Grapevine Committee 11/3/2026
Meeting called to order at 6:30

Grapevine Quote Read by Jill
Statement of Purpose read by Kevin

Next month:
Grapevine quote - Undecided
Statement of Purpose - Undecided

New Grapevine Reps

- *New grapevine reps are encouraged to check GV/LV website*

(aagrapevine.org) or the app for the following information:
**Editorial Calendar*
-Report this at business meetings
**Submit a story*
-Help contributors submit content here
-Jokes, Stories, Photos
**Cartoons (Submit a caption: vote on caption)*
**Rep Resources*
-New reps encourage to sign up
-Contains lots of helpful informational materials about what to do in GV/LV
Rep service position

Members reports:

Sharon G. - Thursday night Shelburne Falls Big Book mtg reported group has current subscription and make this as well as a collection of back issues available as a lending library.

Susan B. - SOS mtg in Lee. The group has a current subscription and it appears people in the group are accessing them.

Jill - Clear Cut Directions, E. Longmeadow. People bring in copies of magazine to share and include in Literature for Prisons donation boxes

Ginger P. - Thursday Night meeting, Feeding Hills.Group. Ginger is unsure whether the group has a subscription or not but current and past issues are brought to the meeting and made available to share.

Carl - Eye Opener Step Group, Ludlow. The group has a subscription and continues with a lending library. A group of men from a sober house have been attending the meeting and Carl is encouraging interest in the GV magazine.

Kevin - Thursday night West Springfield Step Group. The group pays for two subscriptions, one for the group one for Aster House. Members of a sober house who attend the meeting have been taking issues and expressing interest in reading the magazine.

Tommy - Haydenville Sunday night group. Group is currently using money from the 7th tradition to subsidize the Carry the Message basket.

Review of 10/6/2026 meeting minutes by Sharon.

<u>New Business:</u>

- Writing workshop will be held:
  Saturday, 12/5 from 11-2
  Lee Congregational Church
  25 Park Place in Lee MA
- Carl has sent the check to reserve the space for the workshop and has received a receipt.
- Susan has gotten the “OK” from the church to make coffee at the workshop
- Susan shared that she has the code to get into the church. Table set up will be required that morning.
- Carl will be responsible for ordering pizza (one pepperoni/cheese and one veggie) and Carl and Kevin will bring drinks and ice.
- Carl and Kevin will arrive at 10 for set up.
- Carl has folders for workshop participants and will print writing guidelines and include them in the folders.
- Susan will provide Carl with URL’s for two “writing guidelines” links
- Susan has new postcards she got when she visited GSO and she would like to use those to update GV Committee boards on the morning of the workshop
- Carl stated he has been attending several group anniversaries and has been bringing the GV boards to those meetings

Justin

- MA State Convention 11/6-11/8 Marlborough MA
  Carl will be leading a GV workshop from 4:45-5:45 Saturday at the convention, attendance is encouraged
- The area has selected a nominee for the position of New England Regional Trustee, Mike B., who is a past delegate. Ray will present Mike at the next assembly.
- A motion to reimburse the web host for mileage has been passed once. It will need to pass again at the Spring Assembly in order to become effective.

- Justin reminded everyone that there is a hybrid Concepts meeting the first Thursday of each month. All are invited/welcome
- Many groups have done group inventories this year. This service is offered to any group interested. Justin likened it to a 10th step for the group
- Justin read from the following email noting that beginning 11/5 La Vina will be hosting a weekly virtual AA meeting in Spanish:

  Grapevine & La Vi&#65533;a Trusted Servants,

  It's almost that time of year and I am not talking about winter. I am talking about rotation time. As this service term comes to a close, thank you from all of us at AA Grapevine and La Vi&#65533;a. Your work carrying the message through Grapevine and La Vi&#65533;a has reached groups and members we could never reach on our own.

  This Thursday, November 5, at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time, La Vi&#65533;a will host its very first weekly virtual AA open meeting in Spanish, welcoming the entire Alcoholics Anonymous Hispanic community around the world!

  Each Thursday, two speakers will share their experience, strength, and hope, along with readings from our magazine and AA literature. The meeting information is attached.

  Our last Grapevine & La Vi&#65533;a Area Chair meeting for the year is scheduled for November 10th at 4:00 PM Eastern Standard Time. This is a great opportunity to those who are rotating in effective January 1st, 2027, to meet staff, board members and podcast hosts. AA Grapevine Inc. Office is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

  Topic: AA Grapevine Area Chair Meeting
  Time: Nov 10, 2026, 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

  Join Zoom Meeting
  https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85895635188?pwd=kbV3aEq69GwggMCHONSa7gV3pu5r6h.1

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  Join instructions

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Meeting concluded with the Serenity Prayer