

Mid-City Area



M.C.A
Monthly Social
 At
HOMAN SQUARE

3333 W. Arthington
 FRIDAY May 25, 2007
 8:00 pm – 2: 00 am

Come out and *experience* the message of recovery given by grateful members. Followed by Card Playing, Dancing, good clean fun, and fellowshiping.

\$6.00 all night
 Free Parking!!

Refreshments will be sold
 (Recovery facilities donation is \$3.00)
 Unity is a must in Narcotics Anonymous

COME OUT AND SUPPORT THE
 FELLOWSHIP



For further info contact
 REC&ACT. Chairperson
 MADALYN B. @ 773 440-2917

NEXT SOCIAL will be back on the 4th
Saturday June 22nd, 2007



Need help? **CALL** Narcotics Anonymous day or night @ 708-848-4884 and talk to a recovering Addict or you could E-mail us

@

www.chicagona.org

COMING SOON..

M.C.A
 ANNUAL PICNIC
 July 28th, 2007

At
COLUMBUS PARK
 Grove, No# 7
 from

Dawn til Dusk
 All members that are interested in serving on this committee.

Contact: Diana V.

@

312-296-4237

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

"The Journey Continues..."
 With C.R.C XX

In 2008,

For more Information visit

www.chicagona.org

Or Contact:

Convention Information

Tony B. @ 773/354-4746

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS
 32 YEARS IN CHICAGOLAND



“OLD SCHOOL PARENTS....”

A Power Greater than Ourselves.

Many of us use spiritual principles as a power greater than ourselves.

(Step 2. How & Why pg. 21)

Growing up in the 60's and 70's, mine's and my friend's parents, in the hood tried to develop some “Sanity” in me, and those around the same age group.

They were *loving and caring* parents, when I did wrong not only would I get disciplined by my parents, and the parents in the neighborhood would discipline me too! They lived by the “rule of thumb” that was probably in bedded within them by their parents, and passed to us, as we now know they to be.....

Spiritual principles.

Parents Said

spiritual principles

- Stop lying----- Honesty
- Did you even try -----willingness
- You don't know everything-----open-mindedness
- It get better-----trust, hope, faith
- Don't be stingy-----sharing, giving
- You woke-up today-----grateful
- You'll just have to want-----patience
- What can you do about it-----acceptance
- Try feeling their lost
- Walk in their shoes then)-----empathy
- Tell me how you feel?

This is just a few saying I can remember' off- hand', Maybe you can recall a few yourself. This article was written not for the purpose of being debated over or analyzed. It just to shared information that I'm just like everyone else when it comes to his or her own understanding of the program.

Keep Coming Back

Rudy B.

Everything To Gain

I was convinced early in my life that no one truly cared for or loved me. I would go to whatever extremes necessary to gain any type of friendship. I found myself among those who used drugs. I wanted what they had.

As I used, I began losing family, friends, possessions, and self-respect. I was in the process of a divorce when I began another relationship, but I didn't trust myself, so how could I trust anyone eles?

My finances were in ruin as well. I pawned everything I owned. I should have been the owner of the store because so much of what was in there was mine. I was always able to keep a job, but everything I earned went to drugs. I had the desire to stop using, but didn't know how. I had relied on myself for too long. I developed into a controlling, self-centered, inconsiderate woman. I was killing myself.

A moment of clarity sank in one day when five friends came to my apartment. One had fifty cents; another had a quarter, and amoung all of us, we had five dollars.

Though we were all hungry, needless to say we didn't purchase food, and the drugs we bought simply made the cravings worse. I realized my drug use was only a small symptom of my problem. I needed help. I knew I couldn't do this anymore. I was desperate and needed to surrender my will for **God's** will in my life. I had tried to keep a home, a job, and my children; but I was powerless. It was when I surrendered that I began my spiritual awakening. In working the steps, I saw that my behavior patterns Had stayed the same. Through working steps four and five, my issues became more apparent and I have been able to understand many defects of character that formerly led me astray; **God's** help also allowed me to overcome many shortcomings.

Steps four and five made the biggest difference in my world. There is no doubt that if I don't change, my clean date will.

F.Y.I

Mid-City Area
Presents

Speaker Jam & Learning Day

Saturday June 23rd, 2007

@

Homan Square Café

33333 W. Arthington

12:00 Noon until 7:00 pm

Come out to support this speaker
jam, and learn more about the
program of
Narcotics Anonymous

The monthly Social will follow

Mid-City Area is face with a dilemma.

There are members who think the monthly
social such return to **fifth city**. M.C.A. monthly
social "as our members know" is currently held
at *Homan Square*.

Mid-City Area Service Committee is asking the
member's, to voice your opinion on this
matter, and become part of the decision
making process in your area.

"WHAT DO YOU THINK", discusses this at
your home group or visit anyone of the 43
meeting in the Mid-city area. You can express
your opinion in N.A. related announcements.
Or you can come to the area service meeting
on the second Sunday of each month at the
C.S.O. OFFICE at 12:00 Noon

*Hope to see you there
All members are welcome*

For further information:
Contact Rec& Act Chair
Madalyn B. @ 773 440-2917
OR
Area Chair
Kevin W. 773 494-5097

**"TRUSTED SERVANTS"
BEWARE**

OF THOSE MEMBERS CHOOSING NOT
TO BE RESPONSIBLE TO THE N.A.
PROGRAM. THIS IS NOT A MISTAKE, A
MISTAKE: IS ONLY A MISTAKE WHEN
YOU DON'T LEARN FROM IT."
HOWEVER" WHEN MEMBERS
CHOOSE TO CONTINUE THEIR
SELFISH BEHAVIOR, WITH THE
SERVICE COMMITMENT THEY HAVE
BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH EFFECTS
N .A. AS A WHOLE THERE ARE
MID-CITY AREA MEMBER. WHO ARE
MISAPPROPRIATING N.A FUNDS,
*Misappropriate: to take or use wrongly
or dishonestly esp. money in which
one is entrusted or to us improperly.*

**"HERE ARE SOME"
MEMBERS**

Ernest A. and Lee Mc.

N.A. funds are to be used to further our
primary purpose and must be managed
responsibly.

ACCOUNTABILITY: is an essential
aspect of responsible. N.A. financial
management when the members of
Narcotics Anonymous provide group,
committees, offices, and conventions
with funds, our service structure is
responsible to account for how those
funds are used.

*When NA members contribute service
funds, they expect their money to be
used carefully, and to be used for the
sole purpose of furthering our primary
purpose. By accepting that
contribution, our groups, service
boards, and committees make a
commitment to use those funds to
carry the NA message, and to manage
them responsibly.*

**CLEAN-DATES****March**

Mark W.	03/03	16yrs.
Norris B.	03/03	16yrs.
Shang	03/04	19yrs.
Brenda I.	03/05	4yrs.
Lloyd M.	03/09	20yrs.
Anthony P.	03/24	12yrs.
Hosea A.	03/25	6yrs.
James K.	03/28	6yrs.

April

Marshall W.	04/05	7yrs.
Otha L	04/06	13yrs.
Denise H.	04/08	15yrs.
Betty W.	04/09	11yrs.
Les T.	04/17	2yrs.
Carl S.	04/19	12yrs.
Anthony A.	04/19	16yrs.
Phyllis C.	04/24	6yrs.
Cynthia G.	04/25	9yrs.

May

Lamon. (reese)	05/01	15yrs.
Rock.	05/01	14yrs.
Amon D.	05/02	13yrs.
Sheldon W.	05/05	3yrs.
Keith D.	05/12	13yrs.
Ken C.	05/21	18yrs.
Eric L.	05/24	12yrs.
Joyce E.	05/26	6yrs.
Carl A.	05/29	14yrs.

CONGRATULATION!!

For addicts any clean day is a successful day.

"KEEP COMING BACK"

BIRTHDAYS**March**

Angelique J.	03/04
Rochelle Mc.	03/04
Arnetia M.	03/09
Lucritia D.	03/11
Joyce E.	03/23
Nashonna J.	03/23
Rick 2	03/25
Ron C.	03/27
Tasha D.	03/31
Kevin A.W.	03/31

April

Anthony A.	04/01
AnnetteR.	04/06
Sheldon W.	04/06
Cornell B.	04/17
Reggie W.	04/18
Anthony Mc.	04/24
April S.	04/23

May

Cornelius H.	05/01
Levi S.	05/03
Keith F.	05/05
Nahomi G.	05/06
Sharon W.	05/09
Vontrell W.	05/11

*If you have any question, comment, or suggestions
Feel free to contact the Newsletter Committee at
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CHARLES M. Chairperson

