

Meeting Minutes Dec 18, 2017

- ★ Ray new DCM
- ★ Brian new Co-DCM
- ★ Kathy new LCM
- ★ Sue new Secretary

When giving group updates next year please bring forward any issues or potential issues with your groups.

Rick Suffield Men's discussion group. Tuesday night 8:00PM all is well.

John Hand of Hope Group, United Methodist church Brainard Rd. Saturday morning 10:00 AM. All is well money coming in donating to pie chart

Hazardville 190 group Enfield, Sat 7:30 PM all is well

Brian - Westfield Tuesday night Group , humble group, donate to pie chart. Elected new officers.

Lisa – Southwick Think Group Wed night 7:30 struggles to make changes with this group, set in their ways. Stepping in for Tuesday night group.

Brandon – Sat Wmass hospital, hard to recruit new members. New group big meeting with only 3-4 members left. It can be difficult for the small group to handle all of the service.

Sue – Area Chair for another 10 days

Mike – Area secretary for another 10 days

Ed - Road to recovery Sunday nights. 8 members and 3 new members. A little slower recently, still making pie chart contributions.

Brian - East of the River outgoing GSR. Having hard time getting a new GSR recruit. Will not be available for Jan meeting but will cover future meetings if they cannot find a replacement.

Kathy – GSR Southwick noon time, GSR for one more year.

Meghan – New GSR for Suffield Monday night Grapevine meeting.

Sue – Enfield Women's Discussion Group , St Bernard's Church (and covering Wed step meeting). All is well attendance is good up to 14 people.

AREA CHAIR SUE

Sue is going out and Mike will be taking over as area chair.

Alt Delegate is filled as well.

Steve will serve as secretary.

Sonja will be the registrar with GSO.

Traditions meeting will be replaced by Service Manual meeting (3rd Wed of month) 474 Pleasant St Holyoke. Mark will be chair that meeting and concept meeting.

Area31aa.org for more information.

Area can come in for commitments just reach the area chair.

Group can have an inventory taken. A past delegate will come in and address the home group members.

Sample questions to the group:

1. Are we contributing to the pie chart?
2. Carrying message of hope?
3. Practicing principles.
4. Any bleeding deacons?
5. Filling all service positions?
6. Reaching out our hand to the sick and suffering?

All districts are now handicap accessible.

District is doing well with service. Sue thanks everyone for our service.

DCM Update

Ray will have a plan to get out to unlit groups next year.

Grapevine had a deaf person give their story and hope to get it in the Grapevine.

Public information hosts a radio show which is the longest running show 94.7 FM at 6:00AM.

Save the Dates

49th Area 31 Western Mass Round-Up
Friday, May 11, through Sunday, May 13, 2018
© La Quinta Inn & Suites
100 Congress Street, Springfield, MA

What is a Round-Up and What Happens?

- + Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC)
 - + Presentation for Community Professionals-all are welcome (Friday night-no registration fee for Professionals)
- + Delegate's report on the GSO Conference (Saturday PM)
- + Old Timer's Meeting (Saturday PM)
- + Bilingual Meetings (Saturday)
- + Banquet and Dance (Saturday night)
- + Keynote Speaker (Saturday night)
- + Alkathon Meetings (throughout the day Saturday)
- + Spiritual Meeting (Sunday AM)
- + Workshops on a Variety of Topics (Sat & Sun)
- + Al-Anon Participation and Meetings (during weekend)
- + Raffle (during weekend)
- + Area 31 Information and Displays (all weekend)



For Questions, Information on the Round-up or how you can get active by volunteering, go to <http://area31aa.org/round-up> or email the committee at roundup@area31aa.org.

Registration Forms and Times of Events coming soon! It is a great event for all of our AA fellowship, GSRs, Group and Committee Chairs to attend and learn about Area 31 and to show support to AA.

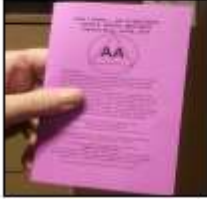
**Western Mass Intergroup
24 Hour Christmas Aleathon**

Dec 24th at 6pm		Dec 25th at 6pm
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Grace United Church
474 Pleasant Street
Holyoke, MA

Meetings on the hour
last meeting starts at 5:00pm
Food and Fellowship all Night
Donations Welcome

THE WHEN AND WHERE IS GOING TO PRINT!



**The new 2018
version of the
When and Where
will be coming
out in
February, 2018**

**All changes MUST be in by Thursday
January 25th by 5:30pm
(no exceptions)**

**Changes will only be accepted by
the Intergroup Office by a group
officer, in person, and must be
done on a group change form**

NERAASA 2018 - Save the Date

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2018 General Service Conference Theme: A.A. - A Solution for All Generations

The 27th Annual Northeast Regional A.A. Service Assembly will be held in Cromwell, CT. All A.A. members are welcome.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Northeast Regional Alcoholics Anonymous Service Assembly (NERAASA) is for the GSRs, DCMs, Area Committee Members and Intergroup / Central Office Representatives of the Northeast Region to discuss General Service Conference related issues and concerns affecting A.A. as a whole, as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity and service common to the Areas of the Northeast Region.

Click this link for the [English Mail In Registration Flyer](#).

Click this link for the [Spanish Mail In Registration Flyer](#).

Click this link for the [Online Registration Page](#).

Location:

Radisson Hotel Cromwell
100 Berlin Rd.
Cromwell, CT. 06416

Hotel reservations must be made through the hotels.

[Radisson Hotel Cromwell](#), discount code is NERASA (this is correct spelling for hotel discount code). Phone: 860-635-2000

Room rates are \$119/night plus tax. Hotel reservation deadline is February 2, 2018. For overflow hotel information please see <https://www.neraasa2018.org>

Date:

Friday, February 23, 2018 - 12:00pm to Sunday, February 25, 2018 - 12:00pm

[Read more](#)

UPDATE on District workshop

Safety was covered in the meeting. Be aware that we are not immune from safety issues. If there is something wrong or illegal don't be afraid to call the police.

First half of workshop with Grapevine and Finance was very good. Next year let's make sure we have a clear and flexible agenda. Some people had to leave to go to another event. Consider doing another event on safety. Very important that all members feel safe. Yellow safety cards are free at intergroup.

Discuss change for 7:00 instead of 7:30. Can ask the area chair for a change in the time will talk with Mike.

Check to GSO the Group number has to be on the check or else the group does not get credit. Speak to the Registrar if the group doesn't know the group number. Ray will reach out to Jack about the issue.



Sincere Greetings

The Serenity Club Christmas Alcathon



**Dec 24th at 6pm to Dec 25th at 6pm
The Monkey Wrench Building
143 Main Street, Springfield MA - 2nd floor**



**DONATIONS
WELCOMED
BRING A DISH
OR SNACKS TO
SHARE!**



The Serenity Club New Years Alcathon

**Dec 31st at 6pm to Jan 1st at 6pm
The Monkey Wrench Building
143 Main Street, Springfield MA**



**Located on the 2nd
Floor of the building!
Donations welcome
Bring a dish or
snack to share!**

The Whip City Nooner New Years Eve Dinner Dance And AA Meeting



**Dec 31st Food and Fellowship @ 6:00pm
Jan 1st at 12:30am - NO COST - DJ BRIAN
St. John's Church, 60 Broad Street**



**SPEAKER MTG
8:30pm - 9:30pm


POT LUCK!
BRING A DISH
OR DESSERT!**

THE BROAD HIGHWAY GROUP



**Friday, January 12th, 2018
Easthampton Community Center
12 Clark Street, Easthampton, MA**

**Food &
Fellowship
@ 6:00pm**

**AA Speaker
Meeting
@ 7:00pm**

Mt Carmel New Years Eve in Enfield starts at 6:00 PM a \$10 entry fee with meetings. Will have food but you can bring food.

Ray read from the Service Manual, chapter 3.

Lisa will read next month, chapter 2 from the Service Manual.