

It's February 15, 1959 . . .

DO YOU KNOW  
WHO DUNNIT???



There's A Mystery To Be Solved  
And You May Hold The Clues!!

It's 1959, and the Class of '54 is holding it's 5th Reunion.  
You are there... And so is a mystery! You may even be a  
suspect! But you'll never know who dunnit if you're not there  
to help solve the crime. Join the gang at Maltie's FALCON CAFE  
to help unravel the clues. For added intrigue, dress for the occasion!

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Who Dunnit???

## Game Nite A Big Mystery



*"Return with us now to those  
thrilling days of yesteryear."*

A new twist has been added for  
this year's annual McBride Game  
Nite, and it involves a trip back in  
time.

The date is February 15, but  
the year is 1959. (Elvis was not only  
alive, he was trim and free of drugs.  
It was a kinder, gentler world.)

The make-believe setting is the

highlight of the group's big evening  
is a mystery -- literally.

Murder and intrigue. Clues and  
suspects. Detectives and an all-star  
supporting cast. It all adds up to an  
evening of role-playing fun while  
the drama unfolds and everyone has  
a part.

For an added touch, you can en-  
hance the atmosphere by dressing  
for the period. If you're of that vin-

# Prizes Make Nite A Winner

Last year, there were enough donated door prizes to make everyone who attended Game Nite a winner. That same generosity is being counted on to assure even greater success for the 1992 version.

Remember also that proceeds from the Silent Auction help keep the Endowment Fund growing and, in turn, provide financial aid to those who might otherwise miss a vital part of their treatment and recovery.

There were CDs from radio stations, promotional T-shirts and athletic gear (we're not picky-- items featuring advertising or company logos are welcome), movie and sports tickets, and a variety of merchandise.

In all cases, the items are donated as in-lieu-of-cash contributions to the McBride Foundation, and that makes them tax-deductible -- a tangible benefit for your expressions of gratitude.

If you, or your employer, are in a position to boost this worthy cause, by all means become a donor. Acknowledgement tags or other identification of benefactors will be provided and receipts for tax purposes are available on request.

To help in this material way, please contact an Alumni Board member or call Chris Giese at (414) 332-5174. The sooner the better, so that planning can be completed.

## NAMES

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On the distaff side, you again have to use variations, such as Kathleen and Kathryn, to reach 17 and put "Kathy" in second place. Then comes Barbara at 15 and Judy or Judith, with 14.

If you thought "every Tom, Dick and Harry" found his way to McBride, the numbers are 23, 31 and 7, respectively. And there are 32 Roberts.

Where do they all come from? The Alumni mailings now go to 32 states (including Hawaii), plus the Territory of Guam.

## GAME NIGHT CLOAKED IN MYSTERY

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(The price increase is due to an unexpected new fee policy imposed by the Milwaukee Park Board.)

If you haven't signed up already, there's a registration form on the back page. Send it, along with your check made out to The McBride Foundation, to Kris Giese, 4941 North Berkeley, Whitefish Bay, WI 53217. For more information, give her a call at (414) 332-5174.

Since the first one in 1986, Alumni Game Nites have provided a great opportunity for the newly recovering to meet those whose

## New Alum Program Seeks Sponsors

A new program to assist patients in their recovery is being developed by the Alumni Board.

At the core is the formation of two-member teams that will visit patients and Herrington House residents individually, steering them toward temporary sponsors and helping make adjustments to life without alcohol or drugs.

Volunteers to be included on a roster of potential temporary sponsors are now being enlisted, and the project should be implemented within the next few weeks. Contact a Board member to participate in this latest Alumni activity. Further details will be published in the next *Moving Finger*.

paths they followed; to experience, perhaps for the first time, a spirited evening of socializing free of alcohol and drugs. For the "older hands," it's a chance to kibitz with the "youngsters," and to renew old Alumni acquaintances and do some reminiscing.

For everyone, it's a time for meeting new friends and sharing the warm camaraderie that is one of the real rewards of sobriety.

The festivities get underway at 6:30 p.m. with coffee, soda and snacks and the big mystery "who dunnit" game begins at 7:00, to be followed by dinner then dancing to a nostalgia beat.

If you're new, and need a demonstration of what chemical-free fun can be like, don't miss it. If you've drifted away from your McBride friends, this is a big welcome back. And if you're among the "regulars," you already know what we're talking about!

Join the gang. Help solve the crime. Stamp out boredom and have a great time!

# Finger Needs News Hounds

Any cub reporters -- would-be or wanna-be -- out there?

*The Moving Finger* needs "news hounds" to help gather and spread the word about what's going on out in the McBride world of recovery. Articles covering get-togethers, events and other items of general interest to fellow alums are always welcome.

You don't need to be a writer, just pass along the basic information and you can see your effort in print. Drop a note in the mail to the editor (address in box below).

We'd especially like to hear from some of the more recent "grads." And for those who have been away for awhile, send along greetings to your old friends.



*How Sweet It Is!*

## Group Dinners Feed Recovery

Especially with today's shorter stays for inpatient treatment, ongoing support and contact with fellow Alums is great insurance for continuing recovery.

And you don't need to rely only on the larger events put together by your Alumni Association. Many groups composed of friends made during treatment are sharing sobriety by getting together for informal

dinners or other gatherings. Some have even formed their own AA meetings.

Maintain those valuable relationships. The best time to form them is during those first few months following discharge, but it's never too late. A phone call is usually sufficient to get the ball rolling, and the rewards can be significant.

And while you're at it, keep *The Moving Finger* posted, as well. If you have something going, or would like to stage a reunion, drop a note to the editor and publicize the event. Help others by setting an example via your newsletter.

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*When we talk about denial...  
We don't mean a river  
in Egypt!*

## Avenues Abound For Extending A Helping Hand

Call it volunteerism or call it 12th Step work, McBride alums have plenty of opportunities to do their share.

Rap Sessions, where recovering alumni sit down for informal chats with inpatients and Herrington House residents, are perhaps the most visible contributions in this category, but there are other avenues, as well.

Out-of-town patients are often in need of transportation from (and back to) the airport or train depot; special events need planners and workers; mailings have to be stuffed and labeled, and many others tasks require helping hands.

Anyone wishing to participate in this rewarding volunteer work should contact a board member or leave your name and phone number with the Tuesday Night AA Meeting secretary.

### Mark Your Calendars

- Board Meeting\* ..... February 11
- Game Nite '92 ..... February 15
- Board Meeting ..... March 10
- Golf Outing ..... Mid-May
- Summer Retreat ..... May 29-31
- Renewal and Picnic ..... September 13
- Public Awareness Program ..... November
- Winter Retreat ..... January 8-10, 1993

\* Second Tuesday Each Month; 6 p.m. at McBride