

DOWNEAST INTERGROUP NEWS

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The Downeast InterGroup Committee is a group of AA members coming together in the spirit of fellowship to help carry the AA message by publishing a newsletter, sponsoring AA-oriented social events, and distributing AA literature. We support communication and participation between AA members, groups, and districts. downeastintergroup.org

FROM OUR LAST MEETING

Intergroup seven year celebration draws a crowd. At least fifty people enjoyed a carnival of fun at the seven year anniversary of Down East Intergroup at the Ellsworth Elks Lodge on October 14. With live music, a meeting, Bingo with literature as the prizes and an endless array of food, DEIG thanked the Downeast AA community for its support and for helping it support the community.

Many donations from individual groups. AA groups around the Peninsula send in donations beforehand to help with the costs of renting the hall, decorations, and miscellaneous supplies. DEIG appreciates those who stepped up to help, through attending, volunteering or cash support.

Literature update. As always, contact Diller at 266-9486 to purchase AA literature at cost. Beginner packets still available at DEIG meetings, for your group, for free.

Meeting lists coming. DEIG is printing 1,500 new meeting lists that will be stapled and distributed at our November 19 meeting. Come and help! Pot luck first, at 6:00 p.m..

Web site. A DEIG meeting list is posted on the site, along with other news and information—downeastintergroup.org. Work on an updatable database for meeting list is ongoing.

Step up. Officer elections will be discussed at our meeting on November 19. We need a chair and other committees are up for reappointment. Why not give it a try?

Hot line. The hot line keeps help a phone call away 24/7 with Mona, our Hotline Chair from District 8. If someone has a desire to stop drinking, she is there.

Hotline 207-479-1179

Next Meeting: Monday, November 19, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting List Meeting! Pot luck 6:00 p.m. Then help staple 1,500 meeting lists for distribution to Downeast Maine, including your group.

Congregational Church, Ellsworth Falls. Buy literature before the meeting—contribute your ideas—hear intergroup news

November 2012 newsletter cutoff is 11/27/12.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Dinner AA Style. The Slip Not Group at Eden Baptist Church Parish Hall on Old Bar Harbor Rd, Salsbury Cove, Bar Harbor (across from MDI Biological Lab) will hold a free Thanksgiving Dinner for program members, their family and friends on Thanksgiving day, Nov. 22. Fellowship & cooking will begin at 12 p.m., dinner at 4 p.m. with our regular Thurs AA meeting at 7 p.m. Prepared Thanksgiving food contributions are welcome. Call Leslie B. 288-2114 for more information or to offer a contribution.

ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 2 Friday Belfast	Betsy 6 yrs
Nov. 2 Friday Bar Harbor	Charlotte B. 28 yrs
	Irving F. 30 yrs
	Will B. 32 yrs
	Melissa 2 yrs
Nov. 4 Sunday Belfast	Jeannie 6 yrs
Nov. 11 Thursday Penobscot *pot luck 6 p.m.*	Neil 4 yrs
Nov. 11 Thursday Dover-Foxcroft	Scotty 25 yrs
Nov. 13 Tuesday Castine	“Fred 29 yrs
	Jessie 30 yrs
	Alice 31 yrs
Nov. 17 Saturday Stonington	Tony 1 yr
Nov. 17 Saturday Newport	Larry 22 yrs
Nov. 19 Monday Newport	Tia 1 yr
Nov. 21 Wednesday Bucksport	Roland 25 yrs
pot luck 6 p.m.	Bob 25 yrs
	Willie 26 yrs
	Donna 5 yrs

In November, Ray celebrates 20 years in Dover-Foxcroft

Send anniversaries by Oct. 25 to
editor@downeastintergroup.org



Down East Intergroup Treasurer's Report

Report Date 10/16/2012

ACTUAL ENDING BALANCE - 10/31/12	\$56.33	
CONTRIBUTIONS/DEPOSITS	Current	YTD
Bangor, Out to Lunch Bunch	\$20.00	\$20.00
Bangor, Step Sisters	\$15.00	\$15.00
SW Harbor, High Road Group	\$350.00	\$350.00
Belfast, Off the Wall Group	\$25.00	\$25.00
Belfast, Noon Beginners Meeting	\$25.00	\$25.00
Brooks, Circle Group	\$15.00	\$15.00
Belfast, There is a solution group	\$10.00	\$10.00
Belfast, Happy Hour Group	\$25.00	\$25.00
Belfast, Attitude Adjustment Group	\$25.00	\$35.00
Tuesday, Machias Valley Group		\$20.00
Thursday, Lubec Top of the Hill Gang		\$10.00
Belfast, Sunday Morning Sunshine AA Meeting	\$100.00	\$150.00
All Welcome Group		\$0.00
Blue Hill, I don't know yet group	\$24.00	\$99.00
Bangor/Brewer Friendly Group		\$158.25
Big Book Meeting - Your Place		\$52.95
Blue Hill Friday Night Group	\$50.00	\$105.00
Brooklin Bridge to Recovery		\$0.00
Bucksport Unity Group	\$20.00	\$135.00
Bucksport B.Y.O.B.		\$0.00
But For The Grace of God Group Dover-Foxcroft		\$10.00
Came to Believe Group (District 3)		\$0.00
Castine Shipshape Group		\$120.00
DEIG Events (7th Tradition, \$63.24 + Bake sale , \$248 + Bingo , \$13)	\$324.24	\$324.24
District #3	\$50.00	\$178.00
District # 8		\$600.00
District # 16		\$155.00
District # 21	\$21.00	\$210.00
District # 25	\$20.00	\$20.00
Down-n-Back group		\$100.00
Ellsworth Group		\$0.00
Free At Last		\$50.00
Frenchman's Bay Group		\$50.00
Fresh Start Group		\$0.00
Island Serenity Group		\$125.00
*Literature Sales Deposit	\$318.00	\$1,172.85
Orland Riverside AA Group		\$50.00
Penobscot, Northern Bay Big Book Meeting	\$50.00	\$85.00
Quoddy Head Light Group		\$0.00
Serenity by the Bay Group	\$100.00	\$200.00
Stark Raving Sober	\$25.00	\$85.00
Stonington/Deer Isle Group	\$135.00	\$259.00
Sullivan Harbor Group		\$50.00
Tuesday Noon timers		\$0.00
Winter Harbor		\$0.00
Seventh Tradition	\$10.00	\$12.00
Bar Harbor Group	\$20.00	\$20.00
TOTAL FOR MONTH	\$1,777.24	\$5,444.740
OPERATING EXPENSES	Current	YTD
Post office box 1633 renewal		\$76.00
Misc Print cartridge for new letter		\$412.21
*Literature Expenses	255.40	\$1,461.75
Literature Fund Contribution From Gen. Fund		1,120.30
Meeting Lists Printing Charges		\$481.95
Newsletter + Mailing Expenses (Includes \$98.69 toner purchase)		\$590.40
US Cellular - Hotline	\$52.95	\$523.70
DEIG EVENTS (Kitchen \$50, consumables	\$177.00	\$502.00

\$127		
Rent for Church Space APR,MAY,JUN		\$120.00
TOTAL FOR MONTH	\$485.35	\$4,990.73
Beginning Balance & Contributions/Deposits for month	\$1,833.57	
Operating Expenses for Month	\$485.35	
Actual Ending Account Balance:	\$1,348.22	
Balance (- \$140 reserve & Lit. balance	\$1,075.62	
LITERATURE ACCOUNT	Current	YTD
Beginning Balance	\$70.00	
Contribution from General Fund		\$0.00
*Literature Sales -	\$318.00	\$1,172.85
*Literature Expenses	\$255.40	\$1,461.75
Ending Balance	\$132.60	

DISTRICT 16 NEWS

Very few at district meeting, not much happening. Getting ready for the assembly. A big thank you to each of the groups who donated to the Down East Intergroup anniversary celebration.

Wow, it didn't take long for the days to shorten up. Change the clocks soon. Check your smoke detectors also.

We had a truck load of anniversaries in October: Neal P. 33 yrs. Carolyn 35 yrs. Barry C. 27 yrs. Farmer Geo 24 yrs. Drew S. 20 yrs. Rick B. 17 yrs. Kathy 7 yrs. Damion 6 yrs. Jenny 4 yrs. **It works.**

A big well done to all who helped make the intergroup celebration a good time. Thanks for all donations: food, money, yourselves.
—From Joe M.

NEWS FROM PISCATAQUIS COUNTRY

Piscataquis country is the upper end of District three. It takes in Milo, Dover-Foxcroft, Guilford, Sangerville, Parkman, Abbot, Monson, and Greenville. There is a lot of great meetings up here. We have open discussion, Living Sober, step/tradition, Big Book, As Bill Sees It, and a couple of women meetings. We also attend meetings in the southern part of district three which takes in Dexter, Corinna, and Newport.

There is also great sobriety here ranging from 30 days to 45 years. Since this is the first letter we have had quite a few anniversaries:

9/30/12 Sue 1 yr Dover-Foxcroft
10/9/12 Ron 11 yrs. Dexter
10/18/12 Roger 3 yrs and Dave 7 yrs Corinna

—From Bill Knight

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please send articles, events, corrections, anniversaries, and other group or district news to Newsletter Editor, 11 Schoolhouse Lane, Castine, ME 04421 or e-mail editor@downeastintergroup.org. You can also write to Intergroup Secretary, PO Box 333, Bucksport, ME 04416. Please mail contributions to support this intergroup to Intergroup Treasurer, PO Box 1633, Ellsworth, ME 04605. We ask for your name and AA job title from all who contribute any items printed in this newsletter. Events listed are for your information, and are not necessarily sponsored or endorsed by AA or this intergroup.