

**SOUTH SUBURBAN FIRESIDE
AREA
NEWSLETTER
March, 2008**



Area Info

Mailing Address: South Suburban
Fireside Area PO Box 565 South St
Paul, MN 55075-0507

ASC Meeting: 1st Thursday of the
month at first Presbyterian Church at
7:00 535 20th Ave N. South Saint Paul,
MN

Sub Committee Meeting: 2nd Thursday
of every month at 7 pm
Faith United Methodist Church on
1530 Oakdale Avenue West Saint Paul,
MN

Website:
<http://www.ssfa.naminnnesota.org/>

Meeting Of the month:
Never Alone 7:00 PM
Hope Community Church
9623 162nd St, Lakeville
Yvette B.:952-393-9837

PIG '08:

JULY 18TH-20TH

Committee meets:
6:00 First Thursday of every month at
the 1st Presbyterian in South Saint Paul
church. (one hour before ASC)

Pig is one of the largest functions in the
Minnesota region. It is a weekend camp
out in Gaylord Mn. There will be plenty
of workshops games and great
fellowship and of course the pig roast!
Admission is 25\$ at the gate or you can
pre register for 15\$ (before 5/31) Check
out the flyer online Or contact Chair

Scooter S. for more Info. Scooter: 651-
308-0890

Hospitals and Institutions:

*"Na's primary purpose is to carry the
message to the addict who still suffers.
Its not surprising then that carrying the
message into Hospitals and Institutions
is one of our top priorities"*

H&I Committee meets: Second
Thursday of each month at 7:00pm at the
Faith United Methodist Church on
1530 Oakdale Avenue West Saint Paul,
MN Contact Chair **Brent F.** at 651-276-
6050 or email brentfoy@gmail.com for
more details.

*Currently in need or a Co-Chair.

Current Commitments and contacts:

- 2nd Tuesday of the month:
Avalon Treatment
 - Brent 651-276-6050
- 3rd Thursday of the month:
Lino lakes prison
 - Dan W. 651-278-8833
- 4th Monday of the month:
Dakota County Detox
 - Chad O. 715-760-3144

Monthly Step:

Step Three: "We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood him"

My life was once controlled by own selfish needs. I did whatever it took to get more, and to continue to get more drugs. Not in search of perfection, but progress to let my higher power take my will. What my higher power wants for me is no different than in what this program suggest a Higher Power ought to be; loving and caring. To be loving and caring, to me, seems as a broader term that encompasses spiritual principles. Being honest, open-minded and willing, don't always come natural for me. So I turn my life and my will over to God today, for another day clean, for a better tomorrow.

I think this step becomes more natural over time for me. I think I will always need to maintain my choice to turn my life and will over to my Higher Power.

Kevin M.

Tradition Three:

"The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using."

This tradition is in place to ensure that any person of any "age, race sexual identity, creed, religion, or lack of religion" is welcome in NA. It doesn't matter if you were a pot head a tweaker, a dope fiend, or hype ect... You are welcome in Narcotics Anonymous. No one can make the decision if some one is an addict it is the individual's decision and the individuals alone. There is no set limit of use that makes you "qualify" for NA. This tradition is also in place to make sure people already in the program are welcoming to all people who come into the doors. Regardless for why the person come in the first place, be it courts or other outside mandate, the person came in upon their own free will and is welcome just as any other. Some addicts will even continue using while attending meetings. The Tradition Three chapter in "It Works How and Why" states that "still using addicts are welcomed into our meetings with special encouragement to keep coming back"

If you would like to share your personal story or write about the monthly step or tradition, or if you have any suggestions at all, please contact Outreach Chair Geoff D.

Phone: 612-309-6304

Email: Rollermasterg@msn.com

Monthly Tradition:

Regional Activities:

March 15th, 2008 Saturday 5pm to
Late Albert Lea NA
Spring Fling Geneva, MN

March 29th, 2008 Saturday 12pm -
6pm Minnesota Regional Svc. Cmt.
Minnesota Regional Assembly
285 Dale St. St Paul, MN

March 29th, 2008 Saturday 7pm-
Midnight TCASC
Big Thaw Dance St. Paul, Mn

April 4th-6th, 2008 Friday to
Sunday
MNNAC XV
MN Narcotics Anonymous
Convention

May 16-17, 2008 Friday 7:30 pm to
Saturday PM Winona NA
Winonas 2nd Annual Speaker
Jam By the River

May 23-26th, 2008 Friday 5pm to
Monday UMRCA XXV
Fair Hills Resort Upper Midwest
Regional NA Convention

July 18th-20th, 2008 Friday 'till
Sunday SSFA PIG ROAST 2008
24th Annual Pig Roast and
Campout Gaylord, MN