

**District 5 Meeting**  
**October 7, 2024 Minutes**  
**10/7/2024**

**Opening**

The regular meeting of District 5 was called to order at 7:00 pm by Lara, our DCM.

**Groups Present**

Steve – Thursday Night Men’s Group  
Tim G – Hampden Tuesday Night Group  
Juan/ JC - East Longmeadow Sunday Night  
Chris K – Belchertown Saturday Night  
Corrina - Tuesday Night 12 & 12 Group  
Ian /Sean – Cold Spring Group  
James – Keep it Green  
Taylar/ Lily – Do or Die  
Sarah - South Hadley Sunday Night Women's Group  
Carl/ Matt - Eye Opener Step Group  
Justine - South Hadley Friday Night Meeting  
Darcy/Sarah - Friday Wilbraham Group  
Tom S. - Here and Now  
Alan C. - Wilbraham Monday Night Step Group  
Chris B.- A Way Out Group  
Ron/Corrie - Lost and Found  
Courtney - Morning Light

**Visitors**

Bob M.- Area 31 Chairperson  
Jill F.- MSCYPAA Co-Chairperson

Sonny, Co-DCM read *What It Means to be a GSR* from the AA Service Manual.  
Louise read the September Secretary report.

**Group Share**

Juan, GSR / JC, Alt GSR – East Longmeadow Sunday Night Group

- Day/Time of Meeting: 6:30pm -7:30pm
- Address: 1 Porter Road East Longmeadow, MA
- Financial Contributions: We contribute to the pie every month

Taylor, GSR / Lily, Alt GSR – Do or Die

- Day/Time of Meeting: Wednesday 7:00pm
- Address: 181 Elm Street, East Longmeadow
- Financial Contributions: not at this time until prudent reserve is reached

Commitments: Institutions: Carlson 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday monthly

Group Share: Finances: saving money for prudent reserve and anniversary celebration. Group interested in Thanksgiving Alcolthon if we have enough volunteers

Steve, GSR – Thursday Night Men’s Group

- Day/Time of Meeting: Thursday 7pm - 8pm
- Financial Contributions: 100.00 Pie Chart
- Service Positions Filled: all

- Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Mill Street
- Institutions: Ludlow Jail, section 35, Stonebrook

share: Continue to have 40-50. Discussed sending men to alcohol. Discussed Grapevine raffle monthly.

Tim, GSR – Hampden Step Group

- Day/Time of Meeting: 6:00pm - 7:00pm, 7:00pm - 8:00pm 2 Speaker
- Address: Federation Community Church, 590 Main Street, Hampden, MA
- Financial Contributions: yes
- Service Positions Not Filled: CPC, PI, Institutions, Accessibilities, Grapevine, Archives
- Attendance good 25-40 people at each meeting

Institutions: Stonybrook at Hampden County House of Corrections (section 35) every other Wednesday  
Group Share Discussion: 53rd Anniversary to be celebrated on November 5, 2024

Chris K, 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
  - Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: New Freedom Group

Ian, GSR / Sean C., Alt. GSR - Cold Spring Thursday 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

- Address: 18 Park St, Belchertown
- Financial Contributions: Pie
- Service Positions Filled: Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, GSR, Bookie, Institutions, Archives, Sheperd
  - Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Intergroup October 24th

Group Share Discussion: Area commitment maybe October 27th

James, GSR - Keep it Green

- Thursday 6:15 pm – 7:30 pm
- Address: Green St, Cushman Hall, Monson
- Financial Contributions: pie
- Service Positions Filled: GSR, Bookie, Intergroup, Institutions, CPC, and group level
  - Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: yes

Group Share Discussion: Area 31 committee service commitment went good

Courtney, GSR - Morning Light

- Daily 7am - 8am, in person and online
- Address: 284 Montgomery Street, Chicopee
- Financial contributions: All

Service Positions Filled: all at group level, GSR, Bookie, Intergroup, Sheperd/Greeter, CPC, Grapevine

- Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Haydenville
- Institutions: Saturday evenings at Carlson, except first Saturday of the month

Share: November being gratuity month, suggestions, new women's sober house being built first on list

- Apple Picking attracted 12-15 people for an outside activity with food and live music.

Sarah, GSR - South Hadley Sunday Night Women's Group

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

Carl H., GSR / Alt., Matt - Eye Opener Group

- Day/ Time meeting: 7:30 - 8:30
- Address: 859 Center Street, Ludlow
- Financial Contribution: none this month
- Service positions: group level, GSR, Alt. Gsr, Bookie

Group Share Discussion: Motion to move to East Street was tabled, possible move

Justine, GSR - South Hadley Beginners Meeting

- Day/Time of meeting: Friday 6:00pm
- Location: 11 North Main Street, South Hadley
- Financial Contributions: Yes
- Service positions filled: All
- Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: yes
- Group Share Discussion: Beginners meeting the last Friday of the month we give out coins

Alan C., GSR - Wilbraham Monday Night Step Meeting

- Day/Time meeting: Monday 6:30-7:30 / 7:30-8:30
- Location of Meeting: Grace Union Church, 10 Chapel Street, Wilbraham
- Financial contributions: pie
- Service positions filled: All but Archives and Institutions
- Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Yes
- Group share: Great attendance for beginners meeting. Attendance down for Step meeting.

Chris B., GSR - A Way Out

- Day/Time of meeting: 7:00 - 8:00pm Saturday
- Location of meeting: St. Mark's Church, 1 Porter Road
- Service positions filled: Chair, sec., treasurer, GSR

Group Share Discussion: Attendance is great. November is election month.

Ron, GSR / Corrie, Alt. GSR - Lost and Found

- Day/Time: 6:30 Thursday
- Location of meeting: 284 Montgomery Street, Chicopee
- Service Positions Filled: GSR

Group Share Discussion: Possible anniversary celebration in January

John C., GSR / Tom S., Alt GSR - Here and Now Group

- Day/Time of meeting: 7:30 PM
- Location: St. Mark's, 1 Porter Rd, East Longmeadow
- Service Positions filled: All
- commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Yes

Group Share Discussion: Going to Institutions more and handing out Big Books

Darcy, GSR / Sarah, Alt. GSR - Friday Night Wilbraham Group

- Day/Time of meeting: 6:30 beginners, and 7:30-8:30PM Speaker
- Location: Grace Union Church, 10 Chapel Street, Wilbraham
- Service Positions Filled: Yes
- Commitments: Incoming/Outgoing: Sober Sunday

Group Share Discussion: motion to contribute to pie next month

Corrina, GSR - Tuesday Night 12 & 12 Group

Day/Time of meeting: Tuesday night 6:00PM

Location: All Saints Episcopal Church, South Hadley  
Service positions: GSR

Pam, GSR / Darcy Alt. GSR - Clear cut Directions  
Day/Time of Meeting: Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm  
Location: St. Mark's Church, East Longmeadow  
Financial Contributions: yes  
Service positions filled: yes

**Old Business: Fall Assembly, October 19/20 St. Rose de Lima Church, Chicopee. We are hosting, District 5! FALLS PIZZA on Saturday. Chips, soda saved for assembly, snacks, drinks picked up at COSTCO**

- **Plain Language Big Book should be published in November!!!**
- **All GSRs asked to review group list of membership, and group numbers**

**New Business: Area reports 5 read by Lara, all information found on the website**

Alcothon at MorningStar Church, South Hadley 11/28 11AM to midnight. Slots offered at 10/10 meeting

- Round Up next year 2-3 day event, the week of 6/7/2025

### Visitors

#### Bob M. - Area 31 Chair

- GSRs have a voice to be heard at all Assemblies

need for committee volunteers. elections coming, maybe a good time to suggest 12 step work to groups  
FALL ASSEMBLY Sat 8-2, Sun 1-5. Set up on Sat 6:30, all GSR'S needed! Cider, Cider donuts provided for  
breakfast by Chris B. Pizza, Salad for lunch. DCM will make cookies. Brownies brought for dessert!

Thanks everyone who volunteered to shop and bake! WILL BE HYBRID! JEOPARDY on Saturday. Teams  
will be broken down in 6 players, 1/2 hour per game! Sunday will be business meeting, Trustee elected

#### Jill F. MSCYPAA Chairperson Mass State Convention of Young People in AA MSCYPAA.com

no age limit, only a willingness to grow spiritually and be young at heart. Great way to do service work  
with fun and living life sober. **Convention 8/2025 in Downtown Springfield. Local function: Oktoberfest  
10/25 Mill Street, Agawam. Meeting at 5:30, fellowship at 6. \$5 suggested donation includes food,  
firepit, smores, pumpkins, music, full of other surprises! Come enjoy a fun fall event!**

### This Month Readings

Steve - Tradition 10

Matt - Concept V

### Next month's readings and discussion

Matt - Tradition 11

Chris B. - Concept IV

Next month's meeting will be Monday, November 4, @ 7:00 pm in person at 30 Carew St., South Hadley,  
and on Zoom. Login info at area31aa.org.

Responsibility Pledge.

**Meeting adjourned. 8:36**

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