



The District View

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District 05 meeting in
Menomonie Wisconsin!
1412 6th Street E
Menomonie, WI 54751-3331
Second Wednesday of every month 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 12 Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and practice these principles in all of our affairs.

Tradition 12 Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Concept 12 General Warranties of the Conference: in all its proceedings, the General Service Conference shall observe the spirit of A.A. Tradition, taking great care that the conference never becomes

the seat of perilous wealth or power; that sufficient operating funds, plus an ample reserve, be its prudent financial principal; that none of the Conference Members shall ever be placed in a position of unqualified authority over any others; that all important decisions be reached by discussion, vote, and, whenever possible, by substantial unanimity; that no Conference action ever be personally punitive or an incitement to public controversy; that, though the Conference may act for the service of Alcoholics Anonymous, it shall never perform any acts of government; and that, like the Society of Alcoholics Anonymous which it serves, the Conference itself will always remain democratic in thought and action..

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District 05 meeting

November 9, 2016

6:45pm opened with Serenity Prayer

Introductions

Secretary Report: Derek B.

- Read last month's minute highlights
- Passed around new contact sheet, it's blank so please provide your e-mails
- Please try to get reports to me before the meeting you're due to give a report, typing it in the body of the e-mail is acceptable

No objections to approving last months minutes.

Treasure Report: Mary B.

- See Attached

DCM Report: Bryon B.

- DCM conference call on 10-25-2016: One of the DCM's asked a question if there was any feedback from the GSR's about Area 74 sending back the contribution from WICYPAA. The consensus was the DCM conference call was not the place to discuss Area 74 actions and/or make any policy type of decisions. The purpose of the call was intended to share experience and exchange ideas on how to help the next suffering alcoholic in our individual districts. 7 DCM,s and the Area Chair attended the call.
- Attended the Area 74 Assembly in Three Lakes on 10-29-16. I rode with 5 other AA Members from District 05. Items of interest: The 2017 Budget was passed. 2017 Dates to remember for Area 74 passed out. The "Now and Then" Co-editors will be resigning soon and the Area will be looking for a new set of Co- Editors. When the meeting minutes are available I will forward them to the rest of the GSR's and committee chairs.
- I am working on the update the Group Meeting database. It will not be posted to Dropbox account. If anyone wants a copy I will email it directly to them. This process will take multiple more months to finish.
- I will be attending a workshop on "Accessibilities" in Madison on 11-12-16.

- As a reminder, please send any flyers, meeting changes, or other important information you want disseminated to the District to the DCM, Secretary, Webmaster, and Newsletter editor.

Alternate DCM: Jim P.

- Nothing to report, see him with questions or help organizing a workshop

Grapevine: Vacant, no report

Archives: Vacant, no report

Webmaster: Andy B.

- Dave S has given a heads up to meetingguide.org which is a website that can be used to find meetings. Would like to integrate with this website/app but would have to completely rewrite website. I think this would be a good opportunity to update the site and make it more modern. Thoughts on this?
- No other news, I am continuing to update the site as things get sent to me.

Literature: Myron M.

- Set up literature display at treatment committee workshop in October
- Will be going through pamphlets display to update inventory and assess overall condition

Newsletter: Austin S.

- No Report Given

Wicypaa: Katie J.

- The bid committee will be presenting at next years WICYPAA which is only 2 months away.
- The pasta cook-off went well, with a diverse group of attendees
- December 10th, 2016 is the last event before the conference. Winter Wonderland Dance 9:30p-12:30p following Saturday Night Alive. A flyer to follow.
- Still meeting the last Saturday of every month at 5:00pm (Good Shepherd Church in EC)

CVIG: Kevin K.

- Looking to do another \$600 in book purchases this month, contact
- Special projects: Workshop planned for December 3rd from 1pm-3:30pm at 416 Niagara St. in Eau Claire. Topic: How to do a 12th Step Call
- Cell phone – 31 calls in September
- Saturday Night Alive will have cell phone for December
- Cell phone training on November 12th, 2016 at Club 12 in Eau Claire – 7pm
- Changing November's meeting to the 30th at 7:00pm to accommodate for Thanksgiving
 - o Elections will be held this night for: secretary, cell phone coordinator, special projects, and treasurer

Group Updates:

- No updates

Old Business:

- Brian will be working on obtaining contact info for each group on the meeting list. Need an active physical address for the meeting space, GSR name and phone number (GSR number will not be shared with the general public)

New Business:

- A significant amount of PI's annual budget is spent to keep CVIG phone number in the yellow pages phone book and online. Take back to groups and ask if this annual \$80 expense is worth it in the digital world we live in. The payment is made in January; this will be discussed next month.
- Archives and Grapevine Chair Elections: No Nominations, Please take these vacancies back to your home group and help the district fill them.
- Received word from PI Chair he will be stepping down, leaving this position vacant. A PI group member spoke about this issue, stating they haven't had a chance to meet as a committee since receiving this news. They are hopeful at their meeting next week November 16th, 2016 at 6:30pm (River Falls Alano Club), they can find a replacement. Other PI responsibilities are still being executed.
- There is a 3rd party meeting finding application/website that provides meeting times/places. In order for this to work with our current website, it would have to be reformatted. The reformatting won't cost anything, but will require

some time from the Webmaster to complete the work (estimated time of completion 8 hrs.). Please take this back to your groups to take a look and ask if they think it's worth the time investment. The website is <https://meetingguide.org>

GSR Sharing Session:

- No Sharing

Open Sharing Session:

- Upcoming workshop in River Falls on January 21, 2017 from 3:30pm – 5:00pm on Sponsorship. Flyer to follow

**Next Month's Meeting – December 14th, 2016 – Reports to be given:
Corrections, P.I., CPC, Treatment, and Special Accessibilities**

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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 monthly at 7:45pm on the 1st Wednesday of the month.

Cooperation with the Professional Community Committee meets at 7pm on the 1st Tuesday of every month at Club 12 in Eau Claire.

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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