

STRAIGHT HOPE

The Montgomery Area Newsletter...a meeting in print

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Our Region recently voted to join the North East Zonal Forum (NEZF). Get to know your new Zone...learn more about **OUR ZONE**:

Northeast Zonal Forum
of Narcotics Anonymous

nezf.org

GET INTO THE ZONE

nezf.org

2/11: Women Do Recover Meeting Anniversary!

2/14: New Meeting Starts At Progress Place!

6-9pm EST
Come to the back in the parking lot. Please call don't text

WOMEN DO RECOVER

9727 Georgia Ave
Silver Spring, MD 20910

February 11, 2025
ALL IS WELCOME WHEN ARRIVED
PLEASE CALL
AZELIA P. (301)300-4661
KATRINA J. (240)381-6936 or
Joy T. (240)405-0694

WOMEN DO RECOVER 11th ANNIVERSARY!!

Narcotics Anonymous

Starting 2/14/25!

Progress Not Perfection

Fridays 3:30PM- 4:30 PM

Progress Place
8106 Georgia Avenue, Room 205
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Parking is limited

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

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Step of the Month

Step 2: "We came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity"

I almost start to laugh at those that knock on my door and want to "inform" me of all the details about God. Funny, it seems that those that most want to tell me about their God seem to be the least interested in hearing my ideas on the matter.



~ Ben C.

Tradition of the Month

Tradition 2: "For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern."



Living Miracles

2/1 Adelita J. 32 yrs. Beachcombers
2/3 Diane L 13 yrs. Staying Alive
2/6 Dave D. 30 yrs Crossroads
2/7 Tim L. 5 yrs. Older Toddlers
2/9 Alex C. 6 yrs Progress in NA
2/10 Abby A. 4 yrs Oasis
2/11 Women Do Recover Group Anniversary
2/25 Susie H. 40 yrs. Meeting Makers Make It
2/16 Mike C. 38 yrs Sun Morning Spiritual
2/16 Ben F. 7 yrs Today's Recovery
2/16 Beth C. 40 yrs The Alternative
2/16 Dave M. 40 yrs The Alternative
2/16 Danny S. 8 yrs The Alternative
2/17 Graham H. 5 yrs Oasis
2/21 Ellen C. 35 yrs One Step at a Time
2/21 Ryan E. 10 yrs. Older Toddlers
2/22 Teresa S. 35 yrs The Gut Bucket
2/22 Thom E. 32 yrs The Gut Bucket
2/22 Thaddeus M. 30 yrs Uptown
2/22 Eric W. 30 yrs Uptown
2/23 Dwight S. 35 yrs Progress in NA
2/23 Natalie 14 yrs Talking Heads
2/23 Bill H. 39 yrs Talking Heads
2/24 Abby A. 4 yrs Oasis
2/26 Jack L. 8 yrs Gentlemen's Club
3/1 Al G. 8ys Share on Saturday
3/2 Tom M. 15 yrs Today's Recovery
3/17 Barbara B. 38 yrs Why Be High
3/21 Rich M. 24 yrs. Live and Let Live
3/21 Brie S. 27 yrs. Live and Let Live
3/21 Kim. L. 28 yrs. Live and Let Live

Our latest issue approved by my home group is to return to in-person meetings from our Zoom platform as the COVID-19 pandemic subsides. We decided not to require face coverings as mask requirements have loosened in our county. We also voted to go hybrid and continue the Zoom meeting at the in-person meeting by utilizing a large-screen TV.
~ Ben C.

NA Related Announcements

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women Do Recover is hosting an eating meeting for their Group's anniversary on **Tuesday, February 11, 6pm-9pm** 9727 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring, MD
New Meeting! Progress Not Perfection starts **Fri. 2/14 @ 3:30 PM** at Progress Place, 8106 Georgia Ave., Room 205, Silver Spring, MD. Parking is limited.
New Way of NA, Tuesdays at 5pm has moved to Millian Memorial UMC, Outreach Recovery, 13016 Parkland Dr., Rockville, MD.
A Good Deal needs support. **Sat., 7pm**, Zoom ID: 769 038 042; Passcode: 8975309 (like the song!)
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
Freedom in the Village the **first Friday** of each month is a breakfast meeting.
Solo Por Hoy has moved to the Festival Center, 1640 Columbia Rd NW, Washington, DC-Rock Creek Area.

 **Program
hack #7:
Talk to
other
recovering
addicts**

Be in the KNOW! We have a TON of great information for GSRs and groups! Links can be found at <https://www.cprna.org/our-areas/info/montgomery-area/>. If you can't locate these documents, email masc@cprna.org and ask for them.

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 or come to Area Service the 1st Tuesday of each month @ 7:30 PM: Zoom ID: 876 1298 6083; Password: 749698

Regional Service Committee Meeting: Saturday, February 8th Hosted by the South Potomac
Open Regional service opportunities: Vice Chair, Vice Treasurer, Secretary, Vice Secretary, Convention Oversight Comm At-Large Reps 1 & Rep 2, H&I Vice Chair, Literature Chair & Vice Chair, Policy Chair & Vice Chair, Special Events Vice Chair, Free State Regional Service Office Rep 1.

Regional Convention

Register early for the 2025 convention and save! Pre-Registration only \$25



APRIL 11-13, 2025
Ocean City, Maryland



See you next year!

CHESAPEAKE & POTOMAC REGIONAL CONVENTION

**\$25 EARLY
REGISTRATION
FOR CPRCNA
ENDS 2/9!**

www.cprcna.org



CPRCNA 39 (2026 convention) meets the second Thursdays, 7 PM, Zoom Meeting ID 84914728396; No passcode.

EVENTS

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

CENTRAL MARYLAND SPECIAL EVENTS PRESENTS...

SWEETHEART VALENTINE'S DANCE

Dress to IMPRESS!

02.15.25
8 PM - 12 AM

TICKETS
\$10 in advance
\$15 at the door

Food and Entertainment Services provided by:
Art by Art Photography
DJ D-Nice
Rena Catering Services

Saturday, 2/15 8PM-Midnight

Trinity Lutheran Church, 6600 Laurel - Bowie Road,
Bowie, MD 20715

Cost: \$10 – \$15

344 P (443)359-8401

CPRSC Meeting

Saturday, February 8, 2025

Subcommittees	10 AM – NOON
Lunch	12:00 PM
Meeting	1 PM - 6 PM

HOSTED BY: South Potomac Area

Carolina Church
9901 Allentown Road
Fort Washington, MD 20744

(across the street from Friendly High School, drive around to rear of church)

Narcotics Anonymous
Chesapeake & Potomac Region

C&P Region Tech Talk

Sunday, February 23, 2025
12 Noon—2 PM

Learn about the technology the C&P Region uses to carry the message. Exchange ideas on performing service. Find out how you can carry the message too!

Regional Technologies: Google Drive, Websites, Phonline, BMLT, Meeting Lists, etc.

Meeting ID: 671 727 103
Passcode: 654321

Questions? Contact Anne E. or Tammy G.
info@cprna.org

CONVENTIONS IN 2025!



MAHHCNA * February 7-10
Sonesta White Plains, 66 Hale Avenue, White Plains, NY



NEFACNAXVI * February 21-23
Sheraton Baltimore North, 903 Dulaney Valley Road, Towson MD
<https://www.nefacna.com>



Circle of Sisters * March 28-30
"Dancing with Purpose & Grace"
Anchorage, AK 99501
<https://www.circleofsisters.org/>



CPRCNA 38 * April 10-12
"Limitless Strength"
[Roland E. Powell Convention Center](https://www.cprna.org)
Ocean City, MD
www.cprna.org