

District 13 Newsletter

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The primary purpose of this newsletter is to carry the message of recovery to alcoholics and practice the AA principles in all it's affairs. This newsletter's goal is to support a more informed community within AA as it serves District 13.

Tradition 3

"The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.."

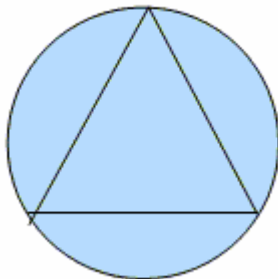
BRINGING IN THE NEW YEAR 2010

Contributed by Jeanne L.

I had the gift of spending New Year's eve at the Wilson House. It was truly an amazing experience. There were six of us that went. We stayed at a motel near the home. On New Year's eve they hosted a pot luck supper. We brought up finger sandwiches and crock pots with chili and kielbasa. There was plenty of food. A disc jockey played until 11:30PM and yes we all did a lot of dancing. They stopped playing the music at 11:30 so we could have a meeting until 11:58, put the TV on to watch the ball come down, they had drawings for different packages and books, and someone from our group won a free seminar weekend. After the drawing we had a gratitude meeting.

I could not think of a better place to end one year and start a new year then the Wilson House. We met some wonderful people from New York, Pennsylvania and the surrounding areas. The next day we went to the cemetery but were unable to go to Bill and Lois's site because of the amount of snow they had. I hope next year I can celebrate the beginning of 2011 the same way I celebrated bring in 2010. There were approximately 100 people to help bring in the New Year.

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Dates to remember (more on back page):

**District 13 Meeting – Wednesday March 17, 7pm
at the Merrimack YMCA**

**Area Committee Meeting – February 21 1-4pm Area
Committee Meeting Hooksett Area 43 Office**

**Area Assembly -- Pre-Conference Assembly
hosted by District 19 (Keene) March 27, Saturday 8am-4pm**

This is our newsletter. Please send comments or submissions to the Newsletter to newsletter@district13.org

The deadline for April Edition will be March 12, 2009.

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I hope some day all you folks have the opportunity to do the same. I have gained so much peace and serenity from going there.

I wish every one a Happy Sober New Year

In service, your trusted servant

Jeanne L. District 13 DCM

Editors Note: **T**he Wilson House is the Birthplace of Bill W., the co-founder of Alcoholics Anonymous. In November of 1995, the Wilson House was added to the National Register of Historic Places. This designation protects the House for generations to come.

The Wilson House has been lovingly restored and is being maintained as a living memorial to Bill W., as a place of sanctuary where people can come to give thanks to God for their new lives. You can visit and stay for a night or two, as the house functions as a Bed and Breakfast. AA Meetings for visitors are held on a daily basis.

For reservations call 802-362-5524. For more information please write to Wilson House P.O. Box 46, East Dorset, VT 05253, or go to <http://www.wilsonhouse.org> or e-mail at WILSONHOUSE_532@comcast.net.

**Spirituality Workshop to be held
Saturday Feb 20 from 1-4pm at the UU
Church in Nashua (corner of Lowell and
Canal Streets).**

Bring an open mind and participate with speakers who have volunteered to share their experience finding strength in a Higher Power. Coffee and light refreshments will be served.

Note: This event is Sponsored by the District 13 Function Committee which meets Thursdays 6-7pm at the Church of the Good Shepard on Main St Nashua.

District 13 January 2010 Meeting Minutes: Want to know more or get active? Stop by our next meeting Merrimack YMCA on March 17 at 7pm. All members of AA are needed and welcome to attend.

Over 30 GSR, Chairs, and Friends of Bill attended, and we opened at 7:00pm with the Srenity Prayer. Jeanne chaired her first meeting as incoming DCM, and already had material for Treatment, Corrections and PI/CPC chairs. Jeanne plans to attend the monthly area meeting this Sunday in Hooksett and a number of people indicated they were going with her, so some car pooling was being discussed.

Main topics covered were the Alkathon (chair-Steve). Turns out they Alkathon raised quite a bit of money above expenses (\$2,700.00 per Alkathon Treasurer- Andy) so the District will need to make donations to reduce the cash it has on hand to the "Prudent Reserve" of \$3000.00.

Corrections Committee (Chair-Allison reported that she is going to find out more about the job.

Function committee (Chair-Keith) already has a Spirituality workshop planned for Saturday Feb 20 from 1-4pm, and are looking for people willing to share how they work on the spirituality. Keith has booked the UU Church in Nashua for one Function per month thru 2010. The Function Committee meets Thursdays 6-7pm at the Church of the Good Shepard.

Treatment (Chair-Glen) reported he has contacted Area 43 Treatment Chair and is going to receive a list of Treatment Venues in District 13.

Webmaster (Chair-Tim) reported he is in process of revamping the nhaa13.org website. He also wants District chairs to supply updated emails so he can update the contacts page on the website.

Newsletter- (Chair-John) is seeking stories from District 13 people related to what sobriety means to them and how they work the AA program.

Finally, we reviewed the Budget for 2010. We voted to raise the amount for the newsletter to cover the real cost of printing 250 copies each month (\$82.50).

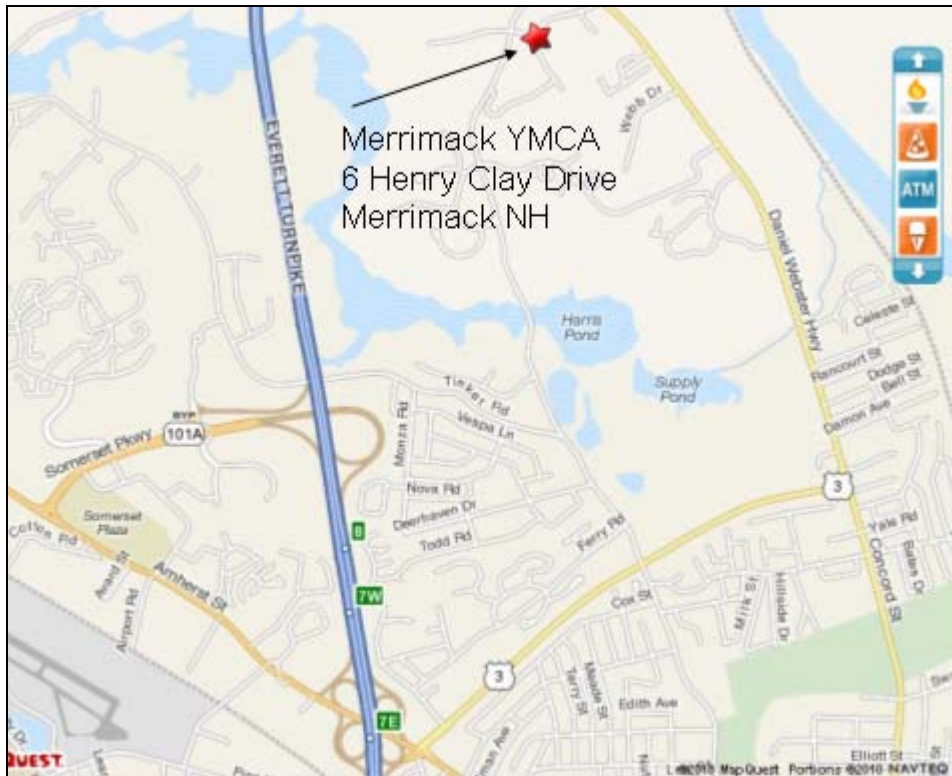
Closed with the Responsibility Statement around 8pm.

75th AA Anniversary to be celebrated July 1-4 in San Antonio, Texas

With the theme "A Vision for You." A.A. members and guests from around the world will celebrate A.A.'s 75th year at this event with big meetings held Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday morning in the Alamodome. Other meetings, scheduled or informal, will take place throughout the weekend in the San Antonio Convention Center and local hotels.

For more info: <http://www.aa.org/subpage.cfm?page=199>

For info about San Antonio: <http://www.visitsanantonio.com/AA2010/index.aspx>



MERRIMACK GROUP 36 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Monday, March 15, 2010
Merrimack YMCA
6 Henry Clay Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054

7:00 – 8:00 pm Coffee & Buffet
8:00 – 9:15 pm Guest Speakers

Mark Your Calendar 44th Annual AA Convention Area 43 (NH)

Rocketed into the Fourth Dimension

**April 16, 17, and 18, 2010
Courtyard Marriott-Nashua, NH
Registration of \$22 in advance/\$25 walk in
More info: http://www.nhaa.net/events/2010_Convention.pdf**