

The District View

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District 05 meeting in Menomonie Wisconsin! 1412 6th Street E Menomonie, WI 54751-3331 1/8/2013 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 1** We admitted we were powerless over alcohol - that our lives had become unmanageable.

<u>Tradition 1</u> Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on A.A. unity.

Concept 1 Final responsibility and ultimate authority for A.A. world services should always reside in the collective conscience of our whole Fellowship.

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AA Area 74 Service Structure

Delegate Marty L.
Area Chair Mary Jo R.
Secretary Kim R.
Treasurer Mike McG.

AA District 05

DCM Gary S.
Alt. DCM Cheryl L.
Secretary Renee W.
Treasurer Jaynee W.

AA District 05 Committees

Archives Dick P.
Corrections Jacki B.
CPC Mike S.
Grapevine Bob W.
Literature Ed F.
Newsletter Ron S.
Public Info Andy W.
Treatment Craig H.
Webmaster Jason L.

District 05 Incoming Trusted Servants

Elections were held during our October 9th monthly meeting. The following newly elected persons will be serving district 5 for 2014 and 2015:

DCM: Cheryl L.

Alternate DCM: Paul H.

Treasurer: Ron S. Secretary: Bob W.

Treatment Facilities Chair: Nicholas S.

Corrections Chair: Molly M.

Public Info: Myron M.

Literature Chair: Wayne W.

CPC Chair: Jim P.

Archives Chair: Derek B. Grapevine Chair: Gary S.

Hosted by District 05

"Recovery, Unity, Service Our Three Legacies— Vital in our Changing World" Area 74 2014 FALL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 26 – 28, 2014

The Plaza Hotel & Suites

1202 W Clairemont Ave, Eau Claire, WI 54701

Rooms: \$99 + tax (Includes Continental Breakfast)

Reservations: 715-834-3181 (Reference: 2014 FALL CONFERENCE)

Friday Night Open Speaker Meeting

Saturday Night Banquet & Speaker

Sunday Morning Speaker

Area Assembly AA & ALANON Speakers Alkathon Hospitality Room Panels

REGISTRATION FORM – ONE FORM PER PERSON Registration ONLY \$ 15.00 Address Banquet, ADD \$22.00 \$ TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ City Phone (Email PLEASE CHECK FOR VEGETARIAN DINNER Make Checks Payable to: "Area 74 Fall Conference 2014" P.O. Box 664 Eau Claire, WI 54702

For More Information Call: Cheryl L. 715-210-2262

ADDITIONAL LODGING OPTIONS NEARBY THE PLAZA America's Best Value Inn Best Western Plus Trail Lodge

715-834-6611 715-832-1393 809 W. Clairemont Ave. 3340 Mondovi Rd. Eau Claire, WI Eau Claire, WI

Comfort Inn Days Inn Campus 715-833-9798 715-839-9905 2305 Craig Rd. 3117 Craig Rd. Eau Claire, WI Eau Claire, WI

Hampton Inn 715-833-0003 2622 Craig Rd. Eau Claire.WI

DISTRICT 05 MONTHLY MEETING 12/11/2013

The meeting opened with the responsibility.

Introductions: 20 people present.

Secretary report was presented and accepted.

Treasurer Report was presented; we have a beginning balance of \$453.85 with \$.06 in interest leaving net savings \$453.91. Checking account started with \$1,090.59, \$30.00 in group contributions, disbursements of \$267.46 leaving balance of \$853.13. Copy of full treasure report attached to minutes. Report was read and approved.

DCM Report Gary advised Cheryl L will not be able to fulfill duties as new DCM for health reasons. Gary will continue to serve as DCM for the next 30 days until a special election can be held. Gary recapped his last two years as DCM proving to be a very involved and great leader representing the district. Gary was involved in many of the area and district wide activities including making a point to attend all group meetings within the district. Some of his fondest memories was attending new meeting in Pepin and Independence.

Groups & Meeting Updates Arbor house 8P.M. meeting is cancelled.

Workshop Report: P.I. Workshop January 18th Public Information Committee will hold a workshop January 18th 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. at Wesleyan Church 2405 Keith St Eau Claire, WI. The workshop will focus on carrying the message of A.A. into schools. Potluck and dinner speaker Andy

Old Business

None

New Business

Pete talked about what clubs have handicap access and accommodate special needs. We may want to form a special committee to collect the data. These special need capabilities can be listed within our meeting list. Pete read a letter he received from an inmate in prision.

Quarterly Reports:

Grapevine no report Literature not available

Newsletter gmail list has been updated, mail (snail mail) list was lost in transition. If you have a

problem let Ron know @ district view

Intergroup Report given by Gary, book sales up by 40% this year. Average \$150 group

contributions per month. .Special orders must be in writing. Next meeting January 22.

GSR Input Jason group would like to do a workshop on sponsorship or dealing with leading change in meetings.

Concept 12 provided by Pete W and Bob will take next month Tradition 12 provided by Greg E and Dave will take next month

A NOTE FROM YOUR PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMITTEE

"In all public relations, A.A.'s sole objective is to help the still suffering alcoholic. Always mindful of the importance of personal anonymity we believe this can be done by making known to him, and to those who may be interested in his problems, our own experience as individuals and as a Fellowship in learning to live without alcohol. We believe that our experience should be made available freely to all who express sincere interest...."

--from A.A.'s General Service Conference, 1956

We of the District 05 PI Committee feel privileged, challenged and generally jazzed to be about the business of spreading the AA message to those outside our Fellowship. Over the past few years, the committee has worked to make AA's presence known in many ways, including:

- --AA contact info and meeting lists have been provided to every hotel and motel in District 05.
- --Chippewa Valley Intergroup's hotline phone number is now listed in phone directories across the district.
- --Every known church or place of worship in the district has been visited and provided with AA contact information, pamphlets and meeting lists.
- --Every middle school/high school guidance counselor in District 05 will be contacted and supplied with contact info, meeting lists and AA pamphlets geared to young people. This project is ongoing, and YOU can help make it work.

We remain ever mindful that our efforts are guided, first and foremost, by AA's 11th Tradition principle, "Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion...." We are not promoting or recruiting or advertising or proselytizing; we are helping people know that AA is here in the community, ready and willing to help any who struggle with alcoholism.

In support of our ongoing schools project, we are planning a District 05-sponsored workshop to be held Saturday, January 18th from 1-3pm at the Wesleyan Church in Eau Claire. (See the flyer for this event elsewhere in this issue.) We plan to feature two panels. On the first, we plan to hear from an AA member who came in as a young person, an Alanon member whose young family member struggles with alcohol, and a former school guidance counselor/principal. The second panel will feature a member of District 05's Committee on Cooperation with the Professional Community (CPC), who will help us better understand how to talk about AA with those who deal with alcohol problems outside of AA. Carl S. and Dennis E. will share their experiences talking to school groups. Finally, a PI committee member will detail how you can help with the schools project and exactly how the PI committee will support your efforts.

We sincerely hope you will come in from the cold on January 18th and join us in Eau Claire. The workshop will be followed by a pot-luck dinner and AA speaker, so you can fill the car with members and make a full day of fellowship. See you there!

Yours in service, Myron M. District 05 Public Information Committee The District View is a nonprofit newsletter published by District 5 in Area 74 for the purpose of providing local communication between the district committee, groups within the district, and individual AA members.

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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.

<u>Unless otherwise noted, committees meet at Alano Club 12, 2926 Pomona Dr. in Eau Claire.</u>

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 2nd Monday of even months.

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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