

STRAIGHT HOPE

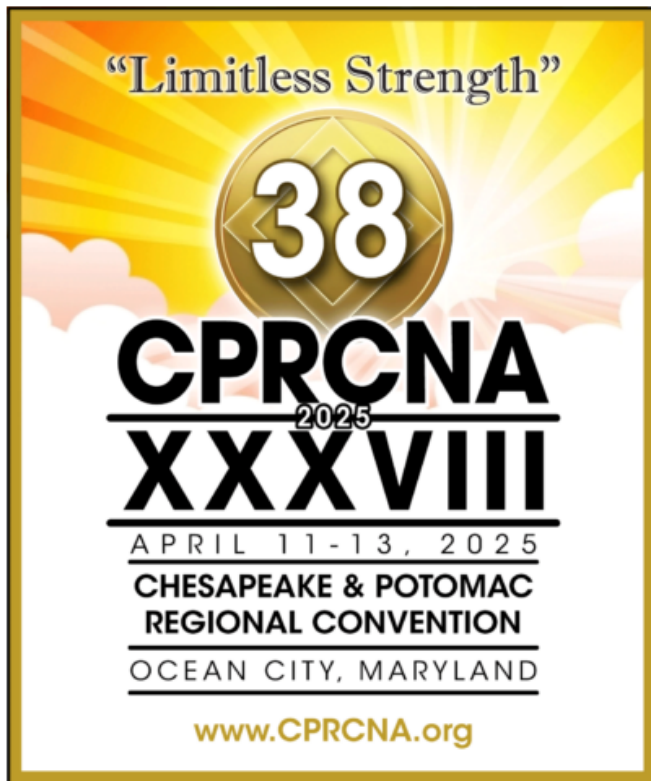
The Montgomery Area Newsletter...a meeting in print

\$\$ Priceless \$\$

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Register Early for CPRCNA!

\$30 early registration for our Regional Convention is until **February 9th, 2025**. Besides the reduced price, you also get a **FREE** NA gift along with your registration.



Note to Self: *I am an addict every day, but today I choose to be a recovering addict. I'm willing to do what's necessary to care for my spiritual condition and stay watchful over my program.*

Email Art, Articles, Anniversaries & NA Announcements to: straighthope@cpma.org

Subcommittee meets **4th Sunday @ 8pm**: Meeting ID: 876 1298 6083 PW:749698

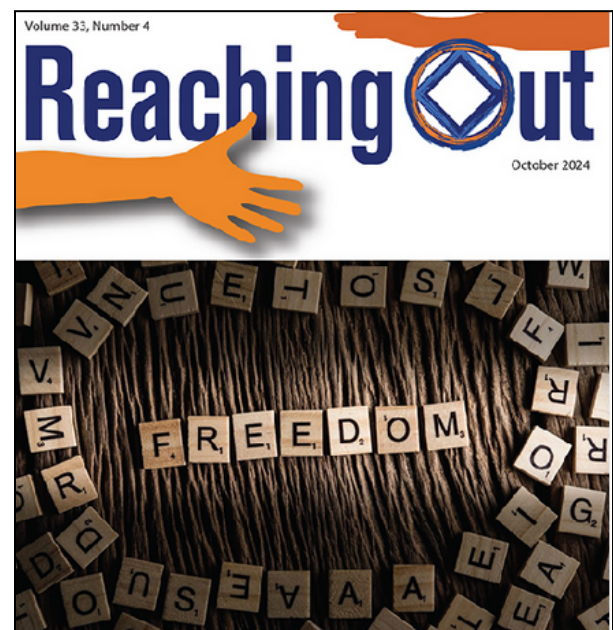
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SCAN TO GET YOUR COPY OF "STRAIGHT HOPE" ONLINE!!!



Thanksgiving Dinner on pg 4!



The October "Reaching Out is Out!"

Reaching Out is a free quarterly magazine that helps incarcerated addicts connect to the NA program of recovery. You can now read the October issue, print copies for local H&I service, or subscribe for printed issues at: www.na.org/reachingout.

Submissions are welcome too! Share your experience! pr@na.org.

Step of the Month

Step 11: “We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.”



Living Miracles

11/7 Quoc N. 12 yrs Off the Beaten Path
11/15 Fred S. 35 yrs Older Toddlers
11/15 George M. 34 yrs Older Toddlers
11/16 Chris R. 1 yr Fresh Start
11/16 Doug F. 34 yrs Off the Beaten Path
11/17 Jamal 1 yr Sunday Morning Spiritual
11/20 Russell M. 16 yrs HOW Group
11/25 Melanie L. 2 yrs Oasis
11/26 Nathaniel C. 6 yrs All About Change
11/29 Greg H. 9 yrs Live and Let Live
11/30 Andrew Z. 7 yrs Fresh Start
12/1 Carey 39 yrs Sunday Morning Spiritual
12/1 Marvin M. 37 yrs The Close Sunday
12/1 Beck J. 1 yr Today's Recovery
12/3 Kendall W. 2 yrs All About Change
12/4 Rosalyn C. 30 yrs NA at Noon
12/6 Galen T. 11 yrs Older Toddlers
12/8 Maddy M. 4 yrs Today's Recovery
12/10 Jay H. 6 yrs All About Change
12/15 Roosevelt 33 yrs Sunday Morn Spiritual
12/15 Kimmi R. 2 yrs Today's Recovery
12/16 Jerry R. 8 yrs Oasis
12/22 Jody W. 3 yrs Today's Recovery

My sponsor suggested that Step 11 aims to clear barriers in my communication between myself and the God of my understanding. No matter how much or how little I felt connected to God, Step 11 encouraged me to seek to improve that conscious contact through prayer and meditation.

~ Ben C.

Tradition of the Month

Tradition 11: “Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.”

We want the public to respect Narcotics Anonymous and view us as a resource to recover from the disease of addiction. Tradition 11 teaches us that we can't make promises or promotional claims about NA or present ourselves as representatives of 12-Step recovery. A temptation once getting clean is to announce to the world this good news.

~ Ben C.



NA Related Announcements



Do you live near a Library or Police Station? Help carry the Message!! Public Relations does “lit drops” all around Montgomery County. If you want to help, email na-montgomery@cprna.org and let them know!

Are You a GSR, an Alt GSR, or an Interested Member? We have a new GSR folder with a TON of great information for GSRs and groups! We have a [GSR Information folder](#) and a new [GSR Report Form](#). If you can't locate these documents, email masc@cprna.org and ask for them.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Way of NA is changing locations. Starting 11/26, they will meet on Tuesdays at 5pm at Millian Memorial UMC, 13016 Parkland Dr., Rockville, MD since **Rockville Metro Club**'s location is no longer available.

Free Yourself needs support! Sat., 12 noon, Woodside UMC, 8900 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD

Get Down group needs support! Fri. 8:30 pm, Zoom ID: 86570165126; Passcode: getdown

Never Alone needs support! Wed., 7:30 pm, 9801 Centerway Rd., Montgomery Village, MD

Women Do Recover added a speaker to their format and needs support. Tues., 7pm, 9727 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD, Rear Door, Room 133.

¿Habla Español? Please come out to support! **Solo Por Hoy** (Thu., 7:15 pm) & **Béisbol** (Mon., 6 pm).

Freedom in the Village is hybrid the 1st Wednesday of each month, 7:30am to 8:30 am. 9801 Centerway Rd., Montgomery Village, MD & Zoom ID: 823 5857 7621; Passcode: 685408.

GET TO A MEETING!

Area Meeting Lists can be printed off our webpage <https://www.cprna.org/?current-meeting-list=8>, mailed to you by requesting them from na-montgomery@cprna.org, or may be obtained from Danny O. when you make a literature order.

Regional Meetings Lists can be printed off the webpage <https://www.cprna.org/na-meetings/>, mailed to you by requesting them from na-montgomery@cprna.org, or may be obtained from Danny O. when you make a literature order as well.

NAWS Meeting Finder: Find meetings around the world: <https://webdata.na.org/phoneweb/>

Opportunities to Serve!

Area Service Nominations & Elections: Montgomery Area still has several service opportunities available: Alternate Secretary, RCM Alternate, and many Area Liaisons. Email masc@cprna.org for more info.

Phoneline Training: Online training for the Phoneline is happening Saturday, November 9th from 4pm to 5pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 889-6094-3392, Passcode: PHONE.

NA World Services on Instagram! <https://www.instagram.com/narcoticsanonymous/>



The NA World Services (NAWS) [narcoticsanonymous Instagram](#) account shares a lot of interesting information. The cool “WCNA 38 By The Numbers” and the “Membership Survey” are just two out of HUNDREDS of NA graphics! There’s also a [nagobalevents Instagram](#)!

Our Membership Survey...NAWS launches a survey of our diverse, dynamic Fellowship at every world convention. The survey results help us better carry the message, find out “who is missing,” and educate professionals about the people and the program of NA. Please fill out a survey and encourage others to. It’s posted at www.na.org/survey in 7 languages until **January 31, 2025**.

EVENTS

NA events can be found at: <https://www.instagram.com/naglobalevents/> and <https://www.cprna.org/event-calendar/>

FREE STATE REGION 

FSRCNA 30
"Beyond Our Wildest Dreams"
NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 1, 2024
Hyatt-Regency Inner Harbor
Baltimore, Maryland

Check Out the DEALS & REGISTER HERE!

ALL 5 MEALS including BANQUET \$120.00
Profits Last Year Lowered Food Prices This Year
ALL MEALS Discounted by 40% for the 1st 150 SOLD

PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY \$10.00
for Members with LESS than 3 Years Clean Time
\$20.00 for Members with OVER 3 years Clean Time
Friday & Saturday Nite Surprise Events - TBD
Hyatt-Regency Rooms @ Cost - \$115.00/nite

SCAN ME TO  REGISTER!
OR GO ONLINE
fsrcna30-2024.square.site

*Celebrate Recovery
with Your NA Friends*

MONTGOMERY AREA SPECIAL EVENTS PRESENTS



A Thanksgiving Gratitude Gathering

10am-6pm Thursday, November 28, 2024

Christ the Servant Church
9801 Centerway Road
Gaithersburg, MD

**Come join in the Food, Fun
and Thanksgiving Fellowship!**

Meetings at: 11:00am, 1:00pm & 4:00pm.

If possible, please bring food or a dessert to share.

Cash Donations can be sent via Venmo to:
@Natalie-Gitelman or Cash App: \$Specialevents007

For more information contact:
Brad S. - (540) 272-8899 or Suzanne W - (240) 793-1799



**PHONE
LINE
TRAINING**

**NOV 9TH
4-5 PM EST**


ZOOM ID# 889 6094 3392
PW: PHONE

Contact: Tammy G 419.699.1563
or Frank G 703.598.0459

EAST OF THE RIVER AREA OF NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY MARATHON

THE THERAPEUTIC VALUE OF ONE ADDICT HELPING ANOTHER IS WITHOUT PARALLEL



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2024 - AT 12PM - 7PM

ST. FRANCIS XAVIOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
2815 O STREET SE
WASHINGTON DC 20020

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DONATIONS ARE WELCOME /DINNER WILL BE SERVED