

Date: May 15, 2024

**Attendance:**

Total attendance: 13

Groups participating: 9

Officers present (4): DCM; Alt DCM, Secretary; Treasurer

Groups represented by GSR or Alt GSR (9): **Gates of Insanity** (GSR); **Rule 62** (GSR); **AAAlphabet Soup** (GSR); **Sobriety on Friday** (GSR); **Thirsty Thursday** (GSR); **Good News Group** (GSR); **Jarrettsville 12 Step** (GSR); **Fallston Early Saturday** (GSR); **Forest Hill Friday Night** (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 the meeting; The Minutes were approved as "amended" to reflect 2 incorrectly used terms and to remove Mike G's last name from draft minutes.

GSR reports:

- **Good News Group** – Meet 7:00 p.m. Sunday; Centre United Methodist, about 11 homegroup members and about 22 regular meeting attendees.
- **Gates of Insanity** Meet Friday night at 7:30 at Harford Community Church; speaker discussion meeting; have 6 homegroup members; a lot of young people in attendance from halfway houses so there are a lot of newcomers.
- **Thirsty Thursdays** Meet Centre United Methodist Church; Speaker Discussion meeting; around 4 HG members; average attendance 14 – 16
- **Sobriety on Friday** Meet Friday at 7:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church; attendance is strong; have a lot of halfway houses that attend; have 15 homegroup members
- **Rule 62** Meet 7:00 p.m. Wednesday at St Matthew Lutheran Church, beginners meeting, focus on the first 5 steps, read from 12 & 12 followed by discussion and speaker shares for the remainder of the meeting, have 25 home group members; usually have around 50 in attendance on a regular basis
- **AAAlphabet Soup** Meet Friday 6:30 pm at Achieve Behavioral Health; 8-9 homegroup members; had 15-20 in attendance; rotating format of Grapevine, speaker, step.
- **Jarrettsville 12 Step** Saturday 8 homegroup members
- **Forest Hill Friday Night** Meet at 7:00 pm at Christ Episcopal Church, speaker discussion meeting, have 10 active homegroup members, attendance is 20-30, serve coffee/snacks
- **Fallston Early Morning Saturday**

**DCM report**

DCM talked about the following events:

- A recap of the meeting with delegate was given by the DCM

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**Treasurer's report:**

- Motion to accept Treasurer report, seconded, approved.
- The Treasurer is looking into why a small bank charge (\$2.00) was added to last month's and to this month's business account.
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**Intergroup Liaison:**

**Grapevine:** The Grapevine rep reported that GSO is having a sale on the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition Big Book. Jean can order them if anyone is interested.

**Old Business:** Two months ago, a discussion was had on whether District 28 wants to participate in the Area 29 "Picnic in the Park". District 28 will participate and will help fund the picnic.

- Mike G. to look into the details of the picnic further and report back
- Picnic date is June 1, 2024 – Aberdeen Festival Park

The discussion continues on whether we can change the District 28 meeting night to something other than Wednesday. Jenifer E. to look into availability at the church.

The discussion continued about possible sponsorship of a workshop this fall. The topic of "sponsorship" seemed to be a topic of interest. The Area Workshop Committee can provide speakers. More to follow.

**New Business:** Adopt a Group – the DCM talked about District #28 "adopting" a non-active nearby "District" to help them get involved in the local AA service community. More to follow next month.

Meeting ended at 7:58 p.m.

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