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## NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2015

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December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015  
Mailing: Dec. 23, 2015**

### Note to secretary

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Please be reminded that all the "Conventions and Other Events" announcements and news about our service committees are on pages 11-12 of the bulletin **Écho Echo Eco**.

## Don't miss it!

### Coming Area Committee meetings

The next Area Committee meetings will take place on

**Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m.**  
**Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m.**

C.R.C.S. St-Zotique,  
75, Sir-George-Étienne-Cartier,  
Montréal, H4C 3A1

Participants at this service meeting are members of the Area Committee (DCMs, Coordinators and their alternates and the Steering Committee members). All AA members curious and interested in our 12<sup>th</sup> Step work through our service structure are welcome to attend. This meeting is, as are all service meetings, closed, for AA members only. (NB: ☺)

## A.S.O. Will be closed on:

### November 2015

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### December 2015

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## ANNIVERSARIES NOVEMBER 2015

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| <p><b>Thu. 5</b>    <b>Verdun Fellowship</b> – 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Verdun Community Church – 501 - 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Verdun – H4G 2Z2 – 8:00 p.m. – Special speaker – Buffet – Come and celebrate with us!</p>   | <p><b>Sun. 8</b>    <b>Music in Recovery</b> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – St. Philip's Church – 3400 Connaught Ave. – Montreal – H4B 1X3 – 7:30 p.m. – Special Speaker – Open meeting for this occasion – Food donations will be appreciated – Welcome All!</p>   |
| <p><b>Thu. 12</b>    <b>Freedom Road</b> – 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – Elizabeth Russell Center – 750 Dawson Ave. (East of Dorval Ave.) – Dorval – H9S 1X1 – 8:00 p.m. – Food donations always appreciated – Everybody welcome!</p>  | <p><b>Thu. 12</b>    <b>Hudson</b> – 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – St. Thomas Aquinas Church – 413 Main St. – Hudson – J0P 1H0 – 8:00 p.m. – Open Speaker Meeting – Stay for food and fellowship – Please join us!</p>  |
| <p><b>Thu. 12</b>    <b>Montreal North</b> – 53<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – St. Ignatius Church Hall – 10374 de Cobourg Ave. (North of Fleury) – Montréal-Nord – H1H 4X1 – 8:30 p.m. – Food Donations appreciated – Speaker Meeting – Come for a Celebration of Gratitude!</p>  | <p><b>Sun. 15</b>    <b>Sunday Niters</b> – 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary – St. Leon's Church Hall – 310 Clark Ave. (at the Maisonneuve Blvd. W.) – Wetmount – H3Z 2E6 – 6:15 p.m. – Speaker Meeting – Food Donations Welcome – Come one, come all!</p>   |
| <p><b>Tue. 17</b>    <b>Step Sisters</b> – 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Briarwood Presb. Ch. (back door from parking lot) – 70 Beaconsfield Ave. – Beaconsfield – H9W 3Z3 – 7:30 p.m. – Open Speaker meeting for this night only – For the occasion, men are welcome – Buffet will be served – Food Donations welcome – Come help us celebrate!</p> | <p><b>Wed. 18</b>    <b>Steps to Sobriety</b> – 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – St. Sixte Church (enter via parking) – 1895 de l'Église St. (corner Marcel-Laurin) – St-Laurent – H4M 1E6 – 8:00 p.m. – Guest Speaker: Tom B. (Burlington, Vt) – Coffee, Tea &amp; Buffet – Come &amp; Celebrate with us!</p> |

## ANNIVERSARIES DECEMBER 2015

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| <p><b>Wed. 9</b>    <b>Beacon</b> – 38<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – St. Paul Church – 377 – 44<sup>th</sup> avenue – Lachine – H8T 2K5 – 8:00 p.m. – Open Speaker Discussion – Food Donations appreciated – All Welcome!</p>   | <p><b>Fri. 11</b>    <b>Friday West End</b> – 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary – St. Philip's Church – 3400 Connaught Avenue – Montreal – H4B 1X3 – 9:00 p.m. – Food Donations and your presence will be much appreciated!!</p>   |
| <p><b>Sun. 13</b>    <b>Loyola</b> – 67<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – St. Ignatius' Church – 4455 West Broadway St. (at Sherbrooke St. West) – Montreal – H4B 2A7 – 8:00 p.m. – Special speaker for the occasion – A buffet of food and refreshments will be served – Food donations are always welcome – Come and join us!</p> | <p><b>Sun. 13</b>    <b>Sherbrooke Friendship</b> – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Plymouth-Trinity United Church – 380 Dufferin St. – Sherbrooke – J1H 4M7 – Pot-luck Supper at 6:00 p.m. – Food Donations appreciated – Speaker meeting – Come celebrate with us!</p> |

## NEW GROUPS

**The following groups have requested registration within Area 87**

**Crossing Over (87-07)**

St. George Anglican Church – 162 St. Francis Blvd. (between Maple Blvd & Salaberry N.) – Châteauguay – J6J 1Y7 – Thursday – 7:30 p.m. – Closed – Discussion

**Love and Tolerance (87-19)**

1950 Saint-Antoine West – Montreal – H3J 1A5 – Monday – 8:00 p.m. – Closed – Format not specified.

**The following groups have been registered with Area 87 and GSO (Do not appear in meeting list yet)**

**A Woman's Way (87-06)**

513 Main Rd – Hudson – J0P 1H0 – Wednesday – 7:30 p.m. – Women – Closed – Discussion

## MEETING NEWS

**A Vision For You II** – Monday – 6:30 p.m. – Wesley United Church – 5964 Notre-Dame-de-Grâce Ave. – Montreal – H4A 1N1 – New name: **Itchy, Twitchy & Prickly** – New Format : Open Speaker Discussion meeting – Bilingual.

**Camino Libre** – New time: Wednesday to Sunday at 7:00 p.m. – 2063 Sauvé East Street – Montreal – Postcode correction: H2B 1A8.

**Mujeres en Accion (Women)** – Monday and Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. – 2063, Sauvé East St. – Montreal – H2B 1A8 – Reopening.

**Sherbrooke Friendship** – Sunday – 8:00 p.m. – Plymouth-Trinity United Church – 380 Dufferin St. – Sherbrooke – J1H 4M7 – Wednesday Meeting has been cancelled – Only the Sunday meeting remains.

**Viviendo Sobrio** – New time: Monday to Sunday at 7:00 p.m. – 5900 Léger Blvd – Montréal-Nord – H1G 1K9

**Azteca** – New time: Monday & Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. – New address: 4280 Metropolitan East Blvd (#204) – Montreal – H1S 1A2.

**Central Hispano** – New time: Tuesday and Friday: 7:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 6:00 p.m. – New address: 4280. Metropolitan East Blvd (#204) – Montreal – H1S 1A2.

**Oasis** – Tuesday – 8:00 p.m. – St. Monica's Church – 6405 de Terrebonne St. – Montreal – H4B 1A8 – Closed until further notice due to lack of membership support.

**Sunday Steps** – Sunday – 7:30 p.m. – Holy Trinity Anglican Church – 440 Stanley St. – Hawkesbury – K6A 1S2 – Definitively closed.

## HOLIDAY SEASON MEETING SCHEDULE

**City Center Friday Noon** – Friday – 12:00 p.m. – St. James the Apostle Church – 1439 Ste. Catherine St. West (at Bishop St.) – Montreal – H3G 1S6 – **Closed December 25<sup>th</sup>, and January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Hudson** – Thursday – 8:00 p.m. – St. Thomas Aquina's Church – 413 Main St. – Hudson – J0P 1H0 – **There will be no meeting on December 24 & 31.**

**Mt. Bruno** – Tuesday – 8:00 p.m. – Old Train Station – 1781 Benoit St. – St-Bruno – J3V 6G3 – **No meeting on December 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Downtown Wednesday Noon** – Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. – St. James the Apostle Church – 1439 Ste. Catherine St. West (at Bishop St.) – Montreal – H3G 1S6 – **Closed December 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Monday Central** – Monday – 8:00 p.m. – Notre-Dame-de-la-Salette Church – 3535 Park Ave. – Montréal – H2X 2H8 – **Meeting will be held at regular day and time during the Holiday Season.**

**West East** – Friday – 8:00 p.m. – Resurrection of Our Lord Parish – 34 – 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue (corner of St. Joseph) – Lachine – H8T 1Z2 – **Closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> – Open January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Check our website in December for latest announcements about change of schedule and special holiday celebrations

## HOLIDAY SPECIAL EVENTS

**Downtown Wednesday Noon and City Center Friday Noon** are inviting you to their **Christmas Lunch Meeting Wednesday December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 p.m.** – St. James the Apostle Church – 1439 Ste. Catherine St. West (at Bishop St.) – Montreal – H3G 1S6 – **Speaker Meeting at Noon Followed by the Lunch – Food Donations appreciated – Welcome Everyone!**

**South Shore New Year's Eve Party – Thursday December 31, 2015 opening at 7:30 p.m.** – St. Mary's Parish Hall (side door) – 735 Miller St. (at Grove St.) – Greenfield Park – J4V 2X2 – **Speaker at 8:00 p.m. followed by music, dancing, live band, food, door prizes, ½ & ½ and Count down – All 7<sup>th</sup> Tradition – Come one, Come all. Bring in the New Year with a bang!**

**Inspiration Christmas Party December 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:10 p.m.** – Yellow Door – 3625 Aylmer St. – Montreal – H2X 2C3 – **Buffet will be served and additional food contributions also welcome – Come and help us celebrate the season at the inspiration Group!**

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Area 87 Group Services Committee:

## 12 Concepts Workshop

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Noon

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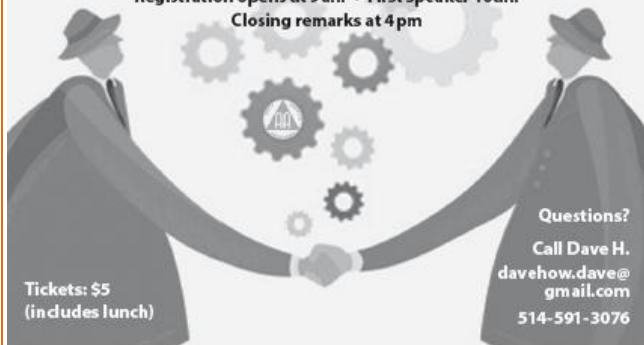
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