

District 5 Meeting  
April 2024 Minutes

4/1/2024 Opening

The regular meeting of District 5 was called to order at 7:01 pm by Lara, our DCM.

Groups Present

Sonny /Mick— Wilbraham Men's Group  
Tim — Hampden Tuesday Night Group  
Juan - East Longmeadow Sunday Night  
Chris — Belchertown Saturday Night  
Ian — Cold Springs Group  
Taylor/ Lily— Do or Die  
Darcy-Wilbraham Friday Night  
John- Here and Now Group  
Justine-South Hadley Friday Night Meeting  
Carl-Eye Opener Step Group  
Pam- Clear Cut Direction BB Step Meeting Courtney-  
Morning Light

Visitors

Bruce V.- CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community) Committee Chair Bob  
M.- Area 31 Chairperson

Sharla, Co-DCM read What It Means to be a GSR from the AA Service Manual.

Group Share

Juan, GSR — East Longmeadow Sunday Night Group  
e Day/Time of Meeting:6:30pm  
e Address: 1 Porter Road East Longmeadow, MA  
● Financial Contributions: We contribute to the pie every month.

Taylor, GSR - Do or Die

Lily, Alt GSR - Do or Die

- Day/Time of Meeting: Wednesday 7:00pm
- Address: St. Andrews Church, Longmeadow MA e Financial Contributions: Contribute to  
Pye o Commitments — Incoming/Outgoing: Whip City Nooner o Institutions: Carlson 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday monthly

Group Share Discussion: Issues with people parking in the fire lanes and in handicap spots. Many of our longterm members want to go back to our old church, they were closed for a while due to Covid, but are now open and will let us come back. However, they are requiring we get insurance. We have a group member looking into this, and parking is not an issue at old church.

Sonny, GSR — Wilbraham Men's Group

Mick, Alt. GSR-Wilbraham Men's Group

- Day/Time of Meeting: Thursday 7pm-8pm
- Financial Contributions: Per Pie Chart
- Service Positions Filled: Only Group level, GSR, Alternate GSR, Secretary, Intergroup, Greeter, Supply o Commitments — Incoming/Outgoing:

Mill Street o Institutions: Ludlow Jail Group Share Discussion:

- Celebrating 1ST ANNIVERSARY on April 25, 2024. Food at 5:30, Fellowship at 7-8PM 2 speaker meeting and Women and Men invited!! !! o Continues to be well attended

Tim, GSR — Hampden Step Group

- Day/Time of Meeting: 5:00pm-7:00pm 7:00pm-8:00pm 2 Speaker ● Address: Federation Community Church, 590 Main Street, Hampden, MA ● Financial Contributions: 300.00to the pie
- Service Positions Not Filled: We have quite a few open positions after elections we are trying to fill CPC, PI, Institutions, ● Accessibilities, Grapevine, Archives
- Attendance good 25-40 people at each meeting o Commitments — Incoming/Outgoing: Way Out Group o Institutions: Stoney Brook at the Hampden County House of Corrections (section 35) every other Wednesday

Chris - GSR - Belchertown Saturday Night ●

Sat 7:00 pm Beg 8:00 pm Speaker

- Address: 18 Park St Belchertown
- Financial Contributions: Not this month
- Service Positions Filled: GSR, Intergroup, Institutions o Commitments — Incoming/Outgoing: Mixed Nuts

Ian, GSR - Cold Springs

- Thursday 7:30 pm-8:30 pm
- Address: 18 Park St, Belchertown
- Service Positions Filled: Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, GSR, Bookie, Institutions, Archives
- Commitments o Incoming/Outgoing: A Way Out o Institutions: Mira Vista
- Group Share Discussion: June Anniversary being planned.

James, GSR - Keep it Green

- Thursday 6:15 pm — 7:30 pm
- Address: Green St, Cushman Hall, Monson
- Service Positions Filled: GSR, Bookie, Intergroup, and group level. o Commitments — Incoming/Outgoing: Every month Group Share Discussion:

- Since back at Green Street, more attendance. Anticipating contributions to the pie in the near future

Courtney, GSR-Morning Light

- Daily, 7am-8am, in person and online
- Address: 284 Montgomery Street, Chicopee ● Financial contributions: All
- Service Positions Filled: all filled at group level, GSR, Bookie, Intergroup, Sheperd/Greeter
- Institutions: Saturday evenings at Carlson, except first Saturday of the month

Darryl GSR Friday Night Wilbraham Group

0 Friday 5:30-7:30 beg /7:30-8:30, 1 speaker o Address- 10 Chapel Rd.  
Wilbraham o Financial Contributions: next month o Commitments —  
Incoming/Outgoing: East Longmeadow Sunday Night

Darcy GSR Wilbraham Friday Night

Beginners meeting 6:30- 7:15, speaker 7:30-8:30

- Address: 10 Chapei Street, Grace Union ●
- Financial Contributions: Donate to the pie
- Institutions: Detox in the future

Tom: GSR/ John Alt. GSR Here and Now Group

- Wednesday, 7:30PM
- Address: St. Mark's 1 Porter Street, East Longmeadow
- Service Positions Filled: PI, GSR, Institutions, Accessibility, Grapevine
- Commitments Incoming/Outgoing: Monthly

Sarah: GSR South Hadley Sunday Night Women's Group

- Sunday 6-7PM
- Address: All Saints Church
- Service Positions Filled: GSR, Treasurer

Justine- GSR South Hadley Friday Night Meeting

- Day/Time of Meeting: Friday 6:00PM
- Address: 11 North Main Street e Financial Contributions: Yes e Service Positions Filled:  
All

Pam /Darcy Alt. GSR Clear Direction

- Day/ Time of Meeting: Tuesday,6:30-7:
- Address: St. Mark's episcopal Church, East Longmeadow
- Institutions: 3rd. Wednesday of the month, Northern Hope, Deerfield

Old Business o Discussion on Traditions Workshop Play...Sonny explained, and actors were picked. Discussion was made on a possible location which Justine and Bob M. will see if available on Saturdays in July. New play handouts in May.

## New Business

- DCM, Lara, reported on the Spring Assembly agenda, and on the Area 31 Monthly meeting. Both reports can be found on the website, [www.area31aa.org](http://www.area31aa.org).  
e Looking for a volunteer to speak at the Round Up; Topic of "Acceptance is the Answer to All My Problems" Please contact Lara. e Intergroup Picnic-August 18

## Visitor Reports

Bruce V., CPC (Cooperation with the Professional Community) Committee Chairperson e  
Express the need to have more committee members to reach out to professional community: nursing programs, high schools, Sheriffs dept. lawyers, etc. on the knowledge of what AA does and what AA doesn't do to educate on alcoholism.

- Positive feedback

Bob M., Area Chairperson

- Approached us to HOST the next District Fall Assembly. We accepted gracefully and unanimously! Congrats to all!
- Golf tournament will be May 25, you can sign up online.
- Round Up will be June 1st at St John' Lutheran Church in Westfield, info found on website, you can sign up online [www.area31aa.org](http://www.area31aa.org). Still looking for volunteers.

## This Month Readings

- Darcy- Tradition 4

Next month's readings and discussion

Sonny will read and report on Tradition 4

Taylor will read and report on Concept VII

Next month's meeting will be Monday, May 6th @ 7:00 pm in person at 30 Carew St., South Hadley, and on Zoom. Login info at [area31aa.org](http://area31aa.org).

Responsibility Pledge.

Meeting adjourned. 8:14

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