

CEO Corner

Ghost Story Movie, Recovery and New Year's Resolutions

Most of you will not remember the movie "Dead Again." The story centers around a murder investigation that is tied in with a ghost story. Good movie, worth watching, but I digress. There is a scene in the movie in which a detective meets with a butcher (played by Robin Williams) in a meat locker to ask questions about the investigation. Robin Williams is smoking a cigarette, and having recently quit, the detective frequently cuts his eyes from Robin Williams down to the cigarette. Noticing that the detective was distracted, Robin Williams finally asks the question: "Do you want a cigarette?" to which the detective replies "No thanks, I just quit." Robin Williams shot back with a line I have never forgotten: "No, you didn't. In this world there are two types of people, smokers and non-smokers: PICK ONE AND BE IT."

As it pertains to addiction, I'd say this. There are two types of people in this world, people in recovery and people not in recovery: PICK ONE AND BE IT! The new year is a time of making resolutions. Most people break resolutions shortly beyond the new year. However, when it comes to recovery: PICK ONE AND BE IT! Make sure that if you are new to recovery, you place your recovery first. Keep it simple and don't allow anything to get in the way of your sobriety. Every decision we make has an impact on our recovery. Take care of it. If we are many years sober, a day at a time, take a moment to reflect on the gifts that recovery has given you and those you care about. Consider practicing gratitude as a New Year's goal or resolution. It is hard to relapse when we are full of gratitude for our recovery.

We at Willingway wish everyone a joyous, peaceful, and sober new year.

David Gerber
CEO, Willingway

Homecoming 2025

Homecoming 2025 is just around the corner!



BACK TO THE HIVE
Willingway Homecoming 2025

Homecoming Agenda

Friday: 4/25/25

- 3-5pm Pre-registration @ the Fork
- 5-7:30pm Rez and Lodge Drop-in (sharing meetings at drop-in)

Saturday: 4/26/25

- 10:30am Al-anon speaker @ the Fork (Paula B.)
- 12-2pm Picnic & Ice Cream Social @ Willingway
 - Dunk tank
 - Bounce house
 - Fellowship
 - Face painting
- Sharing/Gratitude Meeting @ Willingway (during lunch, MC will walk around with mic to tables for people to share gratitude)
- 6:30pm @ the Fork (registration, pizza, shirts, raffle ticket hand out)
- 8pm Speaker @ the Fork (Jim B.)

Employee Spotlight



Name: Tonya Harvey-McKinsey
Position: Lead BHA
Start Date: 11/1/2022

Tell us a little about your position:

I am the Lead Tech for the Pines Unit.

Favorite part of your job?

My favorite part of my job is helping our clients.

Why did you choose Willingway?

I chose Willingway because I had a desire to help those in need with alcohol and drug abuse.

Interesting fact about you?

I am a loving and caring individual. I am simply just me!

January Birthdays:



- Jai Burton, 1/11
- Mack Cooper, 1/12
- Dakota Ulmen, 1/15
- Brandy Gragg, 1/17
- Holly Faulkner, 1/27
- Rebecca Burton, 1/31

Stay in touch!

Willingway CaredFor App

Alumni Night

Every Thursday
7:30 - 9:00 pm
311 Jones Mill Road, Statesboro, GA
Call: 912-515-7103 for more info

Want to share your recovery story?

Shoot us an email at: alumni@willingway.com



Continuing Care Community Support Groups

Continuing Care provides a supportive and welcoming community to people in recovery from addiction, their family members, and their close friends. It is a safe place to land, to talk about your experiences, and to find ways to become connected to 12-step recovery. Continuing Care support groups are not a substitute for AA, NA, or Al-Anon, but they offer a point of connection designed to give the returning client direction for finding and engaging in local recovery organizations.

St. Simons Group:

Name: Joel Mills
Phone number: 404-216-6385
Email: jvmssi@me.com
Saturday at 6:30pm
The Club House
1501 Demere Road
St Simons Island, GA 31522

Atlanta Group:

Name: Robby Carroll
Phone number: 404-216-3882
Email: carrollrobby@gmail.com
Tuesday at 6:30pm
Zoom Meeting ID: 851 3786 4879
Password: 837591

Thursday at 6:00pm
Zoom Meeting ID: 883 0477 9288
Password: 545307

Augusta, GA:

Name: Paula Wood
Phone number: 706-664-9672
Saturday at 10am
Covenant Presbyterian Church
3131 Walton Way
Augusta, GA 30904
Zoom Meeting ID: 896 8113 8410
Password: 174257

Charleston Group:

Name: Rhett Crull
Phone number: 843-323-7111
Email: crull.rhett@gmail.com
Monday at 6:30pm
Church of the Holy Spirit
299 Seven Farms Rd.
Daniel Island, SC 29492

Raleigh Group:

Name: Charlie Wagner
Phone number: 919-349-6269
Email: mail4youcw@gmail.com
Mondays 7:30pm
St John's Baptist Church
1615A Oberlin Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27608
Zoom Meeting ID: 885 4336 3501
Passcode: Willingway

Macon Group:

Name: Tracy Miller
Phone number: 478-960-4574
Email: tracytmiller58@gmail.com
Monday at 6:30pm
Centenary Church
1290 College St.
Macon, GA 31201
Zoom Meeting ID: 858 8774 8270
Passcode: Recovery

Jacksonville / Jacksonville Beach Group:

Name: John Roberts and Cathy Roberts
Phone number: John 904-463-1246
Cathy 904-463-5200
Monday at 6:00pm
Zoom meeting ID: 996 758 129
Password: 1234

Tuesday at 6:00pm
Palms Presbyterian Church
3410 Third Street South
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
Education/Office Bldg. (north side of campus)
Room 202

For more information about continuing care, please contact alumni@willingway.com.