## Nominations Begin for Next Year's Board

The 2014 Annual Meeting for all FSC members won't be until the third Sunday in February, but it's already time to think about who we want to fill vacancies that will be on the Board. Three positions will be open: vice-president, secretary and one director-at-large.

To make your nomination(s), place the name of your candidate(s), the position(s) you want him or her to run for, and his or her contact information on a piece of paper and drop it in the safe. Nomination Committee chair Dave S. will contact your proposed nominee to be sure that he/she meets the one requirement for office -- that the nominee has been a member in good standing of FSC for the previous year or more -- and that, if elected, he or she will serve. You must be a member of FSC to participate! More detailed information about the nomination procedure will be announced soon.

Remember that you can nominate yourself, and start thinking!

#### **Holiday Feasts Near**

FSC's traditional Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners are on the agenda again this year! Come for dinner at 2:00 and an open meeting at 4:00. Please bring a dessert or side dish if you can. Don't forget, your whole family is welcome! See you there!

#### Our Back Yard's New Look

The area below our parking lots is looking a trifle bare these days, but just wait! Member Matt K. -- who, with his wife and father did an amazing job of quickly and cleanly cutting out the old stuff -- is preparing a survey for FSC members to express their preferences as to how the newly opened land will be used -- volley ball court? playground equipment? veggie garden? lounge chairs? all of the above? Once the results have been processed, member/landscape architect Paul S. will draw up plans that will include as many of the suggestions as possible, and he'll oversee the planting next spring. The FSC Board has authorized spending up to \$4,000.00 for the project.

It'll take a couple of years for everything to fill in, but it should be well worth the wait!

# Whither FSC Today?

The fate of FSC Today is still undecided. What is most needed is someone to serve as **editor** for the quarterly. The editor would not necessarily have to write for the paper; he or she could assemble and put into editorial form original material submitted by FSCers -- poetry, think pieces, artwork, personal or otherwise, all of it related to recovery and the 12 Steps. What a great opportunity!

If you have any ideas for the future of *FSC Today* or if you'd like to learn more about the editor's position, contact Board secretary Linda M, 608-278-8689 or <a href="mailto:lintyl@mac.com">lintyl@mac.com</a>.

## **Revised Bylaws Coming Soon!**

Since last June a Bylaws Review Committee (chair Linda M, and members Harold S. and Gary D.) Have been hard at work reviewing and occasionally revising FSC's Bylaws. The full Board has approved the revisions and now it's up to the FSC membership to vote to accept them (or not) at the Annual Meeting in February.

A comparison of the present Bylaws and the proposed Bylaws will be available in the lobby around December 1. If you are an FSC member please take a serious look at them before the Annual Meeting because all who attend the meeting will have the final say in their content and acceptance.

When the comparisons are posted information will be included instructing you how to get your comments or suggestions to the Board for possible inclusion in the final product.

#### **FSC Goes Wireless**

The World Wide Web now extends all the way to the Fitchburg Serenity Club! Thanks to member Tony A., who donated a wireless router, FSC has joined the majority of Wisconsin clubhouses that offer their members free wifi.

#### Just a Few NoNo's

#### Please DON'T:

Water the houseplants. Our Plant Nanny (a.k.a. Tonya E.) does the watering, trimming, repotting -- all that's needed. When more than one person waters it can do more harm than good.

Donate used clothes. That was a nice custom that we all appreciated, but it's been discontinued. Thanks anyway!

*Toss your butts.* FSC has lovely grounds. Cigarette butts do not improve them and there's a big container for them at the end of our sidewalk. Thanks!

# **WICYPAA Pajama Jam Is Coming**

The Wisconsin Conference of Young People in AA (better known as WICYPAA and better pronounced as "wicki-pa") will hold WICYPAA XI: Last Chance Pajama Jam! on Saturday evening, December 14. The event will include a meeting in Room E from 7:30 to 8:30 and a dance in the Grand Ballroom from 9:00 to midnight.

So what *is* a pajama jam? Organizer Erica N. says it's "a bunch of people in crazy pajamas having a fun, sober time together on the dance floor." She adds that although WICYPAA is for young people, it welcomes "all who have room to spiritually grow!" That's us!

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