

Call my Sponsor**John O.**

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I began to realize that my true teachers were not out to condemn me, but to lift me up beyond the negativity of my own making. They're not a pity pot, or a pat on the back mind you, but a wealth of experience and knowledge beyond my own. Leading by way of example, truly listening, understanding, and loving me unconditionally.

Yes there are moments when sponsors have confronted me on some of my character defects...One used humor as a way of getting me to put away the false pride and ego, and help me see things differently. It's not people, places and things; so much as it's my attitude about them, (which is sometimes the only thing I can get help for). Cultivating gratitude for life. Much of sobriety and even in our groups, we may learn through trial and error. A good sponsor, I think will share their experience, rather than offer advice. I find today I'm more able to be honest with my sponsor, and get to the nitty gritty about what is going on. Usually I have allowed fear of some sort to enter my mind, and I have not been faithful to trusting my Higher Power, God.

It's up to me to listen and hopefully learn from my sponsor and others; striving for the perfect objective which is of God. And so I do much of the same as what my sponsors over the years have done with me, when I work with people.

***Save the Date: get active and join us at the District Meeting:
Wednesday Dec 21, 2011 7pm
At the Merrimack YMCA off DW Highway.
All AA members encouraged to attend!!
More info: www.nhaa13.org***

Lord, take me where You want me to go;
Let me meet who You want me to meet;
Tell me what You want me to say; and
Keep me out of your way.

Father Mychal Judge - FDNY - died 9/11/01

District 13 Election results from Oct19, 2011.

Elections were held in October and it is great to report that all chair positions were filled. There will be a lot of people who could use help in their new roles. The idea is if we can all pitch in a little bit, the tasks become fun instead of drudgery, and we all come away with satisfaction of having given a little bit of ourselves in return for getting our lives back. Won't you please come to a few District meetings and see what might spark your interest? Just being on the Hot Line list, or helping with a Function as a greeter, writing an article for the newsletter, sending your groups anniversary party info to the District website are just a few ideas that you can noodle on to think about what you can do.

District 13 Service Election Results from Oct 19, 2011

Incoming

DCM - John N (formerly Newsletter)

DCM-Alternate- Bert G.

Secretary- Crystal (?)

Treasurer- Elieen V.

Registrar - Anne Marie B

Alkathon -Mike O

Corrections - Sean S

Funtions - Mike O

Grapevine - Beth

Hotline rep - Carrie R

LCM - Jeanne S (former DCM)

Newsletter - Tim (formerly webmaster)

PI/CPC - Gail C

Treatment - Shawn C

Webmaster - June B

Thanks go out to everyone who pitched in over the last 2 years to help make District 13 a great place to get active and recover! Some of the things we can be proud of is our Hot Line response, website, newsletter, and many functions including movies, workshops on service, relapse, meditation, spirituality, BBQ , and recently hosting the Area Conference. After the Alkathon, we will be looking to see what other ideas you have to help your groups and fellow AA's carry the message.

2011 District 13 ALKATHON - 33 hours of continuous meetings!!!



**From noon December 24 thru 9pm December 25
Hudson Community Center 12 Lions Ave, Hudson NH
Featuring:**

- * Lunch at noon December 24, Breakfast at 7:30-9:30am on December 25
- * Round the clock meetings sponsored by area AA groups (selected by lottery drawing).
- * Fellowship, Food, Fun, Sobriety, Friends old and new!!!!
Want to help out? Volunteers and Donations of all kinds are needed. The Alkathon committee needs you!!!
They meet Thursdays in December 1,8,15,22^{at} Church of the Good Shepard, Main St Nashua 6-7pm. Spread the word!!!

For More Events and info, check out the NH AA Area Web Site:
<http://www.nhaa.net>

and click on:
Area District and Group Events

Please email AA event info to: newsletter@nhaa13.org
or use snail mail:
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The deadline for Dev 2011 Edition will be Friday November 11, 2011.