

District 4 GSR Meeting  
June 17, 2025

Meeting opens at 7pm with the Serenity Prayer.

Patrick shares on Tradition 6: "An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, and prestige divert us from our primary purpose"

- Our traditions keep groups & A.A. as a whole from imploding. We stay focused on helping alcoholics, we utilize spaces to meet, but are mindful not to lend our name to any to stay in alignment with our primary purposes & to keep our anonymity.

Melissa volunteers to read Tradition 7 at next meeting.

New GSRs? None at this time.

Secretary (Dan B) gives secretary's report

Group Check-Ins:

Melissa (11<sup>th</sup> Step Meeting Amherst): Meeting going quite well, 15-25 average attendance. New attendees coming regularly. Group working on completing group registration with Registrar Sally.

Michael S. (Conway Monday Night Group): Going very well, healthy attendance numbers with hybrid portion going well also. Membership is growing.

Samantha (Only Requirement Group Greenfield): Goin well, great attendance. Numerous monthly commitments.

Patrick O. (Big Book Study Group Shelburne): Attendance is steady, 20-24. Literature position open, now have new Alt. GSR.

Dan B. (Sunday Night Life Group Haydenville): Meeting going well, honoring monthly commitments.

DCM Nancy P. Area Re-cap:

- Treasurer (Justin) asks GSRs to please let their groups know donations were down 18%, Area needs support
- Registrar (Sally) notes there are 331 active groups with 3 more in registration process. She also mentioned she truly enjoys being Registrar, spiritually fulfilling.
- Archivist (Carl) while going through their collections post move he found the 1<sup>st</sup> Area 31 Delegate's Report. He is also looking for items to bring to the International Convention Hospitality Room. Additionally, Young People's founding date was listed incorrectly, and has been updated. Lastly, groups interested in doing a group history can contact him.
- Webmaster (Tom) is still asking for still, un-copywritten photo submissions of the seasons, landscapes, churches etc. to be used for Area website background images. Anyone interested in submitting their photos can contact him through Area 31 website.
- Accessibility (Judy) continues to bring meetings to those in need and is working with the State Convention Planning Committee to make the State Convention more accessible to hearing impaired & deaf attendees.

- Archives (Rick) will be holding a workshop on September 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6pm-10pm at 30 Carew St S. Hadley, on the topic of Zoom Babies; people who got sober on Zoom. Archives also has wonderful display boards that are available.
- CPC (Karen) finally got a Secretary & Co-chair after an extended time without either!
- Grapevine (Joe) the scavenger hunt for Grapevine issues is still on, still some missing from their collection. To see a list of which issues are still needed visit Area website. Grapevine will be at Young People's Convention in Springfield, in August.
- MSCYPAA urging people to register, it will help support them (Convention)
- P.I, (Brian) Reps planning on new outreach approaches. Considering using CWMARS (like the libraries use) to get A.A. literature into larger circulation to the public. Working on contacting local police stations so A.A. peoples can be contacted when appropriate to help struggling individuals.
- Round Up (Jack) 2026 planning starts in September, looking for Round Up reps. Theme to be "Humility In Action"
- Berkshire Intergroup (Dwayne) 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> step/tradition? Workshop 7/19 9am-3pm 1<sup>st</sup> Congo Church in Stockbridge, breakfast & lunch to be served.
- Area Chair (Bob) Fall Assembly 300 Appleton St Holyoke 10/18 (9-3pm) 10/19 (1-5pm) encourages all GSRs to be there, voting will be taking place on Area Officers & Delegates. Contact Bob if your group wants a group inventory or Area Chair as a speaker on General service. GSO will be putting out proposed agenda items for Gen. Service Conference, our Delegate will share as soon as he is updated.

#### New Business

- (Nancy DCM) do GSRs want Area Meeting notes emailed to them (yes in favor)
- Institutions still has open commitments, would GSRs want info on this emailed, & business cards for Bridging The Gap to share with their groups? (yes in favor)
- District 4 monthly meeting: keep it Zoom, or change to in-person with hybrid? After some discussion idea tabled for now.
- Alt. Delegate (Ray) Mass State Convention Planning Committee approaching busy season for finishing up all plans. There will be a Game Room, a comedian, ice cream social, recording of oral histories, showing of Bill W. documentary with Q & A with it's creators, & other presentations. See Ray if interested in carpooling to Planning Committee meetings.
- International Convention in July (Vancouver), Delegate & Alt Delegate will attend.
- MSCYPAA Convention August, in Springfield at the Mariott. Info on Area website.
- District 2 holding a workshop at the Fall Assembly on the Plain Language B.B. "Dispelling The Myths", flyer on Area website.
- Fall Assembly 10/18 & 10/19 all area Officers up for election: Delegate, Alt. Delegate, Secretary, Area Chair, Treasurer.
- There is a Concept meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday monthly at 30 Carew St S Hadley, reading & discussion.

Meeting closed with the Responsibility Prayer

Next meeting July, 15<sup>th</sup> 7pm