



The District View

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District 05 meeting in
Menomonie Wisconsin!
1412 6th Street E
Menomonie, WI 54751-3331
8/13/2014 at 6:45pm

If you have or know of an alcoholic with the willingness to serve at the district level, this is the chance and time to do so! You can't keep what you have unless you give it away.

*Always looking for experience, strength and hope experiences to add to future newsletters. Submissions can be made to The District View email at the top of this page.

Step 8 Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

Tradition 8 Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.

Concept 8 The Trustees of the General Service Board act in two primary capacities: (a) With respect to the larger matters of over-all policy and finance, they are the principal placers and administrators. They and their primary committees directly manage these affairs. (b) But with respect to our separately incorporated and constantly active services, the relation of the Trustees is mainly that of full stock ownership and of custodial oversight which they exercise throughout their ability to elect all directors of these entities..

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AA Area 74 Service Structure

Delegate Mary Jo R.
Area Chair Kim R.
Secretary Scott K.
Treasurer Derek T.

AA District 05

DCM Nicholas S.
Alt. DCM Paul H.
Secretary Shane S.
Treasurer Ron S.

AA District 05 Committees

Archives Derek B
Corrections Molly M.
CPC Jim P.
Grapevine Gary S.
Literature Wayne W.
Newsletter Ron S.
Public Info Myron M
Treatment Chris D.
Webmaster Jason L.

Area 74 - District 05 - Monthly GSR Meeting

Concept 7: Jim P. Tradition 7: Nicholas S

Introductions: 10 GSR's and 15 total attended

Secretary Questions/Comments: Shane (Derek)

Treasurer's Report: Ron S.

Statement Month: June 2014

Savings Account

Starting Balance: \$454.26 Transactions: \$0.00 Savings Interest: \$0.06 Ending Balance: \$454.32

Checking Account

Starting Balance: \$1,147.19 Transactions: 2215 CPC \$27.00 2216 DCM \$202.52

Group Deposits \$190.00 Ending Balance: \$1,107.67

CPC: Jim P. (\$20 reimbursement)

Activities and Accomplishments of the CPC committee (March '14 – June '14):

- Staffed exhibit booth at National Rural Institute on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse at UW Stout (6/9 – 9/11).
- Contacted Eau Claire Area High Schools for PI school outreach effort (will follow up next Fall, still need to do Middle schools).
- Update on cooperative efforts with UWEC Student services.
- Re-stocked literature for counseling office (April)
- Sent speakers to "First Offenders" Classes (April (2))
- Cooperating with new student org that will provide space for AA meeting.
- We did receive literature order (was check sent – Mike S. may not have gotten it)
- Switched to every-other-month meeting for summer (no Aug. Meeting)
- Need \$20 (check to club 12) for rent for two meetings.

Archives: Derek B. (Group history requests will be available in hard copies at next month's meeting)

The archives display has been busy, travelling to 3 workshops in District 05 since my last report:

- Corrections workshop, Eleva Step Group (April)
- General Service Workshop, Just for Today (May)
- Leadership in Service, Back-to-Basics (June)

Gloria, the Area 74 Archives Chair has arranged for monthly conference calls for all district archives chairs.

This month's meeting is on Thursday July, 10.

I am currently working on gathering historical information for all groups in District 05. See picture attached.

Treatment: Kevin K. (interim chair): Former treatment Chair, Chris D. stepped down in May. Gary S. (Area Treatment Chair) led June's meeting where Kevin was nominated on the group's behalf as Chris' replacement. The treatment committee just updated the contact information for all volunteers. Options for servicing the western part of our district will be entertained at the next meeting. Jim P. from CPC offered services to speak to professionals at treatment centers regarding what AA has to offer their clients.

2014 Fall Conference Report: Pete (Nicholas): Bring back registration forms to your groups. Centerpieces for the banquet are going to be spiritual tool kits. Asking groups for donations of literature. Next meeting: 1:00 July 13, 2014 at club 12, all are welcome to attend.

2015 Wicypaa Conference Report: Shawna:We had elections for Programs and Archives Chairs

Programs Chair Nominations: Jackie B: Accepted Nomination Congratulations Jackie and WELCOME!!!

Archives Chair Nominations: Matt R.: Accepted Nomination Congratulations Matt and WELCOME!!!

Madison venue for next event on July 26th. Flyers available. Submitting WICYPAA information District 5

and the Now & Then Area 75 Newsletter: Submit any ideas to Shawna. Meeting Adjourned at 4:30pm

Closed with Serenity Prayer. NEXT MEETING: July 27th @ 3pm @ Jimmy's House located at: 1437

Clearwater Ridge Court. Up the street from Northwood's Elementary

Group Updates: "Beginners Meeting- Sojourner" Monday in Eau Claire – New Location

Nancy: Blair meetings are no longer active (Friday and Monday), "Better Day's" Meeting on Sundays at 4:30 PM Alano Club in Menomonie

Alternate DCM Report: Paul H: No Report

DCM Report: Nicholas S.: Thank you Paul for facilitating last month's meeting.

Monthly Conference Call: Discussion was on proposal for area assembly which will be discussed in new

business. Groups/Events attended: Tomahawk Workshop on 6/14, Service Workshop @ Club 12 on 6/21

Serving on programs committee for younger person's conference, Asked to participate in district event in

September, Shell Lake event on 8/16, please support check for flyer in the Now and then which was/will be emailed to you.

District 05 Fall Conference: We are 2 months away! Please take flyers! Hand them out! Encourage People to Register, I have 500 here. Conference is seeking AA Literature (Books) for center pieces. If your groups would like to contribute contact me. Reimbursement Gas to Lake Tomahawk \$20.00

Old Business: Treatment Chair Election: Kevin K. wins (unopposed), Meeting criteria for updating meeting directories. Nicholas opened discussion with his opinion of a non-updated meeting directory. The idea of old lists still being in circulation was discussed as a possible cause. Anytime the meeting list gets updated, all committee chairs and GSR's could be e-mailed \to inform them of the change. Possible contact person for each group to keep the list current (not all meetings have GSR's). New copies printed quarterly, semi-annually, annually? Active world service meeting number was offered as a pre-requisite. To be on the list a group/meeting must have a name/contact #. They will be contacted by the DCM to be welcomed and offered a chance to participate at the district level. Take the idea back to your groups and bring back input next month

Delegate Presentation in August – What do we want?

- Mary Jo. will be presenting at next month's meeting she would like to know what District 05 would like to talk about
- Share Delegates Report (no longer than ½ hour)
- Question and Answer
- Brief description of general service structure
- Discretion will be granted to Mary Jo.

Bring People!!!!!!

New Business: Motion: The sharing session idea proposed by the DCMs for the Area 74 Fall Assembly is a panel of 3 DCMs and 1 Area Committee Chair. Each will speak for 5 -7 minutes on how they have experienced a growth in activity in their districts in service work at the group, district and area level. This will be followed by a question and answer period.

Background: Several districts in our area have seen significant gains in participation in service. There are new DCMs, GSRs and committees being formed in these districts. Districts have held workshops with Area Officers and Chairs participating. We feel it would benefit other if these experiences were shared with the Area Assembly.

Drug Court Summit – Sept/October, Nicholas will get back to the group on when the summit will take place. The Menomonie Alano Club is moving to 105 N. 21st street on June 27, 2014.

GSR Sharing Session:

Thursday Night Step Group: The 3:00 PM Sunday Afternoon Independence meeting will not be meeting until July 20th/27th, and there is a fellow member who would like to attend it, but don't know how to break the news to her.

Open Sharing Session: None **Next Meeting:** Date – 8/13/2014 Greetings fellow District 5'ers,

Thursday on Broadway

Took a deep breath in the mirror

I never liked wearing a suit and tie

But you do

Turned the headlights off and sat in my car

Group meetings always turn me off

But why not---why not

Walked in alone and almost late

I froze but you saw me—smiled and waved

And walk to me

You shake my hand and welcome me there

I didn't know how nice that is

But you do

I hear your laughter and you all look so good

I think its strange you seem so normal— I never do

Ive been spending the last 8 weeks

Thinking all life ever does is break, and burn, and end

But on a Thursday on Broadway—I watched it begin again

You didn't say what the meeting was about

But when I saw the wall banner

There was no doubt

You tell your stories and I don't know why

Im coming off a little "shy"

But you do

I hear your laughter and you all look so good

I think its strange you tell the truth- I never do

Ive been spending the last 8 months

Thinking all life ever does is break, and burn, and end

But on a Thursday on Broadway –I watched it begin again

And there's a chance to share, a break, a speaker and a closing prayer

And Im walking out--but you stop to talk and invite me to keep coming back

And every single moment since then--when I think about that

For the first time--whats past is past

I hear your laughter and you all look so good

I think its strange you meditate and pray—I never do

Ive been spending the last 8 years

Thinking all life ever does is break, and burn, and end

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Inspired by ECPG Thursday Night Open Speaker Meeting/Taylor Swifts "Begin Again"—by Mike S

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Monthly District 05 Events: District 05 Monthly GSR Meeting is held at 6:45pm, on the second Wednesday of each month, at the Leisure Center, 1412 Sixth St., Menomonie, WI. Any members are welcome to attend.

District 05 Committees offer AA service opportunities for alcoholics who want to help carry the AA message. **Unless otherwise noted, committees meet at Alano Club 12, 2926 Pomona Dr. in Eau Claire.**

Treatment Facilities Committee meets at 6:45pm on the 2nd Monday of every month.

Corrections Committee meets QUARTERLY (Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct) at 7:45pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee meets at 6:45pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Public Information Committee meets on the ODD months (Jan, Mar, May, etc.) at 6:30pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at River Falls Alano club

Chippewa Valley Intergroup meets at 6:30pm on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

** Care is taken to include all events. If your event is not listed we regret the error. To list your group's event please contact your GSR, any district officer, or the newsletter editor before the 20th of the month preceding the event.

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