



**THE 3rd BEE-HIVE AREA BIRTHDAY
CONVENTION OF N.A.
November 26 to 30, 1992**

****Postmarked by Aug. 30, 1992****

Pre-Registration \$50 (full package)
Thanksgiving Buffet \$15

****Postmarked after Aug. 30, 1992****

Registration & Dances \$15
Saturday Banquet \$25
Sunday Brunch \$15
FULL PACKAGE \$55
*Thanksgiving Buffet \$15

****TOTAL****

NUMBER

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send to:
Bee-Hive Area
ASC Conv.Comm.
P.O.Box 291
Wilkes-Barre,
Pa. 18703

make checks payable to: 3rd BHBCNA-

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
TELEPHONE NO. _____ NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING _____

send to:
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*****only those registered will be admitted to dances*****

*****Please mail in top and bottom

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"RAMADA INN"
Public Square
Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18702
(717)824-7100

**FLAT ROOM RATES- before Aug.30,1992-\$60 per night
**FLAT ROOM RATES- after Aug.30 , 1992-\$65 per night
****CALL HOTEL TO MAKE RESERVATIONS****

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BEE HIVE III

NOV. 26-29 1992

WILKES-BARRE, PA.

MESSAGE OF HOPE
PROMISE OF FREEDOM



Why We Identify as Addicts

When our members identify as "addicts and alcoholics" or talk about "sobriety" and living "clean and sober" the clarity of the N.A. message is blurred. The implication in this language is that there are two diseases: that one drug is separate from the pack, so that a separate set of terms is needed when discussing it. At first glance this seems minor, but our experience clearly shows that the full impact of the N.A. message is crippled by this subtle semantic confusion.

It has become clear that our common identification, our unity, and our full surrender as addicts depends on a clear understanding of our most basic fundamentals: We are powerless over a disease that gets progressively worse when we use any drug. It does not matter what drug was at the center for us when we got here. Any drug we use will release our disease all over again. We recover from this disease by applying our Twelve Steps. Our steps are uniquely worded to carry this message clearly, so the rest of our language of recovery must be consistent with those steps.

As a Fellowship, we must continue to strive to move forward by not stubbornly clinging to one radical extreme or the other. Our members who have been unintentionally blurring the N.A. message by using drug-specific language such as "sobriety," "alcoholic," "clean and sober," "dope fiend," etc., could help by identifying simply and clearly as addicts, and using the words "clean," "clean time," and "recovery" which imply no particular substance.

Who Is An Addict

Most of us do not have to think twice about this question. We know! Our whole life and thinking was centered in drugs in one form or another, the getting and using and finding ways and means to get more. We lived to use and used to live. Very simply an addict is a man or woman whose life is controlled by drugs. We are people in the grip of a continuing and progressive illness whose ends are always the same: Jails, Institutions and Death.

How It Works

If you want what we have to offer, and are willing to make the effort to get it, then you are ready to take certain steps. These are the principles that made our recovery possible.

1. We admitted that we were powerless over our addiction, that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. We came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.
4. We made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. We admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. We humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. We made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. We made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. We continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to addicts, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

The Twelve Traditions of N.A.

We keep what we have only with vigilance, and just as freedom for the individual comes from the Twelve Steps, so freedom for the group springs from our Traditions. As long as the ties that bind us together are stronger than those that would tear us apart, all will be well.

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on N.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is one ultimate authority — a loving God as he may express Himself in or group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or N.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose — to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
6. An N.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the N.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every N.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Narcotics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. N.A., as such, ought never be organized, but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Narcotics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the N.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

THURSDAY

1:00 PM MARATHON MEETING STARTS

6:00 PM THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL

7:30 PM THANK DAY SPEAKER

9:30 PM-Talent show

FRIDAY

4:00-5:30

MY GRATITUDE SPEAKS WHEN I SHARE

FRANKLIN B ROOM A

4:00-5:30

FIRST TIMERS MEETING

WASHINGTON ROOM, ROOM A

6:00-7:30

LIGHTEN UP IT WORKS IF YOU LET IT

FRANKLIN B ROOM A

6:00-7:30

GOSSIP VERSUS CONCERN

WASHINGTON ROOM, ROOM A

8:00 PM
OPENING SPEAKER: BETSY ROSS ROOM

10:00-2:00 AM
DANCE: TIFFANY ROOM

10:30-12:00

PI and the member: FRANKLIN B

10:30-12:00

HI and the member: WASHINGTON ROOM

SATURDAY

8:00-9:30

**ACCEPTANCE AND HUMILITY
FRANKLIN ROOM**

8:00-9:30

**GOD AS WE UNDERSTAND
BETSY ROSS ROOM**

8:00-9:30

**THE GIFTS OF RECOVERY
WASHINGTON ROOM**

10:00-12:00

**CHAIN OF SPONSORSHIP
FRANKLIN ROOM**

10:00-12:00

**PRIDE IN OUR FELLOWSHIP
WASHINGTON ROOM**

10:00-12:00

**PARENT IN RECOVERY
BETSY ROSS ROOM**

**12:00
LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

1:00-2:45

**ILLNESS IN RECOVERY
FRANKLIN ROOM**

1:00-2:45

**RELAPSE AND RECOVERY
BETSY ROSS ROOM**

1:00-2:45

**HOMEGROUP
WASHINGTON ROOM**

3:15-4:45

**ONE DISEASE-ONE PROGRAM
FRANKLIN ROOM**

3:15-4:45

**RELATIONSHIPS
BETSY ROSS ROOM**

3:15-4:45

**FOUNDATIONS OF RECOVERY
WASHINGTON ROOM**

BETSY ROSS ROOM

**6:00 BANQUET
7:30 COUNTDOWN**

7:50 BEEHIVE HISTORY

8:00 MAIN SPEAKER

DANCE 10:00-2:00 AM

10:30-12:00

**I'M NOT AT THE DANCE BECAUSE
FRANKLIN ROOM**

10:30-12:00

**MEETING MAKERS MAKE IT
WASHINGTON ROOM**

SUNDAY

8:00- BRUNCH

10:00-12:00 SPIRITUAL SPEAKER

HOSPITALITY SUITE-ROOM "B"

MARATHON MEETING-ROOM 225

**MERCHANDISE- CONFERENCE ROOM "A"
STORE HOURS**

THURSDAY-1:00 PM-6:00 PM

FRIDAY-6:00 PM-8:00 PM

10:00 PM-12:00 PM

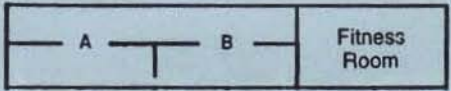
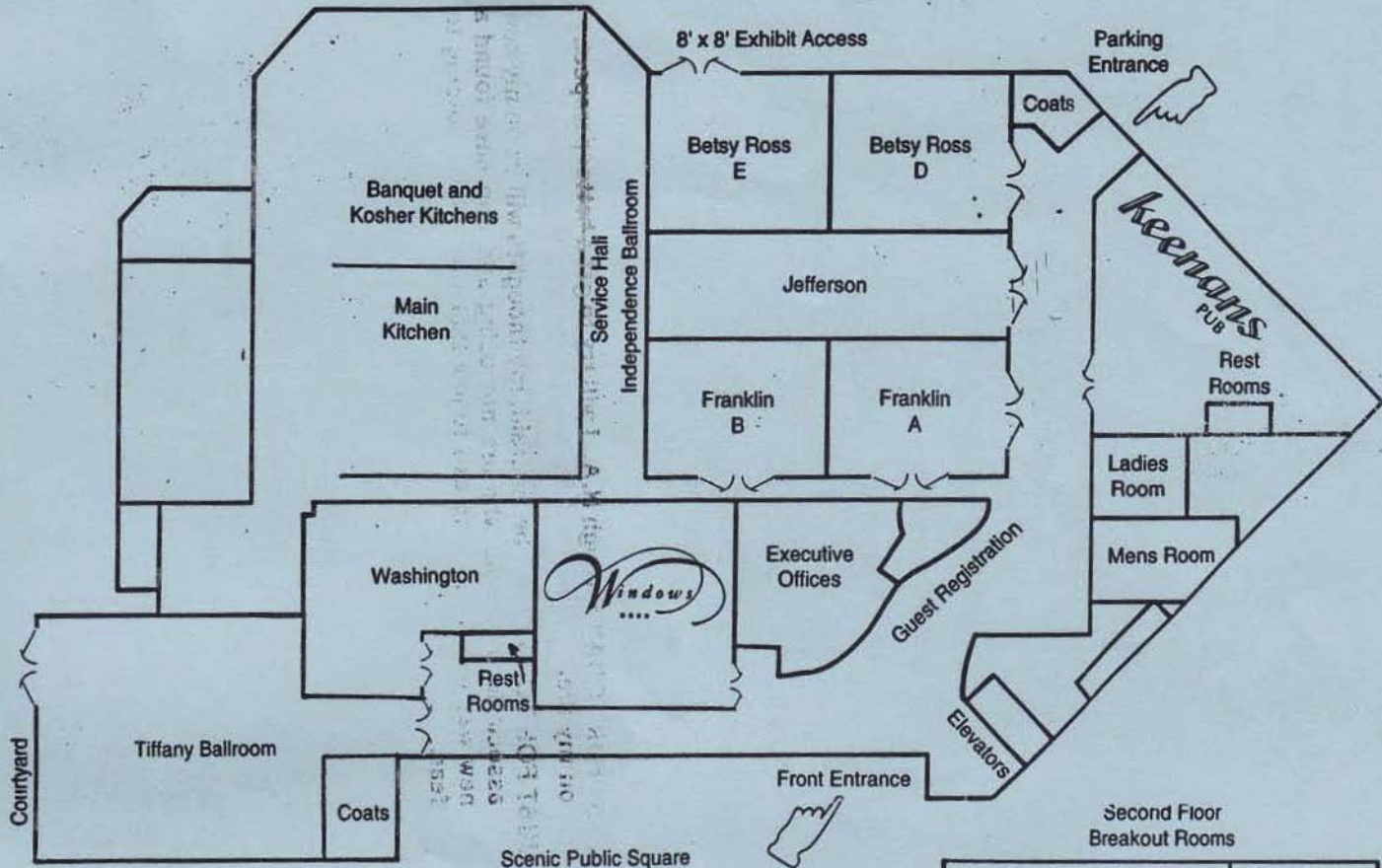
SATURDAY-12:00 PM-1:00 PM

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

10:00 PM-12:00 AM

SUNDAY-12:00 PM-2:00 PM

***All areas and regions who have merchandise to sell should check
in with the Merchandising Committee.**



JUST FOR TODAY

Tell Yourself:

JUST FOR TODAY my thoughts will be on my recovery, living and enjoying life without the use of drugs.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have faith in someone in N.A. who believes in me and wants to help me in my recovery.

JUST FOR TODAY I will have a program. I will try to follow it to the best of my ability.

JUST FOR TODAY through N.A., I will try to get a better perspective on my life.

JUST FOR TODAY I will be unafraid, my thoughts will be on my new associations, people who are not using and who have found a new way of life. So long as I follow that way, I have nothing to fear.

