District 4 November GSR meeting November 19, 2024

Meeting opens at 7pm with 12 participants New GSR's:

Grace H. - Sunny Side Up group in Amherst, in person 867 N. Pleasant st., Lutheran church, in when and where and "chair app"

Ellie - alternate GSR for Hadley New Perspectives

Matt from WMYPAA filling in for Daily Reflections GSR.

Mark- visiting

Dan (DCM) asks that all new GSR's send him an email to get on our list and to register as a GSR on the area website www.area31aa.org. Scroll to bottom of home page, find Registrar listed under Resources heading. Can be filled out online or printed and mailed.

(Please note: did not get who is next doing the tradition of month, apologies)

Group Check-ins:

Rick- Haydenville Sunday Night Live is rotating out. Reports that all is well with an anniversary meeting in November. They have 3 outgoing commitments and members will be going to a 3 day retreat.

Patrick- Shelburne Falls Big Book Study group is back from an illness. Reports a change in format to highlight the steps. We read the whole book. Attendance is steady at about 15 people.

Michael - Conway Monday night at 7pm., about 20 people, hybrid meeting

Rachel - Eye Opener, Mon-Fri and Sunday, Pine st in Florence. Online version meets Mon-Sun, well attended

Grace - Sunnyside Up meets on Saturdays at the Lutheran Church on North Pleasant st. in Amherst and is an outgrowth of the 7am group in Amherst.

They have a new treasurer and will do the pie chart. Follow the traditions. Usually about a dozen in attendance.

Matt - filling in- Daily Reflections in Northampton. Doing well Harriston

Ellie - Hadley New Perspectives, Wesley Methodist Church, 10-15 attending weekly, hybrid

Area re-cap: Dan- This month was the area budget meeting. District 4 budget is 300\$. Will be discussing further in December.

Treasurer urges us to inform all groups that we need to contribute according to the pie chart in order to help the area meet its current expenses. Pandemic brought extra donations that have been carrying us. Groups that stopped contributions due to ample area funds should consider resuming.

Our area standing committees are in dire need of representatives. Public Information cannot take committments until they have help. Others have committments that cannot be filled due to a lack of reps. Anyone can be a representative on a committee whether you have a home group or not! They also are looking for people who can do a daytime committment. Find the committee meeting times and days on the calendar at www.area31aa.org.

Steve, delegate

Contact our delegate, Steve if your group wishes to do a group inventory. His email is delegete@area31aa.org.

The area hosts a Concepts meeting at 7:30 at United Methodist Church on 30 Carew st.in South Hadley. Hybrid, see calendar on area website "What a Concept"

The area meeting takes place on the 2cd Wednesday at 7:30pm at 30 Carew st., S. Hadley

December- finalizing the area budget

The MassState Convention in Marlboro was a great success.

Join the planning committee on the 4th Tuesday at 7pm at the Best Western Royal Plaza, 181 Boston Post rd., Marlboro, Ma.

Christmas Alcathon! By Western Mass Intergroup at St Pauls Clhurch on Appleton st. in Holyoke. 24th-25th December 6pm-6pm

Matt is visiting on behalf of WMYPAA. Email wmypaa@area31aa.org. Meets 1st Sunday at the Serenity Club in Springfield. The monkey wrench building. Looking for help.

Rick did some district 4 outreach, heard it announced that GSR needed at business meeting

Discussion of workshop for 2025. Perhaps 3 speakers based on 2025 conference theme.

(note from Nancy. Found 2025 theme. "Working together, Increasing Trust")

New Business:

Dan is rolling out of DCM after December.

We need a new Co-DCM and a Secretary

Co-DCM- Spend one year as co-DCM. Become DCM after one year.

Some experience with aa service, Intergroup or committee rep....

Talk to other DCM's and GSR's. Area meeting

Secretary- Sends notes to GSR's, and Sally(registrar), Archive

Past minutes are available through the website www.area31aa.org

Dan B. from Haydenville is considering secretary role. (hope I got your name right!)

Next meeting Dec17 @ 7pm

Close with Responsibility Pledge