

The Westword

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Action Group

*Invites you to our
annual festive season,*

OPEN GRATITUDE MEETING

Wednesday, December 12th at 8:00 p.m.

First Mennonite Church Basement
2600 Richmond Road SW

Refreshments & Fellowship to Follow

272 Annual Christmas Dinner



Friday December 14/02

7:00 P.M. Candlelight Meeting

Potluck After!!



Celebrating Recovery!
at Haddon Road



SPECIAL EVENTS

Saturday December 22, 1pm
Annual Christmas Party
Delicious Potluck Turkey Dinner
Live Music featuring "The Common Welfare Band"
Special Guests: Santa & His Merry (sober) Elves
Door Prizes

Everyone Welcome-Bring a Friend

*If you can bring a dish please call Mariam 251-3455 or use the sign up sheet in the room.

For Information call:
Denis 243-1049
Ed 238-5244
Mariam 251-3455



New Beginnings

6th Annual Pot Luck

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday December 25, 2012

Dinner at 6:30 PM at

Shepherd King Lutheran Church

804- 75 Ave. S.W.

For more information on setup please call

Marron & Nancy Rowell 403-225-1344



STEPS STORIES & BEYOND

3rd ANNUAL NEW YEARS DINNER & DANCE

WHEN: Monday, December 31, 2012

WHERE: Pembroke Community Hall
 6100 - 8 Ave SE

The fellowship of all members, their families
 and friends are most Welcome!

Doors open at 5:30 pm Dinner at 7:00 pm

Speaker at 8:30 pm with Dance to follow

Speaker: John B from Kamloops, B.C. (50+ years sober)

Due to food shortage last year, only those who RSVP will be put
 on a list and given a ticket upon arrival for dinner and will receive
 their dinner first, those who do not RSVP will be at back of line.

RSVP is required by December 26th

e-mail: steps_stories_beyond@yahoo.ca

Buddy @ 403-285-9258 or Norm @ 403 - 272-1935

^^^ Any dessert donations will be greatly appreciated ^^^



NEW YEAR'S EVE 2012

Sponsored by Calgary Intergroup

Pot luck – Live Band !!

6:00 pm – 1:00 pm

\$15 advance, \$20 at door

Dinner 7:00pm

Pre-midnite food service

Call Marron R 403-225-1344 OR Maryan Mc 403-279-1706
 Or go to Central office for tickets – #2, 4015 1st Street SE 403-287-6540

RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH TRUE FRIENDS!!

St Peter's Anglican Church - 75th Ave & Elbow SW.

Free parking

***Fellowship * Unity *- Service ***



I am responsible

***When anyone, anywhere reaches out for help,
 I want the hand of AA always to be there.***

For that, I am responsible

Calgary A.A. Central Office

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Office Hours

Mon. to Thur.: 8:30am – 1:00pm, 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Fri.: 8:30am – 5:30pm, Sat.: 9:00am – 1:00pm

Closed Sundays and Stat Holiday Weekends.

Closed Dec. 25th, 26th and Jan. 1st.

CALGARY'S INTERGROUP'S 40TH ANNUAL



BANFF ROUNDUP

Spirit of Fellowship

March 8, 9, & 10, 2013

at the

BANFF PARK LODGE, BANFF, ALBERTA

SPEAKERS

Tony I. (AA) Southern Pines, North Carolina
 Father Terry R. (AA) . . . Los Angeles, California
 Katie P. (AA) Austin, Texas
 Charlie P. (AA) Austin, Texas
 Carolyn H. (Alanon) Calgary, Alberta

Roundups are not AA Meetings.
 The cost of the Roundup is paid
 through registration fees.

BANQUET & REGISTRATION

Banquet & Registration

\$90/person

Registration Only

\$37/person

- **Registration** includes **ALL** the speakers plus Friday Night Music Jam and Saturday Night Dance (DJ), **EXCEPT** the banquet.
- Banquet tickets must be purchased in advance.
- Both registration and banquet tickets are available from your GSR, IG reps or AA Central Office.
- AA Central Office accepts payments by MC, VISA, INTERAC, cheques or cash. Contact Central Office at (403) 777-1212 or centraloffice@telus.net
- For more information, email: banffroundup2013@hotmail.com

ACCOMMODATION

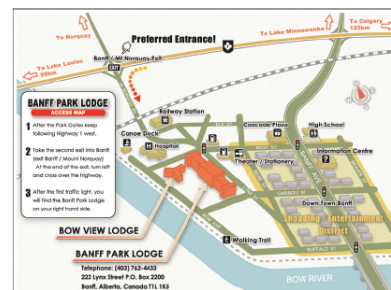
BANFF PARK LODGE

222 Lynx Street, Banff, AB

Rooms available at:

Banff Park Lodge	from \$130
Bow View Lodge	from \$110
Homestead Inn	from \$100

Prices do not include taxes. Accommodation must be booked directly with hotel before **February 8th**. *Mention that your reservation is for the Banff AA Roundup to obtain a reservation at the special rates.*



CONTACT THE BANFF PARK LODGE FOR DETAILS
 Toll-Free 1-800-661-9266 or 1-403-762-4433

In Brief**Intergroup Sunday Morning
Breakfast and Speaker Meeting**

*Join us for good food, good fellowship and personal
stories of the speaker's journey*

at the

DOWNTOWN RAMADA INN

708 – 8th Avenue SW

Breakfast at 9 am, speaker at 10 am

Buffet Breakfast \$15 – Healthy Start Breakfast \$11

Toast & Coffee \$6 – Coffee \$3

7th Tradition is observed

Contact: Jim H email: cgigbrkfst@gmail.com

The Saturday Night NE Group

2523 56 Street NE

Speaker Meeting the 2nd Saturday of each month.

**CRITICAL SERVICE
OPPORTUNITY****MONITORS REQUIRED AT CENTRAL
OFFICE**

Fri AM (9 am thru 1 pm) and
Wed & Thurs PM (2 pm thru 5 pm)

These commitments are at Central Office
except Statutory holiday weekends when the office is
closed and Saturday AM is covered by regular group
monitoring.

Primary duties are answering the 12 Step phone line.
This ensures, for security, that 2 people are at Central
office whenever it is open.

Contact Don E Monitoring Chair @
cgigtelmonitorchair@gmail.com

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**CURRENT MEETING LISTS AVAILABLE
JULY 2012**

Check it out online www.calgaryaa.org/

New Meetings

Out-of-Town: Drumheller, Saturday Morning Sunrise Group,
9:00 AM, closed, Knox United Church side door, 195 3 Ave. E.

Meeting Cancellations

Regal Group, Thursday, Northeast, meetings temporarily
suspended, looking for a new meeting place.

Thursday Afternoon Drop-in, Central, will be closing, last
meeting December 20th.

Sundre Friday Night Ladies meeting **CANCELLED**

Trochu, Wed PM is **CANCELLED**

Meeting Changes

Regal Group, no longer meets at Sharon Lutheran Church.
Stay tuned for new meeting place.

Morley First Light Group, Out-of-Town, New Contact is
Tom [403-881-0035](tel:403-881-0035).

DALHOUSIE MENS NW Thursday will now be a Big Book
Discussion Meeting except last Thursday of the month

NORTHLANDERS GROUP NW (birthday meeting change)
Birthday meeting is now held on the last Monday of the month
(formerly on the first Monday)

SHIPWRECK AT SUNSET, CENTRAL, Fridays now 9:30 on
Main Floor

WESTEND STEP & TRADITION, NW, now meeting @
Foothills United Church, 3803 69 ST NW, Use single door
labeled "food bank" on south side. Time remains 8:00 pm
Saturday

WHITESHEEP MEN'S MEETING. (C) THURS 8 pm, SW,
MOVED now at Woodgreen Presbyterian Church, 12777

CANDLE CRESC SW (corner of Canyon Meadows Drive and
Elbow Drive) enter Main Entrance to Kids Worship Room

MIDNAPORE FRIDAY, SE, 8PM ,Now Open Discussion and
Children are Welcome

VALUABLE 12 STEP OPPORTUNITIES

"Practical experience shows that nothing will so much insure immunity from drinking as intensive work with other alcoholics"

Public Information Committee

The **Public Information Committee** is looking for support from the Calgary Area Groups for their activities to carry the word to those who still suffer. **The PI committee meets at Central Office the last Wednesday of every month at 7 pm.**

Some of the Public Information activities include:

- Preparing and/or distributing packages of pamphlets to doctors' offices, local social agencies and interest groups.
- Hosting booths at semi-annual Homeless Connect and other events in the City.
- Planning PI media placements (e.g. Transit Posters).
- Explore additional PI strategies and activities.

Many hands lighten the load so if each group could supply a representative to this committee, it would be appreciated.

If you're interested in this service opportunity please come and join us at a PI meeting.

CPC Planning Meeting

The CPC monthly meeting is held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM at Central Office. So please mark your dance card for that evening!

We are expanding and do need help from people who are interested in helping the professional help us.

We are currently influencing young Doctors and Nurses at both Universities and will soon be doing presentations for the Social Work faculties.

We do lots of other fun stuff too!

This format for presentations is for professionals and is different than telling our stories for Public Information. So if you're interested please come check us out!

Thanks for your service in AA - together we can do so much!

In Service, Karen Cookson Acting CPC Chair – Calgary

WESTWORD DEADLINES

Calgary AA groups need to get their birthdays, meeting changes, special events and other notices into the Westword Editor or Central Office well before deadline for the coming issue. Generally, the deadline for the next month's edition is the last day of the current month.

The deadline for submissions for the January edition of The Westword is Monday, December 31, 2012.

Please email any notices for the Westword to: westwordeditor@gmail.com or drop notices off at Calgary Central Office.

The Westword is available electronically by e-mail if requested. Please forward your request to the westwordeditor@gmail.com to have your e-mail address added to the distribution list

12th Step Late Night Monitoring

THANK YOU ALL WHO HAVE SIGNED UP AS LATE NIGHT MONITORS (11pm-9am) AND MORE ARE REQUIRED

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE IN THIS CAPACITY PLEASE EMAIL

The Monitoring Chairperson at cgigtelmonitorchair@gmail.com or CALL Central Office at: **403-777-1212**

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HAPPY AA BIRTHDAY!

(All birthday notices are entered as received on a best efforts basis and may occasionally include unintended errors. If this is the case, let us know and we will attempt to correct them.)

OCTOBER 2012		NOVEMBER 2012		NOVEMBER 2012		DECEMBER 2012		DECEMBER 2012	
DAILY REFLECTIONS		HADDON ROAD		NEW BEGINNINGS		AWAKENINGS		MARLBOROUGH PARK	
Rusty M	1 yr	Ben B	1 yr	Sherry S	12 yrs	Geri H	1 yr	Ed D	31 yrs
Arne S	1 yr	Rae D	1 yr	Sandy D	15 yrs	Brent D	15 yrs		
Mike L	2 yrs	Ralf K	1 yr	John H	16 yrs	Rudy N	18 yrs		
Craig S	9 yrs	Don T	2 yrs	Al C	18 yrs			OGDEN	
		George M	2 yrs	Jayne R	20 yrs			Frank M	4 yrs
WALKING EAGLE		Glenn R	2 yrs	Brady W	21 yrs	BACK FROM HELL		Eric P	22 yrs
Roger	6 yrs	John J	2 yrs	Ellen Mc	30 yrs	Gino T	1 yr	Darryl D	24 yrs
		Nick P	2 yrs			Frank B	2 yrs	Sherry H	27 yrs
		Adrian J	3 yrs	NW CALGARY		Paulina M	2 yrs		
NOVEMBER 2012		Jensen R	3 yrs	Greg P	1 yr	Rod L	26 yrs	RECOVERY GROUP	
ABC		Ryan H	5 yrs	Lee H	5 yr			Jason M	1 yr
Rodney C	1 yr	Brett R	7 yrs	Ted W	17 yrs	FOREST LAWN		Angela U	2 yrs
Lisa K	4 yrs	Kevin G	8 yrs	Brian S	31 yrs	Helmut	37 yrs	Michael T	2 yrs
Alex P	18 yrs	Rick A	8 yrs			Merle C	38 yrs	Kalena H	4 yrs
		Dan J	10 yrs	OGDEN				Jorden B	6 yrs
ACTION		David K	10 yrs	Jason R	2 yrs	HADDON ROAD		Woody H	29 yrs
Dave R	3 yrs	Irene R	24 yrs	Cameron	3 yrs	Glenn R	1 yr	Marie M	36 yrs
		Dolly S	28 yrs	Brian Y	8 yrs	Rae D	1 yr		
AWAKENINGS		John M	28 yrs	Ernie	35 yrs	Ralf K	1 yr	THE LINK	
Lee H	5 yrs					Zach F	1 yr	Jack M	30 yrs
Bev H	8 yrs	MARLBOROUGH PARK		RECOVERY GROUP		Don T	2 yrs		
		Jack N	36 yrs	Paige F	3 yrs	George M	2 yrs	OUT OF TOWN	
FOREST LAWN				Linda G	15 yrs	Adrian J	3 yrs	NOVEMBER 2012	
Rose R	40 yrs	McKENZIE TOWN		Sandra A	21 yrs	Jesen R	3 yrs	AIRDRIE	
		Jennifer	1 yr	Eric B	24 yrs	Ryan H	5 yrs	BACK FROM HELL	
DAILY REFLECTIONS		Tim	1 yr	Sharon B	26 yrs	Brett R	7 yrs	Kipp M	2 yrs
Dale H	1 yr	Steve G	4 yrs	Deborab C	26 yrs	Kevin G	8 yrs	Shane F	4 yrs
Chris B	1 yr	Ted E	7 yrs			Rick A	8 yrs	Doug F	6 yrs
Paul H	6 yrs			SATURDAY NIGHT NE		Dan J	10 yrs	Jessica M	8 yrs
Darlene D	9 yrs	MONDAY MORNING		Dustin D	4 yrs	Irene R	24 yrs	Javed	12 yrs
Scott S	9 yrs	Hartley P	14 yrs			Dolly S	28 yrs	Mike G	12 yrs
Kenny K	10 yrs	Jim S	59 yrs	STEP STORIES		John M	28 yrs		
				AND BEYOND				COCHRANE	
GLENMORE		NEW BEGINNINGS		Buddy	8 yrs	HARMONY		MONDAY NIGHT	
Mark M	1 yr	Ellen G	1 yr			Stephanie M	1 yr	5TH CHAPTER	
Don T	2 yrs	Linda W	2 yrs	THE LINK				Fran M	14 yrs
George	2 yrs	Valerie S	2 yrs	Carolyn D	20 yrs	INGLEWOOD			
Scott	4 yrs	Aron W	2 yrs			Vox S	1 yr		
Robert K	8 yrs	Liz S	3 yrs	WALKING EAGLE				MAAT	
Donna T	20 yrs	Ray P	3 yrs	Kristin	10 yrs	Dale R	7 yrs		
Lanny M	23 yrs	Alison R	10 yrs	Greg T	21 yrs	Ron W	9 yrs		
Tim A	35 yrs			Rosa	33 yrs				

Calgary Intergroup Birthday Contributions

CSO accepts Birthday Contributions from individual members to celebrate lengths of sobriety.

Contributions range from a penny a day to a dollar a year.

2012 Contributors

Jim S - 59 years

Mathew M - 26 years

Ron W - 9 years