



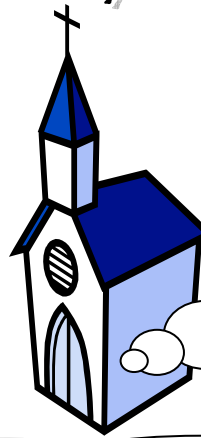
SANITY

GRATITUDE

The Adventures of Nicky Newcomer



NICKY NEWCOMER
AND
COOKIE CUTTER
REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE
AT THEIR WEDDING
MARCH 19, 2011
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
RECOVERY NOW MEETING OF NA
12 STEPS ROAD
STICKVILLE, USA



Welcome to the
Recovery Now
group of NA. May we
please have a moment
of silence followed by
the Serenity Prayer for
those who care to join
in.

... grant me the serenity ...

My name is Otto,
I'm an addict.
Today is a very
special day for the
Serenity Now
group. After the
meeting we will
have a celebration
of life. Because
this is such a
special day, our
topic of the day
will be Gratitude

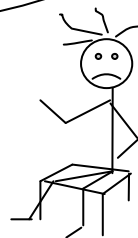


Grateful recovering addict Tizzy. I am grateful
for Step Three and that I have learned to turn
my life over to my Higher Power.



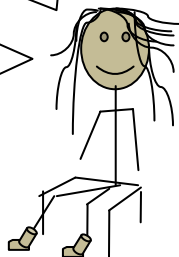
My best thinking takes me
to unfortunate places. Once
I turn my life over and take
myself out of the picture,
good things happen.

Butchy, addict. I lost my job so
it is hard to have gratitude
today. But you guys have
taught me to keep coming and
that my Higher Power has a plan
for me. When one door closes,
another door will open. I need
to do the footwork to find what
my Higher Power has in store for
me. I guess I am grateful to my
NA network who gives me love.



Grateful recovering addict Catfish. I came from the city streets and never thought I would be able to stop using. My life consisted of living in one abandoned building after another and never caring whether I ate a meal or not as long as I had my drugs.

My gratitude list is long. I am most grateful to the police who arrested me and sent me to jail. I am grateful to H & I for introducing me to NA. I am grateful to the drug court Judge, who I thought was an evil man when I was ordered to go to drug court. He turned my life around and now he is my hero.



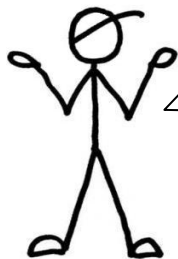
Addict Eve. I have a lot of 24's under my belt and am grateful for every one of them. I have been clean since NA only had a few meetings in the State and we had to travel long distances to get to a meeting. There were only a few meetings every week. We would carpool to meetings where ever we could find them. I always carry my bear, Woof, with me because he is my good luck charm and without Woof, I am lost. I am grateful for every day clean and for my network of wonderful women.

I'm Waldo and I'm new to NA.

I'm not sure how NA works yet, but my Sponsor told me that I need to share at meetings. I only have 30 days clean, but I know that I don't want to use again and I need to come to meetings. Today I am grateful that NA is here for the newcomers.

Hey dudes, I'm Slider and I'm an addict. I'm so grateful to NA for giving me a new lease on life. I almost lost my baseball career because I couldn't stop using. The team manager told me that I had to stop using and go to NA or I was off the team for good.

Baseball is my life, man. It's my passion. If I was kicked off the team I don't know what I would do. You guys saved my life and my career. I can never repay NA for what I have learned here. My gratitude is for NA and all you guys.



Otto, addict. Thanks everyone for a great meeting.

Does anyone have a burning desire? That's something that might send you out to use?

If you have a problem, speak to your Sponsor.

After the meeting everyone is invited to stay for the wedding of Nicky and Cookie. Will someone please read Just for Today.



Just for today my thoughts will be on my recovery, living and enjoying life without the use of drugs ...





I would like to thank everyone for joining us today in uniting Nicholas Newcomer and Veronica Cutter in the bond of marriage.

. . . Do you, Nicholas Newcomer, take Veronica Cutter to be your lawfully wedded wife, to honor and keep her in sickness and in health to death do you part?

I, Veronica Cutter, take Nicholas Newcomer to be my husband ... through sickness and health ...

I, Nicholas Newcomer take Veronica Cutter, to be my wedded wife forever and ever to death do us part



I would like everyone to join me in an apple juice toast to the bride and groom. Nicky and Cookie have traveled a difficult path to become the two wonderful people here today. They stand before us today as two examples of the power of NA and how it can show us a new way to live.



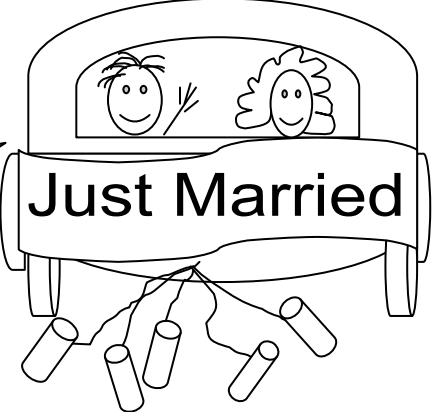
May the happiness and gratitude of Nicky and Cookie be an inspiration to everyone in the fellowship who is struggling to stay clean. Nicky and Cookie are the perfect example of how we can turn our lives around and gain back everything we have lost in our addiction.

I wish Nicky and Cookie every happiness in the world and hope they have a wonderful honeymoon.



Where are you going on your Honeymoon?

We are going to wait. There is no better place to spend our Honeymoon than at the New Jersey Region Convention on July 1, 2, 3, 2011, at the Doubletree Hotel in Somerset.



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July 1,2,3, 2011

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Thank you for letting me serve, Margaret D.

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From Airport Newark Liberty International Airport 22
miles. Take the New Jersey Turnpike south. Exit #10
at Metuchen and to 287 North. Go to Route 527
North. At the first light turn left onto Davidson
Avenue. Continue for 1/2 mile and turn left into the
Atrium Corporate Park. This will take you to the
entrance of the hotel.

From Route I-287 North - Take exit 10 for Route 527
New Brunswick / Easton Ave. Follow Route 527
North to the first traffic light and make a left onto
Davidson Avenue. Continue on Davidson Avenue for
one half mile and make a left into Atrium Corporate
Park. Follow to the front entrance of the hotel.

From Route I-287 South - Take exit 10 for Route 527
Easton Ave / New Brunswick. Follow Route 527
North and bear left toward signs for Davidson
Avenue. At the first traffic light make a left onto
Davidson Avenue. Continue on Davidson Avenue for
one half mile and make a left into Atrium Corporate
Park. Follow to the front entrance of the hotel.

From the New Jersey Turnpike - Take Exit 10 for
Metuchen / Edison to I-287 North. Take exit 10 for
Route 527 New Brunswick / Easton Ave. Follow
Route 527 North to the first traffic light and make a
left onto Davidson Ave. Continue on Davidson
Avenue for one half mile and make a left into Atrium
Corporate Park. Follow to the front entrance of the
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From the Garden State Parkway North - Take Exit
127 for I-287 North. Take exit 10 for Route 527 New
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