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## Mid-City Area Newsletter

## A New Year & New Look!!!

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### Mid City Picnic

Greetings Mid-City members the picnic was a success in spite of unforeseen circumstances, ADHOC wants to inform members the execution of "Mid-City Area Annual Picnic." The picnic is one of the ways we learn how to socialize (creating new relationships), play and exhibit to the community that we, Narcotics Anonymous members do recover. Narcotics Anonymous is a non-profit organization that saying the money that is donated from the members to host the picnic also pays the monthly bills. The amount of food is contingent on the monies donated. Let's start from the beginning shall we. The size of the participants (members) determines the cost of the park rental and the services required to accommodate the members. It's nice if we can have space that will provide privacy from stragglers (Garfield Park 2009). We will itemize the costs for those who have inquires but don't know how to ask. Permit application:\$35.00. Rental fee \$670.00 .Security deposit \$1,000.00 .Before we move on we must inform you that the prices are set for 300 and more participants. Along with the fees there are more services that must be rendered to accommodate the participants such as the following , Ouija Ouida (portal-potty) : \$300.00. Waste Management \$340.00 (15 cubic yard dumpster). We have to hire security to control traffic and a clean-up-crew to remove the trash from park premises. There were not any funds to hire people so we ask volunteers to

help and ADHOC purchased t-shirts (\$96.70) with "Security Volunteer & Clean-up Crew "on them. ADHOC ask for the shirts back because we are a non-profit organization that could not purchase and give away t-shirts and they are for future usage. Now for the sells of the shirts to help to pay for the picnic. The first purchase of t- shirts \$283.00. The second purchase of t- shirts \$98.00. The third purchase of t- shirts : \$286.19. We had to have a truck (a blessing we did not have to pay for a rental just gasoline) to haul the grill that we used. Gasoline \$69.00 .We only had to pay for the grates of the grill \$51.30 cents. There were miscellaneous items that were purchase for the picnic. Now let us thank the members and groups who helped with food. A New way to Live.\$23.00. Growing up all over Again:\$53.00 . An unknown group donated a case of chicken quarters. An individual member 13 packages of hot dogs and a case of chicken quarters (Moo & Oink) .An individual member donated \$801.34 cents. The fund raiser money that ADHOC made at Mid-City Social for the month of May & June did not go to ADHOC. For the month of June Area hands were tied to give ADHOC all the money in the bank to pay for the permit and to start purchasing items for the picnic. For the month of June Area gave ADHOC \$2,450.00 Dollars and July ADHOC was given \$540.00 Dollars. The picnic took place even though a rain storm flooded Tab House basement where the rib tips, chicken quarters, & turkey legs were stored in the base-

## New Committee Members

Chairperson - Archie B.

Policy & Administration - Yulanda T.

Co Chair - Madalyn B.

Treasurer - Mark W.

Secretary - Terry B.

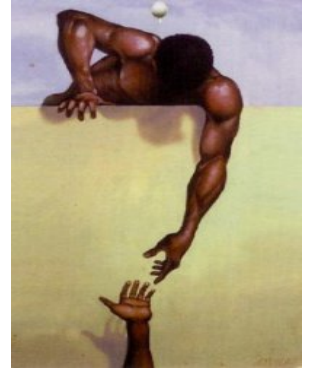
Nominations will be held for all area position in the month of October.

Rec & Act - Chris D.

Flyers and all requirements for positions will be circulated to the groups as soon as possible.

Ad/ Hoc—Open

Literature Chair - De De



**Here's My Hand,  
Let Me Help You Learn To Help Yourself!!!**

## Meetings in need of Support...

A Safe Place at 321 North Mason Fridays 7pm to 9pm. In need of Trusted Servants and support.

U Can't Touch This 4458 W. Jackson In need of Trusted Servants and support. Tuesday, 7:00pm-9:00pm

Hope 1 Zion Hill Church, 1245 S. Ashland .Saturday, 10:00am-12:00pm In need of support.

Total Recovery— Recovery Home 4944 W. Huron. In need of Trusted Servants and support. Wednesday, 7:00pm-9:00pm.

**We Must Always Remain Grateful,  
Thankful and Selfless in Our New Way  
of Life!!!  
All We Have Is...  
"Today"**

Recovery By Any Means Necessary 2425 W. Jackson. Saturday 3:00pm-5:00pm In need of Trusted Servants and support

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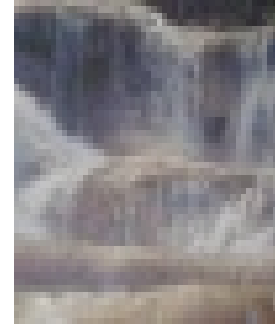
dogs, hamburgers, pans of spaghetti and baked beans being in the refrigerator located in the kitchen. Tables (2) were borrowed from a members friend because the power was out at 1701 1st Ave. Maywood IL. Therefore we were unable to gain access to the building. Water was sold for \$1.00 Dollar as usual at every picnic and juice was distributed to the children for free. Four bags of meat were salvageable once the Tab House basement was cleared of H2O. I, Staci W. have the meat stored in my freezer until Mid-City decides how they want to distribute the meat. Thank you all that gave time out to their busy schedules to transport items, prepare food, drive the chairperson around, help clean the park afterwards, the D.J

who performed for free and everyone who cleaned up behind themselves in the park. Thank you for allowing me you in service work it truly has been rewarding In loving service

Staci W. ADHOC Chairperson

## Birthday Dates...

Ron P. 9/7  
 Yolanda P. 9/7  
 Jackie M. 9/16  
 Deidre C. 9/17  
 Rose R. 9/21  
 Russel W. 10/4



## Clean Dates...

Dora 9/7 23 yrs.  
 Gwenevere T. 9/7 15 yrs.  
 Glenda Michell . 9/7 1yr.  
 Montez E. 9/7 18 mo.

Troy S. 9/15 16 yrs.  
 Minnie P. 9/16 8 yrs.  
 Don B. 9/ 28 9 yrs.  
 Lawrence B. 9/28 12 yrs.  
 Archie B. 10/4 22 yrs.  
 Kristy. 10/3 2yrs.

**Each One...  
 Teach One...  
 But First  
 We Must...  
 Reach One!!!**

## Events... "Coming Up"

**THANKSGIVING MARATHON**  
 No Addict Need Ever Die, is having a Thanksgiving Marathon meeting & Pot Luck. You bring the POT and we'll help you eat it! November 25th, 2010. 8am until 10 pm, 5130 W. 25th Street Cicero, IL More information call Jim (708) 845-7085 or Laura(708) 298-9908.



**Reach Out & I'll Be There.**

**SPEAKER-THON!!!**  
 Little Girls Grows Up And Little Boys Do Too , is having a Speaker-Thon September, 26th ,2010 @ 1244 N. Clybourn. Corner of Division and Clybourn. Parking available in rear of building .

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**We**

### "Just For to Today"

**September 28**      **Hope**  
*"Gradually, as we become more God-centered than self-centered, our despair turns to hope."*      **Basic Text, p.92**

As using addicts, despair was our relentless companion. It colored our every waking moment. Despair was born of our experience in active addiction: No matter what measures we tried to make our lives better, we slid ever deeper into misery. Attempts we made to control our lives frequently met with failure. In a sense, our First Step admission of powerlessness was an acknowledgement of despair. Steps Two and Three leads us gradually out of that despair and into new hope, the companion of the recovering addict. Having accepted that so many of our efforts to change have failed, we come to believe that there is a power greater than ourselves. We believe this power can—

and will—help us. We practice the Second and Third Steps as an affirmation of our hope for a better life, turning to this Power for guidance. As we come to rely more and more on a Higher Power for the management of our day-to-day life, the despair arising from our long experiment with self-sufficiency disappears.

#### **Just for today:**

I will reaffirm my Third Step decision. I know that, with a Higher Power in my life, there is hope.

### " Reflections"

My addiction progressed to the point where I couldn't speak in complete sentences. My mind was fractured, and I wouldn't sleep for days at a time. I began to take to heart what I learned in treatment—go to NA meetings. I threw myself into recovery, and I got a sponsor who taught me to laugh and have fun again without using.

**Basic Text, p158 6th Edition.**

**We are on  
the Web**