory Grove UM Church
8200 Emory Grove Rd
Gaithersburg, MD, 20877
Zoom Meeting ID: 489 867 1344
Passcode: uprecovery

GENTLEMEN'S CLUB

Wednesdays 7:30PM-8:30PM
Epworth UMC
9008 Rosemont Drive
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

STEPPING FREE HYBRID

Thursdays @ 9:30PM
Fairhaven UMC 12801 Darnestown Rd
Gaithersburg, MD, 20878
Zoom Meeting ID: 749 506 9861
Passcode: 301

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM NAWS

NAWS Needs Help with Local Service Toolbox Project

There are two focuses for the project moving forward:

Best practices of virtual NA meetings: Check out the outline posted at www.na.org/toolbox and let NAWS know if you have input. This will eventually become a tool or tools for virtual meetings. **How virtual meetings are connecting to the wider world of NA, including NA service delivery:** Please fill out the survey at www.na.org/survey. World Services is trying to collect more information about how virtual meetings are communicating and coordinating with service bodies. Please share your experience. NAWS is also anticipating a conversation at the next World Service Conference about whether virtual meetings should be considered NA groups, according to the criteria listed in *The Group Booklet*. The survey asks about this, and your responses will help NAWS frame that conversation. Survey deadline: 31 May 2021

The Relative Role of Program Components in NA

This short survey is offered by researchers with whom we have cooperated in the past. Their goal is to help addiction professionals better understand NA and what tools are important to members' recovery. These efforts help to further our reach in carrying the message to the addict who still suffers, so please complete the survey and encourage others to do so by 31 May 2021. To access the survey, please click on the title above or [here](#).

A New Book in the Making

The Spiritual Principle a Day Book Project is looking for trusted servants to help write and review material. See more [here](#).



THE WORLD CONVENTION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS COMES BACK TO THE DISTRICT!

Did You Know?

NAWS happily announced that they have finalized a site for WCNA 39. After almost 30 years, the World Convention will be returning to Washington, DC, 29 August – 1 September 2024!

Did you know you could get audio files of the Basic Text? Check it out at <https://na.org/?ID=bt-aud>

ADDICTS & ART

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS FROM OUR FELLOWS IN THE MONTGOMERY AREA



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by Ben C.

UPCOMING EVENTS



*Autonomy Zonal Forum Service Work Group
Focus on Fellowship Development, Public Relations, Better
Communications, Collaboration, Training, Learning Days,
Relationship Building-
You Are Invited to Join!!*

*Planning Meeting Thursday May 13
7 PM EDT Zoom 449 253 6438
For Info: Craig R, 919-618-7771*

Yes to freedom 



MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC

SODAS FOR 50¢ BURGERS & DOGS FOR A \$1

MEETINGS	1:00 PM	HYBRID
	3:00 PM	
	4:30 PM	

MEETING ID: 885 9629 6772
PASSCODE: 123456

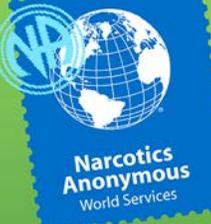
An annual Memorial Day event by the
Montgomery Area of Narcotics Anonymous

MONDAY, MAY 31 | NOON-6PM
8721 SNOUFFER SCHOOL ROAD
GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND 20879

TEXT BRAD OR MITCH WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
(540) 272-8899 (202) 716-2407

We All Are PR

6-12 June 2021
Third Annual PR Week

Every area, region, and zone is encouraged to commit to at least one activity during PR week.

Whether your PR team is young or seasoned, rural or urban; whether you have just a few or many members, we hope you will all come together enthusiastically to increase awareness of PR service and of the NA recovery program. For more information and activity ideas go to www.na.org/pr_act

Please send flyers, ideas, or photos of your events to pr@na.org



CLICHE' DAY!

SPEAKERTHON

SAT, MAY 22, 2021

MTG ID# 863 6739 4114 PW:123456
USE PHONE AT 301-715-8592

D.C. AREA SPECIAL EVENTS

12PM-10PM (EST)

www.cprna.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

ONTARIO REGION OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

WE NEED YOU



SPEAKERS WANTED
FOR VIRTUAL EVENT ON MAY 22, 2021

CLEAN TIME REQUIREMENTS
5 YEARS WORKSHOP SPEAKERS
10 YEARS FOR MAIN SPEAKERS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS MARCH 31, 2021
 CONTACT PROGRAMMING.NBM@ORCNA.CA FOR INFO

Life on Life's Terms Presents
Recovery Amid The Pandemic
 Speaker Jam
 Fundraiser for Florida Region of Narcotics Anonymous and
 Narcotics Anonymous World Services
 May 15, 2021 10 AM—4 PM Eastern
 Zoom Meeting ID: 827 2232 5734
 No Password

6 Amazing Speakers from around the world!

10:00 AM	Ray N.	21 Years	Philippines
11:00 AM	Ninnah R.	31 Years	Bay Area Florida
12:00 PM	Joel B.	23 Years	Funcoast Florida
1:00 PM	Scott S.	14 Years	Washington, D.C.
2:00 PM	Clive J.	16 Years	England
3:00 PM	Tom C.	49 Years	Hawaii

***All donations can be made to Florida Region and World Services PayPal Accounts**



LITTLE BENNETT CAMPGROUND
 23701 FREDRICK RD
 CLARKSBURG MD 20871




MAY 7 — 9 2021

MONTGOMERY AREA GOES CAMPING!

MARSHMALLOWS AND RECOVERY!
 BRING YOUR CAMPING GEAR FOR SOME FELLOWSHIP AND A GOOD TIME! :)

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY
 1:00 PM CHECK IN
 8:30 PM HYBRID MEETING
57A - ZOOM MEETING ID: 795 5201 5749; PASSCODE: 998027

SATURDAY
 9:00 AM COMMUNAL BREAKFAST
 NOON & 8:00 PM HYBRID MEETING
ZOOM MEETING ID: 898 2310 6328; PASSCODE: 123456

6:00 PM POTLUCK DINNER

SUNDAY
 9:00 AM MEETING & BRUNCH
 11:00 AM CHECK OUT

Due to the pandemic, we kindly ask you to bring your own food. There are two grilling areas and we will have wood and charcoal for cooking. See the schedule for our potluck/communal meals! Saturday lunch will be up to you and we will have Sunday brunch before we check out.

PRE-REGISTER BY TEXT!
 Charlie (302) 821-7993 Venmo: @Charlie-Gable
 Brad (540) 272-8899 Cash App \$Brad5796454

SUGGESTED DONATION PER PERSON:
 \$40 - TWO NIGHTS
 \$20 - ONE NIGHT

PR ❤️ H&I

Our unity resulted in FREE e-literature to 85,000 people in prisons and jails.
This is how we did it!

Sunday, May 30th, 12pm - 2pm PST (3pm - 5pm EST)
Zoom ID 861 4255 8490, pwd 1953

How did Trusted Servants from Florida, Ohio & Arizona work with Criminal Justice personnel, state government, Narcotics Anonymous World Services, and each other to provide FREE NA e-literature to 85,000 potential members experiencing incarceration?
 Join us - we'll explain who we contacted, what barriers we faced, who were our allies & champions, and how the literature got on the tablets. There will be plenty of time for Q&A. A recording and resource packet will be made available to the Fellowship.

NaeLit2021@gmail.com

Contribute to NAWs here!
 NA.org

