

Date: August 18, 2024

Attendance:

Total attendance: 14

Groups participating: 9

Officers present (4): DCM; ALT DCM; Treasurer; Secretary

Groups represented by GSR or Alt GSR (10): **Gates of Insanity (GSR); Rule 62 (GSR); AAlphabet Soup (GSR); Sobriety on Friday (GSR); Good News Group (GSR); Wednesday Night 12 Step (GSR); Forest Hill Friday Night (GSR); Sunday Reflections Group (GSR); Jarrettsville 12 Step (GSR); Came to Believe (GSR)**

Guest (1): Grapevine Rep

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

Secretary's report / previous month's minutes:

- July 2024 Minutes were approved.

GSR reports:

- **Good News Group** – Meet 7:00 p.m. Sunday; Centre United Methodist, about 11 homegroup members and about 22 regular meeting attendees. Speaker/Discussion meeting.
- **Gates of Insanity** Meet Friday night at 7:30 at Harford Community Church; speaker discussion meeting; have 12 homegroup members; a lot of young people in attendance from halfway houses so there are a lot of newcomers. Attendance around 30 people. Coffee – no snacks
- **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; coffee/snacks
- **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 Emanuel Episcopal Church; 8-9 homegroup members; had 15-20 in attendance; rotating format of Grapevine, speaker, step.
- **Jarrettsville 12 Step** Saturday 8 homegroup members. Meeting has reopened. 12 & 12 discussion meeting; homegroup members 8; Meeting attendance is usually 12+ people.
- **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** Meet Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at the McFaul Senior Center. There are around 16 home group members and attendance usually 30 to 40 people. There is coffee and snacks. This meeting is a microphone meeting hopefully making it easier for all to hear the message.
- **Came to Believe** Meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m. - Bel Air United Methodist Church, 25 homegroup members

DCM report

DCM talked about the following events:

- Area 29 Delegate Report – Plain Language Big books will be available late this year (Nov. 2024) - \$11.00 Box 459 – the AA newsletter will no longer be in available in print.
- Non-Alcoholic Trustee Position(s) and Alcoholic Trustee Positions are Open; Resume were due 8/31/2024.

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Treasurer's report:

- The July 2024 Treasurer's report were approved.

Old Business:

- The group voted to move the District 28 Meeting to the **3rd Monday** of each month. Meeting place is 2504 Creswell Road, Bel Air, MD 21015. There will be no refund of pre-paid rent from the present meeting facility as rent had been paid in advance up to August, 2024. Rent at the new place remains the same. The Area 28 meeting will continue to be in person and virtual.
- The discussion continued about the Sponsorship Workshop. Workshop to run from 9 – 12 noon – 10/26/2024; there will be 2 give aways, packets of materials will be available for all attendees; the Workshop Committee prepared a draft(s) of flyers (3) and the group voted on which draft to use. Some members assigned specific task on the day of the workshop. Jenifer E. to pick up bagels, Mike G. to get drinks and some other things; the set-up/clean-up work was assigned to Matt O and Scott O.

New Business:

There was a new discussion about District 28 sponsoring and inactive District in Baltimore County or City? More will be discussed in September.

Also, a discussion began on whether District 28 wants to host an Area Committee meeting. More discussion in September.

Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.

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