

AROUND THE COFFEE POT

NEWS AND UPDATES FROM SERENITY HOUSE OF CHARLEVOIX

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1. Current & Upcoming events

- a. The 8 AM Sunday, Monday, Wednesday & Friday Men's Meetings have been bumped up to 7 AM as of March 15. Please note that the new meeting cards found on the table shows these meetings at 8 AM. Just a reminder; when there are schedule changes proposed, those changes need to be communicated, in a timely manner, to those who are responsible for letting the rest of the world know. We need time (weeks, not hours or even days) to get those changes posted on our web-site and the District 13 web-site as well as our printed hand out material. Thanks
- b. Our new "*lending library*" is currently located on the table near the TV. Feel free to make use of it. There are check-out cards in each book; just fill in the usual library book info and leave the card in the box. These books are a gift from Betty S and were prepped for service by Judy R. Thanks ladies.
- c. The B2B meeting on Wednesday at 6:30 PM is steaming right along with about 20 or so attending each meeting. If you want a new perspective on the Twelve Steps, check this meeting out.
- d. Mark M has put together a core group of guys to chair jail meetings on Wednesday nights at 7:30 PM but could always use and would welcome a few more. The requirements are one year sobriety and no outstanding felony warrants. That shouldn't be too difficult for most of us, should it? Mark promises that they will let you out after an hour. This is great service opportunity. Interested parties can contact Mark at 231 675-5420 or 547-2332.
- e. The Board recently adopted a child policy for the club. You will find it posted in the glass door bulletin board by the door and on the rack on the bookcase.
- f. We've received, gratis, a quantity of congratulatory cards from Awakening Cards Inc. of White Plains, NY. It seems that they are ceasing operations and liquidating inventory. Feel free to use these, for as long as they last, for sober anniversaries. You'll find them on the bookcase.
- g. Board of Directors meeting on Monday 4/12/10 at 5:00pm. Watch for the agenda to be posted at the club.

- h. The state Alanon Convention will be held at Shanty Creek the weekend of May 14-16. There will be opportunities for AA fellowship in conjunction with this event. More to follow.
- i. The state AA Convention is being hosted by District 13 (our district) the weekend of May 28-30 at Boyne Mountain. Plenty of opportunities for some involvement in service work here at the state level. Flyers available on the bookcase.
- j. Open Speaker Meeting on Friday, 3/19/10 with the pot luck starting at 6:30pm and the speaker at 7:15 – 7:30pm. Our speaker this month will be our own Deb N.

2. Monthly Financials

- a. Total Checking & Savings Balance as of 2/1/2010: \$21,943.87
- b. Monthly Income for February 2010: Gross \$1,967.00
- c. Monthly Expenses for February 2010: \$1,577.27
- d. Total Checking & Savings Balance as of 2/28/2010: \$22,333.59

3. Membership

Total current is ninety-three right now although four have lapsed in the last few days. Watch your e-mail for a reminder.

Membership is good for us all. Annual membership is only fifty dollars and can be made by the same envelopes that the meeting chair uses to deposit the basket donation.

And finally, from “The Twelve Steps of a Sponsor”

“I will help you to become more autonomous, more loving of yourself, more excited, less sensitive and freer to continue becoming the authority of your own living.”