

District 28 Meeting Minutes

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Date: April 19, 2023 Attendance:

Total attendance: 13

Groups participating: 10

Officers present (3): DCM, Secretary, Treasurer

Groups represented by GSR or Alt GSR (10): Twelve Step Group (GSR), Gates of Insanity (GSR), Rule 62 Group (GSR), Never Too Early (Alt GSR), Thirsty Thursday (GSR); By the Book (GSR); Good News (GSR); Steppin' Into Saturday Night (GSR); Cut It Out (GSR); Fallston Early Saturday (GSR)

Guest (0):

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Serenity Prayer.

Secretary's report / previous month's minutes:

- Minutes read at meeting. Motion to accept the Meeting Minutes. Seconded. Motion Passed

GSR reports:

- Twelve Step Group: Meet 7:00 p.m. Tuesday; Mann House, Bel Air; attendance is usually 10-20 people; step meeting and read out of the 12&12, get a lot of new comers; serving coffee.
- Gates of Insanity: Meet Friday night at 7:30 at Harford Community Church; speaker discussion meeting; attendance averages 30, have coffee and home made snacks.
- Rule 62 Group: Meet 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at St Matthew Lutheran Church, beginners meeting, focus on the first 4 steps, read from 12 & 12 followed by discussion and speaker shares for the remainder of the meeting, have around 40 in attendance on a regular basis; have coffee ; have a new snack person.
- Never too Early: Meet Thursday morning at Good Shepherd Church at 6:00; literature meeting, currently reading a story and pick a step related to the story to discuss; usually 10-15 in attendance, 10 homegroup members, first Thursday of the month a homegroup member will bring breakfast for the meeting.
- Thirsty Thursday: Meet Thursday night at 7:30 at Centre UMC; is a speaker discussion meeting. Attendance is good, usually around 60. Coffee and snacks are available.
- By the Book: Meet Tuesday at 7:00 pm at Harford Community Church; have coffee & snacks; big book study with speaker and discussion, usually have around 25-30 in attendance. Coffee and baked goods are provided
- Good News Group: Meet 7:00 p.m. Sunday; Centre UMC, Forest Hill. Since they don't currently have their beginners meeting the group conscience decided to do steps 1 thru 4 in months with 5 Sundays. Other months are speaker discussion meetings. Attendance is averaging 15-18. Coffee is provided, sometimes snacks.
- Steppin' into Saturday Night: Meet 7:00 pm at Mann House; new GSR reported. Step speaker meeting; meeting attendance is around 60 people. 7 homegroup members. Coffee and snacks are available.
- Cut it Out; Monday nights at 9:00 at St Matthews: new GSR reported; attendance around 30-40; mixed sobriety
- Fallston Early Saturday: Meet 7:30 am on Saturday at Unitarian Church in Fallston; coffee is now allowed at the meeting but still no food, is a speaker discussion meeting; attendance is usually between 15-20 people.

DCM report

DCM talked about the following upcoming events:

- Attended DCM meeting on April 1 and Mini Conference on April 15. Reports at the mini conference were on 5th edition of the Big Book, plain language Big Book and other topics that will be discussed at the Conference in New York.

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- Things going on in the Area include a workshop sponsored by District 11 called How it Works on April 22 from 9-1:30, Correction Committee workshop April 29th from noon to 3:30. This is a live event in Arbutus, Carrying message into treatment facilities workshop on May 6 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. This is a live event in Crownsville' GSR Monthly meeting on May 13 from 10-11 on zoom and the Big Book Study on May 13 and May 20 sponsored by District 28 at Harford Community Church.

Treasurer's report

- Read April Treasurer reports. Motion to accept Treasurer report, seconded, approved.

Intergroup Liaison: no report

Grapevine: Area Grapevine committee chair Brandi T. joined our meeting to talk about how the Committee is a resource to groups and Grapevine reps around the Area. They meet on line on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30. She talked about how Grapevine and La Vina was hit hard by the pandemic so they are trying to recover. Grapevine is working on an app for the phone since that's where people spend on average 3 hours a day. App will include the monthly magazine articles, archives, spiritual maintenance checklist that you can tailor to your program and other content that won't be in the print magazine. In July and August, the app will be tested and a tentative launch date is set for September. They are still discussing what the price for the app will be. Grapevine has a Podcast which is in the top 5% of podcasts in US and Canada. Grapevine is also on YouTube and Instagram.

Old Business: Discussed Big Book Study. Dates for the event will be May 13 and May 20 from noon to 5:00 pm at Harford Community Church. Rule 62 group will host the meeting. Rent of \$200 was paid to venue.

New business: none

Meeting ended at 7:53 p.m. and closed with the Responsibility Statement.

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