



ROCKLAND COUNTY INTERGROUP

Minutes from March 4, 2014

Group Representatives present: Airmont Group, Any Lengths, Congers By the Book, Grapevine Group, Key to Sobriety, New Light Group, Pearl River Group, Rockland Big Book Workshop, Sloatsburg Group, Step by Step, Suffern Group, Thruway Men's.

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

REPORTS

Secretary Report: (Anne) Read and accepted.

Share-A-Day: (John) Please inform your home groups that Share-A-Day's first planning committee meeting will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2014 – 9:30 a.m. @ the Nanuet Diner. There are still committee positions available. The committee also needs volunteers willing to help out on the day of the event. Please contact John (through the website or your Intergroup rep) if you are interested but unable to attend the meeting, or if you have suggestions for a possible venue since we have not committed to a location yet.

Treasurer: (Sheila) Opening balance for February was \$5,124.59. Group contributions were \$649.00. Total expenses during the month were \$1,033.48, leaving a closing balance of \$4,740.11. Group donations are appreciated; please remind your Group Treasurers to include the Group name on checks so we know who to thank.

SENY Liaison: (Michele) The Delegate's Day of Sharing will be held in NYC on March 15. Questionnaires have been distributed to county GSRs and are available on the SENY website. Rockland County General Services is looking for a Grapevine Chair. This is a new service position in the county, suggested two years continuous sobriety and willingness to help get the Rockland County AA Grapevine Committee up and running.

Women's Corrections: (Edward) Caitlin sends word that there is an open service position to chair the women's meeting on alternate Wednesday evenings @ 7:30 p.m. at the Rockland County Correctional Center in New City; requires two years sobriety, no outstanding warrants, and five years since release if once an inmate there.

Men's Corrections: (Edward) Commitments are covered. He was informed that the jail will not have a new program director until July. In the meantime, he asks that group reps encourage chairs and speakers to please persevere and practice patience when visiting the jail. He is hopeful that the new program director will set up clear guidelines so that speaking commitments can run as smoothly as possible going forward.

Meeting Lists: (Kristina) Only five bundles are left, so she will have new lists printed later this month. A new meeting in Blauvelt and changes to the S.O.S. Group and Men's Thruway Group will be included in this printing, as well as updates concerning wheelchair accessibility. Please send any other changes directly to her. She will also look into the cost of reproducing folding cards that provide Intergroup information and quick reference to the Preamble, 12 Steps & Traditions.



Answering Service: (Josh) The first call cycle is complete, and only two groups didn't keep their commitments. He will follow up with them, and asks group reps to remind their home groups of this month's upcoming commitments.

H&I: No report.

Bookers Exchange: (Charlie) Fifteen groups showed up at tonight's Bookers Exchange, including three groups outside of the county. It is encouraging that more groups are attending, and that bookers are also using the phone contacts provided to set up speaking commitments.

P.I.: (Scott) Last month's P.I. committee meeting was better attended. Please continue to remind your home groups that the Public Information Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month at Christ Church in Suffern (intersection of Washington Ave. & E. Maple Ave.). All are welcome. There are still opportunities to "adopt a library." Interested groups are asked to send a representative to the next P.I. committee meeting.

Website: No report.

Volunteerism Committee: Sean reports that our Volunteerism Chair will be returning soon. He reminds us that every time we inform our home groups and local AA meetings about opportunities for AA Service we are helping to support Volunteerism.

Young People in A.A.: Connor provides flyers for upcoming YPAA events, notably the First Empire State Convention YPAA being held on August 15-17, 2014 in Fishkill, NY. Information on other upcoming YPAA events are posted on the Rockland County Intergroup website:
http://www.rocklandnyaa.org/group_events/upcoming_special_rockland_county_aa_Events.html

OLD BUSINESS

Sheila will follow up with our \$250 donation to the Spiritual Breakfast.

NEW BUSINESS

Jeanne C., Rockland DCMC visits to request assistance from Intergroup to put together flyers that describe the specific services covered by Rockland County General Service and Rockland County Intergroup. Some of the goals are: to clarify who is responsible for which areas so that we can better inform our groups, improve communication, support each other and not duplicate each other's efforts. Jeanne and Jenny, Intergroup Chair, will put together a draft to be reviewed and voted on by Intergroup and RCGS. In other new business, our webmaster will be given the DCMC's contact information so that he can forward relevant requests to her directly.

John C. encourages Intergroup reps to attend the upcoming SENY Convention: March 21-23, 2014 @ the Tarrytown Marriott.

Motion to close at 8:56 pm; meeting was closed with the Serenity Prayer.