

Berkshire Intergroup News

February 2023

Anniversaries:

Virtual Sober at Sunrise		Ann S (2 yrs; 1/19), Gina G (4 yrs; 1/19), Andrew S (14 yrs; 2/12), Jim G (2 yrs; 2/22), Kellie S (8 yrs; 2/28)
Sheffield 12&12	February 22	John (31 yrs)
Berkshire Big Book	February 22	Louise (1 yr)
Southern Berkshire Group	February 24	Aislyn (5 yrs), Lona B (6 yrs), Beth (6 yrs), Morgan B (7 yrs), Joni C (31 yrs), Stan L (34 yrs), Tom K (35 yrs)
Keep It Simple Group (In-person)	February 25	Walter V (21 yrs)
Keep It Simple Group (Virtual)	February 25	Nancy S (2 yrs)
Sober on Saturday (SOS)	February 25	Christine (15 yrs), Sandy M (39 yrs)
Stockbridge Tower Group	February 28	Sarah W (3 yrs), Courtney L (14 yrs)
Sober at Sunrise (In-person)	March 4	Kellie S (8 yrs)

Recent meeting changes*

Hybrid - Beginning March 1:

Sheffield 12&12	Wednesday, 7:30 pm	Open 12&12 Discussion
Christ Trinity Church, 180 Main Street, Sheffield, MA		Zoom ID: 236 2301 1447

* A meeting's status and guidelines are likely to be contingent on what is determined by the CDC, state and locally. To be able to make meeting listings as accurate as possible, fill out the group change form on the berkshireaaintergroup.org website.

Events:

NERAASA - Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly

February 24-26, Desmond Hotel, Albany. The purpose of NERAASA is to discuss General Service Conference related issues and concerns affecting AA as a whole as well as pertinent aspects of recovery, unity and service common to Area of the Northeast Region. neraasa.org

District 3 Pre-Mini-Workshop

General Service Conference agenda items - virtual presentations and discussion

Saturday, March 4, 4 pm. Zoom ID: 830 1542 5561, Passcode: 043735 This event will determine the District 3 group conscience on issues affecting AA which will then be conveyed to the Area 31 delegate at the Spring Assembly Mini-Conference. Anyone willing to read and discuss agenda items in advance can reach out to the DCM at district3@area31aa.org.

Area 31 Spring Assembly and Mini-Conference

Saturday, March 25, 9 am to 4 pm: Mini-Conference; includes lunch at noon

Sunday, March 26, 1 pm to 5 pm: Business Meeting

Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, 29 Sugarloaf Street, South Deerfield

Zoom information will be posted on the area31aa.org website.

Trip to GSO

Friday, June 30. Trip to the General Service Office in New York will include a meeting and tour.

A chartered bus will leave Lee at 7:30 am and return at approximately 6:40 pm. \$25 per person.

A link to sign up will be on the Intergroup website soon.

Ongoing:

District 3 Traditions Meeting

2nd Sunday at 7:00 pm. Zoom ID: 842 7414 8976, Passcode: 816033

Links to recordings of past speakers can be obtained by writing district3@area31aa.org.

Area 31 Public Information Committee

A.A. Pre-recorded Radio Show "Friends Helping Friends" Sunday mornings 5 am WMAS, 94.7 and 6 am WHLL, 98.1 FM.

Next *Intergroup* meeting: March 14, 7 pm. Zoom ID: 876 1377 6813, Passcode: 306885

Next *District 3* meeting: March 17, 7 pm. Zoom ID: 830 1542 5561, Passcode:043735

Opportunities for Service:

Berkshire Institutions Committee

As institutions open up to in-person meetings, there is a strong need for A.A. meetings to be brought in. The committee is working to find out the needs of our local institutions and how they can be met. For more information email berkshireaainstitutions@gmail.com Institutions reps are encouraged to attend upcoming meetings: February 23 and March 9 at 8:30 pm. Zoom ID: 815 4091 3682, Passcode: serenity

Berkshire Intergroup Office Manager

2 years of continuous sobriety

Part-time volunteer position

Suggested term: 3-5 years

Time Commitment: TBD

Train volunteer staff and coordinate schedules

Track and replenish inventory (literature, coins and medallions)

Purchase office supplies as needed

Maintain working relationship with landlord/maintenance staff,

Coordinate maintenance of printer (McFarlane Office Supplies)

Hotline maintained by Berkshire Communicators

Attend monthly Berkshire Intergroup meetings

Intergroup Office:

The Intergroup office is now open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

NEW: The office will be open the first Saturday of the month from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

On Saturdays, if the door is not open, call the Intergroup office number.

Intergroup office phone number: (413) 448-2382.

Website: berkshireaaintergroup.org

Email address: berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com

Physical address: 152 North Street, Suite 30C, Pittsfield, MA 01201

Berkshire County AA Hotline number: (413) 443-0212.

News and announcements can be sent to berkshireintergroupnews@gmail.com.

For the next issue, please send news and announcements by Monday, March 14.