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# NEI NEWSLETTER



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## NEI Upcoming

**Events...** NEI is planning some fellowship-building events in the coming months. Please note the following dates:

### July, 2010

- July 11 - NEI Business Meeting
- July 23-25 - Vermont 12 Step Weekend
- July 31 - NEI Barbecue

### August, 2010

- August 8 - NEI Business Meeting

### September, 2010

- September 12- NEI Business Meeting

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## 2010 NEI Vermont Weekend Schedule

- July 23 - 25
- October 1 - 3
- December 17 - 19

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## GET ALL YOUR NEI INFORMATION BY EMAIL

Contact us at [mailinglist@slaanei.org](mailto:mailinglist@slaanei.org) to get on our emailing list. Do it today.  
Thanks

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If you would like to help in the planning of events or to volunteer, please contact us at telephone #/email below.

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## Join NEI Business Group to discuss the agenda items for the 2010 S.L.A.A. Annual Business Meeting to be held in San Antonio, TX on August 10 - 13, 2010.

**When:** Sunday, July 11, 2010 Meeting 5:00 - 7:00 pm Refreshments will be served

**Where:** Newton Wellesley Hospital, Allen Riddle Hall, Room AR 100, 2014 Washington Street Newton, MA

Join us at our monthly meeting to discuss the motions and items to be discussed at the Annual Business Meeting in August 2010 in San Antonio. To review an overview of items on the BMIS go to <http://www.slaanei.org/>

### **Agenda topics include:**

- Motion to change to the "common denominator" sentence in preamble
- Motion to allow sale of S.L.A.A. Basic Text in bookstores and on Amazon
- Motion to fund the Conference Charter Committee chair to the ABM/C
- Discussion of minimum sobriety requirements for conference committee work

NEI will send a delegate to the ABM to carry our group conscience about these issues.

## **NEI SLAA 12 Step Weekend Retreat**

*In Chester, Vermont (2 1/2-3 hours from Boston)*

**July 23-25**

**NEW ENGLAND INTERGROUP (NEI), P. O. Box 1375, Brookline, Massachusetts 02446**

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### **Step study is a key tool to recovery in the SLAA program.**

At the retreat weekend we do an intensive study of the 12 Steps--together. If you have worked on the Steps in this type of format before, you already know its value. If you have not done any study of the Steps, intensive or otherwise, this is a great way to do it, especially the first time. Regardless of where we are in the Step study process, we are able to learn from sharing our experience, strength and hope with each other.

### **Location & Hosts:**

The retreat house is located in Chester, Vermont, approximately 3 hours from Boston. A local family in recovery runs the retreat space. Although **NEI and SLAA members run the Step study itself**, our hosts do participate in some parts of the weekend. The only people invited to participate in this weekend are S.L.A.A. members or people who feel they can benefit from our program.

### **Price: \$175.00 YOUR COST**

**Includes:** 2 nights lodging (see below for sleeping arrangements) and 2 breakfasts (all you can eat). There is a potluck dinner *Saturday night* (all you can eat)—weekend participants contribute.

## STEP AND TRADITION OF THE MONTH

**STEP 6** Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

**TRADITION 6** An S.L.A.A. group or S.L.A.A. as a whole ought never to endorse, finance, or lend the S.L.A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.

## Order your SLAA Literature and Sobriety and Step chips through NEI!

Order your S.L.A.A. materials through your local Intergroup – **NEI!** Bring your order to the monthly NEI meeting and pick it up at the next meeting. NEI will pool orders into one large shipment and reduce the shipping costs. You can order your literature by emailing us at [literature@slaanei.org](mailto:literature@slaanei.org) and listing out the quantities and titles you wish to order.

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### The Promises of S.L.A.A

Now we were truly feeling some sense of deep release from the past! We were free of much guilt for our misdeeds, from the shame of having fallen short of our inner values. In many instances the values we had thought were ours had turned out to be someone else's, and we had shed or changed these to allow the seeds of our own personal wholeness to take root and grow.

We were indeed living new, positive, unfolding lives. Whether in partnership with others or in solitude, we had truly been granted a spiritual release from our sex and love addiction. While vigilance was still important, the choices we had to make now seemed easier. We felt increasing confidence in our developing partnership with God, and were full participants in the fellowship of S.L.A.A. We enjoyed solitude and were unafraid of honesty and openness with others. We could comprehend what it means to have dignity of self.

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## COME JOIN NEI BUSINESS GROUP AND WORK WITH US TO "CARRY THE MESSAGE!"

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*The views expressed in the N.E.I. Newsletter are the opinions of the respective authors and do not necessarily reflect those of the New England Intergroup*

## **NEWS BRIEFS!!**

### **\*\*JOIN NEI FOR A BARBECUE SAT, JULY 31 AT BEAVER BROOK RESERVATION IN WALTHAM !!**

Hot Dogs, Burgers, Games, Getting Current, etc. There will especially be fun and fellowship. Please see flyer with this mailing, at the NEI website or at you meeting for further details.

### **\*\*NEI TO RAISE PRICES OF LITERATURE , CHIPS AND MEDALLIONS**

Due to an increase in our costs of these materials, we must raise our prices as follows: \$5.75 for bronze medallions, \$1.00 for plastic chips, \$1.25 for pamphlets, \$19 for books, \$5 for newcomer pamphlets.

**\*\*NEI OUTREACH IN PREPARATION TO VISIT ALL NEI GROUPS** NEI Business Group is planning to begin visiting group in our service area to increase awareness among the groups about service and answer questions about the NEI Business Group. The outreach committee will be looking for outreach volunteers. This is a great opportunity for rewarding service.

## SERVICE POSITIONS AVAILABLE

### **THERE ARE NUMEROUS SERVICE POSITIONS OPEN :**

Corresponding Secretary- **OPEN** 1 year sobriety requirement

Treasurer - **OPEN** 1 year sobriety requirement.

Website Coordinator - **OPEN** (Eric G. Lisa P. and Rich N. on committee) 6 month sobriety requirement.

Intergroup Activities Committee Chair – **OPEN** (Marie C., Lisa P., David B., Jenny R.W., Kim B. on Committee)

**Note! - Our next NEI business meeting is Sunday, July 11.** We invite all SLAA members to join us AND PARTICIPATE at our regular monthly meeting: 5PM-7PM at Newton Wellesley Hospital – Room AR 100 in the Allen-Riddle Building.

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## NEW MEETINGS AND MEETING CHANGES

### MONDAY

**MA. BOSTON**, 12:00Noon (OSD, 60 min) "Newbury at Noon" 2<sup>nd</sup> floor library, Church of the Covenant, Newbury and Berkeley Sts. Open to all SLAA discussion topics. Near MBTA Arlington St station. **New name.**

### THURSDAY

**MA. WEYMOUTH**, 7:30 PM (C) 4th Step meeting, Trinity Episcopal Church, 241 Broad Street. Attendees are required to share already completed Steps 1-3 and commit to regular attendance and sharing. Contact Rich N 617-620-0383. **New meeting.**

### FRIDAY

**MA. BOSTON**, 12 Noon (OD,60 min) Newbury at Noon. 2nd floor library, Church of the Covenant, Newbury and Berkeley Sts. Open to all SLAA discussion topics. Near MBTA Arlington St. station. **New meeting**

**MA. NEWTON**, 8:00 PM (O12,h) Newton-Wellesley Meeting. Newton-Wellesley Hospital, 2014 Washington Street, Allen Riddle Building (room 100) is a separate brick building to the left of the main hospital. Meeting is open to all sex love and relationship addicts. **Changed to Open, Handicap accessible.**