

**Area 31 Public Information Minutes
10/13/15**

7:30 pm till 8:45 pm

- Sign In
- Serenity Prayer
- Chairperson Marc C gave brief introduction to welcome new committee members.
- Members introduced themselves and from which group they represented.
- Fill November 2015 Commitments and confirm October Commitments

Tradition of the Month

10	Deirdre
11	Patrick

COMMITMENTS:

Radio Show: Mondays - arrive at 5 PM, Basketball Hall of Fame Springfield, Mass

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
10/5/15	Marc		Brennen	
10/12/15	Rick		Chris	
10/26/15	Marc		Deirdre	
11/2/15	Rick			
11/9/15	Dave		Ken	
11/23/15	Marc		Tiffany	
11/30/15	Margaret		Brian	

Phoenix Academy: meets 3rd Wednesday. 7 PM @ 15 Mulberry St., Springfield.

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
10/21/15	Ed,Marc,Brennen		Holly,Tony,Marc	
11/18/15	Paul		Tiffany, Marc	

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IOP: meets 2nd Thursday 2:30 PM @ Start Program has moved to 8 Atwood Dr., Northampton, MA 01060 located on the second floor. This is next to The Clarion Hotel. Contact: Phone #413.582.0471 Extension 5094 – Dawn Geller email: dgeller@csoinc.org

DATE	CHAIRPERSON	CONTACT #	SHADOW	CONTACT #
10/08/15	Karen		Marc, Bob	
11/12/15	Karen		Marc, David	

Western Mass Correctional Addiction Center: Meets every 7 weeks at 45 Lower Westfield Rd. Holyoke (it's the old Holyoke Geriatric Center, park in the lot with the vans if possible) Meeting 9:30AM to 11:15AM (Best with 5 people)

11/06/15	Karen, Tiffany, Paul, Dave	Ken, Brian, Marc
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Baystate: Mondays at 3pm The Daley Entrance which is the main hospital entrance

10/19/15	Marc	Ed, Tony, Holly, Rick
10/26/15	Marc	Patrick, Ed, Marc
11/2/15	Patrick	Marc
11/9/15	Karen	Paul
11/16/15	Karen	Dave, Marc
11/23/15	Marc	Paul, Karen
11/30/15	Karen	Ken, Brian

- Carol came and told us about the North East Regional Service Assembly

Area 31 Chair Paul's Report

- Told us about the Fall Assembly where there will be elections for new delegate, alternate delegate, area chair, area secretary and area treasurer. Encouraged us to attend and participate.

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On Saturday there will be an area inventory facilitated by Rick Burtell (the North East Regional Delegate) the inventory will be specifically focused on making sure that all groups in area 31 and adhering to the 5th tradition. *(Each group has but one primary purpose –to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.)*

The Fall Assembly is held at 300 Appleton St. Holyoke at the United Congregational Church and there will be Pizza!

OLD BUSINESS:

- Marc reported on the District 4 workshop where he encountered some people from the Berkshires that expressed interest in having PI committees in their area.
- Brennen shared his research to date on getting AA Public Service Announcements broadcast on local radio and television stations. It seems that while 360 multimedia items were distributed to a variety of outlets, some stations have broadcast the PSA's a number of times, while others have not done so at all. Brennen asked for help in contacting individual stations to see if they're aware of the PSA.
- Deirdre and Brian will attend the Munson Town Health Fair representing Public Information with a pamphlet table.
- Marc will have more information on the Anonymity Workshop next month.
- Motion to take on a second commitment day with Baystate declined.
- We expect to hear from Agawam and Somers High schools some time in November about possible next commitments with them.

NEW BUSINESS

- Brennen entertained a motion to form an ad hoc committee to help contact local radio stations with concern to the AA PSA. (Brennen, Marc, David)
- PI was invited again to a Chris Herron event which we unanimously declined, remembering last year's decision making process, and advice from delegate Anne that we not affiliate ourselves with outside organizations.
- **Next Meeting 11/10/15 7:30 474 Pleasant Street (Upstairs)**

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