

District 4 Meeting  
October 15, 2024

Meeting begins at 7pm, 5 Participants

Meeting opens with A moment of silence and the serenity prayer.

Dan B reads tradition 10. -AA has no opinion on outside issues; hence the AA name ought never be drawn into public controversy.

Dan mentions that the steps save our lives and the traditions save AA.

Politics and social issues discussed at meetings could drive away newcomers....

Tradition 11: Nancy P.

There are no new GSRs at the meeting

Area 31:

October 19,20 is our area 31 Fall Assembly.

10/19 Committee reports, AA Jeopardy–10/20 Area business meeting, elections

Fall Assembly will choose our area's candidate for Trustee at Large, US

GSRs have a vote! and should attend.

Ste. Rose de Lima church, Chicopee

Neraasa- Northeast region AA service assembly- Feb. 21st through 23rd

Online event, register online

WMYPAA- Western Mass Young People in AA have re-formed. They have formed a committee MSCYPAA to bid on the Young Peoples convention. They have won the bid and the next young people's convention will be held in Springfield, Ma.

Mass State convention planning committee will meet on the last Tuesday in October.

Hybrid meeting Location: Best Western in Marlboro, Ma.

Our standing committees need our help! Anyone can volunteer as a rep.!

There is a link on [www.area31aa.org](http://www.area31aa.org) for two videos for young people in AA.

On the website click the down arrow and scroll down (AA.org media links)

We should bring ideas in for a district 4 workshop

Group check-ins:

Eye opener in Florence Mon-Sun @7am and online (not hybrid) two meetings.  
Attendance is steady at both, discussion about separating into two groups.  
Online meeting no longer allows private chat/ misused. Pushback on this but safety is important.

Alt. GSR Dan- Haydenville Sunday Light- Will make Plain Language BB available in November. Our 43rd anniversary celebration on the 3rd Sunday in November.  
Thanksgiving, Food and Fellowship- speaker. Separate basket passed to cover anniversary expenses.

Nancy P for GSR Patrick- We will be voting on a new format at our business meeting which will be after the meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Bob- Area Chair

Fall Assembly- 8-2 On Saturday Fun!, All committees report QandA, pizza 11:30, 10:45  
AA Jeopardy,  
1-5 Sunday, business meeting, trustee at large U.S. election

The area does speaking commitments on service  
Concept meeting- 1st Thursdays in person and on zoom  
District 5 is hosting our Fall Assembly this year.

International Convention: If you are planning to go note that Canada has strict rules regarding entry. If you have a record please contact them early to be sure you will be allowed to enter the country.

Intergroup Alcathon: Thanksgiving November 28, 11am through midnight.  
To be held at Morningstar Baptist Church, 11 Main St, South Hadley

WMYPAA- Young People's committee looking for volunteers  
1st Sunday 143 Main st., Springfield

Old business: Several GSR's have reached out to other groups to encourage participation in District 4.

New Business: District 4 elections in November

We will be voting for a new secretary and a co-DCM.  
Requirements for the position can be found in the area 31 handbook

Dan points out that we have not used yet our 2024 budget.



Ideas for a workshop include:

3 speakers on 2025 conference theme topic

Inviting standing committees to bring their display boards and speak about what they do as their area 31 service. ....

More District 4 outreach

Motion to close seconded

Close with Responsibility Pledge