

CO-CHAIR	NONE	N	N	S/A	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sept	F/A	Nov	Dec
District 1 DCM	Nick	N	Y	Y	N/T								
District 1 Co - DCM	Tony	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 2 DCM	Janet	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 2 Co - DCM	Elaine	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 3 DCM	Brian W.	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 3 Co - DCM		NONE											
District 4 DCM	Dan	Y	Y	Y	Y/O								
District 4 Co - DCM	Nancy	Y	Y	Y	Y/O								
District 5 DCM	Lara	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 5 Co- DCM	Sharla	Y	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 6 DCM	Paula	N	Y	Y	Y/Y								
District 6 Co- DCM	Greg	Y	Y	Y	Y/O								
QUORUM = 18	voting	25	26		22								
**Chair only votes to break a tie													
Shaded folks do not vote.													

Secretary's Report

OLD BUSINESS: 25 voting members were in attendance tonight. No votes were taken. Van for NERASSA is being driven by Bruce V. and there are 8 spaces in it. Sign up Soon!

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

Treasurer's Report

Beginning February Balance	\$ 30,052.98
Group Contributions	\$ 2,162.95
Total Area Expenses	\$ 17,551.51
Closing February Balance	\$ 12,501.47
Plus – Prudent Reserve	\$ 8,501.00
Total Funds Available	\$ 21,002.47

Further Comments:

*This month saw our two biggest budget expenses of the year. * We should start to consider our “Covid Money” spent . *We should look into our prudent reserve.

Thank you for supporting AREA 31 Western Mass General Services.

*There are two small contributions with no name that I cannot deposit. Thank you for supporting AREA 31 Western Mass General Services. Justin C. Area 31 Treasurer

AREA EXPENSES FOR MARCH, 2024

Comcast	\$ 154.01
Zoom	\$ 34.01
Van for NERASSA	\$ 1200.00
Delegate to GSC	\$ 9200.00
Spring Assembly	\$ 951.26
NERASSA Reimbursement	\$ 7400.25*

*pending total.

Registrar's Report : NUMBERS:Registrar's Report

NUMBERS: Area 31 currently has 303 registered active groups (301 regular + 2 virtual).

VIRTUAL GROUPS: AA has had online groups well before the pandemic, but the numbers exploded starting in 2020. Two Advisory Actions at the 2021 General Service Conference said that the Conference structure would recognize online groups and encourage their participation, and that the General Service Board would form a committee to explore ways for online groups to participate in the service structure.

There's been a lot of activity since then, including: the addition of a "virtual" category in Fellowship Connection, reports to the 2022 and 2023 General Service Conferences from the Ad Hoc Committee on Participation of Online Groups in the US/Canada Service Structure, the creation of virtual districts in at least two areas that I know of, and requests that the Conference consider creating a virtual area.

Here in Area 31, two groups are registered as virtual. I've been encouraging groups and districts to let me know if there are other groups out there that should be added to the virtual category. But groups are understandably more focused on making sure their meetings are correctly listed. Getting the Fellowship Connection list right is more my job. Using the data that Bob B. maintains for Intergroup, which is the data that feeds the Meeting Guide app and the meeting lists on our area web site, I've found 16 groups that, as of now, are online only. Those are the 16 on the top half of the handout. Two of the 16 are already registered as virtual. I'm going to move the other 14 into the virtual category. This is easy to do, and it's easy to undo. So we can add and remove groups going forward. This will make our records more accurate, and more in line with the way other areas handle this. It could also help the virtual groups take part, if they want to, in conversations about supporting such groups. The chart also lists, at the bottom, online meetings that are not registered groups.

THANK YOU for the opportunity to serve, Sally

Archivist's Report: Carl reminded all DCM's to take a labeled manilla folder to keep a hard copy of their minutes for each month to be turned into him at the end of the year. Also reminded people that when they create a document for the Archives, please do include the full address and date. Hard copy documents last longer than anything else, so please do keep and send along hard copies.

Webmaster: Happy Baby,TOM!!

Thank you to Jenn for delivering my report to the Area at the Spring Assembly. Everything is going smoothly with the new website. As reported in February, the domain still needs to be transferred to the new host and this will be completed in the next few months.

If anyone is having difficulty with email, please let me know so I can get you access. If you want to set up your email through an app on your phone or PC, instead of going through the default RoundCube service, please let me know and I can help walk you through that.

Our email inbox size tracking files were not reset when the hosting was migrated, so I need to resolve this to be able to tell if any mailboxes are nearing capacity. Still, if you do receive an email stating that messages could not be delivered, please forward the email to me for review. These are often phishing malicious emails.

WMYPAA page created, email reactivated. Upcoming events section added to the page to include other YPAA committee events but separate from the home page event listing.

Accessibilities:(Jan 31st meeting) Max S. reported there are five current commitments. They are going to work on updating the Accessibilities Pamphlets this year. Goal is to increase the number of commitments by three. Encourage your group to send their reps to the next meeting.

Archives: Chairperson: Chris K Hand in Hand Group Co-Chair: Joe L Sober Sunday
Archivist:Carl G, Invited guest Steve M, Area 31 Delegate.
Committee Members: Rick W,Scrambled Eggs, Carla C, After Work Group, James G, Sunday Night Light, Anthony D, Do or Die, Cody G Tuesday Suffield Men's
Chairperson Presentation:Chris K

Archivist Report: Carl G reports he endeavors to persevere with regards to sorting.

Archives also received books from both the Toronto and San Diego International Convention.

Area Delegate Report Steve M reported on his readying for the upcoming conference, as well as a myriad of upcoming events, all info is available on the website:area31aa.org

Old Business

At the Spring Assembly,Chris K motioned to find a storage area for various committees, that motion was tabled, but at the area meeting Area Chair Bob created an AdHOC committee to search for storage and to find out from other committees how much storage is required..

New Business

There was a motion to have a listening party, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Chris will reach out to church to come up with a list of available dates.

April Board Schedule

4/7 Scrambled Eggs

4/7 Randall Group

Cooperation with Professional Community:(April 9th) !5 members in attendance
Commitments for March

a.Springfield College March 21, 2024 - Department of Counseling and Substance Abuse Masters program. Caren, Seth and Bruce made a presentation to 9 students. Bruce opened with an introduction of the presenters and spoke about

what CPC does and does not do. The committee showed a brief 10 minute video about CPC including with brief history, preamble and where people can get information on AA. Caren and Seth each shared about their experience, strength and hope followed by Q&A. Students provided great questions and a 15 min discussion followed.

b. Holyoke Community College, March 25, 2024 - Lara, Mike and Mark presented on Zoom with the Human Resource Department. Mike talked about what The CPC committee does and doesn't do with a brief powerpoint presentation, Mark and Lara also shared and reported that the meeting went for about an hour and was very successful.

c. UMass College of Nursing - April 5, 2024 - Teresa, Jarrod, and Bruce presented to a class of 26 nursing students on the Amherst campus. Bruce showed the CPC video and opened the meeting and introduced Teresa and Jarrod shared their experience, strength and hope followed by 20 minutes of discussion which went well. Before we left, we scheduled a presentation for the fall semester.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) Upcoming Commitments - Section 35 Sheriff's Department Staff date TBD. We will be looking for volunteer members for the presentation
- 2) We have set a goal of 8 to 10 commitments for the remainder of 2024.
- 3) Asked representatives to bring back a commitment for a professional group or organization for 2024 and go back to their groups and ask members if they can contribute to finding more professional commitments.

Submitted by Bruce V.

Grapevine: No report. neither chair or co-chair were in attendance

Public Information: 10 in person attendees/ 2 zoom attendees

Tradition 4 was read by Pat; Jack will read Tradition 5 next month

Old business was read (see last month's notes).

New business:

Discussion on what is PI's role? Where should we be going?

PI brings meetings to the general public, which includes institutions. We don't go where there are current institution commitments, but we augment with history and information. Last year the whole committee was new, coming out of COVID and taking any opportunity to spread the message. Good opportunity to get used to spreading the message – sharing AA with people outside of AA (including to addicts, people who aren't sure) Trying to get tables at schools, but this is what we're doing in the meantime

Would it be helpful to focus on PI-specific commitments? Look into other options, could give up standing sober house commitments (especially because standing commitments are hard to fill with such a small committee).

PI Workbook: https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/literature/M-27i_PubInfWorkbk.pdf

Next steps: Talk to CPC – Adam can rep PI at their next meeting. Talk to Institutions.

New printing of format (hasn't been updated since before COVID) – including updating the preamble. Motion passed. Open for committee feedback, send to Andrew or Adam.

Upcoming/potential PI events:

Munson Wellness Fair – Al Anon gets a table there. Adam will look into getting a table there as well.

Umbrella Belchertown Wellness – Andrew is in touch, but they're hard to reach.

Hampshire Regional High School, Adam has phone call scheduled. May 3rd during the day (looking for speakers).

Smith Voc event was canceled, reschedule pending.

Last month's commitments

Name	Past chair	Notes
Mill St		
Gandara	Pat	Went well (canceled previous month), 10 women came; 2 speakers
Opportunity House	Adam (covered for Emma)	Went well, several guys there
Aster House	Dan	Went well, brought 3 speakers, good attendance
Liberty Prep		

Upcoming commitments:

Name	Location	Recurring	This month	Chair
Mill St	155 Mill St Springfield	Last Weds @ 3pm	April 24th	Andrew & Kate
Gandara Women's Recovery Unit	91 East Mountain Road Westfield	3rd Tues @ 6:30pm	April 16th	Pat
Opportunity House	12 Ingraham Terr. Springfield	1st Thurs @ 6:30pm	May 2nd	Dan & Michele
Aster House	51 Old Lyman Rd South Hadley	4th Thurs @ 7pm	April 25th	Adam
Liberty Prep Academy	37 Alderman St, Springfield	3rd Friday at 1pm	April 19th	UNTAKEN – Adam will communicate, or take it

Round-Up: (Feb. 14) Tom H. Absent. Yolanda did update. RoundUp will be just one day this year at St. John's Lutheran Church at 60 Broad St Westfield from 9AM -9PM. (They do have a co chair Sean D. who was not at the Area meeting) Committee still looking for members and for donations from groups of :Raffle prizes, coffee, sugar, cups etc basics you would use to put on a meeting.

West. MA Intergroup : (March 14th) Yolanda Chair Event Coordinator Kerry is asking for everyone to get donations for the Picnic is scheduled for Aug 18th. Bob will be posting a flyer for registering for The golf tournament which will be May 25th at Agawam Country Club. A Shotgun this year with both Lunch and Dinner served. The When /Where has been printed mid February. A bundle of 20 for \$10.00. Next meeting is tomorrow and the Steering Committee will meet next week.

Berkshire Intergroup: (April 8)

Secretary: (Susan B) March minutes summarized and approved. Reminder given for anniversaries and events to be sent in by the end of the week. Will be making an effort to get minutes out sooner.

Treasurer: (Sam H) March treasury had a \$630 loss due to a deficit because of low contributions. Sam reported that this has happened before at this time of year and therefore is not all that surprising.

Office Manager: (Robin D – absent) Questions about Robin's report, which has been sent out, can be directed to her.

Website: (Craig and Mike M) Bills have been paid and transferred over to the Intergroup's current debit card. The website literature page has been updated. The domain had to be transferred to the Berkshire Intergroup email address. It was approved that, as a safeguard, Mike M will stay on as co-owner. Craig, Mike and Sam will work out the details.

District 3: (Brian W) The district will hold a meeting on tradition 4 at 7 pm on Sunday, April 13. A "mock conference" to help people understand better what happens at the General Service Conference will take place on the 2nd Monday at 8 pm for the rest of 2024.

Chair: (Courtney L) Courtney spoke of the successful writing workshop hosted by the district. The focus was on writing and submitting articles for consideration for inclusion in the revision of the "Do You Think You're Different" pamphlet and the Grapevine. Access to the slides presented by Vera F can be requested by contacting Brian. Courtney reported that she will be submitting a piece she wrote during the workshop.

Co-chair: (Dwayne M) Dwayne gave an update on the actions of the IT ad hoc committee. There is no need for the capability to pay by credit card at the Intergroup office. There does not appear that there will be significant

savings by switching vendors who provide a 24/7 reception service. The meeting list can now be downloaded onto an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper. Bob B made the spreadsheet format possible. It will be updated regularly. Looking at switching to a VOIP type of phone service has been put on hold because more information is needed re: the infrastructure in place and uncertainty about the future of the office. If a change is made before August, 2025, Verizon will charge \$110.98 to break the contract. It was decided that it is not necessary to continue meeting at this time. They will resume when the need arises.

Old Business:

Bylaws

The steering committee met, reviewed and approved the current version of the bylaws. The committee decided that they can be amended and proposed changes can be entered into a document. The idea of revisiting this annually in April was suggested. A clean copy was sent along with one marked up with changes to the reps. A motion to approve the current bylaws as written was passed.

Activities

A discussion took place around the ideas reps have brought to the committee. There was considerable interest expressed around the idea of having a picnic which could possibly include other activities such as a chili-cook off. Unfortunately, no one except Craig volunteered to be on an ad hoc committee which could look into planning. Peg and Joan said they would go back to their groups to see if there were any people who might be willing to serve on such a committee. Anyone who wants to be on the committee can let Courtney know.

Bookie Meeting

Mike M thinks it would be a great idea to bring it back. At one point 4-5 groups were booking speakers in advance. He reported that groups from Pittsfield were particularly interested but were not well represented at this committee meeting. A bookie list is also available from Western Mass Intergroup. Bob M said the Western Mass has been holding hybrid bookie meetings but believe they work better when held totally in-person and are headed in that direction. Susan offered to open the Intergroup meeting early to make beginning this process possible. The sentiment was expressed that the committee was not ready to move forward at this time until reps can come back with names of people willing to act as "bookie reps." At least one committee member did not feel it was necessary to be that formal.

New Business: None

Submitted by Courtney Chair

Institutions: (April 7th) Introductions of the committee members; Chair Matt, Jill Secretary, Librarian JD, John BDG, Liaison Carla, Treasurer Steve.

Secretary's Report- Jill read March's report;

Treasurer's Report-Steve Ending Balance from Prev. Month \$ 445.40 Total donations \$ Expenses \$377.00 End Balance w/ Reserves and expenses \$1546.09 Ending balance for book purchases \$1000.69 To Next Month \$

Bridging the Gap (BTG)- (John) ~ No report. No movement. He explained what bridging the gap is. They help people get to their first meeting.

Librarian- (J.D) ~ 1041.00 on books

Liaison- (Carla) ~ There are two forms to fill out for BTG. Not a ton to report on. Feel free to reach out if they have any problems with the commitment. Please bring her a letter of intent if you are holding a commitment. See Carla for what a letter of intent is. * (Betsy)~co liaison Matt F. Roll Ins ~ Glenn(Thursday night step group) ~Aster House second Tuesday of the month.

Chris(personal commitment) -Prison(Somers CT)

Old Business ~ None

New Business ~ Archives wants to bring speaker tapes to commitments and play them.(Carla) (Matt) Hybrid questions were brought to him (Joe) Commitment in the Ludlow jail or women's jail, not section 35? We haven't added more commitments because there are older commitments that need to be taken first. As the list is updated.(Carla's response) Motion to give \$1000.69 for books (passed) Chair Matt F. phone: [redacted]

Western Mass Young People In AA (WMYPAA) (Apr 4th) Kaitlyn the liaison their meeting time is on changing 1 Sunday to get the Area people to attend their meeting. They are applying to HOST the next Wycki paw and noted that A spring fling is in the works.

District 1: (next meeting April 18th). Tony A is now the DCM and Nick W is now the Co-DCM. Nick W announced this at the Spring Assembly last month. We thank him for his continued service. We have not had a District Meeting since before the Spring Assembly. Typically, we have 4-5 groups at each District meeting, which we hope to increase by visiting unrepresented groups to have better showing of the roughly 30 groups in District 1.

District 2: Elaine Co- DCM Report for April 8, 20. There were 18 total in attendance including our two guests, one person on Zoom and two new GSRs.

All groups are doing well and contributing to the pie chart. Most with steady or increasing attendance. The Holyoke Group reported increased attendance and lower collected contributions which he attributed to a larger number in early sobriety. The Pioneer Valley group reported that they are now doing a commitment at Carlson. Fourteen of the attending GSRs attended spring assembly and indicated that they found it enjoyable and informative.

We had a discussion about holding a workshop. A motion to hold a workshop on the Concepts passed and a small group to develop and implement this idea was formed.

We reviewed upcoming events including the Golf Tournament, Spring Fling and Round-up.

Our committee guest was Bruce. He gave a presentation on the CPC. He explained what the CPC does and gave examples. He encouraged participation and for GSRs to bring this information to their groups.

Our Alternate Delegate Ray attended and presented on the State Convention and carpool.

Upcoming events including the District 5 Traditions Play, District 6 Service Workshop, the Concepts meeting and that the Area is available to help in scheduling group inventories.

District 3: (March 15th 7PM) DCM, Brian W. 15 were present, 10 on Zoom, and 5 in person.

1 New GSR was added in the District since the previous meeting for the GB Women's group.

The I Don't Have a Clue (IDHAC) group that meets at 6:45 weekly on Zoom and in person on Sunday, as well as Zoom, shared to the District that a motion was made by a handful of group members requesting the IDHAC group cede its Sunday in person location and time to a new meeting. The IDHAC group engaged in discussion before arriving at a group conscience to end its in person meeting on Sunday, as well as a second vote in the subsequent month per the group's policy on major changes; the new meeting (Literature in Lee) is now autonomous and able to determine its best approach to carrying the message; the **IDHAC is effectively a virtual only meeting now.**

The Northern Berkshire Group in Williamstown is taking advantage of holding a group inventory. The group thanks the Area 31 Chair for supporting its effort and identifying a past delegate to assist in the inventory.

A writing workshop was held in District 3 on Saturday, April 6th, 2024 from 10:30am to 12pm, to support writing members' stories for the "Do You Think You're Different Pamphlet" revisions and/or the Grapevine/La Vina. Stories for the DITYD are due on April 30, 2024 for anyone who wants to submit. 10 people attended the event, 4 online and 6 in person.

The monthly District 3 Tradition meeting will be held virtually on Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 7pm. Sharing will be on Tradition Four; information to access is on the Area 31 and BIG websites.

The District still has a vacancy for Co-DCM. Brian W (he/him) Area 31, District 3 DCM [redacted]

District 4: (March 19th) Dan B. is new DCM, Nancy is Co DCM. They had 18 groups in attendance totally online. Groups are happy and had no issues to report.

District 5: April 1, 2024 District 5 DCM Report to Area 31 Hybrid

There were 6 GSRs and 1 Alternate GSR in attendance in person, and 5 GSRs online. We had 2 new people there. We continue to go out to groups who are not represented at the district meeting and encourage them to send a GSR to the meeting.

Bruce V., the CPC Chairperson, visited us and explained what CPC does, and does not do. He told us about the commitments they've done and what they've got coming up, and he asked the GSRs to go back to their groups and encourage participation on the CPC committee.

Bob M., our Area Chairperson, updated us on what's going on in the Area. He asked *District 5 to host the Fall Assembly, and we're very excited about it!*

District 5 will be performing the Twelve Traditions play in July at Morningstar Baptist Church on North Main St. in South Hadley. We will have more information next month on the date and time.

District 5 will put on a workshop at the Round Up at 10am with District 1. We will have 1 GSR from each of our districts speak on "Acceptance is the Answer to All My Problems."

Upcoming Anniversaries

The Wilbraham Men's Group will celebrate their anniversary on Thursday, April 25th. Food at 5:30, 2 speakers at 7pm. Women and children are welcome to attend. Friday Night Wilbraham will celebrate their 69th anniversary on May 3rd. Food from 6-7, 1 speaker at 7:30. There will be no beginners meeting that night. Clear Cut Directions in East Longmeadow will celebrate their anniversary on Tuesday, June 11th. Cold Spring in Belchertown will also celebrate their anniversary in June. Morning Light in Chicopee will hold a group conscience on April 13th. Andrew or Adam from PI will visit our district in May. Respectfully Submitted, Lara A. District 5 DCM

District 6: (March 18th) Paula new DCM, There were 12 people in attendance. 10 in person attendees/ 2 zoom attendees. We hosted the Spring Assembly for Area 31. MARCH 23 & 24. arch 18, 2024. It was very successful

GSR Reports:

Jared-Enfield Young People's Group in Enfield, CT. All is going well.

Teddy-Westfield Tuesday Night Group. New members are helping out tremendously.

Meetings vary with 20-30 people in attendance.

Dianne-Whip City Nooner. Had a very successful, well attended 10th anniversary gathering on March 16th. Saturdays continue to be a very big group. Group doing well.

Jeanette-Tuesday Night Women's Group in Enfield. Great group of women!

Karl-Area archivist wanted to check out our district 6 meeting

Rich-Hilltown Group Wednesday Night. Commitment in HAYDENVILLE 8 ppl went 5 spoke. That group will be going to them next week. Rich claims this group has the best coffee around!

Annette-East Mt Group – Friday night getting a crowd of 60+ every week. A former member discouraged a newcomer from joining the group. Hopefully this doesn't happen again.

Annette-Path to Recovery – Wednesday night Big Book meeting. Going well, getting 20-30 attendees per week.

Kyle (ZOOM) – **Suffield Men's Tuesday night-Anniversary April 28th 6:00-** AA & Alanon speaker. 10-20 ppl attend and they have a commitment every month. All group positions are filled!

Judy (ZOOM) -Hand of Hope Group Saturday mornings at United Methodist Church in Hazardville. 30-40 ppl in attendance. They have many newcomers. Nothing special to report. Judy is sick and isn't sure she'll be able to attend the workshop this weekend.

Paula reported that the Eastern Area YPAA Summit is 4/23/24 virtual and in person.

MA State Convention Planning Committee meets March 26th in Marlborough, MA. If you need a ride, you can meet Ray at the parking lot across from Mass pike in Springfield. For details email him: Alternateddelegate@area31.org. The concept meeting is held monthly on the 1st Thursday of every month and all are encouraged to attend. Details can be found at area31aa.org.

Bob-Area Chair reported that When & Where's are now available for sale at 50 cents each. He reminded us all that the Spring Assembly is this weekend. Discussion on setting up, supplies, and registration table that Dianne and Jeannette will help with. Paula, Jarod & Greg will meet Saturday at 7:30 am at St John's Lutheran Church. Sunday Paula & Teddy will meet at noon. Coolers are needed.

Old business-Paula talked about having a fall workshop. Service sponsorship was suggested as a repeat topic. Should we have it in September? Maybe the 14th or the 21st? How do these dates sound to everyone?

New business-Dianne shared that a new meeting is starting on Saturdays at the Church of Atonement on Court Street in Westfield at 4:30. It's a Big Book Meeting. Not confirmed but there is possibly another meeting starting on Saturday in Southwick at the Daily Grind. Not sure of format.

Bob-Area Chair went to NERASSA. The event was fun. Said that we are a small area and therefore we do a good job coordinating. He got some ideas that he will bring up.

Ray-Alt. Delegate for Area 31 was also in attendance at our meeting.

Rich-reviewed chapter 8, the general service board & trustees. Dianne Volunteered for Chapter 1 next month Next meeting date is: April 15th. –Submitted by Paula

Delegate's Remarks: Stephen M. explained that his work has already begun as we already voted in the Alt Delegates who are coming to NY instead of their delegate. Conference distributes the work evenly. My trustees committee is reviewing the "So you think you're different" pamphlet. Thank you to Bob and Ray for putting together such a tremendous Spring Assembly and Kate for such a complete set of the notes from the day. I have a very good understanding of our Area's group conscience going forward.

Alternate Delegate's Remarks: Hi, my name is Ray Meunier, alcoholic, gratefully serving as your Area 31 Panel 74 Alternate Delegate. Thank you to all that attended the Spring assembly and participated in the mini conference. I feel confident that the area's conscience was well communicated. I personally witnessed the concepts come alive Saturday and Sunday. Since the assembly a few weeks ago, I have attended the Mass State convention Planning committee, the Accessibilities committee meeting, the monthly concept meeting, District 2 and the Round up committee (right before this meeting). The rest of April I will be visiting the Intergroup committee, District 6 meeting, District 1, District 3 and Accessibilities committee. I am looking forward to the next few months of Area 31 activity as the district's plan their various workshops as well as the upcoming 1-day Round-Up in Westfield. I also want to wish our Delegate Steve the best as he makes his way down to represent Area 31 & do the business of Alcoholics Anonymous. Things to consider attending: The 'what a concept' meeting on the first Thursday every month, next on May 2nd. Also, as will be the case for the next year and a half, I offer a carpool to the Mass State Convention Planning committee leaving the parking lot of the bowling alley at the end of Rt. 291 the Last Tuesday of every odd month, next on May 28th . I heard some interest in possible quarterly meetings for the DCM's to get together to offer each other experience on keeping the districts growing support and interests on carrying the message. More to be revealed. Ray Meunier Area 31/Panel 74 Alt. Delegate

Area Chair's Remarks: An Ad Hoc Committee will be formed to find the storage space we discussed at the Spring assembly.

Looking at our INTERNET service more details to follow.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: NONE except The Area Directory was handed out to those present.

They are confidential and therefore it is important that they are correct. **Please email me if there are any corrections that need to be made.(PaulaDCM Dist. 6, Matt F, this means you even though you told me at the meeting.) I will make a list and issue at the next Area Meeting.Thank you for your assistance with this matter.**

Meeting closed at 8:35 pm.with the Responsibility Pledge.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Van Dolson

Area Secretary

Western Mass General Service