

Announcements

The next Central Mass Area Service Committee will be February 1, 2010 6:30pm at the New England Dream Center – 5 Chestnut St, Worcester MA

ANNOUNCEMENTS TO GROUPS

GSR please read all announcements at your group business meeting.

- If your group does not have a GSR, any trusted servant or group member can attend the Area meeting in order to bring concerns, changes or announcements from the group for the area minutes and to bring information and area news back to the group.

The Tuesday night Late Show in Webster meeting is in need of addict support.

The Tuesday night One is Too Many meeting at St. George's Church on Anna St. has only one trusted servant. Please show up and get involved.

The Tuesday night What a Gift group that meets 7:00-8:30pm @ Unity Hall 701 Main St, Worcester, MA is in desperate need of addict support. This is a Basic Text meeting.

JFT meeting 7 am in Shrewsbury meets every day, even bad weather days. The group is meeting in a new space within the church.

H&I is now meeting the 1st Sunday of the month at Adcare @10:30 a.m.

Please join the RCM for a new GSR orientation one half hour (6pm) prior to the Area Service Committee meeting. In the RCM's absence, the Secretary will facilitate the meeting.

The FNSOG group is holding their annual retreat, (The Journey X "The Miracle of Recovery") Feb 5-7 2010 @ The Barton Center, 30 Ennis Rd, North Oxford, MA 01537. Cost is \$110, all payments due by 1/05/10. Contacts: Joe V. (978-400-1818) George E. (781-844-1167)

The Sunday Sweet Surrender meeting at Emerson Hospital in Concord will be moving to Littleton, MA to the First Baptist Church, located at 461 King St. 7:45-8:45pm starting January 3, 2010.

New meeting in Milford, Thursdays at the Unitarian Church 23 Pine St. 7 – 8:30 PM

PLEASE READ THIS IF YOU ONLY RECEIVED THE 1ST PAGE OF THE MINUTES:

Per Policy Guidelines Article V, Section 3.C.2.d.2.c, which reads as follows: Representatives missing two or more consecutive Area Service Meetings will receive only the front page of the minutes for three months after which time distribution to say representative should be discontinued.

Central Mass Area mailing address:

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Central Mass Area Service Committee Meeting January 4, 2010

Next Area Meeting: February 1, 2010

The meeting opened with a moment of silence, followed by the serenity prayer and a collaborative reading of the 12 Traditions and 12 Concepts.

ROLL CALL: 26 Groups were represented (see attendance sheet)

Area Trusted Servant and Sub-committee Reports:

Chairperson: NA

Vice-Chair: NA

Secretary: Minutes accepted

Asst Secretary: NA

Treasurer: Treasures report accepted - requested quarterly financial reports from subcommittees. Asked groups who aren't taking the reports to let him know so the area can save money on making copies.

Activities Committee:

Activities Committee Report
January 4, 2010

Chairperson: Kerrie S.

Report:

Our last meeting was held on Saturday, December 12th at St. Bernard's Church with 13 addicts in attendance.

We discussed the upcoming event which is going to be a Meeting/Comedy Show. We determined that the event will be a fundraiser and tickets will be sold in advance for \$10. We also determined that St. Matthew's Church would be an ideal location for the event as it has a stage. I met with the church and locked in the date, January 30, 2010. I also secured a comedian from Boston by the name of Maurice S. who is in recovery and goes by the name of "Big Moe." I also printed tickets and there are a few addicts on the committee that are announcing and selling them in the area. *Soda/water \$1.00 a piece as well.*

So again, the event will begin with a free meeting from 7-8pm and then the Comedy Show will begin at 8:30 pm with Joe S. being the MC until 9pm when he welcomes Big Moe to the stage until 10pm. Also, I have tickets on me tonight if you would like to purchase.

The committee will meet on January 23rd to determine the format of the meeting and logistics of the Comedy Night so that it runs smoothly.

As mentioned before, this is a great way to get involved with service work, please show up for our meetings, we could always use some additional help with putting on the events and we could also use some fresh ideas for future events, thank you.

Campout Committee:

The Campout Committee now meets every third Monday of the month at Adcare Hospital. We need your support. The next three meetings are January 18th, February 15th and March 15th. All our welcome. The Sponsorship Breakfast will be held on April 11th. Tickets will be available in February. Please hold the date. A Financial Report was provided per policy and an additional \$500 was donated to area for a total of \$900 in donations from the 2009 Campout.

George E.

Hospitals & Institutions:

Chairperson: Andy R **Total Presentations: 82 Presentations Filled: 79**

Still looking for volunteers and facility coordinators for Worcester House. Putting on a Learning Day on January 23. We are holding an election for Vice Chair next month, anyone interested should show up at the next meeting on Sunday Jan 3, 2010. A book drive box will be set up at the Narcathon. There is one commitment open at CHL. Adcare commitments are being split up so more panel leaders are needed.

Andy R.

Literature: Verbal report no written report submitted – reminder that GSR's can arrange to meet and pick up literature order prior to the next area meeting.

Meeting Lists:

Chairperson: Paul G.

Asked GSRs to review regional meeting list to make sure their meetings are represented appropriately so he can submit any changes to region. Pointed out a few typos on FNSOG retreat announcement that will be corrected in the next printing. Donated a bundle of regional meeting lists to the narcathon, wanted to make sure to let area know.

Narcathon:

Chairperson: Lia U.

May be nominating positions at the next upcoming meeting. Please Join. Next meeting is the third Wednesday of January. Financial treasury report available in February. The Narcathon five holidays were rewarding and successful. There were a very lot of people volunteering to help open and close the room. Many people volunteered donations of food. The New Years Eve dance was complimented. The Website Committee is also recognized for their hard work. Also Meeting Lists were available brought by the Meeting List Committee. Thank you NA

Lia

Policy: Verbal Report

Public Information:

Chairperson: Dave Y

Joel provided Report

Next meeting is the first Monday of the Month at 6 PM at the Dream Center in Worcester. Prior to the Area Service Meeting.

There was a December PI Presentation at Gardner High School. Upcoming presentation on January 19th at North Middlesex High school and working on a date for Lunenburg High School.

RCM: Evelyn

Open Position:
Alt Secretary-
BOD/ Convention Committee Treasurer-
Convention Committee Chair-

Open Position for Subcommittees:

Phone line: Secretary, Operation and Maintenance coordinator, and Professional Callback Person.
Policy: Vice Chair
Public Information: Secretary.
H&I: None reported
Convention Committee: Merchandise, Fundraising and Entertainment, Assistant Secretary
Website: none reported

Regional Assembly will be held March 6th 11am to 4pm held at First Evangelical Lutheran Church
900 Main Street Brockton MA 02301.

NEMA Activities Committee presents “The All in the Family” sponsorship breakfast.
Saturday February 6th from 9:00am to 12:00pm \$10.00 suggested donation.
For more info contact: Orest (978) 500-8263 or Colleen (781) 426-1781

Website:

Chairperson: Lisa

Verbal Report

Asked GSRs to email group announcements/flyers so they can be put on the website.

Group Concerns:

None

Open Forum:

Concerns were raised regarding any of our events using the 7th Tradition wording when a basket is passed to raise money. The concern was expressed that the 7th Tradition was for groups not committees and events. There was significant discussion on this matter with many unknowns.

Lisa offered to do some investigation and contact world and report back next month.

New Business:

Money Motions:

- 1) Motion by Lisa to pay 128.65 for 2 years of Website and Email Services. This will be active until March 2012. Passed
 - 2) Motion by Joe V to hold any money left over after all money motions are voted on. This is only being held while the treasurer comes up with a new yearly proposed budget that would take place in February 2010. This motion is for the January meeting only. Passed 16-1-2
- 3) Motion to purchase a literature rack for Emerson Hospital was withdrawn by the maker of the motion

Non- Money Motions:

- 1) Motion to accept and early nomination for the Web Site Chair. Motion not needed so NO vote
- 2) Motion to allow Concepts Workshop during HIPI Day to cover the policy to have a Concept Workshop. (Due to it not being clear whether or not the Area Chairperson can make a motion this has been withdrawn) – More will be revealed ☺

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Paula B.