

District 22 - Monthly Meeting Minutes May 6th, 2012

Meeting Time: 4:30

5th Tradition – Concept 5- Don B.

Attendance: 51 (Great Attendance!! Let us keep this up☺)

Committee Members & Officers: 15/8

GSR's & Alternates: 30/5

Groups Represented: 39

Visitors: Bridget H., Shannon B., Matthew, Jim H., Jodi, Nick- Thank you for visiting our District Meeting!

New GSR's & Alternates:

- Rod F. GSR/Wed. Night Hampshire Group
- Monu K. GSR/Slow ME Down
- Charlie A. GSR/Big Book 12&12 Group
- Christy M. GSR/12&12
- Brian S. GSR/Friday Night Recovery Group
- Tom K. A-GSR/Friday Night Recovery Group
- Terry B. A-GSR/Early Bird Group

Welcome to D22. Thank you for your Commitment to District 22.

Anniversaries:

April 5th Nate B. -3 Years

April 10th Tina R. - 21 Years

April 17th Lawrence W. - 3 Years

April 27th Brian C. - 7 Months

April 28th Brittany J. -5 Months

May 1st Bryan T. -10 Months/ Bridget H. - 1 Year

May 3rd Shannon B. - 6 Months/Manus S.- 37 Years

May 6th Alicia F. - 9 Months

Happy Anniversary!!! Congrats to everyone on another day!

Announcements from the floor:

- <http://dist22.aa-nia.org/Events.html>
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- *Picnic Planning Meeting June 3rd at 3:30 St. Hugh of Lincoln*
- *Woman's New Beginnings Retreat June 15th-17th (Last day to register is June 1st.)*
- Summer Picnic August 18th

Saturday, 7pm, Open Speaker Hosting Groups:

June-Wednesday Night Hampshire Group

July- Sat. Morn. Little Red Door/Tina R.

Aug- Monday Night/Hampshire Oaks/Joe G.

Sept- Wanderer's #911/Bob K.

Oct- Tuesday Night Group/Curt B.

Nov- Sat. Morning 12 & 12/Scott M.

Dec- OPEN (If your group is interested in hosting December please contact Burt L.)

Past/Upcoming Event Reports:

- *Founder's Day June 8th-10th Akron, Ohio*
- *Fox Valley Open June 9th in Geneva*
- *Summer Assembly June 16th La Fox*

Old Business:

- Summer Picnic Update
- GSR Workshop (Paul P. and Sandy M. plan to host in the fall)
- LCM Meeting: To be held in 6 months

New Business

- Elgin Bid for ISCYPAA (Next meeting will be held May 26th, 5:30 @ the Elgin Alano Club)

Officer Reports: Joe M.**DCM Report for May 2012.**

I have been visiting new meetings for me throughout our District. I find that we are very fortunate to have such a great diversity of meetings throughout our District. A new meeting for me which I attended was at the Men's transitional/halfway house located at 995 Bode Rd on Fridays at 7. They have indicated they could use speakers for this Friday night meeting. Rob our LCM for this meeting and I have been discussing ways to help expedite this. Rob has contacted them and they have expressed an interest for the district to help them with this.

Our Treasurer, Manus and myself have been coordinating sending out a mailer to the groups throughout our district to familiarize all of the groups within our District of the important responsibilities and services that the District provides throughout our area. Some of the new meetings I have attended have been at the new Alano Club location, which they have done a great job of setting up the facility. Ben is doing a solid job chairing the Solid Foundations 1:30.

West Dundee Thursday Night Group with Karin, Today's Gift Group Thursday with Hubert, South Elgin Friday Night Fellowship with Bruce, and a meeting I have not been to in 15-20 years the Tuesday Night Group in Carpentersville with Curt. All of these meetings are doing a great job. Thank you.

The LCM meeting with Rob, Jeff, Michelle (Alt DCM), Elisha (Alt Secretary) and myself met at my house to discuss how their meetings were progressing. This was a very informative meeting and helped to focus where help was asked for from meetings and discuss how things were going for the LCMs.

In Service Joe M. DCM D22

DCMA: *Michelle B.*

I attended Solid Foundation Group. It's at EAC on Thursdays at 1:30 pm. I'll be attending that meeting again soon. It focused on the BB & 12x12 for the leads.

I don't think they have a GSR, ALT GSR, TREASURER or SECRETARY. I also attended Sunday Night Library Group. They have a GSR & Treasurer. They are thinking about hosting GSR Workshop.

We have new groups that have started since last District. After District on May 6, we will assign the LCM's to the new groups. Languages of the Heart changed their format & have a GSR.

Love & Service,

Michelle B.
DCMA

LCM:

Friday South Elgin Fellowship

This meeting is registered; they have a GSR and alt. GSR. They do have business meetings and are very active in donations to district area and GSO. They do have the LSSI patients joining them every Friday so I would imagine support is always welcome.

Bruce and Krista do a great job, and they are attending district mtg. they have literature and schedules. I was there to let them know that i am here for any of their needs. They were appreciative and welcoming.

Wednesday night grapevine

The group is registered; Mike M. is the GSR and a treasurer.

They have monthly business meetings. They have literature and meeting schedules.

Mike and I talked and the group does donate to picnic & Xmas parties. They do donate more to district then area and GSO.

They really had no issues and were very welcoming. I let them know as always, I'm here if they need me.

We're all in this together @ the Renz center

This is a registered women only meeting. They can always use support as it is a small group and early sobriety. This group has an active GSR, Debbie F. they have a treasurer, monthly business meetings and they give to district as much as they can, only because funds are low, due to small group.

They do donate to picnic and Xmas party.

This is a great group of women, who need support, they were very thankful to know they have a contact,

In conclusion, I only have one more of my meetings to go to, for the first run through. I intend to call the GSR's of my groups to check in and start the process again.

In love and service,

Jayne M.

GSR Reports:

Sunday:

- Sunday Morning Fellowship-Keith B / Donated \$125 dollars to district. Thank you for your contribution.

Monday:

- 12:00pm, Second Shifters-Paula P./ Looking to host GSR Workshop, also got a subscription for Grapevine
- 8:00pm, Monday Night Westside Fellowship-Phil C/ Supported the Sherman Open in April. Thank you for your Service!
- 8:00pm Big Book & Discussion Meeting-Matt K./ Subscribing to Grapevine, meeting still looking for women support.

Tuesday:

- 3:30pm Big Book Stories-Cheryl P./ Meeting Needs Support
- 8:00pm, Tuesday Night Group-Curt B/ Always looking for young sobriety, wanting to help the newcomer
- 8:30 Primary Purpose Group- Bill B./ OPEN MEETING

Wednesday:

- 6:00pm, Big Book Discussion-John S
- 7:00pm, Come As You Are-John Mc
- 8:00pm, Wednesday Night Hampshire Group-Rob C
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- 12:00pm, Wednesday Grapevine-Kiley C

Thursday:

- 1:30pm, Living Sober-Christy M/
- 7:00pm, New Horizon Group-Andy R/
- 5:30pm, Thirsty Thursday-Jessica R
- 5:30pm, Woman's We're All In This Together-Debbie F
- 7:30pm, W. Dundee Thursday Night Group-Brian B.

Friday:

- 7:30pm, Came to Believe-Anthony M
- 8:00pm, Krista L
- 3:30pm, Jaywalker's-Needs a GSR

Saturday:

- 3:00pm, Healing the Heart-Joyce P
- 8:00am, Saturday Morning 12 & 12
- 7:30pm, Open Speaker Meeting- Burt L.
- 9:00am, Saturday Morning Little Red Door Group-Manus S
- 7:30pm, Young and the Restless-Soby B

Committee Final Reports:

Answering Service: *Emily T.*

- Todd M. was elected Alt- Answering Service Chair- Thank you for your Service!

In April, the answering service received 35 phone calls; most were people looking for meeting days and times. Two callers were put in touch with AA members! Thank you everyone for your service work! It seems as if the updated phone list is working. AnswerCall is having to make far fewer outgoing calls to reach someone.

Thank you everyone.

-Emily T

PI: Herbert L. passed out nameless directories to the State Hospital, schools, and churches.

C.P.C.:

- *Sandy M. Attended the Open Forum April 11th, looking to attend similar events in the future*

Correctional Facilities: Nathan B.

D22,

The first month of the new corrections committee has started out in a promising fashion.

Tony and I have been in contact. We discussed the responsibilities and expectations for the commitment in the next year or so. We reviewed how to make the best use of our talents and past experiences to create a comprehensive understanding of the opportunities related to District level Corrections AA Service. We discussed the roles of the chair people to the district, the in district related meetings (the state hospital and It's about Change Tuesday night BB meeting/Friday night speaker meeting), Kane County Jail, IL State application process, and correspondence opportunities. Eventually, there will be regularly reported news and updates of all District related opportunities in these areas. I was also able to meet with chair people from outside the district. There was also a meeting between the D22 and D23 chair people to review and highlight the content of Corrections Kit given by each District. We found very valuable material (corrections DVDs, inmate to inmate corrections booklet, 1, out dated county jail volunteer applications, old reports/timelines from past chair people). The meeting also centered around the upcoming Bridging the Gap Workshop which will be put on by D23 on May 19. We discussed the selection of speakers for the event. I've also been able to contact the former District 61 Corrections chair people to discuss who the current servants in the same capacity were. Starting next month I will be in copying both D61 and D23 all our district reports so we can all be in the loop of what is occurring in our area.

Opportunities

Due to work, I haven't been able to reach out to any administrators from corrections facilities to discuss volunteer enrollment/training, but will do so this month. I will also give a top to bottom outline of the application process (July?). Last but not least, those who have submitted applications in the past year's Kane County enrollment period should be orientated at this point. The training was in April. If you have been approved to volunteer and have not gone through orientation or training with the facility, please see me so I can contact the appropriate parties to alert them of the oversight. Later this month as well, I will be contacting D20 (Spanish) Corrections to open the doors for more opportunities.

Nathan B.
District 22 Corrections Chair

Grapevine: *Soby B.*

- Grapevine is in need of your group`s support, if your group is interested in subscribing to the Grapevine please contact Soby B. or Jim H.

Literature: *Terry B.*

- Paula P. was elected as Alt. Literature Chair- Thank you for your Service!
- \$1 dollar New-comer packets- See Terry B.

Special Needs: *Sue L.*

- Asta Care still needs support Saturdays @ 2pm. This meeting has moved to a larger due to the support of the people who do attend and the increase of patients that are attending also.

Website: Larry S.

There were 482 visits in April.

The current version of the meeting schedule is on the website.

A reminder that I can put up a page for your group or for your committee. You just need to provide content. Also you need to let me know when there are updates to the information on your page.

If you want your Saturday night speakers listed on the website please email me the names and last initials at larrys86@comcast.net or go to the website and you can email webmaster.

Larry

Website Visits

May 2011	290
June 2011	316
July 2011	421
August 2011	453
September 2011	470
October 2011	476
November 2011	449
December 2011	494
January 2012	491
February 2012	508
March 2012	601
April 2012	482

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District Meeting – June 3rd – 4:30pm, St. Hugh's

Respectively submitted by ~Krista L. - District 22 Secretary