



December 2020

# Manassas District News

MANASSAS DISTRICT WEBSITE  
[aamanassas.info/](http://aamanassas.info/)

## Monthly District Meeting

Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. **NOW ON ZOOM!!**  
All are Welcome!

## WE CELEBRATE!! - ANNIVERSARIES - OCT & NOV 2020

NAME	YEARS
Chris L.	4
Pati J.	6
Marcie B.	11
Tammy S.	15
David R.	17
Jennifer D.	20

### District Officers 2019-20

DCM: John J.  
 ADCM: OPEN  
 Treasurer: Pati J.  
 Secretary: Kenzie L.  
 Intergroup: Kenzie L.

### Committee Chairs

Archives: Steve M.  
 CPC/PI: OPEN  
 Corrections (M): Cameron F./  
 Corrections (F): Sarah S.  
 Literature/GV: Katie R.  
 Newsletter: Sara J.  
 Treatment Ctrs: Sarah S.  
 Website: John W.

*If you don't drink, you won't get drunk  
Thank you for allowing us to serve!!*

\*\* Anniversaries taken from 2019 newsletter. If not correct, please let me know!  
Thanks,  
— your editor

## MESSAGE FROM YOUR DCM

### Dear Friends!

On December 8, our district had its elections of officers for the next 2 years. Congratulations to them – those of us with time at this level of service will not leave you to fend for yourselves; we who are leaving office are more than willing to help you. Kind of like the fellowship, I have a number of friends who are not my sponsor(s) yet are there to help should I need it and provide their experience, strength and hope. Just reach out to us! I would like to thank Pati J., Makenzie L. and John W. for their hard work and service to the district. I also want to thank the people who are continuing in their committee positions in their commitment to the service work for our district. To those of you who may be reading this, if you would like to help with one of the committees, please reach out to the person listed for the area in which you are interested. I am sure they would welcome the assistance and prepare you for a venture into service work of a different sort.

Next year will be an even better year when we get back to doing the in-person events that Manassas

District is famous for! We will have our Annual New Year's Eve Alcahthon 2020-2021 with additional meetings, but observing the midnight to 5:00am curfew. Watch for details.

A friend I reached out to a few weeks ago has started sending me little daily spiritual messages. A recent one was "when a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don't throw away your ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the engineer." Trust God today no matter how dark your situation. God says you are coming out of the tunnel - very much like these last nine months of COVID restrictions. Another thought about that train is that it can only go on one path. Should that train decide to use its free will and jump the track, all hell breaks loose, mass destruction results and people get hurt.... I have found that my ego loves to exercise free will. Keeping in mind what this program has taught me, I have to tell it to go sit in a corner and shut up...! The light at the end of the tunnel may be this time of vaccinations being released. However, even then, we still have to be on guard to exercise principles and not personalities and do what is necessary to stay safe.

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**Step Twelve**

Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs

**Tradition Twelve**

Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

**Concept Twelve for World Service**

The Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. tradition, taking care that it never becomes the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds and reserve be its prudent financial principle; that it place none of its members in a position of unqualified authority over others; that it reach all important decisions by discussion, vote, and whenever possible, substantial unanimity; that its actions never be personally punitive nor an incitement to public controversy; that it never perform acts of government; that, like the Society it serves, it will always remain democratic in thought and action.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
**Check website or see GSR for details**



*Happy Holidays*



VAC: <https://aavirginia.org/events/>  
 NVI: <https://nvintergroup.org/nvi-area-events/>

★★★ NVI ★★★ New Upcoming Events

Camel Group Holiday Party Virtual Event 7:PM – 8:30PM	Mon., December 14, 2020
Woodbridge District #28 Alcothon Virtual Event	Dec. 23, 5:00PM Thru Dec. 26, 5:00 PM
REBOS Christmas Alcothon IN PERSON. Meetings scheduled 5pm—10pm Contact REBOS365@gmail.com	December 23, 24, 25
Woodbridge District 28 Alcothon <b>Virtual</b> Meeting ID: 897 3718 2561 For more info: aawoodbridge.org	Dec. 23rd 5:00 PM until Dec. 26th 5:00 PM <a href="#">(Flier)</a>
Dulles District #4 presents – Holiday Soberthon — Virtual	Noon Dec. 24 thru Midnight Dec. 25

★★★ VAC December 2020 ★★★

Workshop (free): Clarence Snyder, The Home Brewmaster Zoom 816 5514 9755 PC 018426, Norfolk, VA 23509	December 12 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Virginia AA District 4 VIRTUAL SOBERTHON ANNOUNCEMENT – Holiday Soberthon VIRTUAL, VA	Noon Christmas Eve (Dec 24) - Midnight on Christmas Day (Dec 25)

★★★ VAC January 2021 ★★★

Alcothon New Years Eve in Morrisville VA. meetings every hour, food, fellowship & fun & music @VFW 12496 Harpers Run Rd Bealeton VA 22712	Thurs Dec 31st from 12:00 noon on
VAC Winter Meeting 2021. Host: VAC & Dist 37 Virtual, VA	Jan. 8, 2021 - 6 pm - 10pm; Jan. 9, 2021 9 am@ 5 pm

**DCM Report (cont'd from page 1)**

I have written about many things over the last two years of newsletters. It all comes down to the same message found on your sobriety chip: Recovery, Unity, Service - The Steps, The Traditions, The Concepts. To thine own self be true. Practice principles not personalities. Wisdom to know the difference and the strength to do His Will.

The thing that hooked me at my very first meeting of AA was when the start of Chapter 5 was read on How It Works - we claim spiritual progress not spiritual perfection. I have not been perfect over these last two years; I can say there has been progress through the challenges turning into opportunities. I am not disappearing; you will still see me around as we trudge the road of happy destiny -- I ain't trudging nothin'!

How I keep my grip on the program is to pray daily, read the literature daily, go to meetings, have friends at a spiritual level, and be of service. Done every day One Day At A Time. Next year will be an even better year.

Thank you for the service you do, and, thank you, for letting me be of service!

Stay safe, Peace.

*John J.*

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**INTERGROUP NEEDS PHONE VOLUNTEERS!**

Northern Virginia Intergroup Needs Phone Volunteers. If you have a year or more sobriety and could volunteer for as little as three hours a month, please call. Monthly training.

**MEETING HELP**



For up-to-date meetings (in person and online), check the GSO Meeting Guide app downloaded from [aa.org](http://aa.org)

Also, check [nvintergroup.org](http://nvintergroup.org) or [aamanassas.info](http://aamanassas.info) or [aavirginia.org](http://aavirginia.org) for events as well.

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