

Date: June 19, 2024

**Attendance:**

Total attendance: 13

Groups participating: 9

Officers present (2): DCM; Treasurer

Groups represented by GSR or Alt GSR (9): **Gates of Insanity (ALT GSR); Rule 62 (GSR); AAlphabet Soup (GSR and Alt GSR); Sobriety on Friday (GSR); Thirsty Thursday (GSR); Good News Group (GSR); Steppin into Saturday Night Group (GSR); Forest Hill Friday Night (GSR); Sunday Reflections Group (GSR)**

Guest (1): Grapevine Rep

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

**Delegate Terry P. reported back to the group on the 74th General Service Conference held in May.**

**Secretary's report / previous month's minutes:**

- May Meeting Minutes Not read or approved. All housekeeping matters tabled until July 17, 2024 meeting.

**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
- **AAlphabet 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. Meeting CLOSED until further notice due to asbestos removal in church sanctuary.
- **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
- **Sunday Reflections Group:** Meets Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at the McFaul Senior Center. There are around 16 home group members and attendance is usually 30 to 40 people. There is coffee and snacks.
- **Steppin into Saturday Night Group** Meets 7:00 pm at Mann House; Step speaker meeting; meeting attendance is around 60 people (standing room only). 9 homegroup members. Meeting outside when weather gets permits. Coffee and snacks are available.

**DCM report**

DCM talked about the following events:

- No report.

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**Treasurer's report:**

- No report this month.

All Old and New Business items and discussions tabled until July 2024 meeting.

**Old Business:**

- The final plan for the district #28 participation at the "Picnic in the Park" where discussed. Brian M. and others will have a table set-up at the picnic displaying information about District #28 and they will be available to answer questions.
- Picnic date is June 1, 2024 – Aberdeen Festival Park – No rain date set.
- 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 present meeting location. The church reported that there is no other day available. The group will look into a solution and more will follow.
- 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.
- Adopt a Group – Jean B. followed up on the possibility of District #28 "adopting" a non-active nearby "District" to help them get involved in the local AA service community. Jean contacted one of the Districts that are in need and was told that the District was unaware of the "offer to help" and there was no interest in being "adopted" The matter is tabled until further instruction or more information is received

**New Business:**

- A committee was formed to begin preparation for the Sponsorship Workshop to be held in the fall. Committee members are Mike G., Brian M., David P. and Joan N?

Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

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