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### Area Entertainment

The area entertainment committee would like to extend a great big thank you to all those who helped organize, donate & lend items, and support the 31st birthday event January 16th, 2010. A thanks goes out to Corbett for being our speaker and our fabulous cooking crew: Wiley, Geoff, Mike, Jay and others. Catelyn for working the door, Susan for selling T-shirts, Ross for helping with the design and getting the shirts, Dave for manning the soda station, those who sold split the pot tickets. A special thanks to those who helped set up and clean up (Catelyn, Angelique, Selena, Wiley, Jesse and others), Michael for providing the music; A huge thanks to Kathy and pals for doing our clean time countdown on short notice, Bill for bringing his slide show and everyone who bought the auction items. When we all work together we can do great things, and it was an honor and a privilege to be a part of this wonderful team and fellowship. Keep coming back and supporting these events, the committees work very hard to make them happen, and we can't do it without you!

In loving service,

Terry S., Area Entertainment chair

### Forever Never More

**Knock... knock... knocking on the dope  
mans door**

**Walking in feeling like a two dollar  
whore**

**Putting my money down just to hear him  
laugh saying forever more**

**He was right I did want more and could  
not say never more**

**Now I am taking the twelve steps to say  
never more**

**It sounded so easy just twelve of them  
How hard could that be?  
Just don't use**

**One day at a time one step at a time  
Just one meeting at a time  
To be of service of others  
To be honest willing and open minded to  
self and others**

**To be knocking on heaven's door  
Now I can say for ever never more  
One day at a time**

**This is how I do it**

Nick S.



### EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

**NA Comedy Show**  
**Saturday, March 6th**  
**at 6:00 pm**  
**St. Patrick's Church**  
**2111 Muldoon Road**  
**20 Dollars**  
Convention Fundraiser

Call Catelyn 744-0774



**PLEASE SUPPORT THE  
FOLLOWING MEETING**

The Eagle River Meeting

Needs your support

Monday & Friday 6:30pm

Lutheran Joy Church  
Across the street from Wal-Mart



I can't... WE CAN!

**Thanks to those who serve!**



### New Year Blessings

The New Year always presents a fresh start. We make resolutions and stick to them as best as possible, and, if you're like me, you've been disappointed by your lack of will-power before the first week is out. When I came into the program, I thought I had to make these resolutions and count on my own will-power alone to make them stick. I felt that I was a failure for not being able to quit drugs on my own. I would promise myself frequently that "today is the day I quit", and by that night, I had a drink, a joint, a pipe in my hand.

Through WORKING the 12 Steps and LISTENING to a wise sponsor, I learned that my will-power alone is not enough. Surrendering to my Higher Power and asking for support and advice from my HP's followers (Program Members who practice Step 11) gave me the tools and strength that I needed to be able to finally keep a resolution or two. I never thought that I could quit drugs, and wasn't sure that I wanted to. Thanks to this program, I've been clean for a good collection of days. Through people in this program, I have learned that each moment can be a fresh start. I don't have to wait for New Year's Day to make a difference in my life, and consequently, in the lives of those that are close to me.

I spent this past New Year's Eve giving the gift of the 12 Steps to a new-comer at a meeting in Havasu, AZ. When I awoke the next morning, I not only remembered the entire previous evening, but I was filled with a sense of well-being and purpose. No matter what happens this year, my Higher Power will bring about the best possible outcomes, because today I am not a slave to my own twisted will. I am set free by doing the will of my Higher Power: Loving my brothers and sisters, starting with my God and including my self.

Thank you for that! Live in gratitude and joy!

Jacci

*Just For Today!*

*Stay in the moment*

### Cold Script

Relapse is a cold script so don't slip back into that sack of dope, stay in recovery where you know there is hope! It's not like the pope touch's your head and poof your healed. It's just if you stay clean your fate is sealed. It don't matter how you feel, but will you stay clean just for today? What do they say? "A victory for one of us is a victory for all". So call your sponsor before you fall. Sounds like a tall order but, don't run to the border. Even if all you have is just a quarter. Go to any length, surrender and let your HP give you the strength to live and give from the heart. Do the next right thing and own your past. Start working the steps at the rate of love. If the glove don't fit you must acquit. So don't trip cuz recovery is a cold script.

Joe R.

**Please attend your Home Group end of the month Business Meeting as Area Sub Committee Nominations are being made! Your participation is needed!**