

DISTRICT 4 NEWSLETTER

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AA PRINCIPLES

Step 9: Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Tradition 9: A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.

Concept 9: Good service leadership at all levels is indispensable for our future functioning and safety. Primary world service leadership, once exercised by the founders, must necessarily be assumed by the trustees.

Ninth Step Prayer: God give me the strength and direction to do the right thing no matter what the consequences may be. Help me to consider others and not harm them in any way. Help me to consult with others before I take any actions that would cause me to be sorry. Help me to not repeat such behaviors. Show me the way of Patience, Tolerance, Kindliness, and Love and help me live the spiritual life. AMEN
(p. 78-80 BB)

2017 Annual District wide Picnic:

This years, District 4 district wide picnic, was a great success despite a few rain drops and some gray clouds. At the height of the affair there were around 75 to 80 people in attendance. There was plenty of food, fun and fellowship for all that attended, ending in a moving speakers meeting with our guest speaker Nick from the Buffalo N.Y. area sharing his experience, strength and hope.

A special thanks to Anne for helping to get all of the volunteers together to help put this event on. To all those who gave their time and efforts a big thank you, you know who you are.

We also need to thank those groups and individuals whose donations helped us to provide the items needed to make this such a successful event, your donations were much appreciated.

Thank you to the following for you donations:

District #4; Friday Night Dysfunctional Group; Wednesday Journey Into Sobriety Group; Heart To Heart Group; Tuesday Night Moving Forward Group; Sunday Night Candle Light Group; Don A. from Arizona

Also a thank you for the stained glass window hanging donated by Don for our speaker.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Sandra P. 6

Crystal A. 5

Donations: Thank you to the following groups for their donation and support:

The Great Sacandaga Lake Group

The Happy Noon Hour Group

Northville Women's Group

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WORKSHOPS AND OTHER EVENTS

You can find all workshops and events on : <https://aahmbny.org/a-a-area-48-hmb-hudson-mohawk-berkshire/>

Area Events:

Election Assembly Saturday, September 9 Blooming Grove Reformed Church 706 Bloomingrove Drive Defreestville NY 12144	5th Tradition in Corrections Workshop Hosted by the Adirondack Cluster Thursday, September 21, 5pm – 8pm Plattsburg United Methodist Church 127 Beekman St. Plattsburg NY For more information email btg@aahmbny.org or see this flyer .
HMB Fall Assembly Saturday, October 14, 9am – 3pm St. James Episcopal Church 305 Main Street Oneonta, NY	HMB Convention November 3-5 Ramada Conference Center 542 Route 9 Fishkill, NY 12524 More information here

District Events:

District 12 Social Dance Saturday, September 9, 7:15pm – 12am First Methodist Church 400 N. George St. Rome, NY See flyer here .	Understand Traditions 4 & 5 Saturday, September 23, 9:30am – 12pm Community Life Church 20 W. Main St. Catskill, NY See flyer here .
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<p>Joy of Service Fellowship Day <i>District 13: The Myth, the Message, the Method</i> Sunday, October 8, 1pm – 3pm Quarry House Lower Platt St. Glens Falls, NY See flyer here.</p>	<p>Halloween Dance Hosted by District 18 Friday, October 27, 9pm – 12am 688 Columbia Turnpike (Corner of Hays Rd) East Greenbush NY See flyer here.</p>
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Young Peoples Events:

<p>ESCYPAA IV Meets every first and third Tuesday of the Month at 7:30pm St. Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church 10 Western Ave Albany, NY 12203</p>	<p>Pre-Registration for ESCYPAA IV Campout September 15 – 17, 2017 Pine Grove Family Camp 41 Pine Road Saratoga Springs, NY 12866</p>
<p>Pre-Registration for ESCYPAA IV is \$10!! November 9 – 12, 2017 Radisson Hotel Albany 205 Wolf Rd Albany, NY 12205</p>	

Regional Events:

<p>NERAASA (Northeast Regional AA Service Assembly) Hosted by Area 11 Connecticut February 23 – 25, 2018 Radisson Hotel Cromwell, CT For more information go to www.neraasa.org or e-mail neraasa2018@gmail.com</p>	
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Word from the Editor:

All meetings need support. Received word that the following **MEETINGS NEEDING SUPPORT (PLEASE)**

**OPPENHIEM 7:30 PM MONDAY OPEN DISCUSSION
METHODIST CH RT 29**

**ST JOHNSVILLE 7:30 PM THURSDAY CLOSED DISCUSSION
ST PAULS CH 32 WEST MAIN ST,**

Fulton County Women's Correctional Facility is looking for volunteers. If anyone else is interested in doing service work, please contact Maryanne B. at district4pi@aahmbny.org. OR you can contact Maryanne B. by leaving a message on the District Phone service at **518-735-2644**. **Corrections is looking for any and all literature that would help when doing service work. Please, if anyone could help with this, do so. This would be greatly appreciated.**

Also there are a number of groups looking for GSR's and/or volunteers to do service work. Please contact Jack S. for further information at above contact information. This is such a humbling experience.

Again, should anyone have any news, information or anything they would like to share, I certainly welcome this. If you change your email address, please contact me at District4newsletter@aahmbny.org

DISTRICT 4 CONTRIBUTION FORM

Group Name: _____

General Service Number: _____

Amount of Contribution: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Will Be In the Monthly Newsletter

MAIL CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

HMB District #4

P.O. Box 654

Gloversville, New York 12078

District 4 Meeting August 14, 2017

Call to order by Jack at 7:04.

Preamble was read by Jack

10 people in attendance DCM, Alternate DCM, Treasurer, 7 GSRs, one alternate GSR, 1 guest

Minutes for July meeting read and accepted.

Treasurers presented report and approved. Donations slow coming in.

DCM Report - Unable to attend NYS Information Workshop. No available space left to attend the workshop.

There are many positions open in the district and attendance is dwindling during summer. New officers will be nominated for the next two year terms at the next monthly district meeting.

September 9th Bloomingdale Reformed Church in *Defreestville, New York* Area Assembly Elections

District Chair reports:

Archives – Only one contact stepped forward with 30 days sobriety. Looking for people to get involved.

Bridging the Gap – Not present, It was requested that literature is needed to pass along to those needing connections.

Corrections - always looking for literature. Asked to have it announced in the Newsletter, announced at meetings, schedules needed.

CPCPI - next week conference call. Schedules wanted in library in Amsterdam and Johnstown

Functions - chair resigned. Anyone interested come to next District 4 meeting.

Newsletter - would like to drop newsletter and stand for the secretary position leaving Newsletter open.

Phone Service – Book turned in and Kirsten is taking the phone service Chair for a year. If she finds someone willing to help, she will train and let the district know about any new trusted servants. Directory will be provided by DCM.

Records – Meetings have and are being taken off the master list if there is not a GSR/contact person for the meeting.

Saturday Morning Wake Up Group changed to St. Luke's Church on Guy Park Avenue. This meeting cannot be changed without a contact person.

Canajoharie Up Front Group closed...Friday 7PM.

Accessibility - no contacts this month, however there is a 24/7 meeting room on computer. For information contact district4specialneeds@aahmbny.org

Old Business

DCM is going to present two sets of bylaws for the district to review. Next month he will present them at the district meeting to be brought back to the groups.

People asked to register for the Convention so they can get a more accurate number of attendees. District committee chairs attending the convention will get their registration fee reimbursed.

Veterans Meeting...asking for permission to have it in Recovery Center Bridge Street in Johnstown supposed to receive answer August 15. If not there, it will be at the Club House in Gloversville. Looking to begin first meeting 9/11 at 7pm.

Meetings at 76 Guy Park will receive a 90 Days notice. Do you want these meetings to continue??? Get involved!!