

# OPEN THE DOOR

HMB DISTRICT 15 NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 10, 2012 NEWSLETTER #10

Happy December Everyone and I really appreciate your responses for December anniversaries!

**HOLIDAY ALCATHON IN KINGSTON AT BENEDICTINE HOSPITAL FROM 6:00 pm the 24<sup>th</sup> to 6:00 pm the 25<sup>th</sup>. THERE WILL BE FOOD AND BEVERAGES AVAILABLE. OUR VERY OWN BECKY FROM THE HIGHLAND WOMEN'S GROUP WILL BE SPEAKING IN THE MORNING OF THE 25<sup>TH</sup>.**

## OVERHEARD AT A MEETING

>"After 10 years of sobriety, I learned to live (with my mother) without making any comments!"

>"I am not a theist, so for me, I manage to incorporate the third and following steps by replacing 'Higher Power' with, "Love."

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

**Rick, 30 yrs.** and **Zach with 90 days:** New Paltz Nooner, **Chris G., 20 yrs.** and **Adelia, 2 yrs.:** Highland Women's' Group, **Kim, 2 yrs.:** Modena, Celebrants that I missed, please send names to [district15newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:district15newsletter@gmail.com) Thanks!!

## A LETTER FROM OUR DCM:

Dear Friends in the Fellowship,

Hard to believe it's December already and a year since I said "yes" to being your trusted servant at District 15 as DCM. Wanted to express gratitude in November edition of newsletter...service certainly enriches my sobriety but at the same time I am responsible as a member of the Fellowship to DO something and keep this thing going for the next sick and suffering; so for that I am deeply appreciative...

The District is working for you, members of groups in District 15, which consists of 22 groups that include New Paltz, Milton, Highland, Marlboro, Gardiner, Clintondale, Esopus, Modena, Walkill ...not all groups are "active" in the District (have GSRs coming round to District meetings) but there has been a slow increase and steady attendance of about 10-12 members or more show up since last year (about 6-7 GSRs)—I encourage all groups to elect a GSR this year and have their voice at the District and take back District, Area and GSO news to the group.

Recently answering service reps from Districts 7,15,&16 have been hard at work revamping answering service—looks like we will ditch the old service and work again with Family of New Paltz and have live AAs for forwarded calls—very cool—keep you informed—sign up to be on the contact list—contact Cubby at [cubbyfitz@aol.com](mailto:cubbyfitz@aol.com) . We are making contributions from your group contributions to Area and GSO...thank you to all groups who have sent their 7<sup>th</sup> tradition

contribution to the District—more gratitude. As you know, the District also had its first Third Legacy Meet and Greet in October...we will continue the “tradition”...Records are being updated...pamphlets/meeting lists in a treatment center...newsletter published monthly and distributed...treasury has minimum operating expenses and a prudent reserve...our Grapevine rep will hopefully be our District Webmaster for the Area 48 website; there you will be able to access all fliers and news from the District...our secretary diligently records our agenda items and attendance at District meetings...Just some of the work past and in progress for you, members of groups in District 15.

Calling out again for help in service positions at the District starting in 2013. We need a new secretary, treasurer, CPC/PI chair, Treatment chair, Alternate DCM, Special Needs rep, Literature rep...Come to the meeting 12/19 to express interest—someone I guarantee will put the nomination to the floor and you will broaden your Fellowship horizons in the Third Legacy of Service.

Till next time,  
Jeannie S.  
DCM #15

P.S. Remember to sign up for Area Newsletter to receive all fliers and info about upcoming events at the Area and surrounding Districts. Contact William T. at [newsletter@aahmbny.org](mailto:newsletter@aahmbny.org)

### SAVE THE DATES

>**2013 NERAASA:** Friday, February 22 – Sunday, February 24, 2300 Lincoln Hwy East, Lancaster, PA 17602

**Go to [aahmbny.org](http://aahmbny.org) for flyers for other events.**

#### THREE MAILING ADDRESSES FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> TRADITION CONTRIBUTIONS

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RT 30 #114  
118 Polar Plaza  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

General Service Office  
PO Box 459  
Grand Central Station  
New York, NY 10163

HMB District 15  
PO BOX 423  
Milton, NY 12547

**Suggested 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition 40/30/30. 40% HMB District 15, 30% HMB Area, and 30% GSO**

#### WORTH REPEATING

- >The After Eight Meeting in New Paltz now meets at 7:30 pm, not 8:00pm.
- >Service positions just filled: Thank you Ro for accepting the Records position for the district and to Cubby, our district's new Answering Service Rep!

**THERE ARE SEVEN OPEN SERVICE POSITIONS: COME TO 12/19  
DISTRICT MEETING AT 7:00 PM AND GET ELECTED!**

**Yours in service,**

**Susan V.**