

District 2 Co - DCM	Tamara R	Y ₂₁	Y ₁₉	Y ₂₄	Y ₁₉								
District 3 DCM	Chris D.	Y ₂₂	Y ₂₀	Y ₂₅	Y ₂₀								
District 3 Co - DCM	Michael K	N	N	Y ₂₆	N								
District 4 DCM	Nancy P.	Y ₂₃	Y ₂₁	Y ₂₇	N								
District 4 Co - DCM	James C	N	Y ₂₂	N	Y ₂₁								
District 5 DCM	Chris K.	Y ₂₄	Y ₂₃	Y ₂₈	Y ₂₂								
District 5 Co- DCM	Corinna **	N	N	N	N								
District 6 DCM	Greg R.	Y ₂₅	Y ₂₄	Y ₂₉	N								
District 6 Co- DCM	Caroline.T	N	N	Y ₃₀	Y ₂₃								
QUORUM = 18	voting	25	24	30	23								
Area Chair only votes to break a tie	**Elected Feb. 3rd												

Secretary's Report

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Justin C. made a motion to not have an area meeting in March due to the Spring Assembly on March 29 & 30th. **Votes: 16 Y 0 N 1 abstention**

2.Motion by Steve(Delegate) seconded by Ray (Alt. Delegate) to move the monthly Concept meeting to 700 pm on the first Thursday of each month. **Vote: 15 Y 0 N 4 abstentions**

Kate V. Area 31 Secretary

Treasurer's Report (March 30, 2025)

This covers six months September 2024-February 2025. From Fall to Spring Assemblies. Opening balance for September 2024 was \$12,232.21 Contributions for the past six months totaled \$15,778.32. Area expenses totaled \$17,444.14. The closing balance was \$10,657.39 plus Prudent Reserve: \$8,501.00 = 19,158.39 Total funds available.

*GSO reimbursement and the mini conference totals of these will be reflected on the March report.

Contributions by district

District 1 946.70

District 2 4102.36

District 3 2366.63

District 4 2682.31

District 5 3313.45

District 6 2368.87

*contributions were down 8 percent to last year but up from the fall assembly

*donations have increased recently thank you to Steve, Ray and Bob for getting the message out

Thank you for your continued support/contributions to Area 31, and thank you for this opportunity to serve Area 31

Respectfully submitted,
Justin C. Area 31 Treasurer

Registrar's Report (April 9, 2025)

There is only one change to report since the Spring Assembly: the paperwork for the new Plain Language Big Book meeting in Northampton came in.

Our official count of active groups is still 299, with 3 more in the pending active category. So our real count is now 302.

THANK YOU for the opportunity to serve.

Sally S. Registrar Area 31

Archivist's Report: (April 9, 2025)

Group histories are available to be filled out on the Area website. Southern Berkshire Group. is saved on an USB drive. Some group history dates may be incorrect. I'll be visiting District 1 next week.

Respectfully, Carl

Webmaster: (April 9, 2025)

Nothing new to report tonight, but I have a few things to mention quickly: I am looking to replace the landing page on the area website in the next couple of months. I am asking the area for landscape photography submissions - preferably of local scenery. Please email submissions to webmaster@area31aa.org.

**Spam emails continue to get through the filter. Please be on the lookout for a recent one asking you to reset your password.

If I can be of any help with getting content on the website for your committee or helping with email access, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for letting me serve!

Tom H. Webmaster

Accessibilities: (April 9, 2025)

:Judy reported they still need a secretary. She listed the commitments they have. She mentioned the work they are doing for the MA State Conv., that she went to the Institutions committee, attended the Area Chair meeting, and visited WMYPAA to see how accessible it is. Lastly, she noted that Accessibilities is responsible for the 10am slot at this year's Round Up.

Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Judy H. Chair

Archives: (April 9, 2025)

Carl, our Archivist, visited them and gave them useful information. During their monthly meeting, they discussed having a workshop, possibly another listening party and/or a focus on people who came in during Covid on Zoom/virtual platforms as their introduction into AA. Their Round Up assignment is on what AA groups are doing to stay sober post-Covid.

Joe L., Chair

CPC (April 9, 2025)

ere is a New Agenda pdf please print it out and bring to your home group to read during announcements. These minutes are intended to be pinned to a board when at all possible.

Bruce: leading the Springfield College CPC Presentation at Lockin Hall on 4/17 at 7pm.

CPC needs:a new Secretary and a **new Co-Chair.

Michael: Greylock. Not looking for cpc they want institutions meeting.

Baypath physicians assist program. May or June. Their grant is keeping things on hold currently.

Mary(for Marc) Liaison to profewssionals

Lara: professor Corbin Holyoke community college.

Mary: has connections with the mental health field.

Ben: has connections with three courts and is pursuing future staff trading presentations for cpc.

Pamela: was listening and started thinking about how she could participate.

Keith: says the police is not too promising. He's also looking into job core staff training.

Respectfully submitted,

Caren F. CPC Chair

Grapevine/LaVina (April 9, 2025)

Thank you for the opportunity to serve

Joe I. Chair Area 31 Grapevine/La Viña Committee

PI(April 9, 2025).

Report given by PI co-Chair John F.

Last meeting was held on April 8th and we had 11 participants including one new member.

Committee discussed areas of focus and outreach to Umass Student Life, Amherst College, the Big E, multiple radio stations, and next steps to reach nursing facilities and nursing homes.

We have secured a commitment to present at Hampshire Regional High School in the fall and have reached out to multiple schools, facilities, and media outlets as part of our next steps.

A commitment has been secured for BayState Medical Center, details are being finalized.

Berkshire Radio station WBCR-lp 97.7 fm in Great Barrington is offering the opportunity for a PSA and potential radio show, the Committee will be working with the station this month to produce the PSA and will discuss the potential commitment and opportunity of a radio show in the future

Flier cards (postcards), business cards, and bookmarks will be printed this month after finalizing the look and language so that members can distribute widely and effectively. First printing will include a QR code linking to the Area 31 website. And,

The Committee will be purchasing two or three Big Books and Plain Language Big Books to provide to Nursing program event for Holyoke Community College

In Love and Service,

Brian W.

Area 31 Public Information Chair

Round-Up: (April 9, 2025)

The 56th Annual Round.Up dates are June 6th-8th at Holiday Inn and Suites in Pittsfield.

The GSO keynote speaker has been confirmed. Room reservations are in a block and we

have a whole floor of rooms for just us, use code W31 to get into the room block. Getting a room for the event weekend incl. 2 full sit down breakfasts, room cost is \$229/nt. To register online you need to download the flier to open up the pop up, the pop up is quick and very brief and you may miss it if it's not downloaded. Stuffing pre-registered and regular envelopes is on the agenda.

Jack, Chair

Berkshire Intergroup: (April 9,2025)

There was not much to report since the Spring Assembly, just that they had their Steering committee this month.

Dwayne, Chair Berkshire Intergroup

Institutions: (April 9,,2025)

No representative in attendnace to give report.

West. MA Intergroup :(April 9,2025)

Yolanda was not in attendane but sent her report to Our Area Chair, Bob to read for her.They had a large turnout at the workshop held on March 22 The summer picnic is on track, there will be fliers to explore groups for donations like baskets and other possible raffle prizes. As previously mentioned, we need a treasurer to fill in NOW until the end of the year. If you are interested in helping Intergroup out in that role, please feel free to contact me at intergro4@aol.com or attend our next Committee meeting on April 10th at 7:00 pm. In gratitude for allowing me to serve,
Yolanda, Chair

West MA Young People AA (WMYPAA) (April 9, 2025)

The event date for MSCYPAA is Aug 15-17 at the Springfield Marriot in downtown SpringfieldThe committee is hosting some more events to help support/fund the convention. The following events are upcoming:#1 4/26 at Stephens Church in Pittsfield, entitled "Dubious Brainstorm Mass Sober Rave" with a 6:30 PM meeting followed by the dance suggested donation is \$1. this event is in callaboration with the EXCYPAA (Empire state Convention of YPAA. #2 Hosting a Camping trip to Emerald StatePark June 13 -15.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt F, MSYCYPAA liaison.

District 1 (April, 2025)

There were 2 new GSRs at our last meeting, there was some discussion of going hybrid and it was tabled. The chair is opposed. She also noted that she only saw 3 D1 GSRs at the Spring Assembly. This was disappointing.

Carol L. District 1 DCM

District 2 (April 9, 2025)

It was announced that District 2 are hosting the Fall Assembly. Area Chair Bob said tentative dates are (Oct.18-19). The district had been planning a workshop on the PLBB and noticed

that it was a duplicate of a workshop that D3 had already planned. They don't want to step on any toes so they are reconsidering new, different ideas for a workshop, and/or they may consider collaborating to do the Plain Language Big Book workshop. The 3rd third alternative is doing our own PLBB workshop at a very different date and time.

Tamara Co DCM

District 3:(April 9, 2025)

A potential collaboration with District 2 on the Plain Language Big Book workshop will be investigated. We may set up an Ad-Hoc committee to do so and will be in touch with District 2
Yours in Service,
Chris D (District 3 DCM)

District 4:(April 9, 2025)

James, the Alt DCM, reported that they are holding a workshop on 05/17 from 10am to 2pm at the Grapevine meeting place in Greenfield, Chapman St. The event will feature 3 speakers and the topic is "Working Together, Building Trust". They are also involved in doing some meetings for Mt. Vernon Prep School, who is having an alumni weekend and has requested their presence for their attendees. The dates are 06/06-06/07 for that event.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy P District 4 DCM

District 5: (April 9, 2025)

District 5 met on Monday April 7, 2025 at 7 pm in South Hadley at 30 Carew Street and online. We had 14 groups represented. Most groups reported healthy attendance and support recently, contributing to the PIE, with a few contributing quite generously. Green Street Group reported having a hard time filling service positions and Do Or Die reported members who hold service positions are not consistently fulfilling their obligations. The Monday Night 12 Step Group voted to change their start times. Their beginners meeting will begin at 6 pm and the second meeting at 7 pm. The Wilbraham Men's Group will hold their Anniversary meeting on April 24th. The Wilbraham Group announced that they will be celebrating their 70th anniversary in May. More info to follow at next month's meeting.

We had some great discussions about service responsibilities of the GSR and the upcoming Round Up in June. We went over the responsibilities for the Round Up that was asked of us as a district. The GSRs are bring that information back to their groups to ask for assistance and volunteers to help with our workshop and alkathon duties. One GSR brought up the fact that he had no idea coming into the position that there would be as many responsibilities as there are to be a GSR. He honestly expressed his feelings of coming into this blind and thought that the service positions are not talked about much at the group level so the duties and responsibilities are not well known beforehand. It was very helpful to have Ray our Alt. Delegate in attendance to contribute to this discussion and answer questions that were brought up. This discussion then led to some great topics and ideas for a possible workshop in the future to help bring clarity and awareness of the service positions and their responsibilities, especially to those in early sobriety who would like to know how to get involved and what that entails. We as a district will be exploring this in the next couple months. More

info to follow as we explore this.

Chris K. District 6 DCM

District 6: (April 9, 2025) ..

GSR Reports:

- Keith – Southwick Nooner, Keith has been out of state for about 4 months – meeting seems well attended, some internal issues going on and being dealt with by the group members. Difficulties with the location, there has been some talk about looking for a new location. The group wants to make sure the new location is handicapped accessible. Exploratory at this point, no decisions made. Meetings well attended and going well.
 - Brendan-Southwick Sunday Big Book Step Group, 7:00 p.m. at the Daily Grind. It is going well. Attendance is good, steady flow, about 25-40 a week, newcomers. Healthy group. No issues. Group members all have service positions.
 - Jarod-Enfield Young Peoples meeting Friday nights, 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Enfield, CT. Attendance is roughly 30-35, going well. No issues. Jarod will be moving out of state at the end of June and is actively looking for a replacement rep.
 - Pat-Eastern Mountain Group, Friday night at West Mass Hospital – Speaker meeting, good attendance 40-60 people, group is getting stronger, going to be getting snowbirds back soon. New group members are stepping up and jumping into service work. District 6 assignments for Area 31 Round-up (June 6-8, 2025, Pittsfield, MA – Holiday Inn/Suites – 413-499-2000, Area 31 Round-up block):
 - June 7th – 11:00-11:55 a.m.- Topic: “Amends – Beyond I’m Sorry”
 - o DCM/Co-DCM speaks on the topic then opens for discussion or selects a speaker to speak on the topic.
 - June 7th - 8:00 p.m. – District 6 Alkathon – Topic: “HALT”
 - o DCM to get a GSR to volunteer their group to host the meeting. Both meetings will be in one of the breakout rooms. General format to follow
- Respectfully submitted,
Caroline T. Co DCM. District 6

Delegate’s Remarks: (April 9, 2025).

: Steve reported that the GSR presentation is available all year and more than once a year. The N.E. Regional Hospitality Suite Co-ordinator, Hannah K, is looking for volunteers, this. is for the International Convention in Toronto (07/02-07/06). Steve says he will make the info available online through Tom, our Webmaster. The GSC is 04/27-05/03 in NYC as usual. NERF is being held late this time, due to the International Conv., it is being held on 12/6-12/7 in Providence, RI at the Omni Center. We are not able to register yet. The price is ZERO dollars.

ONE MORE THING !! There are several resignations that have happened or are going to happen right after the GSC. A Class A Trustee Treasurer is resigning after the Conf., Andy M. is also resigning after the Conf., and a non-Trustee Director for the Grapevine has resigned.

Steve M., Delegate Panel 74/Area 31 Delegate

Alternate Delegate’s Remarks:(April 9, 2025).

Greetings Area Friends,

Since we last met, I haven't done much... lol The Spring assembly was just a couple weeks ago.

I have many things planned as we ramp up for the Round Up in June, the International Convention in July and various workshops in between.

The Mass State Convention Planning Committee is in full swing, we meet on the last Tuesday every odd month in Marlboro Mass at 7:00, if you would like to join us, the carpool leaves from the parking lot at the end of rt.291 at the Bowlero.

As I have been visiting each district and committee, I am hearing some great conversations about service and why we do it. Area 31 is alive and well.

I wish Steve (our delegate) God Speed as he makes his way down to NYC to represent our humble area. Thank You for all you do, and have done for AA...

Service Gladly Rendered,

Ray Meunier

Area 31 Panel 72 Alt Delegate

Area Chair's Remarks: (April 9, 2025)

Bob reports that CPC is really hurting for help and needs a co-Chair and secretary, Intergroup needs a treasurer. The Fall Asmb. will be in D2, probably around Holyoke, elections this year. all the Chairs from all the committees met with Bob to see how they could help each other, how to get new people involved in service, to educate folks on what the positions responsibilities and rewards are. Bob also reported that the Area does provide group inventories, does provide speaking commitments. He mentioned that the Intergroup Golf Tournament, 05/24 at the Agawam Municipal Golf Club is limited to the first 72 golfers and the price is \$100/person.

Area Chair Cont.: During questions, comments-

CPC Chair, Caren, asked Bob to mention that the committee be plugged at the Bookie meeting for Intergroup. Robin reminded everyone of the Berkshire Intergroup Website and that Berkshire Intergroup will come to speak at meetings, just as the Area Committee does. Lastly, it was asked how to apply for the Intergroup Treasurer position, the answer was to simply show up at the next Intergroup monthly meeting, which as of this date is tomorrow night, 04/10, at 7pm

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

1.. Motion to close at 905 pm Seconded and voted Unanimously. Closed with the Responsibility Pledge.

Next Area meeting will be on May 14th at 730pm.

Respectfully Submitted WITH THE HELP OF Janet B.,

Kate V. Area 31 Secretary

Western Mass General Service