

2009/2010
Better Times

Holiday Issue



2009 Winter Season Open House

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Greater Toronto Intergroup

Each year since 1944, AA's gather to attend meetings, greet newcomers, listen to music and enjoy a holiday seasonal lunch all in one location. This year is no different so come on out and celebrate the season with us. The theme is "You are no longer alone" and you certainly won't be amongst 300+ sober AA's.

The agenda for the day will be as follows:

- Doors open for the public at 9:30 am
- Four 45-minute Closed Topic Meetings
- Gratitude Open Speaker Meeting
- Dedicated AI-Anon and AI-Ateen room all day
- Live Music for 1 hour
- Holiday Seasonal Dinner with all the Trimmings from 11:00 am
- Coffee, tea and sweets throughout the day

Volunteers are needed for various positions: cooking, greeting, security, set-up/breakdown, or musical talent. For more info, please contact Vlad at winter@aatoronto.org or 647-992-8592.

Finally, for those who have the means, you may also make donations to the Toronto Intergroup to help pay for the event. Please make cheques payable to "Toronto Intergroup" referencing WSOH on memo line and remit to 234 Eglinton Ave E, Suite 202, Toronto, M4P 1K5, or bring it to the event.

I can't wait to see you all there!

Vlad G., Mississauga Group, 2009 WSOH Chair

WSOH Information:

**Friday, December 25th, 2009
9:30 am to 4:30 pm**

Emmanuel Howard Park United Church
214 Wright Avenue, Northwest corner
of Roncesvalles Ave & Wright Ave

Getting there by TTC:

Take subway to **Dundas West Station**
then board **504 Bus South** and get off at
Wright Avenue. Please note that there is
construction on Roncesvalles that might
delay your commute.

Meeting Announcements for the Holidays

CANCELLED MEETINGS:

Back To Basics: Dec 24 to Jan 6
Freedom Friday: Dec 25 & Jan 1
Gift Of Life: Dec. 29
The Hill Group: Dec 24
Islington: Dec. 25 & Jan 1
Melrose Discussion: Dec. 25
Miracle Discussion: Dec. 25
Mount Royal-York: Dec 22, 24, 29 & 31
No Longer Alone: Dec. 25
Noon: Dec. 18 to Jan. 14
One Day At A Time Disc.: Dec 25 & Jan 1
One Twelve: Dec. 24 & 31
Rainbow: Dec. 25
Recovery: Dec. 24 & 31
Rexdale United: Dec 24
Saturday Morning Discussion: Dec. 19
Six Points Discussion: Dec 24 & 31
Stained Glass: Dec. 25 & Jan 1
Streetsville: Dec. 24 & 31
Twelfth Tradition: Dec 23 & 30
Twelve Steps Discussion: Dec. 24 & 31
U of T Big Book Discussion: Dec. 24 & 31
U of T Open Speaker: Dec. 27
U of T Step Discussion: Dec. 29
Wellesley Group: Dec 25 & Jan 1

OPEN MEETINGS:

Silverbirch Group: Dec 25 & Jan 1
Restoration and Recovery: Dec 25 & Jan 1
The Hill Group: Dec 31
Rexdale United: Dec 31
Leslie: Dec. 24 & 31
Willowdale: Dec. 24 & 31
Shepherd: Dec. 24
Chartwell: Dec. 24 & 31
Sunnyside: Dec. 24 & 31
Welcome Discussion: Dec. 24 & 31
Lakeshore Discussion: Dec. 24 & 31
Beverly Hills: Dec. 25 & Jan 1
Joy of Living: Dec. 25 & 26 (9am-midnight)
Sober & Living It Women's: Dec. 26
Miracle Discussion: Jan. 1
Rainbow: Jan. 1

Don't see a meeting
listed here?

Check the online listings at
www.aatoronto.org for any
additional meeting changes

New Year's Eve Events

Looking for something to do on New Year's Eve? Here are some of the events going on around the GTA...

New Years Eve Diamonds & Ice Celebration: 7:30pm to 1am, at the All Saints Anglican Church, 12935 Keele St in King City. Special Prime Rib & Ham hot buffet dinner will be served, followed by dance. For more information go to www.aatoronto.org

32nd Annual Spiritual New Year's Eve Dance & Potluck Buffet: 8pm at Holy Rosary Parish Hall, 356 St. Clair West. For more information go to www.aatoronto.org

Pine Hills Clean & Sober New Year's Eve Dance: 8pm at St. Paul's United Church, 200 McIntosh St., Scarborough. For more information go to www.aatoronto.org

Candlelight/Gratitude Meetings

Amazing Grace Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Tues. December 15 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Anniversary Group: We will be holding our candlelight meeting on Wed. December 23 at 8pm.

Bayview Group: We will be holding our Holiday Celebration and Open Meeting on Sun. December 13 at 8pm at the Willowdale Christian School, 60 Hilda Avenue. All are welcome!

Beaches Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Tues. December 22 at 8pm.

Bellamy Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Mon. December 21 at 8pm.

Church Street Group: We will be holding our Holiday Luncheon on Sat. December 12 at 12:30pm. All are welcome!

Crossroads Sunday Sharing: Will be holding our Gratitude Meeting on Sun. December 13 at 1:30pm.

Danforth Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Thurs. December 17 at 8pm.

Don Valley Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Tues. December 15 at 8pm. All are welcome!

East York Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Tues. December 22 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Fellowship Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Mon. December 21 at 8pm.

Glenholme Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Mon. December 28 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Golden Mile Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Wed. December 16 at 8pm. All are welcome!

High Park Group: We will be holding our Potluck Candlelight meeting on Sun. December 13 at 7pm at St. John's Anglican Church, 288 Humberside Ave. All are welcome!

The Hill Group: We will be holding our Holiday Meeting on Thurs. December 17 at 8:30pm. All are welcome.

King City Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Mon. December 14 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Lakeshore Discussion Group: Will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Thurs. December 17 at 8pm.

Lakeshore Group: We will be holding our Holiday Party on Sun. December 20 at 8pm.

Lansing Group: We will be holding our Holiday meeting on Sat. December 19. 7pm discussion, 8:30pm open meeting, followed by food and fellowship.

Lighthouse Group: Will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Fri. December 11 at 8:30pm.

Markham Tuesday Group: We will be holding our Holiday Potluck meeting on Tues. December 22 at 7pm. Bring a dish to share!

Markham Village Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Mon. December 21 at 8pm. All are welcome.

Mississauga Women's Group: We will be holding our Candlelight/Gratitude meeting on Wed. December 16 at 7pm at St. Hilary's Church. Bring a dessert to share.

Newcomers' Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Fri. December 11 at 8:30pm. Meeting followed by a potluck buffet.

No Longer Alone Group: We will be holding our Holiday meeting, followed by a potluck dinner on Fri. December 18 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Noon Rap Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Fri. December 11 at 12pm.

One Day At A Time Discussion: We will be holding our Candlelight/Gratitude meeting Fri. December 18 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Parkway Group: Please join us at the Parkway Candlelight/Gratitude Celebration on Mon. December 14 at 8pm. Open Meeting and refreshments at Victoria Park, north of the 401, turn east on Farmcrest Dr (first right). Parking and entry available on Norbert Avenue (second left).

The Prince Edward Group: We will be holding our Winter Gratitude Celebration on Mon. December 14 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Recovery Group: On Thurs. December 17, at 8pm, in lieu of our regular speaker meeting that night we will be sitting in a big circle with candlelight, food and refreshments and those that will shall be saying a few words of gratitude.

Restoration and Recovery Group: We will be holding our Christmas Eating Meeting on Fri. December 18 at 8pm. All are welcome!

Silverbirch Group: We will be hosting our "Grub & Gratitude" meeting on Christmas Day (December 25). There will be a potluck dinner at 6:30pm, (in lieu of our regular discussion meeting), followed by a Gratitude meeting starting at 8pm. All are welcome to join us at St John's Norway Anglican Church, 470 Woodbine Avenue (Woodbine and Kingston Road).

Stepping Stones Disc. Group: We will be holding our Candlelight Meeting on Sat. December 19 at 8pm.

Streetsville Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Tues. December 22 at 8:30pm.

Trial and Error Group: We will be holding our Open House Thurs. December 24 from 10am – 4pm, with a Gratitude meeting at noon. All are welcome!

Twelve Steps Group: We will be holding our Candlelight meeting on Wed. December 9 at 8pm.

U of T Open Speaker Meeting: The U of T group celebrates our Gratitude and Seasonal Celebration Potluck and Meeting. Please join us for meeting, food and fellowship on Sun. December 20 at 5pm. O.I.S.E Building 252 Bloor St W 8th floor, 8-280.

Willowdale Group: We will be holding our Holiday Meeting on Thurs. December 10 at 8pm. Everyone welcome, lots of food!

