



ROCKLAND COUNTY INTERGROUP Minutes from March 5, 2013

Group Representatives present: Airmont Group, Any Lengths, Congers By the Book, Fellowship Road, Grapevine Group, Pearl River Group, Promises (Garnerville), Sloatsburg Group, Suffern Group, Sunrise Group, Thruway Men's Group.

Meeting was opened with the Serenity Prayer. 3rd Tradition was read.

REPORTS

Secretary Report: (Anne) Read and accepted.

Share-A-Day: (Shifra) Fifteen volunteers attended first planning meeting. Camp Ramah is tentatively booked for Sunday, September 8, 2013. Next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 30, 2013 @ 9:30 a.m. at the Nanuet Diner, and then on the last Saturday of the month (same time, same place) until September, with additional meetings as needed. Group reps encouraged to inform their home groups of this opportunity to meet people in A.A. and to do service.

Treasurer: (Jamie) Opening working balance for January was \$6,333.65. Group contributions were \$615.00, plus \$60.00 meeting list sales. Total expenses during the month were \$559.40, leaving a closing working balance of \$6,449.25.

SENY Liaison: This year's SENY Convention will be held March 22-24, 2013 @ the Tarrytown Marriott. The Area Assembly – Delegate's Day of Sharing will be held on Saturday, March 30, 2013. Delegate's Questionnaires are currently being distributed to groups. Area 49 is looking for a CPC Committee Chairperson and Accessibility/Special Needs Committee Chairperson. The SENY Archives Committee is conducting a project regarding anonymity and the internet. For information, contact archives@aaseny.org.

Women's Corrections: Caitlin is currently organizing the literature to be kept on-site at the Rockland County Correctional Center in New City; she is still looking for women to chair the meetings and requests that Intergroup reps continue to remind their home groups of this service opportunity. The commitment requires two years sobriety, no outstanding warrants, and five years since release if once an inmate there. Length of commitment is currently one year.

Men's Corrections: Intergroup needs a new Men's Corrections Chair. Also, anyone interested in chairing a meeting should speak with their Intergroup rep. for more information. Meeting times and commitment requirements are the same as noted in Women's Corrections.

Meeting Lists: (Kristina) Meeting Lists are selling well and we will need to go to print on the updated list by May or June. The online version of the meeting list is promptly revised as groups inform her of changes. Two recent changes: Pomona Wednesday night meeting is cancelled; a



women's closed discussion meeting has been added in Sloatsburg on Wednesdays @ 7:30 p.m. @ the United Methodist Church, 93 Orange Turnpike.

Answering Service: (Jenny) The phone service had 225 calls in February, averaging 3-4 minutes each. So far, research on other vendors is proving that Foremost's fees are a bargain. Operators have received updated meeting lists and provide that information to callers when asked. Jenny will provide guidelines to phone service reps who would like to use Foremost's call center portal to email their rosters rather than fax them. It has been brought to her attention that there are 24 hour blocks of time not covered by volunteers every time the commitment switches from one group to another. A motion passed for Jenny to reorganize the call lists, informing groups and implementing necessary changes to fill the gaps in coverage by the end of June. Only 15 groups currently participate in the phone service commitment. Group reps are encouraged to discuss this at their home groups if they do not currently participate; Jenny will attend an upcoming GSR meeting to see about increasing support.

H&I: Brian will attend next H&I Bookers meeting on 3/21/13. Jawonio is requesting that A.A. bring a regular meeting to its clients, and Brian will get more details.

Bookers Exchange: (Debbie) Thirteen groups showed up for the meeting tonight. Flyers and sign-up sheet are effective tools to increase participation, but we need ideas and support to get Northern NJ and Westchester interested in our Bookers Exchange.

P.I.: (Sean) Sheila requests \$100 for literature. Motion passed. No meeting scheduled for March. Caitlin brought three P.I. sessions to Clarkstown North High School earlier this week.

Website: No report.

Volunteerism Committee: No report.

Young People in A.A.: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Connor volunteers to serve as Young People in A.A. Liaison and is voted in.

NEW BUSINESS

Jeannie has tickets and information about the Spiritual Breakfast to be held on April 7, 2013 at the Crowne Plaza in Suffern, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Merritt will speak about Service in recovery, and Paul will share his experience, strength and hope. Tickets are \$25, advance sales only.

Motion to close at 8:58 pm; meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer.