

Berkshire Intergroup News

August 2023

Anniversaries:

Sober at Sunrise (virtual)	August 2	Karen G (26 yrs)
Southern Berkshire Group	August 25	Kevin (14 yrs), Laura D (21 yrs) Kate K (32 yrs), Margot T (39 yrs)
SOS (Sober on Saturday)	August 26	Aruni F (37 yrs)
Keep It Simple Group (virtual)	August 26	Nicole M (2 yrs), Cara C (3 yrs), Ani B (11 yrs)
Keep It Simple Group (in-person)	August 26	George P (36 yrs), Mike K (36 yrs) Mark C (40 yrs)
Monterey 11th Step	August 27	Cara C (3 yrs), Mike K (36 yrs)
Stockbridge Tower Group	August 29	Mike K (36 yrs)
In Focus Step	August 29	Dan G (8 yrs), Mark P (22 yrs), Lauri H (33 yrs)
Northern Berkshire Group	August 27 August 29 September 17	Mary R (6 yrs) Sandy B (6 yrs) John B (24 yrs)

Recent meeting changes*

Location changes:

Great Barrington Women's Group Thursday, 7:00 pm
To: First Congregational Church, 251 Main Street, Great Barrington

Great Barrington Men's Group Thursday, 7:00 pm
To: Claire Teague Senior Center, 917 Main Street, Great Barrington

To Hybrid:

Milk & Honey Sunday, 9:30 am
Canaan Town Hall, 1647 County Route 5, Canaan, NY
Zoom ID: 697 698 567 Passcode:163914

Discontinued:

Tuesday 7 pm Big Book Zoom

* To help keep meeting listings as accurate as possible, please send an email to berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com.

Events:

District 2: "A Celebration of Service"

Friday, August 25, 5:00 to 9:30 pm Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St, Agawam
Pizza & Fellowship, Service Panels, Archived Speaker Tape, Desserts!

The 11th Step in Action: A Spiritual Retreat

September 23, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Christ Trinity Church, 180 Main Street, Sheffield
Suggested contribution: \$20. To register go to berkshireaaintergroup.org website "Events"

District 6: Traditions Workshop

September 30, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Hazardville United Methodist Church, 330 Hazard Ave,
Enfield, CT

Massachusetts State Convention

November 10-12, Sturbridge Host Hotel, 366 Main Street, Sturbridge
Call the hotel directly (508) 347-7393 so the convention can get credit for the reserved room

block. When booking, mention the Mass State Convention to get the \$127 (plus tax) per night room rate. Registration and meal costs will remain the same as last year.

Hybrid planning meeting: September 26, 7 pm. Zoom ID: 815 7599 9333 Passcode: 112023

A carpool leaves the bowling alley/Mercedes parking lot on Burnett Road in Chicopee at 6:15.

2025 International Convention: "90 Years: Language of the Heart"

July 3-6, 2025, Vancouver, BC, Canada. General registration and housing information will be available on the International Convention webpage in early 2024.

Save the Date:

Area 31: Fall Assembly

October 14-15

Men's 12th Step Group: Spaghetti Dinner

October 17

Interested?

An effort is underway to start an LGBTQ+ meeting in the Pittsfield area. If you are interested, email berkshireaaintergroup@gmail.com. Put LGBTQ+ in the subject line.

Ongoing:

Concepts Meeting

1st Thursday, 7:30 pm. United Methodist Church, 30 Carew Street, South Hadley, Hybrid

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.

Next *Intergroup* meeting: September 11, 7 pm. Zoom ID: 876 1377 6813, Passcode: 306885

Next *District 3* meeting: September 15, 7 pm. Zoom ID: 830 1542 5561, Passcode:043735

General Service Contributions:

Contributions can be made online through aa.org or by mail to: P.O. Box 2407, James A. Farley Station, New York, NY 10116-2407. Make checks out to: General Service Board.

To contribute online, go to aa.org and scroll under Inside A.A.

An interesting note: It costs \$2.93 to process online contributions and \$5.60 if sent by mail.

Opportunities for Service:

Berkshire Institutions Committee

There is a strong need for A.A. meetings to be brought in to McGee, CSS, Jones 3 and the Berkshire County House of Corrections. Institutions reps are encouraged to attend committee meetings held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 8:30 pm. Zoom ID: 815 4091 3682, Passcode: serenity. For more information email berkshireaainstitutions@gmail.com.

Intergroup Office:

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

It is suggested that visitors always **CALL AHEAD** to make sure someone is there.

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

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

For the next issue, please send news and announcements by Monday, September 11.