



**5th Tradition, A New Way, Breaking the Cycle, But Do It, Clean & Serene,
Just For Today, Living Clean, No Matter What, Spiritual Principles, Straightline,
Stray Katz, Survivors, Traditional Recovery, We Do Recover**

UPCOMING EVENTS

31ST SMRCNA-UNITY IS A MUST

OCTOBER 25-27

415 W. MCCARTY JEFF CITY, MO

SOUTHERN ZONAL FORUM

OCTOBER 25-27

4610 W. WALNUT ROGERS, ARKANSAS

WWW.NAOFNWA.ORG

5TH TRADITION HALLOWEEN BASH

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

SALVATION ARMY

8TH & KENTUCKY JOPLIN, MO

STRAIGHTLINE GROUP

BONFIRE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2ND

5PM-10PM CROSSWIRED COWBOY CHURCH

GROVE, OKLAHOMA

JUST FOR TODAY FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2ND 6PM

BRING A CHAIR AND A NEWCOMER

2276 W. FOUNTAIN RD JOPLIN, MO

OZARK AREA CHILI COOK-OFF

NOVEMBER 9TH 4PM-???

HOMER COLE COMMUNITY CENTER

3003 N. JOPLIN PITTSBURG, KANSAS

OCTOBER CLEAN TIME BIRTHDAYS

LEE W 1 YEAR

BRANDY K 18 MOS

JEFF F 2 YEARS

DAWN H 2 YEARS

JAMES F 2 YEARS

AMY B 2 YEARS

DALE S 3 YEARS

DAVID M 3 YEARS

KIM M 16 YEARS

MARK M 17 YEARS

BRIAN CHOLLET 30 YEARS

KELLY TATE-CHOLLET 30 YEARS



FOOD FOR THOUGHT...

“What ways can we carry the message to the addict who still suffers?”

So for me H&I is where it's at. To give an hour of my day to go into a facility for an addict who has decided to get treatment who might just need to hear what I have to say. Might relate to my past and to see that it is possible to get clean and stay clean. I found NA in treatment so it's a big deal to me. Also reaching in to the addict that has already made it to the rooms but hasn't started to live yet. We talk about reaching out and getting a phone list but members that have been here can reach out just the same. I don't know how many times someone else messaging me while I was isolating and miserable helped me to not give up, or to talk to someone else...almost like a chain reaction..

Shelby P. Joplin

Find an H&I commitment!!
For the group... I think just being there constantly is important.

Frankie N. Springfield

Being of service, having and utilizing a sponsor, working and living the NA steps.

Kayla W. El Dorado Springs

Staying clean and letting addicts see the new light inside of us. Gives them hope seeing that others can do it.

Robert H Springfield

Suit up and show up. Welcome newcomers and make them feel welcome and wanted.

Give them a meeting schedule and a phone list.

Rick T. El Dorado Springs

I think it starts by greeting the new people and providing a meeting list with phone numbers of people of the same sex (of course). Letting them share right where they're at (there is a time and a place to learn the NA language that can be addressed privately) Offering suggestions and sharing our experience as newcomers so they have something to relate to and not feel so alone. Talking with them before and/or after the meeting. Also inviting them to call us (the numbers on that phone list) and to come back to another meeting are all ways my home group carries the message to the newcomer

Amanda D.

Leading by example, living clean and staying clean. Actions speak louder than words.

Kristen C.

The three meetings... The first meeting before the meeting. Talking to newcomers. The meeting. Listening and sharing. The third meeting. The meeting after the meeting. Talking to the newcomer, the person who's hurting or the person who needs a pat on the back.

Tony G. California



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MY GRATITUDE SPEAKS...

"What ways can we carry the message to the addict who still suffers?"

It is a program of attraction but I see the strongest way is through prayer even though it is unseen it is the greatest tool for the addict suffering and the addict that's addiction is in remission

Steven B

For me, it's also my actual job, so I carry the message all week long, even when I'm not at a meeting. But also everyone knows im in recovery, so they call when they have needs or questions about recovery

Wendy D

Be willing to talk about recovery!! Be welcoming to new members, provide them with literature, a warm hug and listen to them. Share freely with them what NA has given us. H&I members provide meetings for jails & institutions, on our time and money.

Luann

Always make them feel welcome
don't shoot the wounded

Marky J

By working the program of Narcotics Anonymous.. Step work!

Crystal C

Sharing experiences during meetings or fellowship is an effective way to convey the message of recovery to newcomers. While many newcomers may not immediately share their own experiences, they often benefit from listening to the experiences of others.

Richard L

Doing traditions allow us not to want to kill other people.

Luke L

Members can keep meeting schedules with them so people who are curious about NA can know where to get to a meeting. Groups can plan a flier day either with their area PR chair and fliers about NA as a whole or develop a flier specific to their group's place and time to post in the community with permission.

Pam M

It is attraction rather than promotion. By living it in our lives daily. To be different and a standard. That is noticeable in a dark mean Ole world.

Jeremy K

When I lived in the shelter, it was the ministering efforts of others that seem to make a difference. Meet them where they are at. Hit the streets with sack lunches, and help that person you normally would pass by.

Chris D Springfield

"an addict, any addict, can stop using drugs, lose the desire to use, and find a new way to live"

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H&I was a big part of my story. On both sides, as the still struggling addict and now as a service commitment. As for stronger ways to improve upon that I would suggest a transportation system that could take willing addicts to outside meetings. I know the logistics would be a challenge but the reward could very well be one more addict saved from jails, institutions and death.

Al in Springfield

Be present in the process,
give a newcomer a hug!

Amy H.

(Tell them) The fucking Truth! We only have one truth-ask them is this a wonderful life? Addiction is just that! We can overcome! Because our higher power knows our past, our Higher Power Loves Us even when we have never felt the purest of these feelings

Debbie S. Joplin

Organize activities, outreach, H&I, be visible to the newcomer by attending lots of meetings, give away speaker cds.

Tom S. Branson

I've seen areas where each home group has a door greeter that hugs each person that comes in the door, usually a Newcomer. Also, in Joplin, it's sometimes easy to hide out in a meeting that doesn't go around the room. If your format is popcorn sharing meaning whoever wants to share shares many times there are people that don't say anything. They can come around for weeks and months and nobody ever really gets to know them . It took me a little while here in Springfield to get used to that method of sharing in the meetings where we go around in each person either has to pass or say something, but it puts that person in the driver seat. You guys already do a good job at having functions and getting the people to fellowship. Do any of your groups still go out for coffee or something to eat after the meetings? That's always a good way to make people feel comfortable. Do you guys still do pizza at area? That's the only reason I started coming to the area. There was free food!And something else we used to do In Joplin we used to have a super service Sunday or a flyer Saturday where we got everybody to come together and we went out and put up NA flyers all over town

Darwin R.



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