



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 2 Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

Tradition 2 For our group purpose there is but one authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants—they do not govern.

Concept 2 The Al-Anon Family Groups have delegated complete administrative and operational authority to their Conference and its service arms.

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District 05 meeting
January 11, 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.

- Met with the Fall Conference Registration subcommittee on. On 12-21-16. Discussed on line registration. Andy B. was there. Reviewed on line registration procedure for 2017 Fall conference.
- Met with Shane S. on 12-29-16. Reviewed the procedure for the Treasurer position and how to keep track of the registration data with the online registration. To the best of my knowledge this is the first time Area 74 has had an online registration.
- Attended the Fall conference planning Committee meeting on 1-8-17. Registration flyer will be out by the end of the week.
- I am still working on contacting or visiting the meetings listed on our directory. I did not make much progress over the Holidays due to family commitments and an injury. This will be a continuous process for the rest of the year.
- I will be meeting with the Webmaster, Andy B, with in the next couple of weeks to work on the new web page and the meeting guide. As it stands now, it looks like all the meeting information will have to be entered manually.

Alternate DCM: Jim P.

- Nothing to report, see him with questions or help organizing a workshop
- Contemplating holding a committee open house, where committee chairs can have a table with materials about the committee and their purpose. The goal

would be to recruit new members to each committee and spread the word on the good work going on in the AA community.

- Jim and Brian will meet to discuss the idea

CVIG: Randy

- 12th step workshop in December went well – focused on how to handle a 12th step call
- Held elections last month and filled most positions
 - Still looking for cell phone coordinator, bring back to groups to see if anyone is interested
- Looking to place \$600+ book order soon, contact Kevin K. with book requests

Group Updates:

- The Monday Night Beginners Meeting is having a 5 year birthday party – March 3rd flyer to follow
 - Seeking people who attended this meeting early on in sobriety to share their experience with the meeting – Contact Jim P. if interested

Old Business:

- 2017 proposed budget
 - The proposed budget far exceeds anticipated group contributions. Discussion was had about the budget acts more as spending guidelines because we rarely spend more than the proposed budget.
 - Budget passed unanimously
- Grapevine position
 - No nominations, bring vacancy back to groups

New Business:

- Proposed agenda items for Delegate's Workshop in March

GSR Sharing Session: No Sharing

Open Sharing Session:

- Chippewa Valley Roundup is hosting a chili feed on January 28th at 1st Congregational Church. See Dave K. with questions, flyer to follow

Next Month's Meeting – February 8th, 2016 – Corrections, P.I., C.P.C., Treatment, Special Accessibilities

Step 2

By: Shannon S.

So Step 2 tells me that I have to believe in something other than myself.

Something higher...more powerful something that can save me from myself. It also tells me I am insane. When I first came into the program there was no doubt in mind that I was insane. I thought I needed to be locked away somewhere like in a mental hospital or something I thought I needed impatient treatment because I could not deal with my life. Then by the grace of God some little voice inside me told me I need to go to a meeting. I didn't have any problem with Step 2 because I just had to believe that there was something that could help me. I always believed in God but I just didn't like Religion and what it told me. I always wanted to do what I wanted and didn't want the guilt of "God". So I didn't have a problem believing. And that's all it took to start going forward and working the rest of the steps. I needed to believe that I could not do this alone; that I needed help. I need to continue to believe this in my recover because I can want and wish for something with all my might and my will is not enough to change a character defect about myself but when I believe that a higher power can help me that's when things start changing.

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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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