

**AREA 31**

**DISTRICT 2 GSR MINUTES**

**MAR 2020**

**DCM'S : Suzanne L.- 2<sup>nd</sup> year DCM**

**ANNE M.- 1<sup>st</sup> year CO DCM**

**Attendees- 12 gsr, 2 alternate, 1 area delegate, 1 DCM**

**16 total**

**Chapter March: not read**

**Chapter April: Pete Chapter 1 service manual**

**Secretarys report : read and accepted**

**Group Concerns/anniversaries:**

**Box 459 will be coming for Aprils GSR meeting.**

**Box459 can be found at aa.org under whats new to subscribe.**

**BYOBB2 moving location from First congregational church 21 N Westfield st. to Hope Community Church 152 S westfield st Feeding Hills MA. On April 3<sup>rd</sup> where they will be holding their 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary food at 6, 2 speakers at 7 all are welcome.**

**Monday Night Early Sobriety Group is having to much noise and distraction (cross talk during speakers/ chit chat). Proposed solutions point it out and make it obvious. Pause meeting and read rules of the meeting again. Knock on the podium or table to make it known silence is expected while others speak or share. Announce can you please keep it down.**

Area did an incoming group event March 10<sup>th</sup> at the mulberry st group which meets at the first congregational church at 21 N westfield st. they will also be doing a group inventory March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Any group having an anniversary can contact any of the committees, grapevine, P.I, institutions, intergroup etc to bring and set up the poster boards displayed at all conventions.

Hand in Hand will be having their 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary Sun March 29<sup>th</sup> food at 6 speaker at 7.

### **DCM District 2 Report March 9, 2020**

**District Committee Member –**

**DCM - “is the vital link between the group's GSR and the Area service structure. By maintaining active contact, both with the groups in the district and the Delegate, the DCM is the key link in ensuring that all the A.A groups are aware of the importance of their total participation in local, district, area and world services.”**

**NERAASA - February 21-23, 2020 - Nashua, NH**

**NERT Report - NERAASA.ORG /Home Page/From the trustee Northeast Regional Trustee's Report to 2020 NERAASA to download a PDF version of the report**

**Northeast Regional Trustee - Francis G (Area 30) 4 year term**

- **The Meeting Guide APP is Here - Between 225,000 – 250,000 Users**
- **GSO's Two Basic Functions: Publishing & Services**
- **General Service Office Statistics**
  1. Over 1,000 visits to “Need Help with a Drinking Problem” every day on aa.org
  2. Corrections answers over ~6,000 letters annually: That’s more than 15 letters daily.
  3. Distributes ~8 million books, pamphlets & audio materials.
  4. Receives over 70,000 pieces Over 10,000 online contributions.

● **2019 Financial Highlights 1. 7th Tradition of Self-Support: \$8.9 million our highest ever!**

**In 2018, contributions approximated - \$8.4 million.**

**2. Cost of Services Provided to Fellowship: \$11.8 million. In 2018, the Cost of Services approximated - \$11.4 million.**

**3. Reserve Fund of \$15.9 million approximates 9.2 months. v In 2018, our Reserve Fund approximated 9.7 months.**

● **Online Contributions consistently continue to grow.**

● **Potential Impact of On-Line Contributions - Here is an example how on-line contributions can save the office approximately \$2.00 per contribution:**

**1. When I send a check for \$8.06 to the office, just a little over \$6.00 will be available for services.**

**2. When I send that same \$8.06 via on-line, an additional \$2.00 is available to “carry the message” to the still-suffering alcoholic.**

● **New Grapevine Webpage**

● **Our Message in 71 Languages**

● **Translation and Licensing Activity**

**1. Tanzania: Daily Reflections and Living Sober.**

**2. Zimbabwe: We’re just starting on Pamphlets.**

**Concepts meeting - Thursday -April 2,2020 7:30p - 474 Pleasant St, Holyoke AA**

**Service Manual Meeting - Wednesday March 18, 2020 7:30p - 474 Pleasant St, Holyoke**

**Area 31 - Save the Date - GSRs Attendance 2020 Spring Assembly & Mini Conference**

- April 4th & 5th.
- The mini conference will be on Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm.
- The business meeting will be on Sunday from 1 pm to 5 pm.

**Location: District 5 - Hitchcock Free Academy, 2 Brookfield Road (corner of Route 20), Brimfield, MA 51st Area 31 Western Mass Round-Up**

- Friday, May 15, 2020 - 12:00pm to Sunday, May 17, 2020 - 12:00pm
- The Clarion Hotel: 1080 Riverdale St. West Springfield, MA

**Delegate's report on the GSO Conference (Saturday PM)**

**District 2 - Assigned topic - day, time, topic to be announced once assigned**

**Old Business: reviewed literature packet in an attached file to gsr members for spring assembly**

**Invited Guest: Paul area delegate**

**Handed out proposed agenda items for spring assembly a thumb drive can be obtained to borrow if necessary. You can email him at areadelegate@aa.org.**