

**\*\*\* BRING A FRIEND\*\*\***

**MATT TALBOT GROUP 27W – SPRING 2024 INFORMATIONAL LETTER**

Who may come on a Matt Talbot Retreat? Any member of A.A. who desires to enrich his spiritual growth. Where is the Matt Talbot Retreat held? In our area, the Matt Talbot Retreats are held at the “Retreat House,” Stonehill College, North Easton Massachusetts.

What is the cost of the retreat? Currently the cost for the entire weekend is \$180.00. However, there are scholarships available. Consult with your Matt Talbot sponsor, and Officer, or an Area Captain for more information. Requests for scholarships **MUST BE SIGNED** by an Area Captain, and a deposit of \$90.00 **MUST** be made. This deposit will be refunded if you attend the entire retreat from **Friday evening through Sunday at noon**. Otherwise the deposit will be forfeited. All Registration forms must be forwarded by mail with a check for \$90.00, which is nonrefundable (unless on a full scholarship). No reservations will be made without your reservation form and deposit sent to the Secretary/Treasurer. **PLEASE SEND YOUR RESERVATION FORM WITH YOUR DEPOSIT! OTHERWISE NO RESERVATION!** Postmark will determine priority.

What is a Matt Talbot Retreat? It is an opportunity to relax, and enjoy a spiritual weekend, not a religious experience with fellow men who suffer the disease of alcoholism. The retreat is led by members of the clergy who are also alcoholics in recovery, and who are well qualified to assist you in your search for spiritual growth. There will be opportunities for reflection (not in 4<sup>th</sup> step writing, or 5<sup>th</sup> step sharing), and excellent chances to talk, share, and experience the joy of comradeship for the weekend. What should you bring? Yourself!! Comfortable clothes (sweater or jacket), toiletries, and comfortable shoes for serenity walks. **ALSO PLEASE BRING AN AA BOOK FOR RAFFLE SATURDAY NIGHT.** If you have any books or other AA stuff laying around collecting dust. If you play a musical instrument, bring it along. We are always looking for new talent.

When is the Retreat? **May 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>.** Our Matt brother, Bob Lamb will be our retreat director. What time does the retreat begin? The actual retreat (opening and first conference) begins at 7:30pm on Friday, but registration will begin at 5:00pm. Please note – **NO MEAL WILL BE SERVED FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE RETREAT HOUSE.** There are many fine places in the town of North Easton to eat, or you may wish to eat somewhere along the way. We look forward to seeing you all at the Retreat!!

**Applications can be printed from the group’s website [www.matttalbotgroup27w.com](http://www.matttalbotgroup27w.com)**

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