HOLIDAY AA EVENTS



CHRISTMAS Alcathon STAMFORD Re-Al Club 1184 Newfield Ave, Stamford CT-lower level of Convent Building St Cecilia Sunday Christmas Eve 2pm through Monday Christmas Day 10am

CHRISTMAS Alcathon BRANFORD Italian American Club-40 Hamre Lane Dec 24th 10:30 am- -Dec 25th 10 am

Christmas Alcathon MANCHESTER Pathfinders Club, 102 Norman St. 6 PM Christmas Eve – 6 PM Christmas

New Year's Eve Alcathon STAMFORD Re-Al Club 1184 Newfield Ave, Stamford CT-lower level of Convent Building St Cecilia December 31 2pm through January 1 10am

New Year's Eve Alcathon DANBURY Fellowship Center-15 Great Pasture Rd Every hour on the hour from Sunday December 31st at 4 pm to Monday Jan 1ST.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 16-18, 2024 CAME 2 BELIEVE CONFERENCE (www.came2believeaa.org) STRATFORD HARTFORD HOTEL 1 BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL WAY WINDSOR LOCKS

IAFC news.

December 2023



INTERGROUP BOARD REACHES FULL ROSTER

After over two years of operating without a full Board of Directors, four key positions were finally filled at the December 3rd Board Meeting.

"God has done for us what we could not do for ourselves!" said Michele IAFC Chair. "We have worked so hard to get the word out on how important a fully functioning board is needed. Now we can move forward faster in our mission of carrying the AA message to the alcoholic who still suffers."

Newly elected members are Anne for Treasurer (New Life) Chris for Public Information Chair (Common Solutions) Tara for Group Liaison (Common Solutions) and Peter for Corrections and Treatment Chair (Common Solutions).

"Getting to a full roster was a team effort but a special shout out to Brian (Fellowship Chair) who rallied enthusiasm from his home group Common Solutions and to Bill W (Representatives Chair) who kept the need alive at the rep level," said Laura B, Recording Secretary. "We want to start 2024 with every position filled.

There are still a few very important roles without leaders including the Phones Hot Line Chair. Please consider being of service.

Other December Board Meeting Highlights

IAFC display hotline ads now on area	Speakers Exchange held in
busses through holidays	November had largest turnout yet
	this year. Save the date March 9th
Norwalk IAFC office to close end of	The Legacy Breakfast was
the year for renovations. Details on	recruitment central for new board
temp office to follow	members and great fellowship
IAFC newsletter to continue as	Chair Michele sent letters of
electronic version only. All are	gratitude with activity updates to
welcome to contribute	contributing AA groups not in
	attendance at Rep Meetings.

February 22-25, 2024 NERAASA (NE Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly. (www.neraasa.org) Hershey Lodge, Hershey PA.

APRIL 12, 2024 BECAME WILLING 12 STEP RETREAT— Narcotics Anonymous Incarnation Retreat Center 253 Bushy Hill Deep River CT



Board Positions still to be filled: Internal Publications Chair Hot Line Chair

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT IAFC in action?

ZOOM into a meeting first Wednesday of the month. This follows the Rep Meeting (7:30 pm) approximately 8pm For dial in code, contact Bill www.representative@iafc-aa.org.

Reflections on Thanksgiving Alcathon



AA Area phone service to move to new centralized system, with one phone number and one contact	Literature now on racks at local police stations around the area
Financials below	
Starting balance = \$22,2013	Net Income Oper Exp = \$-2252
Ending balance = \$19761	Literature sales = \$0
Total Income = \$370	Funds in excess = \$3086

December fun fact:

The Serenity Prayer's Long History

The search for the actual author of the Serenity Prayer has been a tantalizing game of hide and seek with researchers, both in and out of AA for decades. Historians think it may have originated as far back as 450 AD in Consolations of Philosophy by_Roman philosopher Boethius.

GOT NEWS? Please send event and meeting announcements, as well as AA info and trivia to Laura (secretary@iafc-aa.org) for inclusion in January newsletter.



Happy holidays from all of us at IAFC

Michele, Laura, Bill, Brian, Maude, Doug, Jamil, Tracy, Erica, Chris, Tara, and Anne

"And we know in our souls when it comes to our worth it does not make us weak for needing a reminder of this truth: This is all a part of being guided right where we need to be being lifted to the light that our hearts forever need."-*Morgan Harper Nichols*

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"For AAs struggling with sobriety the holidays can be a time of isolation, regret and temptations" reports Brian IAFC Fellowship Chair. "The idea behind the Thanksgiving Alcathon is to give AAs someplace safe to go during the holiday. Overheard at our event in Norwalk about 2am was 'I am so grateful I have a place to go.' It doesn't get any better than that."



