#### **DISTRICT 5 AREA 31 GSR MEETING**

December 4, 2017

10 GSR present

2 Visitor Mike, Alternate Delegate.

Mickey came with Bill H. from the Brimfield Tri-Area Group.

1 New Alternate GSR, Butch from the Ludlow Group.

Jerry opened the meeting at 7:30 with a moment of silence and the serenity prayer.

Rene, read the role of a GSR

Secretary was read and accepted.

<u>LCM</u> – Bill reported that he is just getting started as new LCM and offer if anyone want to go with him to an un-light meeting, please give him a call and let him know.

#### Readings:

Rene: The District & DCM, She had a chart of the upside down triangle explaining how AA service works. The groups and GSR are the most important in that structure, because we as GSR's get to vote for our groups, and what is important to them. She would really like to see some of the in-active groups start coming to GSR meeting. She is going to work with Bill on this.

<u>Ann Marie: Read Tradition 12:</u> Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Shared how important this is in one's sobriety. We would not want to stop attending a meeting because there is someone there we don't like. We need to put aside all are difference and focus on what this traditions means. The old saying, "If you don't find anyone in AA you don't like you haven't been to enough meetings"

#### Group Share:

<u>Andy D.</u> Green Street, Monson, elections were held no GSR or Intergroup Rep. He is going to work on this.

Otherwise no issues.

<u>Anna R.</u> Women's BYOBB, Monday Night. Have plans on working with the Tuesday night BYOBB mens group to join in on going to the Hope Center for commitments. They donated to the PIE Nick. Chicopee Step Beginners. No issues.

<u>Bill H.</u> Brimfield Tri-Area Group. Mikey from his group came along with him. Bill is going to be talking with his group about the importance of a GSR.

Mark B. Wilbraham Friday Night, No issues, great attendance.

<u>Juan.</u> Alternate for Kyler, East Longmeadow, Sunday Night. The group had a group conscious meeting about 3 months ago.

<u>Phil H.</u> Do or Die Group, Wednesday nights. No issues.

<u>Tom H.</u> Morning Light Group, Chicopee Falls. Group is doing well. They have summarized the Safety Card and have incorporated it into their everyday format.

Russ C. Belchertown Saturday Night. No issues at the time. GROUP ANNIVARSARY DECEMBER  $9^{TH}$  6:30-7:00 COFFEE, THEN SPEAKER

<u>Alyssa O</u>. Belchertown Masonic Lodge, Friday Night. Elections are being held next month, group has safety card available, with pamphlets. Attendance has dropped since moving to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. It's no longer handicap accessible.

<u>Ann Marie M.</u> Ludlow Group, Thursday nights. Gave the church an extra \$100.00 toward heating for the winter. This is something that we always do.

Night, Group has no issues.

<u>Kyler:</u> East Longmeadow Group, Sunday 6:30-7:30. Group had their 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Great attendance, and the group is growing, group elections this month.

<u>Jerry</u> shared that it was his last meeting as the DCM, wanted to thank everyone for their support. His take on tradition 12 is the we need to be humble.

<u>Mike</u>: Alternate Delegate attended. Started off by thanking all of us GSR for our service, and how being a GSR is a chance to grow.

Thanks everyone who attended the Mass State Convention, there was a total of 835 people who attended. Next year area 30 is hosting the Convention, and area 31 (our area) is co-hosting. Meeting to plan are the last Tuesday of the month, every other month. Everyone is welcome to attend, they meet at the old Plantation Inn in Chicopee and leave approx. 6:00-6:30 am.

The issue of money \$\$ was brought up, and the Green Card, keeping with our 7<sup>th</sup> tradition. Suggesting that attendees contribute \$2.00 if possible. We understand some people cannot make a donation, and that is fine, but if you are able a \$2.00 what is suggested.

There is also a presentation for new GSR about what A GSR is all about.

## SAVE THE DATE NERAASA

## FEBRUARY 23-25, 2018

## RADISSON HOTEL CROMWELL, CT

At NERAASA there are 18 areas that make up the North East Region. It's a great time to go and learn from other areas what they do and what works for them.

Jerry also spoke about that as GSR we can bring it back to our group to have them pay for our registrations for NERAASA.

# District 6 Hosting a Meeting on Safety: Meeting Place Change

The next committee meeting for District 6 will be Monday Nov 20th at 7:30p and we are meeting at the **Western Massachusetts Hospital**. (*click on the map at right to get directions*)

### Location:

Western Massachusetts Hospital 91 East Mountain Road Westfield, MA 01085

Reading for January: Tom, Tradition 1, and Russ What is a GSR

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